

have been impressed with the fact that the world is not after all very bad. Miss Arthur, in her far from easy part, thoroughly deserved the full house and the floral tributes which greeted her. It is almost invidious to particularize where space is wanting to do full justice, but we must allude to the excellent acting of Miss Helen Morgan as the Duchess de Sonnaz, and of Miss Hunter as Lady Dolly. Miss Hagger made a charming American Duchess, and Mr. McDowell was inimitable as the Duke. Miss Vincent was as good in the character of the Prince's high-minded sister as she was in the very different part of the Housekeeper in Rosedale, which is saying a great deal, and is quite sufficient to establish her reputation for versatility. In fact it would be difficult to say too much of the all round good acting of the troupe, but when we say of the ladies of it that they are thoroughly successful in compelling admiration in characters distasteful in themselves, we accord them only the high appreciation they merit. Mr. Norcross acted extremely well in the part of Lord Jura; but, perhaps from the somewhat didactic nature of parts of the role, we were scarcely so well pleased with the rendering of Correzé tho' there were fine natural touches here and there of the weakness of man—especially man in love—which were forcibly brought out. Mr. Gollan gives good effect to such characters as the unprincipled Russian Prince, which is all the more to his credit from the unpossessing nature of such parts. The troupe perhaps deserve more than the credit they have gained in ordinary stock pieces for their rendition of this far from easy play. The company will now derive new strength from the advent of Miss Fanny Reeves (Mrs. McDowell) and Mr. Ferd. Height. Sheridan's standard and ever popular comedy the "School for Scandal" will be put on the boards on Monday and Tuesday nights and on Saturday as a matinee; "Our Boys" on Wednesday afternoon and evening, and Pique on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. We cordially wish the McDowell company a full measure of the great success they have already achieved, up to the last of their engagement.

Captain Rawson, of the Royal Engineers, left Halifax on Saturday last to take a position as Secretary of the Royal Engineers Committee in London. However much Captain Rawson's friends may regret his departure from the city, they cannot fail to be pleased that the services of so able an officer have been thus recognized by the home authorities. Several dinners and entertainments were given in his honor before his departure, and he was made the recipient of many handsome presents from his military and civilian friends. Miss Rawson, who has been visiting her brother for some months, accompanied him home. Mrs. and Miss Binney, Miss Belfield, Miss Kenny and several other ladies and gentlemen also sailed in the *Parisian*, making no doubt a very pleasant party. The wharf was quite crowded with friends to bid them *bon voyage*.

The bazaar held in Masonic Hall by the ladies of the Children of Mary Society, of the Convent of the Sacred Heart, on Thursday and Friday of last week, was very successful in every way. The ladies may be congratulated on the tasteful decorations of the hall, as well as the display of beautiful and useful articles offered for sale. Among the ladies taking a prominent part in the management of the bazaar were Mrs. J. F. Kenny, Mrs. H. H. Fuller, Mrs. M. B. Daly, Mrs. Campbell, Miss A. Chisholm, Miss White, Miss Walsh, Mrs. M. Dwyer, Mrs. Henry Peters, Mrs. Dr. Tobin and a large staff of assistants. During the evening musical selections were rendered by Mrs. Dr. Tobin, Miss Leahy, Mrs. Haggarty, Miss Scanlan and Prof. Currie, which were much appreciated by the large number of people present. On Friday evening the drawing for prizes and the auctioning of the remaining articles on the table took place. The financial result of the bazaar is said to be satisfactory, and the ladies deserve every praise for their energy. The proceeds are to be devoted to helping the poor during the cold weather.

The organ recital and sacred concert given in the first Baptist Church on Tuesday evening was very successful. A large and appreciative audience was present.

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