



After last Lent is being pretty well observed in St. John. There are practically no gaieties these days, and indeed even if it were not a religious season it seems hardly possible that the social side of life would be exceptionally active, for late March is of such a between-season nature—neither decidedly wintry or genuinely springlike—that the spirit of revelry in its milder sense, is somewhat out of place. Just now the winter's pleasures are looked back upon with satisfaction and the future provides happy thoughts in view of Easter and its surprises, and even further off the months of sunshine and warmth seem brimful of good things in a friendly way. So the season now on counts for nothing—a sort of "between acts," during which costumes, etc., are donned for another rise of the curtain. Of course there are constantly some little gatherings being held in private homes, such as birthday occasions, the honoring of guests, etc., but generally speaking friendly circles are not so convivial as they were some weeks ago. Evening attire has been put aside for a while and dressmakers as well as milliners are receiving most attention among the fairer sex.

The last week has had nothing particularly new in the realm of personal matters, save the fact of the influx and equally abrupt egress of some hundreds of milliners from all over Lower Canada to attend the wholesale openings, the additional list of the gripe victims in all corners of town, and a somewhat meagre quota of references to people. Mr. Robert Holder, formerly of this city, but now engaged in a tonsorial business of his own in Boston, is visiting with his wife and child at the home of Mrs. Holder's mother, Mrs. Whelpley, Holly street, N. E.

Mr. and Mrs. De Blavier Carritte and Master Carritte, leave shortly for the Paris Exposition. Mr. Charles F. Olive, who has been on the D. A. B. steamer Prince Edward, running between Miami and Havana, arrived in the city Wednesday from Miami. Mr. Olive enjoyed his trip south immensely and is greatly improved in health. Miss Emma Allison of Charles street left on Monday morning's boat for a visit to Boston to be absent several weeks.

Miss Ella G. only daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Mead, died at her home, 328 Main street on Wednesday. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon. Miss Mead was a lady of sterling christian character and was highly respected. Miss Ellis J. Kelly of the Sussex Mercantile Co., and Miss Mattie McKeever of Week and Co's, Charlottetown spent the millinery opening days with their friend Miss S. C. Mullin, Main street, N. E.

Miss Irene Vaughan of Duke street leaves in a few days to assume charge of a millinery establishment in Oxford, N. S. Another little son has arrived at the home of Mr. Emery Henderson Adelaide street.

The Charlottetown Examiner states that Rev. J. J. Teasdale formerly of this city is recovering from his recent severe illness. His pulpit in the Prince street Methodist church, Charlottetown is being supplied by Rev. D. Jost.

Mrs. Travis of Hampton delivered an address before the Ladies association of the Natural History society Thursday afternoon at four o'clock; subject, Glimpses of barland, No. 2. Mrs. Travis delighted her hearers with this her second talk on the stars.

Mrs. Oils of Kennedy street is slowly recovering from her recent serious illness. Among others from St. John who will attend the great world's fair in gay Paris this spring and summer are: Mrs. Calhoun and Miss Grace Calhoun Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Vanwart, corner Duke and Charlotte streets, Miss Emily Goodwin of Germain street, Dr. Wheeler of West End and Mrs. Colby Smith, West end.

Mrs. John H. Thomson and daughter of Germain Street and Miss Winifred Barnaby of Princess St. left by the C. P. R. Wednesday afternoon for Clifton Springs, N. Y. for a short stay. Mrs. Fred McDermott left Wednesday afternoon for Vancouver B. C. to join her husband, who has been out there some time.

Louis Kelly of Fairville, went to Vancouver B. C. Wednesday with the intention of seeking his fortune in the great new land. Louis has many friends in the city proper who wish him success.

On April 7th two St. John young people, Mr. Geo. Bustin formerly of St. James Street and Miss Reynolds of Indian town will be married in New Hampshire, where they have been located some months.

Among the weddings in prospect is that of a popular young engraver whose business is fast assuming large proportions. The event is not more than a few weeks distant.

Harry Bond of Mill street has been severely ill for some time with pneumonia and heart weakness, but is now on the gradual way to recovery.

The appointment of John McKelvey Jr. to the position of second purser on the I. S. S. Steamer Cumberland has caused "Jack" to be congratulated generally. For a young man Mr. McKelvey has made rapid advances in the employ of the big transportation company.

Miss May Porter of England, who had been visiting her uncle, Alfred Porter, Duke street, left for her home Wednesday on the steamer Lake Megantic.

Mrs. G. Bentley Gerard, who had been visiting her father, Dr. James Christie, left Tuesday afternoon with her child and nurse for her home in Kaslo, B. C.

The officers, congregation and Sunday school of Brussels street Baptist church started Thursday evening on a week, or at least five days celebration in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the church. Elaborate plans had been made for the festive days and the church members in a body are displaying remarkable enthusiasm in the carrying out of them. Thursday evening a grand sacred concert of real merit was held at which Mrs. Gilchrist, Mrs. Vail, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Freese, Miss Fannie Smith, Messrs G. H. Mayes, F. McClaskey Boss, Tafts and Perkins took part, and yesterday afternoon an old fashioned conference prayer-meeting was held. To night a jubilee missionary service is on the programme and tomorrow at both services Rev. Chas. A. Eaton of Toronto will occupy the pulpit, Rev. Waring the pastor preaching in Main street church. Monday evening Rev. Eaton lectures on "Anglo-Saxonism" and Tuesday evening the ladies of the church intend holding an Imperial High Tea—one of their deservedly famous tea meetings under a new name. The tables will be named Ladysmith, Kimberley, Pretoria, Colonial and Imperial, with decorations both original and appropriate. The whole church is simply swathed in decorations of patriotic and jubilee nature and presents a handsome spectacle.

The friends of Mr. John McNealey of West End will be pleased to learn that since his arrival in Boston, where he went for treatment, his muscular ailment has grown much less, and bright hopes are entertained for his total recovery and quick return home.

Mr. Frank Christopher of the St. John Railway Co. service is in the Massachusetts Hospital, Boston, having an operation performed on his feet.

Mrs. A. E. Keith of Hillsboro is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hayes, Duke street.

Miss L. B. Bishop of Albert, and Miss F. N. Bishop, Hillsboro, are spending a few days in the city.

Mr. E. A. Smith spent Tuesday in Fredericton. Mrs. Robertson of Yarmouth is the guest of Mrs. Barnes, Coburg street.

Mrs. Dr. J. M. Smith and Master Gilbert Pugsley Tapley are this week visiting Mrs. John M. Lyons, Moncton.

On Thursday afternoon at her home on Horsefield Street Mrs. Clarence DeForest tendered a very pleasant reception to her friends. The affair was particularly enjoyable as the arrangements were all perfectly carried out. Mrs. DeForest was assisted by Mrs. Horace King, Mrs. S. DeForest, Misses McMillan, Fannie DeForest, Daisy Fairweather, McDonald and Edith Skinner. The decorations of a floral nature were very beautiful and the tables arranged in pink. Tea and whist followed the reception in honor of Miss Nelson of Boston. Those invited were:

- Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Troop, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Gerow, Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. Merritt, Misses Blair, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Carvell, Miss Robertson, Miss Thomas, Miss Sharpe, Mrs. George Cushing, Mrs. Jewett, Miss Vroom, Miss Cruikshank, Mrs. Binning, Mrs. Tillotson, Miss Parks, Mrs. Carritte, Miss McAvity, Mrs. T Flood, Miss Inches, Mrs. Holly, Misses McLaughlin, Miss Flood, Mrs. Hastings, Mrs. Puddington, Miss Thomson, Miss Adams, Mrs. F Rankine, Mrs. O'Ilvie, Miss McDonald, Mrs. E. T. Sturdee, Mrs. Barnhill, Misses Markham, Mrs. H P Timmerman, Mrs. Beer, Mrs. Trueman, Mrs. T Raymond, Mrs. Horace King, Mrs. Skinner, Miss Long, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. W H Merritt, Mrs. S Girvan, Mrs. J F Fraser, Mrs. S T Halko, Mrs. W W White, Mrs. Purdy, Miss Smith, Miss Troop, Miss Tuck, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. George McAvity, Mrs E A Smith, Mrs Blair, Mrs J Clarke, Mrs Augst, Mrs J G Taylor, Mrs. McLellan, Mrs F E Sayre, Mrs Sharpe, Miss Thorne, Mrs McNutt, Mrs Vroom, Mrs Cruikshank, Mrs R Cruikshank, Miss Binning, Mrs. Parks, Mrs Gillespie, Mrs B Cushing, Mrs E Flood, Mrs F R Inches, Mrs J H McAvity, Mrs McLaughlin, Mrs G H Flood, Mrs H H McLean, Mrs R Sturdee, Mrs Thomson, Mrs C H Harrison, Miss Scammell, Mrs J D Spurr, Mrs H McDonald, Misses Seelye, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. F White, Mrs. H. Allen, Mrs. Dunlap, Mrs. G Ewing, Mrs. Alf Ellis, Mrs F A Peters, Mrs J H Harding, Miss Furlong, Mrs. Sanction, Mrs. B K Jones, Mrs. H Rankine, Mrs J Magee, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs J M Magee, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. McAvity.

- Miss L McAvity, Mrs. W O Raymond, Miss King, Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. P Thomson, Mrs. Bullock, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. F A Jones, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. J F Harding, Mrs. Daniel, Mrs. Fairweather, Mrs. de Soyres, Mrs. Hamilton, Miss Harding, Mrs. W S Thomas, Mrs. George Fleming, Mrs. George Robertson, Mrs. W Green, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Simonds, Mrs. King, Mrs. Manchester, Miss Sadler, Mrs. O Sharpe, Mrs. F Peters, Miss Magee, Mrs. J R Thomson, Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Ernest Fairweather, Mrs. Geo Jones, Miss Fairweather, Miss Carr, Miss Hamilton, Miss Elzard, Mrs. W H Thomas, Miss Eutcher, Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. J H Harding, Miss Nelson, Miss Mary Inches, Miss Mattie McLaughlin, Mr J Tilton, Mr J Harrison, Miss Winnie Hall, Miss deForest, Miss Lou Parks, Miss Mello Vroom, Miss Bessie Seely, Miss Troop, Mr Gilbert, Mr S McMillan, Mr C McDonald, Mr Frank Fairweather, Mr Thomas, Mr Arthur Thorne, Mr Harding, Miss Bessie Sadler, Miss Robie McAvity.

During the evening the younger people assembled for whist, at which game there were ten tables. Those present were:

- Mr Charlie Troop, Dr G A B Addy, Miss Stone, Mr Herb Vroom, Miss King, Mr Bert Harrison, Mr Willis, Mr Purdy, Mr S. Jones, Mr Gill Keator, Mr R Thompson, Miss Fanny deForest, Miss Lou McMillan, Miss Nan McDonald, Miss Daisy Fairweather, Miss Edith Skinner, Miss J McLaughlin, Miss Seely, Miss Lockhart, Miss Robie McAvity.

Master Harold Vaughan and Mr. Frank Vaughan of Duke street have gone to the States, the former to work in Bridgewater, Mass., the other with a big electrical concern in New York.

S. J. Warwick of Charlotte street removed with his family on Thursday to Sussex. Besides Mrs. Warwick the family consists of Misses Lillian and Marion Warwick and Charles Warwick.

Truly the millinery fraternity owned the city during the earlier half of the week, over three hundred ladies being present from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and P. E. I. parts to view the wholesale openings, fully described on page 2 of this issue. Among the visitors there was a plot of friendly greetings and social interchange, as it very seldom happens that these persons meet except at the openings. Some pleasant luncheon parties were held in consequence at the hotels.

- Among the milliners in town were: Miss McKeever, Charlottetown, Mrs. Herkins, Lockport, Mrs. Millet, Mahone Bay, Mrs. Clements, Yarmouth, Miss Walker, New Glasgow, Miss Smith, Windsor, Miss McCarthy, Kentville, Miss Brittain, Annapolis, Mrs. B. McVey, St. Stephen, Mrs. G. H. Brown, Moncton, Mrs. Russell, Campbellton, Miss Crowley, Campbellton, Miss Lockett, Bridgetown, Mrs. Wilder, Chatham, Me. Miss Haveland, Chatham, Miss Noonan, Chatham, Miss McLean, Bathurst, Mrs. J. Dobson, Tatamagouche, Mrs. W. Armstrong, Glasgow, Miss Carter, Bathurst, Miss McKenzie, Truro, Miss N. J. Anderson, Springhill, Mrs. Carleen, Yarmouth, Miss Dalton, Cher otetown, Miss B Lockett, Bridgetown, N S, Mrs. B C McEachren, Nelson, N B, Miss Duncan, Glace Bay, C B, Mrs E A Bell, Stanley, N B, Miss M E Peat, Andover, N B, Mrs H D Wallace, St George, Mrs A W Rogers, West End, Mrs J H Copp, Port Elgin, Miss Wilder, Centreville, Miss Sharp, Benton, Mrs B E Yorke, Parrsboro, Miss T McDonald, Bridgewater, N S, Miss B A Moore, North Sydney, C B, Miss Catten, Summerside, P E I, Miss Sutherland, Bridgetown, N S, Mrs. Quilty, Newcastle, Miss Dalton, Charlottetown, Mrs. E. S. Campbell, Hampton, Miss Johnson, McAdam, Mrs. A. A. McCausland, Oxford, Miss E. A. Keith, Hillsboro, Miss F. N. Bishop, Hillsboro, Miss L. B. Bishop, Albert, Mrs. C. J. Dobson, Moncton, Miss Parker, Perth, Mrs. S. J. B. Tilley, Yarmouth, Mrs. G. W. Silver, Lunenburg, Miss A. A. Young, St. Stephen, Miss Morgan, Fredericton, Miss S. C. Kelly, Fredericton, Miss Dennis, Fredericton, Miss Dowling, Marysville, Mrs. W. D. Camber, Woodstock, Miss A. A. Gallagher, Woodstock, Mrs. F. E. Fitzgerald, Centreville, Mrs. J. C. Clowry, Chatham, Miss Creighton, Lunenburg, Mrs. J. J. McDonald, Moncton, Mrs. S. B. Andre, Moncton, Mrs. E. Coman, Weymouth, Miss Belleville, Weymouth, Mrs. Dennis, Yarmouth, Mrs. Jones, Apohaqui, Miss McLeod, Sussex, Miss Kelly, Sussex, Mrs. H. D. Wallace, St. George, Miss McPherson, Chatham, Miss Clark, Wolfville, Miss E. M. Davis, Kentville, Miss Toombs, Charlottetown, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Stoddart, Bridgewater, Miss Chilholm, Digby, Mrs. Figgott, Kingston, Miss Carter, Amherst, Miss Rodd, Sackville, Miss Banks, Digby, Miss Nugent, St. Martins.

ST. ANDREWS, MAR. 29.—Mrs. Keay, wife of Capt Richard Keay arrived recently from Liverpool, England. She is the guest of Mrs. P. Keay. Rev. J. C. Berrie, to a large congregation assembled in the Methodist church, Sunday evening last, delivered a carefully thought out sermon in which reference was made to the death of the late Mrs. (Continued on Page Eight.)

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