



The presence of so many members of the masonic order of Knights Templar and their lady friends who are here attending the annual convention of the order has been the occasion of several interesting and pleasant social functions during the week.

On Tuesday afternoon, shortly after their arrival the visiting ladies of many of the gentlemen were entertained by Mrs J. V. Ellis at her residence on Princess street. Invitations were also intended to the wives and immediate relatives of the members of the local encampment.

The reception room, drawing rooms, and dining room were beautifully decorated with ferns, palms and cut flowers, while the sweet music of Harrison's Orchestra and later on that of the bagpipes added much to the brilliancy of the occasion.

Mrs Ellis was handsomely gowned in grey silk heavily trimmed with cream lace and black velvet. She was assisted in receiving by Mrs Thomas Walker who wore a black silk and Mrs F A Jones wearing grey voile over silk. Many of the costumes worn by the ladies were rich and handsome.

The dining room was presided over by Mrs R C Shinner, Mrs Lord of Boston, assisted by Mrs George Hegan, Mrs Thoe Cushing, Miss Lou Robertson, Miss Trixy Lockhart, Miss McLaughlin, Miss Olive, Miss Hunter, Miss Mary Thomson, Miss Alice Walker and Miss Scammell.

The public reception held in the Masonic hall on the same evening and the sail up the river on Wednesday were also pleasant features of the entertainment of the visitors.

The ladies who were with the Knights express themselves as thoroughly charmed with the climate of St. John and with the courtesy extended to them by the families of the local encampment.

The Misses Fenety of Florida are visiting Miss Margaret Turnbull, Princess street.

A visit to Rothesay or Westfield on any one of these beautiful days would easily convince the visitor that the summer gaiety is at its height.

At Westfield this week the several small picnic parties and impromptu dances were much enjoyed.

The barn dance given by Mrs Edward Sears at Westfield on Monday evening was a particularly pleasant affair. The dance was arranged for the entertainment of her guests, Miss S Brown and Miss Amelie of Brocklyn and Mr Harry Daley son of Major D ley of Digby.

The guests numbering about sixty were chiefly the summer residents at the pretty resort. The interior of the barn was artistically decorated with flags, wild flowers and colored lanterns, the spacious floor was well polished, and there was plenty of air and nothing conducive to the pleasure of the dancers was omitted. Refreshments and ice cream were served during the evening and the dancing was kept up until quite a late hour.

A few of those present were—Miss May Robinson Miss Christie, Mr Robinson, Mrs Ruel, Mr and Mrs Irlinger of New York, Miss Grace Fisher, Mr Cyrus Inches, Mr and Mrs J Merritt, Mr and Mrs Roy Campbell, Mr and Mrs Harry Robinson, Mr and Mrs Arthur Bowman, Miss Wallace, Mrs Gregory, Mr and Mrs Creighton, Mrs Small and Miss Small, Mr Everitt and Mr Burrow, of Boston, Mr and Mrs James Doady, Miss Frances, Mr and Mrs Bullock, Mrs McKay and Mr H C McKay.

A masquerade dance is among the Westfield social probabilities. The success of Mrs Sears' barn dance suggested the idea.

Mr Edmund Breeze who with Mrs Breeze, is visiting here, spent part of the week at Westfield. While there a small dancing party was given in his honor at the residence of Mrs Crochem. About twenty-five guests were present and the evening was in every way a pleasant one.

An entertainment in aid of the Little Girls' Home is being arranged by Mr and Mrs Thomas Bullock to take place in the parlors of their summer home at Westfield on Wednesday evening. About twenty children will present a play called Little Men. An excellent musical programme will also be carried out and ice cream and candy sold during the evening. The proceeds are for a very worthy object and the people of Westfield are much interested in the project. Little Miss Daisy Sears and Dorothy Creighton and Master Leslie Creighton have already disposed of a considerable number of tickets and no doubt the little inmates at the Home will be materially benefited

by the generosity of our suburbanites.

Mrs Silas Alward will hold a reception next Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock at her pretty residence, "Sunnyside" Mount Pleasant. The affair is in honor of her brother, Mr E H Turnbull and his English bride.

Since their arrival here Mr and Mrs Turnbull have been present at several pleasant functions held in their honor.

Miss Ruby Elderkin entertained a large number of her friends at her home, Wright one afternoon and evening this week. The party was in honor of her guest Miss Verna Slipp of St Stephen, N B. Music, games and dainty refreshments made the time pass all too quickly for the little folk who thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon and evening.

Among the guests were—
 Verna Slipp, St Stephen, Helen Fotheringham,
 Fannie Fotheringham, Louie Piercy, Dorchester
 Florence Drury, Jean Campbell,
 Marion Campbell, Edith Cunningham,
 Georgie Woods, Gertrude Fotheringham,
 Edna Hamm, Florence Murray,
 Pearl Smith, Greta Cunningham,
 Katie McDonald, Lillian McLeod,
 Minnie Reid, Ethel Reid,

Masters,
 Kenneth Slipp, Jack Trimble,
 Tom Fotheringham, Perley McLean,
 Roy Cummings, Gordon Ouburg,
 Ralph Fotheringham, Kenneth Clawson,
 Ralph Cummings, Leslie McLean,
 Harold Cunningham, George Irvine,
 Willie Irvine, Fred Clawson,
 Joe Hamm, Harold Wilson,

Miss Bessie Harris, daughter of Mr. M. L. Harrison left this week for Boston. She will be absent several weeks.

Mrs C H Hull is entertaining Mrs D E Dunham of Toronto.

Mr and Mrs W N Allan of Yarmouth are spending the week in the city.

Mr and Mrs Gilbert Vail of Halifax spent Sunday last in town, returning home on Tuesday evening.

Miss Forbes of Sydney is the guest of Miss Jessie Gordon Forbes, Coburg street.

Mr Hickman in company with his mother arrived here this week. They have been in England for some months and intend remaining here for a few weeks. Mr Hickman made many friends while here last summer who gladly welcome his return to the city.

Miss Nevin of Boston who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs E A Smith left this week to spend a short time with Bathurst friends.

Miss Nellie Foster of Union street is in Moncton, the guest of her friend Miss Margaret Hogan.

Mrs Thomas Berry who has been in the city for some time returned this week to her home at St George.

Miss Kathleen McCullough of this city is spending a short time with Moncton friends.

Miss Agnes Kain of Halifax is here spending a vacation with friends.

Miss Evelyn Clarke is visiting Miss Pauline Smith of Fredericton.

Miss Mary Lennihan of Fredericton is spending some weeks in the guest of Mrs. James Coll.
 Mrs E R Burpee of Bangor, Maine, is the guest of Mrs Isaac Burpee, Monq Pleasant.
 Misses Annie and Alice Ryan of Boston are enjoying a months vacation at their old home here.
 Miss Rose McArdie of Moncton is visiting friends in the city and at Silver Falls.
 Miss May Gallagher of the North End is spending a fortnight at Moncton and Point DuChene.
 Mrs Charles Woods of Medford, Mass, is the guest of Mrs Webber, Richmond street.
 Mrs W Johnston and little daughter Freda have returned from a pleasant visit at French Village.
 Mr Jack Donahue of Fredericton, returned home on Tuesday last.
 Mrs Duncan Brown and daughter Katie, of Somerville, Mass., are spending a few weeks with Mrs. H. Ellis, Queen street.
 Miss May Bell of Moncton arrived here on Saturday to spend a few weeks with friends.
 Mrs McKenzie is summing at Wolfville and vicinity.
 Mr and Mrs Youngclaus have been enjoying a few weeks at St George.
 Mr Royden Thomson spent the week with his mother at St Andrews.
 Mrs H Peters of this city is among the guests at Kennedy's Hotel, St Andrews.
 Miss Alice Linglay and Miss N Linglay are among the St. John people, sojourning at St. Andrews.
 Mr and Mrs. John G. Shewan are being congratulated upon the arrival of a little daughter at their home.
 Miss Fanny Ledford has returned from a lengthy visit to Halifax. She was accompanied by her friend Miss Mary Sproutson, who will spend a short time here.

MONCTON.
 Aug 15.—Miss Christina White is visiting friends at Malden, Mass.
 Miss Birdie Berry of Moncton is visiting friends at Chatham.
 Miss Myrtle Bishop of Harvey is visiting friends

in the city.
 Mrs McDona'd of Summerside has returned home from a visit to the city.
 Miss May Scott of Sackville is in the city visiting her uncle Mr Wm Small food.
 Mr and Mrs W Cowling have returned from a two weeks outing at the Redia Cape.
 Miss Emma Toombs is spending her vacation in Moncton.
 Mrs T T Ryan and little son are visiting relatives in Boston.
 Mr and Mrs Alex Stewart are here on a visit from the west.
 Mrs H A Price of Montreal is spending a few days in the city.
 Miss May Bell left Saturday on the C P R to visit friends in St John for a few weeks.
 Mrs Eadie Moore of Moncton is visiting Mr and Mrs Alex Rogers at Hopewell.
 Mrs Benj Sherwood and family, Mrs W S Ripley and R A Heath of Boston, who have been summering at the residence of the residence of Mrs Henry Budd, Victoria Road, have returned home.
 Mrs E Carroll of Halifax, N S is visiting her niece, Mrs S H Steeves, Main street.
 Miss Nellie L Foster of St John is the guest of her friend, Miss M Hogan.
 Miss Kathleen McCullough of St John is visiting friends in the city.
 Mrs C Bishop and four children of Salem, Mass, are in town, the guests of Mrs Bishop's sister Mrs Clifford Grace.
 Mrs J S Squibb is visiting her daughter Miss May Squibb, Amherst, N S and will visit friends in Halifax before returning home.
 Mrs Samuel Gordon and Miss Lillian Gordon are visiting in St John.
 Mrs McMillan and Miss McMillan, of Providence, R I, are guests of Mrs Z Lockhart, Botsford street.

Miss Ruby Lawlor, of St John west, is visiting her young friends, Miss Irene and Berna Corbett, Botsford street, Moncton.
 Miss May Simmons who has been visiting Mr and Mrs Edwards at the Queen hotel, Fredericton, left for her home in Boston Monday morning.
 Miss M McDonald left by the C P R Saturday for Norton, where she will spend her vacation, the guest of Mrs Alex McKinnon.
 Mrs MacDonaid, of Springhill, N S is in town visiting friends.
 Miss Cooke is spending her vacation at her home in Moncton.
 Miss Jennie Lutz is seriously ill at her home, Cornhill street. Slight hopes for her recovery are entertained.
 Mr Cooledge, who has been visiting her brother, Mr B E Smith, left yesterday for her home in West Gardner, Mass.

WOODSTOCK.
 No Doubt Of It.
 The inmates of a Yorkshire asylum, says London Spare Moments, were engaged in sawing wood, and the attendant thought that one old fellow was not working as hard as he might.

The old man had turned his saw upside down, with the teeth in the air, and was working away with the back of the tool.
 'Here, I say,' called out the attendant, 'what are you doing? You'll never saw wood in that fashion. Turn the saw over.'
 The old fellow stopped and looked at the attendant contemptuously.
 'Did ye ever try a saw this way?' he asked.
 'No, of course I haven't.'
 'Then ho'd thy noise, mon,' was the rejoinder. 'I hev, and this is t' easiest.'

No Such Remedy Needed.
 Various kinds of nerve foods and stimulants have been prescribed by physicians, but this young man, who is vouched for by the New York Times, demanded a special and peculiar article.

He had called on a Fifth Avenue physician, and reported that he was knocked out generally. As he took the prescription, he said:
 'Well doctor, what do I owe you?'
 'Two dollars.'
 'I'm sorry I can't pay you to-day. You won't mind waiting a while, will you?'
 'No that's all right.'
 'And doctor how much will this prescription cost?'
 'About one dollar.'
 'Say doc, you couldn't loan me a dollar to get it with, could you? I'm dead broke.'
 'Let me look at that prescription again, said the physician. He took it, examined it, and erased a line.
 'I had prescribed something for your nerve, he said but I see you don't need it.'

Philadelphia French.
 A Philadelphian tells the story of a waiter at a restaurant in the Quaker City, who has lately announced that he has begun to study French.
 'Do you find it necessary here?' asked the customer.
 'Not here, sir,' said the waiter, 'but I've been offered a steady job in Paris at one of the hotels if I can learn French.'
 'But Paris is full of French waiters,' said the gentleman. 'I'm afraid you're being deceived.'
 'Oh no, sir,' said the man, 'with much earnestness and absolute simplicity. It's a perfectly straight thing.'
 The proprietor of the hotel says the waiters he has can't understand French as we Philadelphians speak it, and that's what he wants me for, you see.'

At Annapolis, Tuesday, Edwin Potter, aged eleven years, son of Mrs E. W. Potter was drowned while bathing.

At Westchester, Jacob E Pardy committed suicide on Sunday. Deceased was fifty-four years of age. He had been dependent, and drowned himself in the well.

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