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Miss Hext, a large audience will no doubt be in attendance.

Mr. J. G. Brown, the popular leader of the First Presbyterian Church choir, went up to Vancouver, last Saturday morning, to assist at the reopening services in connection with Rev. Mr. McMillan's church at Mount Pleasant, of that city. Large congregations assembled at the morning and evening services, and enjoyed the fine solo singing of Mr. Brown. The Rev. Mr. Clay, of St. Andrew's Church Victoria, preached both morning and evening. On Monday evening, a grand concert was given, at which our popular baritone made a great hit, being encored on every appearance. A great many old residents of Winnipeg, Manitoba, were in the audience. This may be accounted for by the fact that five of those taking part were old Winnipeggers, namely: Mrs. Campbell and Mr. Griffiths, pianists; Mr. W. Cope, Mr. J. D. Scott, Mr. J. G. Brown. The pieces of the evening were the duetts between Mrs. Campbell and Mr. Brown and Mr. Scott and Mr. Brown.

THE HOME JOURNAL is in receipt of a somewhat lengthy criticism of "Lady Windermere's Fan," but as the play and actors are now almost forgotten, it is con-



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considered that the public would not be much interested in its publication. "M." sums up the merits and demerits of the play by saying: "I am convinced that Mr. Wilde's play will be remembered longer for its shining passages than for the perfection of the work as a whole."

Prof. Finn's band is now one of the best on the coast.

During this season of the year, the greatest pleasure to many people is a quiet, shady nook and a good book. Persons requiring cheap literature would do well to look into Sampson's Book Exchange, Douglas street, cor. Johnson, where there is a great variety.

to attend a mask ball, after request-
him not to go, in a fit of desperation,
declares that if he attends the ball she
follow him, claiming that she has a
to be where her husband is. He
the threat as a joke and treats it
leaving her, as he supposes,
the act of retiring for the night.
has he crossed the threshold than
follows, enters a cab, attends the ball,
her husband escort some ladies to
supper, forms an acquaintanceship with
unknown man, going to supper with
and occupies a compartment next to
in which her husband and his friends
seated. Here she overhears the con-
versation and eventually goes home in
a few hours of the morning. The
following morning her husband learns of
adventure and immediately becomes
indignant; calling his friends and
relatives around him, he denounces his
in strong language and telephones
lawyers to take immediate steps to
secure a divorce. The interposition of
mutual friends finally reconciles the hus-
band, and the wife proves that her action
simply to teach him a lesson in the
rights of the weaker sex. Mrs. Potter
of course play the wife, and Mr.
Hext, the injured husband. Both
are said to be wonderfully strong
of character.

Miss Ethie Elaine Hext, the gifted
singer from Eastern Canada, will appear
for the first time in this city, next Tues-
day evening under the auspices of the
First Presbyterian Church choir. Miss
Hext has earned golden opinions from the
public in all sections of the Dominion, and
her appearance in Vancouver last Monday
evening drew together one of the largest
audiences ever seen in the capacious mar-
ket hall of that city. Her entertain-
ments are something of an innovation
upon the ordinary ones given by elocu-
tarians, consisting as it does of readings
humorous and tragical; and an entirely
new departure is made of statuesque pos-
ing in Greek costume, some forty-five in
number. The musical part of the pro-
gramme is in the hands of Mr. J. G.
Brown, who will be assisted on this occa-
sion by Miss Hutcheson, the well known
soprano of St. Andrew's Church choir,
Mr. H. Firth, leader of Victoria West
Methodist Church choir, Miss Wilson and
the Parfitt orchestra (nine pieces). The
local talent alone will be well worth hear-
ing, and with the additional attraction of