

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

(CONTINUED FROM FIFTH PAGE.)

night's Quebec express for his home in Ottawa, where he will spend some days. Mr. Davis will visit Montreal on his way up, taking in the carnival festivities.

Mr. E. C. Jarvis, inspector of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, was registered at the Brunswick yesterday.

I am very glad to say that Mrs. Estey's bright face, behind her black pony, is once more to be seen sitting about the streets on fine afternoons when the sleighing is good. This energetic little lady looks very little the worse for her long illness, just a trifle paler and thinner, but otherwise unchanged, and even driving herself in her old independent fashion.

Mr. C. N. Skinner, M.P., of St. John, and Dr. L. G. DeBertram, president of the Central railway, who have gone to Prince Edward Island on business connected with the proposed railway ferry from Charlottetown to the Island, are expected to return Friday. Mr. Skinner will proceed to Ottawa immediately on his return.

Dr. R. L. Botsford, lately of Richibucto, and Mrs. Botsford are in town, the guests of Judge Botsford. Hon. J. W. Longley, attorney general of Nova Scotia, and Mr. J. H. Goudge, of Halifax, were registered at the Brunswick yesterday.

Cecil Gwynne.

ST. STEPHEN.

"Progress" is for sale in St. Stephen at the bookstores of C. H. Smith & Co. and G. B. Wall.

FEBRUARY 6.—Mr. Charles Eaton leaves next Thursday for Florida, where he intends spending some months. Mrs. Eaton leaves by train at the same time for a short visit to St. John.

Miss Todd returned Saturday from a visit at Government house. Miss Alice Graham has also returned from Fredericton where she has been the guest of Hon. A. F. Randolph.

Miss Mary Crocker terminates her stay in town next Friday, when she will start for her Western home.

Miss Rachel Mowatt returned yesterday to her home in St. Andrews.

On Thursday evening of last week the members of Agassiz association, Chap. 857, enjoyed a most delightful talk on matters of scientific interest from Rev. W. Cross, of Milltown.

A number of young people drove to Mahanoe last Wednesday evening and enjoyed a most pleasant evening at the house of Mr. T. Fairhead, breaking up at a late hour with many expressions of appreciation of Miss Mowatt's and Mrs. Fairhead's hospitality.

Mayor Chipman is absent with the visiting rinks at the Halifax hospital. The veteran Marchie is also on the list and the remaining players are men who have made a good record in the past. It is hoped that they will return bringing their spoils with them.

"The best number yet," is the verdict I heard for Progress, the other day, referring to last week's number. And yet there are people who say, "What's in a name?"

DORCHESTER.

"Progress" is for sale in Dorchester at George M. Fairweather's bookstore.

FEBRUARY 6.—Mrs. Angus McQueen, of Pointe du Bute, the wife of the sheriff of Westmorland county, spent a few days in Dorchester last week, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chandler.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Robb gave a small card party last Thursday evening. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs.

David Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. M. Barlow Palmer, and Mr. and Mrs. McQueen. Instrumental and vocal music was furnished by the Misses Robb and others, and all present spent a very enjoyable evening.

The ladies of Trinity church guild purpose holding a series of weekly meetings at the residences of the various members, the time to be spent in guild work, interspersed with music and refreshments.

The first of these meetings was held last Thursday evening at the rectory. About 25 ladies were present, as well as a number of gentlemen. Musical selections were given by Miss Belle Forster, Mrs. E. B. Chandler and Mrs. J. B. Forster, and this, together with bagatelle, etc., helped to pass three hours very pleasantly. The next meeting will be held to-morrow evening, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Coffey.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Miller, of Sackville, spent Saturday and Sunday in Dorchester, the guests of Lady Smith, at Woodlawn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hazen Chapman have the sympathy of the entire community in the loss, by scarlet fever, of their youngest child, Sunday morning. Scarlet fever is still very prevalent here, and Trinity church Sunday school has been closed to prevent contagion. This will not do much good until the day schools are closed also—a step which should have been taken long ago.

Miss Ford, of Richibucto, is in Dorchester, staying with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foster, at the Penitentiary.

Mr. H. C. Hanington is spending a week in Montreal.

Mr. B. B. Teed has been visiting friends in Sackville for the last few days. He returned to Dorchester today.

Mr. J. G. MacIntyre, of the Halifax Banking company head office, spent Monday in Dorchester on business connected with the bank.

Mr. D. L. Hanington is attending court at Fredericton.

Miss S. B. Robinson, of St. John, who is visiting Mrs. J. F. Allison, at Sackville, was in town yesterday with Mr. Allison.

Miss Hanington left today to visit Mrs. Chas. F. Hanington in Moncton. She will probably be gone a fortnight.

The Misses Desie and Etta Chapman returned today from Sackville, where they have been taking a course in music at Mount Allison.

Owing to pressing business engagements Mr. J. W. Revere was unable to pay a visit to Dorchester, as he expected. He passed through today on his way back to Boston, to the immense disappointment of his friends, some of whom were at the depot to meet him.

The following no doubt explains Mr. Chas. E. Knapp's visit to New York:

CHAMBERLAIN-KNAPP.—On the 20th Jan., 1888, by Rev. Robert B. Hall, D. D., pastor of the Greenwood Baptist church, Brooklyn, N. Y., Theodore A. Chamberlain to Lizzie L. Knapp, youngest daughter of Chas. E. Knapp, of Dorchester, N. B. Mrs. Chamberlain has been congratulated and good wishes of her many Dorchester friends.

PANSY.

CHATHAM.

"Progress" is for sale in Chatham at Edward Johnson's bookstore.

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Mr. Montzambert and bride arrived home last Saturday and are living at the Bower.

Mr. Samuel Harris is closing his business here preparatory to leaving for Montreal, to take a position in his father's extensive cigar business, and it is freely rumored that he is also to take with him one of Chatham's fairest daughters. I wish him every happiness.

Miss McLara is visiting at Wellington villa.

RAMBLER.

WOODSTOCK.

"Progress" is for sale in Woodstock at W. Everett's bookstore.

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Mrs. L. P. Farris, of Grand Lake, is the guest of her father, Mr. Hugh Hay.

Rev. J. K. Bearlito is in town this week.

Miss Minnie Sharp will leave for New York in a few days.

Mr. James Armstrong, of Bathurst, is visiting his friends here.

Mrs. Tupper, widow of the late Col. J. R. Tupper, is seriously ill.

Rev. E. J. Grant has gone to Florenceville for a few days.

BATHURST.

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Mr. T. Swaine DeBrisay returned, Friday, from St. John, where he had been for a couple of days.

The curling rink is just now the centre of attraction. The match games between the different rinks are being played for the skip and sub-skip's cups.

Mr. K. F. Burns, M. P., has gone to Ottawa.

TOM BROWN.

FREDERICTON'S BAD BOY.

His Pa Talks About Respectability and Changes His Politics.

I guess pa is sorry he ever tried to be respectable same as ma wants him to be. He sez to me when I was startin' for school: "Jimmy," sez he, "be 'onest but don't be respectable. To be common is better'n constabls. Be proud of your repytashun, but never mind your pedigree. A pedigree without repytashun is a blood hoss with the heaves. There is only two aristocracies worth your respect; one is the aristocracy of the brane, the other is the aristocracy of the hart. If enny man has more branes 'n you he's a bigger man than you; if enny man has more hart than you he's a better man than you. But az for bloo blood, Jimmy, sez he, skim-milk is bloo and the blooer it is the shaller the pan. A epitaf like a cote of arms is cheap but a repytashun kin neither be bought nor sold. Be 'onest, be nacheral, sez he, but dont attempt to be respectable, for bein' too respectable haz been my bane. It iz the dry rot on the tater field of life. Fur, az the poet sez, which is identizle:

It iz not wealth,
Nur rank, nur state,
But git up and git
That makes men grate.

Pa used to be on the fence in politix, but now he sez hez goin' over to the Nashunal Pollisiz. He sez its no use fur ennybody to tell him that the country is goin' to the dogs. He sez ther was the biggest crop of

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THE WATER METER.

I'm a wicked water meter, Pharisaic water meter, with a face of white enamel, hard enamel, trimmed with brass. But I wear the soft expression of a painted Simon Peter, looking out into the future like a goldfish through a glass.

When it happens that the carcass of an infant alligator plays the mischief with my vitals in its efforts to get through. I record the strange occurrence on my brass-bound indicator, by the fraudulent addition of a hundred feet or two.

O, the mimetic matter and the poison which I scatter with the simple name of water, unadulterated pure!

While my friend the undertaker waxes richer, slicker, fatter, and the druggist's wife and daughter take a European tour!

O, I often pause and wonder as I ponder o'er my plunder, pause and wonder why in thunder honest people let me lie.

Why they do not rise in anger, tear me limb from limb and, adopt a water meter more ingenious than I!—The Wasp.

A BALLAD OF OLDE BOOKES.

They sing of the shadow lands far away,
The meads and the valleys of Arcadie;
Of haunts where the satyr and wood-nymph play,
And of Ellens and Gates of Ivorie;
But none of these pleasantries seems to me
A haven of joy, for I'm growing old,
And crave of Dame Fortune that I may be
Where the second-hand books are bought and sold.

My pulses beat high and my heart is gay
At finding a date that begins, MD—
On a sweet old lino whose leaves are gray
With booky patina of ancienterie;
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