DAWSON AMATEUR OPERA CO

Meets and Elects Its Permanent Officers

Will Give Series of Entertainments for the Benefit of Local Charitable Institutions.

From Friday's Daily.

The Dawson Amateur Operatic Society is now a permanent organization, well officered and ready to go ahead with the preparations for its first production.

Owing to the fact that a number of those who are expected to become members of the society were taking part in the concert given at the Pioneer hall, the attendance was not as large as it otherwise would have been, but what was lacking in numbers was made up in enthusiasm, and the society was given an impetus which will make it an assured success. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Ernest Searelle and Mr. Wm. Thorburn was elected temporary president and Wm. P. Allen was elected temporary secretary. A motion that the society be made permanent was carried and bylaws for the government of the society were then adopted.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. Pres., Commissioner J. H. Ross; Vice Pres., Mr. Chas. McDonald; Sec.-Treas., Mr. Wm. Thornburn; executive committee—the vice president, secretary-treasurer, Mr. Wm. Sheridan and Mesdames Congdon and Starnes.

The object of the society as set forth in the constitution is to give a series of operatic productions during the winter months and all monies realized on the productions, over and above expenses, after setting aside a certain sum for incidental expenses for the next performance, is to be distributed by the executive committee to charitable purposes.

Membership in the society is complimentary to the ladies but a fee of $5 was set for the gentlemen. It will be necessary to have some money on hand to meet certain incidental expenses for the first production and it was considered that this would be a more satisfactory way to raise the sum than by levying an assessment and was voted unanimously.

The direction of the productions will be in the hands of the executive committee, who will be called together at once and active preparations will be commenced for the first performance which will be Gilbert & Sullivan's famous comic opera "Pinafore."

The next meeting of the society will be held a week from Monday, the 30th inst., when all members and those wishing to join are requested to be present.

The police and N. C. Company hockey teams will play a matched hockey game tomorrow evening. Good play is anticipated.

Give the boy a fine knife for Xmas. See Shindler.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Empire—L. O. Morgan, city; M. Kirkpatrick, Hunker; Frank Cutter, Hunker; Walter Woodburn, Forks; W. O. Yarnan, city; A. McKinnon, 27 Eldorado; E. McKay, Last Chance; J. McLeod, city.

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PRECOCIOUS YOUNGSTERS

Closing Exercises of the Little Tots in the Kindergarten.

Fond mamas and not a few doting papas gathered at the Kindergarten this morning at 11 o'clock to see the closing exercises of the children, today being the last day of school prior to the holiday vacation. There are 29 pupils enrolled in the kindergarten class though but 27 of the little tots were present this morning. The opening exercises consisted of prayers, followed by several songs, Miss Edwards accompanying her diminutive charges on the piano, the pupils each sitting in a chair in a circle. After an extensive repertoire had been sung, and the children showed remarkable precocity in remembering so many, they arose to their feet and with their little chairs upturned on their heads marched around the circle and to the tables where the serious work began. This consisted of making chains of multi-colored paper, making rug patterns from different colored geometrical blocks, etc. When the tasks allotted had been completed the class again marched to the circle painted on the floor and indulged in youthful games, many of them being accompanied by songs. At the conclusion of the exercises the guests present were given the accumulated samples of the children's work, while each child was presented with a box of candy, the compliments of Mr. Chas. Milne.

Owing to the great demand for tickets for the performance at the Pioneer hall tonight in aid of St. Paul's church organ fund, the directors have arranged to give a grand matinee tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock, when the whole program will be given. Every child in town should see this beautiful production, to which they will be admitted for half the price, viz., 50 cts.

Hot and cold lunch at the Bank Saloon.

AID OF THE ORGAN FUND

Brilliant Performance Was Given Last Night

Songs, Scene From Shakespeare, Tableaux Vivant and Farce by Howell Make Good Program.

The amusement loving public who so generously patronized the entertainment given at Pioneer hall last night in aid of the St. Paul church organ fund was amply repaid and the repetition of the performance to be given this evening will doubtless be greeted with an audience limited only to the capacity of the hall. The program arranged by Mr. Arthur Boyle and Mr. C. W. Hines was replete with sweet songs and pretty tableaux cunningly attired children and beautiful women. The tableaux vivant were arranged by Mrs. F. T. Congdon, the first being a representation of Brittania, Columbia and Canada, the characters impersonated by Mrs. Hines, Mrs. Shindler and Miss McFarlane. Two of the pictures were given wholly by children, "Over the Garden Wall" and "The Maypole." Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Macdonald and children portrayed "The First Dancing Lesson," the children looking so quaintly demure one could almost imagine the picture was the reanimated original stepped down from its frame on the wall instead of a pretty counterfeit. Mesdames Davis-Colley, Davey, Green, Macaulay, Hines, Ward-Smith, Renouf and White-Fraser appeared in a classic setting as Grecian ladies and in their simple costumes of white with numerous golden bands about their hair, they prototype of old, the beautiful Helen of Troy, was not more fair than they. Vocal numbers were rendered by Mrs. Macfarlane, Mr. Clayton, Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Torry, and Mr. Wilson and Mr. Brown gave the quarrel scene from "Julius Caesar," the former appearing as "Cassius" and the latter as "Brutus." Howell's farce, "The Mousetrap," was a very funny and fitting finale and was well played, the beauty of it being it was so true to nature. The following was the cast: Willis Campbell, Mr. R. P. Wilson, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. J. L. Bell, Mrs. Curwen, Miss Thomas, Mrs. Miller, Miss Jones, Mrs. Bemis, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Somers, Mrs. C. W. Hines, Jane, Mrs. F. T. Congdon.

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QUARTZ PROSPECTS

(Continued from page 1.)

cality had given an average value to the ore of $78 to the ton, which is not true in any sense of the word. The report was sent outside, the associated press spread the news of the supposedly rich strike everywhere and yesterday Captain Spencer received a wire from his people to the effect that if such ore was to be found here why was it necessary for him to draw on the eastern office to the extent of over $5,000 a month to meet current expenses? In speaking over the quartz situation, Captain Spencer said:

"It simply amounts to this: We have hard enough propositions to buck against here without being compelled to stop every day or two and refute such stories as have recently been put in circulation. Our company put up $100,000 to expend in legitimate prospecting and if we find anything that will justify it we are in a position to spend five times that amount in the erection of mills, tramroads and development, but what I object to is parties using our name and stating that we have made mill runs on ore that would average so much to the ton when such is not true. It is unfair to the public as many who could ill afford the loss might upon such showing be induced to buy shares which might possibly prove worthless, and, besides, it places the mill and me personally in an unenviable light as the statements can not be substantiated. I do not care how many companies are organized or how much stock is sold if we are not mixed up in it. If we find anything valuable it is ours, we have no stock for sale and on the other hand we do not find anything good the fame is ours and ours alone and there is no harm done. The expense of running our little mill amounts to over $1500 a month to say nothing of incidentals, which will aggregate nearly double as much. Why only a few days ago I had back a lot of tides in which to [illegible] a prospect [illegible] the road where the team could get at it and they cost $6 each. We break a sled or two every day. [illegible] Ore must average $25 a ton before we can mill it at a profit, and that kind of ore is yet to be found. I have run through a number of different compartments from Victoria gulch and that was no exception to the rule. Assays tell but little of the value of a ledge from a milling standpoint. I can show you assays running over $500 to the ton, but I would probably not [illegible] to get together a ton of ore that would mill that amount. We still believe that good ore will be found and are willing to expend the necessary capital to develop it, but we must be let alone to pursue the policy we consider best and I do not want to see our name used for the purpose of boosting the sale of stock in properties which are yet to be proven of any value."

Dr. T. B. Hooke, manager of the Ladue Company, the owner of the only other stamp mill in the country, concurred fully with the views of Captain Spencer and regretted very much that misstatements should have been published regarding discoveries already made.

"We have been made to appear," said he, "that we are already running, whereas the fact of the matter is our mill is not quite completed and we have not yet crushed a pound of ore. We, no more than anyone else, that is, I speak for myself, do not desire to put a fence around the country, but we would like to see published statements conform a little more to facts. Our mill was not put up for any purpose whatever except to [illegible] the Queen, "My son [illegible] gallant as to allow [illegible] hand. Pray [illegible] to give room to him." [illegible] accordingly did. [illegible] charities have received [illegible] enormous sums. In 1896 [illegible] favorite stage [illegible] the highest [illegible] which was [illegible] haired [illegible] the actress because [illegible] refused of coming [illegible] purchase him [illegible] sold up his little [illegible] the kiss [illegible] this sum was [illegible] when an [illegible] fabulous [illegible] while strawberries that [illegible] cups (and ready-[illegible]

Famous Kisses.

[illegible] was [illegible] Lord [illegible] was jealous [illegible] which [illegible] show that he had [illegible] irritated by his [illegible] was [illegible] Light and the [illegible] work [illegible] was set [illegible] when [illegible] was [illegible] ordered [illegible] was [illegible] Bill [illegible] possible [illegible] getting [illegible] and [illegible] without a word [illegible] Yh Parish was [illegible] allies [illegible] remarkable sentence [illegible] He was charged with [illegible] and when [illegible] added [illegible] years' imprisonment with [illegible] hard labor [illegible] ordered [illegible] is prett certain [illegible] shines one [illegible] is down [illegible] There recently [illegible] ordinary [illegible] of passion [illegible] on his [illegible] decided to be [illegible] thorities [illegible] times she had [illegible] Wa[illegible] arrested and [illegible] liberated [illegible] had been [illegible] silence [illegible]

Married His Step Mother.

[illegible] —A marriage [illegible] of being the [illegible] matrimonial [illegible] took place in [illegible] Thursday [illegible] contract was [illegible] Reynolds, whose [illegible] line between [illegible] ties and the [illegible] man's step- [illegible] applied for [illegible] the clerk re- [illegible] refuse without the [illegible] man's father [illegible] by a man [illegible] that he was [illegible] young man's le- [illegible] husband of the [illegible] wanted to marry [illegible] If the [illegible] papers were [illegible] carriage took [illegible] the bridegroom and [illegible] that of the [illegible]

Driving Club Meet

The Driving Club [illegible] Barracks [illegible] and go for a short drive. [illegible] turn to Mr. [illegible] M[illegible] dence.

CAPT. P. TORSE COSBY [illegible] Sec.-Treas. Driving Club.

Convicts With Records.

[illegible] made a dramatic escape [illegible] prison where he [illegible] sentence [illegible] extraordinary [illegible] twenty years [illegible] having [illegible] aggregating [illegible] years.

We even [illegible] that had [illegible] has three [illegible] and is now [illegible] joint. When [illegible] of passion [illegible] on his [illegible] decided to be [illegible] thorities [illegible] his exploits [illegible] He was [illegible]

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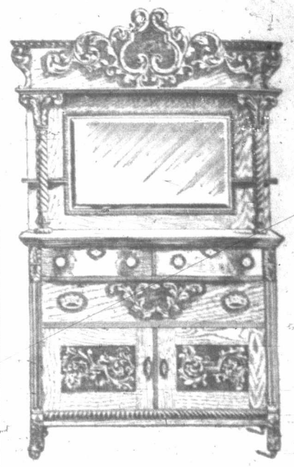

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