

Tuesday evening, was eminently successful, and Rev. Mr. Morden's congregation have reason to feel proud of their success as entertainers. Postmaster Shakespeare exhibited a large number of fine views on the canvas, and his illustrated lecture was interspersed with musical selections, both vocal and instrumental, by well known amateurs.

Last evening the residence of Mr. A. L. Belyea, Regents Park, was the scene of one of the most pleasant "At Home's" of the season. There was a large number of beautiful ladies and pleasant gentlemen present, demonstrating the popularity of the entertainers. Excellent music was furnished and dancing indulged in to the great satisfaction of all. Mr. and Mrs. Belyea proved themselves tactful and genial hosts and the event of last evening will be remembered as one of the brilliant events of the season.

The concert at the R. C. Cathedral last night was well attended. The selections—both local and instrumental—were of a high order of merit. The object was to secure funds for a memorial window to the late Archbishop Seghers. Solos and choruses were interspersed with tableaux and minuets.

A committee meeting has been held to draft the order of procedure to be followed while the Mock Parliament sits. The committee will report next Monday.

Rev. Mr. Townsend will preach his farewell sermon at the Spring Ridge Baptist church next Sunday.

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MATTERS in theatrical circles have been more than usually interesting this week. Beginning last Monday Rice's Victoria Stock Company opened an engagement in the Imperial theatre. The play was the beautiful Southern drama, "The Planter's Wife." Miss Esther Lyons gave a splendid portrayal of the young wife whose life was shrouded in mystery. The villain of Mr. Summerfield could not well have been better, while Mr. Barry, as Simeon Simcoe, the historian, created many a laugh. Mr. Morton was at his best, and the same might be said of Mr. Bennett. The part taken by Mr. Vinton on the opening night was given to Mr. Bronson, who did it justice. Miss Inman scored another great success in this play, and has firmly established herself in the hearts of our amusement loving population.

Beginning Thursday night the mining drama Black Diamonds held the boards. The play deals with occurrences which are very common in the mining districts of Pennsylvania and abounds in thrilling situations. The house was well filled and all were pleased at the performance. The Diana Dyching of Miss Lyons, the Pauline of Miss Inman were particularly worthy of note. Black Diamonds will receive its last production to-night.

At the Imperial, next week, Rice's Victoria Stock Company will produce for the first three nights of the week, the sensational comedy Uncle Dan'l, and for the last three nights the beautiful society comedy drama, Divorce.

Sport McAllister, a farce-comedy, was the bill at The Victoria last night. There was a good house, and the performers have no reason to grumble at the amount of applause they received. The jokes are new, and the singing was a great deal better than is usually to be heard in the farce-comedies which are now being produced.

At The Victoria, for the two

nights beginning Monday, Mr. Arthur Forrest, supported by a company of most capable actors and actresses, was seen. The play was the great Australian drama, Capt. Swift. Capt. Swift is not as strong a play as its companion piece, Jim the Penman, but is certainly the best of its description seen here this season. The Forrest Company is strong in every particular, and it will no doubt be pleasing to many to learn that it will next Thursday night, inaugurate a series of performances at The Victoria, as a stock company. All the modern comedies will be produced, in a style, Manager Collins assures us, never before approached on this coast. Certainly the company is capable of great things.

There have been an unusual number of parties this week, which is accounted for by the fact that Lent is upon us, when social matters will be rather quiet during that sacred season.

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