

PICTOU.

Mar. 14.—Pictou's parties have somewhat quieted down since the last month. The tennis and club dances have both been postponed...

Mr. George Elliott was in Halifax this week, also Mr. E. M. McDonald and Mr. H. G. Ives.

The boys' race at the rink last Tuesday evening was quite exciting, so many entries had been made that the race was won in heats...

Mrs. Clarence Primrose, left on Wednesday for Halifax to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Longworth, and Miss Brown of Charlottetown, were in town Wednesday, on their way home to the Island.

Mrs. Snow, gave a snow-shoe tramp on Wednesday afternoon, which was very much enjoyed by everyone.

The day was lovely, and after tramping three miles, all returned to Mrs. Snow's to five o'clock tea.

Some of those present were, Mr. and Mrs. George Johnstone, Miss K. Davies, Misses Ferguson, Miss McDonald, Miss Fraser, Misses Simpson, Miss Bonn, Miss M. Gordon, Messrs. Munro, Dunstan, Macrae, Simpson, Yorton, Metzler, Dawson, Primrose, Huntsman and Fraser.

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ST. STEPHEN AND CALAIS.

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March 15.—This week has not been as gay as the past three. The quiet has been rather acceptable, after so much gaiety, yet it has not been dull, for there have been several whist parties among those who are devoted to the game.

Mrs. C. W. Young on Saturday invited several of her lady friends to tea with her and included in her invitation, the very young children of each lady. It was a very happy gathering, the beauty and cunning quaint speeches and nays of the little ones making amusement for all.

A party of young ladies and gentlemen went to Moore's Mills on Monday evening and enjoyed a dance and supper there.

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MONCTON.

[Progress is for sale in Moncton at the Moncton Book Store, Main street, A. H. Jones, and at J. L. May's.]

March 15.—Miss Maggie McKean returned last week from her long visit to New York, where she has been spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Williamson. Miss McKean's bright presence has been sorely missed in our city this winter, and her numerous friends are delighted to welcome her again.

Mr. C. C. Chipman, Canadian Commissioner of the Hudson Bay Company, accompanied by Mrs. Chipman, spent several days in town last week, visiting his mother, Mrs. Allan Chipman.

Miss Robertson, of Sussex, who has been spending some weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Borden, has returned home. Miss Robertson made many friends during her stay in Moncton, and will always be sure of a warm welcome when she visits us.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beldome have moved into their new residence, the house of the late Judge Botsford, which has been purchased by the Bank of Montreal, as a residence for the manager. It has been renovated and refitted in every respect for the new tenants, and is one of the most desirable properties in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Beldome are to be congratulated upon their good fortune in securing such a pleasant home in a town where large family residences are not very easy to obtain just when they are wanted.

A meeting was held in the Y. M. C. A. hall, Thursday evening, for the purpose of organizing a choral society, for the city. The meeting was well attended, numerous members of the different church choirs, and others interested in musical affairs being present.

Dr. G. T. Smith was elected chairman, and Mr. A. M. MacKay, secretary. Mr. W. Harry Watts, organist of the Central Methodist church, who is the promoter of the society, explained the object of the meeting, and asked the hearty cooperation of his audience in forming it.

The audience seemed unanimous in their opinion of the excellence of such a society, which was at once formed, and successfully launched upon its career.

The highly original and suggestive title of "Moncton Choral Society" I know of no more admirable and striking evidence of the Moncton citizen's faith in the future of his city, than his extraordinary love for its name. Why was the society not called after its energetic originator and known to all people as the "Watts Choral Society?"

The officers chosen to look after the interests of the society were: Mr. J. H. Watts, President, Rev. E. B. Hooper Vice-President, A. M. MacKay, Secretary, Mr. G. W. Daniel, Treasurer, Mr. J. W. Hogg, Librarian, Mrs. Dunn, Miss Crosskill and Miss McCarthy, Accompanists. After a vote of thanks had been tendered Mr. Watts for his energy, and interest, and some music, the meeting broke up.

Mrs. Alexander McBean, who has been visiting relatives in St. John for the past few weeks, returned to Moncton last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Winter left town last week for Halifax where they took the steamer Vancouver for Liverpool. They intend spending three months in different parts of England, visiting relatives of Mr. Winter's.

Miss Bertie Lindsay, of Rivere du Loup is spending a short time with her sister, Mrs. Ernest Givan, of King street.

St. George's church was the scene of a quiet but very pretty wedding last Wednesday evening, when Miss Florence Tait, married daughter of the late William Tait, was married to Mr. H. B. Titus, of the I. C. B. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. B. Hooper, rector, in the presence of a large number of friends. The bride wore a very pretty costume of navy blue cloth, and was unattended. She was given away by her uncle, Mr. A. P. Tait. The bride who is a member of St. George's church choir will be greatly missed by her numerous friends in Moncton, as her home will be in Newcastle for the future. Mr. and Mrs. Titus drove directly to the station to take the evening train for their new home.

Miss Thompson, of Newcastle, spent a few days in town last week visiting her sister, Mrs. C. J. Butcher, and it is scarcely necessary to say that her Moncton friends welcomed her very enthusiastically.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Thorne, of St. John, spent Sunday in town, visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Marjie, of Alma street.

News was received on Monday of the death of Mr. Allen Weir, eldest son of the late Jonathan Weir, which took place at St. John. Mr. Weir has been in failing health for some time, and was 42 years of age. Very great sympathy is felt for the family as this is the third death which has occurred in their circle, within a year. The funeral took place yesterday from his mother's residence on Foundry street.

Word was also received on Saturday of the death of Dr. C. W. Bradley's mother, which took place on Friday night at the home of her daughter, East Waterdown, Mass. Dr. Bradley was on his way home from the funeral of his uncle at Milwaukee when he was overtaken at Chandler by the sad news and at once returned to Waterdown. It is not more than a year since Dr. Bradley lost his father, and his friends will sympathize deeply with him in his second affliction.

I am afraid my news this week is of rather a sad nature, as there seems to be so many deaths to chronicle. A particularly sad death took place on Wednesday morning when Mrs. Brady, mother of Miss Brady, a teacher in one of the public schools, died suddenly and alone, at her boarding house on Botsford street. Miss Brady left her mother apparently in her usual health in the morning, and on returning at noon found her lying across the bed quite dead. Dr. Ross was summoned and pronounced heart trouble the cause of death. Mrs. Brady was a Miss Starrett, of Philadelphia, and widow of the late Dr. Brady, of Barnesville, Kings County. Miss Brady was her only child, and great sympathy will be felt for the poor young girl in her terrible bereavement. The body was taken to Barnesville for interment on Thursday.

I am happy to say that Mr. and Mrs. Butcher are to remain residents of Moncton, Mr. Butcher having gone into the insurance business.

CECIL GYNNNE.

HAMPTON.

[Progress is for sale in Campbellton at the store of A. E. Alexander, wholesale and retail dealer in dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes, hardware, school books, stationery, furniture, carriages and machinery.]

March 15.—The Bathurst curlers were in town on Thursday last and played a friendly game with "our boys." Bathurst as usual came off victorious.

Mr. W. E. Paver, of Moncton, was in town on Friday.

Mrs. Jago, of Fredericton, is visiting Mrs. K. Shives.

Mr. Charlie Hall, of St. John, spent Thursday in Campbellton.

Mrs. O'Regan and Miss Murphy, of Dalhousie, were the guests of Mrs. Hugh O'Keefe last week.

Miss Maggie Harper drove to Escuminac, P. Q., on Wednesday and is staying with Mrs. Fair.

Another exceedingly pleasant evening was enjoyed by the members of the Baptist congregation at the residence of Mrs. James Patterson on Thursday last.

Misses Mand and Etie Johnson left on Monday night for St. John where they intend visiting friends.

Miss Nellie Williams has returned from a pleasant visit to St. John and Moncton.

Mrs. Biss Lutz who has recently been quite ill, is improving slowly.

A very enthusiastic temperance meeting was held in the Presbyterian church on Saturday evening. Rev. Messrs. McConnell and Sabies addressed the congregation on the evils of the intoxicating cup at some length, followed by the Rev. Mr. Carr. The united choirs of the several churches provided excellent music.

Mr. Wilson Stewart, of Dalhousie, is in town. Mrs. Hugh O'Keefe entertained a few friends at a whist one evening last week.

Mrs. A. Lacasse and Miss Letellier have returned from New Richmond accompanied by their sister Mrs. A. Piamond.

Miss Corinne Venner was ill several days last week, but we were glad to see her at the rink on Saturday.

Mr. John Decker formerly of Campbellton, but now of Nebraska spent a couple of days here, on his way to Moncton.

Miss McKinnon of Flatlands, spent Sunday with Miss McAlister.

Last week I omitted to mention a very jolly entertainment given by Mr. H. Sears to a few of his friends. Nothing could be more pleasant than the few games of whist thoroughly enjoyed by Messrs. William Raimie, Geo. Moffat, (Dalhousie), James Johnson, William Murray, W. W. Doherty, L. S. Brown, and F. W. Daniel. In the course of the evening a most delicious supper was served.

Mrs. W. W. Doherty and baby went to Dalhousie on Monday.

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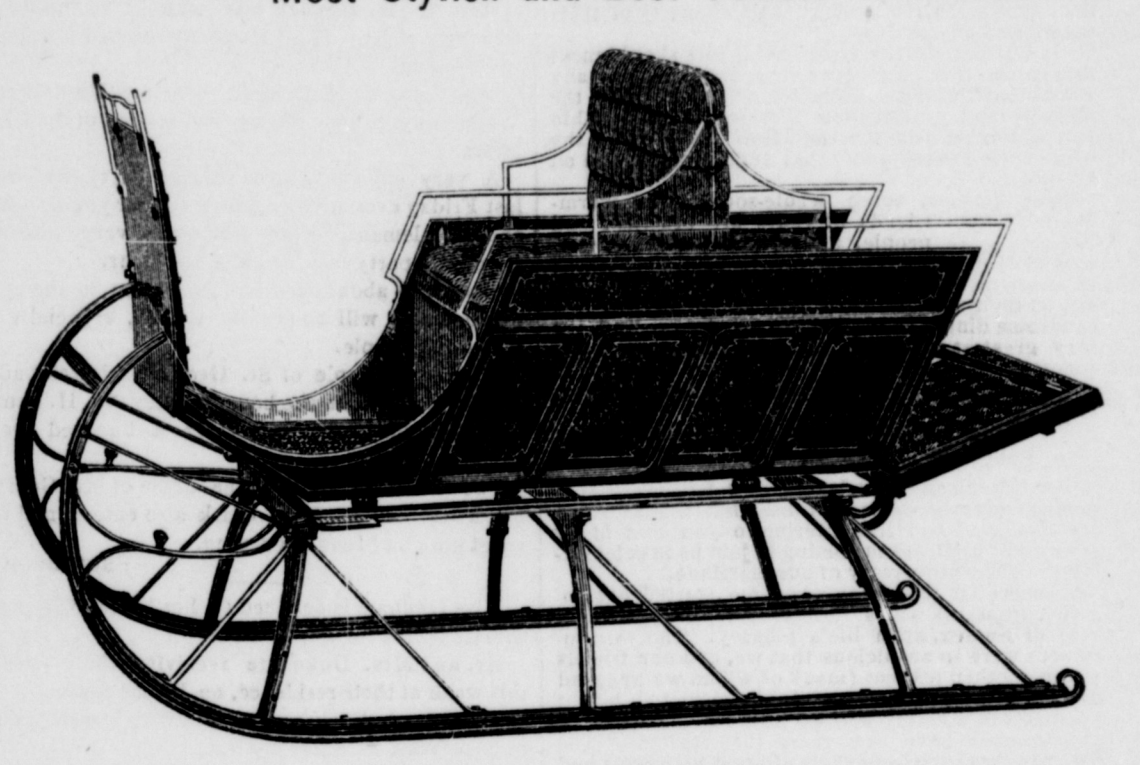
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