



Those who compose the smart set have no cause to complain of dullness this winter, as almost every day is filled with some pleasurable event in the form of luncheon, tea, or afternoon whist while the evenings are devoted to skating and quiet little dances.

Mrs. Walter Treeman's luncheon on Thursday was well attended by a large number of ladies; as the afternoon was delightfully fine and mild the seasons prettiest gowns were in order.

The Misses Robertson gave a very charming tea on Wednesday; and during the week Miss Sidney Smith gave a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Stratton who as mentioned last week leaves shortly for Ottawa where she will permanently reside.

Mrs. Jack Thomson I believe is announced to give a tea and drive shortly and as the latter form of amusement is not very common this season it will doubtless be hailed with pleasure.

Colonel Donville and Mrs. Donville are expected to return to St. John Monday after an extended stay on the Pacific coast.

Miss Alice Grant pleasantly entertained a party of young friends during the week, at a little dance that was greatly enjoyed by those present.

The excellent music provided was a feature of the evening and the dainty supper was greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. Warren Winslow of Chatham is being entertained by Mrs. Bazle Travers.

Mrs. Rankine gave an afternoon reception last week for the entertainment of her guest, Miss Fielding, daughter of the Hon. W. S. Fielding of Halifax.

The marriage of Miss Katharine Francis Bayard and Mr. Thomas E. Kirkwood was solemnized at the residence of the bride's uncle, Dr. Bayard, last Saturday.

The affair was very quiet on account of a recent death in the family of the groom and only the immediate members of the family were present. The bride who was attired in a handsome pink trimmed travelling dress, was attended by her sister Miss Ada Bayard who wore a pretty blue gown.

After a luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Kirkwood left for a short wedding trip to Halifax after which they will return to St. John to reside. The bride and groom were the recipients of many beautiful gifts from their friends.

Miss Margaret Leck of Wentworth street who is visiting her aunt Mrs. Byers of Springhill, N. S., was a guest at the annual club ball in that town last week, and I believe was considered quite the belle of the occasion.

Mrs. J. H. Silver of Montreal, formerly Miss Ella Hillson of Amherst, was a guest of Conductor and Mrs. Millican this week.

Miss Millican who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hillson of Amherst for a few weeks returned to St. John a few days ago.

After an absence of such entertainments for several years the general public turned out in large numbers to attend the fancy dress carnival in Victoria rink on Tuesday evening under Neptune Rowing club auspices. The revival of the good old days of former years when such entertainments were looked upon as indispensable, and when all St. John was enthusiastically represented, was most pleasing and the historic rink which has weathered over generation of winters never held a jollier crowd of masqueraders and spectators. Close upon two thousand paid admission fully one quarter of whom appeared on the ice in costume. Extra electric lighting and the choicest music by the Artillery band were features of the evening which tended toward making the whole affair such a grand success. The Neptune Rowing Club spared neither money nor care in ensuring the satisfaction of all, especially those taking part in the fête. Polite attendants were to be found in the dressing rooms and in all the rush and bustle before and after the music started nothing of a disorderly nature occurred, nor was anything missed from the crowded cloak-rooms.

And what a representation there was of the genius of the costumer! "Soldiers, sailors, tinkers, nailers," as the old jingle goes were there in abundance and pretty nearly everything in the line of male attire of the present and past ages was to be found among the hundreds of gentlemen and boys skaters. Clergymen, pirates, chevaliers, armoured knights, Klondikers, countrymen, gypsies, Indians, negroes, Chinamen, Turks, Beefeaters, Jameson Raiders, Highlanders, Irishman, Crusaders, troops, and many more get-ups of an entirely novel description, including the prize winning representations of the "New Woman," "Harmony of Color," "Mechanical Man," "New Brunswick wheat," etc.

One of the best things on the ice was the German band quartette including Messrs. Harold and Walter Higgins, W. G. Stratton and McDonald. Their idea of the typical frothing Tontou was good and carried out to perfection almost. Between each band number this little aggregation of "Germans" would stop and strike up a popular air with their cornet, flute, violin and clarinet, in the regulation waltz key of the travelling musicians so well known all over the world nowadays. A crowd would collect and applause for the players was not stinted. Ned Cornwall's mechanical man was a good idea and well gotten up and Geo. Howard who captured first money in the gent's costume competition was as near like a "new" woman as could be possible. His dress a la next century was not startling but true to life, in fact many took him for a young lady all through the long programme of "bands". Louis Fitzpatrick's Chinese dress was natural and his trotting gait over the ice flat-iron

in hand without skates was much like a Mongolian. He took half the special prize.

The usual number of clowns were interspersed throughout the crowd of skaters and their white-faced grimaces and funny pranks kept the spectators in roars of laughter and the skaters in hot-water.

The ladies and girls were delightfully attired to represent up-to-date women of fame, the Muses, characters in history, original ideas, nurses, housewives, flower girls, the seasons, Japanese maidens summer girls etc. The array of sturdy materials in blending tints and shades, draping the pretty forms and faces of the wearers, added greatly to the whirling scene. "Three Little Maids from School" the Misses Langan and Patton took first prize among the fair sex and Miss A. M. Kilpatrick's costume representing Canada was awarded second honors. Other handsome costumes were worn by Misses Belle Ross and Jennie Belyea who skated in the catchiest costumes as "Summer girls on Brighton Beach." Mrs. C. F. Harrison as "Night" wore a handsome and carefully arranged dress of black gauze with silver star and crescent effect. Victorian Order of Nurses was well represented also Jubilee girls and gypsies. Little Miss Dick was cute in a Dolly Varden dress and hat, as was also Ollie Golding who presented a bright representation of Spring. "Our Lady of the Snows," "Frog in your Throat," "A bit of the Forest" etc. etc. were other costumes worthy of mention. Following is an incomplete list of the costumes worn, as many did not comply with the request to write their name and costume on the back of their admission ticket, consequently their identity could not be disclosed from behind their domino masks.

The judges were: Mrs. Chas. Holden, Mrs. Geo. McAvity, Mrs. D. B. Lawson, Lieut.-Col. Geo. W. Jones and G. G. Ruel.

- Miss Adams, Indian Girl.
Miss Gertrude Baker, Jubilee Girl.
Mrs. Charles R. Barbour, Bo Peep.
Miss Annie Barton, Summer Girl.
Miss B. Bridges, Joe Smarts Wife.
Miss May Cosman, Joan of Arc.
Miss Crocker, Norwegian Girl.
Miss Mabel Crockett, Cook.
Miss Nellie Dean, Fancy dress.
Miss Helen Dick, 13th Century.
Miss Lizzie Dunlop, Fancy dress.
Miss Clara F. Enjor, Snowflake.
Miss Marie Foley, Period of Two Roses.
Miss Georgie Foster, Victorian Order of Nurses.
Miss Olive Golding, Spring.
Miss Doroth Hall, Nurse.
Miss Margaret Hall, Sunflower.
Miss Edith Hoans, Sailor.
Miss Alice Henderson, Our Lady of the Snows.
Miss Lillie Higgins, Gay Dolly Varden.
Miss Howe, Peasant Girl.
Mrs. W. F. Higgins, De Belle of Hogans Alley.
Miss F. Jordan, F. M. M. K. Barlowe.
Mrs. W. E. O. Jones, Dorothy.
Miss Mamie Jackson, painting.
Miss Ella T. Kilpatrick, Klondike nuggets.
Miss Annie M. Kilpatrick, Canada.
Miss C. Langan, Pitti Sing.
Miss L. Langan Peck Bo. (Three Little Maids)
Miss M. Patton, Yam Yam from School.
Miss Maggie Lelachen, Sailing Boat.
Miss Marion Lelachen, Music.
Miss Long, Western Girl.
Miss McAvity, Tambourine Girl.
Miss Josephine McVey, St. Stephen, Gypsy.
Miss Eva Melaney, 20th Century Woman.
Miss Lily Melaney, 19th Century Woman.
Miss Laura Munro, Japanese Lady.
Miss Mary Murray, Up-to-date Girl.
Miss Georgie Patterson, Frog in the Throat.
Miss Dolly Parrell, Jubilee Girl.
Miss Belle Ross, Summer Girl.
Miss Ross, Indian Girl.
Miss Ada Rubins, Fancy dress.
Miss Jennie Rutherford, Bohemian Gypsy.
Miss Alice Starke, Dancer.
Miss Alice Smalley, Parisian.
Miss Frances Smith, Western Girl.
Mrs. D. B. Stevens, Night.
Miss Bertie Stone, Daughter of the Regiment.
Miss Sutton, A bit of the Forest.
Miss Margaret Tapley, Sailor.
Miss Vroom, Klondike.
Miss Addie Waring, Red Carnations.
Miss Jennie Walker, Sailor Girl.
Miss Ward, Fancy dress.
Miss Elsie White, Red Bird.
Miss Edith M. Younglaus, Marguerite.

- Mr. F. Allison, Villager.
Mr. George Allen, Pet of the Harem.
Mr. Walter Golding, Pierrot.
Mr. Herbert Alfred, Robin Hood.
Mr. H. A. Brennan, Algerie Pirate chief.
Mr. Harry D. Breen, Highland officer.
Mr. Louis A. Brennan, Clown.
Mr. Charles F. Brittain, Page.
Mr. Frank Bonnell, Clown.
Mr. Evran Cameron, Armored Knight.
Mr. Thomas Callinan, Beef Eater.
Mr. Alfred Chambers, Turkish chief.
Mr. Laurence Currick, Cowboy.
Mr. H. A. Case, Brigant.
Mr. C. Campbell, Take Back Your Gold.
Mr. Peter Clinch, The Klondike Bluesone.
Mr. I. E. Cornwall, Mechanical Skater.
Mr. N. G. Dunbar, Highland Soldier.
Mr. A. L. Dick, Horatio Nelson.
Mr. W. W. Dorman, Raider.
Mr. J. D. Dick, Japanese.
Mr. Frank Dingee, English gentleman.
Mr. A. Ellison, Spanish chief.
Mr. Louis W. Fitzpatrick, Chinaman.
Mr. M. J. Foley, Page.
Mr. A. K. Green, Sky Pilot.
Mr. G. C. Gerow, Attendant.
Mr. B. Huestis, Sailor.
Mr. George W. Howard, New Woman.
Mr. G. G. Hilyard, Fireside Fencible.
Mr. J. M. McAvity, Beef Eater.
Mr. G. H. McKay, P. and W. Mascot.
Mr. Robert S. Magee, Prince.
Mr. Harry Murphy, Duke.
Mr. J. K. McDonald, Highlander.
Mr. C. E. Merritt, Snowshoer.
Mr. F. G. O'Reilly, Crusader.
Mr. W. E. Pooley, England, Ireland and Scotland.
Mr. J. D. Parry, Curfew Bell.
Mr. L. V. Price, Nugget.
Mr. W. Plumber, N. B. Wheat grower.
Mr. L. F. Raynot, Red Domino.
Mr. G. S. Robertson, Lightfoot.
Mr. H. P. Ruggles, Sky Pilot.
Mr. Richard Rowe, St. George.
Mr. E. Ritchie, Willie of the Yacht.
Mr. J. Rainnie, Raider.
Mr. A. E. Shaw, Moorish Merchant.
Mr. F. R. Stone, Mephistopheles.
Mr. W. Tapley, German Belle.
Mr. C. M. VanWart, Spanish Prince.
Mr. W. J. Vincent, Court Dress.
Mr. H. V. Vaughan, Boy Wonder.
Mr. F. C. Wetmore, Butler.
Mr. L. M. Wilson, Night.
Mr. Edwin Wetmore, Grandmas and I.
Mr. L. F. Woods, Spanish Bull Fighter.
Mr. S. C. Young, Bay Blue.
Mr. Harry Younlaus, Robin Hood.

St. John's church was the scene of an interesting wedding at 8.30 o'clock Wednesday morning when Rev. John deSoyres united in marriage Miss Gwendolen Shewen and Mr. Alfred deW. Howard. In spite of the early hour a goodly number of the friends of the bride and groom had gathered to witness the ceremony. The bride looked very pretty in a travelling gown of blue cloth, with hat to match and carried a beautiful bouquet of white and cream roses. She was given away by her father, Mr. E. P. Shewen of the public works department. Mr. and Mrs. Howard took the early train for Halifax, where they will spend their honeymoon. On their return they will reside at 171 Princess street. The bride received many very pretty and valuable presents.

The marriage also took place on Wednesday evening of Mr. Robert A. Kye and Miss Evelyn Clin at the Mission church, Paradise row, Rev. J. M. Davenport officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Kye were the recipients of many elegant presents from their friends among whom they are very popular. The newly wedded pair will reside at 74, Coburg street.

Mrs. Herbert Trites who has been visiting friends in the city returned to her home at Petticoat Thursday.

Miss Rosa Hatfield who has been a sufferer and unable to leave her room for over two years, is rapidly recovering.

Sleigh drives have been very numerous in the way of entertainment, during the past week. On Friday night last a jolly party of young people chartered the sleigh "Moonlight," with its four beautiful grey horses and starting from Douglas Avenue drove to Mr. Daniel F. Tapley's pretty summer residence at South Bay where dancing was indulged in for some hours to orchestral music. The party which numbered about sixty persons, was chaperoned by Mrs. George Tapley and Mrs. James Millan.

Mrs. Owen B. Campbell and son Donald have returned from a visit to Fredericton, where they were guests of Miss Gregory.

Miss Edith Gregory is spending a little while with her brother, Mr. J. Fraser Gregory, and the Misses Murray of Douglas Road.

Miss Simonds is in the Celestial for a short stay with friends.

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. David Mayer, Metcalf street, last Monday evening to celebrate his birthday and extend good wishes for many happy returns of the day.

Mrs. Wyndham Humphrey and Miss Gertrude Fielders returned this week from an enjoyable trip to Boston.

Mr. W. H. Murray who has been quite ill for some time was reported much better the first of the week.

Mr. C. B. Robertson of Daniel and Robertson left the first of the week for New York where he will take the S. S. Campania for England.

Dr. John Berryman returned the first of the week from a trip to Boston.

Mr. John Boyd of the North end left Tuesday for Missoula Montana, where he will make his future home.

Miss Floy MacFarlane has gone to Fredericton to spend a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. (Dr.) F. W. Barbour.

Mrs. Hugh Kirkpatrick and Miss Dora Kirkpatrick have returned from a visit of several months to Boston and vicinity where they were the guests of Mrs. Kirkpatrick's daughters, Mrs. Harold Gilbert and Mrs. Southworth.

The Misses Susie and Jennie Mullin of Main street, entertained a party of friends last Tuesday evening, dancing, games and supper made the time pass delightfully until the time for departure. Dr. Goodwin and Mrs. Goodwin of Baie Verte who have been spending their honeymoon in St. John left Wednesday for their future home in Edmonton, N. W. T.

Mrs. Thomas Barnes and Miss Annie Fleming of Sydney are spending a little while in St. John.

Miss Kane of Camden street returned Tuesday night from Halifax.

Mr. Herman Ahlbum who has been visiting various parts of the United States in search of relief from rheumatism returned to St. John this week not much improved. Mr. Ahlbum is also suffering from a severe attack of grippe.

Mr. D. Pottinger, General Manager of the I. C. R. spent a short time in the city this week, in company with Mr. A. H. Harris, traffic manager.

Mr. Charles Lanekin, is among the city's recent visitors from New Glasgow, N. S.

Miss Weeks of Paradise Row, is this week entertaining Mrs. H. P. Wetmore of Truro.

Miss White of Orancto is a guest of Mrs. C. W. Hall of Princess street for a few weeks.

FREDERICTON.

(Progress is for sale in Fredericton by Messrs. W. T. H. Fenety and J. H. Hawthorne.)

"There was no sang among the rest, Aboon them a' it pleased me best."

Jan. 26.—The Burns' night concert in the Auld Kirk last evening, drew a crowded house and a very demonstrative audience. The Rev. Mr. McDonald presided. A lengthy programme of 16 numbers, all of which were heartily applauded, was finely rendered.

Reading.....The Peasant Poet Mr. H. L. Thompson.

Vocal solo.....Awa, from the Cauld Blast, Miss Anna Gibson.

Reading.....The Songs of the Bairns. Mr. E. A. Smith.

Male Quartette.....Scots Wha Hae, Messrs A. E. Massie, A. R. Tibbitts, W. B. Lemon and F. C. Cooper.

Vocal Solo.....Somebody, Miss A. Gibson.

Reading.....A Man's a Man for a That Mr. H. L. Thompson.

Scotch Song.....Mr. Minto, Piano Duett.....Scotch Airs, Miss Bridges, Miss Ross.

Reading.....The Fall of Jack Gillespie, Mr. E. A. Smith.

Vocal Solo.....My Scottish Hare Miss Bona Johnston.

Vocal Solo, by request.....Scots Wha Hae, Mr. H. V. B. Bridges.

Scotch Song.....Mr. Minto. Reading.....Mr. H. L. Thompson.

Male Quartette.....Annie Laurie And Laug Sygne.

Those taking part all acquitted themselves with much credit; the Arion Quartette club all being in excellent voice were most happy in their selections. Mr. Minto's Scotch songs were especially enjoyable. Miss Bona Johnston made her debut as a singer, Miss Johnston has a sweet musical voice and apart from a slight nervousness which she evinced at first did remarkably well and will undoubtedly be a great favorite in musical circles. Of Mr. Smith's readings which were excellent little need be said as any one hearing him read once will be desirous of hearing him again.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Kingdon gave a five o'clock tea to a large number of lady friends. And Saturday gave a ladies luncheon to the young ladies. Capt. Forrester of the Canadian Dragoons Toronto and Mrs. Forrester are here the guests of Postmaster and Mrs. Hilyard. Mrs. Clarence Groveson of Ell river is also here visiting her sister and Postmaster Hilyard. Miss Bailey is this evening entertaining the

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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 \$15.00 Cash Mrs. Withereil, Newcastle, Miramichi, N. B. Second Prize, 7.00 " Mrs. John McE. Morrison, 7 Golding Street, St. John, N. B. Third Prize, 3.00 "

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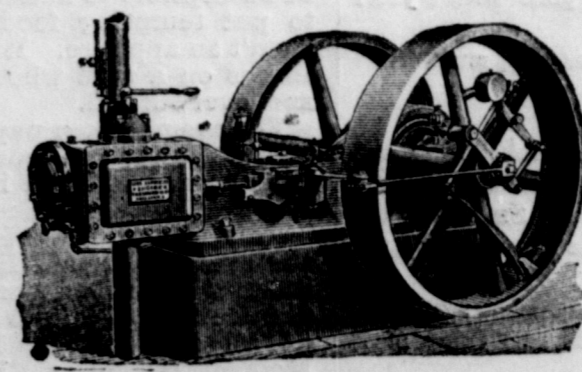
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