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The first rink party of the season took place last Thursday evening, the host of the evening being Mayor Gordon and the officers of the Berkshire regiment. A large number of people were asked and in addition to the band to-night the Mandolin band of the regiment was present and played between the regular dances.

This was the opening of the rink party series and there will probably be more before the season closes. The usual carnival in which the subscribers to the Progress take part is to be held next week so it is said but there is very little enthusiasm over it. Several attractions are mentioned.

The small dance given last week by some of the officers of the R. A. at Artillery and was a great success, the traditional fame of the entertainments given by the gunners being thoroughly sustained. There were very few married ladies there, when compared with the list of unmarried ones, and nearly all of those asked were the wives of the officers of the garrison. This is rather a change from the state of things three years ago, when there was merely a sprinkling of girls among the young married women who monopolized entertainments generally. People looked very nice, as a rule, and many pretty frocks were worn, one of the very smartest being pale blue, very plainly made, and most becoming to its blonde wearer. There were plenty of men and dancing was most energetic, as the floor and the music were both good. Supper was of course unexceptionable, and everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. Next Friday another small dance will be given by the same hosts, and I hear there is great heartburning against the invitations, some people having been invited to both, to their great satisfaction over the less fortunate. The handsomest dress in the room, by the way, was worn by an American lady, married to a member of the garrison. But the belle of the evening was undoubtedly one of our youngest and prettiest girls, who looked charming in a very simple frock.

On Monday of last week Mrs. Montgomery Moore was at home as usual, and had a goodly number of visitors, though not at all a large party. On Wednesday Mrs. Duncan gave a large tea, which was thronged throughout the afternoon, and extremely pleasant and successful. The tea table was particularly pretty, and the people looked very nice in smart winter garments. On Thursday there was another tea, though not so large, and there is also one this afternoon, so that the week has not been dull at all.

On Thursday evening there was a dinner and dance at Bedford, given by the members of the dancing class which has been such a success during the past two winters. There was no outside guess as the club numbers from 40 to 50 members, quite enough without extraneous additions. It was to have been a driving party but the sleighing was so far from good that the party went and returned by train, which was not so pleasant, perhaps, but a great saving as regards time. The whole affair was most successful and well managed.

The dinners of last week have been essentially masculine Tuesday and Thursday evenings having been taken up by dinners at Government house, and Wednesday by a dinner at Archbishop O'Brien's. It would seem to be time for ladies to start opposition dinners, but perhaps they have their consolations for their quiet evenings.

TRURO.

[Progress is for sale in Truro by Mr. G. O. Fulton, and D. H. Smith & Co.]

Feb. 18.—Captain D. I. V. Eaton of the Canadian militia stationed at Fredericton, spent a day or two with home friends, Salmon river last week. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fuller gave a very pleasant evening on Monday to a small number of lady and gentlemen friends in honor of her guests, Miss Patchall and her sister Miss Milligan of St. John. The night, so beautifully clear was an ideal one for coasting, which was thoroughly enjoyed until after eleven o'clock, when the party returned to the house with appetites sharpened and keen for the enjoyment of a most appetizing supper, the discussion of which, concluded a most pleasant evening. Among those enjoying Mrs. Fuller's hospitality were:—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bowers, Miss Yorston, Miss C. Dickie, Miss B. Blanchard, Miss E. Archibald, Miss L. Longhead, Miss McLeod, Misses Thomas, Miss Piers, Misses McDougall, and Messrs. W. Yorston, E. R. Stuart, J. Crowe, J. Stanfield, G. Crowe, H. D. McDougall, A. Ford, Vizard.

At "Elmhurst," last Thursday night, Mrs. Thos. McKay was at home to quite a large party, for progressive whist. The evening was a very pleasant one. The guests were Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Muir, Dr. and Mrs. Atkinson, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Randall, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dickie, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Archibald, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crowe, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Moorman, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Wadwell, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Layton, Mr. and Mrs. Hemmeon, Mrs. McClellan, Miss Yuill, Miss Mary Crowe, Captain L. Yuill, Mr. G. H. Williams, W. F. Odell, Mrs. H. W. Crowe, won the ladies first prize; Mr. D. B. Cummings, the gentlemen's. The consolation prizes fell to Mrs. Atkinson and Mr. Odell.

Last Tuesday night there was another large progressive whist party at "Elmhurst." Mrs. McKay received in black brocade, Miss McKay in pink dotted swiss. The guests were Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Muir, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Black, Misses Bligh, Miss Sutherland, Misses Anna and May Sutherland, Misses McNaughton, Misses Nelson, Miss L. Snook, Miss Tabor, Miss Jean Crowe, Miss Helene Lawrence, Miss Archi-

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Mr. W. P. McKay went to Amherst today to be present at the Bachelor's ball tonight.

WINDSOR.

[Progress is for sale in Windsor at the store of F. W. Dakin.]

Feb. 17.—Mr. Allan Inspector of the Halifax Banking company was in town for a few days last week.

Miss Mollie Gossip returned on Wednesday from her stay in Antigonish.

Miss Florence Shand is visiting friends at Bridge water.

Mr. J. M. Smith is in Boston on a business trip.

Mrs. Forni of Halifax has been visiting Mrs. Bliss Murphy.

Mrs. Stewart who has spent the last two years with her brother Rev. Mr. Dickie at the presbytery, in Lunenburg left on Wednesday for Toronto much to the regret of the many warm friends she made while in Windsor. Mrs. Stewart will be missed particularly in the Presbyterian church having been indeed the "Lady of the Manse" while here.

Mr. Dennison who has been practicing law in Windsor for the last few years left last week for Digby where he goes into partnership with Mr. Copp. Mr. Dennison was very popular while here and his departure is much regretted.

Mr. Khadder of King's college had returned from a trip to New York.

Mr. Y. A. G. Guseley was in Halifax last week.

Rev. J. C. Halsey is spending a few days in Halifax. He accompanied his daughter Mrs. Warren and her son who sailed from Halifax for St. John's Newfoundland this week, after making a visit here on their way from Peggand.

Miss Burnham is returned from a very pleasant visit to friends in Boston and New York.

Miss Pines of Berwick is in town the guest of Mrs. W. H. Curry.

Mr. Percy Borden editor of the "Western Chronicle" Kentville was in town on Monday.

Mrs. Ritchie of Annapolis who has been visiting Miss Georgie Burnham, returned home on Saturday.

Mr. Frank Scott of Halifax is spending a few days in town with friends.

Miss Jettie Kileup has gone to Montreal to spend some weeks with friends there and in Quebec.

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The sad news of the death of Mrs. Stamer, widow of the late Rev. Henry Stamer, which occurred on Saturday will be heard with much regret by her friends far and near. Mrs. Stamer was a well known lady much esteemed for her good works; and her death leaves a blank which will not soon be filled not only in her own family but in the community at large. The remains were taken on Monday to Hubbard's Cove, of which parish Mr. Stamer was for many years rector, and interred in the family burying ground there. Mrs. Stamer was a daughter of the late Colonel Poyntz and since leaving Hubbard's Cove has lived with her sister, Miss Poyntz. She had a large family of children some of whom have preceded her to the "Better Land" but several remain to mourn for a mother who was so much to them.

Mrs. Carson has the deep sympathy of her many friends in the death of her daughter Ellen which took place on Monday. This event is all the more sad as Mrs. Carson has been called upon to part with her husband and three children within two years.

PARRSBOBO.

[Progress is for sale at Parrsboro book store.]

Feb. 17.—Miss Cook of Moncton is the guest of Mrs. Claude Evils.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Eaton have returned from a visit to Hantsport.

Mrs. Ambrose who has been here with her husband a short time, the guest of Mrs. Gibbon went home on Monday.

Mr. E. Gillespie is away for a trip to Halifax and Yarmouth.

Rev. Fr. Bresnan has been confined to the house for several weeks with severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Smith have lately become the parents of a little girl.

Miss Alice Smith of Amherst is paying a visit to her sister Mrs. Stuart Porter.

Mrs. J. G. Johnson came from Pugwash yesterday and is staying with her husband at Hotel Cum berland.

Mr. A. W. Copp returned last week from Truro.

Rev. C. Munro of Oxford, conducted the services in St. James church on Sunday. Rev. H. K. McLean taking Mr. Munro's duties at Oxford.

Dr. Townshend spent Sunday at Amherst.

Miss Brown of Mapleton has been visiting Mrs. N. C. Norby.

Miss Hattie Hatfield, Miss Maud Corbett, Misses Mabel and Florence Smith, Mr. Harley Smith and Mr. H. G. Mosher went to Oxford on Saturday returned on Wednesday and were guests while there of Mrs. Robb and Mrs. H. Wason.

Mr. McMurray was summoned home to Salisbury on Monday by his mother's illness.

The Literary club met on last evening at Dr. Magee's.

Mr. J. G. Pirkman spent a part of last week in Halifax.

Mr. Churchill of St. John has been here for several days.

Active preparations are in progress for the coming military tournament on Thursday evening.

DIGBY.

[Progress is for sale in Digby by Mrs. Morse.]

Feb. 17.—Mrs. Dr. Kinsman is reported by cablegram to be seriously ill at Nassau where she went for the benefit of her health, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. Welsh. Her husband left on Saturday for Nassau.

Mrs. Harley has returned from her visit to Windsor.

The whist club this week meets at the residence of Mr. H. Green.

Mrs. C. A. Dakin entertained a number of ladies and gentlemen Tuesday evening. The party was gotten up in honor of Mrs. E. Biden.

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