

ST. STEPHEN AND CALAIS.

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May 26.—Mrs. A. E. Neill gave a very pleasant card party at her home on Wednesday evening. The party was given for the pleasure of her friend and guest Mrs. Herbert Bernard of Portland, Maine. It is rumored that General B. B. Murray of Pembroke, Maine, may be the United States Consul at Halifax, under the administration of President McKinley.

Mrs. John Hodgins of Ottawa contemplates spending part of the summer in Calais, much to the delight of her numerous friends on both sides the St. Croix, among whom she is a favorite.

The Queen's Birthday passed off very pleasantly although there was nothing very extraordinary going on in town. A large number of excursionists came from St. John and vicinity on the Shore Line Railway. In the afternoon the Y. M. C. A. gave a programme of sports and races at the St. Croix Driving Park. The town was very gay with flags and bunting; never has so much color been thrown to the breeze as on Monday. A Royal salute was fired at twelve o'clock, and with the band and several street organs there was music galore.

The evening, a supper was given in the Methodist church, by the ladies of the Methodist church and the Y. M. C. A. gave an entertainment in the curling rink called "A Hayseed Carnival" which was most amusing, and was largely attended. The town was full of people all day. A moving crowd who seemed to be enjoying themselves, and the day passed off without accident and most successfully.

Mrs. Frederic Hutchinson of St. John and her young son are visiting her mother Mrs. Berryman. Mr. Milton Beattie of St. John spent the Queen's birthday in town as it is his annual custom.

Rev. R. L. Sloggett of Houlton Maine and Mrs. Sloggett arrived here on Tuesday, and will spend a week or more.

The American house on Friday evening last was abuzz with light and gay with festivity, it being the occasion of a grand banquet given by the members of the Kit Kat club, which is the most popular of the many literary clubs, and made up of the elites of Calais.

The club choose its name from the original Kit Kat club, which held its first meeting in a tavern in London, kept by a man named Christopher Kat consequently the quaint name of Kit Kat. The guests met in the parlors of the hotel. Every one was in full dress and the toilettes of the ladies were remarkable for their beauty and style, nearly all being worn for the first time. The dining room was open at nine o'clock. The guests were seated according to a plan left in the gentlemen's dressing room, the arrangements being made to avoid mistakes and confusion. The tables were decorated with violets, day break pinks and sunflowers, and dresden figures, in quaint designs. The menu cards were hand painted, and were decorated with kittens in various positions, and were tied with tiny bouquets of pussy willows, and pink ribbon. The menu, consisted of nine courses, and the banquet, and toasts occupied four hours. Rev. C. G. McCully a most valued member of the club, was chosen toast master, and was in his happiest, and most witty mood. The first toast was the President of the United States, which was responded to by the whole company rising and singing "America," Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, was the next toast, which was responded to by Mr. George H. Eaton, and the company rose and sang "God Save the Queen." "The Club," was responded to by Mrs. W. A. Murchie, in a most brilliant and able manner, "Items of the Club," brought Mr. Edward Moore to his feet with a short but happy speech. "The Bar," was responded to by General B. B. Murray of Pembroke, who with Mrs. Murray were honored guests of the club. "The Press as a social Organ," was responded to by Miss Elizabeth Jackson, in a bright and witty speech which won for her great applause and many pleasant comments. A tenor solo by Mr. Henry B. Eaton, was rendered in a very pleasing way. "The State of Maine" brought Mr. Charles Boardman to his feet with a most enthusiastic and witty speech which was greatly appreciated. The "Medical Fraternity," was responded to by Dr. Stephen Webber. Miss Josephine Moore in her usual charming way gave a most pleasing recitation, and Mr. Verne Whitman sang a song. A toast was then proposed and drank in honor of Mrs. A. E. Neill, a most prominent member of the club who originated the idea of the banquet and did much to make it the great success and pleasure it was to all the members of the club. The banquet came to a close at an early hour in the morning. "Auld Lang Syne" was sung most heartily before the company departed to their homes.

Lady Tilley arrived from St. John today to make a brief visit to her mother Madame Chipman before leaving on her journey to England.

Mrs. C. M. Gove of St. Andrews is the guest of her daughter Mrs. Hazen Grimmer.

Miss Ketchum of St. Andrews came up river today for a few days visit with friends here.

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Mr. Will Masters is the guest of his friend Mr. Godfrey Newman, at Christ Church rectory.

Mrs. A. T. Clarke, has gone to Nova Scotia to make a short visit with relatives.

The engagement of Miss Josephine Hamm to Mr. George W. Downes was announced this week, and has been pleasantly discussed among their friends, among whom they are great favorites.

Mr. Frank Stoop arrived from California on Friday last, and with Mrs. Stoop will make their future home in St. Stephen.

Mrs. H. C. Boyd of Campbellville made a brief visit in town last week.

Mr. Henry Barnard of New York city is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnard.

Mr. William Mitchell has been visiting Machias on a business trip.

Mrs. F. A. Breen of Butte City Montana, arrived home last week and will spend the summer with her mother Mrs. John Keating.

Hon. George F. Hill is visiting Boston, for a few days.

Mr. Marks Mills arrived from Boston on Friday, where he has been for several weeks, for medical treatment. Although much benefited he will be obliged to refrain from many summer pleasures and sports in which he has always been a leading spirit.

Mr. Mills' friends give him a most cordial welcome home and wish for him a speedy recovery to health.

It will be heard with regret that Mr. Ernest Haycock is again very ill, his condition being extremely grave, paralysis is the cause of his illness and as he is a young man with a wife and family his case is a particularly sad one.

Mr. Allan V. DeWolfe's friends are glad to see him about town again after his long and serious illness.

Mrs. Jessie W. Moore's friends on the St. Croix will be interested to know she is occupying the position of assistant matron of the children's reform school at Governors Island New York.

Mrs. H. V. Dexter of Kennebunkport Maine, is the guest of Mrs. Ewell Lowell.

Mrs. W. A. Waterbury and her son W. Waterbury will make their home this summer at the residence of Mrs. Carrie Smith.

Mrs. Walter W. Inches is recovering from an attack of grippe, which has made her an invalid for several weeks.

Dr. Webster who has been the guest of Dr. R. K. Ross this week left on Friday for Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradlee Eaton and family of New York city contemplate spending the summer in Calais.

Miss Annie Gregory spent part of last week in St. John with relatives.

The marriage of Miss Jean Shaughnessy to Mr. A. D. McFaul a prominent barrister in Machias is announced to take place early in June.

Mr. W. A. Murchie has been visiting Boston on a business trip.

Mrs. D. W. Brown of Rumford Falls Maine, and her children will spend the summer in town with relatives.

Bishop Neeley of Portland Maine was the guest of Rev. W. J. D. Thomas during his visit in Calais last week where he held confirmation services in St. Anne's Episcopal church.

Mr. James Vroom gave a most excellent and interesting lecture on the "Forest" in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Friday evening.

Captain Ernest T. Lee and a party of gentlemen from Calais have been enjoying a fishing excursion in the vicinity of St. George.

Prof. W. F. Ganong of Smith college, Northampton, is to deliver the Annual address at the New Brunswick University Eucenia. Prof. Ganong is a graduate of the university.

Mr. E. M. Stacy of Waterville was in town recently on a business trip.

Miss Lilian Eaton is again at home after a pleasant visit in New York city.

Mrs. Charles F. Abbott of St. Paul, Minn., is visiting relatives in Calais.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. King went to St. John last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin B. Todd have gone to Boston for several weeks visit.

Miss Hannah Marks left today for Vancouver, B. C., after a visit of a year with her sister, Mrs. John F. Grant.

Mrs. John Gilchrist of St. John was the guest of Miss Alice Pike for several days recently.

Mrs. Fredric B. Edgecombe accompanied by her young daughter are guests of Mrs. Albert H. Eaton.

Miss Berna Main left on Thursday for Boston, where she will make an extended visit with friends.

Miss Mary Newton will visit friends in Boston and also in Augusta, Maine.

Mrs. Andrew Mungall, has gone to New Hampshire to visit relatives.

Mr. E. C. Gates, has arrived from New York city and will spend the summer in Calais.

Miss Ida Cox is in Vancoboro, visiting her sister Mrs. Kingston.

Mrs. Sills of Portland Maine, is in St. Andrews visiting her parents Rev. Canon and Mrs. Ketchum who on Thursday celebrated the anniversary of their golden wedding.

WOODSTOCK.

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

May 26.—Mrs. W. D. Howard St. John was the guest of Mrs. Neales at the Rectory during the C. of E. conference last week.

Mr. F. B. McKay of the People's Bank spent the 24th in Fredericton.

Mr. George Clarke of Fredericton spent the holiday in Woodstock.

Miss Lily Jordan spent the holiday at home returning to Windsor on Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Bourne spent the holiday at her home in Woodstock.

Mr. Wendell P. Jones spent a few days at Grand Falls and Edmundston this week.

Mr. George Black spent the Queen's birthday in Woodstock.

Miss E. Henderson spent part of last week in Houlton.

Mr. H. P. Wetmore of Halifax, spent Sunday and Monday in Woodstock.

Mr. John E. Munro spent a few days at home this week the guest of his mother, Mrs. David Munro.

Mrs. George Balmain spent the holiday at Florenceville.

Rev. John B. Gough of Hartland preached in the Methodist church here on Sunday, Rev. Dr. Chapman preaching in Hartland. The national anthem was most heartily sung at the close of the service in the Methodist church in honor of the Queen's birthday.

Mr. Frank Lawlor spent the holiday in St. John. Mrs. J. McAvity of St. John attended the C. of E. Conference in Woodstock last week.

Mr. Hugh Hay returned from Philadelphia last week.

Messrs. John Stewart, Julius Garden, J. Chipman Hartley, and George A. Taylor spent the holiday on a fishing excursion at Skiff Lake.

Mrs. John Yeats spent part of this week in town the guest of Mrs. Wendell Jones.

Mrs. Benson Belliss went to Fredericton, Friday, where she will spend some weeks the guest of her parents Dean and Mrs. Partridge.

The first picnic of the season drove to Hays Falls on the Queen's birthday and enjoyed a very pleasant outing notwithstanding the extreme breeziness of the atmosphere. The party was chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Creighton. Of the party were Miss Tapley, Miss M. L. Connell, Miss Hunt of Halifax, Miss Ethel Bourne, Mrs. N. Bull, Miss G. Augherton, Messrs. Howard, Neill, F. Hay, LeB. Dibble, F. Main, J. S. Creighton, and George Black of Fredericton.

Miss Connell returned last week from the Southern states where she spent several months.

Miss McDonald of Toronto is the guest of her sister Mrs. Grenville James.

Rev. Ernest Simonson returned to St. Andrews on Tuesday.

Rev. W. Benson Bellis spent part of this week in Fredericton the guest of Dean Partridge.

A base ball match on the A. A. grounds on the Queen's birthday proved an attractive amusement. The game was between a Houlton nine and a Woodstock nine. The result was a victory for the home team.

Mr. F. H. Hill spent the Queen's birthday at Fredericton.

Miss Stevenson of Hartland is the guest of Mrs. C. T. Phillips this week.

MONCTON.

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

May 26.—The holiday passed off after the manner of holidays, like a very quiet Sunday bereft even the chastened excitement of getting ready for church. It was, however, marked by an excellent game of amateur baseball on the athletic grounds in the afternoon; and a promenade concert given by the Citizens' Band in Victoria rink closed the day very pleasantly. For once the band had a really creditable audience, there being over a thousand people in the rink, but whether the two good watches which were drawn for during the evening had anything to do with the unusually large audience I cannot say. Whatever the attraction may have been, the programme was sufficiently good to have drawn even a larger audience by its merits.

A march composed by Mr. D. Stewart leader of the band was especially admired, while the cornet solo by Mr. Fred Grandall, and the euphonium solo by Mr. Bonness called forth warm applause. The watches were drawn by Miss Minnie Hunter and Mr. Jack Rippey. The Citizens band is an organization that many larger cities might well be proud of, and it is deserving of much better support than it has ever obtained.

Amongst the many old friends who spent the holiday in town, was Mr. Gordon M. Blair, now of the Bank of Montreal in St. John, who spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. Blair who is visiting her mother Mrs. Weldon of Main street.

Mr. Owen Campbell also of the St. John branch of the Bank of Montreal spent the holiday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell of Bonnac court street.

The many friends of Mr. Alexander Murray formerly of the Western Union Telegraph service here, were glad to welcome him back to Moncton last week. Mr. Murray left town some eighteen months ago for Santiago Mexico, hoping that the southern climate would benefit his health, but unfortunately the improvement is not so great as could be wished. Mr. Murray was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Williams of Highfield street during his stay in town.

Mrs. De Forest of St. John formerly Miss Annie Wright of this city, is spending a few days in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harris of Queen street.

The many friends of Mrs. Harvey Atkinson, who has been ill for some weeks, will regret to learn that there is very little improvement in her condition, which is considered quite serious.

Mr. F. W. Moore of the Bank of Montreal at Amherst, spent Sunday and Monday in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Cooke of Steadman street.

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Miss Trenholm who has been spending a few weeks at her home in Point de Bute returned to town on Monday.

Mrs. George W. Daniel returned last week from a three weeks visit to St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Allison of Sussex spent the holiday in town, the guest of Mrs. Allison's aunt, Mrs. C. A. Palmer of Church street.

Rev. J. M. Robinson, pastor of St. John's Presbyterian church was made the recipient of a very handsome present from the ladies of his church last week. The presentation took place at the regular prayer meeting on Thursday evening and was made by Mr. James Senhouse, the gift taking the form of an elegant silk pulpit gown. It was accompanied by an appropriate address, to which Mr. Robinson responded in feeling terms, cordially thanking the ladies for their beautiful presents.

IVAN.

ST. GEORGE.

May 28.—The Bohemian glass blowers gave an entertainment in Coutts hall every evening last week, the successful winners of prizes were Miss Edith Baldwin, Mr. Millinen, Charles Johnston, George Lodge and little Joe Goss.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dadds and Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Goudel are rejoicing over the advent of young daughter.

The Christian Endeavor society of Bonabec paid a visit to the Endeavor society of St. George on Friday evening. After a recherche supper was served by the young ladies the visitors were entertained with music and games.

Mr. Samuel Johnston who has been confined to his home through illness is able to be about.

Among the arrivals in town last week were Dr. Grant Calais, Mr. Frank Marchie St. Stephen, Mr. Rob Seely St. John, Mr. George Dick St. John.

Miss Mary Russell who has been very ill with rheumatism for several weeks is slowly recovering.

Miss Eliza McGowan who has been confined to her home through illness I am glad to say is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. John Goss of Anoka are visiting relatives and friends in town.

Mr. George Fawley is spending some time in Boston.

Miss Minnie Parks has returned from Boston.

Mr. Edwin Russell of Watertown N. Y. has been spending the week at his old home.

The S. S. Association of St. George's parish met in the Baptist church on Wednesday evening very interesting services were held afternoon and evening Rev. Mr. Lucas was in attendance.

Mrs. Charles Lee and children, St. John, are in town.

Misses Hibbards St. Andrews, Mr. Charles Lee, St. John, spent the twenty fourth in St. George.

The amateur dramatic club gave the play Millie the Quodron in Coutts hall on Monday evening for the benefit of the Band; it was in every way a success those taking part were Mr. and Mrs. C. McAdam, Mr. and Mrs. C. Harvey, Miss Edith Baldwin, Miss Bessie Holt, Miss Ida Craig and Miss Maggie Drumgold, Mr. Hill Cawley and Chas. Johnston.

Max.

THINGS OF VALUE.

The new French bank notes are in three colors—brown, red and blue—to prevent counterfeiting by way of photography.

"Lending umbrellas" are a new variety which ought to have a large sale, since they are of so little value that whether they are ever returned or not, is a matter of little importance.

A DINNER FILL.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Farnelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open secretions and convert the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion or dyspepsia.

When you say "No" to a woman, you must follow it with an explanation.