

Social and Personal.

ST. JOHN—South, End.

Society has been especially gay this week and those who have been waiting for some break in the dreary monotony of tea have now nothing to complain of. I notice that someone is supposed to have said that the only form of dissipation in St. John, is the sun trying to dissipate the fog, but that does not apply to this week, by any means, for the dissipation was of a decidedly pleasant and more successful kind. Unfortunately the sun's well meant efforts in the direction referred to up to Wednesday were not crowned with any very brilliant results and those who attended Mrs. F. H. J. Ruel's, and Mrs. Warner's receptions on Tuesday afternoon did so in a heavy rain and a storm of disagreeable mist, more disagreeable afternoon, it would be almost impossible to imagine and yet, though it may have inconvenienced many of the guests and interfered seriously with plans formed in the matter of dress, both functions were especially brilliant. As a stranger, and a bride it is only courteous to give Mrs. Ruel precedence. Her new home is beautifully furnished and the arrangements are perfect in every detail, and to the guests of Tuesday the apartments were very attractive. Mrs. Ruel received in black moire with a bodice of yellow silk, under grey chiffon, a combination that was very becoming to her. Mrs. McLeod, Miss Furlong, and Miss Keator assisted in dispensing bouillon, ices, cake, and coffee to the guests. Mrs. McLeod wore a black dress with pale blue trimmings; Miss Furlong, green silk and black; Miss Keator wore a very becoming gown. Among the visitors who called during the afternoon were: Dr. Alward, Mrs. Alward, (Rev. J. DeSoyes, Mrs. DeSoyes, Senator Dever, Mrs. Dever, Mr. Frank Starr, Mrs. Starr, Mr. Matthews, Misses Caherill-Jones, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Furlong, Miss Pu Idington, Miss Fennell, Mr. E. C. Jones, Miss Jones, Mr. L. F. D. Tiller, Mr. H. Tiller, Mr. Grant, Mr. Winslow, Mr. Burpee, Mr. Kirkwood, Mr. F. Wilder Dames, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Arthur Boyd, Mr. Hazin and a large number of others.

Mrs. Warner's reception was principally for married ladies; the number present was much smaller than it would have been had the afternoon been a pleasant one; inside however the falling rain was forgotten in the beauty of the decorations. The table decorations were pale pink and white, peonies being the favorite flower, the table was also pink and the center piece was of pink paper, peonies, and roses. The young ladies who graciously assisted the hostess were, the Misses Bayard, in pretty, becoming gowns, Miss Dever, in pink and black, Miss Marjory Holden, who looked very pretty in a cream crepon gown with pink trimmings, Miss Kathleen Furlong, in cream, lavender, and black, Miss Maggie Fairweather, in pale pink crepon, with pink ribbon trimmings Mrs. Coster and Mrs. John Burpee poured tea; the former wore a very becoming pale blue dress, while Mrs. Burpee wore black silk; indeed black seemed to be the favorite color of the afternoon, only a very few colored dresses being noticed, they were worn by Mrs. Starr, who had on a lawn, Miss Fennell, a grey and black with cream lace trimmings, Mrs. Woburn, in a pretty dress with blue trimmings, and one or two others; all the rest were wearing black, many of them of silk. Mrs. Spurr had on a very handsome black dress, with pink and jet trimmings. Miss Kathleen Furlong played several selections and also charmed the guests with her beautiful and well cultivated voice. Ices, strawberries and cream, cake, tea, coffee and chocolate were served during the afternoon. The ladies present included, Mrs. Storris Hazen, Mrs. deWalt Spurr, Mrs. Brigstocke, Mrs. Murray McLares, Mrs. Holder, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mrs. W. C. Woburn, (Montreal), Mrs. James Dever, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Stetson, Mrs. Starr, Mrs. Elias Alward, Miss Fennell, Mrs. Charles Stockton, Mrs. John Burpee, Mrs. Chas. Coster, Mrs. Cushing, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. William Harrison, Miss Murray, Miss Read.

Mrs. Warner also gave a very large dance the following evening at which over one hundred were present. The lawn and grounds were very attractive and inviting to the tired and heated dancers. Mrs. Warner was assisted in receiving her guests by the young debutante of the evening, Miss Mary Warner, who looked very fair and graceful in a white crepon with white chiffon trimmings and white roses. The music was furnished by Harrison's orchestra; ices were served throughout the evening and supper was partaken of about midnight; the table decorations were principally roses; it was about three o'clock when the brilliant gathering came to a close.

Among a large number of new and elegant gowns the following were noticeable: Mrs. Warner White silk and cream roses. Miss Mary Warner white crepon, chiffon and white roses. Miss Clarke Fredericton, white muslin with blue trimmings. Mrs. F. H. J. Ruel blue silk, pink roses, ermine. Mrs. Roy Campbell, white brocade satin. Mrs. Coster, white silk. Miss Gertie Dever, yellow silk, under dotted muslin. Miss Furlong black silk. Miss McShane, pale blue silk, chiffon. Miss Harrison, white muslin, pink roses. Miss Jennie Va ste, pale blue silk, white muslin. Miss Seemee to be the favorite color of the evening although many darker dresses were worn.

Mr. Austen Stead, of the Bank of Montreal at Moncton, is spending a vacation at his home here. Miss Tuck gave a very pleasant drive to Rothesay on Saturday and a large number of her friends. The party went out in time for dinner and returned in the evening which was a delightfully fine and cool one. The party included Mrs. Coster, Mrs. Warren, Miss Dever, Miss Furlong, Miss Keator, Mr. Coster, Mr. Warren, Mr. Goddard, Mr. Blair, Mr. Purdy, Mr. George Hartt, Mr. Jones.

The Banjo club had a very pleasant practice at Rothesay this week. Dr. Bayard spent a day or two last week in St. Andrews. Mr. J. McCreor Grant was also there for a day or two lately. Masters O van and Astley Campbell were visitors in St. Andrews lately and were the guests of Mr. George Mowatt.

Miss Mabel Clarke of Fredericton, was here on Wednesday to attend Mrs. Warner's dance. She has gone home but will return shortly to visit the Misses Warner. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Allison and family were at the Algonquin St. Andrews, for a day last week. The other garden party was held on Thursday afternoon at Mrs. Burpee's charming grounds at Mount Pleasant and was an equally enjoyable affair, both in the large number present and the attractions offered for their entertainment. The day was very pleasant and in the evening a nice refreshing breeze made the walk home preferable to riding in the warm cars. This last garden party was given by the Young Peoples Association of St. David's church and I am glad to say it was a financial success.

Mrs. F. S. Chapman leaves today on a visit to her friend Mrs. Maynard of Green Court, Brookline Mass. The marriage of Mr. James Higgins of W. J. Higgins and Co., to Miss Nellie E. McCullough, took place this week, Rev. F. Casey officiating. The bride and bridesmaid, Miss Teresa McCullough were prettily attired in cream with cream bouquets; the groom was assisted by Mr. P. M. Higgins. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins received many handsome and valuable presents. St. David's church was also the scene of a happy Umbrellas Made, Recovered, Repaired, Dual, 17 Waterloo St.

event this week, the marriage of Mr. Robert Wyse, of Newcastle, to Miss Agnes A. Wilson, daughter of Mr. James Wilson, of Paradise Island. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McAlpine will spend Sunday with friends in Washademoak.

The funeral of Mrs. Jack which took place on Tuesday afternoon was largely attended; the services at the Mission church were very impressive, and the floral offerings were beautiful. Miss Minnie McLeod, of Amherst, who has been visiting Miss Hawker, returned to Amherst last Saturday.

There was a very pleasant picnic at the Bay Shore on Wednesday evening. The evening could not have been more beautiful for picnicking and it was very much enjoyed; among those who were present were Mrs. W. Humphrey, Mrs. Barnes, Misses Jennie Patterson, Dora Kirkpatrick, Bessie Allingham, Ella Francis, Laura Godsoe, Miss Addy, Floy MacFarlane and Messrs. W. Davis, B. Jordan, F. Vaughan, A. Cook, George King, E. Everett, H. Godsoe, W. McFarlane, E. E. Angeline. Mrs. George Polly of Boston is in the city visiting Mrs. A. L. Goodwin and Mrs. Wm. Baxter, Germain street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Jones and Master Chester are visiting New York and Boston. Miss Rea B. Bustin was the guest of Mrs. R. Scott, Waterloo street, for a few days last week. Mrs. G. Garland of Woburn, Mass, is the guest of the Misses Gordon, Main street.

Miss Drinkwater, of Montreal is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. G. Tavel. Archdeacon and Mrs. Lough of Bermuda were in the city for a short time recently.

Mrs. J. A. Robinson of Musquash who has been visiting here returned home last week. Miss Frances Godfrey is in Grand Manan visiting a guest in the family of R. V. N. S. Covr-t.

Mrs. W. B. Rankine and children of Dartmouth are visiting Sherbrooke and Mrs. Rankine, King street east. Miss Catherine Ingersoll of Grand Manan who has been visiting friends in the city returned home last week.

Dr. J. D. Maher left this week on a trip to Boston. Mrs. James Stratton, her daughter, and Miss Sidney-Smith of this city were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cameron Grant at Clarence N. S. for a day or two last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Campbell and Mrs. J. R. Vaughan were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cochrane at Bridgetown N. S. lately. Mrs. John McCosnell, of Woburn, is here to spend the summer months with Mr. and Mrs. Warren, of Waterloo street. Mr. McConnell returned from Woburn the first of the week.

Miss May J. Perkins, who has been quite ill recently, is slowly recovering. Mrs. W. Robinson, of Musquash, came to the city Monday to visit friends.

Mr. William Brodie, of St. Andrews, was in the city for a short time this week. He intends to go abroad for a few months before returning to St. Andrews.

Miss Emma Anderson, who has been visiting in Musquash, returned to the city this week. Mrs. J. J. McGuffigan and family went to Tracadie this week to spend the summer at their residence there. Mr. McGuffigan accompanied them but expects to return in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Peck spent a part of last week in Musquash at "Sunnyside" with friends. Miss Cora Crawford, of the Boston City Hospital, is spending a vacation with her parents on Queen street.

Dr. Reed of New York, accompanied by Mrs. Reed and family, are visiting St. John. J. W. Barnes and Mrs. Barnes of New York, are the guests of Mrs. Barnes of Horsefield street.

Dr. Helms has just returned from an extended trip to Europe, and is at present visiting his mother at Norton. Mrs. John Owens, Miss Owens and Miss Byrne, of Fredericton, are at the Bay Shore for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Allison and family have returned from Rothesay, where they spent the past month and have taken apartments at the Aberdeen.

Among the St. John people who are attending the C. E. Convention in Boston are Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Parks, Miss A. Estey, Miss Maggie Campbell, Miss A. E. Kimred, Miss Laura Campbell, Miss Alice Henderson and Miss Rita Cunningham.

Rev. J. W. Clarke left this week on a month's vacation, which will be spent in Nova Scotia. Mr. J. R. Stone, who accompanied his daughter and Miss Homer to New York has returned home.

Mr. George J. Quinsler, a former St. John man but now of Boston, his wife and daughter are staying at the Victoria. Mrs. F. Beverly who has been quite ill at her residence on Garden street is much improved this week.

Mr. E. J. Armstrong and family returned the first of the week from a visit to Woodstock. Miss Fraser, the Misses Louise and Mable Girvan are guests of Mrs. A. J. Girvan at Kingston this week.

Mr. George Botsford who formerly lived here but now makes his home in Boston, is here on a visit to friends. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ward and Miss Ward, of Boston, were here this week enroute to Ingleside to join a party of friends who are fishing.

Mr. W. H. Merritt and Mr. Wetmore Merritt and their families spent Sunday in Sussex at the "Knoll". Mr. George R. Noble spent a day or two of this week in Harcourt. Mr. F. Colwell, of the city was also in Harcourt for a short time the first of the week, on his way north.

Rev. Mr. Eatough spent last Friday in Sussex with friends. Mrs. Hazel McLean, Miss Alice and Master Hugh are visiting Mrs. McLeans father at Kingston.

Miss Marjorie Knight and Master Jack were staying with friends in Musquash for a few days lately. Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Perkins have returned from a visit to Riverview. Mrs. C. A. Stubbs and Miss Flossie Stubbs, have returned from Middletown, N. S., where they were visiting Mrs. J. H. Middlemas.

Mr. James F. Robertson and the Misses Robertson left in Saturday on their European trip. Dr. S. F. Nelson and Mrs. Nelson, of Montreal, were here for a short time this week.

Mrs. (Dr.) Lawrence, of Boston, is visiting friends in the city. Dr. Murray McLaren and Mrs. Janis Mowatt went to Tabusintac on a fishing trip the first of the week. Judge Barker and W. H. Thorne, are trying their luck in Boasventure, P. Q., and will be absent three weeks.

Miss Annie F. Ervine is visiting friends in An dover. Miss Daisy Estabrooks, of Sackville, is in the city visiting friends. Miss Hazel Robinson of this city, is visiting Miss Mabel Raimie of Sackville.

The Misses Marion and Beatrice Roach, are visiting friends at Sussex. Miss Read who spent a short time lately in Sackville as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hammond, has returned home.

Miss Ethel Ogden who has been visiting friends in the city for some time, returned to her home in Sackville, this week. Miss B. Rodgers, left this week for Shodiac. She will spend about three weeks at the Weldon House. She will also visit P. E. I.

Miss Armstrong, who has been visiting Mrs. (CONTINUED ON EIGHTH PAGE.)

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