



The Wednesday evening skating club were on masquerade upon the occasion of their last meeting at the Slinger rink. It was the first disipation of the kind that the young people have indulged in this season, and though some of the clubs best skaters were absent, the carnival was a success; the ice was in good condition, the music excellent, and everybody ready to be delighted with whatever the evening should offer in the way of innocent amusement. There was plenty of room on the ice for the following order of dances to look graceful and pretty to the spectators and to make the programme a pleasure to those who took part: 1, march; 2, waltz; 3, waltz; 4, waltz; 5, waltz; 6, march; 7, waltz; 8, waltz; 9, waltz; 10, waltz.

The costumes were for the most part attractive though few were strictly original; Miss Dever made a stately demure of the time of Louis XVI, her dainty arranged bodice, elaborate powdered coiffure and large picture hat with tall plumes, making her one of the most charming figures on the ice. The spectators easily accorded her the first place as the most graceful dancer. Miss Helen Robertson was another court lady whose magnificent purple velvet dress and large, purple hat with white plumes looked very well. Mrs. Stanley Ritchie made an ideal Little Red Riding Hood and Mrs. Keltie Jones in her yellow and black draperies looked her Spanish character to perfection. Miss Nina Keator as a daughter of the W. I. Regiment was costumed picturesquely, her dusky face adding the necessary touch of realism to a good make up. Miss Tina MacLaren as Maid Marian, Miss Holden, Currier, Miss Snowball, Girl Graduate, Miss Scamnell, Fancy Dress, Miss Vroom, Shapereader, Miss Florrie McKillan, Gypsy, and Miss Grace McKillan, in an old fashioned gown, were characters that held their own among the more stately historical personages, of whom, Mrs. Andrew Jack in a handsome costume was not the least imposing; Mrs. Simonds as a red cross nurse, Miss Vassie, in prim Puritan garb and Miss Kinner as a modest little nurse, seemed to enjoy themselves very much, and danced as inde-fatigably as the more gaily clad skaters. Mrs. Charlie Harrison was a gorgeous pink chrysanthe-mum whose costume must have entailed considerable trouble. It was one of the most striking and effective on the ice. Miss Gertrude Skins, her next as a Peasant and Miss Edith Skinner as a Violet; Miss Mabel Thomson was a dashing little Vivandiere while the character represented by Miss Mona Thomson was that of a demure Dutch maiden; the costume of Miss Maud Skinner as Egyptian girl, and Miss Bayard, and old fashioned lady, looked very well, and Mrs. Sturdee as Golden Locks made a bright flash of color wherever she went. As Tribby, Miss Mary MacMillan attracted much attention on the general make-up having sufficient novelty about it to make it interesting if not strictly pretty. It was a true representation of Du Maurier's heroine. Mrs. George West Jones, who, by the way skates gracefully and well, as a Quebec girl should, masqueraded in a character that called for a white silk costume elaborately trimmed with black lace and black ornaments; Miss Paddington dressed her character of Night in a pretty and artistic way.

Among the gentlemen there were the usual number of "fancy dress" characters with an historical personage here and there. Several of the costumes were very striking; others had lost their first freshness, and one gentleman entirely spoiled the effect of a correct and artistic costume by wearing a pair of ordinary tan skating boots. The absence of masks—very few were worn on Wednesday evening—does not add to the amusement of either skaters or spectators, for the chief enjoyment of a masquerade is in everybody trying to find out who everybody else is. One gentleman seemed to have entered into the true spirit of the affair and succeeded in concealing his identity for the greater part of the evening.

The list of gentlemen skaters, with the characters they assumed is as follows: F. H. J. Ruel, Bradley-Martin; H. Skinner, Simeon Jones; J. Jas. Harrison, Alex. McKillan, Baby; B. Scovill, Mikado; G. G. Ruel, Gentleman 4th Century; Roger Smith, Fancy Dress; Walter Clarke, Puritan Walker; Foster, Artillery Officer; M. S. L. Ritchie, Snow Shoe; G. W. Jones, Russian; C. A. McDonald, Snow Shoe; E. T. Sturdee, Costume Louis XIV; Percy Thomson, Prince De Conde; F. H. Tibbit, Doctor Nansen; Percy Clark, Turkish; Dr. Thos. Walker, Louis XIV; Fred Keator, Fancy Dress; and several others.

Capt. Ralston and Mr. Nairn, manager of the Donaldson line entered and the following ladies and gentlemen sat at lunch on board the Kee Mon on Wednesday. The party, chaperoned by Mrs. D. P. Chisholm had a very pleasant time, and included the following persons: Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Miss May Travers, Miss Grace McKillan, Miss Ethel Parks, and Miss Edith Skinner, Mr. Ernest Turnbull, Dr. John Travers, Mr. Redmond and Mr. Thomas.

Mrs. D. P. Chisholm entertained a few friends very pleasantly with a game of whist on Thursday evening in honor of Col. McShane of Halifax. Dainty refreshments were served during the evening. Those present, all of whom were old friends of the guest of the evening, included the following persons: Col. McShane, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dole, Mr. and Mrs. James Hannay, Prof. and Mrs. Bridges, and Hon. R. J. Ritchie and Mrs. Ritchie.

Parade, the great scenic event of next week is the one great topic of conversation just now in society and out of society. There seems to be just a little misunderstanding prevailing in regard to the show, and various ridiculous reports have been freely circulated, all of which, Progress assures its readers are wholly untrue. The entertainment is composed of national and fancy dances, operatic selections grand choruses, marches and refined specialties. The scenes are laid in three pictures, the first, representing fair-land; second, the camp and home of gypsies; third, oriental splendor and Moorish palace, all enhanced by calcium and electric lighting (effects, special in their beauty and variety. So far from being objectionable Parades may be said to be truly instructive, and those taking part are justly indignant over the outcry that has been raised.

The ladies whose names appear on the following list would hardly lend themselves to a questionable entertainment, and indeed the only evidence of bad taste so far is on the part of those who have at-

tempted to make a prejudice against what is not only a strictly correct performance but an instructive, and highly interesting one as well. The following is a classified list of those who will take part:

**IMPERIAL.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. J. de Wolfe Spurr, Mrs. Jas. S. Harding.  
Miss Jeanie Johnstone, Miss Grace Estey,  
Miss Louise Traver, Miss Grace Robertson,  
Miss Ethel McKillan, Miss Evelyn Lynch,  
Miss Sadie E. Smith, Miss Jessie S. Connors,  
Miss Gwen Shewen.

**FLOWERS AND BIRDS.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Carrillo  
**FLOWERS.**

Miss Jean McAnlay—Lily.  
Miss Josephine Hutchinson—Wild Rose.  
Miss Nellie McDonald—Snow Drop.  
Miss Nora Morley—Clover.  
Miss Margaret Church—Buttercup.  
Miss Kathleen Holden—Forget-Me-Not.  
Miss Jean McDonald—Carnations.  
Miss Ella Morley—Hellebore.  
Miss Francis Kerr—Violet.  
Miss Daisy Sears—Daisy.

**BIRDS.**  
Master Kenneth McDonald,  
Master George Beer,  
Master Kenneth Schofield,  
Master Jack Sears,  
Master Reginald Lee,  
Master Cecil Potter,  
Master Delancy Robinson,  
Master Donald McAvity,  
Master Reginald Schofield,  
Master Gordon Church.

**RED HERRING.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. L. Hayward.  
Miss Trueman, Capt. of Guard.

Miss Scammell, Miss Vroom,  
Miss Schofield, Miss Scammell,  
Miss Simonds, Miss McKillan,  
Miss Binning, Miss Skinner,  
Miss Vassie, Miss Robinson,  
Miss E. Robertson, Miss Harrison,  
Miss E. Robertson, Miss Wright,  
Miss McLoughlin, Miss Holden.

**SAILORS.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. Geo. Mathew, Mrs. Ernest Fair-  
weather.

Miss Nellie Thorne, Master C. Gandy,  
Miss Madeline de Bury, Master E. Walker,  
Miss Mollie Chesley, Master H. Purvis,  
Miss Sadie Brown, Master W. Kinnearson,  
Miss Grace Fisher, Master E. Wright,  
Miss W. Fairweather, Master G. Robinson,  
Miss Sadie McFarlane, Master D. Gandy,  
Miss Muriel Gandy, Master J. Mathew.

**COLONIAL GAYOTTE.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. J. Douglas Hansen, Mrs. Leigh.  
R. Harrison.

Mrs. H. Ruel, Miss S. Harrison,  
Mrs. D. H. H. Holden, Miss S. Dever,  
Mrs. A. Jack, Mr. F. Ruel,  
Mrs. W. Green, Mr. G. Ruel,  
Mr. T. Hart, Dr. T. Walker,  
Mr. H. Skinner, Mr. J. Harrison.

**FLAMES DE LIL.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. J. de Wolfe Spurr, Mrs. R.  
Keltie Jones.

Miss S. Armstrong, Miss Grace Fairweather,  
Miss L. Markham, Miss Clara Quinton,  
Miss C. Fairweather, Miss M. Travers,  
Miss C. Fowler, Miss Rogers,  
Miss Constance Vall.

**GYPSIES.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. Royle Travers, Mrs. T. A. Ran-  
kine, Miss Louise Skinner, Queen.

Miss Dunlop, Mr. W. M. Rankine,  
Miss Bowditch, Mr. D. B. Jack,  
Miss Vroom, Mr. F. Dunn,  
Miss McAvity, Mr. Heber Vroom,  
Miss McCormick, Mr. City Sharpe,  
Miss Dunn, Mr. Thos. Dunlop,  
Miss Fowler, Mr. MacNeil,  
Miss Sealey, Mr. Roy Skinner.

**SNOWFLAKES.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. A. H. Hamilton, Mrs. W. C.  
Whittaker.

Miss Marion Matthews, Miss Nan Barnaby,  
Miss Ella Payne, Miss Marie Titus,  
Miss Lulu Kimball, Miss Louise Ezer,  
Miss Eisle Holden, Miss Ella Macaulay,  
Miss Kate Pheasant, Miss Tudie Fairall,  
Miss Molly Peters, Miss Kitty Sears,  
Miss Alice Lockhart, Miss Alice Schofield,  
Miss Myra Frink, Miss Nellie Richards.

**FLORAL ARCH.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. H. J. Olive, Mrs. C. B. Allan.  
Miss N. MacMichael, Miss Maud Purdy,  
Miss Jennie Robertson, Miss Isabel Smith,  
Miss George Bell, Miss Clara Gorow,  
Miss Mabel Scovill, Miss Jean Allan,  
Miss Mabel Thompson, Miss Louise Chesley,  
Miss Mabel Olive, Miss Grace Calhoun,  
Miss Amy Armstrong, Miss Blossom Baird,  
Miss Trilzie Lockhart, Miss Pauline Baird,  
Miss Grace Esabrooks, Miss Marion Peters,  
Miss Zillah Rankine, Miss Pauline Belderman,  
Miss Maria Kerr, Miss Margery Sutherland,  
Miss B. Sutherland, Miss Valie Sanda.

**CASILLANS.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. A. H. Hamilton, Mrs. Jas.  
Hamilton.

Miss Paterson, Mr. J. G. Ralston,  
Miss Cowan, Mr. R. S. Ritchie,  
Miss Courtenay, Mr. T. P. Fugleby,  
Miss Thompson, Mr. B. S. Purdy,  
Miss McCormick, Mr. P. W. Clarke,  
Miss McFarlane, Mr. Morley McLoughlin,  
Miss Tapley, Mr. Fred Magee,  
Miss Pauline Tapley, Mr. R. L. Johnston.

**PAIRES.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. G. F. Baird, Mrs. B. R. Mac  
anay.

Miss Daisy Sears, Miss Maylie Willis,  
Miss Hazel DeForest, Miss Marion Macaulay,  
Miss Hazel Dumphy, Miss Muriel Reed,  
Miss Margaret Barnaby, Miss Bertha Macaulay,  
Miss Eunice Macaulay, Miss Dorothy Brown,  
Miss Beale Humphrey, Miss Jean White,  
Miss Mabel Humphrey, Miss George Rankin,  
Miss Constance Reed, Miss George Wood,  
Miss Edna Logan, Miss Dorcas Reed,  
Miss M. McKendrick, Miss Olive Finley.

**ROYAL BELLS.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. George McAvity.

Miss Fanny Ralston, Miss Winnie Barnaby,  
Miss Hazel Ralston, Miss Elizabeth,  
Miss Bertie Ralston, Miss Elizabeth,  
Miss Schofield, Miss Mamie Bizzard,  
Miss Mabel Schofield, Miss Mamie,  
Miss McKean, Miss Flemming,  
Miss Jeanie Johnstone, Miss Campbell,  
Miss Marion Belyea, Miss Gladys Campbell.

**QUEENS OF THE SEA.**  
Chaperons—Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Mrs. J. P. C. Burpee.  
Mrs. James Jack, Mrs. Geo. Coe's,  
Mrs. Geo. McAvity, Mrs. Fred Sayre,  
Mrs. Stanley Ritchie, Mrs. J. P. Barnes,  
Mrs. de B. Carille, Mrs. Wm. McLoughlin,  
Mrs. James Stratton, Mrs. Thorne,  
Mrs. Charles Coster, Mrs. R. C. Grant,  
Mrs. Will Green, Mrs. Baby,  
Mrs. E. I. Simonds, Mrs. H. Scovill.

Mr. J. Pope Barnes sailed Saturday for Eng-  
land.

Mr. Thomas F. Mason arrived from Pictou re-  
cently to reside in this city permanently.

Mrs. Samuel Tippet returned recently from Ban-  
go where she has been visiting her daughter Mrs.  
Geo. A. Claveland.

Miss H. L. Cole of Halifax who has been paying  
a visit to friends in this city since Christmas, has  
returned to Halifax.

Mr. A. Mosher was in Halifax for a short time  
lastly.

Dr. Grenfell was in the city this week a guest of  
Rev. J. de Soyres.

Mr. Arthur Kite left the first of the week for  
Cornwall Ont., having been called home by the  
serious illness of his father.

The programme of the concert in Centenary  
school room on Monday evening was nicely arranged  
and rendered in a very successful manner all of  
those who took part being accorded. At the close of  
the concert those taking part were treated to coffee  
and cake. The programme was as follows: duet by  
M. S. Bridges and Miss Hea; reading, Mr. Jordan;  
piano duet, by Misses MacMichael and Bridges;  
violin solo, Mr. Ewing; vocal solo, Mrs. Bridges;  
orchestral selection; guitar, mandolin, and banjo  
trio, Messrs. Bowman, Brown and Bowman; and  
solo by Mrs. C. A. Palmer.

A party of young people chaperoned by Mrs. A.  
J. Heath and Mrs. Allan Barbour, drove out to  
Brookville on Tuesday evening where a very enter-  
taining programme was rendered in the hall by city  
talent in aid of a Sunday school at that place. At  
the close refreshments were served after which the  
party returned to the city. Among those who at-  
tended the drive were:—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Heath  
Mr. and Mrs. Allan Barbour, Miss Minnie Har-  
ding, Miss Lillie McMann, Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. W.  
E. Jones, Miss Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Cornell,  
Mr. Bustin, Mr. John Salmon Mr. Dole, Rev. W.  
B. Tennant, Mr. Alex. Baird, Mr. Frodham, Mr.  
Frank Eley, Mr. Pines, Mr. E. G. Armstrong and  
others.

Miss Lillian Grodzinsky of Toronto was in the  
city for a day or two this week.

Mr. J. H. Gordon of Amherst was here on Tues-  
day last.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Williams of Guelph Ont.  
have been visiting the city during the week.

Mr. C. W. Cunningham of Indianapolis was here  
for a day or two this week.

Mr. R. Kinty of Montreal is spending a short  
time in the city.

Mr. L. O. Gorham of New York spent part of  
his week in St. John.

Rev. B. A. Andrews of Maitland N. S. was here  
for a day or two lately.

Mr. H. James Cameron of Pictou N. S. was in  
the city this week.

Mrs. W. W. Killam of Havelock visited friends  
here for a part of last week.

Miss Jennie Hall has returned from a visit to  
Fredericton.

Miss Maud McClellan is in St. Stephen visiting  
Miss Stella Robinson. Mrs. McClellan went to  
St. Stephen this week also, for a visit to friends.

Mrs. T. B. Lavers has gone to New York on a  
visit.

**FREDERICTON.**  
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**FEES.**—The ball at the University last Thursday  
evening was a most brilliant affair and was sur-  
passed only by the former occasion. The College Hall was taste-  
fully decorated with greenery and bunting and in  
the centre archway "1897" was done in incandes-  
cent lights which gave a very fine effect to the large  
ball room and showed off the beautiful toilettes of  
the ladies to perfection. When the whole building  
is thrown open for the entertainment of the guests,  
as was done on this occasion, the university is the  
finest place we have in the city for an entertainment  
of this kind and with the floor in splendid  
condition and good music as was given  
by the band of the M. R. C. G. Nothing  
was lacking for a pleasant time. For those  
who preferred "sitting out" dances, cosy corners  
and dimly lighted parlors before high open fires  
were found most inviting, while in the library up-  
stairs, Dr. Bailey and Prof. Downing with several  
assistants conducted some very interesting experi-  
ments and were most untiring in their efforts to en-  
tertain all of those of an inquisitive turn. A light run-  
supper was kept up all evening. The guests as  
they descended from the dressing rooms and entered  
the large reception hall were received by the recep-  
tion committee Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Harrison, Miss  
Grey and Chancelor Harrison.

Mrs. Harrison looked particularly well that even-  
ing in black satin with bodice and collar of pale  
blue brocade satin and hand bouquet of flowers.

Mrs. Bailey was bright and vivacious as she al-  
ways is and wore a gown of black satin and jet and  
lace and crimson flowers.

Miss Grey wore a pretty costume of pale pink  
with white lace and hand bouquet of white flowers.

It is almost impossible in so large an assemblage  
to give all the costumes and there are always some  
one doesn't see, but those that were particularly  
noticeable were:

Mrs. Robt. F. Randolph, black satin and lace.  
Miss Odell, white silk.  
Miss Randolph, pale pink silk and lace.  
Miss Peters, Gagestown; white and blue silk, lace  
and flowers.  
Mrs. O. S. Crockett, cream silk and velvet.  
Mrs. Downing, heliotrope silk and velvet trim-  
ming.  
Mrs. Dixon, white silk and lace.  
Mrs. Emmerson, black silk and lace.  
Miss Johnston, black striped gauze over yellow  
satin.

Miss May Robinson, pink silk.  
Mrs. D. F. George, dark blue silk and flowers.  
Miss George, blue organdie with pink satin  
trimmings and hand bouquet of narcissus, violets  
and orchids.  
Miss Edith Gregory, white silk.  
Miss Babbitt, white muslin and lace.  
Miss Margaret Babbitt, white grenadine.  
Mrs. James Fraser, blue and white striped silk.  
Mrs. David Hatt, blue and black silk and lace.  
Miss Ethel Hatt, white silk and bonnet lace.  
Mrs. Harry Steves, pink silk.  
Mrs. Rainsford Wetmore, black silk and lace.  
Miss Frankie Tibbits, cream silk and cream lace  
with fur trimmings.  
Miss Barter, white brocade silk and jewel trim-  
mings.  
Miss Beverly, white lace.

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