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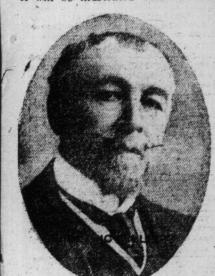
As Maggie Wylle, in "What Every Woman Knows," at the Princess Theatre next week.

It was not until two-thirds of the program had passed that the audience in Maseew Hall last night woke up to the full merits of Alexandro Bonci, the littlian tenor. In the great scene from "La Bohem," "Che gelida maninia," he pirt himself into the music and song with a spirit and brilliancy that swept those present into an ovation. Three realls were followed by increasing appiause, and when he re-appeared cries of "Sis, bis," were responded to with a rejetition of Puccin's fine aria. Bonci is not a tenor robust, but his voice answers every demand upon it, and in quality has much sweetness and flexibility. People differ in taste as to the special tonal quality they prefer. There is more of the violin than the reed in Bonci's voice, and he is master of "I be voice, and he is master o

Donna e Hobile," which was itself the subject of several recalls,
Harold Osborne Smith was a most graceful and considerate accompanis, and gave a thoughtful performance of Chopin's Polonaise in A flat major. For an encore number he played a Chopin Nocturne in D flat with decided tests.

The audience lingered long while applauding Bonci's last number, and dispersed with its fares all ready for the car at the corner.

A distinctive feature of the war talk be given by Mr. Frederic Villiers at Massey Hall to-morrow evening is that it will be illustrated with 120 views,



FRED VILLIERS.

thrown upon a screen, of different scenes from drawings made by Mr. Villiers himself on the many battle-fields where he has served. This will add decided interest to this event, and should draw a crowded house. Plan now open. Seats are also on sale at the Bell Piano Warerooms, 146 Yonge-

Baby Helen, the five-year-old formance at the Majestic Theatre this week has struck a responsive chord with local playgoers, will share the headline honors with Harry A. Davis & Company's Sharpshooters at this tion with practically every other impor-

ant producer. The comedy ran all last teason in the British capital, and at once tave to its author rank among the most uncessful English playwrights. The late King Edward three times commanded efformances at Sandringham, while the opular triumph of the play was correspondingly noteworthy. Seais are now on ale for "The Little Damozel." which will be presented at the Royal Alexandra next reek.

That far-famed Frohman sensation. The Thief," the intense, throbbing, human frama of love and jealousy, which scored the greatest triumph New York has ever known, and ran for two solid years at the Lyceum Theatre, that city, comes to the Grand next week, the first time here at less than dollar-fifty prices. "The Thief" is from the pen of Henri Bernstein.

Lovers of all that is bright, brilliant and beautiful in vaudeville and burlesque will see the Star Show Girls at the Star lext week. The company is beaded by Jehnny Baker, always popular as a funnsker in this city, and a chorus of 20. The musical numbers were written especially for this production and are elaborately staged.

Why the Actor Was Delayed.

Frank Lacy, an English actor, who has a prominent role in Henry W. Savage's production of "The Little Damozel," which is scheduled for presentation at the Royal Alexandra Theatre next week, has almost determined to institute suit for damages in the sum of \$5000 against a London, Eng., watch company, because he missed a train which he was to have taken at Montreal for Ottawa on Monday, and upon which the other members of the company made the journey. Mr. Lacy was unable to arrive in Ottawa until several hours later, his absence creating no little confusion, involving the possibility of having to call off the performance of The Little Damozel" when the house was crowded with an expectant audience.

The conversation that ensued between the actor and the manager of the company somewhat ruffled the feelings of the former, but, admitting the justice of the manager's attitude in the matter, Mr. Lacy declared that the fault of his late arrival should be placed at the door of the watch company from whom he purchased the erring timepiece. The watch is a handsome and valuable one and the purchaser paid additionally for the manufacturer's guarantee of absolute accuracy which accompanied it.



MAY BUCKLEY. Who will play the title role in "The Little Damozel" at the Royal Alexandra next week.

Nice Words for Grand Trunk Pacific. A member of a party who journeyed into the Peace River district last July and August, and traveled over the Grand Trunk Pacific Rallway between Winnipeg and Edmonton, writes to the company as follows: "I desire to congratulate the Grand Trunk Pacific on its excellent service, and I want to go on record as saying that no matter which way one views it, your line has certainly delivered the goods. Our party thought it nothing short of marread should be running as only the G.T.P. runs. The culsine was as enjoyable as the smooth-running road-bed. velous that in two years' time a rail-

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SCENE FROM "THE Thief,"

At the Grand next week.

The Telephone in Europe.

From Zion's Heraid.

How vast the telephone business has become may be inferred from the statement that in 20 years the Western Electric Company has sold \$31,00,000 worth of telephones, inasmuch as the offering by the actress is to be Barrie's comedy, "What Every Woman Knows." The sale of seats for the eight performances is to open this morning, and preparations have been made to handle the long line of people. In the new play Barrie has given to Miss Adams a role that is the snuggest kind of a fit. In addition it is a type in which her admirers like her immensely. The thing that every woman knows Barrie holds back until his very last line.

At Shea's Theatre next week, Manager Shea has a great show, headed by the Australian entertainer, Albert Whelan. Mr. Whelan's entertainment is artistic and delightful. The special features after will H. Murphy and Blanche Nichols, in "A School. For Acting," and Elfie Fay. the "Belle of Avenue A." Included also are Clown Zertho and his wonderful canine actors; Rita Redfield, Columbia Four, Jack and Violet Keely, Clemmons and Dean and the kinetograph.

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From The Chicago Tribune: The British soldier is motoriously fond of his lations, and like every other soldier is a poor fighter when his meals do not appear with proper regularity.

So that Tommy Atkins may not be kept a second late from his beef and tea the army has rigsed up a novel "galloping kitchen, a cooker on wheels, which cooks as it goes, and can rattle along on its gun carriage over the roughest roads a horse can take, the provender boiling away all the time.

There is a boiler divided into four compartments and a firebox below, nothing more. The arrangement could not be simpler, and it saves the anneyance of setting up a whole cooking outfit at every stop when the army is on a rapid march, and also assured a meal to the detachment that is away from camp on a feotung or skirmishing expedition.

Librarian's Travels.

At a special meeting of the Public Library Association, held last night in the College-street Library, Chief Librarian G. H. Locke gave a lecture to the library assistants and their friends, describing the various libraries he had visited in his trp thru England and the continent last summer.

Cruise Delayed it.

HALIFAX, Dec. 1.—It was expected that the Canadian cruiser Niobe would leave this month on a cruise for the West Indies, possibly with the H.M.S. Cornwall, now in port here, and scheduled to leave on Dec. 15, but it was announced to-day that the Niobe will probably not leave on the cruise until the early part of February.

