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HALIFAX NOTES.

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It is no laughing matter to fill up a column just now with news of Halifax society, and it seems to be beyond other people as well as Morris Granville. Even the Israelites were unable to accomplish their tale of bricks without straw, and how much less a society correspondent who finds himself in the same situation. All last week there was a deadly calm, and this week is very little better so far, because the society people who are not away are saving up, apparently, for the viceregal visit.

The weather has been uncertain, and a mayflower party which was fixed for Tuesday did not come off in consequence. I hear of another on Thursday, which is to start early—at half-past two—go out to the Dutch Village and have tea there if the day be warm; if not, returning to the house of the young hostess.

On Friday evening last Mrs. C. Stewart gave a small walking party, starting at eight o'clock to walk round Point Pleasant, and returning to Tower Road to supper. After supper, which was, I hear, a hot and very good one, there was a little informal dancing, but the affair was over by twelve o'clock.

General and Mrs. Montgomery Moore, the Hon. F. and the Hon. A. Colborne, and Colonel North arrived early in the week from Ottawa, where they had attended the last drawing room held by Lady Aberdeen.

Mr. and Mrs. Daly are still away, and I hear that on their return the Lieutenant-Governor will go away for two weeks' fishing.

Major Beresford, R. E., the successor of Major Bor in the garrison arrived this week on the Siberian. Major Beresford was accompanied by Mrs. Beresford, and will take a house at once.

Colonel Isaacson, R. E., has returned from Jamaica. Lieutenant Schofield, R. E., has arrived at week from England.

His Grace the Archbishop and Father Murphy are back from Bermuda, the Archbishop looking much benefited by the change.

Miss Edward Farrell and the Misses May and Daisy Farrell leave shortly for England and the continent. This means another hospitable house shut for the summer.

Dr. Wickwire went to New York this week and will return with Mrs. and Miss Wickwire and the Misses Keith.

Fitting to the country, it possible to the fashionable suburb which will this summer be honored by viceregal visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Morrow have taken Bitham, the residence of the late Mrs. Robert Morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Twining, have taken Bitton Cottage, the late residence of Mr. John Morse.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Jones, have gone to their summer house on the other side of the Arm, where among other summer residents I hear mentioned, Mrs. Abbott and Mr. Edward Twining.

A very pleasant dance was given on Friday evening by Miss "Dell" of Boston, which although small was most successful.

Tickets are selling well for the McGill University Clubs concert on Friday and Saturday. There are thirty men all collegians in the glee and banjo clubs, and they are all individually and collectively well spoken of. On Saturday evening there will be particularly smart house as I hear of a supper to be given afterwards.

The performance is under the patronage of General Montgomery Moore, so the collegians will have an opportunity of seeing a Halifax specialty, an audience largely arrayed in scarlet, dark blue, and gold.

When H. M. S. Blake is recommissioned I hear that we are to have Admiral Fisher, who has many friends here, in command of the fleet.

AMHERST.

Progress is for sale at Amherst by Charles Hillcoat and at the music store of H. A. Hillcoat.

May 9.—The very pleasant party given by Mrs. C. J. Morse on Wednesday evening at her home on Douglas avenue, for her daughter, Miss Morse, was a very enjoyable event. An unusually heavy thunder storm caused the guests to be a little late in arrival, but when all were assembled they made up for lost time. The hostess received her guests in a very becoming black gown, and Miss Morse was attired in white silk. The fair guests on the whole were very prettily gowned, some of the prettiest being a pale blue silk worn by Miss Gwen Main, and a very pretty cream cashmere with old rose trimmings worn by Miss Cutter, and that of Miss Brown who wore cream lace over silk, and Miss Purdy looked very pretty in a gown of black velvet and euche lace trimmings. The other guests present were Miss May Hanford (the Docks), Miss Bessie Rodgers (Halifax), Miss Main, Miss Munro, Miss MacKinnon, Dr. Morse, the genial host, Dr. McQueen, Dr. Hall, Dr. McCully, Mr. H. Main, Mr. Bert Main, E. Lockwood, G. A. Munro, A. Dunlap, A. M. Borden, F. Sayre, H. F. Rogers, A. Purdy. Miss Morse also gave a small and early on Tuesday evening in honor of a visitor.

Another merry dance for the buds of society was given last Monday evening by Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McLeod, in honor of Mr. Bert McLeod, at their pleasant home on Church street. Young Mr. McLeod made a capital host, and as the music was excellent and the rooms spacious it could hardly be less than an enjoyable evening.

Mrs. J. H. Lacey and daughter, Miss Tighe, returned home on Saturday from a short trip to St. John.

Mr. E. Harvey and son, of Guelph, Ont., was the guest of his nephew, Harvey Pipe over Sunday.

Mr. A. P. MacKinnon, spent Sunday at his home on La Placette street.

Mrs. Chubbuck, among the recent visitors, the guest of her mother, Mrs. R. McCully.

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McLeod looked very nice in a gown of pale blue crepon; and Miss Moore looked exceptionally well in a gown of red silk net; Miss May Brown was attired in a gown of black lace; and Miss Miles wore a very pretty dress of pale blue; Miss Gwen Main wore a becomingly fashioned frock of Nile green silk; and Miss Ethel Main wore a pretty frock of lemon yellow silk. The gentlemen were Mr. A. M. Borden, and Mr. H. Rogers who assisted Mr. Curry in receiving the guests. The other gentlemen were Dr. Hall, Mr. A. Purdy, Tom Sayre, M. Sterne, Mr. H. Main, E. Harding, A. Dunlap, E. Lockwood and Messrs. Main.

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Mr. Murray McNeil, of St. John, is at present in town the guest of Mr. George Grant. Mr. George Wilson spent Sunday in Truro. Mr. M. L. Fraser B. A., Mr. Yorston, B. A., and Mr. Louis Yorston, are home from college for the summer. Mr. Louis Yorston who attended McGill college, Montreal, during the winter returned last week. Mrs. Glennie has been confined to the house through illness during the past week.

The terminal recital by the music classes of the Pictou academy under the direction of Miss McDonald and Miss Brown was given in Convocation hall on Thursday evening of last week. A large number attended and thoroughly enjoyed the programme. A meeting of the lawn tennis club was held in the office of Mayor Sutherland on Saturday afternoon. Arrangements were made for the coming summer amusements. BRENDA.

NEW GLASGOW. Progress is for sale in New Glasgow by A. O. Fritchard and H. H. Henderson. May 9.—A very interesting event in musical circles was the recital in James Church Hall, on Friday evening last, which drew out a large contingent of well known people, who assembled to hear the pupils of Miss Annie McDonald, and Miss Bonn, perform on piano and violin.

All the numbers on the programme showed a careful training, and an artistic finish remarkable in such comparatively young amateurs. Those who made their "first appearance" and whose piano playing calls for special mention were the Misses Bessie Carruthers, Grace Carmichael, Annie Fraser, Mabel Greenough, Nellie Parvis, Bessie Nelson and Flossie McGregor among those who might well be termed "graduates" were Miss M. McKay, (Thursday) Miss Johnston (Westville) and Miss Lena Fulton, who played not only brilliantly but with an ease and finish that showed thorough teaching.

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