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Our Annual Spring Linen Event Begins on Wednesday

100 Dozen NAPKINS
75 Ends TABLE LINEN

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COL. LOUIS DILLMAN

Col. Louis Dillman, a well known Detroit G. A. R. man, passed away Friday in Pasadena, Cal., where he had gone to seek better health.

Col. Dillman was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, Dec. 25, 1831, and came to this country in 1848, making his home at first in Buffalo, where he took up his trade as a tanner. Later he came to Detroit and started in business here in the building now occupied by Wright, Kay & Co. He served through the civil war with the Scott Guards, and returned from the field a lieutenant-colonel. He was a member of the board of estimates in 1874. He afterwards served as city clerk, as a member of the legislature and as superintendent of Belle Isle.

Two of Col. Dillman's sons were with him in Pasadena when he died. The other, Louis, lives in this city. Col. Dillman was a member of Schiller lodge, A. M., and of the Knights of Honor.

The friends of Mrs. Col. Dillman, mother of Mrs. McCosh, of this city, who was a resident of Chatham for about two years, will regret to learn of the death of her husband. Col. Dillman was an artist of considerable repute, and some specimens of his work are to be seen in our city.

WHAT CANADA DESIRES.

VIEWS OF CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.

Imperial Defence—Reciprocal Preferential Tariff—Resolutions For Congress of Empire Chambers of Commerce.

Toronto, March 3.—The resolutions that will be submitted at the forthcoming Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, to be held in Montreal during August by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, were drawn up yesterday at a joint meeting of the Commercial Intelligence Committee and the Executive Council of the association. The association will send ten members to the congress, of which three will be from Ontario and three from Quebec, but the appointment of these delegates has been left to the different branches of the association.

The resolutions adopted yesterday are twelve in number, and recommended as follows:—That in the interests of the British Empire, and particularly in the interests of the mother land, measures should be adopted which would direct British capital and emigration to the colonies rather than to foreign countries.

That the various colonies should undertake to contribute to the expenses of Imperial defence.

That a reciprocal preferential tariff be established within the empire, whereby all British ports British goods will be admitted at a lower rate of duty than foreign goods, and particularly that the British Government be memorialized to grant a preference to the empire when instituting a tariff in South Africa.

That all treaties between Great Britain and foreign countries should leave Great Britain free to enter into such relations with her colonies and dependencies as might be deemed expedient.

The establishment of a fast ship service between the various ports of the empire, and the encouraging in every possible way of shipment by British vessels.

The adoption of decimal currency and of the metric system of weights and measures, together with a universal gauge for defining the thickness of metals.

That while the present consular service of the empire is to be commended, an effort be made to have it supplemented by the establishment of intercolonial commercial consuls, and that the standing of these consuls throughout the empire.

The establishment of an Imperial postage system throughout the empire, not only on letters, but on printed matter and parcels.

That in all contracts for Imperial public works the preference should be given as far as possible to British subjects.

That an Imperial commission, consisting of representatives from Great Britain and self-governing colonies, be appointed to visit all parts of the empire and prepare a report pointing out the resources of the various portions of the empire, and how they may best serve the interests of the whole.

That facilities should be arranged whereby news and from the different parts of the empire should be transmitted entirely through British channels, and not subject, as at present, to the censorship and influence of foreigners.

That if the large tracts of land, such as Baffin Land, Prince Albert Land, etc., situated to the north of Canada are not at the present time part of our Dominion or of the empire, and held with a clear title, that steps should at once be taken to have the possession established.

NOT BUYING WARSHIPS.

Chilian and Argentine Vessels Are Not Suitable For Britain.

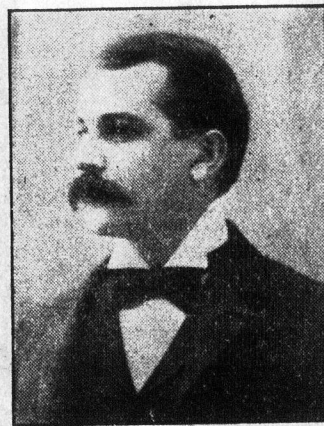
London, March 3.—In answer to a question in the House of Commons Premier Balfour said Great Britain had refused to purchase the Chilian and Argentine warships under construction in Europe. The Admiralty had carefully considered the matter and had concluded that these vessels were not suitable for the British navy.

RECORD BREAKING HOUSE GREETED FOOTBALL MINSTRELS

For the First Time in the History of the Grand the Plan Went to the House Empty—A Splendid Production—Burns and Weldon Princes among Endmen—Mr. Shaver's Excellent Solos—Interlocutor Stone Makes a decided Hit—A Capital Evening of Entertainment

No magic castle, that is built in a single night, can lay claim to greater marvels than those encompassing the production of the Football Club Minstrels, last evening. Concealed, carefully cozened and carried out, the show deserved all the kind things that were said about it. Solos and spells, no matter how stupendous, were given with confidence and skill. Each artist knew his allotted task and executed it with clockwork regularity and brilliant histrionic or musical ability.

First, the splendid orchestra under the leadership of Donnie C. Philp, opened the performance with one of those loud and thunderous crashes of melody that makes the opera house ring and leads the audience to expect something good to follow. Then the curtain rolled up, revealing one of the most unique and pretty scenes ever presented by a minstrel aggregation in this city. The very simplicity of the scene was its chief and greatest charm. A bank of black faces, tier on tier, rose backwards from the foot-



MR. FRED STONE.
Interlocutor.

lights. The expansive white shirt bosoms of evening dress gave a complete contrast to the dusky faces. Interlocutor Fred Stone relieved the sombre scene just enough to give a finishing touch. This stage setting was used at the commercial travel minstrel show in Toronto, and proved so unique and made such a hit that it was adopted here.

You bored theatre-goers who have been tortured by the sameness of things—who have cried aloud in your mute agony "they're all alike"—now where is your complaint. Here Fred Stone and Ed. Burns and J. W. Plewes and Will Coltart and Burney Weldon and John Kerr, all sprung different jokes, so that you could go home and say that the show was something different from what you had seen in that class before. Primrose and West must look to their laurels. All the front rowers were artists and so were the individual members of the chorus. Only the latter didn't show up as individuals, but as a body. Fred Stone, Burns, Wilson, Dooling, Plewes, Coltart, Brackin, Shaver, Gunn, Angus, Gilleland, Coatsworth, Shartz, Robson, Massey, Kerr and Weldon were the front rowers.

Ed. Burns, of Toronto, is a real comedian. He has had plenty of experience before the foot-lights and knows all the pretty tricks that catch the audience. His vaudeville skits are excellent and he has the happy knack of keeping in touch with those beyond the foot-lights. He is a master. He got away from the post sure and strong. He knew himself and how far he could go. He was in it all the way.

Burney Weldon is a winner. He's the whole ticket and, when he talks, all the others listen. Gods, goddesses and pit were delighted with the find the Chatham Football Club have made in the comedian line.

Burney is entertaining all the time he is on the stage. His stories are great. He tells them well and he knows how to handle himself. As a comedian Burney is difficult to beat, and he has a desire to take advantage of his talents.

J. G. Kerr is a good one. He's a real burnt cork artist, and in the monologues was entertaining and funny at every stage. Mr. Kerr entered into the spirit of his character and was a amusement maker of a delightful order.

Fred Stone, master of ceremonies, was the prince of the production—more even than his position made him. "What a lovely voice Mr. Stone has!" was heard on the Opera House.

"Wasn't Mr. Stone good? Didn't he look just splendid?" were some of the exclamations passed upon the ex-alderman by those who saw the production. He was the master hand that guided the show carefully and skilfully to its destined success.

W. H. Brackin, Chairman; P. G. Piggott, Secretary; C. H. Sissons, Treasurer; F. B. Laurie, P. B. Fetterly, H. W. Anderson, J. W. Plewes, H. C. Philp, W. McK. Messer, F. H. Brisco.

A large share of the credit for the production is due W. H. Brackin, the musical director, and Fred Stone, the interlocutor. The training of the chorus, adaptation of the orchestration and all the musical portion of the program was in the hands of Mr. Brackin, while Mr. Stone guided the endmen successfully through their talks. Both of these gentlemen are deserving of the highest encomiums for the excellent results they achieved.

The production will be repeated to-night with several new specialties. The advance sale has been a large one and another successful presentation is assured.

W. W. Seane was stage manager and did his work so well as to well merit the praise the audience so liberally bestowed. The successful handling of some sixty amateurs is no easy task and Mr. Seane is to be congratulated.

Chief Pritchard, of the fire department, had a corps of men, a line of hose and two extinguishers in the building as a precaution. The company desire to express their appreciation of many kindly courtesies bestowed by Manager Brisco.

R. Will Angus and K. Coatsworth both added to the interest by rendering excellent solos.

J. W. Wilson was one of the singers who made a hit. He took with the audience and they showed their appreciation of his excellent solo by giving him a most hearty and spontaneous encore. He was splendid.

Massey and Robertson, the twin bone players, both were funny. Dan had a long spiel which he introduced by a very artistic bit of vaudeville. Harry Massey was all right. He was capital. He got away at the drop of the flag and was in it all the going. His solo "I've got mine," carried him across the wire winning in a walk.

Harry Philp and Jos. McMillan, the bag-pipe player and the Scotch dancer, were both men of color. They were good with a great big "G."

H. A. Shartz, a few short remarks which he got rid of in a very pleasing manner.

J. W. Plewes and W. A. Coltart provided lots of fun. They were a little too rapid and it kept the audience rushed to keep up with them, but they each made a hit and both scored. Their enunciation was clear and distinct and their dual number was one of the most interesting on the program.

The mixed quartette, Messrs. W. Brackin, K. Coatsworth, H. C. Philp and Garnet Brackin, was well received. They got a well merited encore. The avil chorus from Il Trovatore was excellent. Unfortunately, just as it was being produced the dynamo were being switched at the gas works and the electrical effects prepared could not be used.

The wiring and electrical work was done by Will Turner of the Bell Telephone Co.

That the Chatham Football Club Minstrel show was a success goes without saying. For the first time



"Mr. Doolley" Discussing Local Celebrities, as Personated so Cleverly by Endman Ed. Burns.

in the history of local productions the plan went to the Opera House without a seat left. The last seat was sold at a few minutes after four o'clock yesterday. The opera Princess Bonnie held the record. There were 48 seats in the plan when it went to the Opera House. The Little Tycoon was second. There were 52 seats left when the Tycoon plan went to the Opera House. The production was staged under the management of W. W. Seane.

CHATHAM FOOTBALL MINSTREL COMPANY.

Mr. Fred Stone, Interlocutor.

W. H. Brackin, Musical Director.

W. W. Seane, Stage Manager.

Wm. Turner, Electrician.

Bones—B. Weldon, J. G. Kerr, H. Massey, D. Robertson, H. A. Shartz.

Solosists—W. N. Shaver, R. Will Angus, J. R. Gilleland, K. Coatsworth, C. H. Gunn.

Tambors—Ed. Burns, J. W. Wilson, J. D. Dooling, J. W. Plewes, W. A. Coltart.

Chorus—Messrs. Weldon, Kerr, Massey, Robertson, Shartz, Anderson, Coatsworth, Wrigley, Ross, Angus, Shaver, Gunn, Gilleland, Coltart, Bates, Brackin, Plewes, Dooling, W. Wilson, Burns, Turner, Rutley, Ayres, Messer, Allen, J. Smith, Reid, Mitchell, Glassford, Richardson, Fairbanks, Sheldon, Bechard, Hesson, Liddy, Head, Mounter, Martin, Sissons, Fetterly, Mercer, Sowerby, Piggott, G. Smith, Lenth, Trotter, Northway, Tackaberry, Morrison, J. Will, W. Smith, Shupe, Sides, Laurie, Mann, Miller, Brady, Bogart, McNaughton, Ball.

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NEW TREASURE ISLAND.

GOLDEN SANDS IN THE STRAITS OF MAGELLAN.

Capt. McLeod, an Experienced Salt of Pictou, and an Adventurous Party Sailing in Quest of Fortune.

Halifax, March 3.—The schooner Hattie L. M. will sail at noon to-morrow with a party of venturesome spirits, who are seeking a new Eldorado in the south. The party is commanded by Captain C. H. McLeod of Pictou, a well-known and skillful mariner, who has sailed many times around the globe. Several years ago, when the first rush to the Klondike was on, Captain McLeod was given command of a vessel which sailed from Boston with a party of prospectors and speculators for Skaguay. Passing through the Straits of Magellan, Captain McLeod beached his vessel on the soft sands of an island for examination. In the burrow made by the vessel's keel he saw evidences of gold. Some say he found nuggets, but the captain is reticent as to that. He kept his counsel and completed his voyage. On the coast he was given command of a big ship sailing to the Orient, but he always kept in mind the gold sands of the Magellan Island, and when he had saved enough to start his venture he returned to Nova Scotia. He organized the Pioneer Exploration Company, with a capital of \$100,000, and succeeded in interesting a number of prominent business men who have put their money into the venture. They include Hon. S. H. Holmes, ex-Premier of Nova Scotia, who is President of the company; Evan Thompson, A. E. McManus of Halifax, J. D. Copeland, D. G. Kirk and Or. W. Macdonald of Antigonish. There are also in addition several young Englishmen who arrived here two weeks ago, and who have each contributed \$500 for the privilege of accompanying the expedition. Among the Englishmen are Sir J. Astley Cooper, a grandson of Sir Astley Cooper, the famous court physician, Lieut. Swanwell of the Imperial Yeomanry, who saw service in South Africa; Dr. G. S. L. Hopkinson, who was also in South Africa; W. Toomey, a wealthy English farmer; F. H. Wilkinson and Mr. Johnson. The party are fully equipped with all appliances for placer mining. The island to which the party are bound is said to be Staten Island. It is reported to be rich in gold, and all the party are hopeful of striking it rich. They will be away a year.

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