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**PLAYS AND PLAYERS**

**HARKINS NEXT WEEK.**

Miss Sus Van Dusen, who is again the leading lady of the W. S. Harkins company, will wear some beautiful dresses in "The Crisis" that is to be played at the Opera House, Monday evening, Nov. 19th. The action of the play takes place in '01, before and during the late civil war and all the characters are dressed in the style of that period. The Crisis, is a dramatization of Winston Churchill's popular novel and is a highly interesting play with a strong love story throughout. Some beautiful singing will be introduced by Miss Powers and Miss Griffin.

**UNUSUAL INTEREST IN MODJESKA.**

No one who admires the best in drama and who recognizes artistic worth will be absent from the Opera House next Friday evening, Nov. 16th, when Mme. Helma Modjeska, appearing in either "Macbeth" or "The Merchant of Venice," "Mary Stuart" will play here for the last time. The visits of this renowned actress in the past have among the brightest and most memorable events of past theatrical years. Her coming has always been looked forward to with unusual anticipation, and never was the waiting in vain. Modjeska's productions always satisfied the most exacting, because they were carried out in accordance with classic ideals and were directed by the actress' splendid intellect. This year Modjeska's admirers will be no less pleased than in the past because, this being her final tour of America, she has taken special pains that the impression that she has always created shall be no less favorable than when she had other profitable seasons in review. She is surrounded by one of the strongest companies that ever supported her and, from a scenic standpoint, her productions are as complete and handsome as any ever given the great plays of Shakespeare and Schiller. In this city, as in all others where Modjeska has appeared, there is uncontrolled sorrow that she is to retire to private life. In order to show the depth of this regret and the height of the esteem in which she is held, the playgoers will see that this performance is a testimonial of the warmest and most personal kind. There is much interest in the selection of the play, that being left to the purchasers of tickets, each one having a vote. Whatever the choice, all may rest assured that they will see Modjeska in one of the roles with which her name is most closely associated.

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**MANTELL CELEBRATES.**

Recently in Buffalo, Robert Mantell, who is now making a big hit in New York, celebrated the thirty-fifth anniversary of his debut in professional life. Mr. Mantell's company presented the act of the parental mechanical outfit, was a boy's dream of excellent design and workmanship.

**SHEPHERD IS RESTING.**

Ernest Shipman, of the firm of Sweeney, Shipman & Co., who has been ill for the past two weeks as a result of overwork, has left on a brief tour of inspection, and will visit two of his companies which are now touring in Canada. He will then take a trip to Erie, Pa., to visit his mother, who is now residing there.

**AN IDEAL PLOT.**

The story is told of Daniel Frohman, the artistic impresario, that he once gave the following as his idea of a short play that an aspiring young dramatist who had

**THINKS THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD ASSIST US IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR PORT**

**J. S. McMaster of Toronto is Enthusiastic Over St. John and Its Future as a Winter Port, But He Believes the Government Should Help in Providing Steamship Facilities.**

J. Short McMaster, of Toronto, who is in the city visiting his son, Rev. W. W. McMaster, pastor of Germain street Baptist church, is enthusiastic over St. John as the winter port of Canada. His approach, his location, his surroundings, all impress him most favorably. One thing he finds lacking and only one, to form a complete and well equipped outlet for the products of the great west and that is accommodation for steamships.

Talking with a Times reporter Mr. McMaster said: "As a winterport, looking to the future of the Dominion of Canada, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, I can see a great future in store for the city of St. John, and it appears to me that the Dominion government should give liberal assistance for the development of the shipping trade here, in the way of suitable docks which are absolutely necessary for the future of this great port."

Continuing, Mr. McMaster said: "When one considers the vast west, which must find an outlet for its enormous crops of grain, its cattle, etc., it is surely worthy of the most generous consideration on the part of the government, for it is neither fair nor possible for St. John to meet anywhere near the requirements of this fine port."

"As Canadians, we are all anxious to keep within our own borders, the carrying on of the trade of this great country, and I firmly believe that there is simple

shipping trade for both St. John and Halifax."

"I am highly pleased with the situation of the city and its exceedingly fine neighborhood is of a very attractive nature. I can well understand that, even in summer, there can be a large amount of shipping here, bringing travellers to enjoy the fine climate, and bracing air of this splendid country; and, when I go back to Ontario, I shall not cease singing its praises."

Asked why he was so favorably impressed with St. John as the winter port of Canada, Mr. McMaster said: "Why, the easy approach from the Atlantic to the Bay of Fundy from which it is so easily accessible and then again it is well sheltered. All you want now, is suitable docks, and I think that very little alteration is required to equalize the tariff for all interested parties. The present arrangement has, I believe, been a very great advantage in allowing free importation of raw materials and such articles as have been found of interest to the development of the manufacture of machinery, etc., enabling us to increase our shipments of such manufactures to other parts of the world, in competition with our southern neighbors."

Asked as to what changes he would suggest in the present tariff, Mr. McMaster

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**A TALE OF THE DISTANT PAST**

How Recorder Skinner Built a Boy's Sled and Swapped it for a Sheep.

(Fredericton Herald, Friday).

Hon. C. N. Skinner, the popular recorder of St. John, is an eminent lawyer and has occupied considerable prominence as an ardent politician being the only man in this province to have carried the same consistency twice on diverse political platforms.

It is not, however, as a judge, lawyer or politician that the Herald desires to speak here of Mr. Skinner, but of his achievement in another sphere.

The recorder, although a long time citizen of St. John, is not a native of that borough. Like many other eminent men of New Brunswick, he first saw the light in a rural district. To Wickham, in the county of Queens, was given the name of his father, the distinguished lawyer and politician, and Mr. Skinner during his present visit to Fredericton, was given a unique reminder of his early days in that locality.

The recorder's respected father was by occupation a wheelwright, and his son "Chas.," as he is still familiarly known by his intimate friends, between going to school and driving the cow, was given around his father's workshop, and among the other articles he produced by the aid of the parental mechanical outfit, was a boy's dream of excellent design and workmanship.

Now there happened to dwell in the same rural locality with his family, the late Mr. Gohling, father of the present respected and efficient city treasurer of Fredericton, and young Gohling, aged with a maternal boy's desire to possess the sled, so deftly manufactured by the youthful Skinner, consulted with his father as to the sled to "little" "Israel," the consideration being one of the best sleds in the Gohling flock, which young Skinner proudly assumed ownership in return for the fruit of his handicraft at his father's bench.

The incident, perhaps forgotten many years by the participants in the deal at Wickham, say some sixty years ago, was recalled in the city treasury office in Fredericton yesterday by Mr. Skinner, Mr. Gohling and J. W. McCreedy, who on comparing notes found they all added glory to Wickham by being born near the same spot in that fruitful parish.

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The recorder was much interested in the recalling of an event in which he figured so many years ago and remembered the circumstances perfectly, while the city clerk, who reached Wickham a few decades or more after the bargain was consummated, was unable to recollect the eddion that recounted the clever workmanship of young Skinner and the shrewd bargain which young Gohling was able to strike in securing possession of the sled.

The sheep has long since been gathered to its fathers, but the sled, the recorder and the city treasurer seem good for many years more.

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**ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY WILL CELEBRATE**

The committee appointed at the last meeting of the St. Andrew's Society to make arrangements for the Scotch night in celebration of St. Andrew's day met last evening. It was agreed to secure the whole of the York Theatre for the occasion. The programme part of the entertainment will be in the auditorium of the theatre and supper will be served downstairs. Six hundred and fifty tickets at \$1 each will be issued.

Committees to arrange details were appointed with the following conveners: Programme and printing, J. Roy Campbell; refreshments, B. K. Macpherson; floor, John T. McInyre, and decoration and reception, President-elect C. K. Cameron is convener of the last two named committees.

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**LAST NIGHT'S FIRE**

An ugly fire broke out last night, about 11:30 o'clock, in the partly finished house, on Paradise Row, owned by John F. Evans. The fire was noticed by W. M. Morrow, who sent in an alarm from box 231.

The blaze is supposed to have started from a fire left in a small stove, to dry the plaster, and it was finally got under control. Foreman John Bond of No. 4 H. & L., was considerably shaken up by a fall.

Mr. Evans had \$1000 in the Quebec Fire Insurance Company, which he thinks will cover the loss.

**A NEW COMET SEEN**

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Nov. 12.—A comet, which could be seen through a small telescope, was discovered early Sunday morning by Holger Thiele at Copenhagen, according to a despatch received today at the Harvard College observatory from Professor Kreutz of Kiel, Germany. Two observations were made of the comet, one on Nov. 10, 8:08 A. M. P., in right ascension 9 hours 15 minutes 21.3 seconds, declination 12 degrees 16 minutes 50, and the second on Nov. 10, 6:17 A. M. P., in right ascension, 9 hours 16 minutes 3.3 seconds, declination 12 degrees 28 minutes 31 seconds.

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