

With the Christmas holidays so near at hand the usual social doings seem to be at a complete standstill, and are likely to remain so for the next three or four weeks.

The most interesting movement of the week was the organization of the Monday evening skating club—or reorganization perhaps would be the proper word, for the club has been a feature of the winter's amusements for several seasons past.

The Queen's rink will be the scene of this year's merry-making, and at a meeting held on Monday evening the following officers and committee were appointed:

- Miss Ella Whitaker has returned to the capital after a very pleasant stay with west side friends. Miss Ella Payne has been recently visiting her aunt Mrs. Charles Beckwith of Fredericton.

The recital in Centenary church on Tuesday evening for the purpose of inaugurating the magnificent new organ was a great success both artistically and financially. There was not an unoccupied seat in the building and the large audience was thoroughly delighted with the way in which the program was rendered.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Runkles and Mrs. W. S. Fielding returned this week from Kingston, Ont. where they had been to attend the funeral of Rev. Dr. Smith.

Mr. D. Russell Jack left Wednesday for New York from which city he will sail to-day on his annual continental tour.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Beverly returned this week from British Columbia. Mrs. Beverly has quite recovered from her attack of typhoid fever.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Randolph and master Randolph of Fredericton spent a day or two in the city this week.

Miss S. Murphy of Dalhousie made a brief visit to the city this week.

Mr. J. M. Lyons of Moncton was in town in the early part of the week.

Mrs. F. W. Sumner and Miss Sumner of Moncton spent Tuesday of this in the city.

Lieut. Col. and Mrs. J. F. Wilson of Quebec were in the city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gillmour and Miss Gillmour came down from St. Martins for a day or two during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Daley of Sussex paid a short visit to St. John friends this week.

Mrs. J. A. McQueen and Miss Chapman of Dorchester were here for a short time at the beginning of the week.

Miss Florence Burrill arrived from Weymouth last week and will spend a little while with city friends.

Miss Alice Johnston left this week for a three weeks visit to relatives in Moncton and Amherst.

Mrs. N. L. M. Shaw was in the city this week for a two or three days stay with friends. She left on Thursday for her home in Bathurst.

On Tuesday evening last between 8 and 9 o'clock the pretty home of Mr. Charles E. Vail on Elliott Row, was captured by a large number of friends and for several hours one of the pleasantest of evenings was spent in celebration of the fifth wedding anniversary of their host and hostess, who were absent at the organ recital in Centenary church when the party arrived. It was not long before the popular amusements and music were in full swing, and shortly after when Mr. and Mrs. Vail arrived home their friends were in full possession.

- Mr. B. A. Stammers Mrs. Stammers. Mr. L. B. Kirtland Mrs. Kirtland. Mr. D. B. Nobles Mrs. Nobles. Mr. Nathan Riley Mrs. Riley. Mr. David Hudson Mrs. Hudson. Mr. Will White Mrs. White. Mr. John Stammers Mrs. Stammers. Mr. Will McAlary Mrs. McAlary. Mr. Chas. Vail Mrs. Vail. Mr. A. H. Chipman Mrs. Chipman. Mr. Fred L. Tufts Mrs. Tufts. Mr. J. N. Golding Mrs. Golding. Mr. Oitz Mrs. Oitz. Miss Maud Spragg Mrs. Spragg. Miss Edna Granville Mrs. Granville. Miss Minnie Simpson Mrs. Simpson. Miss Grace Smith Mrs. Smith. Miss Lillian Wheelpley Mrs. Wheelpley. Miss Annie Smith Mrs. Smith. Miss Lelia Titus Mrs. Titus. Miss Cas Mrs. Cas. Miss Lily McDonald Mrs. McDonald. Miss Maggie Vail Mrs. Vail. Miss Muriel Dunham Mrs. Dunham. Miss Polly Mrs. Polly. Miss Carrie McGinty Mrs. McGinty. Miss Watters Mrs. Watters. Mr. Arthur Vail Mrs. Vail. Mr. Will Hopper Mrs. Hopper. Mr. Tom Sluder Mrs. Sluder. Mr. Harold Golding Mrs. Golding. Mr. Burpee Brown Mrs. Brown. Mr. Bliss Case Mrs. Case. Mr. Fred Case Mrs. Case. Mr. Guy Smith Mrs. Smith. Mr. Frank Allwood Mrs. Allwood. Mr. Everett Watters Mrs. Watters. Mr. Joe Brownell Mrs. Brownell. Mr. Wetmore Mrs. Wetmore. Mr. Arthur Amland Mrs. Amland. Mr. Walter Goddard Mrs. Goddard. Master Harold Vail Mrs. Vail. Master Herbert Vail Mrs. Vail. Miss Nellie Weldon Mrs. Weldon. Mr. W. S. Muir Mrs. Muir. Miss Olive Nixon Mrs. Nixon. Mr. T. M. Nairn Mrs. Nairn. Mrs. Malcolm B. King Mrs. King. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Slipp Mrs. Slipp. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Slipp Mrs. Slipp. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Slipp Mrs. Slipp.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Armstrong left this week for a visit to Fredericton where she will be the guest of Mrs. Russel for a short time.

Miss Olive Nixon is here from Montreal on a visit to Mr. Alfred Nixon of the North end.

Mrs. G. E. Fenety and Miss Fenety arrived in the city on Tuesday and will remain for some time the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Fenety, Leinster street.

Mr. W. W. Dixon of New York has been visiting this city for a week or two.

Mr. T. M. Nairn of the Donaldson Line is in the city a guest at the Dufferin Hotel.

Mrs. Malcolm B. King, of Chipman, who has been in the city a few days returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Slipp have returned to Woodville after a short stay with friends here this week.

“Receivers of Progress will be interested in a wedding which took place here on Thursday Nov. 20th,” writes a Montclair N. J. correspondent, “in which the principal parties were Miss Harriet Sweet daughter of John Sweet of St. John N. B. and Mr. Thomas Jefferson Clark of the Flexible Sheet Co. of Chicago. The marriage took place at the house of Mrs. James Hegan, a sister of the bride, the residence being decorated lavishly with cut flowers, roses, chrysanthemums, palms and potted plants being disposed around the spacious rooms with most artistic effect.

“When the guests had arrived the rooms presented a beautiful and animated scene the lovely decorations forming a charming background for the beautiful gowns worn by the ladies.

“The ceremony was performed by Rev. John Y. Dobbins, pastor of the first Methodist church. The bride who was given away by her brother-in-law Mr. James Hegan, was exquisitely gowned in white organdie heavily trimmed with lace; she wore a tulle veil fastened with orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and roses.

It was attended by Miss Mary Dobbins, who looked daintily pretty in her suit of honor dress. Mr. John McKisson of Montclair attended the groom.

After the ceremony an informal reception was held, during which Mrs. Clark sang some pretty musical selections. The happy couple then left on their wedding journey to Paris, where they will remain three months. On their return they will reside in Sherman Park, Chicago.

The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Hawley, New Haven, Conn.; Mrs. F. H. Armstrong, sister of the bride, and daughter, Kentville, N. S.; Miss Sweet, Medford, Mass.; and Miss Clara B. Sibbald, St. John, N. B.

Among the costly and beautiful gifts presented to the bride were a complete set of sterling silver knives, forks and spoons; a diamond sunburst, and a Persian lamb coat with Russian sable trimmings.”

ST. ANDREWS.

Dec. 7.—Geo. W. Watson, son of Geo. R. Watson of Campbellville, is a stenographer in the South Union station, Boston.

Mr. C. H. Dyer, of Eastport, a lady held in the highest esteem for her many virtues, died recently at her sister's residence in Calais, and was interred at Eastport on Saturday, Nov. 25. She leaves a sorrowing husband and several children.

John P. Hudson, a native of St. Andrews, who spent his last vacation with friends here and in Fredericton, has been appointed Calendar Clerk of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn. Next to the chief clerk this is the most important of the subordinate positions in the court. Mr. Hudson is regarded as one of the brightest of New York's bright lawyers.

Miss Nellie Stuart arrived home from Howton on Tuesday night.

Robert Starkey was seized with a hemorrhage a few days ago and has since been seriously ill.

Mrs. S. T. Gove is very low.

Mr. John Peacock has gone to Boston to spend a month.

Mrs. E. Howard was summoned to Boston last week by the serious illness of her daughter. Mrs. McKibbin of Woodstock, is keeping house for her during her absence.

Mr. Sumner Mallock and Miss Berle Thurber were united in marriage on Monday evening last, by Rev. J. C. Berrie. Their youthful friends gave them a house-warming after the ceremony.

The engagement is announced of Miss Molly Malone, the talented young songstress, and Mr. Vern. Whitman, of the Calais teaching staff. Mr. Whitman was in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nesbitt and Mr. C. A. Mason, of Boston, are on their annual visit to Charlotte County friends.

ST. STEPHEN AND CALAIS.

[Progress is for sale at St. Stephen at the bookstore of G. S. Wall, T. E. Atcheson and J. Vroom & Co. in Calais at O. P. Treat's.]

Mrs. R. L. Stoggett of Howton was in town for a brief visit this week and was the guest of Mrs. Bolton.

Miss Sarah Wall who has been visiting her brother, G. S. Wall, left on Friday last for St. John where she will visit friends before going to her home in Westmorland county.

Mrs. Alfred Saunders is holding a sale of hand painted china at her residence on Lafayette street this week.

A social dance will be given in G. A. hall on Friday evening under the auspices of Mrs. J. L. Saunders. A course of assemblies will be inaugurated by Mrs. Saunders beginning January 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Crocker left last evening for Henderson, Me., where they intend to reside.

Miss George McAllister is the guest of Mrs. Lewis Dexter.

Mrs. Albert Todd entertains the No Name club this week.

Miss Etta Phillips was recently the guest of her sister, Miss Mary Phillips.

Miss Sadie McAllister is visiting friends in Madras, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Edgecombe of Fredericton have been guests during the week of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Eaton.

Mrs. Nehemiah Marks entertained a small party of lady friends on Thursday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Todd and Miss Mildred Todd returned from Boston on Saturday.

General and Mrs. B. B. Murray entertained guests at dinner on Thanksgiving.

Mrs. S. H. Blair left on Monday evening for Ottawa.

Miss H. F. Dowst has returned from Bangor.

Miss Martha Young leaves for the south early next week.

Miss Mary Brainard of Robbinston was recently the guest of Miss Cora Maxwell.

C. F. Beard returned from Boston on Saturday. Mrs. Beard and Miss Berta Smith remain in the city for a few days longer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gailson returned from their wedding tour on Saturday and were in Calais en route to Red Beach to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Garrison's parents before going to their future home in Philadelphia.

W. C. Renne of the St. Croix shoe company has been in Boston for several days.

Miss Cutler of Malden, Mass., is visiting friends in Milltown.

Miss Mary Abbot spent Sunday in Calais with Mrs. J. L. Thompson.

Roy Grimmer of St. Andrews was the guest of Mrs. Waterbury this week.

Miss Eva Vaughan is a pupil in elocution with Miss Ella Warren Harmon.

Miss Mary Deacon has returned from Boston.

Mrs. William Whitlock left on Monday for Boston to seek medical advice. She was accompanied by Miss Margaret Whitlock.

PARRSBORO.

[Progress is for sale at the Parrsboro Book Store] Dec. 7.—Changes have just now been made in the Commercial Bank staff Mr. Harry Gillespie having been promoted and sent to Sydney and Mr. Buchart of Truro came to fill the vacancy thus made here.

STRAWS!

There is a world of wisdom in the saying "Straws show which way the wind blows."

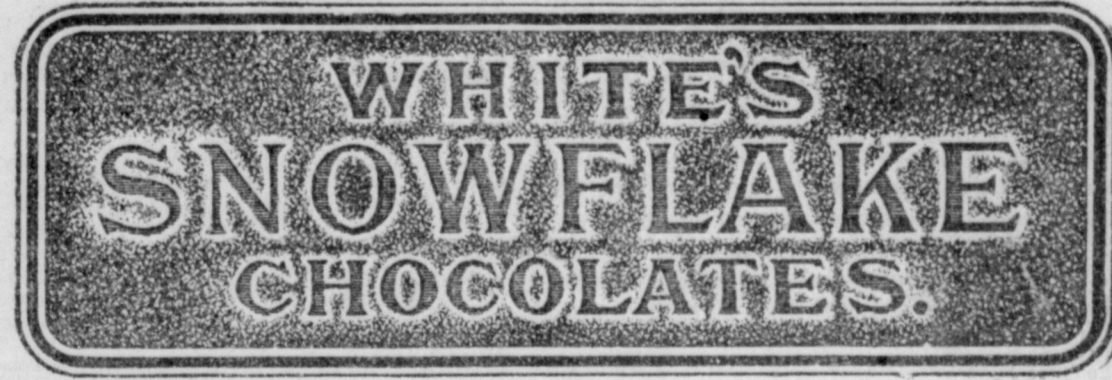
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