BAKING POWDER

ous and wholesome

we had three days ago, caused the grass-to t up quite green, though the spring it backward thing is being done quite extensively, and our ters hope to reap a large and paying crop when yest time comes.

RSES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY

en the Smelts Run up the Dungarvan. the wintry blasts are o'er and there's moisture on the pane; aluggish hills have pushed their brows above the drifts again. ok unto book is uttering speech long scaled by winter's snowth, end of the barn a kindller radiance glows.

hadd
it Nature's still in business at the same old cosmic stand;
in we wantching, and we're longing, while the
or ge alowly melts,
if we're leaning on our scoop nets, and we're
'laying' for the smelts.

currant loaf of Christmas has long since passed away;
doughnuts and the mince pic, too, have also had their day.
pork barrel has an empty cleak as we jab in the brine
the solitary hunk of fat, the last of all its line, bliver and the bacon's gone, the toothsome herring to,
d there's almost nothing now but ham and eggs to see us through;
that which 'spring eternal' brings us cheer if nothing 'lse.
we'll soon be charging 'bagnets' and going for the smelts.

ou saw us in the summer time when gentler breez: blow, a might think we lacked in hustle, and be apt to call us alow; at we kind of slacked the traces, and were laggrads in the race, d the time of cold molasses was the record of our

of the time of conclusions of the pace.

Tyou ought to see our temper when old winter little her yoke there is the pour hardy hands to pull a "get-there is reasonable on the kopjes and there's largiter on the veldts lengther jump is a moving and the river's full of smelts.

hen the lustrous scoop net flishes and the pole waults through the blue, d the surge of rushing waters breasts against the log cance. log cance. en we just unsilp our braces, and let out another loop. ad a livelier kind of iris forms around the sou-

west whoop.
Spring I we love thy breezes, thy shady dells and
bowers,
e wild notes of thy song 'birds and the love tales
of thy flowers;
it that which makes the thrill of joy creep down
beneath our belts
the few short days you bring us when we masticate the smalt.

The world grows better by degrees, As roll the restless years along, The poet should the moments seize To all the same with light and song.

The wrongs that honest men bewail,
That cause the worst of us to weep,
We should sot sound on every gale
In lamentations fierce and deep. To do the best we know how Ye didn't build the firmament, Nor fashion man as he is

We can't relieve man from the curse That fell on Father Adam here; We can't construct a silken purse From a dead sow's unlaundered ea

But we can do some things I know,
With other toilers of the race.
To make this wilderness of woe
A very fair abiding place. The Choristers.

here's a little band of singers wery syraing comes and lineers wery syraing comes and lineers yeath the window of my octage in the trees; which with dark they raise their voices. This the gathering night rejoices and the leaves join in the chorus with the breeze. Then the twinking stars come out we enjoy the merry rout, and the squirrels range themselves upon a log; and the ficelies turnish light hat they read their notes aright—the katydid, the cricket and the forg.

All the night I hear them singing; Through my head their tunes are ringing— Strains of music straight from Mother Nature's

heart.
Now the katydid and cricket
From the deep of yonder thicket;
Thee the croaking frog off yonder dror
by and by the moon appears
as the midnight hour nears,
and her smiles dispoil the low ring mis
then the mirth is at its height,
and they girofity the night—
The katydid, the cricket and the frog. The Boy With the Spade.

weight of area bows him down, at barefoot boy with flagers browners's nothing empty in his sace, burdens of the human race on his back, nor is he dead joy or sorrow, hore or cread. The can grieve, and he can hope, a hrink with all his soul from sor brother to the ox is he. "second cousin to the bee; loosens and lets down his jaw—do brings it up his gum to "chisw." ere"s naught but sweat upon his alanted somewhat forward n.w.

The Yarmouth Steamship Company is never behind time in issuing its su resort literature and already copies of Beautiful Nova Scotia" are being sent t. The description matter is exceeding-interesting and the illustrations splendid. The cover design of the pamphet, which, by the way, has now assumed such prortions as to deserve a more imposing title, is very attractive. New Brunswick does receive much attention but as our own tourist; association is supposed to look after this province's interests that can be

We have noticed in time of peril that the man who believes his soul is saved, gets at scared as one whose soul isn't.



fashion. The air is still cold and chilling, frequent rains keep the streets and reads in a state of perpetual mud and it seems as if even the the trees are losathe to leave—that's not a pun. So few have been the really warm and cheerful days that there has been little or no thought of plans for summer, save among the suburbanites, who are busying themselves moving to their country homes. And house-cleaning too has upset the wonted equilibrium of a thousand or more homes lately, while not a few are as yet unreconciled to their new apartments. Of all seasons in the year for happenings of a social nature, surely this is the least productive.

women of our city, and extensive preparations are being made to make the occasion productive of the best financial results. Tuesday 22ad is the date, and all day and in the evening a sale of fancy goods useful articles, ice cream, candy, artist's work etc. will be held. A high tea will be served in the early evening. The opening of the Home as a home will of course have its proper formalities, but after that the big building, which has undergone a lot of improvements, will be en sete, and free to the rambles of the general public. No charity which St. John people are privilged to aid, can be more worthy than that of the Home for Incurables and it goes without asying most liberally will the people patronage the opening fair and tea.

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The marriage of Mr. Edward R. Mawson, of the Valentine Stock Co., in New York on Tuesday was a surprise not only to his intimate acquaintances in this city, but even to the management of the Valentine company themselves. Mr. Mawson's bride's name up to the time of writing is not known here, but it is thought she is a well known actress with whom he used to play. At anyrate both Mr. Mawson and his wife will be in the same company hereafter and it is altogether probable they will be with the Valentine people when they return to St. John next Christmas. Mr. Mawson, who is of Jewish extraction, is son of a quite wealthy publisher in the United States, and has quite a reputation as an actor. He once starred in a play, "The Fair Rebel," written by or exploited by his brother. The quiet way in which Mr. Mawson went about his marrying and the scarcity of details regarding the happy event has caused a flutter among many in town who thought they were among the popular actor's most confident friends.

Its really surprising how the bicycle maintains and seems to increase its popularity. The Canada Cycle and Motor Co's agency in this city report having sold an enormously large number of wheels so far this season, and up-te-date the weather has been everything but conductive to quick sales. The above concern represents the Canadian trust and the combined sales of art his year oversteps the combined sales of last year by many hundreds of wheels. St. John will be more awheel than ever this summer and fall and the silent steed has made converts of many who have heretofore had the trongest aversion to its use.

significent to many households, for fully as many as twenty-five or thirty families returned from various and scattered parts of that end of town to their lifelong neighborhoods laid bare less than a year ago by the disastrous fire. It was a matter of much gratification to these people therefore to return to the streets upon which they had lived for years, and which for the men folk are nearer their work and generally more convenient Lower Metcall, Victoria, Albert, Charles, Bridge, Main and Kennedy streets have nearly all been rebuilt with large and modern dwelling spartments, and few if any of these are now tenantless.

city which used to go by the name of Portland Here are a few whispers: A clerk in a corner drug store and one of the hos-pital nursing staff. A turboat employee and a relative of the above mentioned young lady.

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W. S. Harkins Company this season will include Arthur Elliot, Franklyn Bitchie, Joseph Brennas, Henry Weaver, jr. Robt. McWade, jr. E. Boldene Powell, Frank McGlynn, Martin J. Cody, Arthur

ces the greatest play he has seen in all his stage

Mrs. C. J. Coster returned from Boston Thursday. Mr. John F. Ashe went to Boston Thursday to consult a specialist regarding his eyes.

Miss Ethel Beer left Thursday morning for Bos-

successful two years' course in professional nursing at the general public hospital here, returned to her home in Chatham Thursday. Mrs. E. Sinclair and Miss Sinclair, who have

lays in town.

Miss DuVernet of Boston passed through the city on Saturday en route to Fredericton.

Miss Florence Whitehead of Fredericton, has been the guest of Mrs. Geo. B. Hegan for several

Tuesday on a short vacation.

Mr. W. S. Fisher went to Sackville Tuesday

morning.

H. R. McLellan went to Montreal Tuesday afternoon. He took two of his famous dogs for the
bench sh w.

Alderman Alexander Macrae and bride returned

Miss Margaret Wetmore who has just finished a two years course of training at the General Public hospital, is spending a few days with her friend, Mrs. Robert Foster of Billiot Row. Mrs. F.ank Cunningham of 26 White street is lying quite ill at her home with meninguis.

superanusted were given a farewell by their fel-low workmen and each was presented with a ser-viceable and handsome walking stick suitably in-scribed. These iarswell gitts from those with whom they had worked so many years are highly prized

by the recipients.

Mrs. Fred Hilyard of Fredericton, Miss Hilyard and Miss May Hilyard are visiting relatives in the

Miss Mary Miller who has joined the Victorian Order of Nurses, left Wednesday for Montreal. She was presented with a handsome opal ring by a number of friends.

anni ani. Fox, marriage was solemnized of Miss Dickson to Mr. Fred C. Wesley, of the engraving firm of F. C. Wesley & Co. The marriage was of a decided quiet nature, owing to recent bereavements. Rev' T. F. Fotheringham tying the nuptial knot. Mr. new thing the marriage for a new time of the control of th

ed home on Rockland Road. Both bride and groom have a host of friends and acquaintences who are extending their congratulations and best wishes.

HAMPTON.

MAY 10,—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sharp of St.
John, spent Sunday in town with friends.
Mrs. C. A. Palmer who was visiting Mrs. Philip
Palmer at "Ravenswood" last week, returned to
her home in the city on Saturday.
Mr. J. M. Scovil of St. John, who has leased the
Peters house for 3 years, has arrived with his family
and taken possession.
Mrs. J. Ernest Whittaker went to the city on
Tuesday to attend the concert given by the Boston
Sextette club in the institute that evening.
Judge McLeod and Mr. H. D. McLeod were in
town on Saturday.
Rev. Mr. Wright, lately of Massachusetts, arrived on Tuesday and assumed the pastorage of the
Station baptist church.
Miss Bartlett of St. John, spent Sunday in town
the guest of her sister Mrs. J. Prichard.
Mr. Thos. Murray of Sackville, spent a few days
here this week.

Mrs. Geo. H. Barnes, who has been ill all winte

oes not improve.

Mrs. C. Spooner is visiting her parents at Sussex

Mr. L. P. D. Tilley was in town on Friday.

Latest styles in wedding invitations and announcements printed in any quantities and at moderate prices. Will be sent to any

GRBENWICH. May 7.—A number of young people met at the esidence of Miss Flossie Marley on Tuesday even

take up her work of nursing at the G. P. hospital.

Mr. Dennison of the Canadian drug Co., was the guest of Dr. J. B. Gilchrist last week.

Miss Reud is the guest of her mother, Mrs

Mrs. J. Holder is in Fredericton visiting her Mr. S. T. Bolger is in Fredericton visiting ner daughter, Mrs. D. Crowe. Mr. S. T. Belyea spent Sunday at home. Miss Grace Fowler's friends will be glad to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness.

PARRSBORO.

[PROGRESS is for sale at the Parrsboro Bookstore] [PROGRESS is for sale at the Parraboro Bookstore]
Judge Morse who is holding the spring session of
the county court this week delivered on Tuesday,
evening in St. George's hall an exceedingly edify
ing lecture, "The Rebellion in Cumberland in 1775."
The lecture was one of the achool course, the second
and the proceeds are for the school library fund.
Hos. A. R. Dickey is in towa and will attend a
liberal conservative meeting this evening.
Besides the Parraboro la wyers in attendance at
the court there are Messrs J. M. Townshend Q. C.,
C. R. Smith, Q. C. and Sowart Jenks of Amherst

the court there are Mesars J. M. Towashend Q. C., C. R. Smith, Q. C. and Sawart Janks of Amherisalso Mr. J. Black, clerk and Mr. Crowley, crier. The usual court weather is in attendance too.
Mrs. Loughead and her son, Mr. Loughead,
Truro, are guests of Mrs. B. L. Tucker.
Mrs. Cecil Parsons left this morning with her two
little sons and accompanied by her mother Mrs.
Towashend, to join her husband at Rat Portage.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alkman have become the
parents of a daughter.

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Mrs. Stewart Jenks came down from Amherst
with her husband on Saturday, returning Monday.
Miss Mabel Smith has returned from a lengthy

visit in New Glasgow.

Major Day is on a trip to Montreal and Ottawa.

Muss Marion MacKenzie is back from a visit at

St. Stephen.

Mr. George McKean and Mr. Jas. Davies of St.

Mr. George mc. can and mr. cas. John have lately been intown.

Mrs. Calkie, Springhill, was the guest of Mrs.

Alkman last week for a short time.

Miss Janet Cameron has been spending a few
days with her sister at Athol.

Mrs. P. Blake went to Springhill on Monday to

see her daughter Mrs. Dulhanty who is ill.
Mrs. Cops who has spent the winter with Mr. and
Mrs. A. W. Copp has returned to her home at Tide ST. STEPHEN AND OALAIS.

MAY 10.-Mrs. Edgar Hitchcock has MAT 10.—Mrs. Edgar Hitchcock has safely arrived at her home in Mapimi, Mexico,
Cards of invitation have been given by Dr. and
Mrs. R. K. Boss to the marriage of their eldes^b
daughter, Miss Henrietta Blair Ross, to Thomas
Ives Byrne, M. D., at the church jof the Holy Rosary on the morning of May 23rd. After the ceremony a reception will be held at the home of the
bride's magnata.

atisfaction of their many friends.
Miss Mabel Murchie was the guest of Mrs. C. F.
Seard for a day or two last week.
Mrs. Ernest T. Lee and Miss Caroline Washburn

Cards of invitations were insted on Friday last by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graham to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Alice Gertrude, to Mr. Henry Allen Stapleton Pethick at half past two o'clock on the afternoon of Wedneday, May 23rd. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Taylor have returned from

where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. C. F. Beard and Miss Berta Smith les e 15th for New York city where Miss Sm

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