



MUSIC AND THE DRAMA

Arthur C. Aiston, under whose management Miss Jane Corcoran is playing in 'A Doll's House,' this season, declares that the company supporting Miss Corcoran is the best that could be obtained in America.

At Bennett's Theatre.

The headliner at Bennett's this week will be found to be in a class by itself. It is 'The New Scholar.' In this play of good, wholesome fun is introduced by Windsor, the Six O'Connor Girls, and Sam Coite, the well-known comedian.

Booking for Next Season.

Toronto, March 9.—Already preparations are being made for the coming theatrical season, and owing to the fact that the present season will absorb the interest of the people across the line, producing managers are turning their eyes towards Canada for their early bookings.

Matinee for Blondes.

For Thursday afternoon of this week the management of the Savoy has arranged a novelty that ought to run an amateur night as close as a drawing card. It is nothing less than a matinee for blondes.

The rest of the big bill will be in keeping with the excellence of the headliner and includes Julian Caedeno, king of the wire; George W. Evers, a black-faced comedian; Alburton and Altus, comedy jugglers; in a cyclone of juggling; Merriment; Kriesel's dogs and cats; Dill and Ward, in a clever singing and dancing turn; Hallen and Hayes, dancing comedians, with a gale of merriment; new pictures by the kinetograph, and a bright, snappy programme by the orchestra.

To-morrow will be Hamilton Rowing Club night.

The music loving people of Hamilton will be glad to know that arrangements have been made for the appearance in concert at the Grand Opera House on April 29 of Mlle. Jeannette Vermorel, violinist, and Claude Cunningham, pianist, of New York, who made such a favorable impression here last December in the performance of 'Elisaj' in the Centenary Church, and also in Toronto and Buffalo at the Mendelssohn Choir concerts. Mlle. Vermorel has an

international reputation as a violinist, having toured with Mme. Emma Calve in Europe and the United States. Other artists are being engaged, whose names will appear later. This will be the greatest musical event of the season.

Mr. Hewlett's Recital.

The monthly organ recital by Mr. W. H. Hewlett, held in Centenary Church on Saturday afternoon, was well attended. The programme presented included many famous composers, and Mr. Hewlett handled the numbers with his accustomed skill.

Te Deum, Op. 59 Max Reger

Ave Maria Henselt

Aria—Lord My God Dubois

Mr. Arthur Blight.

Piece Heroique Cesar Franck

Paques Fleuries (Palm Sunday) Mally

Song—Lead, Kindly Light Hawley

Mr. Arthur Blight.

Overture to "Prometheus" Beethoven

(a) In the Arbor Hofmann

(b) The Trumpeter's Greeting Hofmann

Songs—

(a) Only a Little Way Martin

(b) My Task Ashford

Imperial March Elgar

About Miss Crossman.

Henrietta Crossman, who will appear in "The New Mrs. Loring," her latest comedy success, at the Grand on Wednesday night, is a daughter of Major George E. Crossman, United States Army (retired), whose brother was Admiral Dewey's classmate at Annapolis.

"The Awakening of Mr. Pipp."

There are comedies and comedies, but few there be that can boast of a story. Especially is this true of the so-called "time" comedies. In this respect the play above named, which will be seen at the Grand next Friday and Saturday, is a departure, for the story of Mr. Pipp is the backbone of its popularity, as an entertainer, that is, when the story is developed by that past master of fun, Charley Grapewin.

LATE PETER POOLE.

Large Funeral Yesterday—Alex. Crooks in Melbourne Hotel.

Dundas, March 9.—The funeral of the late Peter C. Poole, of the Sydenham Mountain top, who died on Friday, took place yesterday afternoon, and was very largely attended. Interment was at Rock Chapel burying grounds. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Cavers, of Millgrove. The pall-bearers were six nephews, Garwood, Haskins, Charles and John Sheppard, and Thomas and John Poole.

William Creekmore, who has been suffering with cancer in the face and mouth, died on Saturday, after many months' suffering.

Alex. Crooks took possession of the Melbourne Hotel this morning. He still remains in possession of the Enright livery. Mr. Nichol, who preceded Mr. Crooks in the Melbourne, has moved on Melville street, and is still in very poor health.

Frederic Wallace, who has been confined to his bed for about a month with a severe illness, is able to be out again.

Dr. Rykert returned to-day from New York, where he was suddenly called last week owing to the illness of a sister.

Miss Bessie O'Connor left on Saturday evening for a visit to her sister, Mrs. Wm. Van Schick, in San Jose, Cal.

Czarina in Italy.

Rome, March 8.—The Corriere d'Italia learns that the Czarina and a numerous suite unexpectedly arrived late on Friday in the strictest incognito at Rapallo, a winter resort 15 miles from Genoa. She will remain for some time at a hotel there. The Czarina is in ill-health.

A Decrease in Immigration.

London, March 8.—Col. Lamb, of the Salvation Army, says a striking change was apparent this year compared with 12 months ago in respect to the popular rush to Canada. While applicants for facilities for emigration were still very numerous, few had the daring to go out on speculation. A second contingent will be sent to British Columbia in May.

With the exception of some ice in Lake St. Peter, the St. Lawrence is open from Montreal to the sea.

HAMILTON ARTISTS.

Praise For Their Work at O. S. A. Exhibition.

R. Holmes, writing in the Globe magazine section of the Ontario Society of Artists' exhibition, says:

Mr. Albert H. Robinson, of Hamilton, exhibits a large canvas with such an effect of sunlight as marks it out as a notable triumph in this direction.

Messrs. J. S. Gordon and H. A. Neyland, of Hamilton, are very strongly impressionistic, not only in general aim, but also in a pretty rigid application of the technical methods that characterize the school.

Mr. Gordon's four large contributions and Mr. Neyland's two are an interesting and important feature of the present exhibit.

The iridescence is not over-emphasized in Neyland's "Iridescent Wave." The broken blue-grey and green of the sunlit stretch of rugged seashore in "The Lone Gate" contrasts beautifully with the triangle of placid sea in the upper right corner, and the sunlight is present. Mr. Gordon's works all attain a very desirable measure of success, and both men are to be congratulated upon their serious prosecution of work in this method which is not a "fad" or an eccentricity, but an application to a carefully-thought-out scientific theory.

The portraits by Miss Palm, of Hamilton, display a wide range of treatment. Mr. Gordon's portrait shows the strong, abrupt contrasts resulting from the high studio light concentrated with most force on the face. There is a strong suggestion of life and strenuous energy in the pose and expression of the artist as he turns from his canvas apparently to study his subject.

DESTINY OF RUSSIA

To be Vanquished by Britain, Says Mr. Ambury.

Mr. George Ambury, a lecturer of the Christadelphian creed, gave an address last evening at the C. O. F. Hall on "The Destiny of Russia." He said that he believed the world of to-day was existing in the Latter Day, which is spoken of in the old Testament. The prophecies of olden time state that a great war will come to pass between two great nations of the world.

Mr. Ambury believed that the judgment day was not far off. The speaker quoted many passages of scripture in support of his argument, but he did not state what the destiny of Russia was, other than to say that she would be severely defeated by England.

THE MIRACLES

Dealt With by Prof. Seymour Last Evening.

Last evening a very interesting lecture was given by Prof. W. P. Seymour in the A.O.U.W. Hall to another large audience on "The Miracles of Christ and Their Relation to Natural Laws." As a text for the evening the Professor chose the 12th verse of the 14th chapter of the Gospel of John, "Verily, verily I say unto you, he that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do, because I go unto my Father."

The Professor opened his discourse by saying: When we view the starry heavens and look upon the beauties of creation what a vast magnificent temple is this which God hath made to every noble impulse has that heart become which has neither eye nor ear for the charms of Nature. She is the kind mother of us all; in her arms we are cradled; on her bosom we are nursed, and her voice falls on every well-attuned ear like the music of heaven. The harmonies of nature are but a transcript of the divine perfection; her voice therefore is the voice of God, but how false has been the education of mankind in times past and also of the present with reference to things divine. Our theologians are ready to admit that the great Divine Architect is the Creator of it all, yet they isolate, if you will, the natural from the Divine, and confess to you that they can not understand anything that is supernatural. God is the author of nature. Jesus did not attempt to do anything that is not natural, therefore, what Jesus did he did by natural law. Our theologians have told us that these miracles which Jesus did are not to be understood by the mind of man; we can not understand them because they are divine; they are supernatural. It is not more rational to suppose that the principles He taught concerning humanity were within the possibilities for our understanding? If these great fundamental principles and the laws of which they are contrasted are great mysteries and to be mysteries forever to you and me and to future generations then His teachings are in vain. I believe Jesus was divine and understood natural laws better than you and I do, and that it was his superior understanding of nature's laws and divine revelation that made him a better teacher than any other human being that ever graced this earth.

The Professor took up some of the miracles of Jesus, such as the woman who was cured by an issue of blood, the turning of water into wine, the raising Jairus' daughter and the raising of Lazarus from the dead, etc., all of which he attributed to Jesus' superior knowledge of mind over matter and not to anything supernatural. Although many of the ideas advanced by the Professor were somewhat startling to many of his hearers he was listened to with profound interest throughout the entire discourse. The Professor will give another lecture in the same hall on Sunday evening next.

The Brewery Workers of Toronto have signed a three years' agreement with their employer.

Buy your towel supplies now and save 1-3

The Right House "HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE"

Great 5 days' Sale of towels save 1-3

A tremendous March sale of lace curtains Share these price advantages: Supply spring curtain needs now

Swiss point curtains: Many \$2.50 new cable net curtains Dollar saving chances for you \$1.37 pair--nearly half price

HUNDREDS and hundreds of pairs of beautiful Swiss Point Curtains will be ready for you to-morrow morning. And Swiss Point Curtains are perhaps, the most popular of all lace curtains.

So good are the savings that the snowy piles of fresh new Curtains will melt like snow on a warm April day. So come early for very first choice, while the showing is at its freshest and best. Better supply every spring need to-morrow.

Scores of dainty patterns—plain centres and neat filled centres, all have every beautiful border. Good, full sizes, in quantities that will wear and stand both wash and sun. Pair—

\$2.88, regular value \$4.00 \$3.98, regular value \$5.00 \$3.50, regular value \$5.50 \$4.98, regular value \$7.00

Thousands of towels in a great five days' underprice sale: You save a full third

HUNDREDS of dozens of good huck towels go out on sale to-morrow morning and for all this week at an average of one-third below their real value. Housekeepers, boardinghouse keepers and hotels—ATTENTION! Think of buying these staple good towels, that you need every day, at an average of a third less than regular value. Worth while, isn't it?

The sale starts to-morrow and will continue all this week. Better supply every towel need for many months ahead and share the savings.

Pure linen Irish huck towels at lowered prices for five days only

Hemmed huck towels of pure linen straight from a great Irish manufacturer who is famed for the quality of his productions. Medium to large sizes in splendid absorbent weaves, self and colored borders. Good hardwearing qualities that will give every satisfaction. Note the savings.

15c, real value 18c 19c, real value 28c 25c, real value 35c 33c, real value 45c 18c, real value 23c 20c, real value 30c 28c, real value 40c 35c, real value 48c

Fancy hemstitched linen huck towels

FANCY hemstitched pure Irish Linen Huck Towels. Damask borders. Some have Damask allover patterns. Very superior absorbent qualities in medium to large sizes. Here are price reasons that will send them hustling out. Secure your share early.

37 1/2c, value 50c 43c, value 75c 33c, value 45c 30c, value 38c 40c, value 50c 45c, value 55c

New spring dress goods Corner King East and Hughson Sts. THOMAS C. WATKINS Hamilton Ontario New spring costumes

PRECAUTIONS AT TRIAL OF ALIA.

QUESTION OF SANITY OF MURDERER OF FATHER HEINRICH'S.

Deputies Armed With Revolvers to Shoot Anyone Who Interfered—Questionable Characters Kept Out of Court House—Insanity Experts Subpoenaed.

Denver, Col., March 9.—Anticipating the presence of a large crowd at the opening of the trial to-day of Giuseppe Alia, the Syrian who in cold blood murdered Father Leo Heinrichs, of St. Elizabeth's Church, while he was giving the sacraments on Sunday, Feb. 25, Sheriff Alexander Nisbet had stationed deputies along the walks and in the entrance ways leading from the jail to the court room, and also in the court room itself.

This precaution was taken to prevent any attempt at mob violence, although the authorities did not look for any real outbreak of this kind.

Alia's case was the first on the criminal docket, and Judge Whitford, who is taking his turn on the Criminal bench, had ordered present an open panel of 100 veniremen. It was expected that the defense of Attorney Widdicombs representing Alia by appointment of the court, would advance the theory of insanity in the hope of saving the life of his client, and to be prepared for combatting this defence, the prosecution had summoned eight of the most skillful brain specialists in the city to be present for the purpose of observing the defendant, and thus being in readiness to give expert opinion as to his sanity.

The defence had arranged also for three alienists to serve their side. When Alia was taken from the jail to the Court House he was under guard of Sheriff Nisbet and four deputies, each armed with a brace of revolvers. His men had explicit instructions to keep the jail ground clear of, and to arrest any one, who showed any evidence of intention to attack the prisoner. Spectators in the court room were closely scrutinized, and all suspicious characters were excluded from the building.

ABBE LOISY EXPELLED

And All Catholics Forbidden to Hold Communication With Him.

Rome, March 8.—In pursuance of his campaign against modernism, the Pope has decreed the severest form of excommunication against Abbe Loisy, who was lately condemned by the Archbishop of Paris for "his synoptic gospels," and his reply to the Papal encyclical against modernism. He is not only expelled from the Church and deprived of all ecclesiastical privileges, but all Roman Catholics are forbidden to hold any communication with him.

Good Prices for Turner Pictures.

London, March 8.—The Tatham collection of water colors brought high prices at Christie's yesterday. F. Walker's "Harbor Refuge" sold for \$15,545; his "Violet Field" \$8,400, and "Old Gate" \$4,670. Turner's "Windor Castle" brought \$8,925; his "Carr Castle" \$11,550.

POWER DAM IN VERMONT.

CONNECTICUT RIVER TO SUPPLY POWER FOR ELECTRIC PLANT.

Will Distribute Electricity Into Parts of Three States Hundreds of Men Working Day and Night—Dam Will Cost More Than a Million.

Brattleboro, Vt., March 9.—The construction of a big dam across the Connecticut River is now under way with the expectation of turning the waters of New England's greatest river into New England's biggest electric plant. By means of the dam it is proposed to distribute the electric power within a radius including parts of three States. The power here is believed to be the largest undeveloped water power in New England. Now that the plan to utilize the power has materialized the work is being rushed to completion by a force of 450 men working day and night.

The cost of the dam will be more than a million dollars. Its location is five miles south of this village, abutting on the Vermont side of the town of Vernon, and to Hinsdale on the New Hampshire side. At this point that natural conditions are remarkably favorable for the work. The electric power here developed will be 18,500 horse power. While it is expected that the new plant will benefit mainly the towns of Brattleboro and Brandon, Vermont, Hinsdale and Northville, N. H., more points are also included within the main centres of distribution. The height of the dam, including its flush boards, would be 34 feet.

The power house, which will be built of solid masonry, will extend from the Vermont shore 250 feet out into the river, and will be part of the dam.

CAVE-IN ON WELLDAN CANAL.

Large Portion of the Bank Slides Into the Water.

Welland, Ont., March 8.—The first serious cave-in on the Welland Canal in the past ten years took place yesterday at a point three miles south of Welland, when the east bank, for a distance of 350 feet, slid into the water. Though no measurements have been taken, marine men say they believe a sufficient channel has been left for the passage of a boat, so that the opening of navigation on the canal is not likely to be retarded.

The canal at this point passes through a very spongy soil that is not solid enough to hold the immense weight of earth thrown out. The thickness of the cave-in runs from twenty to forty feet.

Mr. W. M. Fitzgerald, of the Toronto civic property department, is mentioned for the office of Secretary of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West.

The Canadian Northern Railway Company has been ordered to vacate some lands on the Don Valley or go to arbitration as to the price to be paid.



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