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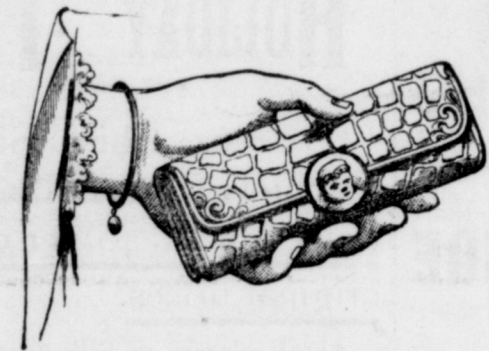
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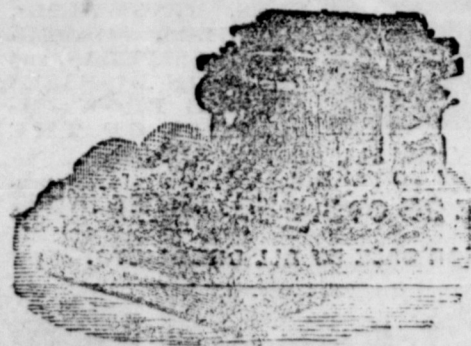
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St. John—South End.

I omitted to mention last week two very enjoyable juvenile parties, one on Thursday evening, given by Mrs. George F. Smith, Union street, and one on Friday by Mrs. Inches, Germain street.

The At Home given by Sir Leonard and Lady Tilley, on Saturday last, was a most pleasant gathering. Over 100 guests were present, chiefly young people though there were a few married ones. Five o'clock tea was served after which several of the guests gave musical selections.

Notwithstanding the downpour of rain on Monday which was kept as a holiday, quite a number of gentlemen observed the old time custom of making calls. Many attended Sir Leonard and Lady Tilley's reception on that day, and in the evening there were many social gatherings.

Canon and Mrs. Brizstocke entertained a few of the young friends of their son, Mr. Robert Brizstocke, who after spending a short holiday in St. John, returned to Kingston, Ont., on Tuesday.

On Monday evening a very pleasant juvenile party was given by Mrs. John McAvity, at her residence, Leinster street, for her daughter, Miss Eleanor McAvity. The evening was spent in playing progressive angling, after which a delicious supper was provided and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

On Wednesday evening a pleasant gathering of young people met at the residence of Mrs. Thorne, Wellington Row, the occasion being a juvenile party for her grandson, Master Harrison, who is home for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. George Emery has been confined to his home, Duke street, for the past fortnight, with a slight attack of typhoid fever.

Mr. George Harvey, of the bank of Montreal, is spending his holidays in Boston.

Mrs. Charles F. Harrison, gave a pleasant party last evening at her residence, Germain street, for her daughter, Miss Lily Adams.

The ball which was given at the assembly rooms on Tuesday evening by the "Mononcton Club" (the meaning of which word coined for the occasion is "One Night" Club) was one of the most successful and pleasant dances ever held there; and those who had been looking forward to an enjoyable evening were not disappointed. All the arrangements and details were faultlessly carried out, and the chief elements which go to make up a good ball were all to be found, viz., efficient managers, good music and refreshments and a splendid floor—the latter being as fine as the most fastidious disciple of Terpsichore could wish—and though the rooms were well filled the dancing floors could hardly be called crowded. The chaperons could hardly be called when there were more than the usual number) having ample opportunity of enjoying each other's society and seeing all the dancers at the same time. The programme consisted of 17 dances and three supper extras (an excellent arrangement and well planned). As no encores were allowed, the full number was danced before any of the guests departed. The ladies' reception committee were: Comtesse de Bury, Mrs. W. H. Tuck, Mrs. G. Sidney Smith, Mrs. G. E. King, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Bayard, Mrs. Dever, Mrs. W. F. Harrison, Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. G. F. Smith, with Mrs. James Stratton, Mrs. G. K. McLeod, Mrs. H. Grant, Miss Katie Jones, Mrs. Adams and Miss Mabel Smith as a supper and decoration committee. They were indefatigable in carrying out their duties of receiving the guests, and added much to the enjoyment of all, while the sub-committee of gentlemen, who acted as floor managers, and executive seemed to be everywhere at once and no detail was too small to escape their notice. The room used for receiving the guests and sitting out between dances was tastefully fitted up with easy chairs, couches, screens, and shaded lamps, while the supper table was prettily decorated with pink and green. Pink shaded lamps, pink centre piece, pink confectery and pink flowers arranged with plenty of green.

I would like to give a description of the ladies' dresses, but it would be almost impossible as all looked well and it would be difficult to select even a few, without leaving out numbers that deserve mention. It seemed to me two thirds of those present wore new gowns. They were of so many varieties it would be hard to say which style was the favorite, of course there were a few ladies whose general appearance and style of dress, did not please most of the onlookers, as the fashion is rather new for St. John, the eye is not yet accustomed to it. I hope the Mononcton Club may become a permanent organization, and that we may have a one night ball at least, once a year. Among the strangers present, Mr. J. and Miss Harris, (Moncton) Mr. Black, (Sackville) Miss Burnsides, (Fredericton) Prof. and Mrs. Stockley (Fredericton) Miss Smith, (St. Stephen) Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery Campbell, (Apoahqui) Mr. G. A. Haggerty, (McAdam).

Lieut. Harry Kaye of the Fusiliers has gone to the Cavalry school, Quebec, for an equitation course. Mr. Likely is lying seriously ill at his residence, Rockland Road.

Miss Agnes Warner, left on Tuesday night, for Montreal, to resume her studies at McGill College.

Miss Florrie Peters of Moncton is the guest this week of her friend, Miss F. H. Flinn.

Messrs. Arthur Branscombe and Richard Edgcombe spent Sunday in Fredericton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Carleton returned home on Tuesday after a fortnight's visit to Grand Falls, V. Co.

Mrs. Van Metre and Miss Dolly Cole, of Moncton are the guests of Mrs. Golding, Princess street.

Mrs. Alired Seely, who has been confined to the house through illness the past few weeks, is convalescent.

Mr. Steve Palmer spent a day or two of this week in Moncton.

Miss Maud Pye of St. Martin's seminary has been spending a few days in the city.

MEADOW-SWEEP. Miss Forbes, daughter of Mr. Gordon Forbes, left by Sunday night's train for Boston, where she intends remaining for the winter.

The first marriage of the new year was that which took place in Calvin church on Monday evening, the contracting parties being Mr. Leonard J. Kirk, son of Mr. James Kirk, of High street, and Miss Eliza Ralston, youngest daughter of the late Mr. James Ralston.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Dunn have returned home after a visit to Houlton, Maine.

Mrs. Neales of New Haven, Connecticut, is spending a few weeks here, she is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Edward Simonds, Peters street.

Rev. R. Arsenault, who has been here for the past week, has returned to the college at Memramcook.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clerk of this city, are making a visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Norman Ransay of Clarence, N. S.

Miss Celia Armstrong, daughter of Col. J. Russell Armstrong who is attending the Normal school at Fredericton is spending the vacation here with her parents.

Mrs. E. W. Hendershot left on Friday night for

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California where she intends spending some months for the benefit of her health. Mr. Hendershot will accompany his wife as far as Chicago.

Mr. R. D. Dickson a former well known resident of this place, but who now lives in Halifax is making a visit to his old friends here.

The friends of Mrs. Travers sympathise with her in the death of her sister, Miss Bridget Sweeney, which occurred at the residence of Dr. Boyle Travers, on Friday. The deceased lady was sixty-nine years of age, and had been an invalid for some time, she was a sister of the Bishop of St. John.

DELTA. A most enjoyable dance was given in the Pugsley building on Monday evening last by "the committee," Messrs. Kenneth J. MacRae, Walter Gilbert, Percy W. Thompson, Sandy McMillan and S. J. Baxter. The dance was given for the younger members of society who have not yet made their debut. It would be indeed a difficult task to name the belle the young ladies all looking extremely well. The chaperons were Mrs. James McMillan, Mrs. Gilbert Pugsley, Mrs. D. B. Warner, Mrs. A. G. Jardine, Mrs. John H. Thompson. The music by Harrison's orchestra was excellent, and encores were the order of the evening. After the second extra, all present joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne." Hearty thanks were given to the chaperones and committee who worked with a zeal to make the dance a success. Their efforts were fully repaid, as it was voted one of the most successful of its kind. Among those invited were Misses Mary McMillan, Bessie Pugsley, Ethel Beer, Annie Lawton (ladies' committee), Misses Lucy Beer, Hazel Campbell, Fannie Rainnie, J. Yassie, Janie Yassie, Jean Rainnie, Helen Robertson, Maud Pugsley, Mabel Thomson, Mona Thomson, Gerrie Davidson, Gerrie Allison, Edith Cushing, Georgie Seaman, Jean Johnston, Jessie Johnston, Mary Harv, Helen Seely, the Misses Schofield, G. Skinner, Maud Skinner, Bessie Robertson, Isabella Donville, Mary Robertson (Rothsaya), Helen Hamilton, Lily Adams, Nan McDonald, Edith Rainnie, Mamie Christie, Bessie Schofield, Mable Patton, D. Patton, Grace King, Daisy Oultram, Dora Nicholson, Ethel Butt, Louise Parks, Lilian Wade, Tris DeVeber, Annie Smith, Lena Dunn, Grace Fairweather, Bessie Botwick, Mary Warner, Grace Jones, Grace Seovil, Jessie Walker, Bessie Matthews, Edith Hall, L. McAvity, Grace Hanington, Ida Foster, Louise Holden, Amy Blair, Agnes Thorne, Flossie Cowan, Ada Williams (Moncton), Misses Hyde (Truro), Ella Seton (Halifax), Katherine Smith (Windsor), Eva Hetherington (Halifax), Maud McNaughton (Truro), Violet Macrae, Edith Skinner, Miss Seabury (Boston), Kate Harris (Moncton), Angie Neal (Fredericton), Emma Payne, Lottie McKean, and Messrs. Lawton, Robertson, Hall, Parks, White, Harrison, Pleasant, Lockhart, Bowman, Clarke, Foster, Keator, McKean, Purdy, Rainnie, Johnston, Olive, Sancton, Fairweather, Manuel, Hall, Fraser, Oultram, Foster, Pugsley, Dunn, MacRae, Hazen, McLeod, Temple, Oulton, Hegan, Stone, Holden, Kinuar, Mausnell, Milligan, Burpee, Berton, Warner, Harrison, Taylor, Puddington, Magee, J. E. Hetherington, J. Elliott Smith, B. Harrington, A. Wild, Michael Wood and E. Neal (Halifax), J. H. Harris (Moncton), and B. Seton (Halifax).

A most enjoyable party was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Thompson, Mecklenburg street, on Tuesday 29th, it being the fifth anniversary of their wedding day, over a hundred of their friends being present. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were presented with two very handsome parlor chairs accompanied by an address, also numerous fancy as well as useful articles of wooden ware, showing the esteem in which they were held. Delightful music, dancing and whist were enjoyed by the young people. A bounteous supper was served at midnight, after which dancing was again indulged in. The rooms being so well adapted to this most popular amusement the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all. After wishing Mr. and Mrs. Thompson a happy New Year, the party broke up.

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St. John—North. Mrs. Chalmers, together with her daughter Agnes and son Frederick, leave shortly for the South.

Miss Jordan leaves to day for Sackville, where she will accompany her niece, Miss Katie Robertson and Miss Annie Maxwell who will attend the Academy there during the coming term.

Messrs. Hilyard Bros. returned to their respective homes this week.

Miss Agnes Hanington is visiting friends in Fredericton.

Miss Blanche Wisely returns to Sackville to-day. Miss Mary Kane and Miss Minnie Dias returned to the Memramcook convent on Tuesday.

Mrs. A. F. Kenney gave a very pleasant party Wednesday evening at her residence, Main St., in honor of Capt. Kenney's niece, who is visiting them and also for Mr. Lee of the University, Michigan.

PEANUTS. Miss Bessie Parker of Boston, is visiting St. John this week.

Mrs. A. R. Armstrong, who has been visiting here, has returned to her home at St. Andrews.

Miss H. Everitt, who has been visiting here, returned to her home, Fredericton, last week.

Mrs. Charles King has removed to her former home in Calais, where she will remain for the winter.

Miss Emma Cullinan, who is a student at the

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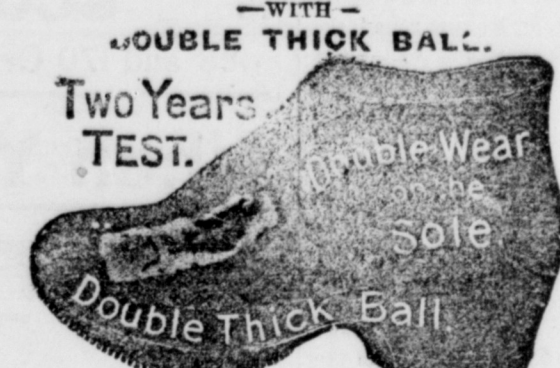
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