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**FREDERICTON.**

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Dec. 26.—Pleasant rumors are afloat of several weddings for the new year, one to come off in the second week, when we will lose one of our most popular young ladies, a member of St. Paul's choir. Congratulations are awaited, though ahead of time.

Mrs. Tabor, of New York, is spending the holiday season here with her sister, Mrs. C. H. B. Fisher.

Mrs. Fenety with Miss Fenety is spending the Christmas in St. John with her daughter, Mrs. E. S. Carter.

Mr. Jasper A. Winslow, of the Bank of B. N. A., Hamilton, is spending the vacation with his parents here.

Mr. J. Fraser Gregory of St. John, and Ald. and Mrs. MacRae spent the Christmas here with Judge and Mrs. Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Y. Dibblee went to Woodstock to spend the Xmas with Mr. Dibblee's father.

Miss Annie Phair returned from St. John on Xmas evening.

Miss Fannie Burnside is home on a visit to her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Robertson spent Xmas here at "Asburton Place," the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Edgcombe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Armstrong of Rothesay spent the holidays here with Mrs. Armstrong's sister, Mrs. Fred Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Stratton of Rumford Falls are here, the guests of Mr. Stratton's mother.

Miss Bessie McNally returned last week from a visit to her brother, Rev. Chas. McNally of Lowell, Mass.

Mr. Bert Wiley is home from McGill University, for the Xmas holidays.

Miss Harvey is spending the Xmas holidays with her sister Mrs. Wilton at Kingston, Ont.

Prof. and Mrs. Palmer of Sackville are spending the holidays here with Mrs. Palmer's mother, Mrs. Vandine.

Mrs. Harry Robertson of St. John with her child is spending a month with her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. H. McKee.

Mrs. W. H. Steeves and children are visiting Mrs. Steeves parents at St. John.

Mrs. Chisholm and children of New Glasgow, N. S., are visiting her mother Mrs. John T. Gibson, Marysville.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murray of Moncton are visiting Mrs. Murray's Mother Mrs. Cyrus Burt.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Rutter are here from St. John visiting Prof. and Mrs. Brittain.

Mr. Howard Woodbridge came home on Saturday from Harvard College to spend the Xmas with his parents.

Mrs. McCarty left on Saturday for Boston to spend the holidays with her son, Mr. Albert Sterling.

Dr. C. R. Fletcher, who came from New York to spend Christmas with his relatives here left for his home this afternoon.

Miss Mary Partridge came home from Montreal on Monday to visit her parents Rev. Dean and Mrs. Partridge. CRICKET.

**MONCTON.**

Dec. 24.—Miss Maud Crisp is home from the Ladies' College, Sackville, for the holidays.

Mrs. Lew Wright, of Salisbury, and family, are in the city to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Jos. A. Killam, who has been confined to his home for the past few weeks, is able to be out again.

Miss Benedict, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mackenzie, returned to Mount Allison, Sackville, yesterday afternoon.

Miss Gertrude Adams of Campbellton, is visiting in Moncton and New Glasgow.

Dr. Murray Cowie, a former Moncton boy, now of the State of Michigan, is in the city on a visit.

Miss Hazel Taylor of Dorchester, and Miss Sadie Eorden of Sackville, are spending the holidays in the city with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos. S. Gouvan left on Saturday morning via C.P.R. for Boston, to spend the Xmas holidays, where they will be absent about one week.

Father Michaud, of Eucouche, was in the city this week.

Miss Lynds, of Hopewell Cape, is visiting friends in the city.

Judge and Mrs. Landry of Dorchester, were in the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stewart have gone to Montreal to spend the Xmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Price of Montreal are in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Palmer spent Christmas in Sussex.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hicks are spending a week at Fredericton.

Ald. Gross and Mrs. Gross are spending a few days at Hopewell Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hall went to Halifax on Tuesday to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Barpee spent the holiday with friends at McAdam.

Miss Smith of Bezanon's jewellery store, spent Xmas with friends in St. John.

Mr. C. A. Steeves and Miss Steeves went to St. John Tuesday to spend Christmas.

Joe Bruce of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff, Toronto, is spending the Christmas holidays at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bulmer of Sackville, spent Xmas in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hunter, Robinson street.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Thompson and children of Springhill, N. S., spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Brown, Steadman street.

Lady Smith and Mrs. Joshua Chandler of Dorchester, spent Christmas in Moncton, the former the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Y. Smith, the latter the guest of Dr. Chandler.

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Mr. W. C. McAnn of Kalo, B. C., paid a flying visit to his home in Pettitcodiac last week and returned west on Monday. Mr. McAnn was called home on account of the serious illness of his mother.

Among the Moncton boys who are spending the Christmas holidays at their homes are Fred Schwartz and E. S. Fleetwood, St. John; L. C. Harris, of McGill medical college; Reg Walker, of the Merchants' Bank, Halifax; Angus Molter and Chas. Burney, of the I. C. R., Halifax, and Stewart Gilvan, Sydney.

**NEWCASTLE.**

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Yorston leave for Montreal on Wednesday of this week.

Mr. Donald McLean left for Campbellton on Saturday. He will spend the Christmas holidays there.

The many friends of Miss Alice O'Donnell will be pleased to learn that she is gradually regaining her health.

Mr. Charles Elliott is spending Christmas at his home in Newcastle.

Miss Penelope Robertson is spending her Christmas vacation in town.

Mr. Gilbert Stothart is home from Sackville for the holidays.

Miss Maud Lounsbury arrived home from Wolfville on Saturday to spend the holiday season.

Master Allan Ritchie and brothers are home from Rothesay college for the Christmas season.

Miss Alice Burchill arrived on Saturday from Halifax to spend the festive season at her home.

Prof. La yton is spending the holiday season at his home in St. John. Miss Bessie Crocker is presiding at the organ during his absence.

Mrs. John Simpson of South Esk, is quite ill. She is being attended by Dr. Pedolin.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Burns are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mr. Philip Robinson the popular manager of the Newcastle branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia went to St. John last week on a very pleasant mission. He is to be married, there, to Miss Holden, daughter of Dr. Charles Holden of that city.

Mr. Weldon Robinson was in St. John last week.

Mr. W. A. Whitney, wife and son of West Superior Wis. are visiting friends in Newcastle.

The engagement of Miss Bertha Mae Loud to Earl Melvina Randolph is publically announced. Miss Loud is a native of Newcastle and has many friends here. Mr. Randolph is a prominent western lawyer.

Hon. John Costigan, M. P., was in Chatham last week and old friends gave him a hearty welcome.

Rev. George Harrison has returned from Tabusintac.

Mr. Howard Crocker, principal of the Pettitcodiac high school is spending the Xmas vacation in Newcastle.

Mrs. Cornacher of Campbellton, is the guest of Mrs. Falconer.

Miss Katie Fleming who is attending the Provincial Normal School is home for Christmas.

Mr. Earl Crocker, Bathurst, is spending Christmas in Newcastle.

Mr. Edward Sinclair left last week for Boston and New York via Quebec and Montreal.

Miss Annie Bell, the popular teacher at Indian-town, is spending her vacation at her home here.

Miss Kate Troy, Harcourt, another popular teacher is spending the holiday season at her home here.

Miss Helen Sinclair, who is pursuing her musical studies in Boston, is spending the holiday season at her home here.

Sergt. Major Cox, a hero of the South African war, Mathew Cox and Miss Cox, were in town last week renewing old acquaintances.

**CAMPBELLTON.**

Dec. 26.—Miss Smith of Truro, N. S. is visiting Mrs. John White. Miss Smith is being quite extensively entertained and was the guest of honor at two or three whist parties given by her friends last week.

Mr. Wm. J. Richards of this town intends taking a complete business course at the St. John Business college commencing immediately after the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Flett has returned from a pleasant visit to the South.

Miss Mabel Jardine is home for her vacation.

Miss Benedict of Mt. Allison Ladies' College is home during Xmas holidays.

Miss Lucy Alexander, Eva Spencer and Mable Jardine who have been attending Halifax Ladies' College are spending their vacation at home.

**THINGS OF VALUE.**

'Maude Flutterby told me she was coming to your vaccination party.'

'Yes. She's getting the 'loveliest decollete vaccination dress made that you ever saw.'

There never was, and never will be, a universal panacea, in one remedy for all ills to which flesh is heir—the very nature of many curatives being such that were the germs of other and differently seated diseases rooted in the system of the patient—what would relieve one ill, in turn would aggravate the other. We have, however, in Quinine Wine, when obtainable in a sound undiluted state, a remedy for many and grievous ills. By its gradual and judicious use, the frailest systems are led into confidence and strength, by the influence which Quinine exerts on Nature's own restoratives. It relieves the drooping spirits of those with whom a chronic state of morbid despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and, by tranquilizing the nerves, disposes to sound and refreshing sleep—imparts vigor to the action of the blood, which, being stimulated, courses throughout the veins, strengthening the healthy animal functions of the system, thereby making a necessary result, strengthening the frame, and giving life to the digestive organs, which naturally demand increased substance—result, improved appetite, Northrop & Lyman of Toronto, have given to the public their superior Quinine Wine at the usual rate, and, gauged by the opinion of scientists' this wine approaches nearest perfection of any in the market. All druggists sell it.

'Miss Finley says she doesn't think she'll hang up her stockings by the fireplace this year.'

'And why not?'

'Because the mantel tiling is a peculiar shade of blue, and she doesn't think she has a stocking that would harmonize with it.'

Street Car Accident.—Mr. Thomas Sabin, says: "My eleven year old boy had his foot badly injured by being run over by a car on the Street Railway. We at once commenced bathing the foot with Dr. THOMAS' ECLIPSE OIL, when the discoloration and swelling was removed, and in nine days he could use his foot. We always keep a bottle in the house ready for emergency."

'You used to say,' suggested her dearest friend, 'that he was one in a thousand.'

'I still think so,' answered the girl whose engagement had been broken, 'but I have discovered that he is not the only one in a thousand.'

There are cases of consumption so far advanced that Hickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will not cure but none so bad that it will not give relief. For coughs, colds and all affections of the throat, lungs and chest, it is a specific which has never been known to fail. It promotes a free and easy expectoration, thereby removing the phlegm, and gives the diseased parts a chance to heal.

'Did that wealthy bridal couple have many trunks?'

'Trunks? They keep a librarian who doesn't do anything else but take care of the trunk catalogues.'

FOR INFLAMMATION OF THE EYE.—Among the many good qualities which Parmentier's Vegetable Pills possess, besides regulating the digestive organs, is their efficacy in reducing inflammation of the eyes. It has called forth many letters of recommendation from those who were afflicted with this complaint and found a cure in the pills. They affect the nerve centres and the blood in a comparatively active way, and the result is almost immediately seen.

'So Tom Bashford finally had the courage to propose. Where did he get it?'

'Don't know where he got it, but he had it on his breath.'

THEY DROVE PIMPLES AWAY.—A face covered with pimples is unsightly. It tells of internal irregularities which should long since have been corrected. The liver and the kidneys are not performing their functions in the healthy way they should, and these pimples are a sign that you know the blood protest. Parmentier's Vegetable Pills will drive them all away, and will leave the skin clear and clean. Try them, and there will be another witness to their excellence.

**Advantages of Education.**

Successful Farmer (whose son has been to college)—'What was all that howlin' you was doin' out in th' grove?'

Cultured Son—I was merely showing Miss Brighteyes what a college yell is like.'

Farmer—'Wall, I swan! Colleges is some good after all. I'm goin' i to town to sell some truck tomorrow. You kin go along an' do th' callin'.'

**IF YOU CATCH COLD.**

Many things may happen when you catch cold, but the thing that usually happens first is a cough. An inflammation starts up in the bronchial tubes or in the throat, and discharge of mucus from the head constantly poisons the system. Then the very contraction of the throat muscles in the act of coughing helps to irritate so that the more you cough the more you have to cough. It is, of course, beyond question that in many cases the irritation started in this way results in lung troubles that are called by serious names. It is in this irritated bronchial tube that the germ of consumption finds lodgment and breeds.

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As the boy was being led to the woodshed, he was much moved by the loud lamentations of his father.

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Income,	\$ 58,890,077 21
Disbursements,	38,597,480 68
Assets,	304,844,537 52
Policy Reserves,	251,711,988 61
Guarantee Fund or Surplus,	50,132,548 91
Insurance and Annuities in Force,	1,052,665,211 64
Loans on Policies During the Year,	4,374,636 86

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