pera House. The ergagement has proven very successful one, and the experiment ing a first-class company at popuces has met with the expectations concerned. Visitors to the Ontario Jockey Club in town to-day should not fall to see this merry opera, the most pleasing that DeKovin and Smith have written since their other successful work, "Robin Hood." Following "The Highwayman" the attraction next week will be "The Coontown 400," and the event will undoubtedly prove one of unusual interest in musical and amusement loving circles. This organization is said to have proven a tremendous hit during the past season in the large cities of the west, and is perhaps the most complete of its kind that has ever bid for the favor of the local public. "The Coontown 400" is a rag-time operatic cemedy, full of snap and vim, and replete with comical situations and climaxes, as well as abounding in excellent specialties and catchy songs. A special matinee is snnounced for the Queen's Birthday.

"The Musketeers."

I any features are remarkable about "The sketeers," Sydney Grundy's new play, maded upon Alexander Dumas' old ronce, "The Three Guardsmen," which nes to the Grand Opera House the week May '22, with James O'Neili as D'Artag. In the first place, the statement made the statement is by the proprietors and manners, Liebler & Co., that it was "the finest duction ever made on Broadway," has ne entirely without contradiction, even

leading support, Miss Madge McIntosh and Mr. Hamitton Revelle, was called to raised curtains after nearly every act. Needless to say, every detail of art and accuracy was attended to in finished style. Miss Nethersole exhibited her matchiess kiss, her mobile, flashing countenance, and her willowy grace to best effect, for she had opportunities in plenty. Miss McIntosh was violently applauded for a strong scene in the second act. Mr. Revelle looked well his part, and so, indeed, did all. The scenic accessories were magnificent and the whole production worthy even of Nethersole.

A Dual Bill at the Princess.

On Monday the Cummings Stock Company will enter upon the thirty-ninth and last week of the season of 1898-09. Nearly ten months is a long time for one company to maintain a hold upon the people of Toronto, but the Cummings Company have done it, and their last week, with Sydney Grundy's sparkling comedy, "The Arabian Nights," as the bill of fare, promises to be as, successful as any of its predecessors. The advance sale or seats commenced at the box office yesterday, when the brisk demand made it plainly evident that race week was going to be one of the best. For Queen's Birthaay evening the supply promises not to be equal to the demand, so that early application is desirable. "The Arabian Nights," with Miss Byron as gay Rosa Colombier, as whom she will sing two pretty and popular songs, will be preceded by the screaming farce, "A Pair of Lunatics," the two plays forming what will doubtless prove a rarely enjoyable entertainment. A Dual Bill at the Princess.

Bijou Theatre.

For race week this house will present to its patrons what promises to be the strongest as well as the most sensational show of the season, the feature being "An Affair of Honor." The special scenery and costumes used here will be the same as were used in Koster & Bial's Theatre, New York, during the long run of this production. The past theatrical season has witnessed several presentations of "The Affair of Honor." but the Koster & Bial production was by dar the most artistic, and is known as the original. Not only will the scenery be the same that was used in New York City, but the artists will be identical. Miss Junette Perle and Miss May Wheeler represent the principal parts—Jeanette and Marie. The production is in two scenes, six characters (all women), a strong oilo of great merit, presenting for the first time in Toronto the Bright Brothers, the greatest acrobatic team in the world. Wrothe and Wakefield, the Western comedians and singers, new in this field; Ida Russell, character comedienne, and Baby Grace, the child wonder, and other attractions too numerous to mention. Popular prices; every afternoon and evening. Bijou Theatre.

Owen A. Smily's Return.

Mr. Owen A. Smily returned to the city last night. He and his company have been meeting with great success on their Eastern trip. Miss Davis and Miss Flannigan, although unknown in the various towns and cities played in, have left a most favorable impression behind them everywhere. The company closed in the City of Quebec. Owen A. Smily's Return.

Mr. Frank Deane, the solo pianist, whose last recital elicited such warm approval from music-lovers, will appear before the Toronto public on Thursday evening next. May 25, at the Young Women's Christian Association Hall, 18 Elm-street.

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