FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

FREDERICTON

Fredericton, Dec. 9—Mrs. R. W. McLellan and little daughter returned home on Saturday from a week's visit in St. John.

The Monday Club were the guests of Miss Sterling this week, when Miss Valerie Steeves was the prize winner.

Mrs. George Younge Dibblee was at home on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 8, for the first time since reopening her residence. Mrs. Dibblee was looking particularly well in a handsome gown of pale mauve satin with violet chiffon trimmings and jeweled front. After Jan. 1, Mrs. Dibblee will be at home on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month during the winter.

The Lang Syne Club met last evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hall, when Mrs. H. V. B. Bridges and Dr. McDonald were the prize winners.

After a pleasant visit in New York, Mrs. H. G. Chestnut returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. Wylde has returned to her home in Halifax, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. George Taylor.

Mrs. George Taylor is in Woodstock visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Skelton, of St. John, were week-end visitors with the Bishop and Mrs. Richardson.

Mr. Duncan Davidson is here from Didsbury (Alta.) to spend Christmas with his wife, who has been spending several months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hodge. They with their two children will return to Alberta early in the new year, where Mr. Davidson is manager of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Mrs. Harry Hoben and sister, Miss Bessie Babbitt, went to Moncton on Saturday to viist their sister, Mrs. Parlee.

Mrs. J. H. Crocket and daughter, Miss Beatrice Crocket, have returned from visiting friends in Maine.

A unique dinner party was held in the dining room of the domestic science department of the York street school on Tuesday evening, when the board of school trustees were the guests of the young ladies of the eighth grade and their popular teacher, Miss Gillis. The girls conceived the idea of inviting the members of the school board to a dinner of their own cooking and accordingly each member received an invitation to a dinner for 6 o'clock on Tuesday evening. Of course, all the invited guests accepted. The guests were received in the brilliantly lighted corridor by Miss Gillis, Mrs. W. G. Clark and Mrs. Cox. The table decorations were yellow 'mums. An eight-course dinner was served. Under the direction of Miss Gillis the entire diner was cooked and served by the following VIII. grade girls: Misses Edith Clarke, Marion Tweedale, Nan Fisher, Thirza Clynick, Laura Wilson, Marguerite Christie, Doris Irvine, Eloide Fisher, Beatrice Harrison, Dorothy Mills, Ruby Lowry, Alberta Tweeddale, Hilda Cosman, Alice Townsend, Elaine Malloy and Jane Gough. At the conclusion of the dinner Dr. Vanwart, chairman of the board, made a very happy speech expressing an appreciation of the kindness of the hostesses in thus entertaining the trustees. Miss Gillis accepted the kind words spoken to herself and her class in a few well chosen remarks.

Mrs. Frederic Baird is visiting Senator and Mrs. Baird in Andover.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 9—The council of the board of trade last night decided to ask the government to substitute a tri-weekly for a weekly train service on the Fredericton-Gagetown route.

Superintendent Grout of the C. P. R., wrote that his company would be favorable to the union station proposal here if conditions could be made.

A letter from the postal authorities stated that there would be no reduction in box rents for the new post office.

Lieutenant H. P. Osborne of C Company, 104th battalion, has been promoted to be captain.

Two inches of snow fell here last night. The weather is mild and the river still is open.

Fredericton, Dec. 12—The St. John river at this place is now frozen from shore to shore, the drop in temperature Saturday night having put a stop to the run of broken ice which began Friday night.

The Protestant troops quartered here attended divine service at St. Paul's Presbyterian church this morning. The preacher was Rev. W. H. Smith, chaplain of the 71st York regiment.

The Fredericton Brass Band played the Roman Catholic troops to St. Dunstan's church.

Hazel Audrey Speedy, aged eight years, daughter of George A. Speedy, of Harvey, passed away today at Victoria Public Hospital. Death was caused by brain trouble. The body will be taken to Harvey tomorrow morning.

Clarence Fraser Grant, aged fourteen years, died in the Victoria Hospital today, appendicitis being the cause. The deceased was aged fourteen years and is the son of Willis Grant, of Penniac.

DORCHESTER

Dorchester, Dec. 8—Miss Kathleen Beau, of Boston, is the guest of Miss Lila Foster.

Mr. Blair Starratt, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Starratt, has enlisted with the 5th Siege Battery, mobilized in St. John. This is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Starratt to enlist, Albert being with the 8th Battery "somewhere in France." Blair left on Tuesday for St. John, accompanied by Mrs. Starratt.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church held a sale of fancy articles and candy on Thursday evening last in Hickman's Hall. Proceeds amounted to $42.

Mrs. P. L. Irvine, of St. John, spent a few days in town last week, guest of the Misses Piercy.

Miss A. McDonald and Mrs. Kennedy, of Antigonish (N. S.), spent a few days in town last week, guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. McDonald.

Miss Carman, of Moncton, spent the week-end in town, guest of Miss Hanington.

Mr. George Bishop, of the I. C. R. survey party now in Pugwash (N. S.), spent the week-end in town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hanington spent a few days in Moncton last week, guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Willett.

Mrs. A. Copp, of Port Elgin, is visiting her sister, Mrs. N. MacPhearson, Government Terrace.

Miss Mary Friel, who has been visiting Miss Elsie Townsend in Amherst, has returned home.

The beautiful doll that was placed in the window of Payzant & Card Co., by the Senior Red Cross Society as a lottery, was drawn for on Thursday evening last. The winner being Mr. S. A. Palmer.

Mrs. George Taylor (formerly Miss Daisy Burnett) arrived in Ottawa from Swift Current (Sask.), on Sunday last. Mr. Taylor has enlisted for overseas duty and expects to remain in Ottawa for some time. Mrs. Taylor is expected to arrive in town this week and will spend the winter here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Burnett.

Mrs. Henry Emmerson and children, of Amherst, who have been the guests of Miss Berniece Emmerson have returned home.

Mr. Cyril Chapman spent Friday last in Moncton.

SUSSEX

Sussex, N. B., Dec. 9—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McFadzen, who returned Monday afternoon from their wedding trip, entertained at dinner at Spruce Lodge, that evening. Some of those present were, Mrs. Wm. Maggs, Mrs. John MacFadzen, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. White, Mr. and Mrs. Harley White, Miss Blance McLeod, Miss Gretchen Mills, Miss Sybil Mills, Miss Hazel White, Dr. and Mrs. Freeze, Mrs. McFadzen (Rothesay), Miss Laura Jefferies.

Miss Blanche McLeod is spending the week-end in St. John, as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E. Corbitt.

Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell, of the 64th Battalion, Halifax, spent the week-end at his home here. On his return, he was accompanied by Mrs. Campbell and Miss Florence Campbell.

The Very Rev. Dean Neales, of Fredericton, was among the visitors here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Roach, Mr. Frank Roach and Mr. Beverley Roach attended the Winter Fair in Amherst this week.

Lieutenant-Colonel Fowler and Mrs. Fowler were in St. John last week and were guests of Hon. Wm. and Mrs. Pugsley.

Dr. Dave Freeze and Mrs. Freeze have returned from Halifax.

Miss Annette Campbell is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Park, Newcastle.

Mrs. Ora King and Miss Jean Connely, who have been guests of friends here, have returned to Great Salmon River.

Mrs. H. B. Clarke and Master Billy Clarke were among the visitors from here to Hampton last week.

Miss Edna White, of Orange (N. J.), was called home this week owing to the very serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Edward White.

Mrs. G. N. Pearson was hostess Wednesday evening at a very enjoyable dance and bridge. Among those invited were Colonel and Mrs. Fowler, Colonel Greening, Major and Mrs. Baggs, Captain and Mrs. Ralph Robertson, Captain and Mrs. Lawrence, Captain and Mrs. Boggs, Dr. and Mrs. Freeze, Captain and Mrs. Rising, Lieutenant and Mrs. Corelli, Captain and Mrs. Heiland, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Clarke, Mrs. H. B. Clarke, Miss Alice White, Miss Gretchen Mills, Miss E. Louise White, Miss Sara Byrne, Miss Dorothy Tennant (St. John), Miss Winfred Fowler, Miss Kate White, Miss Grace Kirk, Miss Gertrude Sherwood, Miss Blanche Beatteay (St. John), Miss Mary Smithers, Miss Annette Campbell, Miss Florence Campbell, Miss Helen Scott, Miss Sybil Mills, Miss Carrie Roach, Miss Ella DeBoo, Miss Nora Wetmore, Miss Blanche McLeod, Miss Mary Tapley (St. John); Lieutenants Wilson, Thorne, Brooks, Tweedie, Taylor, Crookshanks, Davies, Macauchlan, Young, Robert Armstrong, Edgett, Calkin, Teed, McKay, Black, Bennett, Eveleigh, Good, Kirk, Hutchison, Price, Tweedie, and Mrs. W. N. Robinson, Gordon McKay, A. J. Perkins, Harold Drummie, (S. S.), Fraser, Frank Miller, Allan Beatteay, Grant Smith and others.

Lieutenant-Colonel Fowler left this week for Ottawa on a business trip.

The body of the late Mrs. Paul Sweeney was brought here Tuesday and interred in Kirk Hill.

Miss Dorothy Tennant, St. John, is the guest of Miss Winnifred Fowler.

Major G. S. Kinnear has received word of his appointment as Major in the 115th Battalion.

Rev. H. C. Rice spent the first of the week in Moncton with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Rice.

Colonel Papineau, who has charge of the officers' school in Halifax was here this week as the guest of Lieutenant-Colonel Fowler.

Among the clergymen here this week, attending a meeting of the Kingston Deanery were: Rural Dean Rev. W. A. Daniel, Rev. C. A. S. Warneford, Rev. Thomas Parker, Rev. A. H. Crowfoot, Rev. J. A. H. Holmes, Rev. H. T. Buckland, Rev. T. E. Marshall, Rev. C. G. Lawrence, Rev. Percy Coulthurst, Rev. Hamilton Brown, Rev. A. C. Fenwick.

Mr. Harry White arrived home today, being called here on account of the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Edward White.

Mr. George L. Wetmore spent Tuesday in St. John with friends.

SHEDIAC

Shediac, N. B., Dec. 9—Mrs. F. Beal, of Shediac Cape, left recently for Point deBute, owing to the illness of her mother, Mrs. Robert McCleod, of that place. Mr. McCleod is at present receiving treatment in the hospital in Amherst.

Mr. Jas. McQueen and son, Mr. Sandy McQueen, visited Pt. de Bute and Amherst this week owing to the illness of Mr. McCleod.

Mrs. H. B. Steeves is returning on Saturday of this week from a visit of a few weeks at the home of her brother, Mr. D. W. Harper, St. John.

Mrs. Thos. Browne, who has been spending the past three months in St. Leonards, was the guest for the past week of her friends, Miss Bessie Wortman. Mr. Browne has recently received a railway appointment in Edmundston, and in future Mr. and Mrs. Browne will reside in that town.

Mr. Saunders of the Roger Miller Co., intends leaving this week to spend the Christmas season in Hamilton, in which city Mrs. Saunders has been spending the past few weeks.

Mrs. C. H. Galland returned on Tuesday from a pleasant visit of some weeks to friends in Montreal.

Miss Beatrice Harper is spending a few days in Moncton, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. H. S. Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kelly and family have returned home from Halifax, where they were very suddenly summoned owing to the death of Mrs. Kelly's mother, the late Mrs. Burns.

Mrs. E. A. Ross and son, Mr. Ernest Ross, have returned to Quebec, after a visit with friends in town.

Mr. E. O'Brien, of Halifax, spent Sunday with Shediac friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Avard White have returned to Shediac, after spending the past two months at Carleton Point (P. E. Island, and are at the home of Mr. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. White, for the winter months. On Wednesday of next week, Mrs. White will be at home both afternoon and evening for her daughter-in-law, Mrs. White (nee Thurber), of Millerton.

Mr. Rufus Cuttler is able to be out again after his recent illness.

Mrs. S. Charters, of Pt. du Chene, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. W. S. Black, of Sackville.

Miss "Ted" Lingley, of Dorchester has been spending a few days in Shediac, the guest of her sister, Miss Garda Lingley.

Mrs. A. S. Poirier has returned from some weeks spent with friends in Montreal, Bathurst and Campbellton.

WOODSTOCK

Woodstock, Dec. 10—Mr. and Mrs. George W. Boyer have been spending the past two weeks visiting friends in St. John.

Mrs. George A. Taylor, of Fredericton, was the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Holyoke.

Miss Laughlan, of St. Stephen, is a guest of her father, Major Laughlan, at Carleton Hall.

Mrs. F. B. Carvell and Mrs. Arthur M. Fisher spent a few days in Fredericton this week.

Mr. Walter Sprague, son of Dr. T. F. and Mrs. Sprague, of this town, who has been on the staff of the Bank of Montreal at Swift Current (Sask.), has been transferred to Rossland (B. C.)

Mrs. Guy McLaughlan and little son, Ronald, who have been the guests of Mrs. McLauchlan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Everett, left on Wednesday morning for Halifax (N. S.), where Captain McLauchlan is stationed. Mrs. McLauchlan will visit in St. John and Amherst on her way.

Mrs. Arthur G. Bailey returned on Saturday from Fredericton.

Miss Kathleen Lynott returned on Tuesday from a visit of several weeks to friends in St. Stephen and St. George.

The Misses Hazel Atherton and Helen Lynott spent the week-end with the Misses Olts at Meductic.

Mrs. Guy Saunders, of Bosman, Mont., arrived in town on Tuesday evening to visit her sisters, Mrs. J. H. Thompson and Mrs. J. S. Creighton.

Mr. Lawrence Bailey, who was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bailey, for a week, returned last week to resume his duties at the Bank of Montreal at Chatham.

Messrs. Medley Everett and Fred Everett, sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Everett, have enlisted for overseas duty with the 70th battalion, at London (Ont.)

Mrs. John Graham will leave on Saturday to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Dary, in New Britain (Conn.)

Miss Hazel King is visiting friends in Houlton (Me.)

Miss Dorothy Lyons, of Houlton (Me.), who spent a few days with Mrs. R. Perley Hartley here, returned home on Monday.

The men of St. Luke's Episcopal church entertained the officers and about thirty soldiers of "D" company of the 104th regiment, at a smoker in the Parish hall on Monday evening. An impromptu programme was given, consisting of music by Messrs. F. L. Mooers, Harry Dunbar, J. D. Carey, LeRoy Mooers, Mr. Partridge, R. L. Bell, Lieutenant Brown and Miss Rowena Ketchum. Supper was served by the ladies at 9 o'clock. The affair was most informal and very much enjoyed by those present. The men of the church intend holding these entertainments quite frequently during the winter.

The people of the town were shocked to hear on Wednesday of the death of Mrs. Robert Corbett. The deceased had been in ill health but was able to sit up the day before and was preparing to sit up Wednesday morning when suddenly she was taken with an ill turn and died before the physician arrived. Mrs. Corbett was a general favorite with all who knew her and the deepest sympathy is expressed to her sorrowing relatives.

Mr. Frank McLardy, who has enlisted for overseas service, left on Wednesday for Sussex.

Miss Millicent Carter, of Andover, is visiting her friend, Miss Marguerite McLauchlan.

Mrs. A. Stackpole, of Bridgewater (Me.), is spending this week with her consin, Mrs. George Gibson.

Mrs. H. W. Lowney and little daughter Katharine, left today to spend ten days in Caribou (Me.), where they will be the guests of Mrs. Arthur Ricker.

Mrs. Wilbur Gray received for the first time since her marriage on Wednesday afternoon and evening and Thursday afternoon, at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Atherton, Broadway. On Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Gray was assisted in doing the honors by her mother, Mrs. Atherton. In the dining room, Mrs. Allison Carr presided, assisted by Miss Inez Burtt and Miss Maude Slipp. In the evening the bride was again assisted by her mother, and the tea room was presided over by Miss Inez Burtt and Miss Edna Hoyt. On Thursday afternoon, Mrs. Gray was assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. A. Clark and the tea room was in charge of Mrs. W. T. Montgomery, assisted by Miss Helen McKibbon and Miss Florence Snow. Little Miss Florence Noble opened the door for the guests.

The many friends of Mrs. Thomas W. Baker throughout the maritime provinces will be sorry to hear that she had the misfortune to fall on Monday and break her right limb, both bones between the knee and ankle being broken. Mrs. Baker had just returned from an official visit to the Rebekah lodges through the maritime provinces and Sydney, and during her visit made many friends who will regret to hear of the accident.

ST. ANDREWS

St. Andrews, Dec. 8—Mrs. T. T. Odell was at home on Thursday and was assisted in reciving by her mother, Mrs. Jesse Duston, of St. Stephen, and Mrs. G. H. Stickney. The spacious reception room and dining room were artistically decorated with pinks, white carnations and ferns, and the library with yellow chrysanthemums. Miss Odell presided in the dining room and was assisted by Mrs. Barnard, Mrs. Wm. Carson and Miss Nellie Stuart. Miss Gwendolyn Jack sang most pleasingly and was accompanied by Miss Anna Mitchell, who also gave some instrumental music. Among the invited guests were: Mrs. R. A. Stuart, Mrs. T. A. Hartt, Mrs. O. Clark, Mrs. G. H. Lamb, Mrs. E. A. Cockburn, Mrs. M. N. Cockburn, Mrs. C. S. Everett, Mrs. Gifford, Mrs. F. Andrews, Miss Main, Mrs. G. H. Elliott, Mrs. O. Rigby, Mrs. A. Thompson, Mrs. F. Kennedy, Miss Algar, Miss Townsend, Mrs. G. D. Grimmer, Mrs. G. Babbitt, Miss McLaughlin, Mrs. F. H. Grimmer, Mrs. P. G. Hanson, Miss A. Richardson, Mrs. G. F. Hibard, Mrs. R. A. Stuart, jr., Mrs. Geo. Smith, Mrs. J. D. Grimmer, Miss G. Wade, Mrs. Rowland, Miss M. Bradley, Miss Morrison, Mrs. Richard Keay, Mrs. Fraser, Miss Broad, Miss Katie Broad, Miss O'Neil, Mrs. Weddall, Miss Weddall, Mrs. Jas. Stoop, Mrs. A. Shaw, Mrs. F. A. Stevenson, Mrs. J. S. Maloney, Mrs. N. M. Clark and Mrs. Edwin Andrews.

The Chamcook branch of the W. A. held a successful sale of food and fancy work in All Saints' school room Saturday last. Seventy-five dollars was realized and part of the proceeds given to the soldiers' comfort fund. Those in charge of the tables were Miss Alice Grimmer, Miss Edith Townsend and the Misses Rankin.

Mrs. George Smith has returned from St. Stephen, where she has been visiting Miss Will McVay.

Mrs. Stuart Grimmer returned to St. John on Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Kennedy is visiting friends in St. Stephen.

Mr. Allen Grimmer has returned from Ottawa.

Mrs. Jesse Dustan has returned to St. Stephen.

Mr. Hayter Reed has gone to Calgary for a few weeks.

Mrs. R. A. Stuart, jr., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Plooma Ingersoll, in Orono (Me.), and will spend the winter with relatives and friends in New York and Washington.

Mrs. James McDonald has returned from a pleasant visit in Megantic, with her daughter, Mrs. Stanley Robinson.

Mrs. Wm. Carson has returned from Toronto, where she has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ross Osborn.

Mrs. Cecil DeWolfe has returned from a pleasant visit with her sister, Mrs. Frank McVay, St. Stephen.

Mrs. Kenneth McLaren returned from Fredericton on Friday.

Mrs. Vernon Lamb and Mrs. William Morrow visited friends in the border towns this week.

Mrs. Thomas Burton went to St. Stephen on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Deacon have returned from Canterbury.

Miss Nouvie Sheehan and Mr. Frank Sheehan are spending a few days in Lubec.

Mrs. Robert Tennant sailed for England on Saturday.

Miss Jessie Dyer, of Elmsville, has been a recent guest of Mrs. Cecil De Wolfe.

Mr. Horace Mason went to Montreal on Monday.

Rev. A. R. Herman returned to Milton (N. S.) on Monday.

Mrs. George Babbitt entertained from 4 to 6 on Tuesday, and was assisted by Miss McLaughlin, of Fredericton, and the Misses Alice Grimmer, Bessie Grimmer and Phyllis Cockburn. Miss Gwendolyn Jack sang and was accompanied by Miss Anna Mitchell. Among the invited guests were Mrs. Stuart Grimmer, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. William Morraw, Mrs. Vernon Lamb, Mrs. Geo. Elliott, Mrs. Arthur Mason, Miss Nellie Mowatt, Miss Kathleen Cockburn, Miss Broad, Miss Katie Broad, Miss Nellie Stuart, Miss Weddall, Miss Kathleen O'Neil, Miss Dolly Andrews, and Miss Hope Sharp.

Miss Hazel McCullough, of Boston, is visiting relatives at Bayside.

BATHURST

Bathurst, N. B., Dec. 9—Mrs. P. J. Burns went to Chatham last week to make a visit to her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Hickey.

Miss Harriet Carter, who was home on account of the death of her father, has returned to Montreal.

Mrs. Guy Saunders, of Bozman (Mon.), who was visiting Mrs. P. H. Wilson, left on Tuesday for Woodstock, where she will visit her sisters, Mrs. John Thompson and Mrs. Jas. S. Creighton.

Miss Nellie Elhaton is visiting Mrs. E. L. Watts, of Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Gilbert returned from a short stay in St. John.

Mrs. Wm. H. Spear has returned to her home in Moncton, being called here because of the sudden death of her father, Mr. T. Edwin Carter.

Mr. Arthur Melanson left on Friday for his home in Macfarlane (Ont.), after a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Melanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Baldwin left on Tuesday to visit in Montreal.

The marriage took place on November 24, at Edmonton, Alberta, of Miss Ida O'Sullivan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Sullivan, of Bathurst. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Louis, pastor of St. Joachin's church, the witnesses being Miss Nellie Davis and Mr. Oliver C. Johnston. Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner will visit in Winnipeg, St. Paul (Minn.), New York and at the home of the groom's family in Philadelphia, before coming to Bathurst, where they expect to spend Christmas at the home of the bride's parents.

Rev. F. A. Wightman leaves this week for a short stay in Richibucto. Rev. B. O. Hartman, of Richibucto, will occupy the pulpit in the Methodist church here during his abence.

Mr. Wm. Sweeney returned on Tuesday from Halifax, where he had been seeing his son, Pte. Harry Sweeney, before he said for overseas service.

Many friends here will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Albert Knight, which took place recently at her home in Providence (R. I.)

Congratulations are being expressed on account of the arrival on Friday last of a baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Groulx, who have resided here for several years, left last week for Nottaway (P. Q.), where they intend to make their home.

Messrs. E. L. O'Brien, O. J. McKenna, J. B. Mullins, J. B. Hachey, H. W. Melanson, F. O. Landry went to St. John on Wednesday to attend the exercises at the K. of C. rooms on Thursday.

BORDER TOWNS

St. Stephen, Dec. 8—On Thursday last Miss Mildred Todd gave a very pleasant afternoon of bride to a number of lady friends. Mrs. William Stuart Lane was the guest of honor. There were seven tables, and the prize which was a bunch of silk flags of the Allies, was won by Miss Marion Murray. The favors were flags of the world, excepting Germany, Austria and Turkey. The hours of the party were from 3 until 6 o'clock, and at the tea hour refreshments were served. The party was very delightful and much enjoyed.

Mr. Frank T. Bixby arrived home on Monday evening to spend a day or two with his sisters, Mrs. Louis Abbot and Miss Annie Bixby.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Burdette, and Mrs. W. G. Talcott, are residing this winter in apartments in Westlake avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Rev. Samuel Howard, of Woodstock, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick O. Sullivan, when in town last week to attend the 180th anniversary of the founding of the Methodist church in St. Stephen.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Flewelling on the birth of a son, on Sunday last.

Premier Clarke is in Ottawa for a few days this week.

The ladies, who were hostesses at the Soldier Comforts tea last Saturday afternoon and evening were: Mrs. Augustus Cameron, Misses Gladys Blair, Arthuretta Branscombe, and Alma Sullivan.

Mrs. J. W. Richardson was hostess on Friday evening to a most pleasant bridge party.

Mrs. William H. Richardson, of Deer Island, is visiting in Calais, her sister, Mrs. Charles A. Rose.

A very pleasant event last week was the presentation of a handsome gift of cut glass to Mrs. Charles McIninch, by the choir and the branch of the Women's Auxiliary of Trinity church. Mr. and Mrs. McIninch, with their family are leaving St. Stephen to make their future home in Woodland, Maine. Mrs. McIninch, has always been most interested in the work and welfare of her church and will be greatly missed. On Friday evening Mrs. James G. Steven gave a very pleasant bridge for the pleasure of Mrs. Lane, and several of her friends. There were three tables. The prizes were won by Miss Branscombe and Mr. Randolph Jewett. There was some music after the prizes were awarded, and dainty refreshments were served.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. George J. Clarke and Miss Doris Clarke gave a very delightful bridge for the pleasure of Mrs. Stuart Lane. There were five tables, and the prize was given to Miss Addie McVay. There were many pretty toilettes worn. Mrs. Clarke wore a handsome fown of black silk and cream lace; Mrs. Lane, a dainty gown of navy blue crepe de chene and satin; Miss Doris Clarke, a pretty gown of navy blue poplin. Dainty refreshments were served at 6 o'clock. Misses Noe Clake, Mary Ward and Elsie Lawson were guests at the tea hour.

Mr. Justice Grimmer was a most welcome visitor in town last week.

NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, Dec. 8—Mrs. Henry Devereau who has been the guest of Mrs. George Brown, returned last Friday to her home in New York.

Mr. Vivian Burrill returned last Sunday from a visit to his home in Shawinigan (Que.) He was accompanied by his nephew, Mr. J. Burrill, who will spend a few days hunting in the Miramichi woods.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Durick returned last Saturday from their wedding trip.

Miss Agnes Flett, of Nelson is spending a few days in town the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Charles Stothart.

Mrs. G. G. Stothart entertained a few friends, most pleasantly, at her home last Monday evening.

Mrs. W. R. Cummings, who was called to town by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. W. G. Bell, returned to her home in Montreal this week, accompanied by her mother, who will remain in Montreal for the winter.

Mr. James Brown, who has been the guest of his mother for the past week, returned to Mexico last Friday.

Mrs. R. W. Crocker and children, who have been visiting friends in Truro for some time, arrived home last week.

Mrs. James O. Fish left on Monday for a visit to friends in Toronto and Hamilton (Ont.)

Mrs. William Sinclair left on Monday for Toronto, where she will remain for some time, visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. Arnold McLaggan, of the staff of the Bank of Nova Scotia in St. John, has enlisted with the Heavy Seige Battery for overseas services. Mr. McLaggan, was formerly teller in the Bank of Nova Scotia here. He left St. John Tuesday for Halifax, to take a short course for the rank of a non-commissioned officer.

Miss Addie Stables, entertained a number of friends, at a much enjoyed knitting party at her home on Tuesday evening, in honor of some of the visitors in town.

Miss Lily Williamson, returned on Saturday from a visit with Mrs. Harry Brown, of Nelson (N. B.) The many friends of Mr. P. A. McNeil, former accountant in the Royal Bank here, will regret to learn that he has been confined to the hospital in St. John with an attack of pneumonia.

Newcastle, Dec. 10—LeRoy Morrison and Bryan Hennessy have gone to St. John to join the heavy siege battery.

George Johnston and his two sons have enlisted.

Mrs. David Petrie returned on Wednesday from a viist to her sons in Lowell (Mass.) Her son Fred. accompanied her home.

Miss Margaret Appleby went to St. John Tuesday to attend a meeting of the telephone operators' convention.

Geo. J. Witzell, jr., is home from Serbia on a two months' furlough on account of fever contracted in the Serbian campaign. He is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Witzell.

The funeral of little Willie Kirkpatrick, of Douglastown, was held yesterday afternoon, Rev. J. G. Cormier conducting services. The pall-bearers were Masters Geo. Driscoll, Arthur Young, Jack Craig and Arthur Roy. Interment was in St. Samuel's cemetery.

SACKVILLE

Sackville, Dec. 9—Governor Wood left yesterday for Fredericton.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Palmer and son, Kenneth, spent a few days in St. John last week.

Mrs. Ford McCready has been spending a few days in Amherst, being called by the death of her brother-in-law, the late Rev. Dr. Chapman.

The Misses Haser and Eleanor Tait, of Shediac, are spending a few days in town, guests of the Misses Borden.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fawcett are enjoying a trip to Montreal.

Miss Marjorie Sumner, of Moncton, spent a couple of days in town last week, guest of her sister, Mrs. Herbert M. Wood.

Miss Helen Ford leaves Saturday for Halifax, where she will visit friends.

Miss Bessie Carter spent the week-end in Amherst, guest of Mrs. W. Tennant.

Mrs. M. S. Bent and Mrs. Blenkhorn, of Amherst, spent Friday in town, guests of Mrs. C. W. Cahill.

Miss Jennie Barnes, who has been spending the last month with relatives in Moncton, returned to her home on Saturday.

The Misses Lillian Fawcett and Helen Wiggins spent Saturday in Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Keiver, of Albert, Albert county, arrived in town last week and will spend a few weeks with their daughter, Mrs. H. T. Knapp, after which they will go to Boston, where they will spend the winter with their son, Mr. Elmer Keiver.

The girls' club of St. Paul's church held a most successful tea and fancy sale in the school room of the church last Wednesday evening. Despite the snow storm the receipts amounted to $188. The following ladies were members of the tea committee: Mrs. Raleigh Trites, Mrs. S. Campbell, Miss Dott Johnson and Miss L. Estabrooks. The candy table was in charge of Miss Bessie Carter and Miss Kathleen Fawcett. The fancy work table was in charge of Mrs. McCord and Miss Gretchen Allison. The receipts from this table amounted to $80. The ladies in charge of the tea tables were: Miss Mary Robson, Miss Alice Hanson, Miss Jennie Gillis, Miss Helen Wiggins, Miss Etta Taylor, Miss Irene Bateman, Miss Hattie Milner, Miss Addie Wry, Miss Annie Elliman and Mrs. Fritz Read.

The many friends of Lieut. A. D. Carter, who was wounded at the front, are pleased to hear that he is improving in health. He is not coming home but will go to a convalescent home in London for two months.

Miss Lillian Hart, who recently underwent a serious operation in a Halifax hospital, is improving as rapidly as can be expected. Her many friends will hope for her speedy recovery to her usual health and vigor.

Tuesday afternoon, at the request of Mrs. J. Wood, the members of the Once-in-a-While Club met at Government House to discuss the advisability of taking up the work of the club after the New Year. In view of the great demands on time and energy made by the patriotic work it was doubtful among some of the members if there was any left for a literary club. However, at a well-attended meeting Tuesday, the suggestion that the Balkans be made the subject of study during the winter months met with general enthusiasm. Mrs. Wood was elected honorary president and Mrs. Gronlund, president Mrs. A. H. McCready, Mrs. Freeman-Lake and Mrs. G. M. Campbell were elected a committee to assist in arranging the programmes for the season. The members were also unanimous in deciding to meet in the evening instead of in the afternoon, as formerly.

Mrs. Charters, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. S. Black, returned to her home in Point du Chene last Wednesday.

Miss J. L. Richardson spent Saturday in Amherst, guest of Mrs. R. B. H. Davison.

A. W. Dyer, Mount Allison '16, successor to W. R. Sellah as president of the Y. M. C. A., left college on November 30, to enter the army Y. M. C. A. work at Woodstock. This makes two presidents of the same society who have departed within a week of each other. Messrs. Charman and Butler, both of the junior class, left on the preceding day for Prince Edward Island, where they will join the 105th. Theological students in the residence now total up to only nine, and the entire male student body only numbers about sixty. Since the beginning of the year, approximately three men in every ten have left for active service.

Miss Jean Whitman, of Pugwash, spent a few days in town last week, guest of the Misses Borden.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Wood on Friday evening, December 3, a musicale, both unique and entertaining, was given for patriotic purposes. The entertainment was furnished by an orchestra composed of Miss Marie DesBarres, piano; Mr. H. C. Hetherington, 1st violin; Messrs. C. Pickard and G. O. Whitney, 2nd violin, and H. M. Wood, cello, assisted by the Misses M. Gronlund, E. Hunton and K. Fawcett, soprano, and Miss Helen Ford, reader. The performers accomplished their parts in a truly artistic and creditable manner making the evening a brilliant as well as financial success. The enthusiastic promoters, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wood are to be congratulated upon the prosperous result of their undertaking. The proceeds realized $82.50. Coffee and cake were served at the conclusion of the programme. Mrs. F. B. Black assisted Mrs. Wood in receiving, and Mrs. C. W. Fawcett, poured coffee.

Among those present were Governor and Mrs. Wood, Dr. and Mrs. Bigelow, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fawcett, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Read, Prof. and Mrs. Fitz Read, Prof. and Mrs. Wheelock, Mrs. F. W. W. DesBarres, Mrs. F. B. Black, Mrs. C. F. Wiggins, Mrs. Liddy, Mrs. G. M. Campbell, Mrs. Gronlund, Miss Tweedie, Miss Fydell, Miss M. Smith, Miss Jen. Richardson, Miss Lou Ford, Miss Curtis, Miss Masters, Miss Machum, Miss Neta DesBarres, Miss Helen Wiggins, Miss Henderson, Miss Ferguson (Amherst), Miss Jean Campbell, Miss Caroline Cahill, Miss Jean Whitman (Pugwash), Miss Marjorie Sumner (Moncton), Miss Alice Cole, Miss Elsie Tait, Mr. Pethick, Mr. W. S. Fisher (St. John), Mr. Fred Fisher, Mr. A. Cameron, Mr. Fred Reid, and Mr. Maurice Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Read and two children, of Stonehaven (N. B.), arrived in town last week, and will spend the winter months at the home of Mr. Read's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Read.

CHATHAM

Chatham, N. B., Dec. 9—The Midget Club held a sale of fancy work and candy last Saturday afternoon at S. D. Heckbert's store, the object being to raise enough funds to provide a cot in one of the English hospitals for wounded Canadian soldiers. The sale proved most successful, the tidy sum of $90.45 being raised. Nearly all of the articles on sale were the handiwork of the members of the club, not one of whom is over 14 years of age. They have been preparing for this effort for some time and deserve great praise for their achievement in such a worthy cause. The following is a list of the members of the Midget Club: Irene Weldon, Dorcas Weldon, Katherine Brown, Isabel Brown, Beulah Heckbert, Margaret Crosby, Anna Logie, Marion Thompson, Nina Weldon, Mary Maclachlan, Eunice Matthews, Eva Hick, Dorothy Maltby.

Mr. Richard Currie, who has been spending two weeks at his former home here, returned to Toronto on Friday.

Miss Lillian Snowball went to Montreal Monday where, she will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. Rawlings.

Miss Warren, of Toronto, is spending a few weeks here, the guest of Mrs. J. W. Brankley.

Rev. George Wood, who, prior to enlisting as chaplain of the 40th battalion (Nova Scotia), was pastor of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, has been promoted to the rank of major, and is senior chaplain of the new Canadian Brigade, composed of the 42nd, 48th, R. C. R., and Princess Patricia's. His many friends here are glad to hear of his promotion.

Miss Lillian Flanagan is visiting friends in St. John.

Mr. W. B. Snowball was in Amherst Monday attending the funeral of the late Dr. Chapman.

Mr. Edward Burke, who has been spending the past few days in Athol (Mass.), visiting his mother, has returned home.

Mr. D. S. Clark, of Chatham, who has been on the Bank of Nova Scotia staff, Toronto, has been transferred to Kingston, Jamaica, and sailed from New York the first