

Lent always brings with it a cessation of the winter's gaieties, and during the past week there has not been a hint of even the mildest form of gaiety. Socie y is resting from i s labors, serene in the conscioueness of work well done, for without exception the seas on just closed was gayer, than for years and the time o'rest is therefore especially welcome after the numerous fatiguing demands made upon those within the charmed circl'. There is not even the hope to hold out of anything better next week, so there seems to be nothing to do but possess the soul in patience until Easter comes, bringing with it its usual round of social pleasures.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Belyes have been spending a short t'me recently with Woodstock friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Vail of Elliot row were given a pleasant surprise by their friends on Tuesday evening of this week when a large party assembled about 8.30 and proceeded to enjoy all the merriment that may be gotten out of such an event. The evening was spent in games, and the early part of it was devoted to a short but interesting programme in which Miss Trueman, Mrs. F. A. Cain, Mrs Simon, Dr. Carey and others took part.

About midnight a delicious supper was served after which there was music by some of the guests. The happy gathering dispersed after singing "Auld Lang Syne." Those present were:

Mrs. Simon.

Mrs. White.

Mrs. Cowan.

Mrs. Caia.

Mrs. Ults.

Mrs. Flewelling.

Mrs. Estabrook.

Dr. Simon, Mr. W. H. White. Mr. Fred Flewelling. Mr. W. G. Estab ook, Mr. Harry Cowan, Mr. Fred A. Cain, Mr. W. H. Olts, Mrs. E. Perkins, Miss Ella McAlary, Miss Pooly, Miss Mable Dunham, Miss Minnie Simpson Miss Jen ie Trueman, Miss Marion May Mr. Herbert Gordon,

Mr. W. J. McAlary,

Mr. F. M. Case,

Mr. John Durbin,

Miss Hawkins. Miss Vincent. Miss Ida Waters. Miss Hattie Simpron. Miss Minnie Fowler. Miss May Olts. Mr. Warren Vincent. Mr. Fred Connelly. Mr. Hartley Case. Mr. B. Case.

Miss Maud Sprague.

Miss Maggie Strothard is paying a visit to her sister Mrs. Box ser of Kingston who has been quite

The summer residen's of Drury Cove gave a charming drive the first of the week to their favorite summer resort some of the guests going out in large sleighs while others went by train. The proceeds of the drive, to which each gentleman contributed a certain amount will be used to build a new sidewalk from the depct for the use of the cottagers. At one of the Cove; pretty homes supper was served and a well arranged programme rendered as tollows: Mr. W. A. Kain, solo; Mr. Gilbert Davidson, banjo so o; Mrs. Foster, solo; Mr. Bert Jordan, recitation; Mrs. S. D. Scott, reading; Miss Scott, recitation; Mr. Dearborn,

banjo solo; Mr. Stratton, claricnet solo. Among those who participated in the pleasant

Mrs. Cassidy,

Mis. Wilson,

Mrs. Scott.

Mrs. Hutchins,

Mrs E tabrocks,

Mrs. Murray,

Mrs. Golding,

Mrs. Bonnell.

Mrs. Leonard,

Mrs. Hatfield,

Mrs. Morton,

Mrs. Davidson,

Mrs. Newcomb,

Mrs. Wisdom,

Mrs. Morrell,

Mrs. Magee.

Mrs. McKendrick.

Mrs. McDiarmid.

Mis Elkin.

Mrs. Hay.

Mrs. Foster.

Mrs. Dick.

Mrs. Tennant.

Mrs. Perkins.

Mr. Davidson.

Mrs. Clark.

Mrs. Hunt.

Miss Peters.

Mrs. Rising.

Miss Prince.

Mr W. Nobles.

Mr. S. Ha'field.

Mr. A. Parks.

Mr. S. Cooke.

Dr. Merrill.

Misses Tingey

Mr. Harley Gross.

Mr. G. C. Jordan.

Mr. G. W. Day.

Mrs. Rogers,

outing were: Mr. J. W. Cassidy, Mr. Hu'chins, Mr. J. E. Wilson, Mr. S. D. Scot, Mr. G. Estabrooks, Mr. Murray, Mr. Frank Rogers, Mr. S. F. Golding, Dr. W. P. Bonnell, Mr. W. F. Leonard, Mr. Carey Hatfield, Mr. S. R. Morton, Mr. J. Davidson, Mr. Newcomb, Mr. F. W. Wisdom, Mr. J. O. Morrell, Mr. D. Magee, Mr. E. C. E.kin, Mr. F. S. Hay. Mr. McKendrick, Mr. Chas. Foster, Mr. Haz n Dick, Rev. W. B. Tennant

Mr. S. McDiarmid. M .. F. Perkins, Mr. Branscomb. Mr. J. Cochran, Misses Day. Mr. E. J. Everett Mrs. Cookson, Misses Gross, Misses Colwell, Mr. Walter Peters, Mr. H. Brown, Mr. E. L. Rising, Mr. George Doig Mis. Van Meter, Mr. Reed, Messrs. Likely, Mr. W. Campbell,

Mr. J. A. Likely, Mrs. Likely. Mr. Geo. Waterbury, Mrs. Waterbury. Mrs. McIntyre. Mr. R. McIntyre, Miss Clara & ulis. Miss Maud Golding, Mrs. Haley. Mr. R. G. Haley, During his stay in the city Sir John Bourniot was a guest of J. V. Ellis. M. P. Miss Vaughan, head milliner in Manchester,

Robertson and Allison, left the middle of the week | 72 years of age and leaves a wife and seven sons for the American Millinery centres and will spend and 'our daughte's to mourn their loss. several weeks in locking after the latest novelties Mr. George Moffat of Dalhousie spent a day or

two in the city during the week. Mr. and Mrs. A. Sherwood of Hillsboro and Mr. and Mrs. J. Bruce of Moncton spent a day or two

in the city during the week. Mr. and Mrs. L. Peters of Bathurst were here for a day or two lately. Lt. Col. Bremner of Halifax made a stay of a day

or two here this week.

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Mr. John Stewart of Woodstock was in the city the beginning of the week.

Mr. J. D. Phinney of Fredericton was here for a Mrs. John Bullock is entertaining Mrs. Robert Brittain of North Sydney, C. B., for a week or two Mrs. H. D. Fritz was at bone to callers on Wed-

e day and Thursday of this week, at her home on Crown street. At the concert arranged by the bigh school for Friday evening the following programme was rendered though no extended notice is possible as he concert took place after PROGRESS had gone to

Prio-Sextette from Lucis......Donizettf Mr. W. W. Comerford Bowden, Mr. E.

Williams and Mr. A. Cook. Solo-In Seville's Groves..... Van Sennep Miss S. Allison Knight.

Solo - Queen of the Earth......Ciro Pinsuti Mr. Frank Hogan. Violin Solo-Hungarian Dance......Keler Bela

Mr. W. Cromerford Bowden. So'o..... Selected Mr. G. S. Mayes. Clarionet Solo-Romance and Allegro...... Niels Gade

Mr. Ernest Williams. Miss S. Allison Knight. Solo-Beauty's Eyes......Tosti Miss Manning, Violin Obligato, Miss

O ga Smith. Reading-The Man Without a Country Rev. E. Everert Hale

Miss Ina Brown. Violin Solo-Berceuse, from Jocelyn Godard Mr. W. Comerfer 1 Bowden. Solo -Barracole...... Tosti Mr. J. A. Kelly. Solo-The Deathless Army..... Trotere

Mr. A. C. Ritchie. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Frood returned to the city Wednesday from their trip to the United States. Mr. Thomas Nairn returned Wednesday from a trip to Montreal.

Mrs. David Hudson got back last week from a pleasant visit to friends in Moncton and Amherst. Mis Mina Campbell of Andover, Mass., is the guest of North end friends.

Mrs. Le Baro r Clarke was at home to her friends on Wednesday and Thursday of this week and notwi hatanding the very disagreeable state of the weather quite a number of ladies called to offer good wishes for in ure happiness. Mr. M. W. Maher is quite ill at his home on Gol-

diag street. were in the city for a day or two during the course

Mrs. P. C. Robinson who has been in Truro for some months returned this week and is the gnest of her aunt Mrs. James Mil.er.

Mrs. Whitehead who was the guest of friends for a few days returned to the capital last week. Mrs. H. C. Creed, Mrs. Barbour, and Miss Nel'ie

Sterling were guests of triends during their stay here as delegates to the Y. M. C. A. convention. Miss Sidie Wylie has returned to the capital after a pleasant vi it to frients.

Mr. Allie Dunbrack arrived home this week from a trip to England. Mr. Thomas B. O'Reilly who was summoned here

on the death of his father, returned to Boston this Word comes from the Adirondacks of the serious

illness of Mr. George King, son of the late post

The benefit concert given in St. Mary's church school room on Tueslay evening for Mr. W. G. Stokes was largely attended and proved a most interesting affair the following programme being greatly enjoyed: Overture, Le Disdem...... Y. M. C. A. Orchestra

Instrumental duet, Lo. Hear the Gentle

Lark.....Le Theire F. C. Jones, W. G. Stokes Song..... J. N. Rogers. Euphonium solo, Tom Bowling.........Hartmann

F. McNicel, Overture, Tancredi Rossin1 Band. Picolo solo, Chumming.....W. G. Stokes W. G. Stokes. Reading, selected.....

Clarionet solo, Ballad and Allegro..... Ernest R. Williams. Selection, Traviata.....Verdi Song March, 10th Regiment......R. B. Hall

> Band God Fave the Queen.

The hockey matches between Halifax and St. John teams were the all absorbing interest the beginning of the week and attracted hundreds to the scene o the battles between the opposing teams and there was much cheering and enthusiasm as the respective fav orites scored. A large number of society ladier were present and were deeply interested spectators. On Wednesday afternoon the Halifax visitors took in the matinee at the opera house and made things lively for she rest of the audience. The gave their club cry whenever anything in the preformance pleased them especially and gave cheers galore for the different specialty preformers. Miss Alice Roberts has returned to Sackville after a pleasant visit with city friends.

Mrs. James Murray has returned to the St. Croix after a stay with friends here.

Mrs. Le Roi Willis was in St. Stephen for a little while recently and was a guest at the Windsor Mr. and Mrs. George Fisher of Chatham are spending this week in the city.

SHELBURNE.

FEB. 21,-Death removed on Monday last one of Shelburne's best known citizens in the person of Elisha Dexter Hogg. He had been ill for some months and his death was not unexpected; he was

Miss Morton has returned from a visit to Locke-Mr. Frank King is spending a few days in Bar-

Miss Flossie Giffia of Lock port, is visiting Miss McDonald. C. W. Taylor has g ne to Yarmouth.

Father Duchesneau of Pubinco is in town.

HAVELOUK.

FEB 22 .- Mr. Fred Sproul of Hampton was in the village on Monday. Mrs. Herbert Sharpe who has been ill with la

grippe is slowly recovering. Miss Blanche Fonnes returned from Sussex on Friday where she was visiting friends. Miss Nellie Belyea spent Sunday with Mrs. H.

Rev. John Huges and Mr. William Humphreys of St. John arrived Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Cyrus Humphreys.

Mrs, Howard Thorne who has been ill for four or five weeks is now much better. Miss Minnie Price was the guest of Mrs. W. A MacNefl of Hampton over Sunday.

The Thunderstorm.

Beady and slow comes down the rain And tramples onward e'er the plain, And clashing, flishing down, the drops Come cist ering o'er the dark treeto With s'anting tread, full swift and broad, Ride battering down upon the road; The dust fl es out like steam. The storm now harsh and harsher grows. The rain row fact and facter flows. The hosts of darkness low ring close.

Now the swift lightnings gleam. A hush f.lis o'er the earth again As if't were wrenched by dead y pain; Then wild and dread with bursting tread The crashing thunder stamps o'erhead. The sounds roll backward high and fierce. All the wide walls of heaven pierce. A thousand echoes downwar i shout, The hills take up the t nes about,
Till, numbling, rumbling in their sound,
They rolling strike the horizon round
And, growing fainter, break behind The prison of the rain and wind. A sudden gust is onward tost And, sweeping onward, on is lost, Then wild is hied a bursting tide, As if all heaves were opened wide; And, rolling, beating, fi rce and fleet Rides sweeping down each liquid sheet, The stout limbs crash, the loud wind roars, The clashing rain-flood downward pours: And wave on wave and shock on shock The tempests beats, the treetops rock. The chimney roar, the windows shoke, Rattle the doors, the house walls quake; The bellowing thunders o'er us break. Tae s orm now reaches to its heig it, Now blacker lowers the morky night. The blue-tinged lightnings flash more bright And cleav : the dark in twain,

And still within the rayless black With broken jugs, a fiery gleam, And pourirg down a fivid stream. Th re comes-the very marrows thill, While all again is deathly still-The walls of heaven seems to crack And fling their yells of ruin back And pealing forth, as on the earth They'd bring a chaos into birth; But that the wrath within them pent Though laboring still, can find no vent, But labors bursting till 't spent.

> A Washington Bi thday Effusion. Feb. 22, 1899.

George Washington my name is, World-wide and more my name is; And I rise from my clay To-day To sav:

That where the Stars and Stripes are put, There every Yarkee patriet's foot Should be put down and put to stay Against all odds till Judzmen: Day. That's what I did in darker hours, nd got there, tan; and by the powers I stayed there till I saw expand, Into a broad and g ocious land, A little scope of country which Was neither great, nor strong, nor rich; But, friends, the Spirit of the Free Was greater than that trinity. And when it touched the hearts of all, They answered to their country's call And made it what it is to-day. The Prop of Liberty, and stay Of what is strong and rich and great, The Patrict Land, the People's State. The Nation spre d from sea to sea, From lake to guil, and Liberty, Unfettered here, stood forth and hurled Defiance at a throne-ru ed world. That was Expansion, that was what. Until that day the world had not Experienced, and this glorious land Oa those same I nes should still exp and. That's what I ris: to say; now, men, I'll hie me to my clay agair, And while I'm rong let in the receive haulthe Flag down, floating there.

-W. J. L. And while I'm cons let no hand dare

Sleigh Bells.

The moon and stars wi h splendors fill The sky. The ear h is while and chil, And over valley and plain and hill Silver bells are ringing.

The jeweled forest road we take, -The level road the loggers make,-And into the silent woods we break With silver bells a-ringing.

The frosty boughs with diamonds flash, A mi lon tink ing crystals clash As through the spark ing air we dash, The silver beils a-ringing.

The shadows dance and the echoes chime, And ever the hurrying Lo is keep time With the haunting filt of an olden rhyme And silver belts a-ringing.

Then out to the open and on in the light Of the clittering snowfields wide and while, And down the valley and up the height, Our silver bells a-ringing.

And over the hill and across the stream, And under the icy cliffs. agleam, And round by the river an I home, to dream Of silver bells a-ringing.

What D'ye Lack?

I've seen the strangest, weirdest shop That shoppers ever knew, Where one is ne'er allowed to stop, And must go flying through.

One never sees a bargain sale
In this strange shopping place,
And disappointment casts her veil O'er every paltid face.

Here one seeks laughter; there, hot tears, And such a lot of care! The basement's stocked with years and years, Yet has not one to spare!

Here is some ardent love to buy There is the counter where One finds unlimited supply Of anger and despair.

Ambition leads the motley crew Down to the counter Fame, And says, 'I'm sorry friends, for you, 'Iwas all gone ere you came!'

"If you some day were made a queen,"
The anxious lover said,
"If you were placed upon a throne, With a crown upon your head, What thing wou'd you Propose to do
The first of all that day— What thought would be The first to thee, And uppermost, I pray?"

"If I were made a queen," she said, "How splendid it would be— If I had a crown upon my head

And a grand throne under me What thing would I Do first, then? Why, I would leave the hall of state For a moment, so That I might know If my crown were set on straight."

It makes a man turn cold at the manner in which a woman puts his hard e rued money into a pocket book, carries it loosely in her hand and leaves it on the first counter she reaches.

If the wages of sin be death, what a lot of back salary must be coming to some

Laziness is the deadlist of all diseases, for the disease itself prevents one from taking the remedy.

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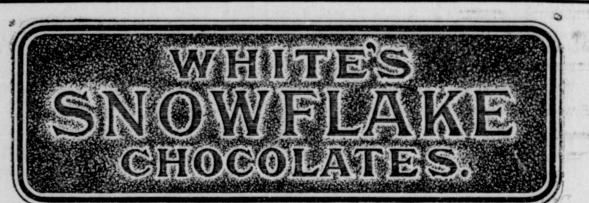


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