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DEC. 27 .- Miss Mabel H. Parsons has returned home after two months' absence in Chicago, Port Huron, Niagara, New York and other cities. Miss Parsons passed through the Wyoming valley at the time of the Lehigh railroad strike, and reports, at least, one day's thrilling experience.

Mr. A. A. Tupper, of South Framington, is in Halifax at present. He is interested in the Oak Island Treasure company recently organized to renew the search on Oak Island. Mr. Tupper assisted in sinking the shaft in 1850, in the first search for the supposed hidden treasure.

There was a German Christmas festival at the Dering-Brauer conservatory of music on Tuesday evening. The attendance was large, and the pregramme enjoyed by all present.

Dr. Goodwin has returned from Baie Verte, N. B., where he was present at the marriage of his sister, Miss Maude Goodwin to Mr. E. P. Atkinson. The groom is a brother of Dr. Atkinson, who was formerly on the staff of the Victoria General hospi-

Lieutenant-Governor Daly made a Chirstmas donation of ten dollars to each of the charitable institutions in this city.

On Tuesday evening Mrs. Creighton fell on Argyle street, and fractured her arm. She was attended by Dr. Walsh.

Mr. A. F. Bell, secretary elect of the Y. M. C. A., arrived in the city on Saturday evening, from Springhill, where he is taking a course at the training school. Mr. Bell will continue his studies for some months before entering upon his duties in this

At the close of the service in the Oxford street Methodist church on Sunday morning, Mr. Robert Norman was presented with a Masonic watch chain by the members of the choir, in appreciation of the excellent services he has rendered during the past

Judge and Mrs. Sedgewick, of Ottawa, are spending the Christmas holidays in the city.

Mr. Hutchins, choir master of St. Paul's church, was presented with a handsome cane from the adult members of the choir, and with a handsome banquet lamp from the boys. Both presents were accompan ied by suitable addresses.

Shortly before the close of the services in Matthias' Episcopal church, the Rev. Mr. Archibald announced that after the benediction he would have great pleasure in presenting Miss Eva Balcom with a purse of forty dollars. A large number of the congregation remained to witness the presentation, after which Mr. Archibald thanked the congregation, on behalf of Miss Balcom.

The entertainment at the Scilor's home on Christmas eve was very successful. Refreshments were provided by the ladies of the Seamens' friend society, of which about four hundred sailors partook. Miss Ratchford, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Norman McDonald kindly assisted in the musical part of the entertainment.

A very pleasant dinner was given by Messrs J. C. Baker, W. R. Robinson, E. Archibald, T. D. Aitken, R. P. Reid and H. M. Clarke on Wednesday evenat 29 Birmingham street. The guests were Messrs A. E. Dickison, S. C. McLean, M. W. Hutchins, W. Snidner, W. Pearson, McNaim, and Miller. Mr. J. C. Baker was unable to be present, being confined to his room with a sprained ankle, but was tendered and responded to a toast at his home. The amusements consisted of songs, speeches and

A quiet wedding took place on Monday afternoon at the residence of Rev. Mr. Smith, when Mr. William Johnson was united in marriage to Miss Martha Geizer. The bride was dressed in a grey costume trimmed with velvet, and the bridesmaid, Miss Lizzie Geizer, cousin of the bride, in navy blue with silver trimmings. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Johnson proceeded to the home of the groom's father. The bride received many valuable and useful presents.

The "at home" given by Mr. Whiston and the teachers of the Halifax commercial college, proved to be a complete success. The attendance was large, and the programme carried out was very pleasing. Remarks were made by President Forrest, Rev. Dr. Lathern and others. Mr. J. C. McIntosh presented the pupils with their diplomas, and also with the advice, that if they wished to be successful in their future lives, to continue to be as patient, persevering and punctual as they had been during their col-

The Christmas services in the different churches in the city this year were unusually attractive and well carried out. At St. Luke's church the musical portion of the services was all that could be desired, while the floral decorations showed great taste and exertion on the part of the ladies of the congregation. In response to an appeal made by the pastor, the parishioners of St. Luke's supplied a large number of poor people with their Christmas dinner.

At St. Mary's cathedral the altar decorations were particularly fine, while on one side of the sanctuary was an elaborate crib, representing the nativity, the figures of the wise men offering their gifts, and of St. Joseph and the child, in statuary work. The services were conducted by the Archbishop.

Mr. William Schon, of this city, has gone to St. John to spend Christmas, after which he will go to New York to be principal in an interesting event which is to take place.

Miss Notting has arrived from Yarmouth and intends opening a kindergarten in this city. She has conducted a similar school in Yarmouth for some

years with great success. Mr. and Mrs. John Shaffner, of Bridgetown, are visiting friends in the city.

Mr. Charles Easson, of the bank of N. S. in this city, spent his holidays with friends in Bridgetown. Miss Stenhouse, of Dartmouth, N. S. is the guest of her friend, Miss Ida Ferguson, Moncton.

On Friday afternoon last General Montgomery Moore, Hop. Mrs. Moore, Hon. Miss Colbourne, and Captain Colbourne paid a visit to the deaf and dumb institution. They were received by directors Hon. W. S. Fielding, Hon. Dr. Parker, and Rev. President Forrest. Principal Fearon escorted the visitors through the different classes. General Montgomery expressed himself as being highly pleased with the mode of instruction, particularly the oral work. Expressions of pleasure were also made regarding the neatness and cleanliness of the dormitories and other rooms.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harvey, of Dartmouth, spent Christmas with triends in Bridgetown.

spent Christmas in the city. They will leave the first of the week for Bermuda, which is part of the Bishop's diocese.

An exceedingly pleasant"at home" was spent at the Father Murphy Gold Cure institute on Thursday evening. About seventy graduates were present. The early part of the evening was occupied by games and etc. At nine o'clock the Hon. S. R. Holmes called the assembly to order and Messrs. Ryan and Quinn, superintendants of the institution were each made the recipients of a well filled purse, accompanied by a suitable address. Refreshments

was served by the ladies. It is whispered that Mr. J. B. McLean will be of our best male soloists among whom are Mr. N.

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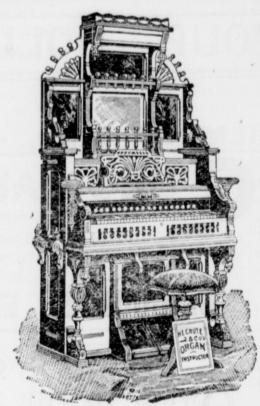
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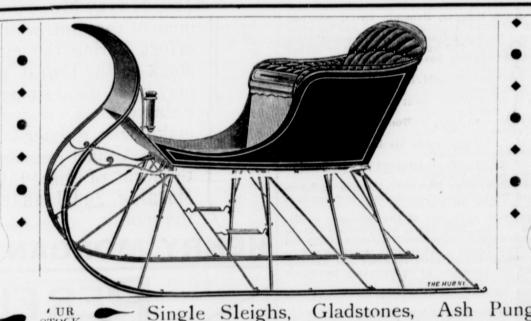
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Mr. J. A. Gibbons, has just returned from Newtoundland where he has been since July.

Stipendiary Griffin was presented on Monday by some of his friends with a handsome gold headed cane, accompanied by an address wishing him very many years of happiness.

Mr. Robert S. Low, who has been at Scranton, Pa., for the past year, has returned home to spend

AMHERST.

PROGRESS is for sale at Amherst by Charles Hillcoat and at the music store f H. A. Hillcoat. DEC. 27 -The holiday season is passing along rather quietly as far as festive events are concerned. I am happy to hear that Miss Bennet, Mrs. Robert Sharpe, Mrs. Clinton Morse, and Mrs. R. C. Fuller, are rapidly recovering from their illness. Although a number of cases have been quite alarming, only one has proved fatal, that of Mrs. D. W. Douglas, whose death occurred on Thursday morning, after two day's illness. Mrs. Douglas was among the most popular and and earnest workers for all charitable and church benefits. A charming hostess in a most hospitable home, and her sad and unexpected removal leaves her two sons, Robert and George, orphans. Much sympathy is expressed for the family in their great affliction. Mrs. J. Jodrey, Mrs. Clarence Lowe are sisters, and Mr. J. R. Lamy, a brother of deceased. The funeral took place at her late residence, on Laplanche street, on Saturday atternoon, and the large attendance showed the great respect and esteem that was held for her by all classes. The remains were interred in the Highland cemetery. Rev. Mr. McGregor, of whose church she was an active member, conducted the

The Masonic service held in Christ church on Wednesday, St. John's day, was not as largely attended as usual, by the public in general, but those of the mystic order looked in excellent form, and Bishop Jones and Mrs. Jones of Newfoundland, made a pretty good showing as to numbers. Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Dorchester, who was to conduct the service, was suddenly overtaken by the grippe and Rev. V. E. Harris officiated in his stead, Revs. Mr. Hays Mr. Ancient and Mr. Lynds assisting.

The music was very good indeed. And now it is stated that the long looked for "at home" which comes off this evening is entirely de voted to the goats and not a lady to be allowed a glimpse. It is rather disappointing to our fair ones to say the least of it. They are seriously talking of wreaking vengeance on the fraternity, in just what parents Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Main, Holm cottage.

Miss Trethewey has gone for a short visit to to say the least of it. They are seriously talking of form, I am unable to state. The celebrities on the programme for their entertainment include some

asked to accept a nomination for the mayorality in Campbell, Mr. W. M. Chesley and Mr. Ripley. Dartmouth, and that his acceptance would be very | Prof. Max. Sterne is in town and without doubt will lend his valuable assistance. The Misses Anderson, of Sackville, were in town

on Wednesday. The members of the Y.M.C. A. give their annual

reception on New Year's evening. Christmas service in Christ church was quite largely attended and the music was pronounced

very good despite the fact that la grippe was a very prominent factor. On Christmas eve the singing was excellent and reflects much credit on their choir leader Mr. H. A. Hillcoat. The solos by Miss Aggie Munroe were well rendered as was the duett of Misses Munroe. Miss Grace Clark and Miss Chapman sang their difficult duet in good style and showed they were very efficient in their work, the tenors were at their best and Mr. Hilcoat has been the subject of such frequent praise that am left without a term to use. He was presented with a purse by the members of the choir on Satur-

Miss Maud Harrison, of Nappan, spent Christmas with her friend, Miss May Quigley, Eddy street. Mr. A. McKinnon was pretty severely shaken by a fall from his sleigh last week while on a business trip up north and returned to spend his holidays in recruiting at his home, much to the satisfaction of

Miss Fanny Sleep, who has been visiting friends in Chicago and Toronto for the past four months, returned home on Sunday morning. Her uncle, Mr. R. Douglas, of Toronto, accompanied her and will remain their guest until next week. Mr. Charles Fullerton came from Halifax on Fri-

Mrs. E. Biden went to St. John on Tuesday to attend the marriage of her niece, Miss Turnbull.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mowat went to St. Stephen on Friday evening to spend Christmas at Mrs. Mowat's home. Mr. Mowat returned on Tuesday to attend to his office in the bank of N. S. Mrs. Mowat will emain until after New Year.

Mrs. Fred Robb has gone to visit her friend, Miss Barrow, Londov, Ontario, and purposes remaining Mrs. J. B. Gass returned on Friday from Anti-

On Wednesday evening Miss Flossie Black gave a pleasant party at her home on Victoria Street to quite a large number of her friends.

Mr. McKenner is receiving a very hearty welcome by his old friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hillcoat and family went to

Sussex on Friday evening to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Hillcoat. Miss Freda McKinnon celebrated her birthday or Friday evening with a charming party to her young friends who enjoyed all things provided to the ful-Miss Sanborn of Spring Hill, is spending a few

lays in town.

Mrs. McLeod returned home on Wednesday from Mr. Green arrived home last week from Boston. Miss Black returned to Sackville on Thursday.
Mrs. W. D. Douglas went to Dorchester on Mon-

Mr. Lynds is the guest of Rev. V. E. Harris.

NEW GLASGOW.

[Progress is for sale in New Glasgow by A. O. Pritchard and H. H. Henderson.]

DEC. 27 .- Mr. Rod McColl is home from Halifax, | for a short vacation. Mr. Craig, travelier for the N. S. Steel Co., is

home from Oatario visiting his family. He will return about the 8th of January. Principal Soloan is spending his vacation in Bos-

Miss Jennie McGregor, who has been attending McGill university, came home last week.

Miss Minna Blair returned yesterday to her home Mr. Don Fraser is home from "15 mile stream."

Mr. W. D. Taunton, of the Morning Chronicle staff, Halitax, was visiting his family here on Mon-

Mr. Sidney Smith, of the bank of Nova Scotia, Halifax, was in town early this week. Mrs. George, of Halifax, is the guest of her sister,

Mrs. Harley, West Side. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Murray, of Hali'ax, are the guests of Mrs. Murray, Archimedes street.

Mr. J. Condon was visiting in Pictou early this

Miss Minnie Grant, who has been studying nedicine at Dalhousie eollege, spent yesterday in own the guest of Miss Smith. She left today for her home in Cow bay.

Miss Tena Grant has gone to Halifax to visit

Mrs. Laurie is visiting relatives in Truro. Mrs. Ingles Johnston has returned from Halifax. The Misses McDonald, and Miss McLean, of Antigonish, were visiting here this week.

Mr. W. Stiles went to Truro on Tuesday. Mr. George Patterson has gone on a pleasure trip to Boston and other American cities. Mrs. Sjostedt is this week the guest of Miss

Superintendent Laurie, who has been very ill, is now convalescent. Invitations are out for a large party, at the

residence of Mr. Andrew Walker, on Thursday A number of our young people go to Merrigomish on next Monday evening, the occasion being a

dance, given by Miss B. Vaux. A delightful entertainment was given in the United Church Monday evening, although intended principally for the children attending the Sunday school, it was throughly enjoyed by some hundreds of grown up people. The chorus singing by the children was good, reflecting a reat credit on Miss Jean McDougall who has had them in training. The readings, recitations and dialogues were quite amusing, and the magic lantern exhibition was really instructive. Miss Annie C. McKay sang Bonny Doon very sweetly. At the close of the entertainment all the children were presented with a bag of candy. which to them was no doubt the best

part of the programme.

Miss Jennie Walker, of Yarmouth, who for the past week was the guest of Miss Jennison returned ome yesterday.

Miss McLean is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bent. Mr. Frank Dexter, of Truro, paid his New Glas-gow friends a flying visit this week, while on his

way to Antigonish. Mr. C. M. Currie spent Sunday in Halifax.
Mr. P. Moriarity, Y. M. C. A. secty., Truro, is
visiting his relatives here.
Mr. James Bonn is home from Chicago.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pye went to Truro yester-

Quite a number of people went from here to Pic-tou on both Monday and Tuesday evenings to hear the celebrated vocalist Mme Rosa d'Erina, and Professsor Vontom, who gave an excellent concert in Stella Maris church.

guests of Mr. and Mrs. J C. Reid. Miss Jennie Grant is home from Boston on short vacation. Miss Ho mes of River John, is visiting Miss Nellie McKenzie Captain Meikle, who has been home for the last two weeks, goes to Europe next week.

Mr. Will Brown has gone to China via New York.

Miss S. O'Brien went to Antigonish this week to Our skating rink was opened on Xmas day, and was well patronized both during the atternoon and evening. The ice was in excellent condition. Much dissapointment was felt however over, their being no music, as we have a splendid Band and skaters naturally think it should have been engaged for the occasion. If the managers want to make the rink a success financially on this occasion they should gurantee a band once a week at least, other wire the attendance will be small.

Mr. Stile- goes to Charlottetown next week on a business trip. Expects to be away for three weeks.

Mr. Ingles Johnston is in Halifax this week.

WINDSOR, N. S.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Windsor at Knowles Bookstore and F. W. Dakin]

DEC. 26 -The ball given last week by the pupils of the collegiate school was a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present. It was held in the gymnasium building, which has lately been enlarged and greatly improved. The boy's play rooms upstairs were used as dressing rooms for the evening. The music room, which opens by folding doors into the gymnasium proper, was used as a reception room. The gymnasium was very tastefully deco: ated with evergreen, bunting, and chinese lanterns, and on each side chairs were placed and curtains so arranged as to form cosy nooks for the dancers to rest. Mrs. Willets was to have been chaperone, but was prevented on account of the death of a relative, so the duties of chaperone were very kindly and pleasantly performed by Mrs. Vroom. The music was turnished by the orchestra of the 78th battalion band, under the direction of their new leader, Mr. Adams, and was excellent. The majority of the ladies present were from Edgehill. Among the guests from town I noticed: Miss Kate Smith, Miss Georgie Wilson, Miss Frances Ouseley, Miss Lawson, Miss Morris, Miss Louise Blanchard, Misses Bowman, Miss Harvey, Miss Lizzie Smith, Miss Dorothy Smith, Miss Black and Miss Bossance. There were such a number of pretty dresses and so many strangers present, it is impossible to describe all the costumes. A few that I noticed were:

Mrs. Vroom, black and white lace; Miss Machum, grey silk;

Miss Wright, black velvet; Miss Hind, black velvet and lace; Miss Harvey, black lace, cardinal trimmings; Miss Ashworth, nile green cashmere;

Miss Manners, pale blue and pink silk; Miss Christie, pink crepon; Miss McMillan, pink cashmere, cream lace;

Miss Edith Sheraton, white silk, pink silk trim Miss Madge O'Brien, white crepon, pink ribbons;

Miss Pauline, blue cashmere, white lace; Miss Davies, pink cashmere;

Miss Adams, blue crepon; Miss Shaw, deep pink dress; Miss Gliska, black lace;



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Miss Haley, cream challie; Miss May Haley, blue crepon and ribbons;

Miss Locke, Halifax, white cashmere. Miss Maggie Blanchard spent Christmas at her mome in Trure.

Miss Shand and Miss Ethel Shand are home from Acadia seminary for their Christmas holidays. Mr. Henry McMurray, of Kentville, spent Sunday

and Monday in town. Mrs. Wm. O'Brien was in Halifax for a few days Mr. H. L. Silver was in town over Christmas.
Miss North, of Hantsport, was in town for a day
r two, the guest of Miss Lizzie Smith. Mr. Wilfred Dimock is home from Acadia college

for Christmas. Mrs. Jamieson spent Sunday and Monday in Halifax. Mr. MacKinlay has gone home to Charlottetown for a few months. His place here is taken by Mr. Carter of Bridgewater.
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Smith

on the arrival of a little daughter.

Miss Pearl Haley, of Mt. Allison ladies' college,
Sackville, is spending her Christmas holidays with her father in Windsor.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Armstrong, of Middleton, spent Christmas here. Mr. Harry King is home from Dalhousie for his

Miss Fletcher, of Londonderry, is visiting Miss Mrs. Falkner is visiting her daughter Mrs. I. Fred Carver. Mr. D. Soloan is home for a week or so. Mr. Lithgow spent Sunday in Halifax. Mrs. Bessonette, of Middleton, is in town for a few

Mr. and Mrs. Holland spent Christmas in town with Mrs. Holland's mother, Mrs. Levi Curry.

Dr. and Mrs. Bath, of North Sydney, spent Sunday in town with Mrs. Geo. D. Geldert

Mr. Strathy is spending his holidays in town.
Mr. George Murphy is home from Dalhousie ollege for a few days. Bliss Carman has returned to New York. Miss Jean and Miss Evelyn Smith are home from school at Aylesford for a few weeks. Rev. Mr. Lairy, of Halifax, preached in the presbyterian church on Sunday. Mr. F. W. Wood, of Halifax, spent Christmas in

PICTOU. [PROGRESS is for sale in Pictou by James McLean. DEC. 26 .- Miss Jennie Copeland spent Christmas

Mrs. C. Primrose left for Montreal on Tuesday, o visit her son, Harry, who is ill at present. Miss Minna McDonald left this week, for a pro-

onged visit in Montreal. Mr. and Mrs. Tait, have gone to spend the winter Mrs. H. Primrose is visiting her daughter, Mrs.

Fergie, at Westville. Mr. Fred Yorston is home from Dalhousie college for a few days. Mrs. Dennis has returned from visiting friends in

Mr. N. B. Roscoe, Kentville, was attending court here last week.

Mr. A. O. Macrae was in town on Thursday of last week. Mr. J. B. Cropper, San Lucia, Trinidad, is the guest of Mrs. Kenne h Grant. Mr. Jack Primrose and Mr. Lou Yorston, are

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Munroe left last week on a visit to Renfrew, Ontario. Christmas night was gay in Pictou this year. The lovers of skating had a good sheet of ice and very nice band music in the rink, a very good crowd enjoyed themselves in this way. Skating is a very popular exercise here, and our rink this winter

among our Mctrill students, at present in town.

under Simon Fraser's care will be as usual the resort of old and young, afternoon and evening. Those who love a certain kind of entertainment would appreciate the Cosgrove concert company on the same evening in the Masons Hall. It is only tair to the troupe to say that they were suffering individually and collectively from a severe cold. Miss La Dell was very pleasing in her numbers and Delsarte movements and the musical glasses

formed a nice part of the programme. Yet again there was a concert in the chapei (R. C.,) given by Madame D'Erina, the world famous sopran. Folk seem to be very anxious to dissipate on Christmas and it is fortunate they can find such safe outlets as these for their wishes.

The students of the academy held their annual concert prior to the Christmas vacation on Thursday

concert prior to the Christmas vacation on Thursday evening of last week. The Convocation hall was filled to overflowing, and an enjoyable time was spent. It would be difficult to particularize, as all the numbers were good. The tableaux were pretty and well designed. The following took part in the entertainment: Miss McDonald, Miss Bonn, Miss Fraser. Miss Minnie McKenzie, Miss Maggie Logan, Miss Murdoch, Misses Lillie and Susie Baillie, the Misses Le Maistre, Miss Thompson, Miss Bessie Graham, Miss Minnie Dawson, Miss Katie Stewart, Rev. Mr. Armit. Messrs. Oliver. Moore. Hickman Rev. Mr. Armit, Messrs. Oliver, Moore, Hickman The ladies of St. Andrews church held a turkey supper and sale of fancy articles in aid of their building fund in the mason's hall on Friday evening

building fund in the mason's hard dollars.

Brenda. DIGBY, N. S.

DEc. 27th .- Misses Sadie Durkee, Mamie Challoner, Eunice Gates and Frank Morse are home from Acadia for the holidays. Mr. Chas. Gates, who has been pursuing medical

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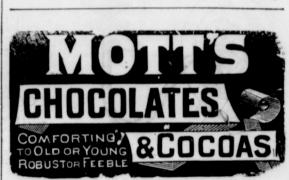


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studies at Dalhousie, is also at home for the holi-Mr. Landon Cowling spent Christmas in An-

Mr. B. G. Taylor and Master Gordon, came over from St.'John Saturday and returned same day. Prof. Morse spent Christmas in Digby with

Mrs. John Walsh who has been very ill, is slowly Mr. and Mrs. Boyd McNeill of Weymouth, spent

Christmas with Mrs. McNeill's father Sheriff Van Blarcom. Mr. W. E. Brown is home for a few days.

Mr. Tom Cowling, of Annapolis, spent Sunday The Christmas tea and sale by the ladies of

Trinity church was a decided success. Mrs. H. S. Hoyt, of Weymouth, spent Friday in Master Edgar Dickson, of St. John, spent Christmas with his aunt Mrs. J. L. Peters.

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lean,