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A Book Typewriter.
A book typewriter has been installed at the city registry office. Several of the city officials are interested in this matter, and think such a machine would be of advantage in other offices where minutes of meetings are kept. Enjoyable Dance.

A most enjoyable dance was given on Thursday evening by the members of the Social Club in Higgins Block, Dundas street. This was the first dance of the season and proved a success.

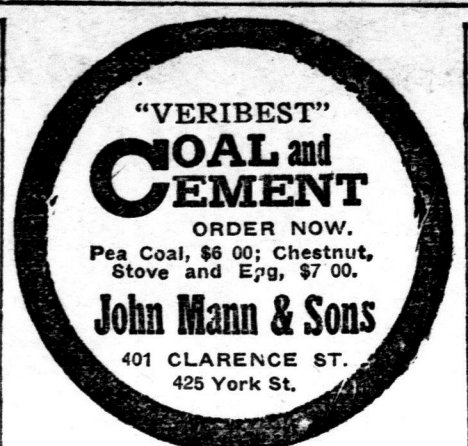
Bought Liquor Business.

Mr. Donald Fraser, son of Mr. John Fraser, of this city, and formerly proprietor of the Snowden House, Peterboro, has purchased the wholesale liquor business of Mr. A. E. Ponsford, St. Thomas, and will take possession immediately. Mr. Ponsford purchased the business from Mr. A. T. Smith in 1905.

Lecture Course by Earl Barnes.
Arrangements have been made by Miss Laidlaw for a course of six lectures by Mr. Barnes, to be given on alternate Thursdays in January, February and March. The subject of the course is "National Life as Expressed in Art," the countries considered being

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Church Renovation.
The board of trustees met in the school room of the Grove Church on Thursday evening and appointed the following committees for purposes of church renovation, and to call tenders for the work: C. Wakeling and W. Kernohan to arrange for repairing the roof of the church; J. Dean, S. Tackaberry, C. Trebilcock and G. Smith for the interior of the church.

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The London Street Railway Company have solved the problem of handling the traffic on the Horton street line, and have installed a loop switch at the corner of Horton and Wellington streets.

The Oxford, Wellington, and Ottawa cars have repeatedly stalled at this corner, interfering with the schedules, and preventing rapid time being made.

The company wanted to double-track Horton street, but this was not agreeable to the council, so they had to relieve the situation by building a switch. The work has been almost completed, and when it is ready will undoubtedly enable them to keep their cars on schedule time, provided, of course that the Grand Trunk and the Pere Marquette do not hold them up. Another switch has been placed at the corner of Wellington street and Ottawa street, and this will assist in keeping the schedule on these lines. So far they have worked admirably, and when the scheme is perfected a much more satisfactory service will probably result.

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Mr. and Mrs. Yeates and family, of Price street, desire to express their sincere thanks to the many friends for their kindness and sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

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Behind the Footlights

Coming Attractions at the Grand.
"Girl From Rector's"..... Thursday, Sept. 29
"The Vulture"..... Friday, Sept. 30
Aborn English Grand Opera Company..... Saturday, Oct. 1
"Travelling Salesman"..... Tuesday, Oct. 4

Melba, the Australian nightingale, attracted to the Grand Opera House last night an audience which almost completely filled the playhouse from pit to dome. In fact, the gallery and balcony were packed, ladies being in the majority in both sections. Downstairs there were a few seats at the front vacant, the people for the most part considering that the three-dollar seats toward the rear were better

and exquisite tone, which wrought her hearers into a seventh degree of appreciation. For an encore she sang "Comin' Thro' the Rye," and the applause which followed resulted in the artist being compelled to bow her thanks half a dozen times.

The star's last number was Testi's "Good-Bye." It has become the fashion to attack this composition nowadays, but when rendered by such an artist as Melba, it can only be appreciated. It is an effective number, and is calculated to bring out in rare measure the sympathetic beauty of the prima donna's voice. In the other artists, Melba is happily associated. The harpist, Mlle. Sassoli, is mistress of the instrument, her fingering, expression and tone being marvellous. She shared with the star the honors of the evening.

Mr. Albert Quenel possesses an exquisite tenor, with a purity of quality



DALLAS TYLER.

With "The Travelling Salesman," at the Grand Opera House Tuesday, Oct. 4, value than the five-dollar seats at the front.

The reception accorded the great artist was one in which London must share the honors with Western Ontario, for it was said the outsiders outnumbered the local people in the audience by four to one. It is understood that the receipts were about four thousand dollars.

The gifted vocalist and surrounded herself with a galaxy of artists, so that despite the fact that the song-bird appeared but three times on the programme, the entertainment did not cool, and it was an evening of well-merited applause for all concerned.

Melba is still a beautiful, magnetic woman, whose voice, with its world-wide reputation, has been singularly aided by rare dramatic power and womanly sweetness. She appeared in a stunning gown of green, and wore a magnificent necklace of diamonds and a diamond tiara in her hair. After her first number she was presented with a splendid basket of flowers.

Melba's first number was the "Mad Scene" from Lucia. The audience, vast majority of whom had neither seen nor heard her before, was keyed up to a high pitch of expectancy, and when the crystalline notes of the artist were poured forth, the house was captured. In this number the audience had a rare opportunity of judging the purity of tone, the remarkable technique and wonderful range of voice of the Australian singer. She was accompanied by a clever flautist, Mr. John Lemmon, and even the exquisite tones of the flute were excelled by the appealing beauty of Melba's voice. A salvo of applause greeted her at the conclusion of this number, and she responded with a winning encore, "The Note of a Bird."

The "Jewel Song" from Faust, was Melba's next treat for her audience. In this she exhibited a superb execution

and a caressing tenderness of tone. He was rapturously encored.

The flautist, Mr. Lemmon, won golden opinions, especially in the obligato, when Melba sang the aria from Faust.

To Mr. Cyril Dwight-Edwards, the eminent English baritone, of this city, under whose auspices the Australian singer was brought to London, music-lovers are indebted for last night's treat. Even Detroit and Hamilton failed to get such an attraction.

Welsh Choir Coming.
The celebrated Mountain Ash Male Chorus of Wales comprise 24 artists, who have been victors of hundreds of musical contests in which the leading singers of Europe and Wales vie with each other for the honors. They have appeared before crowned heads and received the highest praise and commendation from the press of Europe as well as of this country. The President of the United States stated that he had never before heard such excellent singing: "Music that stirs one's soul." This splendid organization will give two concerts in the Auditorium on Oct. 4 and 5.

"The Girl From Rector's," which enjoyed a run of over three hundred nights in New York, will be seen at the Grand Opera House for an engagement of one night, Sept. 29. The work is by the author of "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge." The New York Herald declared it to be the most entertaining vehicle ever presented at Weber's, and that it would probably live for many years to come. "The Girl" broke every record at that playhouse.

"The Vulture" on Friday.
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English Grand Opera.

Music lovers here are showing considerable interest in the coming of the Aborn English Grand Opera Company to the Grand Opera House for matinee and night performances, Saturday, Oct. 1. For their engagement here the Aborn management have made a most happy selection in deciding to present "Lucia di Lammermoor," at the matinee, and "Faust" for the night performance. From all reports this organization has been duplicating on this, its first tour, the remarkable success it has enjoyed for the past decade in its long engagements each year in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago and a few other large cities to which it has confined its past presentations.

"The Travelling Salesman."
James Forbes, author of "The Travelling Salesman," which Henry B. Harris will present at the Grand Opera House, Tuesday, Oct. 4, has the happy faculty of writing "sure-fire comedy hits" — witness "The Chorus Lady" and "The Commuters."

When "The Travelling Salesman" played the New Liberty Theatre in New York two years ago and moved shortly after to the Gaiety, which it opened, it was practically an untold venture for both house and play, but so immediate and pronounced was the success of the latter that the house became a by-word among playgoers.



MISS ALLIE ELLSMORE, With "The Vulture," at the Grand Opera House Next Friday.

At the engagement here practically the same cast as last season will interpret the many roles.

Glasgow Select Choir.

The annual concerts given by St. Andrew's Society are always anticipated by the musical public of London as rare musical treats. St. Andrew's Society seems to work on the assumption that nothing is too good for the annual Scottish concert. This year, however, promises to eclipse all its predecessors. As soon as it was known that there was a possibility that the famous Glasgow Select Choir would make an American tour St. Andrew's Society immediately secured a date for London.

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