

the well-known piano firm of Marshall & Smith, 235 E. 21st street, has brought him in touch with some of the best known business men in New York and other large cities, and his case has created wide-spread interest.

The reporter next called on Mr. Robert W. Smith, a member of the firm of Marshall & Smith. Mr. Smith was found at his desk busily engaged, but when the reporter mentioned Mr. L'Hommedieu's name and stated the nature of his call, Mr. Smith cheerfully gave the following information with but little questioning on the part of the reporter.

"I have known Mr. George L'Hommedieu for twenty years and always found him a most estimable gentleman, a business man of great energy. He became connected with our firm as secretary in 1879, and attended strictly to his office duties until 1881, when he was stricken down with his trouble. I distinctly recall the day when he was taken with his first spasm, and we had to send him to his home in a carriage. Even when he lost control of his legs, so great was his interest in business affairs, that he would drive to the office and direct the work he had in charge. As the disease advanced he was obliged to succumb and reluctantly give up his office work. From that time on his sufferings were almost incredible, and yet, so great was his fortitude, that he bore them without a murmur. I know that he tried various physicians and their treatments without the least success, and he states that he was finally discharged from the Manhattan Hospital and told that he was in the last stage of locomotor ataxia and was beyond the hope of human aid. About six months ago, or so, he was advised by Mr. James to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, with the cold water treatment. He commenced to take Pink Pills about September last, though not regularly, for like myself, he had very little faith in proprietary medicines, and was very sceptical about their merits. So great was his improvement that he was entirely converted, and commenced to take the pills as directed. The last time I saw Mr. L'Hommedieu he had gained the use of his limbs to such an extent that he could walk up stairs with the help of his wife, and is now doing much important work for us at home."

ROBT. W. SMITH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Eleventh day of March, 1893.

[SEAL] W. H. WOODHULL,  
Notary Public, New York County.

When asked to make affidavit to the story he smiled, but expressed his perfect willingness to do so, if it would induce any poor sufferer to follow the same road that led Mr. L'Hommedieu

to relief. After securing the affidavit of Mr. Smith, the reporter called on Mr. A. C. James, who has offices and waterrooms in the same building. Mr. James has known Mr. L'Hommedieu for a number of years, and was able to verify all the above facts.

"The last time I saw Mr. L'Hommedieu, which was two months ago," said Mr. James, "he was able to walk with his wife's assistance. This I consider remarkable, for I remember when he had to be carried from one chair to another. I was one of those who helped suspend him with the arrangement made by Dr. Sayre and I never knew anyone to suffer more than he did at that time. I understand that Mr. L'Hommedieu has taken nothing but Dr. Williams' Pink Pills since last September, he has improved rapidly since he commenced their use, and I believe his condition is due to their good qualities."

Still on investigation bent, the reporter interviewed one of the leading wholesale drug dealers of New York City, and elicited the following facts about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They are manufactured by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., of Brockville, Ont., and Schenectady, N. Y., a firm of unquestioned reliability. Pink Pills are not looked upon as a patent medicine, but rather as a prescription. An analysis of their properties show that they contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after effects of la grippe, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexions, and the tired feeling resulting from nervous prostration; all diseases depending upon vital humors in the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities and all forms of weakness. They build up the blood and restore the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks. In case of men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature.

Pink Pills are sold in boxes (never in loose form, by the dozen or hundred, and the public is cautioned against numerous imitations in this shape) at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company from either address. The price at which these pills are sold make a course of treatment comparatively inexpensive, as compared with other remedies or medical treatment.

#### CITY CHIMES.

**A HALIFAX FAVORITE RETURNING.**—I note that Miss McGarry has completely captured the hearts of the people of the English towns in which she has just completed a successful course of readings. The news that this accomplished lady will next month arrive in Halifax will be heard with joy by her many personal friends as well as by all who have in times past enjoyed her excellent performances.

**THE LYCEUM THEATRE.**—The Lyceum has been closed this week, but on Monday will re-open for a three weeks' engagement with H. Price Webber's Boston Comedy Company, which company needs little advertising in Halifax. Prof. or Semon, lessee of the Lyceum, will have pleased a large number of his friends in the arrangements made by him for the return of this popular company.

**NEXT.**—The Josie Mills Dramatic Company opens an engagement at the Academy on Monday Evening of next week in "The Black Flag." Miss Mills and J. L. Ashton are the stars of the company and are well supported. Halifaxians seeking entertainment have something to look forward to in the plays to be put on during this engagement.

**SPRING GOWNS.**—Now that the fine weather is here the fair ones are coming out in all their new finery. The central streets on bright afternoons present a festive appearance, for colors are many and gay this season. The "piecemakers," as a small girl in all seriousness called the dressmakers, are reigning supreme, and are insisting, so the womenfolk say, upon making skirts some five yards in circumference and sleeves with yards upon yards of good material, bunched out to make the shoulders look "nice and broad." Oh it's a wonderful thing this style, but then—who wouldn't be in it!

#### STRONGLY ENDORSED.

The advertising of Hood's Sarsaparilla appeals to the sober, common sense of thinking people, because it is true; and it is always fully substantiated by endorsements which in the financial world would be accepted without a moment's hesitation. They tell the story, HOOD'S CURES.

**THE ACADEMY.**—After several disappointments and postponements Halifax theatre-goers had the pleasure this week of seeing the Academy of Music reopened. "The Kerry Gow" was played Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings to large audiences, and last evening the companion drama "Shaun Rhue" was put on. "The Kerry Gow" abounds in bright and effective scenes and witty dialogue, and gives scope to some good acting. John S. Murphy as "Dan O'Hara," the Kerry Gow, won hearty applause. As has been remarked Mr. Murphy is not as young as he used to be, nor as youthful in appearance as one naturally expects sweet Norah's lover to be, but nevertheless the character was well interpreted, and we who have been privileged to enjoy Mr. Murphy's performance will gladly welcome him to our city at some future date. J. K. Hutchinson, as "Raymond Drew," Norah's handsome manly brother, had a pleasing part to play, and right well he played it. The part of "Valentino Hay," the *bête noire* of the Drew family, personated by J. Kilday, was well carried out. Mr. Kilday's fine physique and excellent acting could not but please his audience, while for the character of "Mr. Hay, Sr.," nothing but hatred could be felt. J. O'Day as Patrick Drew, and Paul Scott as Major Gruff, did good work, and John Hagarty as "Sergeant Bull," the stuttering sergeant, furnished much amusement. D. F. Thompson was a good military commander, and "Mr. O'Drive," W. T. Sheehan, spoke his "word in season" as Mr. Hay's S'ave acceptably. And now for the ladies; Miss Carolyn Elberts, as "Norah," the sweet young Irish lassie, will not soon be forgotten in Halifax, and wherever she may roam her success is assured. The scene where her "Dan" is unjustly carried off to prison is very affecting, and in it as in other portions of the drama Miss Elberts won the full sympathy of her audience. But "Norah" must share honors with "Alice Doyle"—Miss Josie Bacon—who with her bright face, vivacious manner and her Irish brogue was a charming young Irish woman, evidently an important member of the Drew household. Her better half "Dimmy" took but a minor part in the play. Miss Eliza Barker as "Jack the Jockey" gave a catchy little song and dance, and was repeatedly encored. The scenery was good, the forge where Dan makes a horseshoe and shoes a horse was much appreciated, as was also the work of the carrier pigeons. "Kerry Gow" was a success in every sense of the word, and I have no doubt the performance of Shaun Rhue last evening was equally enjoyable. To-morrow afternoon and evening are the closing performances of the Murphy Company, and if anyone wants an evening of genuine amusement I would advise him to take in the Academy this evening or to-morrow.

Mrs. L. E. Snow, Matron Infants' Home Halifax, writes: "Puttner's Emulsion has proved valuable in all cases of pulmonary complaints, for building up the system of our little ones. They often ask for it."

**THE ORPHEUS.**—The fifth concert of the Orpheus Club series is to come off on Tuesday evening next. The box office opens on Monday.

**THE DOLLS' FAIR.**—The daily papers have published an invitation from the management of the Doll's Carnival, which is to be held week after next at the School for the Blind, for the little folks of Halifax to place their favorite dolls on exhibition. Now here is a chance, little women, to gain fame for your little baby, for be they big or little, handsome or plain looking, richly dressed or poorly clad, I understand that every doll sent in will be given a place in the room set apart for this department of the carnival, and if I'm not mistaken there are going to be some genuine treasures to be seen. The preparations for the carnival are steadily progressing, and children and all grown-ups who are interested in children may look forward to an interesting entertainment on the 24th. CHIPS.

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