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LOCAL ITEMS.

Rockwood Bicycle Club had an enthusiastic representative at the Annual Meeting of the C. W. A., in the shape of Dr. Forster, who went west, flying Rockwood and Chatham colors, intertwined like the rose and the briar, from the grave of Lord Lovell and his Nancy Bell. If we could manage it, our representative would be elected President, for his enthusiasm can not be equalled, much less surpassed.

Dr. Sidney Gould, Dr. Jock Harty and Mr. J. Gage are congratulated on their recent successes. We wonder how Dr. Sidney Gould will be rendered in Persian, and Dr. Gould no doubt wonders how he will render Persian.

Again the thanks of the community are due to Mr. Robt. Harvey, who, assisted by Lieut. March as Choir leader, gave the citizens of Kingston a magnificent musical treat, in St. George's Cathedral, on Easter Sunday. Under such guidance musical culture is rapidly advancing in Kingston, and the audiences and congregations demand a higher class of music than a few years since, when "Hail Smiling Morn" bellowed out at 100 lbs. steam pressure, was the stock in trade of most choirs. There may be some who object to the musical advance, and who cannot yet appreciate the higher culture, but they must inevitably give way before the better things to come. In the meanwhile all right minded people, and these comprise about nine hundred and ninety-nine in every thousand, are deeply grateful to those who are doing so much to add to our culture and refinement.

If Basket Ball is to be played regularly, stand-up collars must be done away with, or an extra laundry maid employed.

Mr. Robt. Christie, Inspector of Asylums, and Mr. Kivas Tully, Prov. Architect of Public Works, visited Rockwood Hospital officially on April 21st.

White-winged Crossbills prove agreeable songsters in captivity.

Mr. Wm. Cochrane has become an expert in the poultry business, and purchased no less than three fine cocks last month. He states that although one of these belonged to a "game" variety, the fact has no sporting significance.

Our popular Mr. Dehaney is Captain of the newly organized Granite Baseball Club.

Mrs. Forster and Miss Peirce are taking an active part in the Queen's Fair, to be held in aid of the Gymnasium Fund.

Mr. C. Y. Ford, of Boston, called on his old friends in Kingston a few days since.

Hepaticas were in bloom about the sixth or seventh of April. This is very early.

Mr. Beaupre reports Wild Geese scarce this spring, most of the flocks going north very early. Bluebills are numerous.