

it all was in a great measure due. Among those present were noticed:—Lt. Col. Otter, D. A. G., Lt. Col. and Mrs. O'Brien, Lt. Col. Wayling, Major and Mrs. Ward, Major and Mrs. Rogers, Capt. C. Grenville Harstone, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Harstone, Capt. Thomson, Capt. Ashworth, Capt. McCarthy, Capt. Leadlay, Capt. C. T. F. Spry, Surgeon McCarthy, Surgeon Bentley, Miss Roe, Newmarket; Lieut. McKee, Lieut. J. P. Beatty, Toronto; Lieut. Crease, Miss Stoddart, Newmarket; Lieut. M. F. Ewan, Dalton McCarthy, Miss McCarthy, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. F. E. P. Pepler, J. N. Cottu, Miss Cotter, Miss Schrieber, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lount, Miss Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sanford, Mr. and Miss Gamon, G. E. Moberly, Miss Moberly and Miss McMaster, Collingwood; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Raikes and the Misses Raikes, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cross and Miss Biggar, St. Catharines; Mr. and Mrs. Simpson and Miss Lee, New York; Dr. Ross and the Misses. Ress, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hewson, Miss Bird, D. A. Shaw and Mrs. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Vansickle, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman and Misses Freeman, Frank Baker, Miss Baker, Mr. Vin, Miss Meeeking, Mrs. Arnall, Mr. and Mrs. Haughton Lennon, Mr. Barnum, Miss Mockridge, Mr. and Mrs. Shanacy, Miss Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, Miss Sanders, Messrs. F. Hornsby, Moberly and Alf. Stephens, Collingwood; Messrs. Quosbarth, Walters, Lander, J. Spry, Kerr, Neil, Whittaker, Irving, Newmarket; Messrs. W. Barwick, Geo. Thomson, Alf. Creswick, R. N. Holt, W. Capon, H. Joy and Godfrey Bird, Collingwood; Mr. Chadwick, Shanty Bay.

KINGSTON.

Society is awakening. VANITY FAIR has had a great and grand effect in stirring up our society people to renewed activity, but unfortunately with the advent of society news from abroad, our own shortcomings are made more visible, and many of our most cherished idols have come in for a large share of criticism. An attractive young lady, whose only unpardonable sin is that of being the most beautiful girl in town, has been the chief point of the attack. Another unfortunate being, an amateur musician of undeniable merit, having unwittingly become an object of envy, has been the subject of a great amount of ridiculous conversation. An intelligent person cut short one of these uncharitable discussions by remarking, "She is, in short, *consolingly* plain."

The *conversazione* held in St. Andrew's Hall proved a most delightful entertainment. The music rendered on the occasion was of a high order. Songs by the first talent in Kingston were listened to with feelings of extreme enjoyment. "Auld Robin Grey," sung by Mrs. Beckett, proving especially fine. An anonymous essay on Goethe might have been dispensed with, thereby adding to, rather than taking from, the evening's attractions.

A pair of snowshoes were the other day observed walking from the Military College to the city, seemingly quite on their own account. A scientist having closely inspected the phenomenon with a microscope, dispelled the mystery by announcing that a tiny professor was attached thereto.

The following lines from the pen of a worshipper of fashion may prove of interest:—

THE SAMARITAN.

NOTE.—A gentleman, alluding to an act of humanity performed by him, said:—"I have just been acting the part of the "Good Samaritan."

A banker I am, and a private one too,
Individual I never robbed of his "doo";
I'm a man about town and am always on "voo"
In the circles of Fashion and Beauty.
The ring of my sleigh-bells enliven the street.
And many a maiden among the elite
Throw glances upon me amazingly sweet,
Which is only performing their "dooty."

The bachelor's ball was a splendid affair,
How else could it be? The Samaritan was there!
And was subjected to a society stare,
Commingled with womanly passion.
But, could they have seen the inside of my head,
They'd have seen I was thinking of dollars, instead
Of maidens, who mothers were dying to wed
To fellows of Fortune and Fashion.

You've read of our brilliant society dance,
The "stupid" folk "didn't get offered" the chance
Of joining this hop, or, as some one said, "prance,"
Which created a little sensation—
I bowed to the girls, "introducing" with show,
Myself as a model society beau—
So Beauty and Fashion were pining, you know,
For the dude of the room—The Samaritan.

A brilliant entertainment was recently given by a lady of fashion. Seldom have so many pretty women been observed together in a drawing-room; the young lady of the house was the belle of the evening, which position she sustained with a grace peculiarly her own.

Mr. Harry B——, who rejoices in the sobriquet of "Lord Clive," and who for a long time held the unenviable position of inspector of streets, has, we are pleased to observe, obtained a situation as clerk in a law office here. The firm have been fortunate in obtaining so distinguished a member of society, whose valorous conduct, when called upon to join his regiment during the rebellion in the North-West, procured for him a military escort from the residence of Colonel W——, late of this city, whom he had been visiting.

WHITBY.

A number are going from here to the Montreal Carnival. Mrs. Grenside, who has been visiting her friends here, returned to her home in Guelph on Monday. Miss Wilson, of the Ontario Ladies' College, gave a delightful little tobogganing party on Friday afternoon. Miss Fidler has returned from Newcastle. Mr. Ross got up a large sleighing party and drove over to the Bowmanville Carnival last week. They had a very jolly time.

Through the enterprise and energy of the gentlemen who took the matter in hand, they have succeeded in raising a sufficient fund to build a splendid chute, which will be formally opened on Wednesday by the good looking president, Mr. C. Johnston. The other officers are Mr. A. G. Henderson, vice-pres.; Mr. G. Ross, secy. treas. The managing committee are Messrs. Downey, Ames, Billings, Gross and Lauder.

The ladies who attended the Presbyterial in Oshawa last Tuesday were greatly pleased with the meetings. Very able addresses on the work were read by Miss Darlington, Brooklyn, Mrs. McLellan, Ashburnham, and Prof. McLaren, Toronto.

OSHAWA.

Quite a gloom has been cast over Oshawa owing to the news from California of the death of Mrs. Hamlin, who has been in poor health for some years. She will be greatly missed by all, as she was ever ready to help the poor, and was foremost in every good work.

Sidewalk Whispers.

Weg Thomas has engaged a special car to take his party to the Montreal Carnival, there are one or two vacant berths, and he would be glad to hear of others going that way to join his party. Arthur Morphy is receiving congratulations of his friends upon his admission to the law firm of Morphy & Miller.