

ST. STEPHEN AND CALAIS.

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July 28.—Invitations were given on Monday morning, by Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Pike MacNichol, to a dancing party at the Windsor hotel, tomorrow (Thursday) evening. As it will doubtless be a brilliant affair, I hope to be able to describe it in my letter next week.

In spite of the heat on Friday afternoon, Mrs. Hazen Grimmer's "at home" was most delightful. The house was darkened to just the right degree to make it cool and shady, and although nearly one hundred ladies were present, yet it was not uncomfortable or crowded, the rooms being so lofty and spacious, and so well adapted to an entertainment of this kind. Mrs. Grimmer was assisted in receiving her guests by her friend Miss Constance Vail of St. John, who is visiting Mrs. Grimmer, and in whose honor the "at home" was given. She wore a handsome gown of green cloth, trimmed with cream colored silk. The floral decorations were lovely, a variety of roses being used to give color and sweetness to the drawing rooms. The toilettes of the ladies were extremely pretty and stylish, nearly all were of light material, and in pink, blue and cream color with a sprinkling of pale green. The ladies who assisted in serving ices, sherbet and cake were Mrs. Fredrick MacNichol, Miss Alice Graham, Miss Nan Cooke, Mrs. George Downes, Miss Florence Sullivan and Miss Alma Sullivan, and Mrs. Howard Grimmer of St. Andrews served fruit punch. The reception lasted from four until six o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Young for the entertainment of Mr. and Mrs. Heber Clevelley have invited a party of friends to enjoy a day or two at their summer cottage at Oak Bay.

Rev. Harley Maxwell accompanied by Mrs. Maxwell have arrived from Vermont and will spend their vacation here.

Hon. James Mitchell and Mr. Mitchell are in Fredericton.

Mr. J. D. Chipman has been visiting St. John this week.

Mrs. Kennedy who has been Mrs. Henry Graham's guest has left for her home in the Western States.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Scovil have returned from Shediac.

Mrs. A. T. Clarke entertained most delightfully the Park society at her summer cottage on the river bank on Saturday afternoon and evening. The supper was served in picnic fashion.

Mrs. Frank P. Woods and Mrs. E. C. Young entertained Mr. and Mrs. Belden of New Haven and several other friends on Thursday evening last.

The Misses Alice Boardman, Carrie Belle Boardman, Ida Boardman, Mabel Murchie, Frances Lowell, and Alice Graham have returned from a few days outing at the Boardman cottage at the Ledge. The bicycle club enjoyed a most delightful meeting on Thursday evening at the beautiful home of Mrs. Wilfred L. Eaton.

A question often heard is, "What has become of the Wildwood tennis club that was so popular last year?" It is never heard of this season, all enthusiasm in regard to it seems to have departed. Why no one seems to know, and I might say do not care.

Mr. Lee Greene of Waltham, Mass., has arrived in Calais where he has an excellent position with the Armour company.

Mrs. Webb of Portland, Maine, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Saunders.

Mrs. John Sears and Master Jack Barker, left on Monday for Fort Fairfield.

Mrs. Wetmore, Miss Bessie Wetmore and Miss Reta Ross and a party of friends have taken the Porter cottage at the Ledge, and will spend this week there.

Mr. John Conboy left on Monday morning for Boston to enter into a new position with a dry goods firm in that city.

Mr. Allan DeVeber of New York city is spending his vacation in town with his brother Mr. Fred DeVeber.

Mrs. Howard Grimmer of St. Andrews has been spending a few days in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Smith of Woodstock have been visiting here this week.

Prof. W. F. Ganong of Smith's college and Mrs. Ganong are again in town visiting relatives.

Miss Abbie Smith is enjoying a holiday at Oak Bay with her friends the Misses Alice and Jeanette Robinson at their summer cottage.

Miss Jessie Whitlock has been spending a few days at Mascarene.

Mrs. Matilda Marks is spending a few weeks in Danforth Maine.

The Public Library Committee have arranged an excursion in the steamer Viking for the evening of August 1 to Richardsville, Deer Island. The place selected is a lovely one, and as limited number of tickets are to be sold those who are fortunate enough to secure one will probably enjoy the most delightful and comfortable sail down river of the season. The excursion is in aid of the Public Library fund and the committee in charge are most desirous of making it a success.

Miss Maude McKeown of St. John and Miss Duncan of Woodstock, are the guests of Mrs. Geo. J. Clarke.

Rev. W. Padelford recently graduated from the Baptist theological seminary Rochester New York, is visiting his father Rev. A. J. Padelford.

Miss Mae Jones has returned from Eastport where she has been the guest of her friend Mrs. Scott Bradish.

Mr. Lee Fowler of St. John is visiting friends in Calais.

Master J. Carleton Brown left on Monday for Rumford Falls, after a visit of five weeks with relatives in town.

Miss Mary Cullinan has been spending a few days in St. John with her cousin, Miss Margaret Anglin.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank White of Portland Maine were registered at the Border city during the past week.

Miss Ida Berryman is visiting friends in St. John. Miss Helen Newton has returned from Boston having finished work successfully a course in kindergarten work.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Beard have returned from Grand Manan where they spent ten days.

BEWARE

young ladies, the bright eyes, the rosy cheeks will not long remain in your possession when once Indigestion makes its home with you. If you have been unwise and now are fighting against the monster, move your enemy, restore health and bring back the bright and happy days. It is a solid fact. K. D. C. should be in every home, for it prevents and cures the stomach ill.

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Misses Millie and Emily Rockwood, who have been visiting in Kingsville have returned home.

Miss Mary Hopper and Miss Taloin of Germantown, Penn. are guests of Miss Alice Pike in Calais. Mr. and Mrs. Heber Clevelley of Woburn, Mass. are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Young.

Miss Grace Wilson of St. John is visiting friends in Calais.

Mrs. John D. Wilson of Boston is spending a month in St. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nichols and family accompanied by Miss Chesley have gone on a yachting cruise along the coast of Maine.

Miss Louie Taylor has been enjoying a few days in St. Andrews.

Miss Helen Parks of Providence, Rhode Island, has arrived here and will spend the summer with her sister Mrs. Franklin Eaton.

Miss Georgia McAllister is visiting Grand Manan where it is said there are an unusually large number of visitors and tourists from the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Young of St. Margaret's Bay, Nova Scotia are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Young.

Miss Constance Vail of St. John is the guest of Mrs. Hazen Grimmer.

Miss Belle Downes of Houlton is the guest of Mrs. Percy Lord.

Mrs. C. N. Vroom and Miss Beatrice Vroom visited Eastport on Thursday.

Miss Katherine Copeland is at St. Andrews for a brief visit.

Miss Dean of Quincy Illinois is the guest of Mrs. Henry S. Murchie.

Mr. William Whitney and his sister Miss Whitney, left for Charleston Maine, last week after a short but pleasant visit with their friends Rev. C. G. and Mrs. McCully.

Rev. J. E. Goncher of Halifax will preach in the Baptist church during the absence of his son Rev. W. C. Foucher.

Mr. Bradlee L. Eaton of New York city who has been visiting in Calais, went to St. John for a short visit this week before returning to New York.

Mrs. Fredric Bolz is visiting relatives in Carleton, St. John.

Mrs. William Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Belden have returned from a pleasant visit in Lubec, Maine.

Mrs. C. B. Rounds and her daughter Miss Pauline, are enjoying the cool breezes of the St. Croix at their cottage at DeOrville Head.

Mr. Allan Murray of St. John has been spending a few days with his brother Mr. Laurie Murray.

Miss Carrie Murchie has returned from a delightful visit in Eastport.

Mr. Walter Boardman of Tacoma, Washington, is visiting Mrs. W. H. Boardman.

Miss Mary Stewart left on Thursday for Truro, Nova Scotia, to visit her friends Mrs. Stevenson and Mrs. Douglas Wemore.

MONCTON.

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

JULY 28.—Our city is beginning to resemble the Deserted Village, on a large scale. True the grass is not yet growing in the middle of the streets, but the trees are sturdily and successfully sprouting through the so called asphalt of the sidewalks, and if it were not for the untiring efforts of the bicyclists I have no doubt that the grass would sprout there also, so deserted are the streets.

Everybody seems to be away, and if one wished very much to see a Moncton person, Cape Brule, Shediac, or Shediac Cape, would be the place to seek him, not Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Harris and family who are usually amongst the last to exchange the comforts of home, for the rustic joys of cottage life at the seaside, left town last week for their summer cottage at Shediac Cape.

Mrs. George McSweeney and children are spending the hot months, at Summerside, P. E. Island, the guests of Mrs. McSweeney's mother, Mrs. John Leuryer.

Miss Mary Cooke is spending a few weeks in Dorchester the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Forster.

Mrs. Holman of Summerside P. E. I., who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Harris of Steadman street, returned home last week.

Mr. A. Y. Clarke and daughter left town on Friday for Baie Verte to spend a month at the seaside.

Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Coleman and family are spending a few weeks in Albert county.

Mrs. W. H. Burns of Montreal who is spending the summer with her mother, Mrs. Samuel McKean at "Ravenwood" left town on Wednesday to visit friends in Halifax.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Rogers of New York who have been visiting friends in town for the past few weeks returned home on Thursday.

Miss Florence Murphy who has been spending a month in Truro visiting her aunt Mrs. McLeod returned home on Monday.

Rev. J. M. Robinson, pastor of St. John's Presbyterian church, who has been in Winnipeg for the past few weeks attending the General Assembly being held in that city returned on Saturday.

Mrs. Green of Toronto is spending a few weeks in town the guest of her daughter, Mrs. E. B. Chandler of Botsford street.

Rev. W. W. Brewer and Mrs. Brewer departed on Saturday for their new field of labor at Marysville. Mr. and Mrs. Brewer have made numerous friends amongst all denominations during Mr. Brewer's three years pastorate of the Central Methodist church and their departure will be most sincerely regretted.

Mr. F. H. Blair organist of St. John's Presbyterian church, returned last week from a two weeks holiday spent at his former home in Chatham.

Mrs. B. A. McNab of Montreal accompanied by Miss Alice McKeenzie of this city left town on Thursday for Nova Scotia and P. E. Island where they intend spending some weeks.

Miss Nevins of St. John and Mrs. Pierson of New York are spending a few days in town the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wortman of Weldon street.

The Misses Parkins daughters of Dr. George R. Parkins of Toronto, are spending a few days in town the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Reid of Highfield street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burns left town on Saturday for Springfield King's county to spend two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbot of Bermuda are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bell of Church street.

Mrs. W. J. Keswick of Montreal is spending a few days in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peters of Robinson street.

Moncton people were very much shocked on Thursday to hear of the sudden death of Stipendiary Magistrate Wortman during the early morning hours. Mr. Wortman was a man of advanced age but singularly vigorous constitution and though his health had failed lately obliging him to take a six months vacation from the duties of his office, none of his friends anticipated such a sudden termination to his illness. Mr. Wortman was out on Wednesday, and seemed almost in his usual health, but during the night was taken suddenly ill and expired in his chair before medical aid could be obtained. Neuralgia of the heart was the immediate cause of death.

Mr. Wortman was one of Moncton's oldest residents having reached the advanced age of eighty two and lived in Moncton since 1844. He had occupied the position of stipendiary magistrate since 1877. Mr. Wortman left a widow to whom he was married when but nineteen years of age, and who is but three days his junior. Of a family of twelve children six survive their father. The funeral took place on Sunday and was very largely attended, the remains being attended from the family residence on Foundry street to the rural cemetery by the members of the city council, and police force who preceded the hearse in a body. The services were conducted both at the house and grave by Rev. W. B. Hinson. The pall bearers were Messrs. John McKenzie, Oliver Jones, John L. Harris, George B. Bleskney, E. B. Hicks, and H. J. MacGowan. The floral tributes sent by friends were numerous and beautiful.

Rev. W. W. Lodge the new pastor of Central Methodist church arrived in town on Saturday and preached eloquent sermons on Sunday morning and evening.

WOODSTOCK.

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

JULY 28.—Mrs. Wendell Jones entertained a number of children on Friday at a lawn tea—the occasion being the birthday of her little son Charlie.

Mr. Grenville James who has filed the position of American Consul at this place for four years, will leave shortly for Prescott, Ont. where he has been appointed consul. Mr. and Mrs. James' departure will be greatly regretted as they have made many friends during their stay in Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tilley are spending a few weeks at Fredericton and vicinity.

Mr. F. B. MacKay is spending his holidays in Halifax.

Miss Rowan who spent the last month in Woodstock the guest of her sister Mrs. Anderson returned to New York on Tuesday.

Rev. Scovil Neales of Sussex spent part of this week in Woodstock.

Mrs. W. T. Drysdale is visiting friends in the vicinity of Fredericton.

Mrs. W. S. Fisher and little Miss Lillian Fisher are the guests of Mrs. B. K. Jones.

A very pleasant picnic was held on Friday afternoon at Northampton. Mrs. Taylor and Miss Duncan were interested in the promotion of the picnic.

Miss Duncan and Miss McKeown of St. John, left on Saturday for St. Stephen where they will be the guests of Miss McKeown's sister Mrs. George Clark.

Miss Helen F. Jordan left on Wednesday for Halifax where she will be the guest of Miss Wilson Brunswick street.

Miss Poole of Arkansas is the guest of the Misses Beardsley at the Grove.

Miss Annie Hazen is visiting friends at St. Andrews.

Mr. J. S. Bailey returned from Fredericton this week to resume his work in the C. P. office. Miss Hoyt who has been filling his position is taking a holiday.

Miss Minette Sharp returned from Victoria B. C. last week to spend the summer at her home here.

The Oddfellows held Decoration Day last Wednesday in Woodstock, and decorated the graves of five departed members, with beautiful flowers. The ceremony was quite impressive, consisting of prayer addresses, and placing of the flowers. The band played appropriate airs on route to the graveyard.

Mr. Justus Ebbett died at the Castle on Friday, after a short illness of pneumonia. He was buried on Sunday afternoon, a large number of citizens attending the funeral. The services were conducted by Rev. D. Chapman.

Mrs. John Graham is spending a few weeks at St. Andrews.

Miss Carman left Tuesday for St. Andrews for a short visit.

W. V. Jones of Boston is spending a few weeks in Woodstock.

ST. GEORGE.

July 28.—Rev. F. M. Young and family accompanied by Mrs. Abram Young returned to their home in Bridgetown on Thursday last.

The Misses Hibbard's St. Andrews, are visiting at Mrs. T. O'Brien.

Mrs. Robinson St. John, Miss Robinson Honoria S. Q., and Mr. James Ford St. John, were Mrs. Fred Seely's guests last week.

Rev. Mr. Frazer (presbyterian) is having a vacation of three weeks.

Hon. Geo. Rice and Mr. Peabody were recent guests at Hon. A. H. Gillmore's.

Mrs. W. W. Shaw returned on Saturday from a short trip to St. Stephen.

Mrs. Mary Buckle and young son arrived on Friday from Lowell Mass., and will spend the summer with Mrs. Daniel Gillmor.

Miss Edith Baldwin has returned from a visit of several weeks in St. John accompanied by her friend Miss Maude Sprague.

Among the visitors in town are Mrs. Phillips Woodstock, at Mrs. James O'Brien's; Mrs. Jenkins of Boston, at Mrs. Grant's; Miss Mary Rankine of St. John, at Mrs. Hugh Douglas; Miss Edith McPeake of Carleton, at Mrs. Fred Bogue; and Mr. Day of Indiantown, at Mrs. Thomas Barry.

Rev. Thomas Stewart and Mrs. Stewart of Halifax with their daughter are spending a short time in town.

The friends of Mrs. Steeves, Newcastle; are pleased to see her in town again. Mrs. Steeves is accompanied by her little daughters and is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Dykeman.

Rev. A. H. Lavers and Mrs. Lavers leave Wednesday to spend a short time in Boston and vicinity.

Red Granite division S. of T. left Wednesday on their annual excursion, the steamer Viking taking two hundred excursioners to Indian Island, Eastport, Lubec, and Campbell, the St. George band was in attendance.

The marriage of Miss Nettie Austin to Mr. Fred McVicar is announced to take place on Wednesday evening Aug. 4th.

GREENWICH.

JULY 27.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Prince and children St. John, spent Sunday with Mrs. Prince's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McLeod.

Mrs. Chas. Whelpley Fredericton, is also making a visit to her parents.

Messrs. Walter and Millidge Short of Boston are spending their vacation with their parents.

Miss Julia Peppers of St. Mary's spent a few days with friends here last week.

The Misses Peters, Miss Wright and a number of others are guests at Elmwood.

Mrs. Thomas Barker of St. Mary's is visiting her friend Mrs. Fowler at Elmwood.

Mrs. Gilmore, Miss Gunn, Miss Hutchings and others are guests at Mrs. S. F. Belyea's Willow Point.

Mr. Hill M. P., and Mrs. Hill of Woodstock are occupying their cottage at the Beulah grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Vanwart and Miss Vanwart spent Sunday at their cottage at the Isle of Pines.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Humphrey are camping on Pugsley's Island.

Comfort in Boating. Depends largely on the way one is dressed. Ladies often grow weary guarding their gowns from the rain or the spray. A comfort, then, is WATERWITCH SERGE, proofed by the CRAVENETTE CO., it is perfectly shower proof, and will not spot from rain or sea water. Waterwitch Serge. Priestley's name stamped on every five yard. 011

Miss Edna Coburn of Fredericton was the guest of Miss Lillian Flewelling last week. Mrs. C. G. Schmidt St. John, spent Sunday with her mother Mrs. N. T. Peatman. Mr. A. L. B. McKel has returned from a pleasant visit to Woodstock.

RICHIBUCTO.

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

JULY 28.—Mrs. R. Phinney who has been undergoing medical treatment in St. John arrived home on Tuesday, her many friends are glad to hear that her health is much improved.

Mr. A. Wheeler of Halifax was in town last week.

Rev. Mr. Murray of Douglastown occupied the pulpit of Chalmers church last Sunday evening.

Mr. Fred Phinney leaves today on a trip to St. John.

Mr. J. Ferguson accompanied by Miss Annie Ferguson left Tuesday for a short visit to Newcastle.

Mrs. John Sutton of Moncton is visiting Mrs. M. Flanagan.

Mrs. C. J. Sayre and Miss Lizzie Sayre are visiting friends in Sackville.

Mrs. J. D. Phinney and Miss Annie Phinney of Fredericton are spending a few days in town.

Rev. W. Lawson arrived home Friday from a trip to Toronto.

Miss Lan of Scotland and Miss Smith, Boston, who are visiting Miss Alice Law of Kingston spent Tuesday in town the guests of Mrs. K. B. Forbes.

ST. MARTINS.

JULY 28.—Mr. G. Whelan of Sussex, accompanied by his sister, Miss Alice Whelan, attended Father Collette's picnic and visited friends.

Miss Lily Bartle, Miss Bessie McLaughlin, Miss Jennie McLaughlin of St. John, were visiting the Misses Nugent.

Mr. J. B. Nugent spent this week in Sussex.

THINGS OF VALUE.

Puffed candies are generally unhealthy and may be poisonous. Before the discovery of sugar, drinks were sweetened with honey.

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 ail, 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 maligned and diseased veins, strengthening 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 natural 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 actively a 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.

Neacarus, the admiral of Alexander the Great, noted the growth of the sugar cane in India, B. C. 325.

The candy makers say that the most profitable part of their trade is in fancy candies, put up in ornamental boxes, the box frequently cutting more figure in the purchase than the goods.

COLEIC AND KIDNEY DIFFICULTY.—Mr. J. W. Wilder, J. P., Lafayetteville N. Y., writes: "I am subject to severe attacks of Colic and Kidney Difficulty, and find Parmelee's Pills afford me great relief, while all other remedies have failed. They are the best medicine I have ever used." In fact so great is the power of this medicine to cleanse and purify, that diseases of almost every name and nature are driven from the body.

The cultivation of sugar began in Spain in the tenth century, being introduced from Africa by the Moors.

England is trying submerged cannon. Oaken beam twenty-one inches thick and the hull of a ship protected by three inches of boiler plate were pierced by a solid shot from one.

Mr. T. J. Humes, Columbus, Ohio, writes: "I have been afflicted for some time with Kidney and Liver Complaints, and find Parmelee's Pills the best medicine for these diseases. Those Pills do not cause pain or griping, and should be used when a cathartic is required. They are Gelatine Coated and rolled in the Finest of Licorice to preserve their purity, and give them a pleasant, agreeable taste."

In A. D. 100 Dioscorides mentions substance which he calls saccharon as a great dainty among the people of the east.

DYSPEPSIA AND INDIGESTION.—C. W. Snow & Co., Syracuse, N. Y., write: "Please send us ten gross of Pills. We are selling more of Parmelee's Pills than any other Pill we keep. They have a great reputation for the cure of Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint." Mr. Chas. A. Smith, Lindsay, writes: "Parmelee's Pills are an excellent medicine. My sister has been troubled with severe headache, but these Pills cured her."

The sugar found in walnuts, hazelnuts and almonds is of exactly the same kind as that which exists in the juice of the sugar cane.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Hickey's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membrane of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain or soreness in the chest, bronchitis, etc. It has cured many when supposed to be far advanced in consumption.

Before 1850 Russia, Belgium and Holland produced no beet sugar. Now these countries are important factors in the sugar markets of the world.

TELL THE DEAF.—Mr. J. F. Kellock, Druggist, Perth, writes: "A customer of mine having been cured of deafness by the use of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, wrote to Ireland, telling his friends there of the cure. In consequence I received an order to send half a dozen by express to W.xford, Ireland, this week."

In the second century Galen used sugar as a medicine, and at intervals it is mentioned by medical writers as an important article of the pharmacopoeia, down to the time of Avicenna, who, with other physicians in the ninth and tenth centuries, employed it as a medical remedy.

Mary, Queen of scots, whose hair turned gray through fright, might have restored its color, had some preparation like Hall's Hair Renewer been known then.

A NEW REPUBLIC. South American States Have Formed a Federation.

Quietly and unostentatiously the greater republic of Central America has become an accomplished fact. The first step was taken a year or more ago, when Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua united in a confederation for mutual defense. Now Costa Rica and Guatemala have joined and the new republic is complete. It would have been still better had the confederation been established half a century ago and thereby developed the resources of the five countries as they should have been and also prevented a score of miserable civil wars and revolutions brought about by ambitions and corrupt military adventurers. They naturally should be under one authority so far as their national police is concerned, and now that this has been accomplished there is little doubt it will tend toward conditions of peace and order in domestic affairs.

The new republic will possess considerable strength. Its population will be a little over three millions, of which Guatemala has nearly one half. The area will be 185,825 square miles, divided as follows: Guatemala, 63,400; Costa Rica, 23,000; Salvador, 7,225; Honduras, 43,000; and Nicaragua, 49,200. As compared with South American State Chile has 293,470 square miles of area, Peru, 463,747, and the Argentine Republic 1,778,195, though the population of the latter is only about 917,000 larger than that of the new republic. Compared with Illinois, its area is about three times as large, while its population is about a million and a half less. The Central American population is largely made up of native Indians and mixed races, but the Europeans and those of European descent are steadily increasing.

The arrangement of the new federation is both wise and sensible. The individual States retain complete autonomy and absolute control of their domestic affairs. Outside relations, treaties, commercial and industrial relations with