SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

(CONTINUED FROM FIFTH PAGE.)

Massachussets people who have been visiting the province lately were here for a day or two this

On Wednesday of last week a pleasant outing chaperoned by Mrs. (Capt.) Price and Mrs. Hamilton was held at the St. John Yacht Club house, Milledgeville, by a party of young people. The afternoon was spert in boating and games of vartous kir ds and dainty refreshments were served at the club house; among the guests were Miss Watters, Miss Walsh, Miss Weldon, Boston Miss G. Colwell, Boston, Miss B. Col. well, Miss Brittsin, Miss McCluskey, Miss Nelson, Misses McAckney, Misses McIntyre, Misses Baines, Misses White, Miss Gigsy, Miss Kirkpatrick, Miss Dunlap, Miss Croft, Miss Akerley, Miss Hammond, Miss Waring, Miss Seeley, Miss Parker, Miss McJunkin, Miss Cunningham, Miss Holder, Misses Corbett, Miss Mc-Allister, Mr. W. Corbett, Mr. J. Erb, Mr. F. Kee, Mr. C. Dykeman, Mr. F. Welkley, Mr. J. Holly, Mr. C. Centell, Mr. W. Drake, Mr. R. Horrcastle, Mr. W. Turner, Mr. C. Nelson, Mr. W. Gaskin, Mr. R. Bealle, Mr. W. Mahoney, and others.

Mrs. M. B. Dixon has been visiting Fredericton

Miss Addie George who is spending the summer at the Bay shore, and a party of friends went to the former's home at Fredericton on Tuesday and returned to St. John on Friday.

The Ethel Tucker company close their very successiul two weeks engagement here this evening. Throughout, Miss Tocker has been received in a most flattering manner, a fact that testifies to the general excellence of her various representations. The plays produced this week have so far been "Alone in Lordon," "Camille" and "Called Back;" and in her graceful natural interpretations, Miss Tucker proved herself an actress of wonderful versatility and ability. Her Pauline March in "Called Back" is quite perfect. Many of the gowns worn in "Camille" last evening were made in this city and are it it is said, triumphs of the dressmakers art. The play was produced too late in the week for a criticism in this issue of PROGRESS. Miss Tucker receives excellent sup. po t from Mr. H. P. Meldon who has become a favorite during the engagement. Mr. A. G. Kranz is another member of the company who has estab listed himself in the good graces of St. John theatre goers his splendid work receiving much commerdation. Mr. Kranz is thoroughly good in whatever role he assumes. The company are as much pleased with their reception in this city as the citizens have been with their work, and it is safe to say that Miss Tucker and her company will always find a warm welcome here in future.

Mrs. Albert Eaton and daughter of Melville Ave. Dorchester, Mass., are visiting Mrs. W. H. Ham, Elliott Row. Misses Borden of Moncton are here to spend a

few weeks with relatives. Miss Gertiude McDermott is in Moncton visiting

the Misses Bourgue. Miss Hennigar of Moncton is spending a short

time with city relatives. Miss Murchie of Calais is in the city visiting Miss Penna of the North End.

Miss Isabel Babbit of Fredericton is a guest of her aunt Mrs. John V. Ellis.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Robert L Jehrson, president of the S. J. B. and A. club and

Miss Josephine Horncastle of Indiantown.

SLAVES OF ALCOHOL.

The Only Sure Cure For Them Is to Make

The most common of all forms of intoxication is of ccurse that due to alcohol, and the question of its treatment is most formidable. Alcohol affects the system in such a variety of ways, perverts the functions of so mary organs, invades and corrodes so many tissues, that the physician is often Tu :: it to vist jant of the organism needs treatment first. The poison produces chronic in flammation of the stomach; it gradually inflames the liver, and in fact strangles it like an iron hand; it injures the heart; it affects the kidneys; it does harm to the lungs; it produces neurasthenia, delirium tremens, insanity, and epilepsy by its influence upon the nervous system; it attacks the spinal cord and causes pseudo ataxia.

Sometimes the physicians treat one of these conditions in a patient and sometimes many. But the worst condition is that of the vice or disease itself. He may treat and relieve to a certain extent the disorders just enumerated, but the habit offers terrible difficulties to overcome in order to conquer it. How shall the habit be cured? For many decades this complex question has commanded the attention not only of physicians, but of laymen, lawyers clergymen and statesmen. Either the desire for alcohol must be rid got of or the alcohol itself must be made unattain-

To accomplish the first appeal has been made to the enfeebled will of of the victim by lectures, pledges, hypnotic suggestions, religious influences and the like, often with considerable success. And drugs, too, have been lauded by physicians and a multitude of secret rostrums by quacks to accomplish the same purpose, also with considerable success, thought not so much through the merit of being an antidote to the impulse for drink as by virtue of the support by faith or suggestion given to the weak will of the

On the other hand, to make alcohol unattainable, or at least to put it as far as possible out of reach, the law has been invoked to regulate liquor selling in general, to prevent its sale to drunkards, to imprisson tabitues or to commit inebriates to special institutions for a certain period of

While all of these means have, in individual instances, been productive of successful results, the facts remain that no drug has been found that is always equal to des roying the morbid craving, and the laws are inadequate as r gards the regulation of the liquor traffi; and the isolation of the drunkard from the contiguity of his ruling demon .- New York Sun.

FILELL A Generous Answer.

Tucking the subject of servants, why on earth do so many thousands of our women at home slave in factories, or worse when here they would be like angels in the h use? (Mostly!) And then again, the want of wives in Canada is a real blight to the land of sunlight and gloom. These lines I jotted down from the Pall Mall Gazette last year:

Chairs Re-seated, Cane, Splint, I erforated. Duval, 17 Waterloo.

WERE THEY MARRIED?

A Young Couple Duly Dissected and Talk-

They were coming away from the theater and they fell to discussing the young couple who sat in front of them.

"They are evidently married," said the gi:l in the Persian waist; "I noticed that they didn't exchange a word while the curtain was down."

"Nonsense; they are merely engaged," said the girl in the black gown; "I heard him tell her that he did not consider the leading lady even pretty."

"Perhaps] they are merely brother and sister," suggested the young man of the

"No, they weren't," said the girl in the Persion waist, "he'd have gone out between the acts if he was only her brother, while an engaged man wouldn't want to leave her, and-"

' A newly-married man would not dare to,' broke in the girl in the black gown.

'She took off her hat as soon as she came in,' remarked the young man. 'That looks as if she was married and in the habit of consulting the feelings of someone

· Or that they were not really engaged yet and she wanted to show him how considerate she could be,' said the girl in the

"Or that she was merely conscious of having pre ty hair,' said the girl in the Persian waist, 'Will you wager a box of chocolates that they are not married?' ' I-1'd rather you ladies would settle it

between you,' said the young man, bastily. You have so much mose insight in such matters, you know.' 'There they come now,' said the girl in

the Persian waist 'Let us notice what they do and perhaps we can decide. If they are merely friends they will stop for cream soda and--' 'If they are engaged she will tell him

how hungry she is, and they will stop for supper,' said the young man, bitterly. 'While if they are married,' went on the

girl in the Persian waist, 'he-there, what did I tell you?' The couple pauses before a cigar shop

and he went in, while she waited at the 'You were right,' said the girl in the black gown, 'they are married.'—Chicago Times-Hera'd.

LABOR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

It is Dear Because White Men Demand Black Helpers for All Work,

The English carpenter has a "boy" to carry his tools for him; the English bricklayer has a native hodman to hand the bricks to him which he proceeds to set. Work requiring skill is very often done by whites, because they do it much better, but but white labor leans on and us:s black labor. So on the railways the stationmasters and guards are white, but the heavy jobs which need litt'e skill fall to the black so field hands and those who actually herd the cattle are natives, though there are about 1,000,000 deep-sea fish were sound usually whites over them in a position of floating dead on the surface of the ocean.

In all new countries skilled labor is dear. but in South Africa it is exceptionally dear, because the skilled white man insists on having blacks beneath him, and black labor, though it is cheap if m asured by the price paid for it, is really dear if measured by what it accomplishes; for it is unskilled and uncertain, the native, except in a few of the older parts of the country, not yet having acquired that habit of steady and patient industry which makes labor effective. It is of course in the newest districts, where the natives are still raw and scarcely removed from a savage state, that

this uncertainity is most felt. In the gold fields of the Transvaal and Mashonaland the supply of native workpeople often falls short, although at Johannesburg a native can earn three pounds (fifteen dollars) a month besides his food and such lodging as he needs. The development of the mines is of course to some extent retarded by this difficulty of obtaining a permanent supply of labor .-"Impressions of South Africa," by James Bryce, M. P., in the July Century.



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Extraordinary Powers.

"Do I believe in a sea serpents?" repeated Eugene G. Blackford, formerly state fish commissioner. "I certainly do. Of course, I don't believe in all the de'ails of all sea serpents as seen at the summer hotels. I do believe there are huge marine monsters which appear like serpents, and cause these tails about sea serpents to

beeu captured?"

"Their enormous size and swiftness, their extraordinary powers, and the fact that they are shy and seldom appear."

"Why are their bodies not cast ashore?" 'They are probably deep-sea dwellers. The bodies of the deep-sea fish are not cast ashore, except on rare and abnormal occasions. For instance, fifteen years ago It was supposed that a submarine explosion had killed them. Deep-sea fish cannot get to the surface under ordinary conditions, or, if they do, they cannot get down again. 'Wouldn't that keep the sea serpent up

f be once came up? 'Not necessarily. He may be constructed on a different plan. I think the sea serpent is a survival of the great reptiles of the Plesiosaurus species. It is quite possible that, though a dweller of the deep, he may be able to come to the surface of the sea and go down again at his pleasure.'-New York Times.

PERFECT ARM OF A WOMAN.

What a Noted Sculptor Says Regarding Its Proportions.

'I find greaf difficulty in getting a model with good arms,' said a sculptor. 'It is astonishing how very few women have arms that conform to the standard. A perfect arm measured from the armpit to the wrist joint should be twice the length of the head. The upper part of the arm should be large, full and well rounded. The forearm must not lie too flat, not nearly so flat as a man's, for example. A dimple at the elbow adds beauty to a well-

From a well-molded shoulder the whole arm should taper in long, graceful curves to a symmetrical and rounded wrist. It is better to have an arm that harmonizes even if the parts do not follow the generally accepted lines. For instance, a full round upper arm which is joined to a flat or thin forearm has a very bad effect. It is only a degree worse, however, than a graceful, well-molded forearm tacked on to

a thin, scrawny upper arm. Correctness of form is not the only thing necessary for a good arm. The ower must possess the power of expression in her arms. As a general thing American women are deficient in this. Those nationalities which show the most expression in their arms are the Spanish French and Italians. The warmest admirers of Sarah Bernhardt would not claim that she had beautiful arms yet no one can say that the divine Sarah ever appears ungainly in consequences. Much more lies in the faculty of arms expression than is generally supposed."

VERACIOUS DOG TALE.

The Big Mastiff Succeeded in Ringing the Electric Bell With His Nose.

"I'll tell you a dog story that is hard to believe and yet I give you my word that it is absolutely true. Now, you doubtless considerable noi e in the streets, firing of crackers etc. This was, I noticed, very annoying to my big mastiff, who is kept in a small stable yard on my premises. The dog, however, was, I thought, secure, as it was confined by a high wire netting and fence.

"During the evening I was obliged to go out to summon a plysician on account of the illness of my little girl, and after com-

ing back about 11 o'clock sat up in dressing gown and slippers to wait for the doctor's arrival. Presently there came a long ring at the bell and then another and another. 'That's not the doctor,' said I to myself, and, grumbling at the idea of callers or business at that hour, I went to the door. Opening it, imagine my surprise at seeing my 100 pound mastiff standing with feet on the gate post, ringirg the electric bell wi h his nose. It was evident that he had been reading the papers that the coachman bad left about the stable and, finding himself locked out, said to himself, 'I'll press the button and he'll do the rest.' 1, of course, invited bim in and escorted him through the house to his own quarters, where I found he had broken through the wire netting and probably gone out to investigate the Christmas bombardment, but he had forgotten the way back and so called me up.

BICYCLE TEETH.

Latest Complaint Fashionable Amongst Those who Travel A-Wheel.

It may be something peculiar to the eastern climate, to the dust of the eastern roads, or to some peculiarity about the eastern method of riding, but the fact remains that down Philadelphia way bicycle riders are in large numbers affected by what the dentists call "receding gums." Tae offices of the dentists, according to a Pailadelphian's tale, are overrun with wheelmen and wheelwomen who want to know what is the matter with their teeth. ive. 2 and that unless some remedy is speedily found they will all either soon be fanged-toothed, or will lose molars, incisors and canines altogether.

The story goes that it took the dentists a long time to find out that the complaints came only from riders of the wheel. They put two and two together, and have put a

remedy for bicycle teeth. Chicago dentists laugh at the story, and say that if there are such things as bicycle teeth in Philadelphia they constitute the only thing in which the Quaker City is ahead of Chicago, and they add that they don't believe they ride fast enough in Philadelphia to injure any part of the anatomy.-Chicago Tribune.

A Peculiar Friendship.

"The most peculiar friendship I ever saw formed was one between a bawk and a rooster," said D. R. Franklin, at the Gibson. "One day, when living on a farm in "How is it that none of these has ever | begged that the creature's life be spared, said the Yankes, "we are not going back. | begin to perish. In all perfec ion are the days the bawk had become qui'e tame and would come to us for its food when we called it. The chickens were greatly frightened at its presence and kept up and in a short time its presence was taken as a matter of courie. The bird was tied to a stake in the back yard and the fowls would go several times a day to look at him. One rooster, more courageous than the rest, concluded to get acquainted with the enemy. In some way they succeeded in communicating together and establishing a bond of friendship. They were constantly together, and after the bawk's wounds had healed and he was liberated he would spend a portion of each day with his friend, the rooster, paying no attention to the other chickens. In some way he must have told his special care, for we were never troubled with them afterward, although before that we had lost a great many chickens."-Cincinnati Enquirer.

Neither Turtle Will Give Up.

Two months ago a crowd of coal miners near Newport took two snapping turtles into a cockpit and forcing open their jaws poured some whisky down their thoats. Then they were turned loose on each other, \$800 being wagered on the the snappers gave up or was killed. The turtles fought fiercely, each tearing his antagonist's head and neck with his horny beak until one obtained a grip upou the other's flipper.
After a brief but ineffectual struggle to break his antigonist's hold, the turtle whose fipper w.s thus caught seized the other by the neck. Aside from further demonstration for several hours. for a good time," The crowd of miners watched them from early evening until long after midnight, when the two turtles, each retaining his deserted house. This was two mon'hs ago, and since then neither of the snappers has shown any symptoms of weakening his

The Exacting Jap.

A great deal of dissatisfaction has been caused to manufacturers who have exported their goods to Japan, by parts, and in some cases the whole of the consignment being thrown on their hands. The excellence is very high, and he declines to heard voices in one of the rooms. take anything that does not come up to it. Other nations are ready to accept their purchases so long as they are practically equal to their operative requirements, but the Japanese insist on a minuteness of construction and finish which may almost be regarded as "finicky." They are said to be most exact in their tests of goods remember that on Christmas eve there was made under contract, expecting large pieces of machinery to be mathematically true in every particular. In one instance, 450 tons out of 700 tons of galvanized iron telegraph wire, imported from Germany were rejected because they had become slightly oxidized in places when on board ship, and in another case a large quantity Boston families, and why shouldn't we of telegraph wire was returned because its diamerter was found to be three-thousandthe of an inch too large.

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WAR'S HUMORS.

A Few Good Stories Retold of Geeat Com

Once during the Iron Duke's campaign in the Pyrenees, it happened that General Pictou's dispositions for receiving the assault of Marshal Soult displeased him. The danger threatened from in front and the difficulty lay in delaying the attack until Wellington could effect the change he wished. He was as usual, equal They complain that they have more ex- to the occasion. Waving his hat in the posed ivory surface for every day that they air, he galloped to the front of a regiment as if he meant to order a charge. The whole of Picton's line cheered tremendously, and as the crossing, the first prisoner caught by roar died away. Wellington heard to remark, half to himself: 'Soul peremptory stop to the riding of wheels in the Quaker City until they can evolve a tack in force without ascertaining the meaning of these cheers. That will leave time for the sixth division to come up, and and caused her hours of humiliation afterwe shall beat him." This was exactly what happened, and Soult sustained a bloody repulse where he might have won an easy victory.

When Grant's army crossed the Rappahannock, Lee's veterans felt sure of sending it back 'as tattered and torn" as ever it had been under the new general's numerous predecessors. After Mosby were asked many questions by curious confederates. "What has become of Western Pennsylvannia, I shot and wound- your pontoon train?" said one such ined a hawk. When I picked up the bird I | quirer. "We haven't got any," answered found that its wings were broken, but the prisoner. "How do you expect to get otherwise it was uninjured. My sister over the river when you go back?" "Oh," like architectu e, indeed, like all the arts, and the request was granted, Within a few Grant aays that all the men he sends back can c.oss on a log.'

Turenne, one day, observing that at each volley from a certain battery some of his soldiers ducked their heads, but drew moving on to amelioration, lawn tennis was considerably fuss. This soon wore off and | themselves np again immediately, lest they should be reprimanded, exclaimed: "My children, there is no harm in what you do; such visitors well deserve an obeisance. This reminds one of the French officer's politeness when he saw a bomb approaching. Leaping aside as it approached, he took off his hat and bowing low remarked: "I never dispute precedence with gentleof your family.'

During the battle of Lexington the bullets flew thick and fast. A ball struck General Sterling Price's saddle, shattering if and turning the occupant half way round in his seat. His son, who was near by, came up in haste and cried out, "Father, the other hawks that our flock was under | are you hut?" "General Price, if you please, sir!" Then, after a minute's pause, General Price can assure Colonel Price that he is unharmed."

HAVING A GOOD TIME.

A Yankee Girl's Experience That is Universal in Application.

Lucile Gregg was a pretty girl, merry and fond of a good time. Whenever there was any fun or mischief afoot, Lucile was a leader. She liked to do things a little outcome, but with the understanding that | daring, just a bit "shocking," and enjoyed no decision would be made until one of seeing some of her friends open their eyes, and hear them exclaim, "Oh, Lucile, how

> "I'm not a Miss Prim," she would reply. "I'm not too straigh :-laced to have

Lucile had many admires with whom she had what she termed "summer flirations." a steady "weaving" motion there was no "There's no harm in it," she said, "it's just

Last summer Lucile went to a fashionable resort in the White mountains. While there vice like grip on the other, were carried she made the acquaintance of George from the pit and placed in the cellar of the Martin, a young man of good family in New York. He showed Lucile attention, and sometimes she thought, with a little hold upon the other, and the bets have not fluttering of the heart, that this yet been declared off - Newcastle (Pa) might be more than a summer fliration. One day George was joined by his mother and two sisters, and Lucile looked forward with mingled pleasure and anxiety to meeting them; but a whole day passed and George did not offer to introduce her to his relatives. Lucile was somewhat annoyed at this omission, but did not suppose it was intentional, until just at dusk, she was sitting alone in a planation is that the Jap's standard of ex- sheltered corner of the balcony, when she

In answer to some question she heard George Martin say "Oh, that's Lucile

"Why, then she must be Belle Merrill's cousin." responded a lady's voice. 'You must introduce us. You know Miss Gregg, "Yes, I know her," George answered,

Lucile ought to have left without hearing more; but the temptation to learn more was too great; so, with burning cheeks she lingered and listened.

"Why, she belongs to one of those old care to make her acquaintance?" "Well, she does well enough to walk

with, and treat to ice cream and confectionery, but she-well, she isn't the girl a man would like for a wife, or would like

his sister to choose for a companion. She's a little too loud-" Lucile waited to hear no more. Thot with anger, shame and humiliation, she fled

to her room. And she had thought that

George Martin esteemed her! She knew his real opinion of her now. Wave after wave of wounded pride and mortification went over her as she recalled certain acts of her own; twice she had smoked cigarettes in George Martin's presence, and he had professed to admire her "splendid independence," and all the

while he was thinking her loud! Lucile did not spare herself in this humiliating retrospect. I never will do so again!" she cried, at length. "No one shall ever have a chance to call me loud

after this!" Whether she keeps this resolution or not, Lucile Gregg will never think of certain events of that summer without a thrill of

Without a thought of wrong, save in merry pursuit of a good time, many a young girl has been let to some foolish act which has left a stain on her reputation ward .- Ohio Farmer.

The Fall of Lawn Tennis.

How comes it that, the champion week at Wimbledou notwithstanding. lawn tennis has unquestionably suffered some eclipse, is played wi h less eagerness than heretofore, and has fewer votraies? It has, we are afraid, been eclipsed by more fascinationg rivals, and bicycling has completed what golf had already begun.

It had reached all the perfection of which t was capable; and when that stage is att sined, sports, like painting, like sculpture, latent se.ds of decay. As long as a great many people played lawn tennis tolerably well, but no one supremely, and all were sate. But when a certain number of players got to play too well, the fate of the game was sealed, as far as universal

popularity is concerned. The inferior players did not care to play with the superior rlayers, and, truth to tell, the superior ones did not care to play with the interior ones. Shall we be deemed very ungellant if we add that, speaking generally the interior players were—well, not of the male sex? They withdrew their countenance from the game in consequence, and the result was that it sank from the position of a national pastime to that of a provincial

or a local one. Moreover, bicycling is the chartered libertine of the day. Mount a bicycle, and the most dragooned young woman may go where she likes, when she likes, and as fast as she likes. If she attempted to go in a boat, in a hansom, or even on horseback, as freely as she moves about on her cycle, the mountain would be called on to cover her, and she would swittly be reminded of the obligations and restrictions of her sex. But a female cyclist can do no wrong. It is to be wondered at that, such being the case, bicycling promises to kill not only lawn tennis, but to run over everything that stands in its way?-London Standard.

Artistic Tatooing.

Probably the most artistically tatooed man in the world is William Furness, a son of Dr. Horace Howard Furness, the noted Shakespearian scholar. Mr. Furness spent a long term in Japan, and it was there that the figures that a forn his body were executed. A splendid reproduction of the Goddess of Love covers his chest, and the God of Thunder illuminates his back. Snakes and birds by the dozen mark his arms and thighs. A pagoda is designed on one shoulder, and a tearful and wonderful collection of geometrical designs covers the other shoulder. A Chinese boat is tatooed on one leg and a dragoon looks up from other. The artist who executed these designs was paid \$12 an hour for his services, an appalling fee in that country, where 25 cepts per diem is a princely salary .- Philadelphia Record.

A Misfit.

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