



Mrs Hazer entertained a small party of lady friends on Monday evening last. Dainty refreshments were served and the time passed quickly with pleasant conversation and music.

On Tuesday Mrs William Pugsley gave an "At Home" for the entertainment of her guest Miss Russell of Chatham. The hostess was assisted in pouring tea, and otherwise dispensing hospitality by Mrs D A Pugsley, Mrs Harry Gilbert, Miss Muriel de Forest, Miss Lou McMillan, Miss Lena Dunn, Miss DeForest, Miss Betts and the Misses Hogan. In the evening a number of the young people attended the theatre.

The marriage of Miss Russell and Mr Pugsley is to take place in the early spring.

Another pleasant affair, also on Tuesday was the 5 o'clock tea given by Mrs J. R. Armstrong. Several young lady friends assisted Mrs Armstrong in looking after the guests.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs J. J. Kaye entertained a large number of friends at an afternoon tea. Miss Kaye receiving with her mother. Mrs Inches and Mrs Raymond poured tea and coffee, and were assisted in this duty by Miss Amy Smith, Miss Allie Christie, Miss Mary Inches, Miss Burton and Miss Kaye.

The following ladies were among the guests: The Countess de Bury, Mrs Barclay Robinson, Mrs Silas Alward, Mrs Fred Saxe, Mrs George West Jones, Mrs Robert Marshall, Mrs Sherwood Skinner, Mrs George McLeod, Mrs James Dever, Mrs Cowan, Mrs B. Boyd, Mrs Thomas R. Jones, Mrs Andrew Jack, Miss Burdette, Miss Armstrong, Miss Vroom, Miss Steeves, Miss Constance Vail, Miss Skinner, Miss Coster, Mrs MacLaren, Mrs W. Sarr, Miss Murray, Mrs D P Chisholm, Mrs Murray McLaren, Miss Murphy, Miss Agnes Carr.

Mrs Robert Jardine was "At Home" to her friends on Friday afternoon. A large number called to pay their respects to the hostess. Several young ladies assisted in looking after the wants of the guests.

Mrs George Fairweather was at home to a number of her friends on Wednesday afternoon. The hostess was assisted in receiving by the Misses Fairweather, Mrs. Robert Jardine, Mrs Russell Sturdee, Mrs Tiltonson, Mrs Edgar Fairweather, Mrs V Wetmore Merritt and Mrs Harry DeForest served the guests with tea and other refreshments.

Mr J R Armstrong was again the hostess at a tea given for the younger married ladies on Thursday afternoon from 4.30 to 6.3.

The tea tables were very prettily decorated with quantities of pink carnations and were presided over by Mrs Charles McDonald and Mrs Alex. Jardine who dispensed tea and coffee. They were assisted in catering to the wants of the guests by the following young ladies, Misses Ethel and Charlotte Smith, Miss Vera Robinson, Miss Christie Robinson, Miss DuVernet, Miss Grace Scovill and Miss Muriel Fairweather.

Among those present were: Mrs Gardner Taylor, Mrs Douglas Hazen, Mrs McLaren, Mrs George West Jones, Mrs Sherwood Skinner, Mrs Andrew Jack, Mrs J Morris Robinson, Mrs Ladiow Robinson, Mrs Charles Coster, Mrs George Coster, Mrs Carleton Clinch, Mrs D P Chisholm, Mrs A George Blair, Mrs Frank Starr, Miss Dever, Miss McLaren, Miss Jarvis, Miss Jack, Miss Symonds and several others.

A number of society ladies have arranged a club for the purpose of mutual instruction in French. A meeting is held each Monday evening at the home of some one of the members, and a few hours passed pleasantly and profitably. A fine is imposed on any member who should break through the rule laid down, that no English must be spoken. The meeting was held at the residence of Mrs Harry DeForest, and the next, on Monday evening, will be with Mrs John McAvity.

Mr Norman Leslie who returned from South Africa on the Roslyn Castle, is expected to arrive in the city today. He will probably remain some time with friends here.

Mrs Fogarty and Miss Fogarty, mother and sister of Mrs George Cavell, left for New York on Thursday morning last.

We understand that the members of the Oratorio Society are making arrangements for a dinner, which they intend giving in the near future in honor of Mr Ralph Markham a valued member, who has recently returned from South Africa.

St. John people are much interested in the success which Miss Margaret Anglin is meeting with in New York. Many favorable and indeed highly flattering comments of her acting in Mrs. Dane's Defence have been made by the dramatic critics of

that city. One paper in particular devotes an entire page to the subject.

Mrs. Hugh McLean has also sent out invitations to a reception and dance at her residence on Wednesday next. Both affairs promise to be pleasant and interesting.

During the week of February 11th the Neptune Rowing club intend presenting the dainty little opera Nell Gwynne, rehearsals for which have been going on for some time under the able direction of Prof. Ford. Those taking part in the choruses meet on Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday evenings and the principals on Monday and Saturday evenings. Those who have been present at the rehearsals say that as an amateur effort Nell Gwynne bids fair to eclipse any of the previous efforts of the club in this direction, and will probably gain as high a place in the favor of the people as did the pretty extravaganza Zephra.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Seely left during the week for the Pacific coast, where they will spend a few weeks.

Miss May Robinson has been visiting at the home of Mrs Du Vernet, at Digby.

At the next meeting of the Ladies' Art Association Miss M. Barry Smith will give a short address on Art.

A private carnival will be held by the Monday evening skating club at the Queens rink on the evening of Jan 28th. The managing committee, consisting of Messrs E T Sturdee, H F Faddington, J J Keator, J G Harrison and F R Fairweather have details about completed, and the affair promises to be as pleasant as the carnival of last season. The membership of the club has increased considerably and the meetings on each Monday evening are much enjoyed.

Miss Lily Kimball and Miss Grace Fisher went to Windsor, N.S. this week, where they will resume their studies at Edgell.

Mrs John M Thomson went to Boston this week to spend a short vacation.

Mrs T McAvity is at present in Fredericton, being called there by the illness of her mother, Mrs Alex Rankine.

Mrs A L Calhoun, who has been staying with her parents Senator and Mrs Ellis, Princess street, is at present in Wolfville spending a short time with her brother, Mr George Ellis.

Mr and Mrs E Le Roi Willis were here last week stopping at the Duferrie, but they have now returned to their home in Sydney, C.B.

Mrs Fred C Macneil (nee Miss McCleaskey) was visiting her friend Miss Margaret Johnstone at Fredericton.

Mrs J Alfred Clarke was called to Fredericton to attend her son Ralph, who is quite ill with pneumonia.

A recent engagement announced at the capital is that of Miss Annie Tibbitts and Mr Harry Chestnut a member of the firm of R Chestnut & Sons. Both young people belong to Fredericton but are well known in St John. The nuptials we understand, will be celebrated during the early spring.

The Neptune Rowing club Carnival held at the Victoria rink on Monday evening, was as usual, most successful, both from a social and financial standpoint. The majority of the skaters showed very little originality in the get up of their costumes and the decision of the judges in the awarding of the prizes met with general approval.

The H. M. S. Polymorphian club announce their annual carnival for Jan. 28th, which announcement is being hailed with delight by the frequenters of the Victoria.

The heavy fall of snow and the very beautiful weather have been most favorable for sleighing parties and other out-of-door amusements. A number of such pleasant affairs have been arranged during the week and, we understand, on each occasion considerable pleasure afforded those present. In many cases the drive has been followed by a dainty supper at some of the city restaurants but the amusement which seems most favored by the young people at any rate, is dancing, and on two or three occasions this week after the drive some few hours have been spent most pleasantly in tripping the light fantastic.

Miss Ada Emery went to Roxbury, Mass., this week and intends remaining for the winter months with her brother Mr. Fred Emery in that city.

The many friends of Mrs. H. H. Dunham are pleased to hear that she is recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. H. Woodworth of the North End entertained a few of her friends on Wednesday evening. Games and music were the principal pastimes of the evening.

Miss McGourty of this city is paying a visit to friends in Fredericton.

Miss Maggie Doyle of Moncton is spending a few days in town.

The Misses Russell of Chatham were in the city during the early part of the week.

Mr. Alonzo Chesley who has been here for some months left this week on the return trip to the Pacific coast.

Miss Patterson of this city is in Montreal the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. L. Morrissey.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradford of Annapolis were here during the early part of the week, and during their stay were guests at the Royal.

Miss Maggie McKean has returned from a pleasant trip to Boston.

Mrs McLoughlin has returned from a visit to her parents, Mr and Mrs George Christie at Amherst.

Miss Jennie Campbell of Woodstock is visiting friends in the city.

Miss Wright of this city is in Woodstock, the

guest of Miss Vera Connell.

A very pleasant surprise party was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Henderson, Victoria street, on Tuesday evening. About thirty five guests were present and the evening passed off very pleasantly with music and games. Dainty refreshments were served about midnight, and the party broke up at an early hour in the morning. During the evening Mr and Mrs Henderson were presented with a very handsome set of china, and table linen as a slight token of the esteem in which they are held by their friends.

Some of the guests present were: Mr and Mrs R. W. Folkins, Mr and Mrs Lilley, Mr and Mrs L. Thompson, Mr and Mrs Wheelpley, Captain and Mrs Wm. Henderson and Mrs Scott.

Miss Whitney, Miss Myrtle Breen, Miss Ethel Wasson, Miss D Hasting, Miss Bolton, Mr Sam Adams, Mr Fred Douglas, Mr Roy Watters, Mr A Thorne, Mr Arthur Codner, Mr Belyea, Miss N Campbell, Miss Florrie Watters, Myrtle McBeath, Miss B Hasting, Miss Ida Williams, Mr George Leonard, Mr Ralph White, Mr Lorne Belyea, Mr Smiler, Mr Wm Henderson, Mr Roy Richards.

A number of the friends of Mr and Mrs Moses Cowan called on them at their residence on Cedar street on Tuesday evening, the occasion being the 44th anniversary of their marriage. Congratulations were showered on the happy couple and on behalf of the assembled company, Mr J R Pidgeon presented them with a handsome case of silver.

The evening passed away pleasantly with games, music and conversation. About midnight a bountiful supper was served. The health of the bride and groom was proposed and responded to, in a happy vein by Mr. Fred Thompson. The toast, the ladies, brought a few appropriate remarks from Mr. J E Cowan.

The guests numbering about fifty were chiefly relatives and intimate friends of Mr and Mrs Cowan.

Among those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Shipp, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Myles, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pidgeon, Mr. and Mrs. Woodworth, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Vanwall, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dunham, Mrs. and Mrs. E. Cowan, Mrs. Charles Cowan, Mrs. Sime, Mrs. Fred Hea, Miss Nettie Thompson, Miss Ada Cowan, Miss Julia Cowan, Miss Blenda Thompson, Mr. Frank Estey, Mr. C. Vanwart, Mr. Robert Cowan, Mr. J. E. Cowan, Mr. Frank Mardock, Miss Laura Sweet, Miss Elsie Cowan, Miss Mabel Dunham, Miss Blenda Thompson, Mr. Fred Thompson, jr., Mr. W. C. McMackin, Mr. B. Cowan, Mr. Robert Sime, Mr. Robert Dunham.

There have been many pleasant house parties in the South End during the past week.

Early in the week a most enjoyable surprise party was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Burns, Prince William street. Quite a number of guests were present and passed a pleasant evening with music and dancing. During the evening refreshments were served and Mr. and Mrs. Burns presented with a handsome mirror.

Misses Annie and M. McCarthy entertained a few friends at their home on St. James street on Wednesday evening. A pleasant time was spent in games, music and dancing.

Miss Etta Vennell and Miss Effie Calder returned on Wednesday afternoon to their home in Welshpool, Camboello, after spending a couple of weeks with friends in this city.

Mrs. J. Gleeson has returned from a pleasant visit to her friend Miss Hogan at St. Stephen. Miss Hogan leaves next week for Boston, where she will continue her musical studies.

Mrs. James Murray of St. Stephen, who has been in the city for a short time, returned home during the early part of the week.

Mrs. William Clark and little boy are visiting friends in Boston.

PARROBORO.

[Progress is for sale at the Parrboro Bookstore.]

Jan. 18 - The whist club was entertained on Friday of last week by Mrs P A Holmes. It was the initial meeting for the season. There were seven tables and a decidedly enjoyable evening was spent ending with the usual dance. A sleigh drive was to precede the games but owing to the inclemency of the weather it had to be abandoned. Another pleasant meeting was held last evening at Mrs D Gillespie's.

Miss Minnie Gillespie has returned to Halifax to resume her studies at Mt St Vincent.

Dr and Mrs Burgess of Cheverie have been guests of Dr. and Mrs Johnson.

Members of Court Given, I. O. F., numbering forty enjoyed a dinner at Hotel Evangeline on Tuesday evening. The menu which was excellent, including all the delicacies obtainable was done ample justice to, and was followed by toasts and songs. Afterwards the party went upstairs and had more music in the parlor with Mr C. H. B. Hillcoat at the piano, recitations and step dancing.

Rev Mr Driffield is attending the deanery meeting at Pictou.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Gilmore and children and Mr and Mrs W. W. Beach and family spent New Years at Mr and Mrs F C Jenks.

Miss Emma Smith is at home from Boston for a visit of a few weeks.

Mrs C. Huggins, Halifax, has been paying a visit to her parents.

ST. STEPHEN AND CALAIS.

[Progress is for sale in St. Stephen at the bookstore of O. S. Wall, T. E. Atcheson and J. Vroom & Co., in Calais at O. P. Treat's.]

JAN. 17 - Stephen A Payne of St John spent Sunday with Mrs V A Waterbury and family.

Dr and Mrs Lawson entertained a party of friends with whist at their residence on Tuesday evening.

George Owen of Portland, Maine, was in town this week to attend the funeral services of the late lamented E B Kierstead.

Mrs Fancy mother of Wm A Fancy of this town died at her home in New Italy, N.S., last week.

James Baldwin a well known citizen of St Stephen died on Saturday. He was eighty six years of age.

Mrs Gleason, who was Miss Alice Hogan's guest, has returned to St John after a pleasant visit in Calais, Miss Hogan has become a pupil in the New England conservatory of music at Boston.

Miss Effie Calder and Miss Etta Vennell of Camboello are in St John guests of Miss May Fowers, Princess street.

On January 6th Mrs Wellington Hanson of Grand-Isaac was married to Mr Hiram Morse of Grand-Isaac.

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