



This has been the dullest week that society has known for years. All functions of any importance have been postponed indefinitely. The period of mourning will probably occupy six weeks and as Lent will be with us by that time, in all probability many of the events, for which invitations had been issued will not take place until early spring.

Many people are wearing mourning for our lamented Queen. The wives and daughters of military officers being particularly heavily attired in the sombre hues. But the mourning is not confined to them alone as a great many persons in civic life have also donned the garb of sorrow out of respect and love to our late monarch.

The Opera house and the skating rinks being about the only places of amusement open to the public during the past week were well patronized. The members of the Valentine Stock company seem to be very popular with the people and every play produced by them has been well up to the standard, the costumes are always handsome and each production well staged.

Those who have met Miss Nora O'Brien, the leading lady of the company, speak of her as a sweet, winsome girl perfectly free from all affectations. Miss Blanche made many friends during her stay in the city last winter, and these friendships have been strengthened and many new acquaintances made during the present season.

Mrs R A Payne was called to Glazier's Landing last week to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Glazier. She returned home on Monday. Mrs Cathoun, who has been visiting in Wolfville, N.S., for the past few weeks came home on Saturday last and is staying with her mother, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Princess street.

Mr. Stanley Robertson is home from a pleasant visit to his brother Mr E L Robertson, Amherst, N.S.

Mr and Mrs W H Wetmore went to Boston this week, where they intend remaining for a few weeks. Miss Grace Winslow of Fredericton is in the city visiting among her many friends.

Miss Carrie Babbitt also of Fredericton is staying with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Edwards of Dorchester were here early in the week, and while in town were guests at the Royal Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Eaton of New York are spending the week in the city.

Mrs. A. McN Shaw is entertaining the Misses Thompson of Woodstock.

Rev W Burton Morgan of Hartland who has lately had charge of the Presbyterian Church at St. Martins will study in St. John for a few months preparatory to entering McGill next September. He will board at 68 Hazel street.

Miss Macaulay has returned from a pleasant visit with friends in Montreal.

A pretty though quiet wedding took place at the Mission Chapel of St. John the Baptist on Tuesday morning when the Rev. C B Kenderick united in matrimony Mr. J. Fraser Gregory of the firm of Murray and Gregory, and Miss Helen Myers. The bride was attired in a travelling costume of blue cloth and wore a pretty hat of a corresponding color. There were no attendants and very few guests. After the ceremony Mr and Mrs Gregory left on a somewhat extended trip to the principal American cities. On their return they will reside on Douglas avenue.

On Thursday evening last Mr Joe Bardsley entertained quite a number of his young friends at his home on Exmouth street. Several games of whist were played and suitable prizes awarded. Miss Martina McGuire captured the ladies' prize and Mr George Kelly that offered to the gentleman. Dancing was also indulged in to a considerable extent and some splendid music, both vocal and instrumental furnished by several of the guests. Supper was served about midnight and the affair was brought to a close at an early hour in the morning with many expressions of appreciation of Mr Bardsley's efforts as host. Those present were: Miss E McInerney, Miss Alice Moran, Miss Renie Gleeson, Miss Lizzie McGuire, Miss L Hayes, Miss M McQuire, Miss B Mullin, Miss A O'Regan, Miss J Kelly, Miss M Graham, Mr Wm McNeil, Mr Chris Spaine, Mr Will Ramase, Mr Harry Doody, Mr Tom McElroy, Mr Percy Allan, Mr Walter Jones, Mr George Kelly, Mr G Johnston, Mr W. Harney, Mr A McLean, Mr Jack Barton, Mr Foxwell.

Miss Howard entertained the members of her dancing class and some of their friends at her residence on Pitt street on Monday evening.

The guests numbered about forty-five and spent a most delightful evening in tripping the light fantastic; excellent music being furnished for a programme of sixteen dances with several extras.

Light refreshments were served adding much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

Mr and Mrs Wm A McGinley are visiting friends at Woodstock.

Mr Herbert Stockton returned on Tuesday from New York, where he has spent a three weeks vacation.

Miss Maud Tennant is in Amherst paying a visit to her brother Mr W H Tennant.

Miss Hattie Tweedie of Moncton was in town during the early part of the week.

FREDERICTON.

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

JAN 30.—The beautiful drawing rooms of Ashburton Place, the residence of Mr and Mrs F B Edgcombe never shone to better advantage than on Saturday afternoon on the occasion of the ladies euchre party given by Mrs Edgcombe.

Over forty guests were present and were received by Mrs Edgcombe in the east parlor. Afterwards they were entertained in the large western room which was fragrant with the odor of sweet floral decoration and brilliant with the many lights from the chandeliers which cast prismatic colors over the handsome decorations of the room. Ten tables contended for the prizes were a merry buzz of light conversation and laughter was kept up. The prizes were won by Mrs Coburn getting ladies first, a copper kettle and a heating stand, Miss Whitehead took the second prize a beautiful vase Mrs Frank Morrison and Mrs McCreedy received the consolation prizes. A very elaborate supper, was served at close of the games.

Miss Carrie Winslow entertained a large party of friends on Saturday afternoon at a sleigh ride.

Mrs Clifton Tabor was also one of the hostesses of the week and gave a pleasant five o'clock tea on Friday afternoon.

Mrs Robt. Randolph gave a ladies dinner party in the earlier part of the week at her pleasant home on Waterloo Row.

Miss Jeanie Edwards who has been visiting friends in the city for several weeks past, left for her home in Halifax, yesterday.

Miss Daisy Weddall left for Sackville on Monday to resume her studies there.

Miss Annie Campbell of Kingsclear who has been spending a few weeks visiting her sister, Mrs. Wetmore Henry was pleasantly surprised on Friday evening by about twenty of her friends who had conceived the idea of a surprise party. Although unexpected the guests were none the less welcome and a pleasant evening was enjoyed at whist. A dainty supper was served about midnight.

Mrs. Harry Beckwith and niece Miss Florence Debbs have returned from a pleasant visit to Mrs Griffiths, nee Miss Maud Beckwith, at Jamaica Plains, Mass.

Lieut Nagle leaves tomorrow for Kingston military college. Mrs Nagle will accompany him.

Miss Margaret Johnston entertained a party of friends at Red Top on Friday evening at whist.

Mrs McNeil of St John who has been the guest of Miss Johnston returned to her home last evening. Mr McNeil spent Sunday here returning to St John last evening with Mrs McNeil.

Friends will be pleased to hear of the marriage of Mr J Fraser Gregory of St John to Miss Myers, which took place yesterday at the Mission Chapel.

Mrs J. B. Genter and the Misses Genter returned yesterday from a visit to Boston.

Mr and Mrs Alf. Edgcombe had a pleasant family dinner-party on Friday evening celebrating the anniversary of their wedding-day Mr and Mrs Edgcombe have many friends in the city who extend to them congratulations and wish them many more years of wedded happiness.

Mrs. E. W. Henry entertained a large number of children yesterday at a party in honor of the seventh birthday of her little daughter Christina. The little lady who assisted her mamma in receiving her friends made a charming hostess and many were the good wishes expressed for the day with happy returns of the same.

The death of Mrs Shute, widow of the late S F Shute on Sunday morning was a great shock to her many friends. Death resulting from pneumonia after an illness of only forty eight hours. Mrs Shute leaves three stepsons, Mr A A Shute of Shute & Co, of this city, Frank of the Royal Bank here and Dr James Shute of Nebraska, two sisters and one brother survive her. The interment took place yesterday afternoon from the Cathedral, Rev Canon Roberts officiating. The floral offerings were very beautiful and consisted of, An anchor, Mr and Mrs D E Crowe; Wreath, staff, Royal Bank; Basket of flowers, Mrs James Mitchell, St Stephen; cut flowers, Dr and Mrs Harrison; bouquet, Mr and Mrs F B Blackmen; Cut flowers, Mr and Mrs Henry Clark; Bouquet Dr and Mrs Barbour; Cut flowers, Mr and Mrs R P Foster, Bouquet, Mrs Jas Tibbets; Bouquet, Mrs Jas Nell. Mr. Frank Shute and Miss Moore sisters of Mrs Shute, who are both ill of pneumonia are progressing favorably.

Mrs Nase of St Stephen is here to attend the funeral of her sister Mrs Shute. Mr Moore of St. Stephen was also here. CRICKET.

WINDSOE.

Jan. 31.—A very pretty wedding took place in the new Methodist church, Windsor, N.S., on Thursday afternoon Jan 24th, at 4.30 p.m. when Miss Annie Anslow, daughter of Mr J J Anslow editor of the Hants Journal, and Mr Harris S Smith, eldest son of Mr Chas DeW Smith of the firm of Bennett Smith and Sons, were united in marriage. Rev John Lathern, D D officiated, assisted by the pastor Rev Wm Phillips and Rev J A Mosher. The bridal couple, who were unattended, stood under an arch of evergreen and white, from the centre of which was hanging a true lover's knot of white satin ribbon. From the top of the arch to the side pillars of the church were suspended festoons

of evergreen, while on the pulpit and platform were many palms, ferns azaleas and other flowers, and when the electric lights were turned on the church presented a very bright and attractive appearance.

The bride looked very pretty in a tailor made suit of navy blue cloth, blue velvet hat trimmed with applique lace and a bird with plumage, and carried an elegant shower bouquet of bride's roses white carnations and maidenhair fern. Although the day was an exceedingly stormy one the church was well filled.

After the ceremony friends congregated at the front of the church to extend best wishes to the bride and groom and as they passed down the aisle Mendelssohn's wedding march was beautifully played by the organist Mr Vernon Evile.

A large number of very handsome presents were received, including gold pieces, cut glass, silver, rare china, fancy work and furniture. Mr and Mrs Smith left on the 8.20 express for Halifax, amid the good wishes of a host of friends who gathered at the station, and will visit in St. John, Boston and New York, returning home in about three weeks, and will reside at their handsome new home lately erected on the corner of Plunkett and Albert St.

Rev Thomas Davies, Truro, was ordained Priest at Halifax on Friday last.

Miss Janie Curry went to Halifax on Thursday to remain over Sunday with friends.

Mrs G N Vaughan spent Sunday in Wolfville, with her cousin, Mrs Chas Forsyth.

Mrs W J DeBlois, Halifax, spent Thursday in town, the guest of Mr and Mrs Anslow.

Miss Prad and Miss Madeleine Black went to Halifax on Thursday and remained over Friday.

Miss Bessie Wood is spending the winter with friends at Starr's point.

Dr. Hind and E S Smith and wife, Windsor, were registered at the Halifax Hotel, Thursday.

Rev Dr Lathern, Dartmouth, came to Windsor on Wednesday and remained until Thursday the guest of Mr and Mrs Chas DeW Smith.

Mr John Forbes of the Halifax Banking staff, will move his family from Canning this week and will reside in the home on Gray street, which is being vacated by A P Jones and family.

Miss Laura Della Torre who has been visiting her aunt in Boston for a month arrived on Sunday morning by special, soon after midnight, the Prince Arthur being late delayed by exceedingly rough weather.

Mr N Litter, Halifax, came to Windsor last Wednesday, accompanied by his little daughter Gladys. Mr Litter returned home on Thursday. Miss Gladys remaining until the following Tuesday, the guest of Mr and Mrs C de W. Smith.

WOODSTOCK.

Miss Alexa Corbett is visiting in St John. Fred Munro, son of David Munro, is very ill. Miss Catherine Rankin is visiting in St John, Miss Hazel Perkins, Centreville is visiting Mrs Joseph Fewer.

Robt Atkin and W A Burden, Fredericton were at the Aberdeen Friday.

Miss Harroon, Debec, spent last week in Gratton, the guest of Miss McElroy.

John Leck and C H McCleaskey of St John were guests at the Aberdeen over Sunday.

Mrs H V Dalling and Miss Stella Dalling, who have been ill for two weeks, are gradually recovering.

Miss Cora Welch, Bristol, who has been sick for two weeks, is able to be back at school in Woodstock again.

Miss Mary Beairto, daughter of Rev J K Beairto, Glasville, is in Woodstock taking music lessons from Miss Johnson.

The many friends of Mrs E S Forbes of Cambridge, Mass, will be pleased to learn that she is gradually recovering from her recent illness.

Miss Mildred Carvell, only child of Frank Carvell, M P P, is very ill with pneumonia. Very little hope is entertained of her recovery.

Miss Daisy Allingham has successfully completed a course in the Beal system of shorthand and in typewriting under the instruction of Miss Hipwell.

NEWCASTLE.

JAN 30.—Miss Kate Troy of Strathadam spent Sunday with her parents, Mr and Mrs James Troy. Miss Annie Crocker of Massachusetts is visiting her home here.

Mrs R N Wyse was confined to his residence several days last week with the grip.

Grip is very prevalent in Newcastle at present. Among those suffering from it are Mr John Williamson, and Miss Maggie Elliott, Hannah Mitchell Bessie Bell and Susie Stables.

Miss Mary Wilson, St John, is visiting Mrs R N Wyse.

Miss Fannie Pickles left for Boston on Saturday. Mr Horace Keithro is able to be about again. Mr John O'Donnell of St. John, spent last week with friends in town.

Mr. John Dalton is ill with the grip.

Miss Helen Black spent last week visiting her uncle Ald. Morris, Chatham.

Miss Mary R Tweedie, died at the residence of her brother the Hon. L J Tweedie, Monday afternoon. Deceased was a most estimable lady and her death will be heard with regret by a large circle of friends and acquaintances throughout the Province. The funeral takes place from the residence of the Hon L J Tweedie at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

YARMOUTh.

Jan. 31.—The whole town of Yarmouth is steeped in mourning. Flags are at half mast and drappings of black are to be seen on the principal buildings of the town, the post-office, custom house, and other public buildings being particularly heavily decorated.

On Sunday last fitting mention of the Queen's death was made in the different churches, while in some very eloquent sermons were preached. Saturday has been proclaimed a public holiday which will be generally observed throughout the town.

Mrs H A Parr and Mrs Wm. Millen, left this week for a short trip to Boston.

Mrs Frank Lyman is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

The Children's Carnival, which was to have taken place during the week has been postponed until next Wednesday.

BRIDGETOWN.

Jan 31.—The residence of Mr and Mrs Simon O Neal, Outram, was the scene of a happy event on the evening of January 2nd, when their daughter Effie Mabel, was united in marriage to W M Bent, of Outram. The ceremony was performed by Rev L A Cooney, of Port George, in the presence of a large number of guests. The bride was prettily dressed; in pale blue cashmere, with white satin trimming, white silk lace, flowers and ribbon. After the ceremony and the receiving of many congratulations of the guests a very sumptuous supper was served. Mrs Bent was the recipient of many useful presents. We wish them every success in their future walk in life.

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