AT THE THEATRE THIS WEEK

'Arizona" by the Bittner Co. at the Auditorium

Banner Production of the Season - Is Well Cast, Well Staged and Well Played.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Baring a slight delay in picking up cues in the first act, the performance of "Arizona" by the Bittner Company at the Auditorium last night was the best thing yet seen in Dawson. The merits of the play had preceded its production and as the story of its extraordinary run in Boston, New York, and other eastern cities was already known something out of the unusual was anticipated, and the realization was fully equal to the anticipations. A military play, one in which the principal characters are army men, always appeals more or less strongly to an audience and "Arizona" is no exception to the general rule. The scene is laid in Arizona, partially in and about the cattle ranch of Henry Canby, a typical frontiersman, with one act taking place at Fort Grant, a nearby army post, and when Augustus Thomas wrote the play he only duplicated the successes already attained with "In Mizzouri," "Alabama," and other equally meritorious productions. The time of the play is the present, or, rather, a few years ago, immediately preceding and during the breaking out of the Spanish war. A plot, and a very good one, too, exists, a feature that in many comedy-dramas is sadly lacking. The first act shows the courtyard of Canby's rancherie with Canby and Colonel Bonham, who is in charge of the post, discussing the merits of mint juleps. The colonel, a man of 52, has married Estella, the elder daughter of Canby, and in a burst of confidence he tells the old man he fears Estella is not happy with the monotonous life at the post. In the second act the villainy of Captain Hodgman is seen. Some years prior he has ruined a pretty sergeant's daughter and on the night of his colonel's departure for Los Angeles to be present at a military conference he persuades his wife (Estrella) to run away with him. By accident his designs are discovered and at the moment of their departure Lieutenant Denton appears and prevents it. The colonel in the meantime has received a wire countermanding the order requiring his presence at the conference and returns to his home. At the dooryard he is met by Hodgman, who informs him Denton is in his house. The colonel enters, finds his wife greatly excited, asks where Denton is, whose presence she denies. Denton has just prevented the scoundrel Hodgman's flight with the colonel's wife, has taken her parol that she will never see him again and is about to leave when the husband unexpectedly returns. Knowing her husband's jealous disposition the wife persuades Denton to hide until such time as he can escape. Upon entering the house and receiving the denial of Denton's presence, the colonel searches for and finds him concealed behind some curtains. The follows recriminations, Denton is accused of everything dishonorable, is called a thief, the wife's jewels being found on his person, he having taken them from Hodgman. To save scandal and disgrace Denton is forced to resign from the army, he heroically bearing the ignominy in order to save the good name of his colonel's wife. The third act finds Denton as major domo of Canby's ranch and head over heels in love with Bonita the younger daughter of the old man.

In the last act Hodgman meets his death at the hands of Tony, a Mexican, who is in love with the sergeant's daughter, she who was formerly the villain's toy.

There are 16 people in the cast and there is not one badly placed. The character of Canby could not suit Mr Bittner better had it been made to order. His physique and make up and general manners are true to life and easily recognized by everyone who has ever been in Arizona, where the only thing ever done in a hurry is to draw a gun. A ludicrous incident occurs in the third act when Denton asks the old man for the hand of his daughter. Canby in a contemplative mood put his hand to his hip pocket and draws out a big plug of tobacco. Denton seeing the move and thinking the old gentleman is going to shoot pulls his gun in a hurry. The Colonel Bonham of Mr Williams and Captain Hodgman of Mr. Layne are excellent and in Lieutenant Denton Mr. Cummings has a part most admirably suited to his talents. Mr. Southard makes a part most admirably as Dr. Fenlon could not be excelled and the character work of Mr. Sedley as Tony, The Mexican, with his picturesque oaths, is above reproach. Miss Lovell, as Bonita, is pert, piquant and pretty as she always is, looking and acting the part so well that Denton is not to be blamed for falling in love with her. Miss Howard plays Mrs. Bongam, the colonel's wife, with her usual grace and excellence. Miss D'Avara in her severely plain gown and pince-nez makes an attractive school teacher and Miss Winchell does well as the wife of Canby. A word of praise is due Miss Jewell, who appeared last night under the most painful and distressing circumstances. She fell on the ice yesterday morning and broke her arm, and notwithstanding the excruciating pain suffered she went through her part, the sergeant's daughter, Lena, with her arm in a sling.

"Arizona" may be truly said to possess an all star cast and should play to the banner week's business of the season. The following is the complete cast:

Henry Canby, owner of Aravipa Ranch, Mr. Bittner.

Col. Bonham, 11th U. S. Cavalry, Mr. Williams. Sam Wong, a cook, Mr. Brion. Mrs. Canby, wife of the Rancher, Miss Winchell. Estrella Bonham, wife of the Colonel, Miss Howard. Lena Kellar—a waitress, Miss Jewell. Lieut. Denton, 11th U. S. Cavalry, Mr. Cummings. Bonita Canby, Estrella's sister, Miss Lovell. Quigley, private U. S. Cavalry, Mr. Lewis. Miss MacCullogh, a school teacher, Miss D'Avara. Dr. Fenlon, surgeon 11th U. S. Cavalry, Mr. Southard. Capt. Hodgman, 11th U. S. Cavalry, Mr. Lane. Tony Mustigno, a Vequero, Mr. Sedley. Lieut. Hallock, 11th U. S. Cavalry, Mr. H. Cummings. Major Cochran, 11th U. S. Cavalry, Mr. Thorne. Orderly, Mr. Dundon.

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Broke Her Arm.

Miss Helen Jewell had the misfortune to fall yesterday morning and break one of the small bones in her right wrist, the fracture being exceedingly painful. Dr Sutherland attended to the injured member, after which Miss Jewell pluckily attended a rehearsal at the theatre. During rehearsal the bone again became dislocated and the painful operation had to be undergone once more. Her appearance last night in "Arizona" was freely commented upon as being an unusual display of nerve.

What Is a Bluenose.

There is a small colony of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia people in Vancouver, and they are familiarly called "bluenoses."

The genuine "bluenose," according to a Boston correspondent of the St. John Sun, comes from Nova Scotia, the Buckwheat bluenose from New Brunswick, and the Red Feet bluenose from Prince Edward Island, the last qualification being due to the red soil of the island. Somebody having asserted that the Vancouver bluenose originated from exposure to the cold climate of Nova Scotia, the Boston writer replies that the idea of the term relating to "protected part of the nature" is ridiculous in view of the cold climate of Boston. He says that his Aunt Jane, aged 75, had up to the abrogation of the reciprocity treaty Boston was the great produce market for the Maritime provinces and particularly potatoes. Great numbers of schooners in those days used to arrive especially loaded down with a variety of potatoes known as the bluenose potato. In consequence Boston developed this variety of potato and so popular was it that its fame became widely extended to Irish Hollybush. The Aunt Jane was carried down to be sold here, and the hock tongue [illegible] scattered upon the people living there. He actually believed that his father in Nova Scotia raised this variety of potato. It had never crossed the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The potato has now become obsolete, but as a reminiscence in a disparaging way on the people of the province and is now considered a synonym for provincialism, and the people of the provinces have to be [illegible] known to the people of Boston. [illegible] through fourteen years visiting them, found the prominence of Boston and Boston to which some provincials have attained in Boston, is now regarded as the area [illegible] the term "Yankee" applied to New England traders.

The two classes with regard to the origin of the name are equally amusing and [illegible] the ordinary definition. Judge Haliburton, the celebrated humorist, speaks of a native of Nova Scotia [illegible] "Lady Beaconsfield."

Mr. Disraeli Stewart, described Lady Beaconsfield [illegible] Mr. Lewis first saw her [illegible] very beautiful and [illegible] He educated her and married her first and left her very rich and then married Disraeli. When asked why she married her second husband he would say, as if it was feather in her cap, "My dear, he made love to me while my first husband was alive and therefore I knew that he really loved me." It was all [illegible] a [illegible] miles from Glenlaff that Disraeli received his apprenticeship as secretary to Mr Lewis [illegible] and Mrs. Lewis in the position of a dependent. When the house overflowed with visitors from London it was often the case that he was sent off to sleep at the Hollybush, a little public house in the village. Both Greenmeadow and the Hollybush exist still.—"The Story of My Life," by August J. C. Hare.

FOUND—One yellow Malamute dog. Owner can have same by paying charges. Apply Mr. Wattenbaugh at McDonald Iron Works.

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REVISING BARRISTER.

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day fixed for the revision of the voters' list, and who pay a yearly rental of not less than $200.

"All persons resident within such area who have been in receipt of an income from some trade, office, calling or profession, at the rate of not less than $1800 per annum during six months previous to the day fixed for the revision of the said list."

Briefly, and shorn of its legal verbiage the qualifications are that a voter must be a British subject, must have resided in Dawson for six months prior to January 2, must be a freeholder, or a householder paying a yearly rental of not less than $200, or in receipt of an income from some trade, business or profession of not less than $1800 yearly.

A place upon the voters list will not necessarily insure a person the privilege of voting as his name might be challenged at the polls on election day. If the person so challenged insists that he has a right to vote and desires to exercise the franchise he will be required to take the following oath:

"You do solemnly swear that you are the person named, or purporting to be named, by the name of on the voters' list now shown to you, that you have not before voted at this election, and that you have not received or been promised any consideration whatsoever for voting at this election, and that you have paid all taxes in arrears due by you to the city of Dawson, and that you are a British subject of the full age of 21 years. So help you God."

Every person who not being entitled to vote, votes, or fraudulently tenders more than one ballot, or when voting, or attempts to vote under the name of any other voter shall for every such offense be liable to a penalty not exceeding $100, and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Regina Hotel—S. T. Kincaid and wife, Bonanza; W. S. Dalgleish, Grand Forks; E. M. Bruce, Hunker. Hotel Flannery — Martin Harris, Sulphur; H. M. Badger, Bonanza; Malcom Cambell, Hunker; Geo. W. Brown, 56 below Bonanza; Val Diebold, Dominion; L. A. Jackson, Travellers' Rest, Hunker; A. Smith, Bonanza.

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INDIANS NOT PROGRESSIVE

They Objected Seriously to Telegraph Construction.

Through Their Villages and Over Their Cemetries—No Like the Medicine Wire.

"The medicine wire" is what the Indians call the Dawson telegraph line. There will, in the opinion of a writer in the Victoria Colonist, be cutting of that wire.

"How is the Dawson wire?"

"Down some day soon," is the reply, says.

The latter also located the trouble "in the Island of Sagamah Inlet, where up [illegible] which [illegible] the Indians [illegible] the medicine wire." and there were incidents galore where the shows which followed contact with the wire brought yells of terror and wonderment from the Indians.

Up on the line near Telegraph Creek the Indians looted two of the store cabins of the telegraph men and included in the stolen goods consisting of flour and provisions of all kinds, was a telegraph instrument which was perhaps taken to set a new medicine man up as a business, to offer superstition [illegible] as follows:

Several miles of the old Western Union wire built in days long gone were discovered in the form of fishing and snare lines [illegible] the fire [illegible] the old [illegible] Tlaqua [illegible] Indians [illegible] Indians [illegible] the Indians [illegible] the Indians [illegible] the