

## Music and Drama

"PEG O' MY HEART."

Hartley Manners' Comedy of Youth

is a Lasting Success. "Peg O' My Heart" with Marion Dentler, the Morosco star, in the title role, which comes to the Grand Opera House on Saturday, February 17th, matinee and night, is a good play for the aspiring young playwright to see, because it will knock all of his preconceived ideas on the technique of the drama into a cocked hat. In fact, when Hartley Manners wrote the play, he must have said to himself with a grin: "In the bright lexicon of plays, there's no such thing as technique." Then he proceeded to prove it by writing "Peg O' My Heart," a play that is crammed with human interest, tears and laughs, but has not a bit of technique. And after all, what does the public know about technique? The young girl sighs ecstatically over her Irish accent, smiles through her tears and whispers to her young man, "isn't she adorable?" And the young man whispers to her, "Some girl! Some girl!" Thus are all the technical precedents so carefully enunciated by Professor Baker of Harvard and other instructors on the drama dissipated into sighs of enjoyment.

There is no use in trying to analyze "Peg O' My Heart," because it just naturally won't analyze. It is the old story of Cinderella—A Cinderella attired in new twentieth-century garments—but Cinderella just the same. And it has all the romantic appeal of Cinderella to the imagination. Only this Cinderella has oodles of money that she didn't know anything about. Given this touch—the princess in disguise—and who is proof against it. It is a story that has gone blithely echoing down the ages, and yet it makes just as big a hit in 1917 as it did in 1519.

In fact, we sincerely doubt if it wouldn't be possible to give the storm-stressed Camille, a genuine Irish accent and transform her dying scene into a riot of laughter. P. Paul Tanqueray or La Tosca could have the audience laughing themselves sick if they only said their sad speeches with the touch of Old Erin in their voices.

### THE REX

One of the greatest of the new William A. Brady personally supervised all-star east photoplays which will be released on the World Film program is "Husband and Wife," taken from the original play of the same name which held the boards at the 48th Street Theatre, New York City, nearly the entire season of 1915, and which was one of Broadway's greatest successes. As such it was produced under Mr. Brady's management and he himself attended to all the arrangements for the film version which will be shown at the Rex Theatre on Monday and Tuesday of next week.



MARION DENTLER, AS "PEG", AND HER DOG, "MICHEL", GRAND OPERA HOUSE MATINEE AND NIGHT, SATURDAY, FEB. 17.

is acted by an all-star aggregation, headed by Ethel Clayton and Holbrook Blinn, supported by such sterling players as Emmett Corrigan, Gerda Holmes, Montagu Love, Dino Titterton and Little Madge Evans. There is good news for devotees of Bluebird photoplays in the announcement that Mary McLaren, the distinguished heroine of "Shoes," is to be seen at the Rex Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday of next week in Louis Weber's production of "The Mysterious Mrs. M."

Among all the Bluebird's leading ladies none have gained wider popularity than Mary McLaren. This pretty girl's rise to stardom is one of the events of the season and her reappearance will be eagerly awaited by the "fans" who admire her combination of native beauty and histrionic talent so happily blended.

Harrison Ford is Mary McLaren's leading man and Louis Weber has made an artistic production of Thomas Dixon's magazine story. There is a real treat in store for "fans" who see "The Mysterious Mrs. M."

### THE BRANT

The management of the Brant have provided a real treat for their patrons for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, in addition to the big special photoplay, "Less Than the Dust." Mary Pickford's greatest success, will be seen the musical act de luxe. Jack Levy and his four symphony girls in a "Study of Melody." This is one of the most refined musical offerings ever presented in Brantford, and is sure to be a big hit.

This is one of the best programs ever presented by Manager Moulie.

which also includes the Fourth Chapter of the classic serial, "Gloria's Romance," featuring pretty Mary Burke, and the feature play, "A Coney Island Princess."

Oil and water will not mix, that is an old axiom, but it is no truer than the fact that Fifth Avenue and Coney Island are not intended to meet and mingle on the same social plane. Slices from these two very different strata of society meet and try to mingle on the screen in the Famous Players Film Company's production of "A Coney Island Princess," adapted from Edward Sheldon's play "The Princess Zim Zim," in which Irene Fenwick, the popular stage favorite, appears in the title role, supported by Owen Moore. The subject presents one of the most fascinating combinations of comedy and drama ever contained in a photo play. Can you imagine a Coney Island dancer, Tess Mooney, introduced to Fifth Avenue as the fiancée of one of the "Four Hundred." The humorous episodes that follow are numerous and delightful, but the photo play is not without its touch of drama and its deeper and more appealing element of romance.

The picture will be seen at the Brant the last half of next week.

### THE GRAND

Are you a Mason? A great many Brantfordites are. A number of them were no doubt present at the Grand Opera House last evening. But membership in the A. F. and M. was not essential to the enjoyment of the comedy offering, "Are you a Mason?" produced at the Grand last night by Tom Marks and his stock company, old favorites who

## MARKETS

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Bacon, back	0 34 to 0 36
Beef, per lb.	0 18 to 0 22
Beef, hinds	0 14 to 0 16
Pork, side	0 15 to 0 17
Geese	1 75 to 3 00
Chickens, each	75 to 1 00
Ducks	0 80 to 1 00
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Dressed Pork	0 20 to 0 22
Kidneys	0 10 to 0 12
Lamb	0 25 to 0 30
Live Hogs	10 40 to 0 50
Smoked shoulder	0 18 to 0 20

<b>VEGETABLES</b>	
Beans, quart	0 08 to 0 10
Beans, 3 bunches	0 10 to 0 12
Carrots, basket	0 25 to 0 30
Cauliflower	0 10 to 0 12
Horseradish, bottle	0 15 to 0 20
Cabbage, each	0 10 to 0 12
Cabbage, doz.	2 00 to 2 50
Onions	0 50 to 0 60
Potatoes, basket	1 25 to 1 50
Potatoes, bag	0 25 to 0 30
Turnips, basket	0 09 to 0 10
<b>FISH</b>	
Halibut, lb.	0 20 to 0 25
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Pickered	0 12 to 0 15
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Salmon, front, lb.	0 17 to 0 20
Whitefish, lb.	0 18 to 0 19

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Butter, creamery per lb.	0 46 to 0 48
Butter, dairy per lb.	0 44 to 0 46
Condensed milk	0 40 to 0 42
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### CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

By Cattle, Feb. 10.—Cattle, receipts 1,000; market weak; native beef cattle \$7.80 to \$12.25; Western steers \$7.90 to \$10.30; stockers and feeders \$6.10 to \$9.25; cows and heifers \$5.15 to \$10.50; calves \$10.25 to \$14.25; hogs, receipts 21,000; market strong, mostly 5c higher; light, \$11.80 to \$12.45; mixed, \$12.15 to \$12.50; heavy, \$12.05 to \$12.55; rough, \$12.05 to \$12.20; pigs, \$9.75 to \$11.10; bulk of sales \$12.30 to \$12.50; sheep, receipts, 4,000; market steady; wethers, \$10.60 to \$11.80; lambs native \$12.10 to \$14.60.

have long enjoyed a warm spot in the heart of the theatre-going public of Brantford, and a large attendance greeted their appearance last night. The comedy, "Are You a Mason?" during its many years as a popular stage favorite has lost none of its mirth provoking qualities, and was never produced in this city to better effect than last night. A cast of unusual strength supported Mr. Tom Marks in one of his inimitable comedy roles, while the vaudeville offerings between the acts were of a high quality which found favor with all. The Kiltie band accompanying the company was once more a centre of attraction, their parades through the city and playing outside the theatre drawing large crowds.

## DRAFTS TO BE SENT OVERSEAS

No More Complete Infantry Battalions are to go From Canada

### NEW SYSTEM

Of Raising Re-Inforcements for Front Being Worked Out

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—Provision has been made for the representation of various territorial divisions of Canada by battalions of groups of battalions in England at the front. Consideration is consequently being given here to plans to bring into conformity with this new arrangement overseas, the system of raising reinforcements in the Dominion and despatching them to England.

When the new system is worked out there will be units in each section in Canada producing reinforcements which will move on to that district's reserve battalion or battalions in England, and thence be transferred to the corresponding units in France. A number of militia units have already been authorized to raise reinforcements for overseas service and permanent units for the enrollment and training of recruits will probably be formed. No more complete infantry battalions will be sent abroad.

Drafts to be Sent Instead drafts, including a small percentage of lieutenants and headed perhaps by a "conducting officer" of higher rank, will go from Canada. The "conducting officer," if no employment at his own rank is available for him in England, will have the option of reverting to a lower rank or returning to Canada. It is announced that as most of the railway work at the front is done in the early summer no more railway construction battalions will be authorized for some time. Moreover, enough forestry units to meet requirements have been authorized, provided they attain their strength. Recent advices from England are to the effect that no more Canadian artillery or Army Service Corps officers need be sent over for some time in view of the promotion of men who have had experience in the ranks.

James Clayton, of Brockville died suddenly at 4 a.m. while working on munitions. He was married about one month.

Twenty-seven strikers among the Montreal clothing workers, who have been "out" for some time, were arrested for alleged rioting.

R. H. Rigg and F. J. Dixon will resign from the Manitoba legislature Feb. 25, next, of the bona-fide electors of Centre, Winnipeg petition them to do so.

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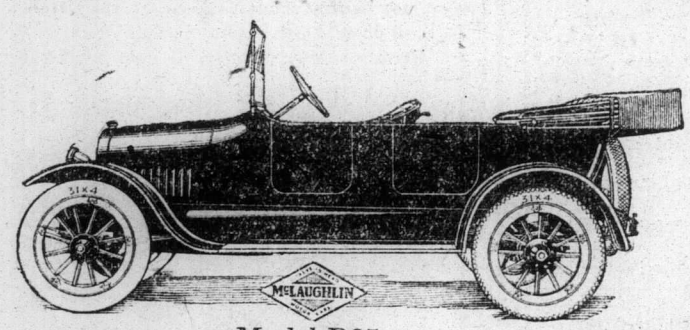
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