



The following account of a brilliant wedding which took place last week in Portland Me. will be read with interest by the friends of the bride who is very well known in St. John having visited here upon several occasions. Says a Portland exchange: "The wedding of Miss Katherine Ruth McCloskey daughter of Robert McCloskey, of this city, and Mr. Samuel Adam Hoover of Baltimore, a agent of the merchants' and Miners' Transportation Co., which was celebrated at 9 o'clock Monday morning at the Cathedral was brilliant social event. The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of guests, including friends from Providence, R. I., St. John, N. B., Baltimore, Md. and other places. The bride gowned in white duchesse satin, trimmed with lace, wearing a lace veil held in place by a diamond sunburst, the gift of the groom, entered the cathedral on the arm of her father, and was met at the chancel rail by the groom and groomsmen Richard Dudley. The bride carried white pinks and was attended by her niece, Miss Florence McCloskey, maid of honor, who was attired in organdie over pink silk, and wore a picture hat of pink chiffon. On her arm was a diamond bracelet, the gift of the groom. The ushers were Messrs McDonough, Dudley, Dolan and Sheridan. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rt. Rev. Bishop Healy assisted by Rev. Father Barry and was according to the full rite of nuptial high mass. Miss Shanahan played the wedding march, and during the service the sweet strains of 'Oh, Promise Me' were heard from the organ, which were followed by the ecstatic notes of the 'Ave Maria' and 'O Salutaris' charmingly sung by Miss Minnie Burke.

After the ceremony there was a wedding breakfast and reception at the family home, 19 Anderson street, attended by about 40 relatives and near friends, those from out of the city being Hon. Edgar L. Hoover, father of the groom, Miss Grace Hoover, a sister, Captain and Mrs. J. J. McBratney of Baltimore, Mrs. and Mr. James Stanton St. John, N. B., Mr. J. W. McCloskey, manager of the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Co., of Providence, Mrs. J. W. McCloskey Captain Belles, Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. Riordan, St. John, N. B. A souvenir of the wedding which will be much cherished was the letter of Cardinal Gibbons to Bishop Healy introducing the groom. There was a profusion of very handsome presents, a notable one being a check for \$1,000 from Mr. Hoover of Baltimore, father of the groom. The party was one of the jolliest wedding parties possible, and the guests who were in the happiest mood were successfully catered to by Cook of Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoover take an extended wedding trip to Northern places, stopping for some time at Atlantic City. They will go to Baltimore about September 1st, and will make their home at Mr Hoover's country estate, 'Atholwood,' Catonsville Maryland.

Mrs. A. S. Dingo of Fort Worth, Texas, and members of her family were in the city this week. Mrs. Dingo was formerly a native of this province and is here to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Tutts returned the first of the week from their wedding trip to Nova Scotia. The boys amateur orchestra gave a concert on Monday evening, and as it was the first event since their organization it was in every way highly creditable. The excellently arranged programme was as follows: Selection, orchestra; cornet solo, J. Mathias; recitation, Miss Smith; selection, orchestra; piano solo, Miss Killam; reading, Miss Rowe; vocal solo, Miss Bogart; selection, orchestra; violin solo, Walter Belding; cornet solo, C. Killam; selection, orchestra; national anthem.

Of the numerous matrimonial events which have taken place so far this month that of Miss Maud Sherwood Skinner and Mr. Percy Walker Tomson which took place at St. John (Stone) church at 10.30 Saturday morning was decidedly the most fashionable and one which created a deep interest among the members of the smart set, numerous members of which assembled to witness the nuptial knot tied by Rev. John de Soyres. The large number of invited guests were ushered to their seats by Messrs James Harrison, Roy Skinner, Roy Tomson, and Walter Foster; and besides these, were hundreds of spectators. The elegant gowns worn by the lady guests made the scene in the church an especially bright one while the service was made particularly impressive by the music rendered by the choir of the church over which Mr. J. S. Ford presided.

When Miss Skinner entered the church leaning on the arm of her father, she looked an ideal bride. The wedding gown of white satin trimmed with lace, long gracefully draped veil and bouquet white bride roses easily made her the most charming bride of the season. She was attended by Miss Jean Smith of Windsor, N. S., who was attired in white embroidered mousseline de soie over white silk and carrying a bouquet of pink carnations, Miss Mona Thompson and Miss Edith Skinner were bridesmaids, the former being very becomingly dressed in pale blue organdie with lace

and ribbon trimmings, and Miss Skinner in pink organdie. Each carried pink carnations. Mr Alexander McMillan was best man.

After the young people had been pronounced man and wife a wedding march was rendered on the organ by Prof. Ford and best wishes, rice and flowers were showered upon Mr. and Mrs. Tomson, as they walked to their carriage.

At the home of the bride's father on Coburg street a wedding luncheon was served and reception held, and at 1.30 o'clock the newly married couple left on the Atlantic express for a tour of Nova Scotia and Cape Breton. When they return they will occupy one of Mr. Jack's pretty little houses on Princess street, between Sydney and Wentworth.

It is needless to state that gifts in endless variety and profusion were received by the happy pair whose friends are reckoned in hosts and who have the very best wishes of them all for their future prosperity and happiness.

Miss McFarland of Prince William street is this week entertaining Miss Curran and Miss Stevenson graduates of Manchester city hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Torrey of Newcastle spent part of their honeymoon here.

The concert in Main street baptist church on Monday evening under the auspices of the Y. M. A. of the church was largely attended and very enjoyable in every respect. The programme contained numbers of superior excellence and both Miss Webb and Mr. Hodson sustained the high reputation with which they came to the city. Mayor Sears discharged the duties of chairman in a most efficient manner, Mrs. Simon was the very efficient accompanist in the musical numbers on the following programme, duet, Love Divine, Mr. and Miss McCloskey; reading Little Charlie, Miss Ethel Webb; song The Children's Home, W. G. Hodson; reading, Arena Scene (Qao Vadis) Miss Ethel Webb, song, selected, W. G. Hodson; quartette from Williams concert band; song, One Sweetly Solemn Thought, Miss McCloskey; song, Charlie, W. G. Hodson; reading, King Arthur, Miss Ethel Webb; song, Free as a Bird, F. McKay; reading, Grandmother's story, Miss Ethel Webb.

The Assembly room of the Mechanics Institute contained a merry company on Wednesday evening when about forty members of the Old Boys Association of the Rothersey Collegiate school sat down to a dinner which it is proposed to make an annual affair. There were several guests among whom were, Rev. J. de Soyres, Rev. W. O. Raymond, Lt. Col. Markham, Mr. J. M. Robinson, and Mr. J. F. Robertson, while others were unavoidably absent. Bowden's orchestra furnished music, and Lang catered in his usual excellent way. Among the members of the Association present were:

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| George Collinson, | D. Robinson, |
| Roy Sumner, | D. C. Carr, |
| Arthur Palmer, | W. M. Fairweather, |
| H. B. Robinson, | Ralph Sadler, |
| Jack DesBrisay, | Bruce Graham, |
| A. D. Murray, | Duncan R. Arnold, |
| George Henderson, | J. D. Purdy, |
| Ralph Humphrey, | George Elyard, |
| Victor Curry, | Louis Barker, |
| L. Vroom, | Ralph Markham, |
| Sydney Emerson, | Thos. R. Ellis, |
| J. M. Robinson, jr., | Harry Harrison, |
| S. L. Emerson, | J. Royden Thompson, |
| Guy Boswick, | William Murray, |
| Percy H. Smith, | W. H. B. Sadler, |
| | Reginald Kerr. |

Miss Annie E. Murray left last week for a visit to Montreal and Chicago.

Miss Edith Tilley of Toronto, is in the city on a visit to Mrs. W. H. Purdy.

Miss Helen Farlong returned this week from Boston to spend the summer holidays. The Misses Kathleen and Marie are expected home next week.

Mr. J. Roy Campbell went to Windsor, N. S., on Wednesday to attend the Alumni of Kings College. Lieut. Col. Markham left Thursday for Montreal, and will sail today for England in command of the Bisley team.

Miss Maud Golding left recently for a visit to her aunt Mrs. A. W. Edgecombe of Fredericton. Mr. and Mrs. M. S. L. Richey who are in Fredericton, celebrated the tenth anniversary of their marriage last Monday evening and received many congratulations and good wishes for continued health and prosperity.

The marriage took place on Tuesday evening of Robert J. Wilkins and Miss Elizabeth Stewart McDaid, daughter of the late James McDaid, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. W. Ralston at the residence of the bride in the presence of a few relatives and friends.

The bride who was attired in a handsome fern broadcloth with white trimmings was attended by Miss Lily Wilkins, Miss Tillie McDaid, and Miss Jennie McKelvey. Mr. M. C. McRobbie supported the groom. After supper had been served Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins left for the Union depot where a very large number of friends had assembled to give them a hearty send off on their trip through N. S., after which they will reside in Campbellton for the summer. As the train moved out of the depot scores of torpedoes were exploded, and Mayor Sears led the cheering for the popular couple. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins were the recipients of presents to numerous to mention. The Haymarket Square Polymorphian club of which Mr. Wilkins is the president, sent a handsome centre table, inlaid with pearl. The flag staff on Haymarket square was gaily decorated with bunting in honor of the event, as were also many private residences in that vicinity. The Victoria rink's Own Band serenaded Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins before they left the bride's house.

An interesting event took place at the Cathedral at 9.30 o'clock Wednesday morning, when Joseph Nichol was united with Miss Katie Wisted, only daughter of Mr. Thos. M. Wisted of this city. The bride was prettily dressed in white silk, with pearl trimmings, and wore a white hat. She was attended by Miss Nellie Lewis, who was attired in white

muslin, over blue silk, with hat to match. Miss Tillie Nichol, the little maid of honor, looked very pretty in pink muslin, and carried a basket of flowers. The groom was supported by his brother William Nichol. Rev. F. J. McMurray officiated at the ceremony. After the wedding the company returned to Mr. Wisted's residence, St. Patrick street where a reception was held and a wedding breakfast served. Mr. and Mrs. Nichol have left the city on a short wedding trip.

Mrs. J. Milton Barnes was at home to wedding callers on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and evenings of this week. She was assisted by Miss Genevieve Landry, while Miss Grace Smith and Miss Tuttle of Eastport served refreshments. The ladies were daintily gowned; and the numerous visitors found the pretty new home a most attractive spot.

Says the Frederick Gleaner of last Wednesday: The marriage took place at St. Ann's church this afternoon of Harris G. Fenety, of the editorial staff of the St. John Record, and Mabel Chadesayne, daughter of the late James Hunter of St. John.

Only the immediate relatives and friends of the happy couple were present at the nuptial, the wedding being a very quiet one. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Canon Roberts. The bride was handsomely attired in a dress of white corded silk and wore a beautiful veil and orange blossoms. She was unattended. At the conclusion of the ceremony the newly wedded couple were driven to the residence of Dr. Coulthard, brother-in-law of the bride, where a short reception was held. The happy couple took their departure upon the 4.15 p. m. express for a wedding tour to Boston and other cities. After their return Mr. and Mrs. Fenety will reside on Leinster street, St. John.

Mrs. J. S. Murchie of Calais is the guest of Mrs. Ned Murchie, Calais.

Mrs. N. B. Ganong arrived this week and has taken up her residence at the Cedars for the Summer.

Mrs. W. F. Best was the guest of Miss Mary Stuart of St. Stephen for a few days lately.

Mrs. Ralph March and her sister Miss Flossie Peters are in St. Andrews guests of Mrs. Frank Barnard.

Mrs. Charles F. Wade and child are spending several weeks with St. Andrews friends and relatives.

Lady Tilley and Miss Winifred Howland were guests of the former's mother at the Cedars, St. John lately.

Mrs. I. Bishop and little Miss Gwendoline of Bathurst are spending a few days with city friends.

A marriage that was a source of deep interest to the numerous friends of the contracting parties was that of Miss Frances M. Everett daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Everett and Mr. Clifton Brown, which took place at the summer residence of the bride's parents, at Drury Cove on Thursday evening, Rev. G. O. Gates officiating in the marriage ceremony in the presence of many friends. The cottage was beautifully decorated, many young folks going out from the city to assist in the pleasant work. The bride was daintily gowned in silk with chiffon trimmings and carried a large shower bouquet.

She was attended by Miss Ella Reid of Augusta, Me., who wore a dainty organdie with pink satin and lace trimmings. The groom was supported by his brother Mr. Burpee Brown. After a wedding supper Mr. and Mrs. Brown left on a short wedding trip to P. E. Island. An unusually large number of wedding gifts testified to the esteem in which the young couple are held by their friends. The Salvage Corps, of which Mr. Brown is a member presented an ornate table and lamp. The newly wedded pair will have the best wishes of many friends for happiness and prosperity through life.

PARRSBORO.

[Progress is for sale at the Parrsboro Bookstore.]

JUNE 21.—The quadrille club assembled at Mrs. Atkinson's on Friday evening in honor of Mr. L. S. Gowe. Besides the members of the club there were a few invited guests among them Miss St. George Montreal, Miss Mabel Pugsley, Amherst, and Mr. W. Eville, Windsor. Dancing was indulged in during the first part of the evening. After refreshments had been served the minstrel boys who were present made some excellent music, with Mr. Hillcoat at the piano. Mr. Gowe went to Amherst on Monday and will be much missed, having made himself a favorite generally since he came to Parrsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Medley Townshend and Miss Pugsley were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Townshend from Friday until Monday, when Mrs. Townshend and Miss Pugsley left for Windsor to attend the Encecia, Mr. Cecil Townshend accompanying them to Kentville.

Rev. Mr. Lynds assisted at the service in St. George's church on Sunday evening. He also was on his way to Windsor.

The Misses Cooke invited their young friends to a bicycle party on an evening recently. After the ride came refreshments and games at Capt. Cooke's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Copp of Newcastle are staying at the Evangeline.

Mr. Humphrey Adams has returned from a business trip to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Harris, Wolfville, and Mrs. Burpee Witter, Halifax have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McLeod.

Miss McKenna of Wayland, Mass., who is a pupil at Acadia seminary has been paying a visit to Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McKenna.

Miss Mabel Cutter gave a pleasant bicycle party last evening. Mrs. Atkinson chaperoned the party.

Mr. Robert Reid of Musquodoboit has been here for a short visit to his son, Mr. E. R. Reid.

Spear's Comedy company billed to play three evenings this week failed to arrive in town, the large audience in the Opera house on Monday evening felt badly hoaxed. The ticket money however was promptly refunded by Mr. Nelson the advance agent who leaves to-morrow for Portland, Maine.

Our Standing Army.

We have no standing army?
Nay, look around and see,
The man who ploughs the furrow,
The man who fells the tree,
The statesman and the scholar,
At the first word of fear,
Turn to their country, breathing,
'My mother, I am here!'

Not of a dumb, blind people
Is this our army made,
Where schoolhouse and where steeples
Have cast their friendly shade
Our army grows in knowledge,
As it to manhood grows,
And trained in school and college
Stands ready for its foes.

The brawny arms of gunners
Serve minds alert and keen,
The sail or's thought has travelled
To lands he has not seen,
Not for the joy of killing,
Not for the lust of strife,
Have these come forth with gladness
To offer up their life.

Behold our standing army,
Not as in other lands,
An army standing idle,
With empty minds and hands,
But each one in his station,
And peaceful victory
In training for the nation
Heroes of land and sea.

—Margaret Vandegrift.

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Manufacturers taking this matter in hand,
If soap is not used there's no comfort at home,
And so cheap and good is the soap they provide,
The old methods now are all laid aside.

Some things that we use without question or
doubt,
We would certainly be much better without;
But we all need soap to brighten our ways;
And using it freely will lengthen our days.

'Mid pleasures or palaces though we may roam,
If soap is not used there's no comfort at home,
A man feels mean if soiled is his shirt,
And no face is handsome if covered with dirt.
In the spring when house cleaning is abroad in the
air,
And dust and profusion abound everywhere,
A good family is welcome then,
And its use restores order and neatness again.

Our Grand-mothers used to set up their leech,
And fill them with ashes of maple and beech,
And using some grease, with boiling hot lye,
For household purposes soft soap would supply.

There are numerous soaps, of various brands,
Some for cleaning clothes, some for washing hands,
But for general use for every day,
'Welcome Soap is the best.' Folk say.

It was hard work to make soap in spring and fall,
But better than having none at all;
And though costing little this soap to make,
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