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On Thursday afternoon of last week there was a most interesting gathering at the residence of Miss Bullock, the vice-president of the Churchwomen's Missionary Association.

The presentation was made by the Bishop of the Diocese, who in his usual happy way alluded to Mrs. Lyde's admirable work, and in the name of the committee thanked her for all she had done.

On the same afternoon, Mrs. Donald Keith, English street, had a very large and extremely pleasant "At Home" from 4.30 to 7.

Last week was a great bicycle week. The Ramblers' show was thoroughly patronized, even by those persons to whom a wheel is a wheel and nothing more, and the chance of winning one doubtless increases the attendance at the show by double.

There have been no regular bicycle parties as yet, but everyone is to be met in the afternoon in the park, and there are several fresh recruits to the great army. Halifax wheelwomen dress remarkably well and are more carefully turned out this year than ever.

There seems to be every prospect of an exceedingly loyal year this year, owing to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the loyalty culminating in June.

A delighted audience welcomed the Orpheus club operatic company, to greet Mr. Wikel and his talented companions upon the occasion of their reappearance in "Rip Van Winkle." It is doubtful if, in the history of amateur theatricals or opera in our city, a more perfect performance has ever been given than that of Piquette's pretty opera by the Orpheus Club.

The division of the parts originally entrusted to Mrs. Haggarty has not in any way detracted from the merits of the Club's production of the opera. Miss Lewis, as Gretchen, was more than pleasing to look at and listen to.

Among the arrivals of the week was Captain Semlin, who has been spending the winter in England.

Colonel Briscoe, Colonel North's successor, has taken "The Oaks" for a long term. It is not being occupied for some time, but is one of the pleasantest places in the neighborhood of the Arm.

Social events, there have been none of, within the week, excepting one very pleasant evening given by Miss Ida Schurman at the I. C. R. Dining room on Wednesday, dancing and cards, were the diversions.

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MONCTON.

Progress is for sale in Moncton at the Moncton Bookstore, by W. G. Stanfield and at M. E. Jones' Bookstore.

April 28.—There is such an extraordinary lull in society affairs at present that the position of the society correspondent at Moncton is almost a sine-cure.

Mrs. George C. Peters of Alms street entertained the skating club—by the way should it not have a new name by this time, since skating is a thing of the past!—on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. T. V. Cooke gave a very enjoyable ladies' tea on Thursday afternoon, at her handsome residence on Steadman street.

Miss McKay, and Miss Helen Howe, of Halifax, are spending a few days in town the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Ross, of Queen street.

Ms P. S. Archbald, and Miss Archbald, left town on Wednesday, to spend a few weeks in Boston.

The many friends of Mr. W. C. Brannen whose serious illness I noted last week will be glad to hear that he is so much improved as to be considered convalescent.

Mrs. Wiggins of Montreal who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Grant Hall of this city, left town last week to pay a short visit to her sister, Mrs. Herbert Temple of Halifax.

The many friends of Mr. Austin C. Stead of the Bank of Montreal, has made during his residence in Moncton, will here with deep regret of his departure from the city, he having been transferred last week to the head office at Montreal.

Miss Cooke returned on Saturday from a brief visit to Dorchester.

The many friends of Mrs. J. H. Nase, formerly of this city but lately of Westfield, are glad to see her in town again.

Rev. J. M. Robinson left town yesterday to spend a few days in Halifax.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Summer whose little daughter has been so ill with diphtheria, will be glad to hear that the little one is out of danger, and progressing favorably towards recovery.

Mr. George B. Willett returned yesterday from a trip to New York.

I regret to say that we are soon to lose Mrs. Alton Cushing and family who have made their home Moncton since last autumn, but who intend returning to St. John shortly.

Mr. J. E. Almon of Halifax arrived in town on Saturday having been appointed to a junior clerk ship in the Bank of Montreal here.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Nevins' many Moncton friends are glad to see them in town again.

I am glad to say that Mr. J. W. Kaye who has been so ill with pneumonia, is still improving and will soon be convalescent.

Mrs. J. H. Jarvis of Riviere du Loup is spending a few days in town the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Givan of King street.

SACKVILLE.

[Progress is for sale in Sackville at Wm. I. Goodwin's Bookstore. In Middle Sackville by E. Merritt.]

The long awaited piano recital of Mr. John J. Wootton, director of the Mt. Allison conservatory, came off on the 23 inst.

Mr. John J. Wootton. A Summer Night.....Gorlag-Thomas Miss Madeleine Homer.

a. Ballade in A b major. b. Berceuse c. Polonaise in Ab major.....F. Chopin

Letter Scene, Act I, Scene V., Macbeth..... Miss Louise Webster.

Concerto D minor, No 4.....Anton Rubinstein Mr. Wootton and Miss Florence Chase.

Mr. Wootton's programme, it will be seen, was a representative one, illustrating the classic, romantic and modern schools.

He lacks grace, elegance, polish,—those qualities of which a former director of the school, Mr. Albert Mack, was such a perfect exponent.

He is allowed to sit in a golden chair, And splash at a ten-league canvass With brushes of camels' hair.

Barring a slight lack of clearness in the development portions of the sonata and the concerto, both these works were splendidly given.

Miss Chase, who played the orchestral accompaniment on a second piano, deserves great praise for the effective support which she rendered.

Miss Webster's selections from previous occasions have been in higher vein, but she demonstrated by her reading of the scene from Macbeth that Shakespearean tragedy is not beyond her powers.

She was not so happy in the popular Goring Thomas song, but saved it from the commonplace by a fine dramatic outburst at the close.

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ANAGANOE.

APRIL 28.—Miss Bessie B. Parker is spending a few weeks in town with her sister Mrs. Geo. Davidson.

Rev. A. Lucas of Sussex was in town on Thursday the guest of Mrs. McNaughton.

Mrs. Davidson and little Miss Bessie Parker were in Pettitcodiac on Saturday.

Mrs. Helen Storrie of Apple Hill went to St. John yesterday to spend a week or so with her sister Mrs. Robert B. Colwell.

Mr. Byard McLeod spent Monday in St. John. Mr. S J King of St. John and Mr. W. W. Price of Pettitcodiac were in town today.

Miss Julia McNaughton is visiting in Apohaqui at present.

Mr. Jarvis Wilson of St. John was visiting at Mr. Howard McCully's last.

Mrs. G. H. Davidson and her little sister Miss Bessie Parker spent part of last week in Moncton the guests of their sister Mrs. Claude Price.

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