



Perhaps it is a little bit unprofessional, but it must be confessed that very little if anything is going on these days in the line of social gaieties.

The lady members of the Golf club had their annual meeting on Monday. Mrs. George F. Smith in the chair. There were also present about 40 ladies.

The yearly report showed that there are at present 49 play members and 62 tea members enlisted. During last season five lady members visited St. Andrews and played the Algonquins and were defeated.

The ladies wish to thank Mr. Hobe of Boston Mr. Cliff, Mrs. George K. McLeod, Mrs. Busby, Miss Burpee, Mrs. Robert Thomson, Miss Lou Parks and Mr. J. D. Hazen for prizes.

Golf is yet a very exclusive pastime in St. John, in fact it is not indulged in to any great extent in any town on this continent save by the society classes of people.

This season coming St. John will play Halifax, St. Andrews, Woodstock and other places, on the home links and abroad.

Prof. Collinson and his Iolanthe band of pretty maidens and fair men completely captured Moncton Wednesday evening. The night was a storied one in the railway town, but few if any seats were vacant when the curtain went up.

A special train brought the sinners home arriving in St. John at six o'clock Thursday morning. Everybody of course was "tired now and sleepy too," and the rest of the day was spent in the land of Nod.

Roden, Frank Hogan, Lou Brennan, Jack A. Kelly, Fred McNeill, Wm. Rodgers, F. A. McClaskey, S. Young, Guy Bostwick, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Hogg, Neven Cameron, Wm. Bowden, Dave Kirkpatrick, Mr. McMasters, Mr. Likely and several orchestra members.

Early summer wedding days are drawing near and engagements are in consequence being disclosed in profusion. This last week or so has been particularly productive of whispered marriages, and still there's more to follow.

The Valentine Stock Company whose engagement of sixteen weeks has been one long delight to the theatre-going class close their stay tonight with "The Jilt." When the Opera House management before Christmas announced a season of first class plays the people were very glad, but few were of the opinion of the company, no matter how good, would stay here for the period advertised.

- All the Comforts of Home. Young Mrs. Winthrop. A Scrap of Paper. Little Lord Fauntleroy. The Private Secretary. The Crust of Society. Mr. Barnes of New York. The Taming of the Shrew. Lady Windemere's Fan. The School for Scandal. Romeo and Juliet. The Lost Paradise. A Parisian Romance. The Merchant of Venice. Moths. Ingemar. Camille. Ma'm'zelle. Othello. The Ironmaster. The Rivals. The Three Musketeers. Niobe. Monte Cristo. The Jilt. Richelieu. The Lady of Lyons. Boole's Baby.

Late advice from Hon. A. F. Randolph state that his health has considerably improved. He will probably remain in Florida until the middle of May.

Mr. John Montgomery returned to Campbellton Thursday evening. Mr. H. P. Timmerman and Mr. J. N. Sutherland returned Thursday morning from St. Stephen, where they were inspecting the C. P. R. works and offices.

Mrs. F. H. J. Ruel and Mrs. Holbrook have returned from Southern California. Mrs. Hard Peters returned from a trip to Fredericton Thursday.

Miss Preston returned the early part of the week from a visit to Fredericton where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Butler, who were fulfilling an engagement with the Kennedy Players.

Mrs. R. L. Gunter returned to Boston on Monday. Mr. John D. Palmer spent Sunday in town. Mrs. Snow of Hampton passed through the city on Wednesday en route to Boston.

Miss Annie Titus returned to Boston this week. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Victor Gowland.

Mr. Bliss Barnes of Hampton spent Wednesday here. Mr. J. A. Tilton spent Wednesday in Fredericton. Mr. Leon Keith left Wednesday on a business trip to Sydney, C. B.

Mrs. Roger Hunter and her son Richard Hunter went to Philadelphia this week for several months visit. Mrs. Hunter's two daughters Florrie and Belle are successful professional nurses in the Qua er city.

On Tuesday evening a party of the young friends of Mr. and Mrs. William Connor of Cedar street, North End, assembled at their home and spent a very pleasant few hours in dancing, games and music. A light supper was served at midnight.

- Those present were: Miss Annie Powers. Miss Nellie Driscoll. Miss J. Carroll. Miss Joste Durick. Miss Gertrude Quinlan. Miss Clara Lee. Miss Coffey. Miss J. Mullin. Miss Annie Gormely. Mr. E. Kincade. Mr. C. Gibbon. Mr. Herb Lyons. Mr. Tom Akerley. Mr. Willard Lingley. Mr. Arthur Brown. Mr. William McMillan. Mr. Thos. Durick. Mr. H. Kincade.

Among the guests at the Royal hotel this week was Sir Thomas Hughes, ex-lord mayor of Liverpool, Eng., Sir Thomas Hughes is the head of the

big Liverpool timber firm of Thomas Hughes & Son, who have extensive business connections with our New Brunswick lumber shippers. Sir Thomas Hughes was here a couple of days, after which he went north.

Bishop Howley of St. Johns, Nfld., and Rev. John J. St. John of Arrentia were at the Royal this week, en route to New York.

Dr. J. M. Magee left by C. P. R. on Saturday last for Boston and was absent till Wednesday.

Mr. P. A. Nannary of theatre fame was in town early in the week. Mrs. Robertson and Miss Nevins of St. John, and the guests of Mrs. J. W. Wortman, Queen street, Moncton.

Miss Amy Blair of Ottawa, daughter of Hon. A. G. Blair, passed through on Saturday last on her way to Halifax, whence she sailed for England.

Mr. Fred G. Spencer returned Saturday last from Boston.

Eighteen McGill students who joined the steamer Lake Huron as cattle punchers, and who are working their way to the Paris exhibition, called Wednesday night at Sam Richey's store and sang a number of patriotic songs. Speeches were made by W. M. Wallace and Norman McLeod. A vote of thanks was given to the citizens of St. John for the kind hospitality extended to the students while in the city.

Messrs. George Robertson, M. P. P., and Thomas J. Dillon, of St. John have registered at the office of the Canadian high commissioner, London, Eng. Dr. Sears of New York, is visiting His Worship Mayor Sears.

Secretary Wetmore of the S. P. C. A., and Mrs. Wetmore have returned from Boston.

Messrs. Richard J. Haley and Harry Milburn of the Manchester line, who have been engaged in the winter port business at Sand Point, left Wednesday for Montreal. Mr. Haley belongs to Carleton.

Mr. Arthur W. Biddington died early Wednesday morning. He had been ill but a few days with a severe attack of acute spinal meningitis. He was about 30 years of age and the youngest son of Mr. Geo. Biddington. He leaves a father, mother, two brothers and four sisters to mourn their loss. He was a prominent member of the St. John Harmony club, of St. George's society and secretary of Court Diamond Jubilee, A. O. F. Wednesday evening at the Harmony club the members decided to attend the funeral in a body. The members of Court Diamond Jubilee and Court Pride, A. O. F. also attended.

Miss K. Blanche of the Valentine Stock Company went to New York Wednesday. She returned yesterday.

Lady Tilley went to Montreal Wednesday after noon.

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Apr. 25.—St. Paul's church, was today the scene of a very happy event, when at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon Miss Clara Gertrude Turner, second daughter of Geo. F. Gregory, Q. C. was united in marriage to Alexander M. MacRae, Barrister of St. John. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Willard Macdonald, assisted by the father of the groom. Rev. Dr. MacRae, Principal of Morrin college, Quebec. The floral decorations in the church were very handsome, the pulpit stand being gorgeous with its magnificent decorations of blooming flowers, tall exotics, vied with beauty of the Easter lilies and cut flowers and all combined made one glorious mass of bloom.

As the bride party entered the church, a quartette from the choir sang "The voice that breathed o'er Eden." The bride who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by her sister Miss Edith Gregory. The groom had the support of Mr. Ora. P. King, barrister of Sussex. The bride wore a dainty traveling costume of lawn with white silk facings and hat to match and carried a bouquet of white carnations. The bridesmaid was attired in a pretty light green summer silk, but to match and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The ushers were Messrs. C. H. Allen, J. J. Fraser Winslow, Allan B. Wilmet and H. Chesnut.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bridges, Master Gregory Bridges, Mr. J. Fraser Gregory, St. John. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gregory, Messrs. Beverly, Miss Murray, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Chestnut, Misses Bridges, Rev. Willard Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burns, Miss Tabor, Miss Whelpley, Miss Maggie Allen, Miss Jadrey, Rev. Dr. MacRae, Quebec, Mr. K. J. MacRae, St. John, Mrs. Owen Campbell, St. John, Dr. and Mrs. H. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen, Mr. W. C. Whittaker, St. John, Misses Whittaker, Misses Crookshank, Miss Macdonald, Mr. Sinclair, St. John, Miss Bailey, Miss W. Everett, Miss F. Powys.

As the bridal party left the church Mendelssohn's wedding march was played by the organist Miss Bridges, and a merry play from the belfry announced to the outside world the happy event. A reception was held at Elmshade the home of the bride's father, immediately upon the arrival of the wedding party, afterwards luncheon was served. The groom's present to his bride was a beautiful gold watch with diamond crescent settings and to the bridesmaid he gave a solitaire pearl ring. Among the many elegant presents received by the bride was a \$500 bill from her father and \$150 in gold from her brother Mr. J. Fraser Gregory. Aid. and Mrs. MacRae took the 4.30 train for Montreal and other Canadian cities where their honeymoon will be spent.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Maud Agnes Leigh, daughter of His Worship the Mayor to Mr. Francis K. Griffith on Monday April thirtieth. Miss Maggie Allen is home from Waltham and is staying with her sister Mrs. Rainsford Wetmore. Hon. T. R. Jones of St. John is in the city. Miss Bessie Everett of St. John has been spending a couple of weeks at her home here. Col. D. McLeod Vince and Mrs. Vince of Woodstock are among the visitors to the city this week. After a pleasant stay of two weeks in Boston Mrs. Sherman and daughter Miss Stella returned home on Saturday.

Rev. Dr. Macrae and daughter Mrs. Owen Campbell returned to St. John this evening.

Mrs. Laffin sister of the Rev. Mr. Freeman, left for her home in Nova Scotia last week.

Mr. B. E. Wiley of this city is among the honor men in third year finals at McGill college.

Mrs. F. C. Hartley and little daughter are visiting friends in Woodstock.

Mrs. H. LeBaron Smith and children who have been spending the winter with Mrs. Smith's mother Mrs. Tibbitts, leave for their home in Oakland, Cal., on Saturday.

An interesting event took place this morning in

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