



THEATRICAL business has been brisk of late, good audiences being the rule at all the city houses.

For the current week Manager Frank presents the well-known sensational actor, Mr. Joseph Dowling, in "Nobody's Claim." Mr. Dowling is supported by Miss Sadie

Hassan and a capable company. Former visits have made the merits of both piece and performers familiar to the theatre-goers of Toronto.

THE McDowell Comedy Co. opened the week at the Grand with four pleasant performances. Miss Kate Claxton now entertains the patrons of the house with that interesting youngster, "Bootles' Baby."

The annual concert of the Foresters (Thursday evening, 6th) was as usual a great success in the matter of attendance. The programme, which was under the management of Mr. Harry Blight, was also excellent—but too long, too long. There were eighteen numbers, half a dozen of which were encored! The artists were: Mrs. Gertrude Luther of N.Y.; Mrs. McKelcan, Hamilton; Miss Alexander, elocutionist; Mr. Chas. E. Stevens, of Detroit, tenor; Mr. Geo. Fox, violinist; Mr. Blight, and Mr. Jas. Fax, comique. Mr. Stevens is one of the best tenors Toronto has yet heard. All the "talent" on the occasion did well, however. Mr. Fax made a great hit with a local topical song, especially with one verse in which the Esplanade difficulty was alluded to as follows:

Down on the Esplanade below
Our property so fine,
I mean the lots the city owns
Out to the Windmill line,
Has caught the greedy optic
Of the grasping C.P.R.
Just one expropriation gulp,
And you'll wonder where they are!
For you can't get 'em,
No, you can't get 'em, etc.

THE Swedish Ladies' Concert Company, with Mr. Melvin R. Day, elocutionist, are announced to give three performances at the Pavilion, commencing Friday evening, 14th. Having heard these artists in Winnipeg, on a recent occasion, we can confidently assure our music lovers of a genuine treat. Mr. Day is also particularly clever in his line.

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AN overdrawn account—The sensational newspaper report.—*Life*.

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AUTHOR (*inspired*)—"Can't you use it in your puzzle department?"—*Puck*.

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ALL THE DIFFERENCE.—SMITH (*to journeyman*)—"Come, Franz, don't hit the anvil so hard; 'taint a pianner, you know."—*Fliegende Blätter*.

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"Yes, mother, I got near the fire."—*Le Patriote*.

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