



The Elgar Choir so established itself in public favor at its concert last year, when there was an overflowing audience, that the executive concluded to extend its operations this season by giving two concerts. The first of these was given last evening in the Opera House, and although the audience was not an overflowing one, it was, considering the second concert this evening, a large one and sufficiently encouraging to the choir's officers. It represented the musically thoughtful of the city and was, while critical, quite demonstrative in its marks of approval. The choir has grown since last season, and now numbers about 120 voices, with a corresponding increase of tonal force. The singers were tastefully seated in tiers, and the placing of the various sections evidently gave the best possible effect. There was not a little diversity in the numbers sung, and while they did not meet the tastes of all the listeners, they came as near to that desideratum as a grand programme.



BRUCE A. CAREY.

general concert programme can in pleasing an audience. After singing the National Anthem in unison, the choir presented "Autumn," by Greenham, a Russian composer of the modern school, who has written a powerfully effective vocal work. It depicts the dying of nature in the autumn, with the promise of new powers for the spring. It is full of intricate harmonies and nothing but an expressive rendering can make it enjoyable. The choir's rendition was certainly effective and the audience applauded it heartily. "Sweetheart, Sing No More," by Paul Ambrose, for women's voices, was sung with a charm that fully brought the sweet melody and tripping diction to the audience's ears. Ambrose has presented a beautiful part song to the world. In memory of the much respected R. S. Ambrose, the choir next sang his "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." Before it was begun, Mr. J. E. P. Aldous rose in the audience and made the suggestion that the audience stand while the work was being sung, as a token of their respect for the departed musician. This was done and the audience heard a most impressive rendering of the deservedly popular number. The choir next sang Palestrina's "Adrianus Tertius" and revealed a grand quality and breadth of tone, while giving the number a truly devotional performance. Mendelssohn's "Judge Me, O God," a most inspiring work, followed, and was sung with dramatic intensity and spirit. It is set for two voices and the balance of tone and expression of the contrasting parts pleased the audience greatly and it was the liberality with its applause. Dr. Bridge's famous "Romance," "Hold Thyself," revealed the choir in lighter mood, and it sung the humorous composition with a verve and gusto that made the audience enthusiastically demand a repetition. "O Sommo Carlo," from Verdi's "Ernani," proved a rousing chorus, with the melody which the maestro has made famous, and it was sung with delightful vigor, bringing very hearty applause. The part-song for men's voices, MacDowell's "Cradle Song," was one of the prettiest numbers of the night, and it was sung in a tender manner that roused the audience to a very pronounced encore, and the latter part was repeated. The closing choir number was for women's voices, "An Indian Lullaby," by A. S. Vogt, conductor of the Mendelssohn Choir. It was first sung here by the Sheffield Choir. Last evening's rendition, number of voices considered, did not suffer by comparison. The Elgar ladies' section sang it with a freshness and a daintiness that fully brought out the fascinating harmonies of the work.

The choir, by its singing last evening, gave a further assurance of its right to be considered a choir with a purpose. It has, in a marked degree, the qualities of a superior choral organization—full regard for the nuances and tonal coloring most highly commendable. The ladies' section has brilliancy of tone and a capability for sotto voce singing that is worthy of great praise. The men's section is an improvement of that of former seasons. The tenors have a pleasing quality and the bass a sonority that go far to make their work praiseworthy. What tells equally as much is the intellectual quality the singers put into their work, combined with a faithful observance of every desire of their conductor. The memorizing of several of the numbers further showed the choir's earnestness of purpose.

Bruce A. Carey, the conductor, is worthy of all praise for the manner in which his band of singers interpreted last evening's programme. In their work is best reflected the musical genius of their leader, who is, no doubt, well encouraged to continue in the grand work of directing the labors of the choir. The assisting soloist, Claude Cunningham, baritone, contributed these numbers: "Prologue," "Pagliacci" (Leonello), songs, "Es Bist du der Than" (Rubenstein), "Das Fischermädchen" (Schubert), "Zurignung" (Strauss), aria, "It is Enough" (Mendelssohn), songs, "Lass und Lad" (Bertram Fox), "Lady Spring" (Victor Harris), "The Birth of Moon" (Fano Leon). Mr. Cunningham has become a prime favorite here by his artistic singing, and the audience gave him a hearty reception and much applause during the evening. His velvet baritone and expressive style made his numbers most enjoyable. His opening number was given with much dramatic effect, and in all the succeeding selections he sang in a masterly manner. The Elijah aria probably revealed him at his best, and he was very warmly recalled. He sang two encore numbers in response to recalls.

W. H. Hewlett, Mus. Bac., played the accompaniments for Mr. Cunningham's numbers, and they were most artistically done. Miss Anne C. Caldwell is the pianist for the choir, and gave valuable assistance. The second concert will be given this evening, when the Pittsburgh orchestra will assist in presenting a grand programme.

The personnel of the Elgar Choir is as follows: Sopranos—Miss Barker, Mrs. Binkley, Miss Bale, Mrs. J. C. Begg, Mrs. C. M. Bell, Mrs. B. A. Carey, Miss Chalmers, Miss Counts, Mrs. Darling, Miss Dexter, Mrs. J. M. Eastwood, Miss Ennis, Mrs. Fenwick, Mrs. Franklyn, Miss Farnow, Miss Goghill, Mrs. Leroy Grimes, Miss H. Husband, Miss Hoodless, Miss Insole, Mrs. J. L. Lewis, Mrs. C. H. Lumsden, Mrs. McKay, Mrs. Wm. Melody, Mrs. Dr. Mullin, Miss McFarlane, Mrs. John McArthur, Mrs. Roy McIntosh, Mrs. W. J. Nash, Miss F. Palmer, Miss L. M. Robertson, Miss Semmens, Miss A. Smith, Mrs. Sanderson, Miss Vogt, Miss White, Miss Wolfe.

Altos—Mrs. S. H. Alexander, Mrs. Geo. Allan, Miss Bull, Miss L. Bartmann, Miss B. Bartmann, Miss Budin, Miss B. Craig, Miss Counsell, Mrs. F. B. Greening, Miss Gates, Mrs. C. W. Heming, Miss Phyllis Hendrie, Miss F. Harvey, Miss E. M. Love, Miss Marshall, Miss Norris, Mrs. Wm. Ostler, Miss Rose, Mrs. Geo. Richmond, Miss Rose, Miss Sutherland, Miss Stafford, Miss Sinclair, Mrs. F. Smyth, Miss L. Vogt. Tenors—Mrs. H. Alexander, J. A. Anderson, Vernon Carey, W. Cleland, Dr. Everett, A. T. Heming, W. Heatley, J. A. Hubbard, R. C. Irish, A. Jarvis, A. E. Kimmins, R. C. Mills, W. J. Robertson, E. J. Skidmore, H. A. Webster, C. Williams.

Bass—George Allan, J. Wilson Browne, R. B. Cheyne, R. E. Devine, M. Frampton, R. B. Gault, J. H. Hendrick, J. W. J. Morton, Dr. Mullin, E. L. Moore, Roy McIntosh, W. E. Peacock, G. Richmond, W. W. Stead, J. R. Semmens, W. J. Smyth, Robt. Symmers, F. Smyth, C. Williams.

MARIE HALL IS COMING. Musicians of Hamilton will be delighted to know that Marie Hall, the world's greatest violinist, is to visit Hamilton on her short Canadian tour. She will appear at the Grand Opera House on Tuesday, May 2nd, and will give a grand recital, assisted by Miss Lonie Basche, pianist and Mr. Harold Bealey, the noted tenor of London, England. Two of these stars are well known to all students of music, and the third, Mr. Bealey, is representative of the rising generation of London, who has charge of Miss Hall's tour, to be one of the greatest male vocalists that ever left the shores of England.

The recital will be one of the musical and society events of the season. In accordance with the short notice, subscription lists will not be circulated, but instead a post card subscription has been arranged. Cards have been placed in all the local music stores to-day and may be had in suburban towns to-morrow, and all who subscribe will be entitled to choice of seats in any part of the house. \$1. Not in Montreal, seven seats will be allotted to any subscriber. This rule is to prevent speculation in seats, which was common on the last appearance here of Miss Hall, when tickets were sold at almost their face value. As scale of prices for the Marie Hall concert in Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Winnipeg is \$2 down, the house should be over-subscribed before the lists close on Feb. 26. Seats will be allotted in the order in which the cards are received by the treasurer of the theatre.

COMIC OPERA TO-MORROW. The Imperial Opera Company comes to the Grand to-morrow night in the English musical comedy "Florodora." The excellent performance given by this company "San Toy" should certainly bring out a large audience for "Florodora," as equally as good a production is promised, and all the same principals will be seen in the cast.

AT BENNETT'S THEATRE. The sketch with which Mr. and Mrs. Gardner began last evening making a big hit in vaudeville this season, will be seen next week at Bennett's Theatre. This is one of the brightest little farces seen in many seasons. Mr. and Mrs. Crane are supported by a capable company, including Miss Eva Condon, an actress of considerable ability. Miss Condon possesses a charming stage manner, has a voice capable of expressing many emotions, and handles her lines with naturalness and grace. She assumes the part of a young wife who elopes from a wealthy home with an artist. The parents of the young wife quarrel, and are late reunited at the home of the daughter in a novel manner. The young people feign disagreements among themselves, which teach the older people a lesson. The act is elaborately staged, nearly a car load of special scenery being used. Claire Romaine this week continues to fascinate and charm the Bennett patrons with her grace and winning personality. This clever artist wears male attire with ease and charm, and sings

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THE GREAT SKIN-CURE.

her songs in a manner that is decidedly refreshing. Lizzie Evans, assisted by Jefferson Lloyd, in a sketch that runs twenty minutes, with many funny situations revolving around the trials of a refined girl, who tries to assume the bravado air of the west, have an entertaining and original offering. The situation, Portuguese firemen, who do during work on a high unsupported ladder, will make a rattling good feature for the evening to be given to-morrow under the auspices of the Veteran Firemen.

PRaise FOR MISS PETTES.

The following notice from the Omaha Daily Herald will interest Hamilton playgoers: "Miss Marie Pettes carried her audience by storm at the Burwood yesterday, and leaped into instant popularity. The success of Nell Gwyn at Old Drury in London could not have been more pronounced than was that of her prototype in Omaha. Before the first act was over the applause was sufficient to interrupt the play, and the success of the new leading woman was made certain. She scored point after point, and was again given assurance that her efforts were appreciated. Miss Pettes has every advantage of good looks, with a natural vivacity that easily fits with the tradition of roguish, but warm-hearted and impulsive, Nellie, who rose from an orange girl to be a great actress, and who held that favor through many years of court intrigue, meanwhile winning the London people by her gracious ways and unfailing good nature. In fine, Miss Pettes makes a grand success, just as she lived at the time the 'Pilgrim Fathers' were searching out the rock to land on." Miss Pettes is the leading lady in the bill at the Savoy this week, and had made a fine impression by her beautiful work in the role of Agnes Rodman in Belasco's famous play, "Men and Women."

WARD AND VOKES BIG SHOW.

Ward and Vokes will be found to have made a really superb production in every way when they show their reunion offering of musical comedy, "The Promoters," at the Grand Saturday, matinee and night. These two farcours established a reputation for having the best dressed organization in their line in America, prior to their separation three years ago, and now for their reunion they have made every effort to eclipse all their previous offerings. "The Promoters" is in two acts, and its locale is a summer resort at the hotel down the coast of Maine. The summer girls and the vacation chaps of which the merry, merry chorus is comprised, are said to be models of the art of the tailor and modiste. "The sale of suits, opened this morning and there was quite a demand."

ABOUT KATHRYN OSTERMAN.

Kathryn Osterman, whose smile is a joy, and her laugh surprisingly mellow and infectious, is coming to the Grand next Monday night in her newest comedy, "The Night of the Play." Kathryn Osterman, the laughter-loving comedienne, is just as far-famed for her beautiful gowns as ever. In the first and second acts the gown worn by Miss Osterman causes a sort of ecstasy of admiration, and the opera coat in the third act causes another tremor of excitement, but the director, that's the decided hit when it comes to the art of fashion. It is said to be the feature of "The Night." Then comes the description of the night of the play, the triumph, the despair. The audience is borne along by Miss Osterman, made to rejoice with her in her triumph, and

WHAT ICE HOUSES AND STEAM DID FOR HIM.

Mr. P. G. Wells, of 333, Ogden Street, Port William, Ont., says: "Following my duties in attending to passenger trains often get wet through with rain and steam (the latter in winter). This with hours of duty in icehouses in summer, and doubt the cause of my contracting rheumatism in both knees, left arm, and shoulder. This got so bad that I could no longer work and was laid off on three different occasions for several weeks during which I was under the treatment of my doctor. I seened little if any better, no matter what I tried, and when I was laid off from work I was recommended to try Zam-Buk. I rubbed it on my great leg it began to cure me. I rubbed it well in every right, and when a few boxes had been used found I was free from the pain and stiffness of rheumatism. I have had no more trouble from the disease."

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then comes the tears of self-reproach. The tribulation and the vision of a beautiful woman distressed is as effective, as infectious as the laugh. The sale of seats opens to-morrow.

STEAMSHIP OFFICERS.

The Canadian Lake & Ocean Navigation Company has appointed the following officers: Steamer Scottish Hero, captain, Peter McIntyre; chief engineer, R. R. Foote; Steamer Great Cape, captain, R. D. Simpson; chief engineer, P. Bonham; Steamer Turret Chief, captain, H. Boulton; chief engineer, A. E. Kennedy; Steamer Turret Court, captain, Robert McIntyre; chief engineer, L. McMillan; Steamer J. H. Plummer, captain, Wm. McLean; chief engineer, Robert Chalmers; purser, T. J. Scanlon; Steamer A. E. Ames, captain, Archie McIntyre; chief engineer, S. Gillespie; purser, W. H. Doherty; Steamer H. M. Pollard, captain, W. H. Anderson; chief engineer, W. H. Durham; purser, A. Wood.

SOMERSET Y'S.

The February meeting of the Somerset Y's was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Woodruff, George street. There was a good attendance, and a large number of new members were received. After the regular business meeting a short programme, consisting of vocal solo from Miss Ethel Whitehead; violin solo, Miss Florence Nichols, and piano solo from Miss Marjorie Davis, was given. Refreshments were served, and a very enjoyable social time spent.

REV. C. R. LEE ILL.

Rev. C. R. Lee, rector of Grimsby, and well known in this city, was taken suddenly ill in Toronto yesterday, while attending the meeting for the election of a bishop. He took an epidemic fit while walking from St. James' Cathedral to the school house at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He dropped in the snow, unconscious and was removed to one of the school rooms, where first aid was rendered. Later he was taken to the General Hospital in the police ambulance.

SENIOR MISSION BAND.

The Senior Mission Band of MacNab Street Presbyterian Church held an enjoyable concert Tuesday evening at the residence of Mrs. Robert Thompson, James street south. Mr. Milne presided. Those who contributed to the programme were Mrs. Smellie, Miss Adeline Smith, Miss Black, Miss Stuart, Miss Ballentine, Mr. and Mrs. Holcomb, Mr. Gartshore, and Mr. Gow. Mrs. Smellie's Scotch readings and Miss Adeline Smith's beautiful solos were greatly appreciated, as were also the other numbers of the programme.

MURDER SUSPECTED.

Body of Cornelius Enright Found Near C. P. R. Yards at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—The body of Cornelius Enright, a barber, was found near the C. P. R. yards this morning under circumstances which strongly point to murder. The throat had been cut, and the suspicion is that the body had been thrown on the track to cover the crime. The coroner is as yet undecided whether it is suicide or murder. Deceased had no relatives here.

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PARK BOARD ORGANIZED.

F. C. Bruce Elected Chairman For the Year.

Retiring Chairman Gives Review of the Work Done.

Care of the MacNab Plot in Dundurn Park.

The inaugural meeting of the Parks Board of 1909 was held at the City Hall last night and it was a kind of love feast. Mr. F. C. Bruce was told how admirably he filled the office of Chairman of the Finance Committee, and was elected Chairman of the Board for the year. Mr. Bruce thanked the members and said he would not have accepted the office if he had not been sure that he would have the assistance and hearty support of the members. The following standing committees were appointed: Works Committee—Messrs. Wilds (Chairman), Pain, Lees. Museum Committee—Messrs. Kavanagh, Lees and Hope. Finance Committee—Messrs. Lees, Hope, Pain and Mayor McLaren.

A letter was received from Mr. John Hoodless, advising the Board to cut the tops off a row of poplar trees on Sherman avenue, south of the MacNab street, as they endangered the lives of pedestrians. Mr. Wilds said he thought the trees were outside the city. The letter was referred to the Works Committee. The secretary read a letter from Mr. F. L. Chambers, Rydal Bank, Ont., offering to sell a two-year-old buck for \$25, from the Rydal Station. At it was reported the deer cheap at \$25, it was decided to purchase the animal, providing the express charges are not too high. Matter was left in the hands of Mr. Lees.

The retiring chairman, Mr. A. Pain, presented a lengthy report, from which the following extracts were taken: "Before conducting my successor to the chair, I would like to take this opportunity of conveying to all the members my sincere appreciation of the consistent support given me and the chairman of the various committees, in their plans of improvements and reform during my term of office."

"It is a source of gratification to me to glance back over the past two years and note the improvements and additions to our park system. In securing for the citizens the property along the top of the mountain, east from Sherman avenue, for a drive, this board has preserved one of the best of the views to be had upon the continent, and during the past year this scheme has been greatly developed by the purchase of the Gage and Springer properties adjoining the drive, and in the west the purchase and lease of properties, including the Choke Ravine and park property adjoining, and a north-east entrance to Dundurn, making in all over sixty acres. Great credit is due to the Hon. Lieut. Colonel Hendrie for the great interest he has shown in the work of the board in securing the lease of lands adjoining the Aylmer grounds from the Ontario Government, extending from James street to Queen street. Also to Mr. W. D. Platt in giving to the city nineteen acres of beautiful park land south of the Hamilton & Brantford Electric Railway, from Garfield street to Chedoke, and to His Honor Judge Teetzel, who so generously donated \$1,000 from the purchase price of his property, thus showing in a substantial manner the interest he is taking in the improvement of his home city."

"In this connection I cannot speak too highly of His Worship Mayor McLaren for his untiring efforts in securing options on the west end properties, from Queen street to Chedoke Ravine, thus enabling the board, with the assistance of Mayor Stewart and the City Council of last year to complete the west end scheme."

"It is my earnest wish that this board in time will be able to complete the purchase of the entire mountain face, from the east to west boundaries, and to this incomplete scheme that I hand to my successor, with the earnest hope that he will persevere in the good work and complete it. I would also urge upon the board the necessity of a park in the east end is available and if secured now could be purchased reasonably, and in time would relieve the great necessity now felt for suitable play grounds."

"The vexed question of a right of way for H. W. & G. Railway through Dundurn has been settled, but I note in the press that the promoters have secured the necessary financial backing, and would soon build the road. I believe it would be good policy upon the part of the board to engage an independent engineer, to see that the road is built in accordance with the plans and profiles adopted by the Railway Board."

"Before long the city will be doing away with the Disposal Works at this park, and I believe now an opportune time to agitate for the removal of other nuisances in that district, which at present are a source of discomfort, and make impossible the enjoyment of that place as a park."

"Before closing I would like especially to mention the good work done by the different committees."

Mr. Hope was granted three months' leave of absence, as he intends taking a tour in the old world.

There was a discussion about Sir Allan MacNab's plot in Dundurn Park. Some time ago the board received a proposition from the National Trust Company, representing the heirs, agreeing to build a new fence around the plot and erect a monument, provided the city paid \$800 towards the cost. This was agreed to, but another communication has been received from the company, asking that the board undertake the work. The commissioners are not willing to do so, on account of the difficulty of communicating with the heirs, who are broadly scattered.

CATTLE EMBARGO.

Agricultural Opinion in Scotland Not in Favor of Repeal.

London, Feb. 17.—The Dundee Advertiser says in regard to the free importation of Canadian cattle: "The fact is opinion is hopelessly broken up. Let a meeting representative of agricultural opinion in Scotland as a whole be called, and the Forfarshire farmer, with his perfectly sound local claim, will find he cannot obtain a majority by lifting the embargo."

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ON sale from 11 to 12 o'clock—Embroidery Edgings and Insertions in 2 to 3 inch widths and nice patterns, on fine muslins and cambrics; lengths of 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 yards only; up to 29c values; Hour Sale price 7c

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THOMAS C. WATKINS HAMILTON ONTARIO

TWO-CENT FARES.

G.T.R. Railway Loses Appeal to Privy Council.

Decision is a Far-Reaching One. Says Mr. W. F. Maclean.

London, Feb. 17.—Lord Loreburn handed out judgment to-day in the case of W. N. Robertson vs. the Grand Trunk Railway. Counsel for the G. T. R. were Sir Robert Finlay and G. D. McCarthy, while Hamar Greenwood, M. P., and Horace Douglas appeared for Robertson.

Lord Loreburn said the section imposing third-class fares at two cents a mile was still in force. The whole question was whether the section was inconsistent with the railway act of 1906. He held that it was not. He also held that the Privy Council could not decide whether or not the section was left on the statute book by desire or because it had been overlooked.

The appeal is dismissed with costs. Mr. Greenwood's argument was a most able review of the case.

The Canadian Associated Press understands that the judgment affects the old Grand Junction Railway to the extent that it may also be liable to carry passengers at two cents a mile.

The case decided in England yesterday dates back to November 1, 1906, when Mr. William Nisbet Robertson entered a complaint in the Toronto Police Court that Mr. Charles H. Hays, General Manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, was disobeying a law of Canada by omitting to carry third-class passengers for a fare of a penny a mile. The clause which Mr. Robertson charged was disobeyed is in section 3 of chapter 37 of the Victoria Statutes of the Province of Canada—in other words, in the charter of the Grand Trunk Railway Company—and reads as follows: "The fare or charge for each third-class passenger by any train on a penny railway shall not exceed one penny currency for each mile travelled, and at least one train having in it third-class carriages shall run every day throughout the length of the line."

Mr. Hays was summoned to the Toronto Police Court for violation of the law and of the provisions of section 138 of the criminal code. A technical conviction was registered and the case sent to the Court of Appeal, where the conviction was quashed, March 4, 1907.

The question was next carried be-

fore the Railway Commission, where, on behalf of Robertson, Mr. J. Walter Curry applied for an order directing the Grand Trunk Railway to issue penny-a-mile tickets. Mr. Wallace Nesbitt, on behalf of the railway argued that the provisions of the old charter had been superseded by the railway act of 1906. Argument took place on May 10, and on July 30 the commission issued an order instructing the G. T. R. to put on at least one daily passenger train between Toronto and Montreal, having on it third-class carriages for passenger traffic, the fare for each third-class passenger by any train on that portion of the railway not to exceed two cents for each mile travelled. The railway was given leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada, and it was provided that the order should not take effect pending the final disposition of the appeal.

In an interview after the decision was known, Mr. W. F. Maclean said: "This decision will be far-reaching. The first effect is to secure a penny-a-mile rate on one train a day between Toronto and Trois Pistoles, below the City of Quebec."

"The public ought to insist on getting these tickets, and penny-a-mile rates will soon be general. It is up to the public."

Fisheries Treaty Favorably Reported. Washington, Feb. 17.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations to-day authorized a favorable report on the Newfoundland fisheries treaty. An effort will be made to have the treaty ratified at the present session, but it may go over until the special session.

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