



The young people, or more properly speaking those who are not yet out in society, enjoyed themselves at a most delightful dance on New Years Eve, in the Assembly rooms of the Mechanics Institute. It was chiefly through the energy of Messrs. J. W. Rodgers and Guy Bostwick that the event was brought to so very successful an issue, and they thoroughly deserve the congratulations they have since received. It was one of the prettiest dances ever held in the Institute; the dainty, airy dresses, all new and lovely, made the ball-room like a scene from fairy land, when the excellent music of Harrison's orchestra inaugurated the programme of dances. The animated, expectant faces of the dancers was something to be remembered. The chaperons Mrs. Charles F. Harrison, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. L. R. Harrison and Mrs. Wm. reed, I believe found their duties very pleasant ones, as the promoters, with much tact and foresight arranged the invitation list so that the young men were in the majority. Mrs. C. F. Harrison and Mrs. Holden seemed to enjoy themselves quite as much as if a dance were an unusual happening; the former was gowned in black satin with a pretty white silk bodice trimmed with chiffon, and the latter wore black satin elaborately arranged with lace and ostrich feather trimming.

The order of dances was as follows: 1, valse; 2, polka; 3, valse; 4, lancers; 5, valse; 6, two step; 7, valse; 8, barn dance; 9, valse; 10, valse; three supper dances, valse, two step, valse; 11, lancers; 12, valse; 13, barn dance; 14, valse; 15, two step; 16, valse; 17, galop; a New Year's dance.

Among the many beautiful dresses worn the following were noticed:

- Miss Theo Robinson a pretty striped pink and white silk.
Miss Winslow, Fredericton, pale blue crepon, white carnations.
Miss Kimball, white muslin pink silk sash.
Miss Bridges, white muslin and violets.
Miss Gladys Campbell, white muslin daintily trimmed with valenciennes lace, crimson roses.
Miss Fleming, pink flowered muslin and roses.
Miss Hazel Rainnie, pink crepon trimmed with white chiffon.
Miss Bertie Rainnie, white mousseline de soie over pink.
Miss Nellie Thorne, white dotted muslin, the ruff as on skirt and bodice trimmed with valenciennes, and a nice silk sash.
Miss Louise Chesley, blue silk crepon, trimmed with white embroidered chiffon, white silk sash and carnations.
Miss Helen Thornton, white muslin with plaid sash.
Miss Lily Adams, pale green silk trimmed with dewdrop chiffon.
Miss Amy Adams, pink silk prettily trimmed with pink satin, gold ornaments.
Miss Ella Payne, white muslin pink roses.
Miss Daisy Fairweather, blue crepon and chiffon.
Miss Gillis, red silk with overdress of white chiffon.
Miss Ethel Fanjoy, white muslin, pink silk sash and pink flowers.
Miss Viola Gillis, white chiffon over white silk, scarlet ribbons and flowers.
Miss Gladys McLaughlan, pretty pink brocade silk, pink ribbons and roses.
Miss May Fanjoy, white silk, chiffon and carnations.
Miss Marie Furlong, pale blue silk muslin and pink velvet trimmings.
Miss Bertie Hegan, white swiss muslin, flowers.
Miss Winnie Barnaby, cream bengaline and cream ribbons.
Miss Marion Matthews, cream silk and flowers.
Miss T. Robinson, white silk and chiffon.
Miss Grace Dick, pretty pink gown.
Miss Avis Armstrong, cream muslin.
Miss L. Beer, cream bengaline and carnations.
Miss Nan Barnaby, white muslin.
Miss Elsie Holden, pale blue silk.
Miss Patton, white mousseline de soie over yellow silk.
Miss Elsie Robinson, pale blue mousseline de soie.
Miss Vera Robinson, cream muslin, pale blue trimmings.
Miss Titus, white muslin and blue ribbons.
Miss Mary Inches, white muslin and chiffon.

The list of the invited guests included the following young people: Miss Gladys McLaughlan, Miss Daisy Fairweather, Miss Nan Barnaby, Miss Winnie Barnaby, Miss Ella Payne, Miss Gladys Campbell, Miss Elsie Holden, Miss Lily Adams, Miss Amy Adams, Miss Louise Beer, Miss Edith Hegan, Miss Bertie Hegan, Miss Bertha Schofield, Miss T. Robinson, Miss J. Bostwick, Miss Ada Ring, Miss Muriel Fairweather, Miss E. Robinson, Miss Emma Rankine, Miss Mary Inches, Miss Constance Smith, Miss Amy Smith, Miss Muriel, Thomson, Miss Nellie McAvity, Miss E. McAvity, Miss Rebecca McAvity, Miss Nan McDonald, Miss May Harris, Miss E. Owen Jones, Miss Grace Fairweather, Miss Kate Pheasant, Miss M. Titus, Miss E. Titus, Miss Marie Furlong, Miss L. Patton, Miss A. Christie, Miss Pauline Johnston, Miss Marian Smith, Miss Maie McIntyre, Miss L. Kimball, Miss Mary McCullough, Miss Avis Armstrong, Miss M. Belyea, Miss B. Douville, Miss T. Wedderburn, Hampton, Miss Winnie Hall, Miss Avis Hall, Miss M. Peters, Miss F. Stetson, Miss Laura Hazon, Miss A. Lockhart, Miss M. Matthews, Miss Bertie Rainnie, Miss Viola Gillis, Miss J. Gillis, Miss Ethel Fanjoy, Miss May Fanjoy, Miss Grace Dick, Miss Nellie Thorne, Miss M. Baker, Miss M. Rodgers, Miss F. Rogers, Miss L. King, Miss L. Hamm, Miss Hazel Rainnie, Miss H. Frink, Miss Daisy Winslow, Fredericton, Miss J. Neill, Fredericton, Miss M. H. Johnston, Fredericton, Miss Louise Chesley, Miss Gertrude Fenety, Fredericton, Miss P. Babbitt, Fredericton, Miss C. Winslow, Fredericton, Miss F. Cathels, Fredericton, Messrs. E. Ritchie, A. Rainnie, H. Sturdee, A. L. Fowler, J. R. Thompson, S. L. Emmerson, S. Emmerson, H. Robertson, G. Robinson, H. Robinson, A. Frith, E. Kaye Allison, W. Harrison, G. Sanction, L. Campbell, E. C. Hunter, H. L. Godsoe, H. Harrison, H. Forbes, H. Parvis, A. Murray, N. Johnstone, P. Howard, W. Howard, B. Fowler, J. H. Kimball, L. Barker, G. McLeod, D. McLaughlan, A. Schofield, D. Seely, W. Beer, H. Matthew, P. Holden, M. Furdie, L. Rankine, F. Magee, R. Clark, A. Clark, C. Lee, L. Shaw, W. Stone, G. Adams, A. Dick, R. Inches, B. Inches, L. Sharpe, R. Skinner, A. Irvine, H. Pat-

ton, G. Johnstone, J. W. Rodgers, G. Hilyard, L. Rodgers, A. Clark, H. Schfield, C. Gregory, C. Macmichael, L. Vroom, G. Bostwick, W. McLean, G. Blizard, K. Bostwick, C. McDonald, Gec. Robertson, H. Frink, E. Fairweather, E. Walker, G. Furlong, H. Porter, E. Hobbs, F. Keator, J. Holden, Burpee, J. Hamm, A. B. Harrison, R. Markham, C. H. Allen, Fredericton, S. Sterling, Fredericton, D. Neill, Fredericton, R. Morrison F'ion, G. Newham St. Stephen, Mr. O'Donnell, Halifax, A. Abbott, Halifax, J. Weatherly, Halifax.

The younger members of society seem determined that they shall have a share of the holiday gaieties, the dance of Friday evening being followed by one on Monday evening, given by Master Homer Forbes to about sixty of his young friends. The two drawing rooms were thrown open to the dancers, the hard wood floors and excellent music making the tripping of the light fantastic a real pleasure. The young ladies all looked pretty and bright, Miss Elsie Holden and Miss Macaulay who was wearing pale pink silk being the acknowledged belles of the evening.

Supper was served at midnight, the table being artistically decorated with roses, carnations and smilax. Among those who enjoyed the very pleasant dance were Miss Muriel Thomson, Miss Mary Inches, the Misses C. and A. Smith, Miss Daisy Winslow, Fredericton, Miss Gladys McLaughlan, Miss Daisy Fairweather, Miss May Harrison, Miss Nellie McAvity, the Misses Barnaby, Miss May McIntyre, Miss Lou Girvan, Miss Bertie Rainnie, Miss Ella McAnley, Miss Elsie Holden, Messrs. Kenneth Inches, Roy Thomson, George Robertson, Stanley Emerson, Weldon McLean, B. Sturdee, Louis Barker, Harry Harrison, Walter Harrison, Sandy Fowler, Teddy Allison, Allen McAvity, Douglas Seely, Douglas McLaughlan, Charles Gregory, Maurice Purdy, W. McNeill and others.

Mrs. W. Walker Clark was one of the hostesses, of last week giving a most successful tea on Thursday afternoon in honor of her daughter Mrs. W. H. Steeves of Fredericton. Mrs. Steeves and Mrs. W. Henry Scovil received with their mother.

Mrs. C. Coster and Mrs. Andrew Jack dispensed tea and coffee respectively, and the young ladies who assisted were Miss Robertson, Miss Annie Smith, Miss Parks and Miss Dunn.

The rooms were elegantly decorated, palms ferns and cut flowers being disposed throughout with charming effect.

Among the invited guests were: Countess de Bury, Miss de Bury, Mrs. John Burpee, Mrs. Isaac Burpee, Mrs. John Parks, Misses Parks, Mrs. F. E. Barker, Miss Barker, Mrs. Silas Alward, Mrs. G. Schofield, Miss Schofield, Mrs. H. Schofield, Mrs. A. Schofield, Misses J. C. K. Mrs. Wm. Hazen, Miss Hazen, Mrs. A. Wright, Mrs. L. Sturdee, Mrs. Mowatt, Mrs. D. Hazen, Mrs. H. DeForest, Mrs. W. Peggley, Mrs. Murray MacLaren, Mrs. W. Lee, Mrs. Carleton Lee, Mrs. W. Starr, Mrs. Dickie, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Markum, Mrs. Barclay Boyd, Mrs. C. F. Harrison, Mrs. Geo. Jones, Miss L. Adams, Mrs. F. H. Ruel, Mrs. Timmerman, Mrs. Geo. Robertson, Mrs. Geo. McAvity, Mrs. T. McAvity, Miss Thorne, Mrs. D. C. Clinch, Mrs. L. Harrison, Mrs. Magee, Miss Magee, Mrs. John B. Magee, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. L. A. Currey, Mrs. James Donville, Miss Donville, Mrs. E. G. Scovil, Miss Scovil, Mrs. Chipman Smith, Mrs. Gardiner Taylor, Mrs. Howard McLeod, Mrs. E. T. Sturdee, Mrs. R. J. Ritchie, Mrs. F. Sayre, Mrs. Boyle Travers, Miss Travers, Mrs. Holden, Miss Holden, Mrs. Brigstocke, Mrs. Berryman, Misses Massie, Miss Nellie Jarvis, Mrs. W. Trueman, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. J. Allison, Miss Allison, Mrs. James Kaye, Miss Kaye, Mrs. L. Allison, Mrs. C. Kerr, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Trites, Mrs. A. Cushing, Misses Cushing, Mrs. Thomson, Misses Barlow, Mrs. Harrison Kinnear, Mrs. C. F. Kinnear, and many others.

A dance at which the younger people enjoyed themselves to the utmost, was that given by Miss Louise Girvin on Wednesday evening to between fifty and sixty of her youthful friends. The young lady's aunt and cousin, Mrs. and Miss Fraser assisted her in receiving and entertaining her guests, and Mrs. McLean who came late in the evening, also gave valuable services in the latter direction. The violin and piano supplied the dancers with music; and a beautiful supper was served at midnight, the table being prettily decorated with roses, carnations and smilax. Miss Girvin looked very pretty and bright and was attired in white muslin with pink ribbons.

Among the guests were Misses Ella Payne, Bertie Hegan, Louise Beer, Marie Furlong, Constance and Mamie Smith, Kathleen Robertson, Allie Christie, Kathleen McCullough, Miss Gillis, Grace Dick, Bertie Rainnie, Muriel Thomson, Messrs. Stanley Emerson, Hal Robertson, Arthur Dick, Mr. McNeill, Homer Forbes, Douglas Seely, Willie Rogers, Harry Patton, Roy Skinner, Fred Magee, W. Bell, Weldon McLean, Gordon Sanction, Walter Harrison and others.

Miss Muriel Thomson's dance was one of the pleasantest entertainments of the week nothing being left undone that would add in any way to the pleasure of the young guests. A delicious little supper was served near midnight and promptly at 12:30 adieu was said.

A crokinole party was Mrs. Herbert Schofield's contribution to the week's gaieties and was enjoyed by quite a large number of guests.

The whist clubs are again at work, after the interruption caused by the holidays, the Misses McLaren of Charlotte street entertaining one this week, when the evening was most enjoyably spent. The first meeting of another club was held at Miss Thomson's on Wednesday evening; there were seven tables, and the affair was exceptionally pleasant.

Mrs. Stanley Ritchie gave an evening of whist to married ladies last evening but like two or three other events of this week, too late for more than mere mention. Mrs. Austin's tea was another pleasant gathering at which many ladies were present.

The guests Sidney-Smith had also a large number of guests at a similar event on Tuesday afternoon. The ladies of the house and their aunt Miss Smith received the guests; Mrs. Grant and Mrs. Stratton looked after the tea and chocolate, and the young ladies who assisted were Misses Lollie Harrison, May Harrison and Miss Celia Armstrong.

Miss Dever leaves Monday for a visit to Montreal after which she will spend several months with her sister in New York.

Mrs. Byers of Springhill, N. S., spent the holiday season with Mr. John Byers of Wentworth street, returning to her native town on Monday of this week. Mr. Wm. Hall and Miss Laura Hall of the same place also spent a day or two here lately.

Mrs. George F. Smith's dance for her daughters, Misses Constance, Amy and Leslie was attended by many young people, and the evening proved a most enjoyable one. Excellent music and a daintily served supper both added to the pleasure of the affair.

Miss Laura Bradley of Holly street, left on Thursday for an extended visit to friends in Boston and New York.

Miss Maher of the North end is in Milltown the guest of Miss Alice K. Graham.

The Misses Katie and Frances Hazon who have been spending the holidays with their grandmother Mrs. James Tibbitts returned to the city this week.

Mr. Wm. Bowden paid a brief visit to the Capital recently.

Misses Beatrice and Myra Frink are in St. Stephen visiting Mrs. James T. Stevens.

Mr. J. Donahue, who has been visiting friends in this city returned to his home in Fredericton on Tuesday last.

Mrs. A. W. Melick returned to Hampton on Monday after her sad mission to this city in connection with the funeral of her husband who was so well known to the travelling public as a conductor on the I. C. R. for some years. He was a son of the late James Melick and leaves besides a wife and five children, two brothers one of whom George, is cashier in the Western Union office in Boston.

Mr. Isaac Northrup spent New Year's with his family in Kingston.

On Wednesday evening the Annual club were entertained by Stephen P. Gerow at his home on Garden street; a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent by those present.

Miss E. La McDow of Harvey, Albert Co., N. B., is spending the winter with her sister Mrs. John Salmon, High street, North End.

MONCTON.

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

JAN. 5.—In spite of the exceedingly unpleasant weather and the more than unpleasant walking, there was no perceptible diminution in the amount of calling on New Years day, the good old custom being very generally observed. Some of the hostesses who were receiving had their drawing rooms filled during the greater part of the afternoon, and in groups, singles, and "gentlemen's doubles" the merry stream of callers continued until after ten o'clock in the evening, when the festivities ceased, and both visitors and visited doubtless felt the need of rest.

Mrs. F. W. Givan celebrated the New Year by giving a very delightful little whist party to about thirty of their friends. After the prizes had been awarded, and a dainty supper partaken of the evening was concluded with a little dance, the party separating in good time to escape the charge of indulging in revelry on the Sabbath.

As the prospects would seem to indicate a quiet winter as far as social functions are concerned, a number of our society people have undertaken to provide distraction for themselves and their friends by the formation of an assembly club. The first meeting for the appointment of officers, etc, was held last week in the parlors of the Hotel Brunswick and the following officers elected: E. B. Chandler, M. D. president, S. W. Palmer, vice president, R. Clarke, treasurer, R. H. Simonds, secretary. Ladies committee, Mrs. R. A. Borden, Mrs. J. R. Bruce, Mrs. F. W. Sumner, Mrs. J. W. Y. Smith, Mrs. E. B. Chandler, Mrs. L. Somers, Mrs. C. F. Hanington, Mrs. R. W. Hewson, Mrs. George McSweeney. Gentlemen's committee Judge Wells, Messrs. S. J. Plunkett, Dr. C. A. Murray, R. W. Simpson, A. E. Wilkinson, H. Hamilton, A. E. McSweeney, L. C. Harris and A. G. Bishop. The rules drawn up were simple in the extreme, the number of dances to be given being limited to three, the dues for the season to be three dollars for gentlemen, the ladies undertaking to provide refreshments at their contribution to the general fund. The first assembly dance will be held in Enman's hall next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. J. S. Marnie returned last week from a visit to her mother, Mrs. H. W. Thorne, of St. John.

Miss Constance Chandler of Dorchester who has been spending the holiday season with her sister, Mrs. Hewson of this city returned home yesterday.

Miss Chandler's effective rendering of the solo "Oh Rest in the Lord," during the offertory, was a very pleasing feature of the service in St. George's Church on Sunday evening, her full, sweet contralto voice being especially suited to sacred music.

Miss Hayward, of St. John, is spending a few days in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Givan, of King Street.

Mrs. George McSweeney left town last week, to spend a few days with friends in Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace L. Britton returned last week from their bridal trip to Montreal, Mrs. Britton is receiving her guests this week at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Charles Friweather, of Fleet Street.

Miss Jean Johnson, who has been spending the holidays at her home in Truro, returned to Moncton on Friday.

Miss Ethel Pender of St. John, is spending a week in town the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bliss Ward of Fleet street.

Miss Mary Emerson and Miss Emily Willis of Sackville, are visiting friends in town.

Miss Foshay of Sussex, is spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harris of Queen street.

Mrs. A. B. Atkinson of Sackville, who has been visiting her mother Mrs. Blair Botsford of this city, left town on Wednesday for Vancouver to join her husband who has settled in the vicinity of Vancouver. Mrs. Atkinson was accompanied by her little son, and her numerous friends in Moncton, while regretting her departure, will join in wishing her all happiness and prosperity in her new home.

Miss Hanington returned last week from Dorchester, where she has been spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Hanington.

Mr. Mayne Archibald returned on Monday to Pictou Academy, after spending the Christmas vacation at his home in Moncton.

Miss Humphrey of Spring Hill who has been spending the Christmas holidays in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cole of Adams street returned home last week.

Mrs. H. F. Browne returned last Wednesday from six weeks visit to relatives in England. Mrs. Browne was accompanied by her daughters, the Misses Mary and Madge Brown, who have been finishing their education in Switzerland.

Miss Elith Holstead of Waltham Hospital Mass. who has been spending the Christmas holidays at her home in this city, left on Thursday to resume her duties at the hospital.

Mr. W. C. Ross of Halifax, spent Saturday and Sunday in town, the guest of Mrs. C. F. H. Campbell, of Fleet street.

The many friends of Miss May Flanagan who was so severely burned last winter by the falling of a lamp will be glad to hear that she has returned home from Montreal where she has been under treatment at Victoria Hospital for the past three months greatly improved in health. The Misses Flanagan reached home on New Year's morning and are being warmly welcomed by their friends.

Miss Barnes of Newton Mass, Hospital is spending a few days in town, the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Barnes of Bostford street.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hewson and Miss Constance Chandler returned on New Year's day from Amherst, whether they had gone to attend a very brilliant affair taking place at the Hotel Brunswick, last Thursday evening.

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WELCOME SOAP Monthly Missing Word Contest.

THE Correct missing word for December was "CAREFUL" and the winners were: Miss Fanny Reed, Marysville, N. B. First Prize \$10.00 Cash Mrs. Witherell, Newcastle, Miramichi, N. B. Second Prize, 7.00 Mrs. John McB. Morrison, 7 Golding Street, St. John, N. B. Third Prize, 3.00

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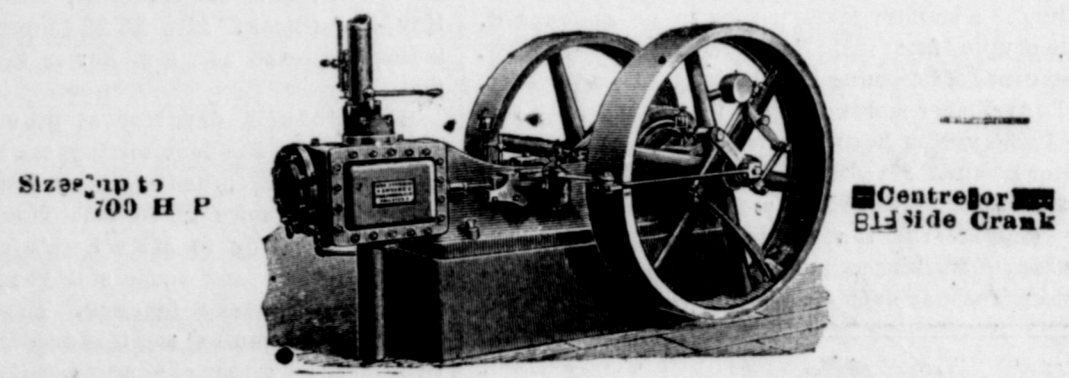
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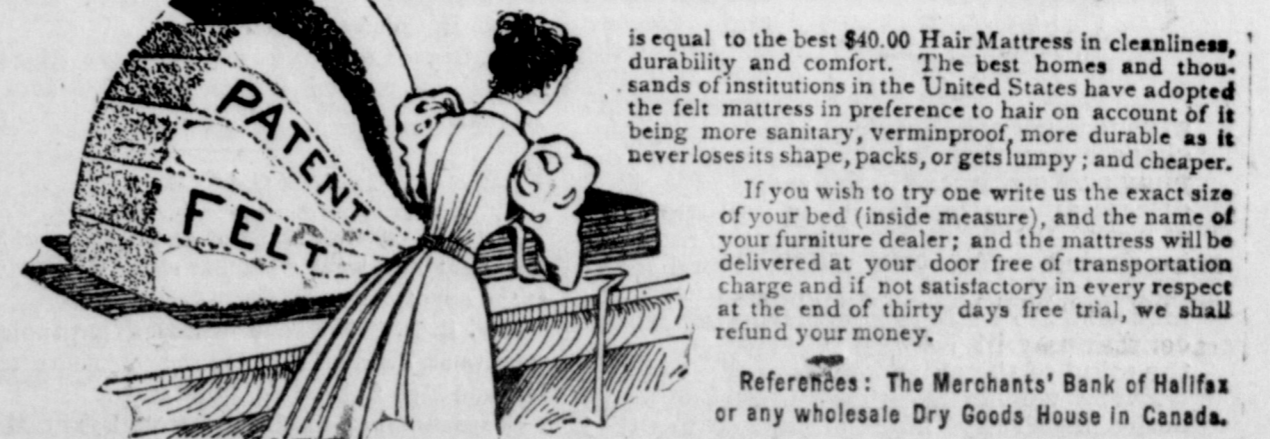
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