

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

(CONTINUED FROM FIFTH PAGE.)

Mr. Jack Harris, of Moncton, spent last week visiting his friends in the city. He left for home yesterday. Mr. Harris is a favorite here.

Miss Emma Cruikshank, of St. John, is visiting friends in this city. She is at present the guest of Mrs. George Hunt.

Among the attractions for this week is a carnival, at the skating rink, Mayville, Thursday evening.

Miss Crawford, of Quebec, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Capt. Young.

MONCTON.

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Feb. 27.—"There is a sound," not exactly "of revelry by night," but of the tick-tack of the ever-powerful plumber's hammer by day, the sizzling of the red hot soldering iron, and the subdued groans of the helpless householder when the bill is presented.

The recent cold wave has to answer for all this; and it was a very cold wave, indeed. The thermometer registered 33 below zero on Saturday night, and on Sunday morning the water pipes were frozen, in at least one house out of every ten in town.

So on Monday the plumbers' harvest began, and those worthy members of an honest trade who had had starvation staring them in the face all winter, lifted up their voices and sang a psalm of thanksgiving. So I fear that even our wealthiest citizens will feel too poor to give any more parties before Lent.

Speaking of parties reminds me that Mrs. McSweeney's, which took place last Wednesday, was an unqualified success. The house was a very charming one for a dance, spacious and full of those delightful little flirtation nooks which, I must confess, always go such a long way towards the success of a party.

The music was all that could be desired, the floors smooth as ivory, and Mr. and Mrs. McSweeney made the most perfect of hosts and hostesses. The hostess, at a large party, has no easy task, but Mrs. McSweeney filled the position with graceful ease, and was ably assisted by her daughter, Miss Fisher, who seemed to be everywhere at once, looking after the comfort of her guests.

Among the ladies' dresses I note the growing taste for cashmeres, and soft woolen fabrics in evening dresses, which is very novel and very pretty.

Mrs. P. S. Archibald wore a dress of heliotrope cashmere very simply made, but perfect in style and finish.

Mrs. G. J. O'Doherty wore a charming costume of cerise lace.

Mrs. J. R. Bruce wore bronze brocade, trimmed with cream color, and with floral garniture of exquisite cream-colored natural roses.

Mrs. George McSweeney wore pale blue silk, made en train, with square neck and elbow sleeves.

Miss Harris wore navy blue cashmere, cut de collette, and with short sleeves. It was a very striking dress, and set off Miss Harris's vivacious beauty to perfection.

Miss Grace Thomson wore grey cashmere, and with her fair hair and delicate complexion, she looked like some new and charming variety of grey ann.

Miss Weldon wore a dress of palest green net, over equally pale satin, and she is one of the very few brunettes who look well in pale green.

Miss Thompson, who was charming in a dress of black velvet, with high Marie Stuart collar, edged with pearls, and wide sash of cream-colored satin.

Miss Thompson is a blonde, with the peculiar shade of red gold hair so seldom seen, and in her black velvet dress, she looked as if she had stepped out of an old picture.

Our own fair "Iselt" wore cream-colored lace, and was, as usual, fairest of the fair.

There were many other beautiful misses, but it is hard to describe all, and, strange to say, I did not hear any opinion expressed as to who was the belle.

Dancing was kept up with great spirit until well

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A TRADE SECRET.

Every business house that is run on business principles has besides its own interpretation of those principles, some other peculiar principle, or belief as it were in the efficacy of those principles to increase business.

on in "the wee sma' hours ayont the twal," and the company did not separate until after 3 o'clock.

The cruel powers that be have descended like a wolf on the fold, and bereft us of Mr. Bowers, of the Merchants' bank of Halifax, who has been transferred to the Tyro branch.

The very stars in their courses seem to be fighting against the Moncton Amateur Dramatic Club, as J. Bellows, in losing Mr. Bowers loses one of their mainstays.

He took his departure last Friday, followed by a sound of wailing.

Mrs. T. V. Cooke and Miss Annie Cooke returned last week from Montreal, where they have been lingering since the carnival.

Mrs. George McSweeney entertained the West End Whist club last Friday evening, and introduced a very pleasing innovation by inviting a number of young people outside the limits of the club.

The evening was devoted exclusively to whist and shortly before 12 o'clock an elegant supper was served in the long dining room of the Brunswick and a very pleasant evening brought to a close.

Mr. George Trites, of Halifax, spent last Sunday in town, visiting his father, Mr. J. S. Trites.

Miss Wright, of Boston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. F. McKean.

Mrs. John Campbell, who has been visiting her sister at St. Andrews, returned home last week.

Mrs. Thomas Evans, who has been kept at home since her marriage, by illness in the family, appeared in church last Sunday and is receiving visitors this week.

She is supported, during this always trying ordeal for a young bride, by her friend, Miss Maggie McKean, and she is so charming a bride that Mr. Evans is an object of much envy among the sterner sex.

Miss Addie McKean is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. F. Williamson at Chipman, Queens county.

I have heard lately that Dr. R. L. Botsford, son of Judge Botsford, intends coming to Moncton to practice his profession, but I do not know how true the rumour may prove.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Boggs were called to Amherst last week by the sudden death of their son-in-law, Mr. A. A. Chapman. They returned on Monday.

Mr. Edward McSweeney, of McSweeney Brothers, has been confined to the house for the past fortnight by a severe cold, but I am glad to say that he is now improving rapidly.

Mrs. Weldon gives an informal dance this evening. I believe there are a large number of invitations issued, and those who are fortunately included are sure to spend a delightful evening.

Mr. W. F. Proctor returned last night from Halifax, where he has been staying with relatives since Mrs. Proctor's death. Senator McClellan, of Albert county, was in town on Friday.

Mr. R. C. Fuller, with his wife and son, and Mrs. D. W. Robb, of Amherst, passed through Moncton on Monday en route for Asheville, North Carolina, where they will spend the remainder of the winter and early spring.

Mr. W. R. Emerson, of Dorchester, was in town yesterday.

The Ban club met at Mr. George C. Peters' last Friday, and spent a most delightful evening. How is it that some people are never satisfied? I have heard, on reliable authority, that some members have already with Oliver Twist-like temerity, begun to clamor for a revision of the constitution, in which plain cake shall be included in the bill of fare.

Some people really seem to want the earth.

Mrs. C. T. Hillson, of Amherst, was in town yesterday.

Mr. M. G. Teed and Mr. W. W. Wells, barristers, of Dorchester, were in town yesterday.

I understand that a number of ladies and gentlemen in Moncton belonging to le manduqui danse, intend giving a ball next Monday evening in the Pithian temple.

I have heard the names of Mrs. Archibald, Mrs. Butcher, Mrs. St. Lavy and Mrs. Benedict mentioned among the list of lady patronesses, and under such auspices, it cannot fail to be a success. But of this "more anon," as the novelists say.

Mrs. A. J. Cresswell, of Springfield, is in town visiting her father, Mr. George Taylor, general freight agent of the I. C. R. Mrs. Cresswell's hosts of friends are delighted to have her back among them, even for a short time.

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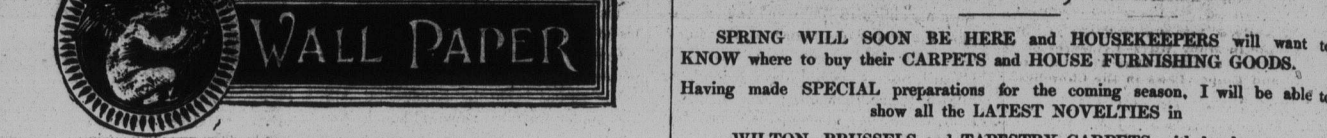
Feb. 27.—When the season for gaiety has given place to Lenten quiet, and the gay evenings of the past form the subject of discussion round the fire-side, the party of last Friday evening, given by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wall, will be remembered as one of the most delightful ever given in St. Stephen.

Everything was done by Mr. and Mrs. Clarke to insure their guests a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The handsome apartments were decorated with a profusion of exquisite flowers and dainty baskets of choice confections placed at convenient points.

Lovers of Terpsychore entered into the dancing with zest and the fine music was thoroughly appreciated. The Citizens' band rendered choice selections during the evening and a most elaborate and recherche supper was served.

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