

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

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Charlton, Jarvis Arnold, McIntyre, Myers, and... Mrs. Wm. McDonald is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Robert Thomson, Mockenburgh street.

Miss Clara Ferris, who has been visiting her aunt at Portland, Me., has returned home.

Mrs. H. C. Creed, of Fredericton, has been visiting friends here.

Mrs. Woodford Ketchum, who has been visiting relatives here, has returned to her home at Hamilton.

Miss J. Iversoll, of Grand Manan, has returned to St. John where she will continue her musical studies.

Miss Manie McKinnon, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. Clark, St. Stephen, returned home last week.

Miss Noel Clarke, who has been visiting friends here, has returned to St. Stephen.

Mrs. Tyson Barnes of Hampton spent a few days here last week, the guest of her mother, Mrs. Wm. Kipparick.

Miss Currie of Gagetown is visiting friends here. Invitations are out for a party on Halloween.

Mrs. Fairweather is the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. Sangster, this week.

Misses Jennie Patchell and Nellie Fleming held a very enjoyable surprise party at the residence of Mrs. J. Millican on Wednesday evening last.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Bathurst at McGinley's grocery store.]

Oct. 25.—Dr. Heber Sproul, of Newcastle, visited Bathurst last week.

Mr. John Barry, of St. John, was in town on last Sunday and Monday.

Little Miss Annie Keary met last week with an accident which resulted in a fractured arm. The broken limb is mending rapidly.

Misses Minnie and Emma Burns are visiting Mrs. J. J. McGinley in St. John.

Mr. Tom Gallagher, of Moncton, spent Sunday last in Bathurst en route for Campbellton.

Mr. John Siveright, M. P., who stands at the head of the list of popular Bathurst gentlemen, is having an embarrassment of riches in the way of land stakes and congratulations that were in part just as parabolically proud of her new representative.

LARGE HALIFAX NOTES.

Oct. 27.—The dance given last evening by Mr. and Mrs. Lawson, at the Morris street, (the "old Lavigne house") was in its usual manner a grand success.

Mrs. Lawson, the mother of Mr. W. Lawson, to whom the house was a regular place of resort during his long residence here and the countless number of people who were indebted to her socially and who were justly well scattered over the face of the earth, cannot fail to remember the kindly frequency of her invitations.

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During her stay Miss Dugden will be the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Cartwright at the rectory on Guinness street.

Miss Sara J. Pallen, formerly teacher of elocution in St. Martin's seminary, passed through here en route for Annapolis, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baker arrived home on Wednesday evening last from a short business trip to Boston.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Gandy made a short trip to Boston recently.

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The balance of our Stock of Plushes, Velvets and Velvetens, remaining on hand from the purchase of the TURNER & FINLAY estate, are being offered at a still greater reduction to clear.

Table with columns for Fancy Velvets in Checks, Stripes and Brocades, and Plushes, Fashionable Shades. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$2.50.

Balance of Wool Dress Goods at a big sacrifice, 40 to 48 inches wide.

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A MOST BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT OF Fine Silverware, Clocks, Watches and Jewelry Selected for Wedding Presents.

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Respectfully yours, W. TREMAINE GARD, 81 King street, St. John, N.S.

Engagement and Wedding Rings a specialty. Watches and Jewelry repaired, Gold and Silver articles made to order and satisfaction guaranteed.

WINDSOR, N. S. [PROGRESS is for sale in Windsor at Knowles Bookstore and Dukin's Bookstore.]

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INDICTED FOR CRUEL

WOMAN'S WAY OF DEALING DUMB CREATURES.

"Astr" Thinks Her Sex Needs a Reason and Administers One—An Earnest Appeal to Ladies to Discourage the Whimsicality of Birds.

I have come to the conclusion that men are naturally cruel. I never do so before, because I have always been fond of my own sex to see many faulted upon me, and I must accept.

I have long known that the most timid and the clinging, shrinking creature always want some one to lean against.

those trembling inexperience and timidity is sure to arouse every chivalric instinct in the hearts of the men they love and make them long to protect such a weak creature, the most cruel, the most utterly reckless of all suffering that do affect themselves.

I have seen a gentle frightened dandelion whose whole life was wrapped up in music—and who like a modern Saint Cecilia who might call down the angels to listen to her and sit wrapped in inspiration and state silk garments, at the organ—I have seen this saint spring from her chair shrieking in horror when a bewildered harmless moth banged itself heavily against the lamp shade; and when some admirer caught the bloodthirsty reptile by its imagination, I have seen this scorpion take it boldly into her little hand and drop it carefully into the flame of a lamp with the utmost deliberation.

satisfaction, thanking her deliverer at the same time with a child-like smile. I see a sweet faced angel with great eyes, and the rosebud mouth of one of Raphael's choruses, who looked as if it would not hurt a fly, and whose soul is in terror before a bumble bee, secure of her enemies when he was sleepy helpless in the evening, plunge a thrawl his body, fasten him securely through and leave him there to dangle in agony which lasted for two or three days.

And I have seen the strong-minded, independent female who never yearned for protection, or called up "chivalrous instincts in the hearts of the sterner sex," burn her fingers with a red hot lamp of iron in her haste to remove it and release a moth which had fallen inside, pick a darning fly out of a pail of water, and cry because her nose was crimson, and her eyes were blue, over a dying kitten.

Almost invariably the timid creature nearly goes into hysterics at the sight of a mouse quivering with a far more terror than she would ground, terror than can feel—manages to shove off her nervousness long enough to shriek in fear for some one to "Kill it! Jump on it! Put it in the fire! Throw the scorpion away!" And while the entire family are gathered around the howling victim of nerves and emotion, her plain faced and strong minded sister has quietly picked up the palping animal of grey fur and blue terror which has caused all the disturbance, dropped tenderly into a sheltered nook in the parlor, within easy reach of the cellar, and busily setting the furniture to rights, at the close of the late engagement, before more interesting relative has recovered consciousness.

The timid woman is, as I said before, singularly indifferent to the suffering of others. When anything in the animal world annoys or frightens her she wants to kill it at once, if possible. A frolicsome puppy chases her and perhaps succeeds in catching her dress, and that woman's near male relative does not know the meaning of the word peace until he has called upon the owner of the too sportive pup to threaten him with the utmost rigor of law unless he has the vicious brute immediately destroyed. The family cat scratches the baby, or has a convulsion brought on by enticed abstinence from food—as the timid woman is usually more afraid of animals to feed them—she by indignation, caused from a rather rough rat in her little inside; and hysterical mistress refuses to be comforted until the dangerous creature is drowned.

Under like circumstances the strong minded, hard-featured female arms herself with a coarse towel, which she prods between the struggling creature, and then carries it out from its claws, and then carries it out on the back yard, lays it on the grass, and says quietly, "Poor old pussy, she is well, I must give her some catnip." Wonder how you would feel, O nervous woman, if some one wanted to drown you every time you had a fit of hysteria?

Unfortunately the weaker women predominate largely in the scale of creation, so, when a few of the stronger, and more faithful amongst them endeavor to do good to the world, they find that they feel to be a disgrace to humanity, they have to fight, not so much against established usage or public opinion as the weakness, the sanity and the thoughtlessness of the great majority of their own sex. The thoughtful woman reads with feelings of absolute horror of the wanton destruction of bird life, that is caused by the ever increasing fancy for birds wings, stuffed and fancy trimming, in the millinery and dress garment of the past few years; she reads the reliable accounts of the sickening cruelty practiced upon the helpless creatures, how the birds which are only wanted for their wings, especially sea birds, are frequently caught, stunned, their wings torn off, and their bleeding, but living bodies thrown back into the water and left to die in agony. How day after day whole boat loads of birds come into the English port towns from foreign ports—these birds are called but many of them are half alive when they are landed and I think if we knew how many were alive when they were shipped, and how wounded and suffering in the boats

BRIDGETOWN.

Oct. 26.—A party was given on Thursday evening by Mrs. Freeman at her beautiful residence on Granville street. Her guests spent an enjoyable evening at whist and bagatelle, varied with music.

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ANAGANOE.

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ST. ANDREWS.

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