

ST. STEPHEN AND CALAIS.

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MAY 19.—A very pleasant card party was given on Thursday evening last by Captain and Mrs. Howard B. McAllister, at their pretty home. The invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Grimmer, Mr. and Mrs. John Black Mr. and Mrs. George J. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Todd, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Steves, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Chipman and Miss Annie Stevens.

The Calais dramatic company presented the drama "The Banker's Daughter" in the St. Croix hall last evening. The hall was filled with a large audience, and the play was most successfully staged and the acting in every part was most admirable for amateurs. Those who took part were Messrs. Leo D. Lemond, Verne M. Whitman, W. H. Edwards, Ben Curran, Charles Haycock, J. Lewis Saunders, Frank Leland, Bert Todd, Robert Lowe, and Dr. Holland, Miss Mina McKusick, Mrs. J. Lewis Saunders, Mrs. H. B. Neeson, Miss Mary Harris and Miss Carrie Clarke. The play was given for the benefit of the Calais high school. Besides the young ladies and gentlemen who compose the company a number of young society people appeared in the third act, in a scene at a reception given at the American Legation in Paris.

The Park society met at the residence of Mrs. Thomas Wharf at week ago, and this week were entertained by Mrs. Robert Renne.

Rev. Frederic Robertson of Trinity church spent Sunday in St. John and preached in the stone church Rev. Mr. Smith of St. John conducted the services in Trinity church on Sunday.

Hon. A. H. Gillmor visited St. Stephen recently. General and Mrs. B. B. Murray have returned to their home in Pembroke, Maine.

The Knights of F. J. have given invitations for a dance to be held in the curling rink on Friday evening.

Mrs. Henry Maxwell, and her daughter Miss Gladys Maxwell have returned from an extended visit in Rumford Falls, with her sister Mrs. John K. McKenzie.

Mr. L. A. Miles of St. John is registered at the Windsor.

Mayor J. T. Whitlock, and Mr. W. W. Inches have been visiting Fredericton, and vicinity on Masonic business.

Mr. C. O. Barker contemplates visiting Eureka California, and will probably leave for there about the first of June.

Mr. Louis J.reat has serious ideas of going to Port Arthur, Texas, to make his future residence.

Mr. David Maxwell C. E. has this week purchased the handsome residence of the late Mr. George M. Porter, and with his family will occupy it at an early date.

Mrs. Harriett Clarke's friends are very glad to see her able to be out again, after her accident, which has kept her an invalid during the past five weeks.

Mrs. Frank Nelson who has spent a month in Boston has returned home.

Mrs. D. H. Vose is in Belfast Maine visiting her daughter Mrs. George Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Pike have returned from a pleasant visit in Boston.

Mrs. Walter Pike has returned from Boston, where she spent several weeks seeking medical advice and treatment. She returns greatly benefited in health.

Mr. Charles McKenzie of Rumford Falls made a brief business trip in town this week and was the guest of his sister Mrs. David Maxwell.

Dr. Webster of Yarmouth, N. S., recently returned from the East Indies, is expected here this week and will be the guest of Dr. and Mrs. R. K. Ross.

Mr. J. Howard Crocker of Amherst N. S., will spend a week in town.

Mrs. Melbourne MacMonagle's friends will be sorry to hear she is very ill, and grave doubts are expressed in regard to her condition.

Miss Mary Newton has gone to Boston to spend several weeks with friends in that city.

Miss Belle Henry leaves today for O'Dell, Illinois, where she remains a year visiting relatives in that city.

Mr. Albert Boardman of Minneapolis is the guest of his father Mr. George A. Boardman.

Rev. O. S. Newham, Mrs. Newham, Miss Victoria Vroom, Miss Annie McBride and Dr. J. Mellville Deacon are visiting Woodstock today attending the Sunday school teachers conference which is in session this week.

Mr. James B. Crist made a brief visit to Eastport and vicinity this week.

Mr. E. C. Gates is expected to arrive from New York this week and will spend the summer at his residence in Calais.

Mr. W. F. Todd has been spending the past week in Ottawa.

Mrs. Charles F. Beard left this afternoon for Belmont Mass., where she will spend a week with her husband's parents, Hon. Alanson and Mrs. Beard.

Mrs. M. McGregor and her little granddaughter Elsie Murchie, came from Carleton one day last week and are visiting Mrs. J. S. Murchie.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nichols have returned from Newtonville Mass.

Bishop Neely of Portland Maine, held confirmation services at St. Anne's church last evening.

Miss Carrie Washburn is the guest of Miss Berta Smith this week.

Miss Hannah Marks who has spent a year here with her sister, Mrs. John F. Grant, will leave next week for her home.

WOODSTOCK.

[Progress is for sale in Woodstock by Mrs. Loane & Co.]

MAY 19.—The cantata, "Esther" presented by a number of Houlton ladies and gentlemen in Graham's Opera house Woodstock, on Thursday evening was one of the most entertaining and truly artistic amateur performances ever seen in Woodstock. The singing throughout the five acts was fine, the choruses being in perfect time and the soloists sang splendidly. A good orchestra accompanied the singers and discoursed sweet music between the acts. The cast was as follows:—Esther the Queen, Mrs. Christie P. Lunt; Ahasuerus the King, Mr. W. S. Wiet; Haman, the Prime minister, O. F. Ross; Mordecai, a Jew, Mr. R. T. Wetmore; Zeresh, Haman's wife, Miss Lottie Kin-

**MORE** than a year ago Rev. T. Watson, of Coburn, Ont., wrote the following:—"K. D. C. has produced in me a wonderful change, almost from the first time of using. My indigestion is all gone, and my general health is much better than it has been for years. K. D. C. has my heartiest and unqualified commendation. I believe it to be all a maker claim it to be." (Aug. 14, 1896) he writes again, "I am thankful to say that the benefits derived from K. D. C. in my case did not prove merely temporary but abiding." K. D. C. ought to be found in every home, as it is the remedy for little stomach ills, as well as the great cure for the worst forms of Dyspepsia. K. D. C. Pills are a splendid for the liver and bowels. They cure chronic constipation when taken with K. D. C.

ney; Mordecai's sister, Miss Woodworth; Prophetess, Miss Annie Miller; a Median Princess, Miss Mantle Powers; a Persian Princess, Miss Hortense Miller; Scribe, Stephen Hanson; High Priest, E. E. Churchill; Herald, Harry Kinney; Harbimoh, Frank Carson; Persians, Jews, Guards, Pages, Maids of honor.

The costumes were very pretty those of the Persians and Jews being very artistic. Mrs. Lunt took the part of "Esther" and sang her various solos beautifully. Her acting was very good and costumes were elegant, especially the royal robes of crimson and gold and purple velvet with flashing jewels: Miss Lottie Kinney as "Zeresh" was grand especially in the fifth scene where the farewell between Haman and herself took place. Her singing was excellent and his royal robes were quite dazzling. Mr. R. F. Wetmore as Mordecai was in good voice and wore a very appropriate Jewish costume.

Mr. C. F. Ross with the difficult role of "Haman" was splendid. He possess a fine voice and his acting was so well done, that a general feeling of sympathy was felt for him in his downfall. The whole cantata passed smoothly, and reflected great credit on the musical director, stage manager and the members of chorus. The ladies and gentlemen of Houlton are to be congratulated on the successful entertainment and the pleasant impression made on their Woodstock audience. The entertainment closed with the singing of "God Save the Queen."

A very quiet wedding took place at the residence of F. H. Hale, M. P., on Grafton street Wednesday evening last, when Miss M. Aurilia daughter of F. H. Hale, and Dr. E. H. Saunders were united in matrimony by Rev. C. T. Pailiss in the presence of a few guests the immediate relatives of bride and groom. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders appeared on Sunday and Mrs. Saunders received this week at her residence, Broadway.

F. H. Hale, M. P. returned to Ottawa on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grenville James spent part of last week in Fredericton.

Mrs. F. R. Dibblee widow of the late Sheriff Dibblee died at the residence of her daughter Mrs. Allison H. Connell last week, after an illness of some months. Mrs. Dibblee's funeral took place on Thursday afternoon and was largely attended. The interment took place at Christ Church grave yard. The services were conducted by Ven Archdeacon Neales.

Woodstock is grappling with the "Celebration of the Jubilee" problem but thus far no outline of the day's programme has been presented. It is to be hoped a more original celebration than the time honored horse race—baseball game at the park or bicycle race—will be decided on. A regular iete day for the children and young people would be more appropriate.

Dr. G. B. Maizer is sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to be out again.

Mrs. F. H. Hale spent part of last week in St. John.

Miss Jennie Baird returned last week from Boston where she had spent the winter.

Dean Partridge of Fredericton was the guest of Rev. Benson Bellis this week while attending the church of England conference.

Rev. Ernest Simonsen of St. Andrews, Rev. Henry Montgomery, Rev. J. Flewelling, Rev. Scott Neales, Ven. Archdeacon Brigstocke, Rev. A. G. H. Dicker, Rev. Mr. Newham, Rev. W. O. Raymond were in attendance at the Sunday school conference. Miss Walker of St. John and Miss Vroom of St. Stephen were delegates attending the conference.

Miss Tibbitts of Fredericton spent part of this week in Woodstock.

Mr. D. W. Newcombe spent Sunday in St. John. Miss M. F. Duncan spent Sunday last week at Marysville the guest of Miss Gibson.

Mrs. Meager of St. Stephen is spending some weeks in Woodstock and vicinity the guest of her son F. B. Meagher. ELAINA.

MONCTON.

Progress is for sale in Moncton at the Moncton Bookstore, by W. G. Stanfield and at M. B. Jones' Bookstore.

MAY 19.—Society is in too benevolent a mood just now to think of enjoying itself at all, and I am afraid that until its enthusiasm cools down a little, and things reach their normal state, the work, and consequently the pay, of the society correspondent will be light. Not a dance, not a card party, not even a tea! Nothing but subscription lists, hospital meetings and park and square committees. I think on the whole the ladies are in favor of the hospital as a jubilee memorial judging by the way they are working, and the number of ladies names which appear on the list, and I hope they will meet with every success, for some such institution is sorely needed here. But meanwhile I wish society matters would look up a little.

The many friends of Mr. Geo. F. Fair now of Carleton Place, who for some years a merchant of this city, are glad to see him in town again. Mr. Fair has been in Canada for the past month or two, and has paid several short visits to Moncton.

Mrs. Blair Botsford returned on Saturday from a visit to Sackville.

Mrs. George McSweeney and children left town on Friday for Summerside P. E. Island, to spend a few days with Mrs. McSweeney's mother, Mrs. Lefurgey of Summerside.

Mrs. W. E. Stavert of St. John's Newfoundland, who has been spending a few days in town the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. K. F. Brown, returned home last week.

Mrs. S. T. Hall and family left town on Saturday for British Columbia, where Mr. Hall has been residing for the past year. Mrs. Hall and her daughters have made numerous friends during their residence in Moncton, and they will be greatly missed both in church circles where they have been earnest workers, and in society, their friends will unite in wishing them all happiness and prosperity in their new home.

Mrs. J. S. Benedict left town last week to spend a few days in Campbellton, and I greatly fear that her visit is but a preliminary to the permanent removal of herself and family from Moncton, as she proposes joining Mr. Benedict very shortly, having only awaited the advent of spring, to break up house-keeping.

The many friends of Mrs. Allen Hudson of Boston well known in Moncton as Miss Ella Stavert were delighted to get a glimpse of her last week, when she spent a day or two in town, on her way to visit her former home in Summerside P. E. Island. Mrs. Hudson was accompanied by her brother Mr. Henry Stavert of Summerside.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Ackman will hear with regret of the death of their baby boy a bright little child of eight or nine months old which took place on Thursday after a very short illness. The bereaved parents will have the sympathy of numerous friends in their affliction.

Mrs. W. Fairweather of Pennsylvania is paying a short visit to Moncton the guest of her brothers Messrs. L. W. and E. McAnn of Queen street.

The funeral of the late George F. Logan of the I. C. R. whose sad and sudden death was noted last week, took place last Thursday morning from the family residence on Gordon street, to the I. C. R. station, the body being taken to Amherst for inter-

ment. The services at the house were conducted by Rev. W. B. Hinson and R. S. Crisp, and were most impressive. The floral tributes were numerous and very beautiful testifying the affectionate esteem in which Mr. Logan was held by all classes. Conspicuous amongst them was a beautiful wreath from his fellow clerks in the I. C. R.

The pall bearers were Messrs W. Brown, Charles Spencer, C. W. Burnyeat, J. D. Steeves, D. Gunn, and M. Steeves. Fully three hundred people walked in the procession which escorted the hearse to the station.

Rev. E. Bertram and Mrs. Hooper are being warmly congratulated upon the arrival of a small stranger, who shows every intention of making St. George's Rectory a permanent home. The new arrival is a daughter.

Amongst the fortunate few selected to form the horse guards for Premier Laurier on his trip to England next month, is Mr. P. King now of this city, nephew of Mrs. J. M. Lyons. Mr. King is a member of the Kings County Hussars, and is one of the four selected from the regiment for this purpose. IVAN.

GRAND MANAN.

MAY 15.—Mr. Howard Murchie of St. Stephen is here for a few days.

Miss Alice Cheney of Lubec Maine, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Alvah Guptill.

Mr. and Mrs. Standish Carson are receiving the congratulations of their friends on the arrival of a little stranger.

Captain Pratt of the Dominion cruiser Curlew arrived here on Tuesday.

Mr. Frank Gillis of Lubec is spending a few days with his friends here.

Miss Annie Dismore is the guest of Mrs. Robert Carson.

Miss Mina Williams who has been visiting her cousin Miss Alice Foster, has returned to her home.

Mr. Arthur Covert who for the past year has been a student at Wycliffe college Toronto, is the guest of his father at the rectory. We are glad to hear Mrs. Covert's health is improving, though slowly.

Mr. Fred Withycombe is spending a few weeks on the island.

Miss Della Guptill of Digby has returned to Manan for the summer.

Miss Carrie Guptill's many friends will be pleased to hear that her health is improving.

The owners of wheels here are bitterly lamenting the bad condition of the roads and wondering when the rain will cease. I have heard of at least three new bicycles and there are rumors of more to come.

The ball given by the Knight of Pythias, on Thursday the 13th inst was a grand success and the Knights should be congratulated upon the delightful way in which everything was conducted. The hall was tastefully decorated with bunting and greens and the music was exceptionally good.

A dainty supper was served at half past twelve. Some very effective costumes were worn among the ladies wearing pretty gowns were: Miss Laura Cherrey, powder blue silk; Miss Winifred Small, light silk and garnet velvet trimmings; Miss Josie Maine, pink silk; Miss Etta Foster, pink silk; Miss Helen Ingersoll, pale blue crepe; Miss Helen Burnham, cream silk; Miss Mable Guptill, white muslin with pink silk trimmings. SEAWARD.

RICHIBUCTO.

[Progress is for sale in Richibucto by Theodore P. Graham.]

MAY 19.—Rev. Mr. Logan of N. S. occupied the pulpit of Chalmers church last Sunday evening.

Miss Alice Vantons, who left last week for Livermore Falls, Me., is greatly missed among her many friends as well as leaving a void in musical circles, especially in the church to which she belonged, have there always been ready and willing to assist in the musical portion of the services; her talent in that direction was of a very high order.

Mr. A. N. MacKay of St. John spent Sunday in town.

Mr. Fred MacDougall having spent some weeks in town with his father Mr. James MacDougall, returned to Lowell, Mass., on Wednesday last.

Mr. Geo. W. Robertson spent some days in St. John last week.

Mr. Allan Wheeler of Halifax N. S. was in town on Friday last.

Mr. Jas. D. Phinney of Fredericton is in town this week.

Mr. Henry O'Leary returned home on Thursday last from Campbellton.

Mr. Robert Phinney after having been in St. John for the past ten days, returned home yesterday; the many friends of Mrs. Phinney are glad to hear of slight improvement in her condition and trust to have her back in our midst soon, completely restored to health.

Preparation is in order for a jubilee celebration whether it will take the nature of a public one or be confined to one particular sect, is a matter which has not yet been decided, the general opinion is that it should be a celebration in which the public at large had a share. AURORA.

MT. HANLEY N. S.

MAY 21.—Mr. Renforth Elliott of Nictaux was home last Saturday.

Mrs. Lavinia Miller is now at the home of her daughter Mrs. Henry Messenger.

Miss May Brown was the guest of her cousin Miss Lizzie Armstrong last week.

Miss Carrie Barteaux left Saturday for Greenwood Mass., to stay the summer with her sister Mrs. B. Moir.

News has reached here of the death of Mr. I. H. Brown a former resident of this town, which occurred at Cambridge Mass., recently. Much sympathy is expressed.

Mr. and Mrs. Zebulon Elliott and family were called to the bedside of their daughter Mrs. H. Chute of Hampton last Thursday, who it was thought for a few hours could not live but I am glad to say she was better on Monday.

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HARCOURT.

[Progress is for sale in Harcourt by Mrs. S. Livingston.]

MAY 19.—Mr. Benjamin McLeod left for Campbellton on Saturday and purposes remaining there for some time.

Mrs. W. G. Millar and her daughter, Mildred, left yesterday on a visit to their relatives at Rogersville and Chatham, after which they proceed, to Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. D. J. Cochran and Mr. Philip Woods of Richibucto were in Harcourt today.

Mr. W. G. Millar has taken lodgings at Mrs. Cummings' and goes to and from his place of business on his bicycle.

Mr. Robert Phinney of Richibucto was here yesterday returning home from St. John.

Mr. Robert N. Doherty of St. Nicholas River was here for a short time today.

Rev. Mr. King of Doaktown was here on Saturday evening en route to Chipman, Queen's County, to attend the funeral of his brother, the late Mr. W. C. King. The reverend gentleman was driven to Lake Stream by Councillor L. J. Wathen.

SPRINGFIELD, N. S.

MAY 20.—Mr. Lemuel Stoddard spent several days at Bridgewater recently.

Mr. James Meldrum came home from Cumberland last Friday.

Mr. David D. Starrat is making extensive improvements in the front of his house.

Mrs. Selma Fletcher who has been in Boston all winter arrived home on the 12th.

Mr. Lemuel Allen has returned from Massachusetts where he has been spending the winter.

Mr. C. W. Saunders of Dalhousie was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Mason recently.

Mr. David Pierce of North Williamstown was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pierce for a few days lately.

Mrs. Charles Jefferson of Somerville, Mass., is a guest of her mother Mrs. Maria Marshall.

Mr. Guilford A. Marshall, principal of the Richmond school at Halifax spent last Saturday and Sunday with his brother Mr. Charles Marshall.

EAST DALHOUSIE.

MAY 20.—Mr. David Keddy is very ill with pneumonia and is under the attendance of Dr. Ford.

Mr. Thomas DeVaney was a guest of Mr. C. W. Saunders lately.

Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Steadman of Berwick have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hiltz lately.

Mr. T. A. Wilson who has been quite ill for some time past is rapidly regaining strength.

Miss DeVaney and Miss Annie Saunders made a visit to West Dalhousie the last of this week.

MELVERN.

MAY 19.—The schools are closed here through the prevalence of measles.

Dr. Hutchings was here from the Hub recently, and was warmly welcomed.

Mr. W. E. Outbent and Mr. Lemuel Goucher who have been studying in Halifax have returned for their summer vacation.

Mrs. T. W. Perry and her daughter Miss Eleanor who have been spending the winter in Melvern have returned to New Haven, Conn.

THINGS OF VALUE.

If there is nothing in a man, his "opportunity" never comes.

It is a blessing to have opinions; it is a curse to be opinionated.

There never was, and never will be, a universal panacea, in one remedy, for all ills to which flesh is heir—the very nature of many curatives being such that were the germs of other and differently seated diseases rooted in the system of the patient—what would relieve one ill, in turn would aggravate the other. We have, however, in Quinine Wine, when obtainable in a sound unadulterated state, a remedy for many and grievous ills. By its gradual and judicious use, the frailties of the system are led into convalescence and strength, by the influence which Quinine exerts on Nature's own restoratives. It relieves the drooping spirits of those with whom a chronic state of morbid despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and, by tranquilizing the nerves, disposes to sound and refreshing sleep—imparts vigor to the action of the blood, which, being stimulated, courses through the veins, strengthening the healthy animal functions of the system, thereby making activity necessary result, strengthening the frame, and giving life to the digestive organs, which naturally demand increased sustenance—result, improved appetite, Northrop & Lyman of Toronto, have given to the public their superior Quinine Wine at the usual rate, and, gauged by the opinion of scientists, this wine approaches nearest perfection of any in the market. All druggists sell it.

There is always hope for the man who can be taught what a fool he has been by one mistake.

One finger lost in a buzzsaw will do for most men, but a fool will fool with it again and lose two.

THE BEST PILLS.—Mr. Wm. Vandervoort, Sydney Crossing, Ont., writes: "We have been using Farnie's Pills, and find them by far the best pills we ever used." FOR DELICATE AND DELICATE CONSTITUTIONS these pills act like a charm. Taken in small doses, the effect is both a tonic and a stimulant, mildly exciting the secretions of the body, giving tone and vigor.

A French doctor declares he has discovered a means of a syringe and a mixture of sea water and phenic acid.

Reason always walks, but love runs.

CHRONIC DERANGEMENTS of the stomach, liver and blood are speedily removed by the active principle of the ingredients entering into the composition of Farnie's Vegetable Pills. These pills act specifically on the deranged organs, stimulating to action the dormant energies of the system, thereby removing disease and renewing life and vitality to the afflicted. In this lies the great secret of the popularity of Farnie's Vegetable Pills.

In some of the farming districts of China pigs are harnessed to small wagons and made to draw them.

AS FARNIE'S VEGETABLE PILLS contain Mandrake and Dandelion, they cure Liver and Kidney Complaints with unerring certainty. They also contain Roots and Herbs which have specific virtues truly wonderful in their action on the stomach and bowels. Mr. E. A. Carrcross, Shakespeare, writes: "I consider Farnie's Pills an excellent remedy for Biliousness and Derangement of the Liver, having used them myself for some time."

There are four mill ionaires in England to one in France.

So rapidly does lung irritation spread and deepen, that often in a few weeks a simple cough culminates in tubercular consumption. Give heed to a cough, there is always danger in delay, get a bottle of Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, and cure yourself. It is a medicine unsurpassed for all throat and lung troubles. It is compounded from several herbs each one of which stands at the head of the list as exerting a wonderful influence in curing consumption and all lung diseases.

One of the highest mountains upon which we may stand in this life is to be able to look back upon a long life well spent.—Ram's Horn.

UNEQUALLED.—Mr. Thor. Brunt, Tyndinaga, Ont., writes: "I have to thank you for recommending Dr. Thomas' ELECTRIC OIL for bleeding piles. I was troubled with them for nearly fifteen years, and tried almost everything I could hear or think of. Some of them would give me temporary relief, but none would effect a cure. I have now been free from the distressing complaint for nearly eighteen months. I hope you will continue to recommend it."

McCrackie—Isn't Tenspot running into debt pretty lively?

McCrackie—Running isn't the word for it. He is fairly spinning.—Detroit Free Press.

A GOOD SUGGESTION.

By Which a Servant Secured Rest and Sleep for his Master.

It would be well for many of the people who are given to worrying to pay heed to a story of Cromwell's time, said to be absolutely true.

The Protector was sending a special envoy to Sweden in the person of Bushrod Whitelock, a most devout man, but one of an extremely nervous anxious temperament. As the ambassador was about to embark on his journey, he was detained at Harwich by a storm. He was so troubled with the affairs of the nation that he tossed, turned and groined in his bed unable to get to sleep.

At last his confidential servant, who had won Whitelock's respect and confidence through his faithfulness and good sense on many a trying occasion, ventured to say, Pray, sir, will you give me leave to ask you a question?

"Certainly," was the answer.

"Do you not think that God