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For the genuine article in bright farce comedy, "Are You a Mason?" completely fills the bill. It is admirably penned and has been placed by Dr. Pierce and his Rich & Harris in the hands of a most competent company. 'As a result the audience is delighted, and curtain calls last evening were repeatedly indulged in. The scenic effects were

'Altogether, "Are You a Mason?" is one of the best productions that have ever held the boards at the Grand.

"RICHARD CARVEL."

For over one hundred and fifty performances last season this powerful and romantic play, which will appear at the Grand, this city, on Monday, February 3rd, attracted brilliant audiences that crowded the Empire Theatre, New York. It was one of the most successful metropolitan produc-

tions of the year.

Andrew Robson in the title role, has succeeded in convincing all who saw him that never before has he appeared in so charming a role, nor act-ed one with such magnificent dash, cleverness and spirit.

"Richard Carvel" is a romantic drama founded upon the beautiful Maryland story written by Winston Churchill. The hero, who gives his name to the 'novel, is a brave and chivalrous young man of the Anapolis of a century ago, and he does all sorts of marvellous and courageous things for the sake of the sweet girl he loves, as well as for his struggling country. It is almost needless to re peat here how Carvel wooes and wins the coquettish and fascinating Dorothy Manners, for Winston Churchill's novel has been universally read; suffice it to say that the drama follows closely the lines of the book, and that all the stirring events of Carvel's carer, his duels, his desperate straits, and his delightfully interesting love encounters with the heroine, Dorothy, are utilized by the playwright and at



Mr. Robson as Richard Carvel demonstrates his high status as a romantic actor. He splendidly realizes the character Mr. Churchill created, and sary's sword as he is persuasive and persistent in his pursuit of fair Dorothy's heart and hand. There are peautiful love scenes in the play and Mr. Robson and his leading lady, Miss Ruth Berkeley, make them so real and entrancing that the interest in the incidents is enhanced a hundred

The picturesque costumes of the Revolutionary period are worn by the players and the familiar Maryland scenes in which the action takes place are artistically reproduced on the stage canvas. Even the quaint furniture of the time is authentically du-

Upon the whole, Mr. Robson's production of "Richard Carvel" is a sumptuous one and it will be repeated here with all original scenery and effects, exactly as it was presented during its long run in New York. Mr. Robson's company this season includes many of the original cast and his engagement here will be one of the social events of the season.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

CEDAR SPRINGS.

Miss Clara Tichborne, of Chicago, is spending a few days at her home The Young People's Society wil give a social evening at Mr. John Forbes Friday next. W. Trewin was taking advant-

age of the sleighing Sunday after-

Miss Allie Springsteen, of Rodney, is spending a few days with her uncle John Forbes.
Mr. Reeves, of Chatham, occupied

the pulpit in the Baptist church on Sunday afternoon.

S: S. NO. 1, HARWICH.

The debate last night, resolved that Canada offers greater inducements to young men than does the United States, was a grand treat, the speakers showing that they had given the subject good study and thought, some of the speakers deserve special men-tion. Miss Maggie McCormick, teacher in S. S. No. 2, ably defending our American cousin, assisted by W. Houston and others, of the affirmagre Houston and others, of the affirma are tive Miss Annie Houston, L. Parrotthey (captain), both did exceedingly well to the chairman, W. W. Everitt, de-sided in favor of the affirmative by

A rare treat is expected on Tues day evening, February 4th, when the subject, resolved that newspapers are

better educators than books, The social at A. S. Maynard's proved successful, realizing about \$11.00, a good showing considering the extreme

good showing considering the extreme cold night.

The trustees have been authorized by the Board of Health to have all the pupils in the school produce certificates of vaccination or they will be prohibited from attending school.

R. M. Smith has disposed of his team of horses; sold to Geo. McGarvin to go to Montreal.

Frank Wilson, jr., still continues to

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The contract for supplying wood for use of school has been given to Jas. McDougall at \$2.50 per cord for two

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EBERTS.

No sleighing yet, but the roads are again frozen and will soon be good

Our new minister, Rev. Mr. Neally, will be introduced in Dover church next Thursday. He will commence his new charge next Sunday. A large congregation should be present to greet him. The service will be at the

isual hour. Service will be held in Knox church in the morning again next Sunday and prayer meeting on Thursday

Frank Henderson has gone to Exeter, where he has secured a more lucrative position. Wm. Somerset, jr., spent Sunday evening at Louisville.

A few from here attended a party last Thursday evening at J. McKerrall's Apple Owen Gallaghar and Geo. Wilson spent Thursday evening on the 5th

John McIsaac, jr., is indisposed. There was a small attendance at Literary Society Monday, owing to the extremely cold weather.

CLANCY'S SIDING

Mrs. J. E. Peers spent part of last week with friends in Port Huron.
Mr. and Mrs. T. Shaw, of Yale Mich .. were visiting his brother, Mr

Robert Shaw. There was a star social last Wednesday night at Mr. Ed. Stewart's in aid of the Methodist church.
Miss Jennie Peers, of Port Huron,

is visiting at Mr. J. E. Peers. Alfred Lane has built a new blacksmith shop on the Snye. George Murphy has moved into his

new house. W. H. Peers intends buying grain for Mr. Stokes.

Mrs. A. Sample, of Chatham, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm.

Mrs. S. Lane, who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. Hale, in Bienheim, is reported to be quite ill. Isaac Booth gave an oyster supper and dance to a number of his friends at Mr. Fred. Bowden's, where an en-

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joyable time was spent by all.

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SIN AS DANTE SAW IT.

The significance of a recent article in the Atlantic, by Rev. Charles A. Dinsmore, pastor of the Phillips Congregational church, South Boston, on Dante's Quest of Liberty, is not only that it confirms the impression of Mr. Dinsmore's gifts as an interpreter of literature, but that it also calls upon the Christian public of to-day to hold as clean and distinct in its conscio Dante had it in his, a doctrine expiation for sin, and the punitive well as the corrective quality

of the penalties which follow sin. The article is significant, too, in that it recognizes the Dantean rather than the Christian conception of sin and its expiation which is dominant in the greatest works of modern fiction. While it may be useless as well as undesirable expect that the Christian consciousness of to-day shall swing back to a concept of sin and its effects which will emphasize as exclusively as did the thought of the ages the punitive aspects of penalty, still it is possible that the Protestant church in recoiling from on extreme has gone too far to the other, and that in dwelling justly on God the Father it has unduly disparaged God the Creator The highest ideal of human Judge. fatherhood certainly admits of both concepts of punishment, as the most scientific system of penal administration.

Mr. Gladstone, it will be recalled. shortly before he died, gave it as his opinion that the waning sense of sin was the most ominous phenomenon of the day; and certainly he had much-and we even more-social data to furnish a basis for such a diagnosis of peril to society. therefore, by way of the path of letters, men of culture and altruistic purpose can, whether led by Dante. Hawthorne or Hardy, be led to see the inevitableness of penalty and the of expiation, the church should welcome that method of approach to a great human, eternal problem, even though it be scious that there are depths heights of the matter which neither poet nor novelist have touched. For, as Mr. Dinsmore pithily puts it, Mary Magdalene, with her devotion to Christ, walked in a better way than Hester Prynne.

Marketing Young Pork.

The popularity of young pork with plenty of lean meat on it has proved boon to the farmers, for it is far more profitable to raise the first 100 pounds of any animal than the last 100 pounds, says an American Cultivator writer. This is partly due to fact that nature forces the growth of the young animal rapidly, bones, muscles and flesh all growing so that every ounce of food is almost entirely converted into live weight. There is practically no loss, and all the animal requires is fair attention and good food. is then able and willing to do

the laying on of additional weight becomes a slow process. We may by a good forcing system increase the weight quite rapidly, but not nearly so easily as in a young animal. Yet it costs more to feed the old hog because there is a larger system to feed, and a good deal of the nourishment goes to make sufficient strength to carry the animal along.

Lord Mount Stephen's Broken Arm.

Lord Mount Stephen, who entertained the Prince and Princess of Wales at Brocket Hall, near Hatfield, last week, is one of the plain and simple-minded Colonial millionaires, and has indulged in no nonsense since he retired from hard work to enjoy his wealth. He goes along on his philanthropic way without ostentation of any sort, and is much liked by all within the circle of his acquaintance, When Lord Mount Stephen was a young man in Aberdeen he once broke his arm, and had to go to the local infirmary to get the limb set. Some time ago came to his knowledge that the institution was hampered by a burden of debt-some £30,000 or so and he quietly sent on a check for the amount. "Kind hearts are for the amount. more than coronets," And, indeed this big-hearted Scotch-Canadian has never wasted time in these later days in trying to trace his pedigree back over the centuries .- From M.A.P.

Canadian Speakers' Decisions, The decisions of the Speakers the House of Commons of Canada since 1867 have been collected by Mr. L. G. Desjardins, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, and issued in a small volume, printed and well bound. The con-tents cover decisions on bills, in committee of the whole House, motions, on petitions, on questions of order, and on procedure in Committee of Supply and Ways and Means. The book will be exceedingly useful to all students of Parliamentary institutions, and particularly to all members of the House and to journalists who find it necessary from time to time to investigate and discuss questions of Parliamentary pro-

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