

PARROBORO.

[Progress is for sale at Parroboro Bookstore.]
Dec. 21.—The social events last week were two parties given by Mr. and Mrs. Young. The progressive euchre on Tuesday evening was played with a great deal of spirit and fun and at the close Mrs. Townsend and Mr. Upham received first prizes and Mrs. Woodworth and Mr. Campbell the booby prizes. The second party was on Thursday evening.

Mr. Grieron, of Halifax, paid a visit here lately in connection with Sunday school work. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McLeod.

Mr. C. Young, of St. Stephen and Dr. McLean, of Truro, were in town last week.

Rev. Mr. Downing gave an address in St. George's church on Tuesday evening on behalf of the society for home missions. On Wednesday he went to Port Greville.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Smith arrived home from Boston on Friday.

Miss Alice Aikman has lately returned from a visit to Halifax.

Mr. Cook of Truro is the new accountant in the Halifax Banking Company.

Mr. J. M. Townsend came down from Amherst on Saturday, and on Monday evening visited officially Miss Lodge, F. A. M.

Mr. Robb, of Oxford, who has been visiting at Dr. MacDougall's, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Copp's household is enlarged by the addition of a little daughter.

Mrs. Angus McGilguy is very seriously ill, only slight hopes being entertained of her recovery.

Mr. Christie of Springhill is in town.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Hibbert Corbett of Five Islands was celebrated last week. The aged couple received many golden offerings.

A ladies' whist club has been organized, the first meeting to be held at Mrs. Upham's this evening.

CHOCOLATE.

Hackmore Cures Coughs and Colds.

BRIDGETOWN.

Dec. 20.—Miss Nellie McGivern entertained a few of her friends, on Friday evening.

Miss Condie Crookill, who has been visiting Miss Annie James, has returned to Middleton.

Miss Jessie Whitman was in town on Saturday.

Miss May Randall, who has been visiting friends here, has gone back to Yarmouth.

Mrs. J. W. Beckwith is home from her visit to Windsor.

Among visitors in town last week were, Mr. Fred Dearborn, Mr. Walter Rankin and Mr. Lockwood.

Mrs. R. D. Taylor, South End, entertained a number of friends on Monday evening, in honor of her nephew, Harry Vaughan, who goes to St. John on Wednesday, to spend his holidays; games, etc., were the amusement of the evening, and as usual, everyone enjoyed themselves.

S. S.

Hackmore Cures Coughs and Colds.

SUMMERSIDE.

[Progress is for sale at the Electric Book Store.]

Dec. 21.—Rev. C. P. Lowe is absent on a little tour to Halifax.

Rev. J. H. Hunt of Charlottetown, conducted the services in St. Mary's and St. John's, during Mr. Lowe's absence.

Mr. Ted Hunt and Mr. Arthur Gurrus left town last week to seek their fortunes in the far West.

Miss Sara Green is home again after spending two very enjoyable weeks in Charlottetown.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Graves on the new arrival—a daughter.

Miss Ella Shaver returned from New Brunswick last week, after an absence of two weeks.

The science class under the tuition of Mr. Neil McLeod closed for a short season on Monday. Papers on different subjects were read by the following young ladies: Miss Myton, Miss Arbuckle, Miss Ramsay, Miss Linkletter and Miss Squarebags. All were well written but I think special mention is due Miss F. M. Myton whose subject was a deep one and ably grappled with. Mr. McLeod looked happy and I am sure felt pleased with the evident benefit derived from his course of lectures.

Mrs. Geo. McSweeney paid a short visit to her old home last week.

Rev. D. J. G. McDonald's still confined to the house but is improving.

Scarcely will the sound of the Christmas bells have died away than wedding bells will peal forth and one of Malpeque's fair daughters will become ours.

Miss Gaudin entertained a few of her friends last week by a little dance. It is needless to say a very pleasant time was passed.

Mr. F. R. Morrison, of Chatham, has been spending a few days in town.

Mrs. McNutt, of Malpeque, is to spend the winter in town.

Mr. Parker Carvell, of Charlottetown, was in Summerside a few days last week.

O. L. I.

Hackmore Cures Coughs and Colds.

SHEDIA.

[Progress is for sale in Shediac at A. Stone's store.]

Dec. 20.—The Misses Alice Purdy and Effie Johnson who have been visiting Mrs. Evans, returned to their homes in Sackville last week.

Mr. Kent Foster of Montreal, was in town, on Friday week.

The Episcopal churches of the town have sustained a loss in the departure of Rev. C. E. McKenzie, who, with his family left here last Wednesday afternoon, for Brockville, Ont., his new field of labour. Previous to Mr. McKenzie's going away, particular interest in, presented him with an elegant silver napkin ring, as a token of the friendship and esteem felt for him.

Mr. A. M. Rogers of Montreal, spent Sunday in town.

Post Office Inspector King was here on Saturday, of last week.

Rev. Mr. Stevens, of Glasgow, Scotland, who has been filling the vacancy of the Presbyterian church recently, spent last week in Scotch Settlement.

Miss Blanche Lodge, daughter of Rev. D. H. Lodge, delighted a large number of her young friends, by entertaining them at her birthday party on last Tuesday evening. The little guests found Miss Blanche a charming hostess, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Dr. E. A. Smith went to St. John, on Monday, for a short visit.

Mr. Ben. Smith of Buctouche, is spending some days in town, with his friends.

Prof. Packard of Moncton has been here lately, preparatory to starting a dancing class for the winter.

Mr. D. Schurman of Summerside, paid us a flying visit last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Schaeffer have moved from Pt. du Chene, and taken up their abode in the house on Main St., lately vacated by Mrs. Landry.

Miss Annie Smith of Cocagne, was in town last week.

The open air rink, presented a very gay appearance last Friday evening, the occasion being a carnival. Perhaps the most striking costumes on the ice, were those worn by "the ghosts".

Mr. W. Irving of Buctouche, was one of the strangers in town, on Monday.

The churches of the town are very busy at present, preparing for the festive season. The children of the Presbyterian Sunday school are to have an entertainment and Christmas tree on Friday evening, and on Thursday evening the scholars of the Baptist church are to be given a tea in their new vestry. The Methodist church is being handsomely decorated with spruce, etc., and the scholars of their Sunday school, are to have a Christmas tea, between Christmas and New Year.

Rev. Mr. Goodwin pastor of the Baptist church here, is to be ordained this Tuesday evening. Rev. Messrs Hinson of Moncton, Grant of Sussex and Warren of Sackville, are expected to be present.

Box-Ton.

ST. STEPHEN AND CALAIS.

[Progress is for sale in St. Stephen by Master Ralph Trainor and at the book store of G. S. Wall in Calais at O. P. Treat's.]

Dec. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. James L. Thompson, have invited some two hundred friends, to their residence on Friday evening, to help celebrate their silver wedding night. It is expected to be a brilliant affair.

The International whist club, met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Willard B. King, on Friday evening of last week, and an exceedingly pleasant evening was enjoyed. Mrs. King is a perfect hostess, and no guest ever enters her hospitable house, who does not fully enjoy every minute spent there.

There is in preparation, a literary and musical entertainment to be given in Calais at an early date, at which Mr. Charles L. Copeland of Harvard University, Miss Nelson, Miss Newton, and Mr. Smith Dexter, will assist.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Grimmer gave a very enjoyable whist and dancing party last Thursday evening, for the entertainment of her friend Mrs. Vanwart. Among the invited guests, were Mr. and Mrs. John Black, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. J. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Chipman, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graham, Dr. and Mrs. Whitney, Captain and Mrs. McAllister, Mrs. T. J. Smith, Mrs. Wetmore, Miss Nellie Smith, Miss Bessie Jack, (St. Andrews), Miss Kate Stevens, Mr. John Stevens, and Mr. Pethick.

Dr. and Mrs. Deacon returned from their bridal tour on Tuesday and are now at their residence in Milltown, where Mrs. Deacon will be "at home" every Wednesday afternoon during the month of January.

Miss Mabel Clarke arrived home to-day to spend the Christmas holidays.

Misses Nellie Sawyer and Charlotte Young are also at home and will spend their holidays in Calais.

Mrs. Henry Todd and Miss Margaret Todd have returned from their visit in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. S. H. Blair left last evening for Ottawa, where she will spend the winter with her son, Mr. W. L. Blair.

Miss Alice Cullinan is still in New York enjoying the pleasures and sights of that city.

Miss Christy Stevenson of St. Andrews was in town on Monday for a brief visit and was a guest at the Windsor.

Mrs. Hazen Grimmer went to St. John on Monday for a short visit.

Mrs. I. S. G. Vanwart, who has been Mrs. Hazen Grimmer's guest for the past two weeks, left on Monday for Fredericton.

Mr. W. F. Todd left on Saturday night for a hurried business trip to New York city.

Mr. Herbert Tilley made a brief visit here last week, and was the guest of Mayor Chipman.

Mrs. Nash of Harrington, Maine, arrived on Thursday last, accompanied by her young daughter, to spend Christmas day with her father, Mr. Warren Moore.

Masters Percy Smith and Chester McCuskey, arrived from Sackville, on Saturday, and will spend the holidays at their homes here.

Mr. Thomas Main's friends are glad to see him out again, after his long illness.

Miss Mollie Clarke's friends gladly welcomed her home again on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Abbie Yeasey, who sometime ago, went to Japan, arrived safely, and is delighted with her country. She is now engaged in teaching, and is greatly encouraged in the work.

Mr. C. H. Eaton is now seen driving about town, after a long illness.

Miss Connie Chipman has returned from St. John, having spent a week there with Lady Tilley.

Mayor Chipman has been visiting St. John this week.

The Provincial Secretary, Mrs. Mitchell and their daughter Miss Florence Mitchell, returned on Friday from Fredericton.

Mr. George J. Clarke spent Sunday and Monday in St. John.

Mr. James L. Thompson has returned from Colby College and will spend the holiday season in Calais.

Mr. Henry Graham went to St. John on Tuesday for a brief visit.

News of the death of Mr. Josephus Maxwell, reached here yesterday. He was one of our young townsmen, but during the past year had been engaged in business at Rumford Falls, Maine. He was a most promising young man, and the news of his death caused general regret among his friends and acquaintances. The sympathy of all goes to his widow mother and sisters.

Miss Morrison, of St. Andrews, came here on Tuesday to spend Christmas week among friends here.

Miss Bridges and Miss Hanson leave on Friday for Fredericton to spend their Christmas holidays.

GRAND MANAN.

Dec. 19.—Dr. Noyes and his son B. G. Noyes, Ph. D., returned to their home in Charlottetown on Thursday.

Hon. James Mitchell left by Monday's boat for his home.

Mr. William Russell, who has been ill for some time, died at his residence on Tuesday morning. Mr. Russell has been a resident of this island for many years and was universally respected. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon, the service being conducted by Rev. W. S. Covey.

The young ladies of St. Paul's church held a very pleasant soiree on Tuesday evening.

Mr. James Cook returned home on Friday.

Rev. T. O. DeWitt, of Hoyt station, is spending a few days on the island.

The ladies of the church of the Ascension held a very successful fancy sale and high tea on Thursday evening.

CAMPOBELLO.

Dec. 21.—The members of the "Girls Guild" in connection with St. Ann's church, held their sale of goods on Tuesday and realized the sum of \$25 dollars.

Mr. A. W. Hickson, who was called away on account of the death of his brother (Rev. J. Hickson) has returned.

Mrs. L. Byron has returned from her visit in Boston, much improved in health.

Mrs. Townsend and her daughter Mrs. Deshon, who have been visiting friends in St. John, have returned home.

Miss Madeline Calder of Eustport, spent Sunday with her parents.

Mr. W. H. Boone gave a grand soiree on Thursday evening in Flagg's Hall on Thursday evening, which was witnessed by a fair audience.

BUCTOUCHE.

[Progress is for sale at J. S. McDonald's Store and by Daniel A. Fraser.]

Dec. 20.—Mrs. McCullough and Miss Kathleen McCullough, have returned from their visit to Cape Tormentine. Mrs. McCullough intends keeping her new residence, recently erected by Robert Gallant.

Mr. R. A. Irving, of Dalhousie College, Halifax, arrived home on Saturday evening, where he intends spending his Christmas vacation.

Mr. J. T. Hutchinson and Mr. James Barnes left on Monday morning for Queen's county, where they intend spending a few days in deer hunting.

The ladies of the Methodist church have decided to hold their basket social and entertainment on Wednesday, 29th Dec., in the sample room lately situated by Mr. Charles Wry.

Mr. J. D. Irving, left on Monday morning for St. John.

Miss Bertie Cunneen and Miss Serena Deberry are expected home from the Ladies College, Sackville, on Wednesday evening.

PROGRESS is for sale in Boston at "King's Chapel News Stand,"—Corner of School and Tremont streets.

FREDERICTON.

[Progress is for sale in Fredericton at the book store of W. T. H. Fenety and by James H. Hawthorne.]

Dec. 21.—Sir John Allen entertained a number of his gentlemen friends at dinner on Tuesday evening. The French reading class met at Miss Gertrude Gregory's last evening.

Mrs. Shuttleworth has been spending a couple of weeks in the city, but intends going to St. John to spend Christmas with friends there.

Mrs. Walter Fisher has gone to Woodstock to spend Christmas at her old home.

Mr. Jas. Lemont and Miss Lemont returned home today from a two weeks' vacation spent in New York and Boston.

Mrs. F. W. Emmerson of Petitcodiac, who has been in the city to attend the marriage of her sister, Miss Cunningham, to Mr. D. Jordan, returned home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Fisher, of Toronto, are here for the holidays, the guests of Mrs. Fisher's mother, Mrs. Wm. Fowler.

Capt. and Mrs. Akerley left to-day for St. John to spend the holidays with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowland H. Creed of Rawdon, N. S., are here for the holidays, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Creed.

Miss Bailey sailed from England in City of Berlin, on Wednesday last and after visiting New York for a time will return home.

Prof. and Mrs. Stockley and Prof. Dixon will spend Christmas in St. John.

Miss Armstrong has returned to her home in St. John.

The Misses Sterling entertained a few friends Monday evening.

Mr. Robin Jack of New Westminster, B. C., visited his old home in the city last week.

The rehearsal for the opera met at Mrs. Montgomery Campbell's on Monday evening.

Miss Minnie Richards will spend the Christmas holidays with friends in New York.

Lieut. Macdonald has gone to London, Ont., to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Ed. Phair and daughter Gretchen of Boston are the guests of Mrs. D. Hatt.

Mr. William Bayley of the Boston dental college, is home for the holidays the guest of his parents Dr. and Mrs. Bayley.

Mrs. Foster is visiting her daughter Mrs. Bridges at the university.

Mr. Arthur Harrison of Cincinnati is visiting his old home in the city.

Miss Mabel Gregory, who has been visiting friends in Nova Scotia for the past three months, has returned home.

Miss Fanny Phair returned home from St. John to-day.

Miss May Rowley, of Marysville, returned home to-day from Sackville Academy.

Mr. Thos. Temple is home from Ottawa for the holidays.

Mrs. J. R. Inch has gone to Sackville to visit her daughter, Mrs. Hutton; she was accompanied by her grandson, Master Horace Hutton.

Mr. Frank A. McInnis, of Boston, spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. Arthur Edgcombe of St. John, is visiting her old home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Babbitt will spend Christmas with friends in St. John.

The many friends of Miss Lizzie Smith are pleased to see her again but are grieved to know she is in ill health.

Miss Clark, of the Normal school, met with a serious accident on Tuesday morning. On entering the Normal school she slipped and broke her arm.

Miss Agnes Cameron, died very suddenly this morning. She had been in ill health for some time but her death was quite unexpected.

Miss White has gone to her home in Sussex for the holidays.

Prof. Duff will spend his Christmas in St. John.

Miss Bessie Babbitt has returned home and will not resume her school.

Mr. Lee Street is home from McGill for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred La Forest, of Edmundston, are visiting friends in the city.

Mr. Geo. G. Diblee is home for the holidays.

CRICKET.

MONCTON.

[Progress is for sale in Moncton at the Moncton Book Store, Main street, and on the streets by J. E. McCoy.]

Dec. 21.—The King's Daughters held a fancy sale and five o'clock tea in the parlors of the Brunswick hotel, yesterday afternoon, the rooms being kindly placed at their disposal by Mr. and Mrs. McSweeney. The latter of whom is an active member of the guild. The parlors were prettily fitted up, and the young ladies in charge of the tables charmingly dressed. Indeed everything looked fresh, dainty, and pretty. From the costumes of the fair waiters who attended so well to the wants of their guests, to the table appointments and the appetizing tea itself. I do not know yet how successful they were, as far as dollars and cents are concerned, but as a pleasant place to spend part of a cold afternoon, and as an attractive picture, the Hotel Brunswick parlors could not well have been surpassed, yesterday afternoon. I fear it may have been just a little too near Christmas for people to have much spare cash, but those of us who have, could scarcely find a better way of spending it than in helping these brave young ladies who give up so much of their time to unostentatious good works, and who seem to have "God's poor" so near their hearts. I believe the proceeds of the sale are to be devoted entirely to the work of the guild, amongst the poor.

Speaking of "God's poor" reminds me that Mr. W. B. Hinson, pastor of the First Baptist church, has issued his usual Christmas appeal for the poor of Moncton. Just as surely as Christmas week comes, Mr. Hinson's earnest request for help to be extended to those who are sick, poor or helpless, has not failed, for the past six years to appear, and I believe it invariably meets with generous response.

The West end Whist club was entertained on Friday evening by Mrs. Gordon M. Blair, at the residence of her mother Mrs. William Weldon, of Main street. There were four tables and it is needless to say that a very pleasant evening was spent.

By the way what has become of the once flourishing East end club; it has departed with the Bread and Butter club and decided to prolong its summer slumber until next year, or is it merely waiting till the holiday season is over to resume activity.

Miss Wortman and her pupils gave a recital last Wednesday evening in the W. C. T. U. hall and at which only the physical exercises but the readings and recitations were far above the average of amateur performances. The reading of Jean Ingelow's "Songs of seven" by Mrs. George Boyd, Nettie Smith, Jennie Girvan, Hattie Whitney, Edie Borden and L. Rowe, are especially worthy of mention, together with Miss Beulah Archibald recitation of "Teddy O'Rourke." These readings being given with wonderful ease and finish for such very youthful performers. Miss Jean Crandall's song "I had a letter from papa today" also deserves mention, while the other members of the class did so well that it would be difficult to particularize. The children were kindly assisted by some grown people notably Miss Crookill, Miss Mary Fawcett, and Miss Wortman herself, who gave a reading by special request. The hall was well filled and the entertainment a pronounced success in every way, reflecting great credit upon Miss Wortman as a teacher.

Miss Jean Thomson is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. C. J. Butcher, but returns to her home in Newcastle this week.

Mr. George R. Parkin spent last Monday in town, the guest of his nephew, Mr. J. A. Wortman of the I. C. R.

Miss Poole, of Charlottetown, is spending a few weeks in town, visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Whitney of Church street.

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St. John, N. B.

Mr. W. E. Fair, of St. John, formerly of Moncton, paid a short visit here last week.

Mrs. C. J. Butcher gave a most enjoyable little dance on Monday evening, entertaining about 25 of her friends. It was rather impromptu, being given in honor of Miss Jean Thomson, but was none the less pleasant on account of being hastily arranged.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beldome, intend going to housekeeping again soon after the new year, the Bank of Montreal having purchased Mrs. Botsford's property on Church street as a residence for the manager. The house is being put in thorough repair.

Moncton people were very much shocked yesterday to hear of the death of Mrs. Galt, mother of Mr. John Galt late of the I. C. R., which took place very suddenly last Saturday evening at her home in Fredericton. Mrs. Galt was a resident of Moncton for some years and left many warm friends here when she removed with her two daughters to Fredericton. Very great regret is felt at her sudden death and deep sympathy expressed for the Misses Galt in their sudden bereavement. The remains were taken to Goderich, Ont., Mrs. Galt's former home, for interment, the Misses Galt accompanying their mother's remains to its last resting place.

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HARCOURT.

Dec. 22.—Mrs. W. F. Brown of Richibucto was here yesterday the guest of Mrs. John Beattie and returned home today.

Mr. L. L. Glenn, proprietor of the Central left for St. John by last evening's accommodation train.

Mr. J. D. Phinney, M. P. P., was at the Central on Monday going south.