



The hotel Duferin was en fete on Tuesday evening the occasion being the reception tendered to the visiting Dominion Government ministers by the liberal association.

The reception was a very brilliant one and the ministers professed themselves delighted with the affair.

Harrisons Orchestra stationed in the hall played the following programme during the evening: Overture, Barber of Seville; romance, Esmeralda, gavotte, My Own; valse, Symposia; galop, Why Not; selection, Tabasco; descriptive, Concert in the Forest; march, Chicago Two Step; overture, Aurora.

After the crush began to thin out the young people present enjoyed a dance in the large parlors for about an hour to music furnished by the orchestra.

Among those present were, Mayor Robertson, Judge Forbes, and Miss Forbes, Hon. R. J. Ritchie and Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mr. Fred E. Sayre, and Mrs. Sayre, Mr. Charles Harrison and Mrs. Harrison, Miss Lollie Harrison, Mr. Robert Thomson, Mrs. Thomson and the Misses Thomson, Miss Holden, Miss Keator, Mrs. Charles Coster, Mr. Vassie Mrs. Vassie, and the Misses Vassie, Mr. Thomas Buckley, and Miss Kate Buckley, Mrs. John McMillan and the Misses McMillan, Mr. James Doody, and Mrs. Doody, Mr. John Thomson and Mrs. Thomson, Miss Jack, Miss Gillespie, Mr. D. Tapley, and the Misses Tapley.

Mr. C. B. Allan and Mrs. Allan, Mr. John Keefe, Mr. James Barry, Mr. D. McCarthy, Mr. A. H. Martin, Mr. P. W. Lantallum, Mr. A. W. Adams, Mr. James Brennan, Dr. Addy, Mr. Hedley McLoughlin, Mr. John P. McGroarty, Mr. P. Gleason, Mr. Harvey, Mr. E. T. Sturdee and Mrs. Sturdee, Dr. McAvenny, Mr. Geo. Knodel, Mr. J. H. Hale, Mr. John F. Ashe, Mr. E. F. Jones, Mr. T. J. McPeck, Mr. Walter Foster, Mr. Pond, Mr. A. J. Wilson, Mr. C. H. Ferguson, Mr. D. R. Jack, Mr. Lunney, Dr. Thomas Walker, Mrs. Walker, and the Misses Walker, Mr. R. C. John Dunn, Mr. B. S. Smith, Dr. Boyle Traves, Mr. B. Gandy, Mr. G. Wetmore Merritt, Dr. Taylor, Hampton, Mr. Wm. Hezelhurst, Mr. H. H. McLean, Mr. N. Ratchford, Mr. Charles Patterson, Capt. Brennan, Col. Cunard, Mr. R. O'Brien, Mr. P. Sharkey, Mr. R. Cotter, Capt. Miles, Mr. Carson Flood, Mr. Henry Maher, Mr. A. P. Tippet, Mr. Chas. Burpee, Dr. J. D. Maher, Mr. P. Coughlan, Mr. A. G. Blair, Jr., Mr. R. R. Ritchie, Mr. M. J. Nugent, Mr. Thomas Dyer, Mr. Thomas L. Hay, Mr. W. E. Vroom, Mr. James Hannay, Mrs. Hannay, Mrs. R. C. Grant, Mrs. James Straton, Mrs. Jack McLaren, Mr. E. J. Holt, Mr. James Hunter, Mr. W. N. Coates, Mr. Joseph P. Corkery, Mr. George R. Craigie, Mr. James Anderson, Mr. W. W. Jordan, Mr. R. T. Worden, Mr. Allen McGeath, Mr. John Driscoll, Mr. J. V. Ellis, M. P., and Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Calhoun, Mr. Alex. MacMillan, Mr. C. S. Everett, Mr. W. A. Lockhart and Mrs. Lockhart, Mr. J. M. Reardon, Mr. H. J. Olive and Miss Olive, Mr. Thomas McAvity and Mrs. McAvity, Mr. A. N. Shaw, Mr. Thos. A. Rankine, Mr. J. V. Lantallum, Dr. John Berryman, Mr. C. W. Dykeman, Col. McShane, Dr. A. D. Smith, Mr. P. S. McNutt, and Mrs. MacNutt, Dr. Gorham, Mr. S. G. Ruel, and Mrs. Ruel, Dr. Dyson Walker, Miss Stone, Mrs. J. E. Simonds, Mr. B. D. Macaulay, and Mrs. Macaulay, Mr. Will Jack, Mrs. Walter Higgins, Alderman Purdy, Walter Magee, Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. F. C. McNeill and a large number of others.

Mrs. J. D. Hazen is in Fredericton visiting her mother Mrs. James Tibbits.

Miss Tuck and Miss Mary Crookshank have been visiting Mrs. O. H. Sharp of Fredericton.

Rev. Mr. Rainnie was in Fredericton this week a guest of Rev. Mr. McDonald.

The Lieut. Governor and Mrs. McClehan are in Fredericton to remain during the session of the house.

The young peoples whist club met at the residence of Mrs. Parks, Mount Pleasant on Wednesday evening. The club has had several pleasant meetings with Miss May Travers, and Mrs. J. McMillan.

Among the young lady members of the club are Miss Christie, Miss May Travers, Miss Vroom, Miss Grace McMillan, Miss Louise Travers, Miss Helen Sealey, and others.

Miss McAvity gave a charming tea last Thursday afternoon for her friend Miss Ethel Hat of Fredericton. Among those who enjoyed Miss McAvity's hospitality were, Mrs. George McAvity, Mrs. H. Hood, Misses Allison, Miss Scammell, Miss Sealey, Miss Annie Smith, Miss Nellie Godsoe, Miss Stewart, Miss Bizard, Miss Begg, Miss Rainnie, Miss Sharpe, Miss Crookshank, Miss Thompson and many others.

Mr. George Allison of Boston was here for a short time this week.

Miss Bessie Knight of Carleton left this week for Boston where she will take a course in elocution.

Rev. Dr. McLeod of Fredericton was here for a short time this week.

Mr. G. B. Gerald of the Bank of British North America here, left yesterday afternoon for Kalso, B. C., the scene of his future labors. Mr. Gerald's friends in the social athletic world will greatly regret his removal from among them; but will join with all who know him in wishing Mr. Gerard every success in his new home.

The annual ball given to the students of Currie's Business College took place last evening and was

very largely attended though, two late for an exact account to appear in this issue of PROGRESS. Light refreshments were served during the evening, and Harrisons orchestra supplied music for the following order of dances: 1, valse; 2, lancers; 3, valse; 4, berlin; 5 valse; 6, valse; 7, lancers. Intermission - 8, valse and mazurka; 9 lancers; 10 jersey; 11, valse; 12, mazurka; 13 valse; 14, lancers; with many extras.

Among those present were, Miss Maud Thompson, Miss E. Clark, Miss Mabel Hawker, Miss Maud Reid, Mrs. J. B. Jones, Miss L. O'rsay, Miss F. Prince, the Misses Potts, Miss Barbara Corrie, Mrs. H. J. Smith, Miss Edythe Kerr, Miss Pauline Biederman, Miss Eva Estey, Miss Rand, Miss Belle Mowatt, Miss Jennie Baire, Miss Helen Day, Miss Beatrice Waring, Miss McCleary, Miss Margaret Shaw, Miss Birdie Sulis, Miss McNally, Miss Maud McCuskey, Miss Clara Brennan, Mr. Henry Cole, Miss Dottie Cole, Mrs. E. LeRoi Willis, Mrs. W. E. O. Jones, the Misses Hall, the Misses Sealey, Miss Nellie Seeds, Miss Ida Frankie, Miss Estabrocks, Miss Dora Ferguson, Miss Page, Miss B. Sealey, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Melvin, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Dunlop, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Galey, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Sutherland, Mr. and Lesley White, Mr. and Mrs. Fred James, Mr. and Mrs. H. Robb, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. T. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hopper, Mr. Arthur King, Mr. Henry O'Regan, Mr. F. Sturdee, Mr. J. Sutherland, Mr. Frank Estey, Mr. John M. Edmunds, Mr. Jas. Blaine, Mr. E. H. Moffatt, Amherst, Mr. Ralph Markham, Mr. Frank McMahon, Mr. A. R. Lordly, Mr. J. McCleary, Mr. F. W. McNicol, Mr. Chas. McMullin, Dr. Day, Dr. Maher, Mr. Jas. Fraser, Mr. Guy Tayley, Mr. R. Bime, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. W. P. Broderick, Mr. John Gleason, Mr. A. M. Firth, Mr. W. Cruikshank, Mr. A. B. McLean, Mr. Harry McBeath, Dr. Merrill, Mr. G. D. Ellis, Mr. Geo. Peters, Dr. Wetmore, Mr. Chas. Drury, Mr. Herb Johnston, Mr. Fred Alston, Mr. Frank Watson, Mr. Thos. Hay, Mr. J. Erb, Mr. Arthur Patton, Mr. Geo. Beverly, Mr. D. G. Waterbury, Mr. L. W. Cosman, Mr. Chas. McMichael, Mr. Frank Potts, Mr. Herb Barton, Mr. Geo. Dickson, Mr. Walter Peters, Mr. Beateay.

Miss Maggie Thompson has gone back to St. Stephen after a visit to friends in this city.

Miss Edith Skinner is spending a few days with Miss Graham of St. Stephen.

Mrs. Gronlund wife of Rev. Oscar Gronlund is visiting her parents, Rev. J. and Mrs. Shenton; she was called here by the serious illness of her sister Mrs. L. A. McAlpine. During the last few days Mrs. McAlpine has slightly improved and her physicians now entertain hopes of her recovery.

Mrs. Hayward spent a short time in Hampton recently on her way to Canada where she is visiting friends.

Miss Ada Milliken who has been visiting Mrs. Howard Maclean, Carleton street, returned to her home in Moncton last week.

Miss Nellie Godsoe's friends are pleased to see her out again after her late severe illness.

Miss Jennie Hall is in Woodstock, a guest of Mrs. A. D. Holyoke.

Dr. G. A. B. Addy's friends are glad to know that he is recovering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mrs. M. Landers left for Boston Thursday morning where she was called on account of the illness of her son Mr. Charles Landers. She was accompanied by her daughter Miss Aggie Landers.

A rather unique and enjoyable evening was spent this week at the residence of Miss Stanton, Elliott row, when the members of the Rockwood Whist club gave a fancy dress party for one of their members, Miss Emma McLaughlin, who leaves Monday for Boston. The costumes which were very artistic were all designed by Miss Stanton herself. A string orchestra furnished music for dancing which was kept up till a late hour. A tempting supper was served at midnight. In spite of the fact that the affair was complete surprise to the gentlemen members of the club, they enjoyed it thoroughly.

Hon. A. G. Blair was in the city for several days lately.

Miss P. Udle Babbit has returned to Fredericton after a pleasant visit to city friends.

Miss Rita Ross is a guest of Mrs. W. A. Lockhart for a short time.

Mr. Frank DeGrange has gone to Fredericton to reside permanently.

Mr. G. J. Foley of Ottawa was in the city for a short time this week.

Lt. Col. McShane of Halifax has been paying a visit to the city during the week.

Mr. W. J. Murray of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life association is paying a brief visit to New York.

Mr. Murray E. Gilbert of Sheffield Academy was in the city for a short time this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Coulter White of Annapolis were here this week. Their many friends in this city will sympathize with them in the death of a little daughter which occurred on Saturday last. The remains were taken to Sussex for burial.

Miss Kate Murphy of Rothesay spent a short time in the city this week.

Miss White and Miss Polley of Annapolis were here for a day or two this week.

Major Schurman, Miss Ethel Schurman, Miss Ida Hopper and Miss Ethel Ramsey were a party of Summerside people who visited the city the first of the week.

Mr. G. Berkenshaw of London, Eng. paid a short visit to the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Greenleaf of Red Beach Me. were among the city's recent visitors.

Mr. Edward J. Howell of London Eng. spent part of the week in St. John.

Mr. J. H. Barry of Fredericton spent Monday in the city.

Mr. E. R. Machum was in Toronto for a short time lately.

Mrs. E. S. Brown and Miss Stetson of Bangor were here Monday.

Mrs. L. M. Hanson of Silverton U. S. is visiting St. John relatives.

Miss Alma Norton is here from Guysboro on a short visit to friends and relatives.

Mr. D. Hurlburt and Mr. A. Edwin White of Halifax were in the city on Monday.

On Monday evening Mr. John Vassie entertained at dinner the following gentlemen, Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Hon. M. Patterson, Mr. T. A. Rankine, Mr. W. E. Foster, Colonel Domville, Colonel Tucker and J. V. Ellis M. P.

Mr. James Carr of Woodstock was here this week. Mr. Henry Wilnot of Belmont paid a short visit to the city this week.

Mr. W. S. Drysdale of Woodstock was in the city over Sunday.

The marriage of Dr. Ferris and Miss Long of Fairville took place last week at the home of the bride.

Miss Ethel Ogden of Mt. Allison college, daughter of Mr. Wm. Ogden of Sackville, has returned from a Christmas visit of a month to Captain and Mrs. Andrew Kay of Prospect Heights, Brooklyn, N. Y. While in that city Miss Ogden took lessons from prominent artists and was highly complimented on her skill in china painting.

FREDERICTON.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Fredericton by W. T. H. Fenety and J. H. Hawthorne.]

Jan. 27—Those who attended the Scottish concert in the Auld Kirk on Tuesday evening enjoyed a rare treat, Rev. Mr. Rennie of St. John was inimitable in his delineation of Scotch character and kept his audience convulsed with laughter.

Mr. Worden's singing was much admired and she was heartily encored after each song.

Mr. A. H. Lindsay was most enthusiastically encored; his first number "Scots Wha hae" brought forth round after round of applause, and he was forced to respond; his second number "Afton water" was equally well received and he very kindly responded to all the encors.

The Misses Teasdale gave a violin and piano duet of Scottish melodies which the audience fully appreciated and called for more. Two piano duets by Miss Bridges and Miss Kathleen Phair were splendidly executed and loudly applauded. The Rev. Mr. Macdonald was master of ceremonies. All the decorations of the platform were in Scotch plaids. A quotation from Burns filled the black board at the back of the stage and was framed in Scotch emblems. The Scotch Thistle over hung the quotation on either side were the Blue Balls of Scotland and the Heather, while over all hung a beautiful steel engraving of the betrothal of Burns and "Highland Mary."

The evening was brought to a close with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" in which the whole audience joined.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Walker leave on Saturday for a month's vacation in New York.

Miss Maud Everitt who has been on a visit to her father, ex-Ald. Everitt, returned to Boston on Monday.

On dit that one of our musical young men, a member of the Arlon Quartette will soon join the grand army of benedicts. We wait congratulations in advance.

The musical club met last evening with Prof. and Mrs. Dixon when a very enjoyable evening was spent. Those present were, Professor and Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. W. T. H. Fenety, Mrs. W. P. Fiewell, Mrs. John Cameron, Miss Cameron, Miss Hill, Miss Huntley, Miss Clark, Professor Roberts, Mr. Bristowe, Mr. A. B. Tibbit, Mr. Edward McDonald, Mr. Bayfield, Mr. Fairweather and Mr. Brecken.

Mrs. W. P. Fiewell left today for Boston where she will enjoy a few weeks visit.

Mr. Glasgow of Montreal has been spending a few days here most pleasantly and dame rumor says the celestial holds peculiar attractions for the handsome young Montrealer.

Mrs. John A. Morrison, Mrs. F. S. Williams of Marysville and Miss Hart are enjoying a short visit in B. ston.

Mrs. J. D. Hazen of St. John is visiting her mother Mrs. James Tibbits, York street.

Mr. L. W. Johnston left on Monday for a trip to Montreal.

Miss Tuck, daughter of Mr. Justice Tuck of St. John is visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Sharpe.

The Rev. Mr. Rennie of St. John was the guest of Rev. Mr. Macdonald at St. Paul's manse during his stay in the city.

Miss Mary A. Crookshank of St. John is the guest of Mrs. O. H. Sharpe.

Governor McClehan is here and will remain for the session, and Mrs. McClehan is expected to arrive next week.

The terrible railway accident at Palmer's pond, by which one of our best known and most respected families is plunged in grief, has cast a gloom over the city and to the stricken widow Mrs. A. C. Edgcombe with her infant children and the brother and sisters the sympathy of the whole community is given.

MONCTON.

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

Jan. 27—Hockey continues to arouse the deepest enthusiasm in the breasts of the upper ten, and in spite of a violent snow storm, a surprisingly large number gathered in Victoria rink on Thursday evening to witness the second match of the league, between the Bankers and Citizens. The result was disastrous to the bank men, who once more had one of their leading men knocked out, Mr. Claude Peters being the unfortunate one this time; and the game closed with a score of three to nothing, as the wrong side of the balance sheet, as far as the Bankers were concerned.

Mrs. C. Y. Purdy gave a very pleasant little whist party last evening at her pretty cottage on Church street, about twenty guests being present, and a very enjoyable evening spent.

Mr. W. A. Hillcoat of Amherst spent a day in town last week, and was the guest of his mother, Mrs. D. S. McManus during his stay. Mr. Hillcoat was on route for San Francisco, where he intends spending the winter and left by the Quebec express on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Grant Hall gave a small but most enjoyable dance on Friday evening for some of the younger members of society. It is scarcely necessary to add that a delightful evening was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bell who have been spending some weeks in Boston, returned home last week.

Mr. Fred Ryan of Sackville is spending a few days in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George McSweeney of Hotel Brunswick.

Mr. C. J. Osman of Hillsboro paid a short visit to Moncton last to Moncton last week.

Rev. E. Bertram Hooper, rector of St. George's church, returned on Saturday from Orinoto, Sunbury Co., where he has been spending a few days with Mrs. Hooper, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Horace E. Dibblee.

Mr. John Trainor former manager of the Merchant's bank of Halifax in this city, paid a short visit to Moncton last week. Mr. Trainor was on his way to Antigonish N. S., having been transferred to that place from Kingston Kent Co.

Mrs. Peter McSweeney entered a number of her married friends last evening at a most enjoyable whist party. There were about thirty guests present, and a delightful evening was spent.

The Moncton curlers crossed words, as it were, with the Sackville knights of the broom last Friday, and being a very young club, they got rather badly beaten, some 30 points. They are not discouraged however, and hope to take their revenge before long in a return match.

The chief topic of conversation this morning is the terrible railway accident of yesterday, and many Moncton people have already visited the scene of the wreck. Amongst those who had such a marvellous escape were two former residents of Moncton, Miss Nellie Gallagher, now of Dorchester, and Mr. Reginald R. Wallace now of Montreal, but formerly of the Bank of Montreal here. Mr. Wallace was returning to Montreal after a trip to Europe, where he has recently inherited a very handsome legacy. He fortunately escaped with a severe cut on one hand, and slight cuts and bruises about the head and face, and was able to continue his journey.

I regret to announce the death of Mrs. Willis.

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