



Summer with its sunshine, its countless delightful pastimes and mazes of filmy attire is once more on the threshold, and the minds of the city's youth and even the older ones are occupied with happy plans for the approaching months of balmy breezes.

In the first place those who claim to know say St. John is to be a veritable Mecca for New Englanders and even more far away, people this summer. The much published and profusely illustrated war is over and the odors of Dewey's powder and Alzer's embalmed brief have been wafted away.

PROGRESS expects to have some interesting items of a social nature to chronicle before the "sere and yellow" connotes to fall again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Y. Smith who have been doing Europe for the past few months were in the city this week en route to Dorchester.

Miss Alice Lillian Butler has been paying a short visit to Moncton during the week.

Mrs. George W. Fowler has returned to Sussex after a very pleasant visit to city relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lyons of Ottawa spent a short time in the city this week.

Friends of Mr. George Pleasant will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at his home on Mecklenburg street.

Dr. Goddard returned this week from a short visit to St. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Machum, Mrs. E. C. Elkin and Mrs. Hannah who have been attending the International Sunday School Convention at Atlantic City, arrived home this week.

Miss Nora White left this week on a visit to Birmingham, England, of several months' duration.

Master Lloyd Little arrived from Halifax this week on a visit to his aunt Miss Dunlop of North End.

The death occurred this week after a long illness of Mr. George T. King, son of the late Stephen J. King.

Miss Annie Swain of the same town made a short stay here lately.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bain have removed to Sussex and taken up their residence in the house purchased by them last fall, on Church avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Todd of Calais, Me., spent last Monday in the city.

Mrs. J. J. Huddart M. D. of Denver, Col., was among the strangers in the city this week.

Mr. John Lawlor of the I. C. R. telegraph staff has been enjoying a brief vacation this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Lettney of Dixby, N. S. spent the first of the week in the city.

Mr. James C. Thompson of Calais, is spending a few days in the city.

Mr. E. H. Flapd returned last week from a pleasant western trip.

Mr. O. B. Sockin left this week for Riv. Portage where he will continue the practice of law.

Miss Ella Payne is entertaining Miss Ethel Waterbury of Calais in a charmingly hospitable manner at her home on Duke street.

Mrs. Andrew S. Foster of Acadia street gave a very pleasant little party from four to eight o'clock on Monday of this week in honor of her little daughter Marion's birthday.

Among the guests were:

- Hazel McArthur, Marion L. Foster, Bertha Estabrooks, Bessie Williamson, Nan Williamson, Sarah Johnston, Allie Rowan, Naa Powers, Sabra Vincent, Minnie Vincent, Ella Bisset, Hattie Edget, Ella Bisset, Alva Bisset, May McArthur, Nellie Jackson, Gerlie Fordsham, Eva Fordsham, Gladys Shaw, Robert Foster, Willie Edget, Harold Clark, Stanley Fitzpatrick, Johnnie Smith, Walter Raddick, James Braden, Morris Elliott, Lester Smith, Walter Cronk, Frank Foster, Bayard Allingham, Hyrol Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. James Banks are rejoicing on the arrival of a baby daughter who put in an appearance at their home last Monday.

Miss Nellie L. Lurier of Dorchester street spent last Sunday with her Fredericton relatives.

Miss Alice Bryan of Melford, Mass. is spending a little while with North End friends.

Miss Mary Black left on Thursday on a visit to relatives in Portland, Me. She expects to be absent about six weeks.

Miss Milla Sharp and master James Sharpe arrived from Bangor Tuesday to spend the summer with their mothers relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dykeman and family have taken up their residence at Drury Cove for the summer.

Word has been received of the safe arrival in Bute, Me. of Mr. and Mrs. James Berry and family who left here three weeks ago to make their home in the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Winslow came from the capital for a day or two during the week.

Mr. W. C. Rankin's friends are pleased to learn that he is recovering from his late severe illness.

Mr. James W. Manson left Monday afternoon on a visit to New York.

Mr. E. G. Kenney of Halifax was in the city for a few days this week.

The marriage will take place in Montreal next week of Mr. James Donville, electrical engineer, son of Col. James Donville, M. P. to Miss Beaumont of that city.

Mr. David McLaren of Liverpool who has been here for some time left this week on his return to Liverpool.

Mr. Harry Mitchell of Sussex is in the city for a short time this week.

Judge Stevens of St. Stephen made a brief visit to the city this week.

Mr. F. M. Anderson of Campbellton spent Tuesday in the city.

ushered into the dining room where a sumptuous repast was served, after which Mr. and Mrs. McCleave left on their wedding trip which will include a visit to this city and the Annapolis Valley.

Among the gifts received by the bride was a handsome gold bracelet from the groom, a gold watch and chain from the groom's parents and a substantial cheque from the latter's grandfather Mr. Vanbuskirk.

Mrs. J. M. Fowler went to St. Martins this week to visit her sister Mrs. David Vaughan who is seriously ill.

Mr. George Robertson, M. P. P. intends leaving next week on a trip to upper Canada.

Mr. J. Huntley of Havelock spent Sunday in the city.

Practice for the opera Patience goes on with great zest by those who are taking part and it is expected that the production will be a most interesting one from present indications and that the weaknesses which were apparent in The May Queen will be remedied in Patience.

Miss Alice Hayman of Douglas Ave., is spending a week or two with relatives in Yarmouth, N. S.

Mrs. Kenny wife of Capt. Kenny of the D. A. R. Line arrived this week en route to Boston to join her husband and with him will sail for England whither Capt. Kenny goes to bring out the new D. A. R. steamer the Prince Arthur.

Mr. James McPeak was taken to the Public Hospital on Tuesday suffering from an acute attack of pleurisy. Mr. McPeak's friends will regret to learn that at the time of his removal he was considered dangerously ill.

Miss Ida Marsh who was called here by the sudden death of her mother Mrs. George Marsh returns to New York next week to resume the duties of her profession. Miss Emma Marsh will remain home for the next two or three months.

HAVELOCK.

MAY 10.—Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Keith have gone to Montana to spend a year with their sons who are living out there.

Mrs. C. Strong of Moncton is visiting her mother Mrs. B. Keith of Canaan. Mr. Strong spent Sunday at Canaan but returned to Moncton on Monday.

Mr. J. Huntley of St. John was in town on Monday.

Mr. A. Fowles who has been spending a few days at St. Martins and St. John returned today.

Mr. C. B. Herritt of Fredericton is in town today.

Nature's Voices.

Oh, not alone by consecrated altar, In surpled robes by incense-breathing urns, Are God's high priests; but 'neath His fane cathedrae, Wherever blossom blows, or plume burns!

And not alone the soul of music singe through lofty corridors and stately aisles; But in the hoarse sweep of oceanic dirges, And languorous breeze' low and wondrous wiles.

And when at even the voice of praise ascends From lip and heart on faith's celestial wings, Through the hushed silence tenderly there swells A vesper anthem from all voiceless things.

Softly comes creeping up the blooming meadow The peasant rattle of the bearded grain; An faintly calling at my southern window, I hear the first voice of the summer rain.

A quiet song sighs through the dreamy willows, The moaning waves plash on the reedy shore; And low-voiced breeze passionately tender, Kiss with soft lips the blossom's o'er and o'er.

The summer dawns, the dewy-brooding evens, Four out their praises on the tranquil air; The flowers are vocal with their sweet thanksgiving, And every calyx is a shrine for prayer.

Sweet minor music!—swelling through the ages, How tenderly thou bear'st our thoughts above! How through the silence of creation soothest Thy choral harmonies of voiceless love!

Welcome To May.

All hail to thee, May! who, in bright array, And crowned with wreaths of flowers, Hast come again, with joy in thy train, To visit this land of ours, New life to impart to Nature's great heart, And to deck the leafy bowers!

We longed for thee—for we love to see The earth in its verdant dress— To see Nature arise, in her holiday guise, From her languid drowsiness, And to hear the song of the birds, who long Have been so still.

The earth was all clad in a livery sad, And its aspect dark and drear— Till with radiant face and modest grace, Thou didst on the scene appear; And whosoever before a dark look wore, Assumed a look of cheer.

Thy genial smile, where lurks no guile, Thy beauty and thy bloom, Shall enliven the heart which dwelt apart In its lonely woe and gloom; Till it cease to fret with a vain regret On the rigour of its doom.

Wishing.

There's lots of time that people spend Wishing. In seeking some desired end By wishing. They seem to think, without doubt, That anything they've figured out Can in some way be brought about By wishing.

They plant themselves upon a chair, Wishing. The hour for working finds them there, Wishing. They find that labors call and irk, They have no love for any work, And so they sit around and shirk, Wishing.

If you've a wish you would fulfil, Wishing. Just bear in mind you never will, Wishing. To make the highest wish come true, You've got a lot of work to do, You'll never be successful through Wishing.

Miscellaneous.

Twelve average tea plants produce one pound of tea.

The army of Germany boasts eight women colonels.

LAST MONTH.

The school children's competition for \$100.00 cash presents offered by The Welcome Soap Co., St. John, N. B., closes on the last day of May, and is causing quite a lively rivalry among the school girls and boys of the Maritime Provinces who have an ambition to earn some easy pocket money for the holidays.

This seems to be an excellent idea, as an incentive to those who have literary inclinations, to test their ability and style, as well as an effective method of increasing the publicity of the Famous and well liked Welcome Soap.

The conditions seem very simple, and are:—For the best essays not to exceed 1000 words, subject "Soap" to be written by regular school attendants, either boys or girls under 16 years of age, all essays to be sent in before May 31st, when they will be submitted to a committee of three disinterested leading teachers upon whose decision the presents as above will be awarded.

Essays to be written plainly with pen and ink, signed with name and address, also statement of age of the writer and that the essay is his (or her) unaided work, name and grade of school attended and name of teacher, this statement to be certified to by one parent or teacher. All essays must be accompanied by 50 Welcome Soap wrappers.

Table with 2 columns: Prize amount and number of winners. 1st prize \$25.00, 2nd \$15.00, 3rd \$10.00, 5 presents of \$5.00 each, 25.00, 10 " " 2.50.

Fry's Cocoa advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman and text describing the product's quality and availability.

AN EYE OPENER IS OUR Empire CYCLE advertisement featuring an illustration of a bicycle and promotional text.

The Test of Time advertisement for SINGER MANUFACTURING CO. featuring an illustration of a woman and text about the durability of their sewing machines.

WHITE'S SNOWFLAKE CHOCOLATES advertisement featuring a decorative border and text about the product.

Pelee Island Wines and Four Crown Scotch Whiskey advertisement featuring text about the products and the E. G. Scovil Commission Merchant.