

When Thursday's glorious news struck St. John, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor were both in Frederick attending the University Centennial, and no officials official enough to proclaim a holiday were on hand, had the despatches via New York been authentic. The daily papers came boldly forth in the morning telling of Johannesburg's fall and the capitulation of Pretoria, and it was but the space of an hour before the town was swathed in bunting again. At 10.30 a noisy demonstration was heard from the tugs in the harbour, which was taken up in various parts of the city with great zest. Again at high noon the Artillery fired a salute on Market Square and another "blow out" was indulged in by the steamers, while the fire-bells rang merrily. But shortly after dinner a despatch arrived from Lord Roberts putting somewhat of a damper on the joyous proceedings. It stated that Pretoria had not yet been entered, but it was believed Oom Pau was a fugitive. The sangularity of the Commander-in-Chief's report kept the spirit of jubilation at par throughout the day and in the evening the gala aspect of things continued. At the time of writing the town was in an acute receptive mood, if such a term is allowed to pass, and confirmatory despatches are expected at any minute. When the fateful word does arrive and His Worship slots that Sears-promised holiday the Winter Port City, headquarters of Cronj's captors, will show the Empire just once more what kind of a trump card she has been saving for this last "trick" in the war game. Of course the "joker" is to be played when Company G arrives home.

One of the most delightful things about these loyal outbursts we Britishers have been indulging in so frequently of late is the part the youth of our land take in them. There is not a child in town, but can sing "Soldiers of the Queen" and similar songs of by heart, while national flags are numbered among the most cherished toys of even the baby in long clothes. When Thursday's furor was at its best on King street a tiny toddler with a baby bonnet and little white dress—a mere infant in fact—wandered through the crowd gleefully chattering and waving a big silk Union Jack in its tiny hands. The litte one had all it could do to flutter the folds of the flag, but it stuck to it as if the spirit of the hour had captured its little being as well as those of its elders. Many a stranger's bug fell to the lot of the speck of British humanity, and a half dozen kodaks clicked nearby. All the while the baby's nurse stood aside looking proudly on.

This year's crop of June weddings is going to be a pteous one. The dressmakers and tailors have page after page of their order books filled and from the 6th until the last day of the month are these goods to be delivered. The florists too have been advised as to bride's bouquets etc. From time to time Cupid whispers have been reproduced in these columns, but space will not allow of their being whisp red again, at least in this issue. However the matrimonial ball is about to be started and the velocity of its rolling promises to increase with each succeeding week in this rosy month. The city proper has no less than twelve hymenal events to occur, North End following with five and West End two. Of course this is only the visible supply, others will crop up incessantly.

This term's High School closing on the 25th, of the month promises to be a most auspicious occasion in the educational system of our city. There will be a great many more graduates this year, both youths and maidens, than there has ever been before, which is another argument in favor of co-education and the improvements made in our High School plan of study. Under Dr. Bridges' principalship the grading classes of the last few years have increased in size each full term, and generally the marks in these classes have soared nearer and nearer the possible mark. Rivalry of the best natured sort has grown keener between the boy and girl graduates, and medal contests are now looked upon as the English ruffles look upon the Derby. But after examinations have been waded through and the final day of reckoning arrives all these feelings are subdued and hurrahs accorded the winners, whether they be male or female. With so much of a national celebrating spirit extant the ending this year will be a bigger card than ever.

Miss Mabel Slipp of Boston, who is a regular visitor to St. John in summer will leave here in a few days to spend a long vacation.

A dry goods clerk in Charlotte streets leading establishment has taken a house. We all know what that means this time of year. A contractor's daughter is to share this new home with him.

Mr. Clarence Blakeslee son of the late Asa D Blakeslee a much respected and well known painter of this city, will in a few days marry a very talented young lady of Amesbury, Mass. Mr. Blakeslee who is well known here, will reside with his mother on the wedding tour, and will reside with his mother and brother during his short stay in his old home. The many friends of the prospective groom in this city wish him every success and happiness.

Invitations have been received here for the marriage of Miss Louise Colwell daughter of Mr. Gil-

bert Colwell formerly of this city but now residing in Worcester, Mass. Miss Colwell is to wed on the twelfth a professor of music, one of Worcester's foremost organists, and a prominent participant in the yearly musical festival of that place. All the friends of the bride elect in this city, and they are numerous, join in hearty congratulations and good wishes for future happiness. Mr. and Mrs. Ward Colwell and family brother, of the to-be bride leave in a few days for the scene of the ceremony.

On the 12th of May the death occurred at Los Angeles, California, of Mrs. Orrin E. Smith, formerly of this city, but who had lived in various parts of the American west, and also in Yarmouth, N. S. with her husband. Deceased was a very beautiful young woman and was well-known here, especially in North End. In the old horse car days and before the present efficient electric system was inaugurated, Mr. Smith was a conductor here and to the senior employes of the St. John Railway Co., is a familiar friend. Mrs. Smith leaves two small children.

Miss Baynes returned from Moncton on Monday, Mr. C. D. Bove of New London, Conn., was in town on Thursday.

Mr. A. W. Macrae and Mrs. Macrae spent a few days in Fredericton this week.

Miss Ethel Ryan of Sussex spent Sunday here.

Mr. S. Kent Scovil is visiting his parents here.

Mrs. George Sherwood and Miss Sherwood of Sussex were in town on Saturday enroute to Fredericton.

Mr. S. Allison Knight returned to Hillsboro on Saturday.

Mrs. E. A. Smith returned from Campbellton on Saturday.

Mr. George Stamen and Mrs. Stamen of Moncton were in town on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Baird left Monday for Fredericton, Woodstock and Grand Falls.

Mrs. Holly McL. Lingley received Tuesday and Thursday of this week at 203 Main street.

Mrs. Capt. C. J. Hargraves is just home on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Courtney, from Norfolk Virginia.

Mrs. Isaac Burpee left Monday afternoon for Kingston, Ont. to visit her daughter.

Dr. Winters, who came here from Chicago to attend his mother's funeral, returned Monday.

Rev. L. G. Macneil went to P. E. island Monday for a short rest. The preacher at St. Andrew's church on Sunday morning will be Rev. Mr. Morson of Trinidad, and on Sunday evening Rev. Mr. Gordon of the Congregational church.

Mr. Jas F. Robertson and family are now at their summer residence, Rothesay.

Mrs. K. Whetsel and daughter went to New York Wednesday to reside.

Mr. E. H. Turnbull returned Wednesday from England.

Mr. John F. Ashe has returned from Boston.

Attorney General Longley of Nova Scotia, was in the city this week.

Bishop Jaggar, Mrs Jaggar and Miss Jaggar of Cincinnati were in the city early in the week.

Miss Ethel Butt of Newton, Mass, is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. F. Butt.

Mrs. Elijah Lord of San Francisco is visiting relatives in St. John.

Major A. J. Armstrong, Grand Master D. McArthur, H. H. Pitts, David Hipwell, P. E. Heine and others left Saturday for London, Ont., to attend the session of the Grand Lodge of British America.

Dr. Davidson of the University, and Mrs. Davidson expect to leave on June 8th for a visit to their former home in Scotland.

Mr. Brown of the Campbellton Events spent a few days in St. John.

J. E. Hazlett, son of the deputy collector of the port of Boston was in town this week.

Miss Gladys McLaughlin and Miss Ella Payne went to Fredericton Saturday to be present at the University centennial celebration.

Jan. V. Lantalum the newly appointed immigration agent at St. John, N. B. has been in the city the past week, and from immigration agent F. W. Anderson has been getting an insight into the work.

Mr. John Littler, aged 76 died this week. He belonged to Lancashire, Eng. but resided here for half a century. He suffered a stroke of paralysis about two weeks ago. He leaves a son, Mr. N. Littler, of Halifax, and a daughter, Mrs. Thomas W. Kee of St. John.

FREDERICTON.

[Progress is for sale in Fredericton by W. T. H. Fenety and J. H. Hawthorne.

MAY 30. As a University town we have always felt proud of the distinction which centers with so much of interest around our beautiful little city and the grey old building on "the hill" but this week when we are celebrating the centennial of our Alma Mater we are more than ever aware of the dignity which comes with the weight of years. This festival week when the whole town is fully given over to celebrating all else takes a secondary place. The city is full of distinguished visitors who have come to represent many Universities in not only Canada and all over the United States, but from Great Britain, Cambridge and Oxford are all represented by distinguished delegates.

The Centennial exercises were held in the University on Monday evening and were of a more than usual order of interest the library not being able to contain much more than half the visitors.]

On Tuesday the centennial celebration commenced with a reception at the University in the morning. In the afternoon the procession was formed at the U. N. B. and marched to the Parliament building where the honorary degrees were conferred and addresses were made by some of the delegates. A brilliant throng of spectators filled the galleries of the Assembly room when the procession from the U. N. B. arrived. Almost immediately after being seated Dr. Rand was seen to fall in his chair and kindly hands soon rendered aid in carrying him out, but when a few minutes after The chancellor of the University arose and announced to the audience that the honorable gentle had expired a gloom fell

over the proceedings which it was impossible to lift.

The Lieut. Governor and Mrs. McClelan held a reception last evening in the Parliament Building at which all the distinguished visitors and many leading citizens were present. His Honor and Mrs. McClelan received their visitors standing in front of the throne. As the guests were received and passed on quickly filling all parts of the Assembly room and galleries the scene grew brilliant and made a very pretty and animated picture. Some very pretty gowns were worn and though full dress was the order of the day many appeared in light summer silks and pretty flower hats, which with the gay sprinkling of military uniforms and the Academic robes set off an altogether gay assemblage. All the ante-rooms were opened and used for sitting-out. A light supper was served in the library at ten o'clock, music was furnished by Winter's band.

This morning the centre of attraction was in the Opera house where His Worship Mayor Beckwith welcomed the visitors and speeches were made, when at one o'clock the procession was formed and proceeded to "Windsor Hall" where the visitors were dined by the mayor and corporation of the city. The dining-hall was tastefully decorated with Union Jacks, the tables were handsomely laid, cut flowers and blooming plants vieing with the ribbons of red, white and blue, which were the table decorations, the menu cards were very handsome souvenirs of the occasion with picture of the University on the upper side. About one hundred visitors sat down at table. His Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton asked grace. About two hours were spent at table and an enjoyable round of toasts were honored.

The annual College sports were held this afternoon on the Athletic field when the usual quota of ladies were present.

This was student's day and this evening the college Glee club gave their concert in the Opera house which was an unqualified success and greatly enjoyed by all who were favored by being present and never has the Opera house been better filled or held a more appreciative audience. The first number on the programme was by the Glee club and was loudly applauded. Next came a solo by Miss Tarbox of Portland Me. This was Miss Tarbox's first appearance before a Fredericton audience and she was well received and heartily encored. Miss Tarbox has a very pleasing stage presence coupled with a fine voice which shows much culture. Mr. Bristowe who is always enjoyed sang one song but did not respond to a very hearty encore. Miss Page sang very sweetly and received an encore. After which Mr. H. V. B. Bridges sang "The Armoures" and in response to a rousing encore sang "The March of the Cameron Men" with fine effect. Mrs. John Black who has always been a favorite rendered a selection from the opera of "Robert Le Diable" and was heartily encored. After this came the comedy, "Dess as a Post" when the cast of characters were sustained by Messrs. W. H. Harrison, C. H. Allen J. R. C. McCredie, G. E. Howie, W. O. Raymond and F. P. Burden. The play was very amusing and all the acting was much above the average amateur work. Mr. W. H. Harrison and Mr. Allen were each presented with brilliant bouquets of paper roses and a large red heart tied at the end of the ribbons from some of their lady admirers in the audience.

Mrs. T. G. Loggie was one of the entertainers of the week and on Friday afternoon gave a tea in honor of Mrs. Duubar.

Dr. and Mrs. S. F. Bridges of St. John are in the city visiting Dr. Bridges mother Mrs. Henry Bridges.

Judge and Mrs. Stedman have returned from spending the winter in Florida.

Rev. Edward G. MacDonald of Bathurst is in the city a guest of his uncle Rev. Canon Roberts, at the rectory.

Dr. and Mrs. Matthews of St. John, are visiting Mrs. Tarbox.

Mrs. Best is here the guest of her cousin, Mr. C. H. B. Fisher.

Miss Louise Symonds is visiting friends in the city.

Aid. and Mrs. MacRae of St. John are here attending the centennial festivities and are the guests of Mrs. MacRae's father Mr. Geo. F. Gregory. Rev. John Forrest is also a guest of Mr. Gregory.

Miss Allison Knight is visiting Mrs. G. M. Campbell at the Methodist parsonage.

After a pleasant visit spent with Mrs. Jeremy Taylor the Misses Lockhart returned to their home in St. John on Saturday morning.

Mrs. M. B. Dixon and daughter, Miss Hilton Green, of St. John are in the city the guests of Mrs. Dixon's brother Mr. John Black at "The Chimes."

The Lieut. Governor and Mrs. McClelan are at the Queen.

Prof. Stockley leaves tomorrow afternoon for Montreal whence he will sail for Ireland and will spend the vacation with friends in Ireland.

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MAY 31.—Rev. J. L. Gordon of St. John, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church here on Sunday at both services.

Mrs. C. E. MacMichael and her son Harold, of the city, were the guests of Mrs. A. McN. Travis at the station, for a few days last week.

Mr. E. G. Evans and Mr. W. S. Fowler returned on Friday from a trip to Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon M. Blair of St. John, spent the Queen's birthday with friends here.

Mr. James Paul of the city, spent Sunday in town the guest of Mrs. E. S. Campbell.

Miss Lillie Brown is attending the closing exercises of Mount Allison at Sackville.

Miss Florence Pritchard is spending a week or two at Fredericton with her sister Frances, who is a student at the Normal school.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Humphrey and Mr. Geo. C. Weldon of St. John, spent the 24th in town, guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Humphrey.

Mr. Henry C. Frost who has been in the city for several weeks, has returned home.

Mrs. May of St. John, spent the holiday here with her brother Mr. Robert Blair.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. Harford Langstroth on the arrival of a little stranger in the household, a son.

Among the strangers in town on the holiday were Judge McLeod, Mr. A. B. Smalley, L. W. Peters, Ralph Humphrey and Harry Barnes.

Mr. Arthur L. Palmer who was spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Palmer at Ravenswood left for his home in the city on Wednesday.

Mr. George Flowering and his daughter Miss Sarah Flowering formerly of this place who have been visiting relatives at the village for the past two weeks, left for their home in Boston on Tuesday, accompanied by his niece Miss Louise Flowering

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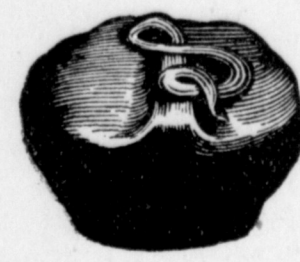
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