FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

Saturday, Feb. 17.

The last week before Lent has been surprisingly gay as there was something going on morning, noon and night; consequently there was an air of enjoyment everywhere, a condition satisfactory to both entertainers and those who were entertained. With only two days before Ash Wednesday, there is but a short time left in which to crowd the remaining festivities scheduled to take place. After that there will be a notable decrease of gaiety so far as dances are concerned, but luncheons, dinners and other mild forms of amusement will save the social world from too great a degree of ennui during the season of sackcloth and ashes.

Most notable among the society events of the week was the leap year dance given by a number of young ladies at the Golf Club on Wednesday evening. From all points it was one of the most interesting entertainments of the winter. The decorations in the ball room were elaborate and unique, consisting of innumerable hearts of every conceivable size. These were strung over the mantles and doors and along the walls, the mantles themselves having baskets of scarlet geraniums, brass candlesticks and crimson shaded candles upon them; on the walls hung large hearts of scarlet geraniums, while hanging on the walls were large black posters bearing the inscription in gold, "Man Beware! Leap Year is Here," and also hand-painted was a large solitaire diamond ring, a gentle reminder of what was expected when the inevitable happened. Cupids with bow and arrow formed another of the artistic decorations. In the ball room Mr. Harold C. Schofield and Mr. Louis W. Barker received the guests, both dressed in black broadcloth with touches of white and each carried exquisite sheaf bouquets of red and white carnations, tied lavishly with white chiffon bows and long streamers. A white calla lily enveloped in lettuce was another fragrant bouquet. Indeed the gentlemen chaperones were laden down with beautiful floral offerings. In the dining room Mr. Alexander Fowler presided with unusual grace over the beautifully appointed supper table which had hearts and flowers in profusion. Each gentleman received as a favor a bouquet containing such well known varieties as the rosy carrot and feathery parsley, the crimson radish and celery evergreen, etc., etc. Those who assisted were the ladies, all of whom enjoyed the novel sensation of reversing the usual order of attendance. The music was excellent and in the small wee hours of the morning after the guests departed, those who were instrumental in promoting the dance must have been gratified at the results of their efforts. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Schofield, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fairweather, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. T. Escott Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McA. Blizard, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Barker, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Sancton, Mrs. Percy Thomson, Mrs. Royden Thomson, Mrs. Ronald McAvity, Miss Ethel McAvity, Miss McMillan, Miss Mabel McAvity, Miss Alice L. Fairweather, Miss Vera Maclauchlan, Miss Norah Robinson, Miss Lillie Raymond, Miss Mary L. Warner, Miss Daphne Crosby, Miss Clara Schofield, Miss Bertie Hegan, Miss Winnie Raymond, Miss Marion Magee, Miss Frances Kerr, Miss Jenetta Bridges, Miss Jean Trueman, Miss Kathleen Trueman, Miss Ethel Emerson, Miss Frances Hazen, Miss Mary MacLaren, Miss Alleyne Starr, Miss Portia McKenzie, Miss Janie Stone, Miss Jean McDonald, Miss Mary L. Harrison, Miss Grace Fisher, Mr. J. G. Harrison, Mr. Allan Thomas, Mr. Hugh Mackay, Mr. Cyrus Inches, Mr. Alexander McMillan, Mr. F. Keator, Mr. Colin Mackay, Mr. Stanley Emerson, Mr. Malcolm Mackay, Mr. Kenneth Inches, Mr. Harold Stetson, Mr. Gordon Kerr, Mr. Ruggles, Mr. Todd, Mr. Malcolm McAvity, Mr. Charles McDonald, Mr. Harold Cruickshink, Mr. Barton Wetmore, Mr. John Sayre, Mr. Royden Harding, Mr. Harold Ellis, Mr. F. Fraser, Mr. Coulthurst, Mr. J. Belyea, Mr. Frank Young, Mr. Harold Sturdee, Mr. Thomas Blair, Mr. D. Barnes, Mr. Kenneth Raymond, Mr. Jack Pugsley, Mr. Guy Merritt, Mr. Horace Porter.

On Thursday and Friday afternoons of last week Mrs. Rothwell entertained at very delightful luncheon bridges. Thursday the prize winners were Mrs. L. B. Knight and Mrs. Charles Millar. The luncheon each day was most delicious and the arrangements perfect. Pink and yellow spring flowers adorned the small tables at which the guests were seated and bright fires added to the pretty effect. Afterwards bridge tables were formed, the prize winners being Mrs. L. B. Knight and Mrs. Charles Millar. The score cards were dainty yellow and pink valentines carrying out the color scheme in drawing room and dining room. Mrs. Rothwell received her guests in a pretty black satin costume trimmed with white maline and guests were Mrs. Charles Millar, Mrs. R. Travis, Mrs. Charles McDonald, Mrs. Horace Wetmore, Mr. G. Fred Fisher, Mrs. Massie, Mrs. Louis Tapley, Mrs. Arthur McDonald, Mrs. George E. Fairweather, Mrs. F. J. G. Knowlton, the Misses Mary and Ada Tapley, Mrs. Spangler, Mrs. Geo. Murray, Mrs. March, Mrs. Nevins, Mrs. J. Burrill, Mrs. George White, Mrs. L. B. Knight, Mrs. George Fleming, Mrs. Geo. Hilyard, Mrs F. Gregory, Mrs. Haycock, Mrs. Ralph Robertson, Mrs. Allen Rankine, Mrs. Harvey P. Hayward, Mrs. F. Anderson, Mrs. A. C. Currie, Miss Disbrow.

Friday's prize winners were Miss Katherine Disbrow and Mrs. H. B. Robinson; guests, Mrs. C. B. Allan, Mrs. L. R. Harrison, Mrs. William Hazen, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. James Frink, Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. Daniel Mullin, Mrs. F. C. Macneill, Mrs. M. G. Teed, Mrs. F. Harding, Mrs. J. V. Anglin, Mrs. George Wetmore, Mrs. R. D. Paterson, Mrs. R. I. Leavitt, Miss Laura Hazen, Mrs. Alfred Porter, Mrs. Allen Rankine, Mrs. E. L. Jarvis, Mrs. Gordon Cowie, Mrs. Ward Hazen, Mrs. Arthur Bowman, Mrs. L. B. Knight, Mrs. J. R. Millar, Mrs. Ralph Robertson, Mrs. Hugh Bruce, the Misses Disbrow, Miss Ethel Jarvis, Mrs. R. A. Armstrong, Mrs. Hallamore and guest, Mrs. Geoghegan. The four last were luncheon guests.

Mrs. W. Henry Harrison was hostess at a pleasant bridge on Monday afternoon at her residence, Chipman Hill, and was gowned in pale blue marquisette and maltese lace. The prize winners were Mrs. Sherwood Skinner and Mrs. Holly. A few of those present were Mrs. L. R. Harrison, Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Keator, Mrs. Walter Holly, Mrs. C. M. Bostwick, Mrs. Royden Thomson, Mrs. Walter Harrison, Mrs. Roy Campbell, Mrs. Daniel Mullin, Mrs. Percy Thomson, Mrs. F. E. Sayre, Miss Kaye, Mrs. Straton, Miss Mary L. Warner, Miss Mabel Sidney Smith.

Mrs. Freeman Lake was hostess on Friday last at bridge at the residence of her father, Judge Tuck, Orange street. The prize winners were Mrs. Carleton Lee, Mrs. James U. Thomas and Mrs. Straton. Some of those present were Mrs. Leonard Tilley, Mrs. F. E. Sayre, Mrs. Percy Thomson, Mrs. R. Cruikshank, Mrs. Walter Harrison, Mrs. F. Caverhill Jones, Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. J. B. Cudlip, Mrs. Frank Starr, Miss Bayard, Miss Edith Skinner, Miss Ethel Sidney Smith, Miss Kaye.

Mrs. James Dever entertained at a very handsomely arranged tea at her residence, Chipman Hill, on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Dever was beautifully gowned in black crepe de chine trimmed with garnitures of jet and sequins, and wore a lovely white silk embroidered scarf and amethyst jewels. The dining room was presided over by Mrs. Lucius Allison, gowned in black crep de chine and black toque, and Mrs. J. S. MacLaren in old rose crepe richly embroidered, old rose velvet and flower toque. Mrs. George Wetmore served the ices and wore ivory silk veiled in black lace, the bodice having a lace yoke, touches of pink and pink rose on bodice, black hat with black feathers and pink roses. Mrs. Charles Coster, in white satin veiled with black and white chiffon, conducted the ladies to the dining room. Those who assisted with the refreshments were Miss Mary L. Warner, Miss Frances Hazen, Miss Celia Armstrong, Miss Mary MacLaren, Miss McMillan, Miss Winnie Raymond, Miss May Harrison, Miss Ada Bayard, Miss Portia McKenzie, Miss Laura Hazen, Miss Mabel Sidney Smith. The tea table was elegantly appointed with cut glass, old silver and china. Pretty glass vases containing tulips were placed on the lace centre piece and d'oylies covering the mahogany table. Among the large number present were Mrs. Morris Hazen and Miss Lillie Hazen, Mrs. George F. Smith, Mrs. arner, Mrs. James L. Dunn, Mrs. Keator, Mrs. C. H. Fairweather and Miss Alice L. Fairweather, Mrs. P. R. Inches, Mrs. W. O. Raymond, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. Gustav Kuhring, Mrs. William Downie, Mrs. Albert Lockhart, Mrs. George McAvity, Mrs. D. Carleton Clinch, Mrs. Thomas McAvity and Miss Ethel McAvity, Mrs Daniel Mullin, Mrs. George Carvill, Mrs. Frank Fairweather, Mrs. Charles Kerr, Miss Kaye, Mrs. William Hazen, Mrs. Meahan, Mrs. Leonard Tilley, Mrs. W. W. White, Mrs. David McLellan, Mrs. F. J. Harding, Mrs. James Straton, Mrs. R. Keltie Jones, Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. Robert Cruikshank, Mrs. F. Caverhill Jones, Mrs. Walter Harrison, Mrs. Ronald McAvity, Mrs. Sherwood Skinner, Mrs. Ward Hazen, Miss Clinch, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Miss Lou Parks, Miss Lena Watters, Mrs. H. C. Schofield, Mrs. H. S. Bridges, Miss Jenetta Bridges, Mrs. Louis Barker, Miss Helen McAvenney, Miss Sadleir, Miss Millett, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. George Lee, Mrs. T. Barclay Robinson, Mrs. H. B. Emerson, Miss Ethel Emerson, Mrs. W. E. Foster, Mrs. Percy Thomson, Mrs. Silas Alward, Mrs. Stetson, Mrs. J. B. Cudlip, Mrs. C. M. Bostwick, Mrs. Charles McDonald, Mrs. Alfred Morrisey, Miss Walker.

Mrs. Rowland Frith entertained informally at bridge on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Leonard Tilley was hostess on Thursday at a very very pleasant drawing room tea at her residence, Wellington row. Mrs. Walter Foster presided at the tea table gowned in black velvet, having trimmings of chiffon and gold lace, large black hat with white feathers. The table decorations were pink carnations, silver candlesticks having pink candles with Dresden shades. Assisting with the refreshments were Mrs. H. B. Robinson, Mrs. Royden Thomson, Miss McMillan, Miss Edith Skinner, Miss Madeline DeSoyres, Miss Mary L. Warner. Included among the guests were Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Stetson, Mrs. Dever, Mrs. Lucius Allison, Mrs. Charles Kerr, Mrs. William Hazen, Mrs. C. H. Fairweather, Mrs. Morris Hazen, Mrs. George McAvity, Mrs. Thomas McAvity, Msr. H. C. Schofield, Mrs. T. H. Bullock, Mrs. DeSoyres, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Alfred Morrisey, Mrs. Thomas Bullock, Mrs. Roy Skinner, Mrs. Clarence deForest, Mrs. James Seely.

Mrs. George V. McInerney entertained informally at the tea hour on Tuesday afternoon at her residence, Dorchester street, when Mrs. H. O. McInerney presided at the tea table which was daintily appointed and decorated with yellow daffodils and crimson tulips.

Mrs. J. B. Cudlip left Thursday for Fredericton where she is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Sharpe.

Miss Elsie Jardine, who has been the guest of Miss Vera Maclauchlan, left for home on Thursday.

Mrs. Wardroper was hostess last Friday at a girls' tea for her neice, Miss Lombard, of Montana. The drawing room was prettily decorated with quantities of daffodils and shaded yellow lamps. Mrs. Wardroper wore a handsome costume of black silk and real lace. Miss Lombard was becomingly gowned in white silk mull having touches of pink. Miss Alice Christie presided at the prettily decorated tea table and Miss Florence Perkins served the ices at a smaller table. Both had decorations of spring flowers. Assisting with the refreshments were Miss Grace Hatheway, Miss Frances Kerr, Miss Jean White and Miss Jean Leavitt and Miss Clara McGivern. Among those present were, Miss Given McDonald, Miss Vera Maclauchlan, Miss Emily Teed, Miss Mary MacLaren, Miss Muriel Sadleir, Miss Janie Stone, Miss Lorna Kaye, Miss Faith Hayward, Miss Mary Murray, Miss Grace Hayward, Miss Hatheway, Miss Elsie Jardine, Miss Mary Gilchrist, Miss Ruth Knight, Miss Connie McGivern, Miss Helen Church, Miss Winnie Raymond, Miss Rowan, Miss Roberta Wisely, Miss Morrison, Fredericton, Miss Vaughan, Miss Law, Miss Jean Nixon and Miss Helen Perkins, who also assisted in the drawing room.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bouillon during their stay in this city have made numerous warm friends who regret to hear of their removal to Quebec in the near future.

Mrs. William F. Harrison is the guest of Mrs. C. P. Harris, in Moncton.

Mrs. Richardson, wife of the Bishop of Fredericton, who was spending some weeks with her sister, Mrs. R. Minnes, at Ottawa, has returned home.

Mrs. W. H. Harrison entertained for the second time this week on Thursday afternoon at a tea which was most enjoyable. Mrs. L. R. Harrison presided at the pretty appointed tea table, gowned in raisin colored satin veiled in lace with hat to match. Assisting with the refreshments were Mrs. R. A. Armstrong, Mrs. Harold C. Schofield, the Mises Mollie and Norah Robinson, Miss Jean Trueman and Miss Mary MacLaren. Mrs. Harrison when receiving her guests was gowned in light blue crepe de chine with lace garniture. Among those present were Mrs. Dever, Mrs. George F. Smith, Mrs. John K. Schofield, Mrs. Murray MacLaren, Mrs. Barnaby, Mrs. John A. McAvity, Mrs. Morris Hazen, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Henry Rankine, Mrs. Stratton, Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. Stewart Skinner, Mrs. DeSoyres, Mrs. James Magee, Mrs. John Magee, Mrs. Inches, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Mrs. W. Edmond Raymond, Mrs. Charles McDonald, Mrs. J. M. Teed, Miss Mills, Miss Esme Mills, Miss Bessie Adams, Mrs. Clarence B. Allan, Mrs. Tuck, Miss Lou Jack, Mrs. W. Purdy, Mrs. D. Carleton Clinch, Mrs. W. Angus, Mrs. Thomas McAvity, Mrs. George F. Smith, Mrs Stetson.

Mrs. Daniel Mullin on Wednesday afternoon at her residence, Wentworth street, gave one of the most delightful children's parties held in the city for some time past. The entertainment which took the form of a fancy dress party was given for the young friends of her little daughter Beryl, and as it was St. Valentine's Day, the opportunity for unique decorations was taken advantage of with charming effect. The drawing room was embellished with hearts and cupids and valentines of every size and description, across the bow window a post office was erected, the boxes being numbered so that each child who called upon the postmaster received a valentine. At the end of the hall facing the front door a very handsome but diminutive couple told fortunes and there were prizes given for games, the lucky winners being Miss Elspeth MacLaren and Miss Muriel Currie. The supper table was really a work of art in the matter of decoration. At each child's cover a bright red heart was placed filled with sweets, red flowers formed the centre piece and silver candelabras held in place festoons of red ribbon hung from the electrolier. The picture made by the children when playing will long remain a pleasant memory. Each costume was beautifully exact and becoming. Little Miss Beryl Mullin was certainly the sweetest cupid imaginable. Other characters were Miss Ruth Robinson, Morning Star; Miss Constance Watson, Kat Greenanay Girl; Miss Elizabeth Flanders, Japanese; Miss Marion Henderson, Swiss Peasant; Miss Frances Bilbert, Valentine; Miss Constance White, Queen of Hearts; Miss Ruth Simonds, Empress Josephine; Miss Elexa Rogers, Spring; Miss Katherine Lambord, Holland Girl; Mis Mabel Currie, St. Valentine; Miss Helen Allison, Dutch Girl; Miss Muriel Curran, Housemaid; Miss Mary Murray, Queen; Miss Elinor Lake, Burmese Lady; Miss Zoe Paterson, Folly; Miss Eilee Branscombe, Little Miss Muffet; Miss Muriel Vassey, Evening Star; Miss Marjorie Nixon, Japanese; Miss Daphne Paterson, Valentine; Miss Margaret Day, Hearts; Miss Grace McInerney, Flower Girl; Miss Lulu McInerney, Valentine; Miss Charlotte Calkin, Fairy; Miss Peggy Jones, Daisy; Miss Claire Broderick, Rosebud; Miss Hortense Maher, Queen of the Fairies; Miss Dorothy Teakle, Little Rosebud; Miss Marjorie Wetmore, Violet; Miss Rosebud Hazen, Little Bo Peep; Miss Elspeth MacLaren, Japanese Lady. Assisting Mrs. Mullin were Mrs. George Carvill, Miss Frances Travers, Miss Rhoda Alcock, Miss Majorie Lee, Miss Ethel Jarvis, Mrs. Henry Wallace.

Mrs. T. Carleton Lee gave a very pleasant informal Friday at her resident, Orange street, on Wednesday evening at which the score cards and decorations were appropriate to St. Valentine. The prize winners were Mrs. John K. Schofield and Mrs. Rowland Frith. Among the guests were Mrs. C. M. Bostwick, Mrs. H. B. Robinson, Mrs. Freeman Lake, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. W. A. Ewing, Mrs. Herbert Schofield, Mrs. George Lee, Mrs. L. H. Emery, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Mrs. Teband, Miss Ethel Sidney Smith, Miss Alice Walker.

Mrs. A. H. Merrill was hostess at a handsomely arranged reception at her residence, Orange street, on Thursday afternoon, which was largely attended. The floral decorations throughout the house were unusually beautiful. The drawing rooms were profusely adorned with white and pink carnations and ferns. In the dining room the centrepiece was a huge cut glass bowl filled with quantities of American beauty roses placed on a lace centrepiece, these rich flowers and the scarlet satin bows on the candlesticks being the only note of color on the elegantly appointed mahogany table. Cut glass and silver candelabra held white wax candles which had silver and white shades. Two handsome silver trays at either end of the table held cups and saucers for tea and coffee. The confections were in keeping with the day, nearly all of which had silver darts. Presiding at the table were Mrs. J. Pope Barnes, in black velvet and Irish lace collar and cuffs, black velvet toque with white maline rosettes, and Mrs. F. Hanington, in black satin, jet and lace trimmings, black hat with white lace crown and black and white feathers. Mrs. J. W. Daniel and Mrs. G. F. Fisher conducted the ladies to the dining room. Mrs. Stanley E. Elkin served the ices. Assisting in the dining room were Miss Jean White, Miss Vivien Barnes, Miss Ruth Flanders, Miss Kathleen Gillis, Miss Grace Robertson, Miss Nora Stewart. A few of the guests were Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. Freeman Lake, Mrs. Ernest Fairweather, Mrs. Thomas Raymond, Mrs. W. Angus, Mrs. A. H. Likely, Mrs. Percy Thomson, Mrs. Charles Hanington, Mrs. Russell Sturdee, Mrs. Frank White, Mrs. W. S. Allison, Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. Ralph Robertson, Mrs. A. S. Bowman, Mrs. Roland Skinner, Mrs. W. A. Lockhart, Mrs. Alexander Macaulay, Mrs. Beverly Macaulay, Mrs. F. Knowlton, Mrs. Hammond Evans, Mrs. Percy Humphrey, Mrs. Ernest Sewall, Mrs. J. W. McKean, Mrs. Roy Skinner, Mrs. George Blizard, Mrs. Gordon Sancton, Mrs. Homer Forbes, Miss Jessie Likely, Miss Francis, Miss Allingham, Mrs. Palmer, Miss Kate Bartlett, the Misses Armstrong, the Misses Macaulay, Mrs. G. B. Hegan, Miss Gladys Hegan, Miss Edith Skinner, Mrs. Roy Skinner.

The skating contest at the Queen's rink resulted in awarding the prizes for the best waltzing on skates to Miss Alice L. Fairweather and Mr. Harold Sturdee. As this is the second winter this lady and gentleman have captured prizes, they are being warmly congratulated. Next Monday the club's skating carnival will be held in the Queen's rink for members of the club.

At the Keith assembly rooms on Shrove Tuesday the tennis dance will be held.

Mrs. L. B. Knight will be hostess at bridge this afternoon.

Mrs. Leonard MacGregor is the guest of Mrs. Hubbard in Fredericton.

Mrs. Harold C. Schofield entertained at a ladies' bridge last evening at her residence, Canterbury street.

On Thursday afternoon the Misses Travers entertained at an enjoyable tea at their residence, King square. When receiving, Miss Travers was gowned in lavender marquisette over yellow satin, lace trimmings. Miss Frances Travers wore mauve silk with lace garnitures.

The handsomely appointed tea table was presided over by Mrs. R. Keltie Jones, gowned in peacock blue embroidered silk, black picture hat, and Mrs. Frank Fairweather, in green velvet, black and white hat. The tea table had as central decoration a beautiful crystal spergne, the different sections filled with daffodils, yellow candles in brass candlesticks shed a low soft effective light over the rare china and cut glass. Assisting with the refreshments were Mrs. F. C. Macneill, Mrs. Charles Wise, Miss Jean McDonald, Miss Alice Christie, Miss Marjorie Lee, Miss Rhoda Alcock, Misses Kathleen and Florence McInerney. Among the large number of guests present were Mrs. F. E. Sayre, Mrs. Manning Doherty, Mrs. W. W. White, Mrs. W. O. Raymond, Mrs. Hazen Barnaby, Mrs. J. V. Anglin, Mrs. W. Edmond Raymond, Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. Meahan, Mrs. George K. McLeod, Mrs. James Seely, Mrs. Thomas McAvity, Mrs. W. Angus, Mrs. William Downie, Mrs. Thomas Rankine, Mrs. C. H. Fairweather, Miss Eliza Hegan, Mrs. A. S. Bowman, Mrs. F. Schofield, Mrs. Stanbury, Mrs. H. B. Robinson, Mrs. Ernest Bowman, Miss Kaye, Mrs. Charles Kerr, Mrs. Frank White, Mrs. T. Escott Ryder, Mrs. F. J. Harding, Mrs. F. Caverhill Jones, Mrs. Clarence deForest, Mrs. R. Downing Paterson, Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. George Murray, Mrs. Frank Godsoe, Miss Lou Parks, Miss Lena Watters, Mrs. Henry Schofield, Mrs. Herbert Schofield, Mrs. Murray MacLaren, Mrs John McAvity, Mrs. Percy Thomson, Miss Edith Skinner, Mrs. A. M. Bouillon, Mrs. James Jack, Miss Lou Jack, Mrs. J. V. McInerney, Mrs. Edmund Breese, Mrs. D. Carleton Clinch, Mrs. Arthur Hazen, Mrs. Gordon Sancton, Mrs. Homer Forbes, Mrs. H. Fielding Rankine, Mrs. Ward Hazen, Miss McDonald (Charlottetown), Miss Frankie Tibbits.

Mrs. William Hazen entertained at tea yesterday afternoon at her residence, corner Dorchester street and City Road.

Mrs. Ronald McAvity gave an enjoyable girls' bridge Thursday evening at the Chipman apartments for Miss Bessie Grimmer, of St. Andrews. Miss Mollie Robinson was the lucky prize winner.

Mrs. A. H. Likely gave a handsomely arranged tea on Thursday afternoon at her residence, Garden street, which was very largely attended. In receiving Mrs. Likely was gowned in heliotrope silk with real lace trimmings. Miss Jessie Likely, who received with her mother, wore a pretty green silk with handsome lace collar and having touches of pink on the bodice. Mrs. Stanley Elkin and Mrs. George Ewing presided at the beautifully decorated tea table. Assisting with the refreshments were Mrs. Arthur Likely, Mrs. Richard Arscott, Miss Bessie Armstrong, who served the ices; Miss Ruth Flanders, Miss Grace Hayward, Miss Bertie Armstrong, Miss Ethel Creighton, Miss Gertrude Hannah, Miss Harriet Vincent, Miss Emma Philips.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Theed are expected to arrive this week from England and will be the guests of Mrs. Roy Skinner during their stay in the city. As Miss Iona Kerr, Mrs. Theed had numerous friends who will warmly welcome her upon her arrived in St. John.

Mrs. William Pugsley was hostess last evening at a dancing party at her residence, Chipman Hill.

Mrs. Frank Hatheway will entertain informally at the tea hour this afternoon.

Mrs. Leonard Tilley is visiting in the west, having left St. John last week.

Mrs. Stanley E. Elkin was hostess on Saturday and again on Tuesday at tea, at her residence, Orange street. Both entertainments were most enjoyable. Mrs. Elkin was gowned in pink satin with overdress of same colored chiffon, trimmed with crystal ornaments and fringe, and wore a beautiful corsage bouquet of violets. The tea table on both occasions was ornamented with red geraniums set in a large cut glass bowl. Red candles in glass candlesticks carried out the color scheme of the pretty room, which was also furnished in shades of red. On Saturday Mrs. Elkin and Mrs. Clarence B. Allan presided over the tea table, Mrs. Frank Peters served the ices. Assisting with the refreshments were Mrs. H. Fielding Rankine, Mrs. Geoghegan, Miss Edna Logan and Miss Jessie Likely. On Monday the tea table was presided over by Mrs. Spangler and Mrs. Arthur Merrill. Miss Annie Scammell served the ices. Those who assisted were Mrs. Roland Skinner, Mrs. F. Barbour, Mrs. H. Fielding Rankine, Mrs. Gordon Sancton and Mrs. Ernest R. Sewell. Mrs. Geoghegan, who received with the hostess, wore a becoming grey marquisette gown over grey satin. A few of those present were Mrs. Royden Thomson, Mrs. F. Schofield, Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. J. W. McKean, Mrs. Frank White, Mrs. R. Cowan, Mrs. Norman Sancton, Mrs. Daniel Mullin, Mrs. George Blizard, Mrs. Homer Forbes, Mrs. Hedley Sheraton, Mrs. T. Escott Ryder, Miss Myra Frink, Miss Mabel McAvity, Mrs. Hugh Bruce, Mrs. J. Pope Barnes, Mrs. W. Golding, Mrs. F. C. Macneill, Miss Daphne Crosby, Miss Marjorie Lee, Miss Jean White, Miss Vivien Barnes, Miss Whitaker, Miss B. Armstrong, Miss Roberta Wiley.

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Charles McDonald gave a beautifully arranged bridge of twelve tables, at her residence, Douglas avenue, at which prizes were won by Mrs. Hedley Sheraton, Mrs. Clarence B. Allan and Mrs. Charles Millar. The decorations were unusually beautiful. In the dining room yellow daffodils in profusion were on the table and about the rooms, yellow candles in brass candlesticks, with yellow shades. In the library spring flowers of every description predominated and the drawing room was fragrant with the perfume of innumerable La France roses. The hostess was gowned in mauve satin with tunic of marquisette trimmed with real lace. She was assisted by her sisters, the Misses Mary and Ada Tapley, and her niece, Miss Marjorie Tapley.

Mrs. Allen Rankine has issued cards for a tea for today and a bridge on Tuesday.

Mrs. Laurence and Mrs. George Lee entertained informally at a sewing and valentine party at their residence, Princess street, on Wednesday afternoon, it being also the birthday of two of the ladies present. Mrs. C. B. Allan secured the prize given for the most suitable verses appropriate to the occasion.

This afternoon Mr. D. Arnold Fox will give a twilight organ recital in St. Andrew's church in aid of charitable work in connection with the church.

The Daily Province, Vancouver (B. C.), says: "In compliment to Dr. and Mrs. Billings, of New York, who are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Merritt, and for whom a great many social gatherings have been arranged, Mrs. J. H. Senkler last evening gave a dinner party. The table, which was laid for fourteen, presented a very beautiful and novel decoration, being centered with a wide bed of roses from which clusters of daffodils and violets appeared in all their wildwood grace. The pretty picture was lighted with yellow shaded candles and dainty confections, violet emphasized the charming color scheme." Dr. Billings has been ordered to San Francisco on March 12, after a leave of absence of three months which time he and Mrs. Billings spent in Vancouver with Mrs. Billings' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Merritt. Dr. Billings is assistant surgeon in the United States Marine Hospital service.

Mrs. Peter E. Millar gave a pretty tea Wednesday of last week at her residence, 300 Princess street. Mrs. Millar wore lemon colored silk with gold trimmings. The drawing rooms were decorated with daffodils and tulips. The tea room looked particularly lovely with pretty pink flowers and ribbons twined with smilax and pink carnations. The table was presided over by Mrs. John F. Bullock and Mrs. G. Ernest Smith.

The skaters at the Queens' rink will appreciate the fact that the ministering circle of the King's Daughters are serving coffee and cake on band nights, the proceeds to be devoted to charitable work.

About five hundred valentines decorated the artistic residence of Mrs. McCaskill on St. Valentine's Day when the Bon Accord Circle of St. Matthew's church, Douglas avenue, and their friends were present in large numbers. Hearts were strung in countless numbers over the windows and around the walls and red geraniums were in profusion. The hostess saw that the refreshments corresponded in shape to the occasion; even the sandwiches were in the form of hearts. Three small tables were used and were presided over by Mrs. Fraser Gregory, Mrs. F. M. McNichol, Mrs. L. A. Curran, who sang twice during the afternoon, assisted very materially in giving pleasure to those present. Mrs. A. W. Hornbrook received the guests with Mrs. McCaskill. Others assisting with the refreshments were Mrs. L. A. Colwell, Miss Kathleen Keith, Miss Agnes Burton, Miss Alice McAllister, Mrs. Charles Bonnell, Miss Ethel Hastings, Mrs. Bertram Smith, Mrs. Parker Baker, Miss Hill, Miss Randolph, Mrs. Murdo Urquhart. Mrs. Charles Stevens performed very agreeably the duties of doorkeepers.

Mrs. Gershon Mayes entertained informally at tea at her residence, west end, on Monday, that being the anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Mayes' weeding day. Mrs. Harold Mayes, who assisted the hostess in receiving, was gowned in white satin with over dress of chiffon crystal and honiton lace trimmings. Mrs. Mayes wore a very elegant black tunic heavily wrought with jet, over black satin. Mrs. Douglas Olive presided at the tea table which decorated with carnations and daffodils. Assisting were Miss Winnie Raymond, Miss Mabel Thompson and Miss Jennie Clarke.

Miss Katie Hazen is spending a week in Hamilton (Ont.)

As was expected, the bridge tournament at the Keith Assembly Rooms on Thursday evening was a most successful function in every respect over two hundred people being present. Many beautiful costumes were worn by the ladies. Miss C. O. McGivern and Mr. W. Shives Fisher received the guests, Miss McGivern wearing a handsome black satin costume trimmed with lace. Kelly's orchestra furnished a short programme of after supper dances. Mrs. Kent Scovil and Mr. Hedley MacKinnon played a couple of extras which were greatly enjoyed. The orchestra also gave musical selections while supper was being served. Mr. W. Shives Fisher, president of the art club, made a short address on the aims of the association and stated that the new quarters which they expected to occupy about the first of May in the Peel street Presbyterian church, they felt that interest would grow in the work of the society and also that there would be better space for the exhibition of pictures. The prize winners were Mrs. G. F. Fisher, Miss Alice Schofield, Mrs. W. A. Ewing, Mrs. Beverly R. Macaulay, Major A. E. Massie, Mr. H. V. MacKinnon, Mr. M. B. Innes, Mr. W. H. Ewing. The entertainment was one of the best arranged and conducted of the many bridge tournaments held in the city.

The death of Mr. Alexander Stuart, eminent actor and husband of Miss Jessie Bonstelle, is recorded in Detroit on the morning of Feb. 11. Numerous St. John friends who recall with pleasure Mr. and Mrs. Stuart's stay in St. John will feel keen regret at the sad intelligence.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morrison, of Fredericton, were visitors in the city this week, at the Royal.

Cards have been received by friends in this city in which Mrs. Abraham Aloysius Elston announces the marriage of her daughter Miss Elizabeth Laura, to Mr. Vincent Joseph McElderry, on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Somerville (Mass.) Mr. McElderry is practicing law in Peterborough (Ont.), and it is in that town that after the honeymoon the happy couple will reside.

ROTHESAY

Rothesay, Feb. 15—On Saturday Mrs. J. E. Moore, Mrs. W. W. White, Mrs. F. E. Sayre, Mrs. Tapley and Mrs. H. Miller came from the city by the suburban train and at 5 o'clock entertained twenty of the Netherwood pupils with a valentine tea, at the Kennedy House. A long table set in the new dining room was most attractively decorated, the color scheme being red and white. Many candles shaded with red gave a soft, pretty light. Heart-shaped valentines were used for place cards, while many of other designs were used in the decorations. A greatly enjoyed feature was a tree hung with hearts. The girls, being blindfolded, drew a heart on the back of which their fortune was found. Dancing was enjoyed and a delightful entertainment brought to a close before 9 o'clock. Those present beside the hostesses were Miss Doris Sayre, Miss E. Miller, Miss Mary White, Miss Edith White, Miss Marion Moore, Miss Edith Cudlip, Miss Helen Tapley, Miss Louise Holly, Miss Mazie Fleming, Miss Dorothy Wilson, Miss Allison Peters, Miss A. Thom, Miss Isobel Jack, Miss Dorothy Le Roy, Miss Gertrude Fleming, Miss Rosamond McAvity, Miss Irene McArthur, Miss McAnn, Miss M. Ring, and Miss C. Wilson. The St. John ladies returned home by the Halifax express.

Mrs. J. Simeon Armstrong left yesterday for her home in Fredericton. During her stay of about four weeks many small informal lunches and teas were given by friends here. Among these were a pleasant afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. J. Davidson, whose guests were Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Domville, Miss L. Fairweather, Miss Taylor, Mrs. John H. Thomson, Miss Gilbert, Miss Ganong, Miss W. Pitcher, Miss Cameron, Miss Thomson.

Miss Florence Cummings spent a few days last week with friends in Sussex.

On Thursday Misses Gilbert entertained a few of Mrs. Armstrong's friends at the tea hour.

On Friday the Ladies Sewing Society were guests of Mrs. Domville, and tomorrow will meet with Mrs. H. A. Calhoun.

On Tuesday Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Domville, Miss Bessie Domville, Mrs. W. Z. Earle (Winnipeg), Miss Fairweather, Miss M. Fairweather, Mrs. Hibbard, enjoyed lunch together with Mrs. Jack Fairweather.

Mrs. Sargent, of Nelson, is a few days guest at the Kennedy House, where she is entertaining her young nephew, Master Sterling Burchill, also of Nelson, who is a pupil at the Rothesay School for Boys.

Rev. J. A. MacKeigan, of Morean (C. B.), and Rev. George Farquhar, of Hampton, were guests of Mr. W. E. Thomson and Misses Thomson on Monday. Mr. MacKeigan stayed in Rothesay over night, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm.

Miss Jessie Porter, of Jubilee, spent Thursday here with the Misses Thomson.

The Brock & Paterson Outing Club drove from the city on Friday evening in two big sleighs and enjoyed a fine supper and dance at the Kennedy House. The party numbered sixty-two, some of whom were: Mr. and Mrs. George Gamblin, who were chaperones; Miss Evelyn May, Miss Mary Wallace, Miss Lillie Fowlis, Miss Nellie Carey, Miss Mary McIntyre, Mrs. G. A. Prosley, Miss Mary Boyle, Miss Eva Nobles, Miss Etta Cunningham, Miss B. Borden, Miss S. May, Miss F. A. Fowlis, Miss Sadie Holt, Messrs. Bert Lloyd, W. J. Ryan, Harry Warren, W. Spicer, P. Murray, George Gamblin, A. McGloan, N. F. Wallace, M. Green, F. B. Fitzgerald, W. B. Spicer, F. Casey, W. J. Warren, A. C. Paddock, B. G. Adams, Harry Warren, J. D. Patterson and many others. It was after midnight when the sleigh left for St. John.

Mr. George Dean returned home from Chatham on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thomson and Miss Mabel Thomson will sail from St. John tomorrow by the steamship Corsican for England and the continent.

Mrs. Peter Chisholm was with friends in St. John over Sunday.

Miss Mary L. Robertson also spent Sunday in the city.

Miss Pauline Beard, of Hampton, is guest at Rothesay College this week.

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