

Society.

Being a record of
the Social Events
of the last week of
Lent.

HER Majesty Queen Alexandra is enjoying a visit with her aged father the King of Denmark, to whom she is devotedly attached. Her sister the Dowager Carlina, of Russia, is also one of the family party.

The Duchess of York who is accompanying her husband on his Colonial tour, although severed from her four interesting children, has her beautiful apartments on the "Ophir" handsomely furnished and made homelike by the pictures and photographs of the little ones at various ages in their pretty sailor costumes.

"On dit" that a marriage has been arranged between a rising young physician of our city and the beautiful daughter of one of his fellow practitioners.

Mrs. W. E. McKeough, of "Rath-healthy," left Monday on a visit to her sister Mrs. F. C. Jarvis, of 436 Jarvis street, Toronto, where she will spend the Easter holidays.

The Misses Annie and Hattie Stephens are enjoying their European trip very much. From the last account they were in Dresden, delighting in its great galleries of art and its wonderful Sistine Madonna. They will likely return home the latter part of May.

Mrs. John Wilson, of Prospect Hill, is with her daughter, Mrs. Albert White, King street, west.

Miss Gilbert, who made so many friends during her sojourn in Chatham last summer, as guest at "Bleakhouse," has been spending the winter with her parents in Florida.

Miss Beatrice Ernatinger arrived home yesterday to spend the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Beattie, Mrs. Coate and Miss Phyllis Coate will spend their Easter in Detroit.

Mr. Phillip Coate left yesterday for Montreal for a few days.

Mrs. Mandell, who with her family spent a winter in Chatham some years ago with Mrs. James Beattie, is passing the winter in California.

Miss Pearl White, of King street West, one of our favorite sopranos, is enjoying her Easter in Detroit with her brother, Dr. Ollie White.

Mrs. John Cooper, Miss Pratt, Miss Ross, and Mr. Will Brackin, a musical quartette will spend Good Friday in Detroit.

Toronto Junction will be made brighter at Easter by the presence of Miss Mabel Campbell, who is going home for the holidays.

Mrs. John McKeough and Miss McCross, who have been wintering with friends in Charlotte, Mich., have returned home.

Miss Gertrude Scott, of Park avenue, is swelling the population of the "City of the Straits" during this week.

The sewing club met last Saturday at Mrs. W. H. Taylor's, Lacroix street. Owing to so many members being engaged with the Banner-News special issue the attendance was unusually small.

Mrs. J. E. Thomas, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Percy Ives, in Detroit, returned home Saturday.

Miss Rive Stegman will be accompanied home immediately after the holidays by her friend and hostess, Miss Louise Davies, of Toronto.

Miss Ruby Gordon, of Wallaceburg, will be the guest of Miss Edith Holmes for the vacation. Both young ladies are students at Harvard Hall, Toronto.

Dr. and Mrs. Duncan will have as their Easter visitor their brother, E. J. B. Duncan, of Toronto.

Mr. Ross Ball and Miss Marjorie Cowan are Easter guests of Mrs. W. A. Barker, (nee Ball) of Paris.

Miss Godard who has been a guest of her sister Mrs. Marx for some time has left for Ottawa.

The Misses Garrett spend their holidays in Detroit.

Miss Samson spends her Easter holidays in St. Thomas and Mrs. Willson goes to Dr. McKitchie's, Harwich.

Miss Nellie Clements has entered Dr. Thornton's office as book-keeper.

Mrs. S. F. Gardiner who has taken such a deep interest in this issue of the "Banner-News" left this morning for Toronto.

Sergt. Max Fraser goes to London for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Sutherland and Miss Sutherland leave for New Orleans next week remaining away about a month.

It is rumored that Mr. J. G. Kerr has purchased one of Chatham's most beautiful homes "Bleak House," King street, the late residence of Mr. H. A. Patterson.

The many friends of Mrs. Steele will be pleased to learn that she will spend a few weeks with her sister Mrs. Rispin.

The engagement is announced of Dr. Alfred Northwood, to Miss Hinde, and it is expected he will bring his bride to Chatham in May.

Miss Aylesworth, principal of the McKeough School Kinder garden, leaves for Toronto on Good Friday, to attend the annual meeting of the Ontario Educational Association, where she will read a paper on "The Problems of a Kinder garden director."

Mrs. G. W. Cornell expects to spend the holidays in Toronto.

Mrs. W. Williams, of Dufferin Ave., is in attendance upon her sister in Florence, who is seriously ill.

Miss Meta Wilson and Miss Edith Holmes who are attending Haverhill Hall, Toronto, and Miss Florence Stephenson, of Miss Veal's School, returned home yesterday.

Mrs. P. Curran, Joseph street, has recovered from a severe attack of la grippe.

Miss Mary McKeough, of Trafalgar Institute, Montreal, will spend her holidays at Mrs. McLaren's, Ottawa.

Mrs. James Scott Gray returned home a few days ago after having spent a pleasant week with friends in Detroit.

Miss Longwell, Miss Irving, Miss McKellar and Miss Macpherson, members of the teaching staff in Chatham, are going to the teachers' convention in Toronto.

Mrs. E. W. Scane, Mrs. William McKeough, Mrs. S. F. Gardiner, Mrs. S. J. Sutherland and others have entertained Messrs. Crossley and Hunter.

Miss Helen Thomas spends her Easter holidays with Miss Kyno, of Galt.

Mrs. O. L. Lewis leaves this week for a visit in Detroit and Petrolia.

Mrs. Mackenzie visits Hamilton this week with her sister Mrs. Pearson.

Dr. J. W. Scane who has been spending the winter at the University of Breslau Germany, returns this week to resume his practice in Montreal.

Judge Bell's wife and family who have spent the winter in Vienna, are at present in the Island of Sicily after remaining there a few weeks they will visit the principal cities of Italy, afterwards spending the season in London, England.

Mr. F. O. Harrison, of the Standard Bank, goes to Cannington.

Mr. A. S. Thornton, Bank of Commerce, goes to Detroit; Mr. P. H. Turnbull goes to Goderich; Mr. A. W. Larmour, Bank of Commerce and Mr. Mercer, of the Bank of Montreal, go to Guelph, for their holidays.

Miss Lena McMillan, of Detroit, will spend Easter Sunday in town.

Mr. Bert Riddell leaves for Tacoma on Sunday night.

Miss Grace Wanless will visit friends in London Easter week.

Rev. Stanley and Mrs. Shaw, of Detroit, are visiting Mrs. Idle.

Mr. Claire Monteth, is expected home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monteth, U. S. Consul, April the 20th.

Mr. S. F. Gardiner and his son, Noble, will spend their Easter holiday in Detroit.

Mrs. Walter Jarvis and family, of Toronto, will be the guests of Mrs. Edwin Bell, during the holidays.

Miss Ethel Brock, London, is visiting her brother, Mr. I. E. Brock, Victoria avenue.

Mrs. Sandys has returned to the Rectory and expects her daughter, Mrs. Denison of Toronto, for Easter.

Mrs. George McKeough and Bessie McKeough left this afternoon for Montreal for a few days.

Miss Elma Philp, of London, will spend Easter in Chatham.

Misses M. Tillson and M. Holmes go to Detroit for the Easter holidays.

Miss Pearl Brock will assist in the special musical services of Ridgeway Methodist church on Easter Sunday.

Miss Young, of the McKeough school staff, is spending Easter with friends in Hamilton.

"I Hurt so Here, and Hurt so There"

(A poem by Jean Blewett, formerly of Blenheim, suggested by a visit to the Sick Children's Hospital at Toronto.)

A LITTLE crippled figure, two big pathetic eyes,

A face that seemed unchildish, so wan it was, and wise

I held her hands the homesick tears came stealing down her cheeks:

"I had to come," she whispered, "I was so sick and weak:

It is my back: I used to be so strong and tall and straight:

I went to school and learned to read and write upon a slate,

And add up figures, such a lot, and play with all my might,

Until I hurt my back: since then I just ache day and night.

"This morning since I could stand or walk around at all:

About all I am good for now is just to cry and crawl."

Poor little thing! There came to us the laughter gay, and sweet,

Of little ones let out from school, the sound of flying feet:

She listened for a moment, then turned her face to the wall:

"I wish," she said, "that I was dead. I'm tired of it all.

I hurt so here and, hurt so there: why can't I run and shout

Like others do?" "When you are cured you shall," I said; but doubt was in the eyes she turned to mine,

And doubt was in her tone. "Perhaps," she said, and then the pain grew harsh, though plain-

tive mean. "Sinse sharply on my heart. I knew she had but lately come

From mother's care and father's love and all the ties of home.

"I wish I'd lived on earth," she said, "a long, long time ago.

When Jesus came at eventide, he caused he loved folks so,

And made the cripples walk again, and made the sick ones well;

It was now, instead of then, I'd hurry up and tell

Him where the hurt was hardest: I'd kneel down low and say:

"It is my back, dear Jesus, please to cure it right away:

I'm tired of being lame and weak, I want to jump and run

And laugh like I used to laugh, and have a lot of fun;

Be good to this poor little girl! And he would touch me—so—

And all the hurt and crookedness and all the ache would go"

—JEAN BLEWETT.

Mrs. Spencer Stone and Miss Campbell are visiting their mother, Mrs. Archie Campbell, Toronto Junction.

Invitations are out for an "At Home" at Mrs. Allister MacKay's, Centre street.

Mrs. Larkin, and Mrs. Alexander Wilson, of Senforth, will be the guests of Mrs. Allister MacKay for Easter.

Mrs. Kingsmill and family spend their Easter holidays at Mr. F. A. Kingsmill's, of London.

Mrs. E. W. Scane left for Montreal to meet her son Dr. J. W. Scane, who has been spending the winter in Germany.

Dr. Pentland, of Brantford, will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pritchard for Easter.

Dr. T. K. Holmes returns on Friday from John Hopkins' hospital, Baltimore, where he has been the guest of Mrs. Osler and Kelly for the past fortnight.

D. R. VanAllen is able to be around again after a week's illness. This is the first time that Mr. VanAllen has required the services of a physician in the last fifty years.

For the accommodation of Rond Eau property owners and anglers for perch, special train to Rond Eau Good Friday, leaving Chatham at 9 a. m.; returning, leave Rond Eau at 3 p. m. Single fare for round trip.

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