

Theatrical

"Camille," a story of love in "Gay Paree," held the boards at the Grand last evening, with Eugene Blair as Mlle. Marguerite Gauthier. Miss Blair was at her best, and acted with such a grace and enthusiasm that the audience was at once captured. The part of Armand Duval, a young college student in love with Marguerite, was well taken by Vaughn Glasser. The support was good and the play was good. Marguerite's hysterical and death scenes were admired by all. The audience was not large, but very appreciative.

"A RUNAWAY GIRL"

"A Runaway Girl" will appear in the Grand Opera House, this city, on Thursday evening, March 6th. For the past three seasons this famous musical comedy has been the theatrical triumph of the principal cities of the Union. It is duplicating its success this season in the same pronounced manner. After its remarkable run of six hundred nights in London at the Gaiety Theatre, it was produced at Daly's Theatre, in New York city, and was an instantaneous success. It remained there three hundred nights and then made a tour of the larger cities of the country and met with an ovation everywhere. It will be presented in this city at the Grand on Thursday evening, March 6th. Our theatre-goers never fail to fully appreciate and take advantage of the visit to this city of an attraction possessing the merit and reputation of "A Runaway Girl," and without doubt the result will be "standing room only" on the occasion of its appearance here. One can confidently look forward to an evening of pleasure in witnessing this production and the excellent company presenting it, and will not come away disappointed. The exceptionally clever comedians, Mr. Arthur Dunn, in conjunction with the Augustin Daily Company, will appear in this comedy. The advent here of this famous organization has already created considerable interest, which will only be intensified as the date of its arrival in the city approaches. Catchy songs and incidental music, laughable comedy and artistic dances, pretty forms and faces, handsome and rich costumes, elegant and picturesque scenery and amusing and original story, all go towards making "A Runaway Girl" the ideal musical comedy of the age.

Charles E. Evans has been engaged to play the principal comedy role in the new musical comedy "My Antoinette."

Gilbert Parker has disposed of the stage license to play his "The Right of Way." He will make his own dramatization.

Leo Dittichstein at the close of this season's tour of "Are You a Mason?" will star in a new play by himself entitled "A Dangerous Mission."

THE FASHIONS.

Lace gowns embellished with embroidery are among the most favored for evening wear.

Wide gauntlet cuffs are seen on many of the new gloves for women, particularly those of heavy pile.

In evening gowns velvet is again a favorite fabric and is likely to remain so during the cold weather.

Slate colored suede gloves, which can be worn with gowns of almost any color, have as the latest fashion buttons of gun metal.

The course of true love requires a lot of money to keep it in repair.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

DRESDEN

Feb. 28.—Frank Cragg, of Detroit, is visiting his parents here.

Spring birds have made their appearance in this vicinity.

Miss Alice Frangley is somewhat improved in health.

A representative from a well-known firm of Toronto pipe organ manufacturers was in town yesterday endeavoring to place an organ in the Methodist Church.

Oil men were here from Petrolia yesterday at work upon the well in North Dresden.

Carrier boys are not authorized to collect subscriptions. Our collector calls in each town once a month; if a subscriber wishes to pay his account before the collector calls he must remit direct to The Planet Office, Chatham, as we will not be responsible for monies paid to carriers.

RONDEAU.

The ice season is drawing rapidly to a close, but it has been a very busy season at the Eau, especially for our genial friend L. D. Greaves, who commenced cutting ice when it was ten inches thick. He has cut, we have been informed, between 15,000 and 16,000 cakes. Wm. Snow, of Blenheim, alone purchased 7,000. Blenheim should be cool this summer, having Snow and ice all the time.

Sherman Hubbard holds his sale today, Feb. 26, and will move on Thursday to his own farm, which he lately purchased from M. Soper.

Frank Favel leaves the Soper place for his new home near Morpeth.

Miss Loy Needs, who has been visiting friends here, returned to her home at Fort Frances last week and will spend a few days at London and Toronto on her way home.



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Harold and Gordon Parker, of St. Thomas, were the guests of William Sterling, Communication Road, last week.

Henry Hunter, who was seriously ill last week, is we are pleased to say, able to be around again.

MORPETH.

Mrs. Stephen Thatcher is spending two months with friends at Dutton.

Thomas Harrison, an aged resident of the village, is lying at death's door and there are no hopes of his recovery.

Rev. Mr. Soffley, of Dundas, who has been on a visit to his son, Rev. E. Soffley, has returned home.

Miss Ella Poulin, Talbot street, has been ill for several days, but is somewhat better at present.

Mrs. Reese, of St. Catharines, is on a month's visit to her sister, Mrs. L. Harrison.

Mrs. Ellwood, wife of John Ellwood, a former resident of the village, died at the family residence in Harwich on Tuesday of last week after a short illness. The remains were interred in Greenwood cemetery, Ridgeway.

J. Hyatt and wife, near Titus Hall, of Eagle, are on a visit to relatives in this locality.

Mrs. Charles Taylor, 12th concession, is lying seriously ill at the residence of Richard Cameron, near Palmyra.

Cyrus Craig has sold the farm he recently bought of Mrs. Cyrus Bell, to E. C. Handy, and Amour Wood, each buying fifty acres.

Colan Rockey, of the Erie House, had his summer supply of ice packed last week.

Wm. Spencer, Talbot street, who has been confined to the house during the winter, is much better at present and will soon be able to drive out.

Mrs. Grawburg, who has been an invalid for years, died recently at the residence of her son, Henry Grawburg, 12th concession. The remains were taken to Lyons per M. C. R. to be interred beside those of her late husband.

The death of Mrs. Serson, wife of Jonas Serson, 12th concession, which took place on Friday morning at her late residence, from the effects of consumption, will be learned with general regret by the many friends of the family throughout the county. She leaves besides her husband three daughters and two sons to mourn her loss. Her sons are James, at home, and John, of the Toronto Medical School. Her daughters are Mrs. Arch. McDiarmid, 12th concession, Mrs. Wyllie, Ridgeway, and Mrs. Delbert Muecke, of Harwich. The remains will be interred in Greenwood cemetery.

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When this small boy on the Ninth street car went into his clothing after his car fare, the other passengers betrayed little or no interest in him. He was an ordinary, snub nosed, freckle faced boy of nine or ten, and it seemed pretty safe to assume that he had the nickel necessary for a ride or he would not have swung aboard, and so the passengers paid little or no attention to him. The men, as usual, occupied themselves in pretending that they weren't looking at all at the good looking women in the opposite seats, and the women, also as usual, endeavored to convey the impression that they didn't know there was such a creature as a man within a hundred miles of them.

But when this small boy began to have his troubles all hands got to looking him over. Everybody, it would appear, likes to see a small boy in trouble anyhow.

The boy plowed around in the lining of the right hand pocket of his shabby little overcoat, searching himself into many possible attitudes as he stood and wriggled in the aisle, and finally, after terrific exertion, he brought forth a penny, half buried in a lot of woolly stuff from the coat. Then he turned his attention to the lining of the left hand pocket of his overcoat. After almost superhuman difficulties, in the process of which it looked as if the boy might get himself wrapped around an invisible axis several times in such a manner that he could never get right again, he produced another penny, also plentifully wadded in woolen lint belonging to the overcoat.

A couple of elderly men who were reading papers side by side at the end of the car began to get nervous. They pushed back their spectacles and studied the boy's movements anxiously.

"Fare, there, son," said the conductor.

The boy gazed reproachfully at the conductor, stuck the two found pennies in his mouth and continued his weird exertions to assemble his fare.

He unbuttoned his overcoat by the simple process of giving it a yank from bottom to top, and then he dug into the right hand pocket of his jacket. That pocket, too, seemed to be liningless, and the boy had to grope through it like a cat clawing for the exit of a bag. At length he got to the end of it, and an expression of acute relief crossed his freckled features. The hand was wedged in so tightly that he had about as much trouble in getting it out as he had had in getting it in, but it clutched another cent when it finally made its appearance. This went into his mouth to join the other two. At this point the two elderly men coughed violently and scowled at the boy as if to say that they wished the infernal business were done with, but the others who were watching the boy's moves looked sympathetic.

The boy next began a laborious exploration of his right hand knickerbocker pocket, from which he produced and bestowed in his overcoat pocket many articles peculiar to boys—marbles, a piece of wax, a rusty looking knife, two or three printed celluloid buttons, and so on—and at the end of this salvage was yet another penny. All the other passengers except the two elderly men breathed sighs of relief, but they wouldn't read their papers, and yet they couldn't while this boy was engaged in his eventful search, with the chances about even whether he'd win out or not.

"Fare now there, kid," said the conductor, once more tackling the boy. The boy handed him the four pennies from his mouth after very politely rubbing them off on his overcoat sleeve, and he said, with a very boyish grin:

"I got the other one somewhere."

Wait a minute, mister.

Then the boy gazed up at the ceiling of the car and studied for a moment, while the other passengers except the two elderly men, who looked ferocious, rooted for him with all their might.

The boy felt tentatively at his left hand knickerbocker pocket, but it was plain to see that he knew that was no go. For about half a minute he looked worried, and the sympathetic passengers worried along with him, as could be seen by the tense expression on their faces as they regarded every movement of the boy with strained, almost feverish attention. Then the boy reached into a back pocket of his knickerbockers, brought forth one of those celluloid traveling soap boxes, somewhat battered, took off the lid, and there, buried in a lot of junk, was the other cent.

The sigh of relief that ran around that car was distinctly audible. The sympathetic passengers, men and women, settled themselves back in their seats and smiled at the boy, and two or three of them looked as if they wanted to jump up and suggest cheers. The two elderly men coughed violently and began again on their newspapers.

Then the small boy sat down, took a neat looking change purse from the inside pocket of his overcoat, dumped the contents—about \$2 in quarters, nickels and dimes—into his hands and began counting it, whereupon the passengers who had been rooting for him but a moment before instantly froze and looked at him as if they considered him a bad lot and a boy bound straight for state's prison or worse.

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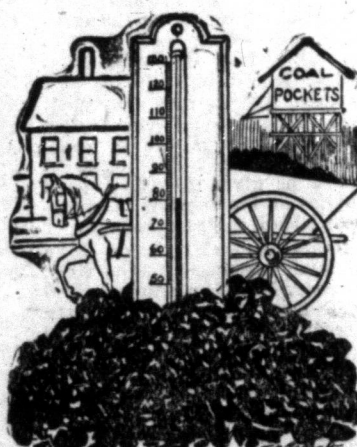
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