

## Provincial Notes.

ARICHAT.—Mrs. D. A. Hearn is visiting Sydney. She will be present at the nuptials of two charming nieces, formerly of Arichat.

Miss Emma Cameron of St. Peter's is spending a few days in town.

Miss Janie Fixott and Miss Rosie Madden are visiting Canso.

Miss Annie Madden is spending a few days at home.

Mrs. Hallett leaves on Tuesday to join her husband in their new home in Weymouth.

A batch of jolly commercial travellers, among them the inimitable Bob Wilkins, did Arichat this week.

Master Willie Carbmell took a peculiar fish in his Baddeck net on Monday. It measured three feet in length and had a projecting nose and a saw back. Many and varied were the guesses as to its species. One who knows everything says it is a shovel-nosed shark. Some one suggested to one of our barristers that he might hang it up, near the wires, as a sign.

## SARDINE.

WINDSOR.—The many festivities of May 24th, should have been chronicled by me last week and I am afraid they are now of too great antiquity to be of general interest, but I must just refer to one event, viz: the large dance given on that evening by Miss Allison. Besides a large number of the *élite* of Windsor there were present some few strangers from Halifax. Dancing was protracted to a late hour and all present seemed to have had a most enjoyable and jolly time.

But the event of last week was the large "At Home" given by Mrs. Lawson on Thursday the 28th ult. These affairs are inclined to be somewhat dull, but this occasion was a brilliant exception to the general rule. The large and prettily furnished rooms were filled with a gay assemblage, rendered strikingly so by the bright new spring costumes of the ladies. The charming hostess and her two pretty daughters always make these drawing-rooms very attractive and all the guests seemed thoroughly to enjoy themselves on this occasion. The regret at leaving was to some extent dulled by the invitation of the kind hostess to a little dance on the following evening. This latter event was, needless to say, as pleasant as the former, perhaps more so to the young people.

The Reverend Owen Jones, of Halifax, was visiting his brother at the Rectory last week. He preached in Christ church on Sunday.

We were all glad to welcome back from Halifax, Miss Kate Smith, whose studies have been rudely interrupted at the Ladies' College in that city by the recent outbreak of diphtheria.

Saturday last was the monthly holiday at "Edgehill." Many of the girls were entertained by their friends in town.

The Bishop-Coadjutor of Fredericton administered lately the rite of Confirmation to a large number of young people. They were several candidates from the Boys' Academy and from the Girls' School. The service was a very impressive one and the excellent addresses of the Bishop will doubtless remain for a long time in the memories of the large congregation present.

Miss Minnie Campbell has returned from England and is staying with her sister, Mrs. Vroom.

Professor Roberts returned to Windsor on Monday last from a short visit to Montreal, where he has been attending the meeting of the Royal Society of Canada.

Fish stories seem more plentiful now than the fish themselves, but nevertheless many of our fishermen have secured good hauls.

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## ALL MY EYE?

["The bespectacled parlour-maid," the *Figaro* hears, "is not likely to long remain an exceptional incident. Short sight and defective vision is becoming more and more common in our Board schools, and I am assured that domestic servants wearing spectacles must, in a generation or so, become a common sight."]

We're seldom disturbed by a panic or scare,

(Which are things that the present is rich in),

But it must be confessed we are tempted to swear,

When we read of short sight in the kitchen!

We read it with twinges—with many a twinge;

For the wearing of optical glasses

Is a privilege, sir—like the feminine fringe—

And reserved by the privileged classes!

The sight of old Ann in a perky *pince-nez*

Would incense you whenever you met her;

You'd snatch them and smash them to atoms some day!

Ann's fringe were a thousand times better.

The looks—the effect of it nobody kens,

But as host you could scarcely be jocular,

With your butler adorned by a one-barrel'd lens,

And your maid by a cocky binocular!

Yet this, it would seem, we have got to expect,

For the eyesight of Britain is failing;

Degree by degree, if report be correct,

Bad sight of all kinds is prevailing.

If true, it's unpleasant for all and for one—

Starved pauper and bloated patrician.....

Meanwhile, if you want to do well for your son,

Why, 'prentice the lad an optician!

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