



Mrs. Jack McLaren gave a very pleasant five o'clock tea to a number of her lady friends on New Year's eve. The ladies were all prettily gowned as the afternoon was delightfully fine, the hostess wearing a very handsome black silk. She was assisted by the Misses McLaren, Miss Snider, Miss Burnside, Miss Ethel Beer, Miss Lillie Harrison, and Mrs. Murray McLaren who dispensed the dainties provided for the occasion in a graceful manner. During the afternoon Miss Kathleen Farlow gave some vocal selections very charmingly. Among the ladies present were Mrs. McLaren, Miss Burpee, Miss Jones, Misses McMillan, Miss Warren, Misses Thompson, Misses Robertson, Miss Cathers, Miss Dever, Misses Farlow, Misses deBury, Miss Tuck, Misses Bayard, Miss Hanes, Miss Sturdee, Miss Wright, Miss Campbell, Miss Dunn, Miss Annie Smith, Miss McLaughlin, Misses Vassie, Misses Walker, Misses Scammel, Miss Kittie Crookshank, Miss Begg and others.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sands of St. Stephen were in the city this week. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Knowles of Lewiston spent a short time here this week. Bishop Kingdon was here for a short time the first of the week.

Mr. T. Lynch of Fredericton was here Monday. Major Markham went to Nova Scotia the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hunter of Boston spent part of the week here. Mr. W. J. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson of Ottawa were in the city for a part of this week.

Mr. H. F. Wetmore of Halifax was here for a day the beginning of the week. Mr. S. Edgar Wilson of Dorchester spent Saturday in the city.

Mrs. J. C. Winslow, Woodstock, is the guest of Mrs. C. M. Bostwick, Carmarthen street. Messrs. H. H. Schaefer and A. E. Olive of Moncton were in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Richards and Miss Richards of Campbellton spent Tuesday and Wednesday in the city. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Peters of Moncton were here for a short time this week.

Prof. E. M. Kierstead of Wolfville, N. S., spent the first of the week in the city. Rev. Job Sheenton and Mrs. Sheenton went to Moncton the first of the week for a short visit to Mrs. Sheenton's relatives.

The marriage took place on Monday afternoon at the residence of Mr. William D. Lovinor of Montreal, and Miss Idella McKee. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Sampson at the residence of the groom's aunt, Mrs. Jas. Lemon, Duke street, West end; the rooms were prettily decorated with cut flowers and foliage plants. The bride looked exceedingly pretty in a dress of blue cashmere cloth with velvet and iridescent trimmings and hat to match. Only the near relatives of the contracting parties were present. After the nuptial knot had been tied, light refreshments were served, and amid hearty congratulations and showers of rice, the happy pair left on the C. P. R. for Montreal, where they will make their future home. Both bride and groom are great favorites and have hosts of friends who will wish them every happiness.

Mr. Chas. J. Thompson of Newcastle was here for a few hours on Tuesday. Miss Maude M. Clark of Fredericton spent part of this week with city friends.

Messrs. T. M. Nairn and Wm. Blair who spent part of last week in Montreal returned to St. John on Tuesday.

Mr. George E. Corbett and Miss Corbett of Annapolis spent part of the week here. Miss Wheeler and Miss Wheeler of Woodstock are spending a few days in the city.

Miss Freda Babbitt of Fredericton is spending the holidays with her friend Miss Ella Payne of Duke street.

Messrs. Frank and Harry McClaskey who have been spending the holidays with their parents returned to Boston the first of the week.

Miss Isaac of New York was here this week. The annual Christmas tree and entertainment for the benefit of the sailors was held on Tuesday evening at the seaman's mission and it was very successful. The rooms in the building were very prettily decorated with greens and colored paper; a large anchor of spruce was hung at the top of the main entrance. Refreshments and useful gifts were given to the sailors and during the evening the following program was rendered:

Hymns.....Messrs. Adams and Nelson
Scripture reading.....Rev. Mr. Smith
Prayer.....Rev. Mr. Adams
Address.....President H. C. Tilley
Christmas Carol.....Stone church choir
Readings, Miss Ballie, Miss Vanwart and Mr. Alexander Baird.

Solo.....Messrs. Adams and Nelson
Violin solo.....Master Ken Bostwick
Bass solo.....Mr. Frank Whetson
Mr. B. G. Leslie of Torbrook N. S. was in the city for a day or two this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Seaman of Shubenacadie are visiting St. John for a short time. Lady Tilley spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Chapman in St. Stephen.

Mrs. S. F. Harding spent a short time in St. Stephen lately as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hanes Grimmer.

Mr. J. B. LeBlanc spent Sunday in Digby. Rev. F. M. Bacon spent Christmas at his home in Digby.

Mr. Norman of the Halifax Bank at Truro who had been spending a week with city friends returned home the first of this week.

Mr. Howard of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Woodstock spent Christmas with St. John friends. Mr. John V. Ellis Jr. returned Wednesday from a week's visit to Boston.

Miss Huntley of Woodstock spent a few days here lately. Lieut. Col. Tucker M. P. and Mr. H. H. McLean left the first of the week for Montreal and Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Troop left Tuesday for New York. Mr. D. V. Troop who accompanied them will spend the winter in Florida and the West Indies.

Mr. W. A. Carvell of Fredericton was here for a short time the first of the week.

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Mr. M. L. Tucker of Parrishboro spent the greater part of this week in St. John. Mr. G. P. Newton of Grand Manan, is here for a day or two.

Mr. E. C. Liddle of Toronto was in St. John for a part of this week. Mr. N. A. Rhodes of Amherst made a brief visit to the city the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lilley of Brussels street gave a dinner on New Year's evening to a number of their friends. Prof. W. G. Alexander and Mrs. Alexander were in the city this week, sailing from here on Wednesday for Liverpool Eng.

Mr. A. D. Wetmore of Truro was here for a day or two lately. Mr. F. Lawlor spent several days here lately returning to Woodstock on Tuesday.

Mr. John Short who has been visiting a few days in Richibucto with her son returned home this week. Mr. S. B. Patterson of Richibucto was here on Monday.

On Friday last Mrs. Joseph H. Moore of Point Du Chene was in the city on her way to New York, to visit her son J. Alexander Moore who is now very ill in that city. Mr. Otto B. Moore accompanied his mother to St. John, and spent a few days with friends.

Mr. Watson Allen and C. N. Skinner left the middle of the week for Ottawa. Mrs. Muirhead of Chatham was here for a short time this week.

Mr. Eldon Mullin and Miss Mullin of Fredericton spent part of this week in the city. Miss Ransom of Pembroke, Me., was in the city the middle of the week returning from a visit to Nova Scotia friends. She was accompanied by Master Herbert Wood of River Hebert, who will spend the winter in Maine.

Mr. Donald Keith of Halifax was here for a short time this week. Rev. Fr. Coughlan of Milltown, N. B., visited his parents in this city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Paterson, Mr. F. Everett and Mr. A. Jones of Toronto were here this week to take passage on the Lake Ontario which sailed from Liverpool on Thursday morning.

Mr. George U. Hay returned Wednesday from a trip to Toronto. Mr. Robert O'Connor left Wednesday for a short visit to New York.

Mrs. E. L. Bowdler and Miss Newman of Moncton spent a short time in the city this week. Mr. W. W. Black of Amherst was here for a day or two this week.

Mr. J. D. Campbell of Halifax is spending a short time in St. John. Mr. W. B. Murdoch of Amherst is in the city for a day or two.

Ex-warden McLaughlin was among the passengers on the Lake Ontario, for Liverpool this week. Mr. H. E. Gillis of Annapolis was among the city's visitors this week.

Miss Kate Holt is spending the holiday season with friends in Dorchester and Moncton. Mr. George Dobson of Sussex was in the city for a day the middle of the week.

Dr. Clarence Webster of Montreal was in the city for a short time this week leaving for Shediac on Thursday. Mr. H. H. Woods of Welsford was here for a short time this week.

Mr. J. G. H. Parker of Bridgetown, N. S., spent Thursday in the city. Mrs. J. R. Howe of Boston paid a brief visit to the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Patillo of Bridgewater, N. S. were in the city on Wednesday. Mr. Henry Hette Jr. of Washington D. C. is in St. John.

Mr. J. R. Inch of Fredericton spent Wednesday in the city. Mr. A. J. Goldstein of New York paid a brief visit to the city lately.

Miss Ella Whitaker has returned to Fredericton from a pleasant visit to Carleton friends. The Misses McMillan are in Fredericton visiting the Misses Randolph at "Frogmore."

Miss Turner is in Fredericton visiting her aunt Mrs. Sampson. Mrs. Thomas Knowles is here to spend the holidays with friends.

The Misses Lugin are visiting their aunt Mrs. Fiewelling of Fredericton. Capt. and Mrs. Akerly of Fredericton have been spending a few days with city friends lately.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Creed now of this city are in Fredericton visiting Mr. Creed's father, Mr. H. C. Creed.

Mr. Gillis Keator was in St. Stephen for a part of this week. Mr. Wm. Rogerson of Campbellton, was visiting his brother, at No. 1 Carleton street, on Christmas day.

Mr. John P. Hagan returned Friday to his home in Superior, Wisconsin. Mrs. A. F. deForest arrived from Boston the middle of the week.

Rev. H. A. Meahen of Moncton was here Thursday on his way home from Boston where he has been visiting.

Col. Tucker M. P. and Mr. Hugh McLean attended the Laurier banquet in Montreal on Wednesday evening.

Miss Besse Miles of this city is in Moncton visiting Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Crisp.

Mr. A. C. Stead of the Bank of Montreal, Moncton spent the Christmas holidays at his home in this city.

Mr. George Babbitt accountant of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Moncton also spent the day with St. John friends, as did also Mr. S. W. Palmer of the same town.

Miss Higgins is in Chatham visiting Mrs. John McDonald. Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Campbell of this city have been visiting Mr. Campbell's father Rev. J. B. Campbell of Dorchester lately.

Miss Ella Tash returned Monday from Berorchester where she had been visiting her sister Mrs. Wetmore. Mr. Edgar Wilson of Dorchester spent Christmas day in St. John.

Mr. A. B. McLean returned Thursday from a trip to Boston and New York on which he was accompanied by his daughter.

Superintendent of Education Inch and Mrs. Inch were here for a short time on Thursday on their way to Truro.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hopper pleasantly surprised them on Thursday evening, the first anniversary of their marriage, by calling in a body to spend the evening, and to offer with their good wishes, a very handsome centre table. Mr. and Mrs. Hopper who have recently taken up housekeeping entertained their callers very hospitably, and the time passed so quickly that it was in order to tender New Year's wishes ere the pleasant gathering dispersed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Collins gave a very pleasant party at their residence on New Year's eve at which many friends were present. The affair was a regular old time New Year's party and there is no doubt that it was thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

After an elaborate supper the new year was ushered in by singing Auld Lang Syne. The youthful inmates of the Industrial Home were given their usual holiday treat on New Year's eve. Only the members of the board of governors were present this year but the occasion was a happy one, notwithstanding the absence of guests and an excellent dinner of Christmas dainties was thoroughly enjoyed by the inmates. From the Christmas tree which occupied a prominent place in the large parlour, the boys received several suitable presents each; a good musical programme was rendered, and speeches were made by the Mayor, Judge Ritchie, Mr. John E. Irvine and Rev. Lee Hoyt, during the evening.

FREDERICTON.

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

DEC. 30.—The ball last evening at "Frogmore" the residence of the Hon. A. F. and Mrs. Randolph was the most brilliant affair of the kind that we have had for a long time.

The house was most beautifully decorated with palms, ferns and greenery. The balustrade was beautifully handsome in its decorations and was wreathed with smilax and roses; At the foot of the stairs stood a group of rare palms and the fire places were banked with potted plants and palms.

The corner corner was lined with blooming plants and formed a most charming retreat for sitting out dances.

On arrival at "Frogmore" the guests nearly two hundred in number entered by the east door, and after descending from the dressing rooms were received in the main hall by Mr. and Mrs. Randolph and Miss Randolph and soon passed into the large drawing room.

The drawing-room and dining-room were devoted to dancing which was kept up to the sweet strains of music from Buchanan's orchestra. Ices and light refreshments were served all evening and at midnight a champagne supper was partaken of. The decorations of the supper table, which was spread in the library, were in pink with baskets of roses.

Mrs. Randolph received her guests in a very handsome costume of black velvet, Miss Randolph wore a skirt of cream silk with bodice of pink silk, Miss Mina Randolph, cream satin. A complete list of the guests it was impossible to get but among them were, Colonel and Mrs. Gordon, Dr. and Mrs. McLean, Capt. and Mrs. Foot, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Hillyard, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. B. Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. F. St. John Bliss, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Babbitt, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Archie MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen D. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Downing, Mr. and Mrs. John Black, Mr. and Mrs. Rainford Wetmore, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Sharpe, Dr. and Mrs. J. Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Powys, Mr. and Mrs. Penderast, Mr. and Mrs. Will Manssall, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. John Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Robin Jack, Dr. and Mrs. Bayard Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Cudlip, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. H. Fenety, Mr. and Mrs. Will Fair, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitehead, Miss George, Miss Frankie Tibbitts, Miss May Robinson, Miss Lillian Beckwith, Miss Annie Tibbitts, Miss Annie Phinney, Miss Ethel Hart, Miss Hunt, Miss Beck, the Misses Phair, Miss Louise Jack, Miss Bodkin, the Misses Sherman, Miss Wark, Miss Joffrey, Miss Hubbard, the Misses Johnston, Mrs. O'Grady, Hillyard, Miss Farrington, Miss Bailey, Miss N. H. the Misses Tabor, the Misses Powys, Miss Crookshank, the Misses Babbitt, Miss Odell, the Misses Gregory, Miss Whitaker, the Misses Sterling, Miss Fenety, Miss Akerly, Miss Stetson, the Misses Rainford, Miss Grace Winslow, Miss Blanche Glaeser, Miss Gilmore, Miss Logan, Miss Isabel Babbitt, Miss Annie Babbitt, the Misses Thompson, the Misses Hunter, the Misses Wilton, Miss Yarn Thompson, Miss Wilby, Miss Beckwith, Capt. Eaton, Capt. Macdonnell, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Aubrey Tabor, Mr. L. Bailey, Mr. Neil, Messrs. Cheesnut, Mr. Will R. berts, Mr. T. Macdonald, Mr. Tom Lee, Mr. Tinden Fenety, Mr. Campbell Allen, Mr. Wayland Porter, Mr. Lewis Phillips, Mr. R. W. McLellan, Mr. Hooper, Mr. Augustus George, Mr. A. R. Tibbitts, Mr. Roy Vanwart, Mr. Jas. Tibbitts, Mr. Frank Phinney, Mr. Fred Hart, Mr. B. Lemont, Mr. Allen Wilton, Mr. Symonds, Mr. E. S. Barker, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Stockley, Mr. Bristow, Mr. Lewis Bliss, Messrs. Bodkin, Mr. Raymond, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Arthur Glaeser, Mr. Bayard, Mr. Tom Fowler, Messrs. Clement, Mr. Geo. Black, Mr. B. Wiley, and L. B. Wilton.

Miss Fenety entertained the musical club at "Linden hall" Wednesday evening, this being the first meeting for the club this season.

Dr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick of Woodstock spent Xmas here at Mrs. Kirkpatrick's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dean Creed are spending a few days here the guests of Mr. Creed's father, Mr. H. C. Creed.

Mr. Jack Cameron of London, England, is in town and sails for home from Halifax in a few days. Miss Ella Whitaker has returned home from a visit of several weeks spent with Mrs. Coy in Carleton.

The Misses Lascelles spent Xmas and remained over Sunday here the guests of their uncle Mr. A. S. Murray.

Mr. LeBaron Wilton is home from McGill College for the holidays.

The Misses Aggie and Hazel and Master Ross Kitchen children of Mr. Willard Kitchen, entertained their young friends to the number of 150 at a delightful sleigh ride party yesterday afternoon, three large sleighs driven four in hand and three double teams were required to convey the party on their very exciting ride.

Miss Stanton of Foreston is here the guest of Mrs. T. Linch.

Miss Kathleen Phair daughter of Mr. Will Phair was most pleasantly remembered on Christmas day by the congregation of Mr. Montgomery's church at Kingsclear, Miss Phair who has from time to time given her services gratuitously as organist was the recipient of a very handsome leather dressing case.

Senator Temple made a Christmas present of his handsome residence, corner Queen and St. John streets, to his daughter, Mrs. Fred Hillyard.

Miss Janet Mosborough has gone to Boston to visit friends.

The ladies orchestra of this city on Christmas day, presented Prof. Cadwallader of Marysville with a bust of Mozart.

Miss Emma Power of Shediac, sister of Mrs. W. H. McGinn and Miss Fiddy Babin of Moncton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. McGinn.

Mrs. Hogg, the efficient organist of the Methodist church, met with a very pleasant surprise when taking her place on Sunday morning. On the organ was an envelope addressed to her and containing \$62.50, placed there by a friend on behalf of the congregation.

The Misses McMillan of St. John are the guests of the Misses Randolph at "Frogmore."

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