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As the orchestra finished the last note of the ragtime melody, the girl in the pink dress touched the girl in lace bodice on the shoulder.

"Excuse me, but would you please let me see your programme? I forgot to take one as I came in."

"Beg pardon!" exclaimed the girl in the lace bodice.

"I say would you let me see your programme? I forgot to take one as I came in."

"My which?"

"Your programme."

"Really, you do not call this a programme?"

"No?"

"Of course not!"

"Well, what do you call it?"

"A programme. P-r-o-g-r-a-m."

"Indeed! Well, I don't mind telling you I call it a programme. P-r-o-g-r-a-m."

"Then your pronunciation is decidedly correct. It's a pity how ungrammatical you people are."

"How is that?"

"I say it's a pity how ungrammatical we are at times."

"But there is nothing ungrammatical about it. Read those bold letters on the cover of your programme. Does it read p-r-o-g-r-a-m? Of course it doesn't."

"Well, you know the man that printed may not have the advantages of high education."

"No; and I suppose he never went to Chicago University, eh?"

"Just then an usher terminated the conversation rather suddenly."

"Ladies permit me to say that if you only adjourn until the fall of the curtain the audience will be able to pay more attention to your interesting discussion."

—Chicago News.

A Humanitarian.

Among the passengers in a well filled motor car coming from Cleveland to Detroit was a lumber salesman from this end of the route. He is tall, has a deep voice, piercing eyes, a strong face and the general appearance associated with the profession.

Who moaned, moved restlessly in his seat and was unmistakably sick.

"What's the matter?" abruptly asked salesman.

"I feel very ill."

"Pshaw! You don't have to tell me that. Let me feel your pulse. I'm a doctor. Put out your tongue. Indigestion. I'll fix you in five minutes." He hurried to the water tank, poured out a straw colored dose and hurried back.

"But it's whiskey. I never touch the stuff."

"Drink it or you won't live ten miles, as we're going."

Down he went, and shortly the two were laughing and talking as though neither had ever felt a pain.

"Did I understand that you were a doctor?" timidly from a young matron who carried a kicking, howling olive branch in her arms.

"Yes, ma'am. And he never finished. He's not well! Whew! What a temper!"

"His keen eyes informed him that the youngster was a miniature Hercules. "He's as strong as a dollar, madam. There's a pin in it, not a spank him."

She came back to report that his first diagnosis was the correct one and wanted pay. So did the man; but the doctor waved them aside and acted indignantly.

"Then I'm away from home I only pray for the good of humanity. Need a good dose, my man?"

Show Substantial Sympathy.

St. John people are always moved by news of a great fire and consequently disaster that has befallen Hull and towns caused the greatest sympathy here.

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"They told me," groaned Johnny, in an agony of indigestion. "I couldn't eat my water eggs and have 'em, too, but it ain't I et 'em, and I've got 'em yet!"



Perhaps it is a little bit unorthodox, but it must be confessed that very little if anything is going on these days in the line of social gaieties. Everybody of course knows that this season, at any rate in the past, is the least pleasant, at any rate it generally proves itself so in St. John. The long hated individual who hails the first approach of spring in metric of verses would perhaps write in other strains if he spent an early spring or two in this climate. The frosts of the weather since last Saturday bears out this statement. Nevertheless we all live in the hopes of four days and many of them when not only the hearts of the socially inclined will be continuously gladdened, but also the being of the social paragon, who these days plods along to a large extent in vain.

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 election of officers was at once proceeded with and resulted in the re-election of Mrs. George F. Smith as president and Miss H. S. Smith as secretary. Mrs. L. E. Harrison, Miss Burpee, Mrs. Lawson, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. George West Jones, Miss Tina McLellan and Miss Mabel Thomson were elected to constitute the ladies committee.

The yearly report showed that there are at present 49 play members and 63 ten members enlisted. During last season five lady members visited St. Andrews and played the Algonquin and were defeated. A return match was played in St. John and the St. John players made a more creditable showing, being defeated by only five holes. On that occasion the visitors were entertained at the club house. On October 19 and 20 a series of games was played with a Halifax team in which the St. John players were victorious.

On September 23 and 24 the championship games were played, Miss Burpee and Miss Thomson qualifying for the finals. In the play of Miss Thomson won. The prize was a challenge cup donated by Mrs. F. J. Usher of Edinburgh, and will have to be won three years in succession before any one can hold it permanently.

The ladies wish to thank Mr. Hobey of Boston for Mr. Chas. George K. McLeod, Mrs. Eubay, Miss Burpee, Mrs. Robert Thomson, Miss Lou Parks and Mr. J. D. Hays for prizes.

Golf is just 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. The two reasons assigned for this are the expense of the sport and the difficulty in securing suitable grounds. A golfer's outfit does not consist of only a club and ball, but a large and fearful array of sticks, some quite costly, also a suit or two, and in order to maintain the orderliness of the links or grounds the players, especially the gentlemen must pay, pay and pay again. To the uninitiated golfer, or "fool," is most uninteresting, and Mark Twain must have been sadly deficient in his love for it, for he tersely describes the sport as that of "chasing a quinine pill over a vast green lot."

This season coming St. John will play Halifax, St. Andrews, Woodville and other places, on the home links and abroad. Quebec and Montreal want matches, but it is doubtful if they can be accommodated. Already in this city there are some really good golfers.

Prof. Collinson and his Iolanthe band of pretty maidens and fair men completely captured Moncton Wednesday evening. The night was a stormy one in the railway town, but few if any seats were vacant when the curtain went up. It was made a social event by the Moncton people and before the curtain separated singer and listener the Winter Port people had made it an artistic event. The fresh pretty costumes, catchy music, good orchestra etc., all combined in delighting the townspeople to an exceptional degree. Every soloist was accorded more than once. Misses McCleary, Brennan, Mrs. Lyman, Frank McCleary and others being especially favored. Even upon the soloists' first appearance on the stage the receptions accorded were highly gratifying. Without a hitch the opera was sung through and it was very evident the Moncton people were highly pleased. Going up to Moncton and coming home the company amused themselves briefly in song, or rendering duets, solos, quartets and choruses. The "1893" quartette on the way up was "And Prof. Collinson says, and he intends keeping them in mind—but nobody knows what for."

A special train brought the singers home arriving in St. John at six o'clock Thursday morning. Everybody of course was "wired now and sleepy too," and the rest of the day was spent in the land of Nod and Nod. Those who sang at Moncton, and some of their friends were: Misses Mayne and Emma Thum, Miss Lillian Adams, Miss Ella Payne Cameron, Miss Jessie Farmer, Miss Matthews, Miss Clara Brennan, Miss Maud McLuskey, Miss Helen Whitton, Miss Pauline Beard, Misses Barnaby, Miss Laura Brennan, Miss (Katie) Brennan, Mrs. Chas. F. Harrison, Mrs. (Dr.) Holden and Mrs. Brennan accompanied the party. The gentlemen were: Harry Dunn, Boyden Thomson, Dewitt Catras, Frank

Boden, Frank Hagen, Lou Brennan, Jack A. Kelly, Fred McNeill, Wm. Rodgers, F. A. McCluskey, S. Young, Guy Bostwick, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Hogg, Neven Cameron, Wm. Bowden, Dave Kitchpatrick, Mr. McManis, Mr. Lantry and several orchestra members.

Early summer wedding days are drawing nearer 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. A lovely home is being beautifully furnished for a Dorchester street maiden who is to wed a North End dentist very soon. The bride in prospect is one of the prettiest young ladies in town. Another dentist, a Charlotte street widower, it is said has chosen for his wife the eldest daughter of a Sydney street physician. A leading lady vocalist and still another dentist, but at present studying abroad. A bank clerk and a Main street young lady. A High street lady teacher and a young lawyer. A St. James street grocer and a well-known printer's sister. Another engagement is that of a young man who used to be a St. John druggist, but who is now in Upper Canada and a fair dandy still in town.

The Valentine Stock Company whose engagements of sixteen weeks has been one long delight to the theatre-going class close their stay tonight with "The Will." 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 the company, no matter how good, would stay here for the period advertised, but they have and twice as long as advertised. No dramatic organization that ever visited St. John made more friends than the Valentine people. From the leading members to the least important player they have been found most homelike and sociable, and a large number of homes about town have enjoyed their calls. During their stay they have produced the following plays:

- All the Comforts of Home.
- The Merchant of Venice.
- Moths.
- Ingomar.
- Camille.
- Ma'selle.
- Othello.
- The Truamster.
- The Rivals.
- The Three Musketeers.
- Niobe.
- Monte Cristo.
- The Jilt.
- Richelieu.
- The Lady of Lyons.
- Booth'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. F. 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. Real and Mrs. Halbrook 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 Hupston passed through the city on Wednesday en route to Boston.

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

Mr. Bliss Barnes of Hampton spent Wednesday here.

Mr. J. A. Tilton spent Wednesday in Fredericton on a 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 Queser 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.

These present were:

- Miss Minnie Smith
- Miss Nellie Driscoll
- Miss Josie Durick
- Miss Mary Quinlan
- Miss Clara Lee
- Miss Coffey
- Miss J. Mullin
- Miss A. Gormely
- Mr. E. Kincaide
- Mr. C. Gormely
- Mr. L. McGuire
- Mr. Arthur Brown
- Mr. Theo. Durick
- Mr. Will Harrington
- Miss Annie Powers
- Miss L. King
- Miss Minnie Durick
- Miss Nellie Harrington
- Miss Mary Quinlan
- Miss C. O'Neill
- Miss S. C. Mallin
- Mr. C. Gibbon
- Mr. Herb Lyons
- Mr. Tom Akersley
- Mr. Willard Lingley
- Mr. William McMillan

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. John, N.B., and Rev. John J. St. John of Argentina 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. F. A. Nunnery of theatre fame was in town early in the week.

Mrs. Robertson and Miss Nevin of St. John, are the guests of Mrs. J. W. Wortman, Queen street, Moncton.

Miss Amy Blah of Ottawa, daughter of Hon. A. G. Blah, 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 cabin passengers, 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 hospitality extended to the students while in the city. Thanks were also extended to Messrs. Richey and Davidson for souvenir writing paper and badges, and to W. M. Wallace for copies of his song, the Queen's Brave Canadians.

Messrs. George Robertson, M. P. F., 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. F. 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 Carlton.

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 20 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 Tilly went to Montreal Wednesday after noon.

Latest styles in wedding invitations and announcements printed in any quantities and at moderate prices. Will be sent to any address.

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FREDERICTON.

[Frooness is for sale in Fredericton by W. T. H. Finney and J. H. Hawthorne.]

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 Tarnar, 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. William Macdonald, assisted by the father of the groom, Rev. Dr. MacRae, Principal of Morris 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 into a glorious mass of bloom. As the bride made one glorious march of bloom. As the bride made one glorious march of bloom. As the bride made one glorious march of bloom.

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. (Geo. F. King, barrister of Sussex. The bride wore a dainty travelling costume of fawn 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, hat to match and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The ushers were Messrs. C. H. Allen, J. J. Fraser Winslow, Allan B. White and H. George.

Among the guests were, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bridges, Master Gregory Bridges, Mr. J. Fraser Gregory, St. John, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gregory, Misses Beverly, Miss Murray, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Chestnut, Misses Bridges, Rev. William Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Burns, Miss Taylor, Miss Leach, Miss Maggie Allen, Miss Jaffrey, Rev. Dr. MacRae, Quebec, Mr. K. J. MacRae, St. John, Mr. Owen Campbell, St. John, Dr. and Mrs. H. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen, Mr. W. C. Whitaker, St. John, Misses Whitaker, Misses Crookbank, 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 peal from the belfry accompanied 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 solitary pearl ring. Among the most 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. B. Jones of St. John is in the city.

Miss Beattie 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. Moore 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. Tibbits, leave for their home in Oakland, Cal., on Saturday.

An interesting event took place this morning in

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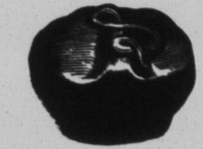
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