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HALIFAX NOTES.

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Society has been very dull for some days but there is a cause for this and a very good one; the Berkshire regiment are to re-arrange to fill the place of the old friends who have left and indeed they must have quite enough to do in settling up their new homes before they begin plunging into the dissipation for which Halifax is noted.

The large At Home which was to have been given last week as a welcome to the regiment has been postponed, I know not why; a number of small teas have been given but were almost too small to be classed as entertainments. Skating seems to engross the attention of every body and a club has been formed for the practice of figure skating only; it is to have regular days as soon as the rink opens, under the able direction of Captain Kent. Ladies are joining as well as men and scientific skating will no doubt become quite as much the fashion here as it is in Europe.

The news was heard last week with much regret of the death of Mrs. Montgomery-Moore's brother who died very suddenly a few days ago. Mrs. Montgomery-Moore is so very much liked by all classes here that the sympathy extended to her is very real. The charming home will of course be used for some time and the family will be much missed at the very small gaieties indulged in at this season.

An engagement has been recently announced by which Halifax is to lose a very charming and popular lady as her marriage will take her away from Halifax. The groom was sincerely congratulated by his many friends here upon the announcement of the engagement. The marriage will not take place for some time.

The great social event of the week was the bazaar in aid of the church of England institute. Every one turned out for this bazaar and the ladies in charge must have made money as the room was crowded both afternoon and evening. It was very capably managed too, the large rooms being devoted to the various tables and music while the smaller one had been turned into a tea room where for the small sum of fifteen cents unlimited tea, coffee and cake could be procured. The music during the bazaar was a drawing feature, several members from Princess Bonnie, by the ladies and gentlemen who gave that opera some time ago being given and much appreciated. Several solos were very prettily given by various ladies. Mrs. Crichton, Miss Oliver, Miss Wickwire, Miss Tremaine, and Mr. Wydie assisted in this informal affair and acquitted themselves with much credit. Mrs. Montgomery-Moore was unable to preside at the supervision of Mr. Leach. Here all sorts of toys and little bric a brac were sold at very moderate prices while the needlework, plain and fancy tables also did a thriving trade. There was a table of home made sweets which looked tempting and dainty; the table for toys was of course very popular and well patronized while more substantial refreshments were sold close by; among the ladies selling at the fair were, Mrs. Hieslein, Mrs. Leach, Mrs. James Thompson, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Borden, Mrs. Longe, Mrs. Wilby, Mrs. Bullock, Mrs. A. Tremaine, Miss Wickwire, Mrs. Crichton, Miss Bullock, Miss Story, Miss Ethel Stairs, Miss Wilby, Miss Fishwick, Miss Hodges, Miss A. Stairs, Miss Sheraton, Mrs. O'Dwyer, and many others, all dressed alike in black with white aprons and caps, a becoming and workmanlike costume if not as pretty as gayer ones would have been.

Miss DeBates, who intends spending the winter in Halifax, arrived on the Scotsman on Thursday for England. Mr. A. F. S. Moran, who is well known in Halifax, also arrived from England in the same steamer. FROU FROU.

DIGBY.

Progress is for sale in Digby by Mrs. Morse. Mr. F. K. Robbins of Yarmouth was in town, Friday. Mr. Thos. Robertson, M. P. P. for Shelburne, was here this week. Mr. J. F. Weston of St. John is in town. Miss Nellie McCormick of Weymouth is at Dr. Morgan's. Mrs. DeBainhard is on a short visit to Annapolis. Mr. W. M. DeBlois of Annapolis was in town, Saturday. John McDougall, M. P. for Pictou, has been spending a few days in town. Miss Rice is visiting her sister, Mrs. Kinsman. Mr. R. G. Monroe left Tuesday for Eastport on a business trip. Mr. W. A. McLaren has been spending a few days in Moncton. Mrs. Jas. Wade is back from a pleasant visit to Weymouth. Mrs. Watson has returned from St. John. JULIETTE.

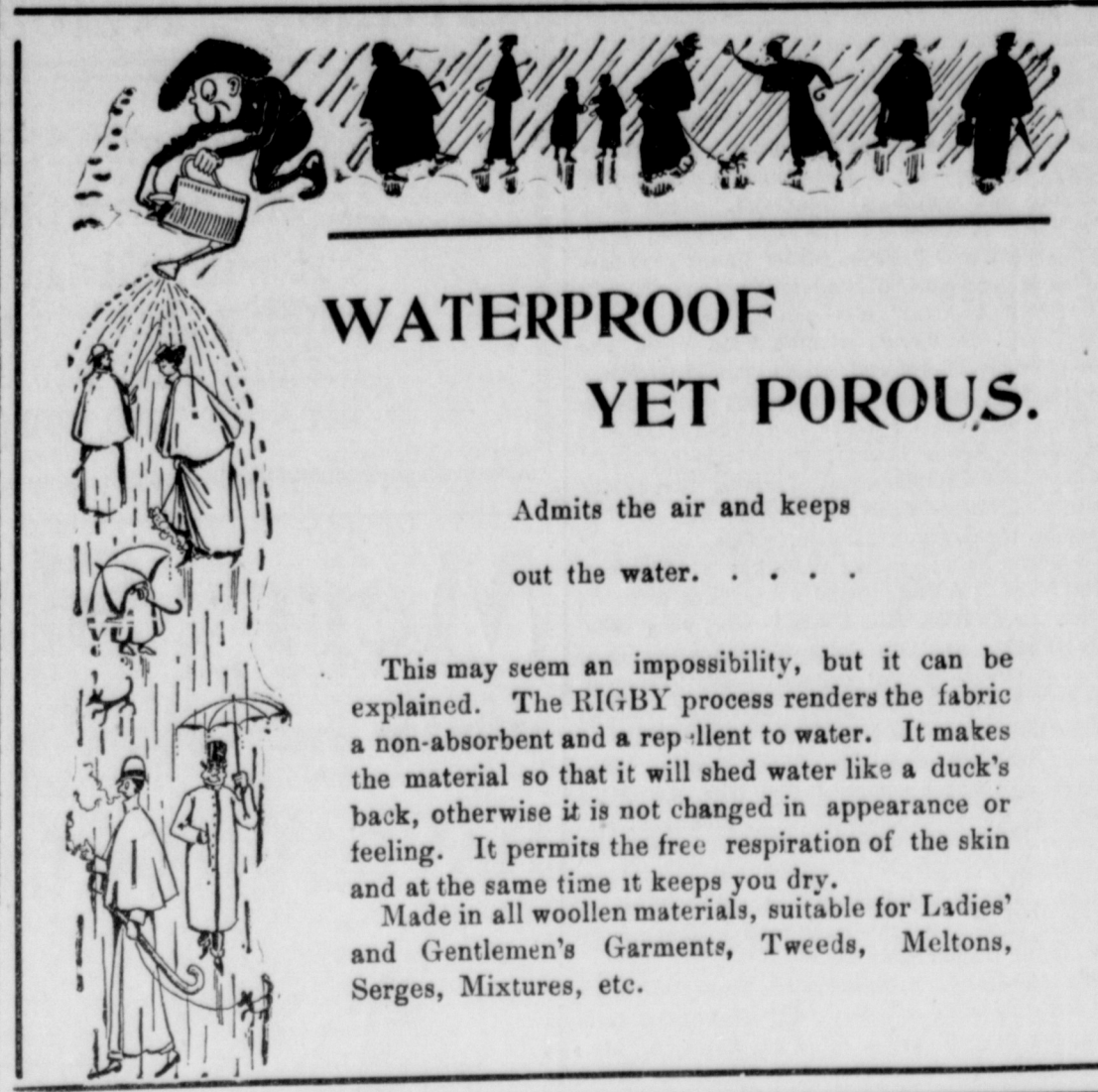
T. GEORGE.

Progress is for sale in St. George at the store of T. O'Brien. Rev. and Mrs. Lavers are receiving their friends at the Parsonage. Miss Josephine MacVicar has returned home, having spent two months very pleasantly with her cousin, Mrs. R. Knox, St. John. Miss E. Ludgate is visiting at Moore's Mills. Hon. A. H. Gillmor returned on Friday from a trip to the Islands. Mr. Dan. Campbell and Mr. George Craig are home from Vermont to spend their holidays. Mr. J. Pierre, having spent a few days with his uncle, Mr. James Keimman, returned on Monday to his home in Vermont. Miss Essie Paiks returned on Saturday from long stay in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Gillmor spent a few days in St. John last week, returned on Saturday by way of St. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Young, accompanied by Miss Irene O'Brien, left on Wednesday to visit Rev. M. and Mrs. Young at Bridgetown, N. S. The friends of Miss Mary Russell will be sorry to hear she is quite ill at the residence of her brother, H. Ludgate Russell, Chicago. The officers and teachers of St. Mark's S. S. will entertain the children of their school with a Christmas tree, etc., in Court's hall on Christmas eve. MAX.

MAUGERVILLE.

Dec. 17.—William Harrison youngest son of C. B. Harrison M. P. P. died in Chicago on the 11th inst. The remains were brought to Maugerville for interment, by his brother Jerry Harrison Arthur another brother who has been in Chicago for some time arrived on Monday in time for the funeral. The death is very sad, coming at a time when the fathers condition of health is very critical. Mr. Fred Secord passed through here on Saturday en route to Fredericton to visit friends. Mrs. B. H. Thomas of Yarmouth is spending a few days at her father's C. B. Harrison having been called here by the death of her brother. Mr. Charles L. Bent has returned home for the winter. Rev. H. E. Dibble is holding the usual Advent services in the upper Maugerville hall. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at Robin oville on the 23rd Dec. LITTLE LEAF.



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Miss Francis Hyde, Messrs. G. A. Hall, W. S. Spencer, G. Williams. Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bowers are housekeeping, and are comfortably settled in the cottage in Muir Court, formerly occupied by Mrs. Trenholm.

Miss Donkin and Miss Madge Donkin were in Halifax a few days last week. Mrs. N. D. Hemen has quite a large tea yesterday from four to six, in honor of her guest Mrs. H. F. Dotkin.

Miss Ida Taylor is visiting friends in Montreal and will remain until after the holiday season. Miss Marion Longworth, Miss Bessie McMullin, and Miss Lan a Hearse, are home from Mt. Allison for the Christmas holidays.

Messrs. Harry Kaufbach, Luther MacDonald, are home from Windsor, and Jack and Dave Muir, from Robesay, N. B. for the holidays.

Mr. J. DeWolfe Spurr of St. John was the guest of Mrs. H. Humphreys for a day last week. Mrs. D. L. Tritts spent a few days in Moncton last week.

Miss King of Calais who has been visiting Mrs. J. H. Heustis, returned home on Monday. Miss McDonald of Truro is visiting Miss Annie Smith.

Miss McAra who has been staying at the "Woodlands" for the past three months has returned to her home in St. John.

Mrs. M. A. Freze entertained a few of her friends to dinner on Friday evening. As usual those favored with an invitation much enjoyed themselves.

Mr. R. N. Price has gone to Boston for a visit to his son, Mr. Abel Price. Rev. John Hughes of Carleton spent Sunday in this village.

Miss Alice Tritts has returned from a visit to relatives in St. John. Miss Helen Fowler gave a small tea party on Monday evening. The little folks seemed to enjoy themselves to the utmost.

Mrs. D. A. Josah entertained a number of her friends to an old-time festivity—a quilting party and supper on Tuesday.

Humor says that there is soon to be a bride at the "Woodlands". Mrs. A. Freze was in Sussex last week.

A number of Rev. Gideon Swine's friends made him a very pleasant surprise in the shape of a party, one evening last week. He was presented with a handsome fur coat as a token of their esteem for him.

Mr. Roy E. Smith who is a student at Mount Allison arrived home last evening to spend his Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Christ Smith.

Miss Bliss Keith spent Saturday in Sussex. Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Stockton spent Monday in Sussex visiting relatives.

Mrs. Howard McCully is lying dangerously ill at her residence in inflammation of the lungs, Drs. Burnett of Sussex, and Flemming and McDonald of Peticodiac are in attendance.

Mrs. George Davidson is visiting friends in St. John this week. Miss M. E. Webster of Peticodiac was visiting her friend Miss Bertie Davidson on "Apple Hill" last week.

Mrs. George W. Babb of New York is visiting her mother, Mrs. C. Messenger, Centerville, where she will remain till after Christmas.

Mrs. W. M. Tupper who has been visiting relatives in Round Hill, was the guest of Rev. R. S. and Mrs. Whidden on Sunday last. Mrs. Tupper goes to Tampa Bay, Florida, on Wednesday where she intends spending the winter.

C. H. Davidson was in town during the week. Mrs. Vernon's small at home last Tuesday evening was quite a break and a very pleasant evening for those present, who were: Mrs. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. E. S. Gouzier, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Mary Crowe, Miss Wetmore, Miss Snook,

Miss Pauline Winslow, Miss Alice Bull, Miss Nellie Oberon, the daintiest Fairy King imaginable stood on his throne surrounded by the sweetest and cutest fairies, butterflies, rosebuds, cupids, zephyrs, frogs. The dresses of the numerous little ones in brilliant cardinal, blue, yellow, green, white and rose, made a most gorgeous spectacle, while the dancing of the children was marvellous to behold. The scene from fairyland thus presented, was such as to bring down the warmest planets and most enthusiastic admiration of the immense audience.

Beardley, Mrs. W. S. Skillen, Miss Jennie Lindow Miss Hilda Bourne, Miss Kathleen Bourne. The Greek robes of pink were very becoming and the movements of the young ladies were the perfection of grace. The Tableau Mouvants were lovely. "The battle between the Romans a Gauls" was most thrilling. "The frolic of the Elves" "Death of Virginia," "Diana beholding the sleeping Eudymion," "Story of the Iliad" in seven tableaux, with many other groupings from Grecian history were most artistically and gracefully presented. The chaperones, Mrs. A. A. Brewer and Mrs. Wendell P. Jones. Master Frank Fisher, Oberon. Fairies—Marguerite Smith, Nellie Montgomery Katie Danbar, Emma Oliver, May Morrison, Bessie McLean. Butterflies—Kathleen Anderson, Ethel Hanson, Katie Werner, Mamie Giew, Marion Hayden, Hattie Saunders, Marie Mathews, Elsie Everett, Edith Dalling, Goldie Davies, Helen Foster, Katie Baird, Nellie Brown, Helene Watson, Jean Saunders, Zephyrs—Lena Mathews, Leah Tabor, Annie Saunders, Edith Everett. Rosebuds—Marie Mathews, Queen, Eva McAfee, Helen Wolverson, Mary Gillen, Eva Veness, Hazel Moores. Cupids—Robbie Watson, Donnie Payson. Grasshopper—Charlie Groves, Myles Dennison, Roy McLaughlan, Robbie Brown. Frogs—Kenneth McLean, Arthur Fisher, Guy McLaughlan.

The Court minuet (France) chaperones Mrs. J. McAfee, Mrs. C. F. K. Dibblee. Ladies—Miss Faye Camber, Miss Nan McAdam, Miss Katie McAfee, Miss Helen B. Inrd. Gentlemen—Miss Beatrice Sanderson, Miss Marion Dibblee, Miss Pearl Atterton, Miss Beatrice Williams, Miss Jeanie H. J. Miss Lizzie Diamond. The statelyst minuet of ancient France was danced by these little people in the costume of the olden time. The courtliness of these "gentlemen" of bygone days was very true and graceful. The dresses of the ladies were lovely, and it was amazing to see how these ladies in miniature managed their trains and used with grace and their fans. Little Miss Rosa Dibblee in male blue and cream silk, blue feathers in hair, Miss Faye Camber in cardinal satin embroidered in white and silver. Miss Ida Hayden in pink silk, with feathers. Miss Nan McAdam, in yellow silk and black lace. Miss Katie McAfee, in turquoise blue silk and pink velvet. Miss Helen Baird, white satin and black.

The costumes of the gentlemen were very becoming, consisting of very light short skirts, long dress coats, lace trimmed and ruffled shirts, powdered hair and buckled shoes. Gypsy scarf and cyrbal drill (Hussary), chaperon Mrs. C. T. Phillips, Dr. G. Bernard, Manzer, King, Miss W. Blanche Hudson, Zingarella; Miss Annie Cole, attendant; Mrs. A. A. Brewer, captive. Subjects—Miss Edith Jordan, Miss Mand Montgomery, Miss Ella Gilman, Miss Joe Corkery, Miss Margaret Ross, Miss Maud Grant, Miss Nellie Gable, Miss Maud McAdam, Miss Zula May, Miss Annie Cole, Miss Nellie Cole, Miss Lucy McLean.

The gypsy scarf drill opens on a most delightful camping ground with tents and gypsy pot, and the most bewildering group of gipsies that ever struck the town. Their costumes of short scarlet skirts, plentifully bespangled with sequins; yellow and green waists, black velvet zouave jackets, floating tresses, scarlet sashes, castanets and countless bangles, made an ever-varying and brilliant pantomime as they went through the various graceful movements of the drill.

Miss Hudson as Zingarella was lovely. The Gypsy King had a magnificent costume red velvet breeches, long tan gaiters, blue satin jacket, lace ruffles, a velvet cape and cardinal hat with white feathers. The captive in white dress was very sweet. The strange lover in his watch was most impressive. The tableau at the conclusion of the drill was really splendid.

Spanish tambourine and fandango, Spain, chaperones Mrs. Wm. Dibblee, Mrs. A. B. Con, well, Miss Josephine Jenner, Queen, Mr. Erithum Bourne, cavalier. Senoritas—Misses Mand Wright, Jessie Watt, Maud Hall, Pearl McGibbon, May Dugan, Estelle Dalling, Bessie McLaughlan, Ethel Baird, Sadie Brown, Daisy Stewart, Trixy Argenton, Jessie Porter. The Spanish fandango was carried out in a most admirable manner, the perfect regularity and precision of their measures spoke volumes for the young ladies who performed as well as for their teacher. To most inspiring music they danced on the stage arrayed in short Spanish yellow skirts with black lace flounces, black hose laced with scarlet, black and silver bodices and black lace mantillas. They carried tambourines and shook them in a manner truly marvellous. The drill was very lively and brought down the house.

The cavalier was a typical Spaniard in top boots, white trunkie, crimson doublet, green jacket, black cap and hat with feathers. The Queen looked very pretty. Japanese (Japan) Chaperon Mrs. C. D. Jordan, Marriage Ceremony. Mrs. A. A. Brewer, Dr. G. B. Mazer, groom; Miss Lottie Tiley, bride; Mr. Fred Hay, bri's father; Miss Jennie Baird, bride's mother; Mr. Sablin L. Carr, groom's father; Miss Dottie Gresh, groom's mother; Miss Julia Nesley, doer; Miss Lee Drysdale, Miss Maud Allen, first maids; Miss Mabel Phillips, Miss Fannie Smith, second maids; Miss Gordon Louisa, Miss Estelle Fitzgerald; Miss Helen Appleby, Miss Carrie Scribner, Miss Joe Corkery, Miss Nellie Phillips, Miss K. Hillman, Miss Helen Appleby, Miss Estelle Fitzgerald; Miss Helen Appleby, Miss Carrie Scribner, Miss Joe Corkery, Miss Nellie Phillips, Miss K. Hillman, Miss Helen Appleby, Miss Estelle Fitzgerald; Miss Helen Appleby, Miss Carrie Scribner, Miss Joe Corkery, Miss Nellie Phillips, Miss K. Hillman.

The attraction of the second evening was the "Sea Nymphs R-vels" (America); chaperon, Mrs. H. Paxton Baird. Miss Ethel Bourne, Thosias; Mr. Walt C. Everett, Neptune. Nymphs, Miss Lily Jordan, Miss Nan Bull, Miss Sadie Rice, Miss Blanche Dibblee, Miss Edith Griffiths, Miss Minnie Yerxa, Miss Josephine Jenner, Miss Carrie Stoddard, Miss Nellie Beardsley. The nymphs costumes were of pale sea green with bodices of silver scales, and fine silver iri sed and starred, luxuriant tresses below their waists, the effect being rendered by the distribution of fans. He retires the nymphs awake and go through a very graceful drill, suddenly Neptune returns, the nymphs awake and compose himself to slumber; they come back and gaze curiously on him, when he awakes and chooses a queen from amongst them and the drill ends with graceful and stirring music interspersed with selections by the orchestra and a solo by Mrs. Ernest Holyoke. ELAINE.

Dr. Eva Harding, of Topeka, is the proud owner of a little Chinese-styled bird, so called because of the resemblance of its plumage to a strawberry. The bird is very small and sings a little piping tune. Its bill and breast feathers are blood red, and the entire plumage is flecked with tiny white spots, like the seeds of a strawberry.

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