MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

HE Toronto Ideal Concert company will make its appearance in this city on the evening of July 17, and will give a complete change of programme on the 19th. The company is composed of Miss Lil'i Kleiser, mezzo-soprano; Mr. Fred. Warrington, baritone; Mr. J. H. Cameron, elocutionist and humorous vocalist, and Miss Minnie Martin, pianist. Each of the artists comes particularly well recommended. Of Miss Lilli Kleiser, a critic in the Toronto Mail writes that she has a most brilliant future before her. Her unassuming, graceful manner and pleasing appearance do much to win the good-will of her audience before she sings, and this good impression is increased when her voice is heard. Sweet, rich and sympathetic in its quality, her artistic and tasteful use of it makes it one of the best.

Mrs. Bancrost, the actress, has a drawing-room which is not wanting in mementos of the Bancrosts' brilliant career. On the table is a beautiful album, every page designed by the Princess Beatrice and containing the signatures of most of the famous people Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft have met in the course of their professional and private life. A large drum is ingeniously converted into a table for all sorts of knickknacks. The drum was used at Inkerman and was presented to Mrs. Bancroft by the officer who led the regiment to which it belonged, after he had seen her acting in "Ours," a T. W. Robertson play, in which one of the scenes is laid in the Crimea.

The old method of imitating lightning on the stage by flashing lycopodium powder behind an irregular line cut in the scenery is now superseded in Parisian theatres by the use of a long flexible rod having a small, but very brilliant, incandescent lamp at the end. The rod is moved quickly down in a zigzag direction at the pro-A commutator conper moment. trolled by the soot enables the circuit to be made or broken at will.

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French Stock Comwany, Wednesday and Friday nights. The honors were carried off by Messrs. French, Johnston and Morris, and Misses Lieb, Marshall and French. The Company is exceedingly well balanced.

Mark Murphy, who will appear here with O'Dowd's Neighbors is said to have a quaint and decidedly unique method in his Irish character business that is amusing from its absurdity rather then from its truth to nature. From either cause it excites laughter, and that is the comedian's reward of merit.

Manager T. Henry French, according to the Dramatic News, has developed a new idea in the line of supernumeraries. Every night at his new American Theatre forty or fifty young bloods of this town go upon the stage to participate in the mob scenes of "The Prodigal Daughter."

The London Figaro notes as likely to make 1893 a most noteworthy year in theatrical history there, the appear-The Banker's Daughter and The ance of Bernhardt, Duse, Mrs. Ber-Blue and The Gray, were the bills nard Beere and Ada Rehan. Only

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E. H. Sothern will play the part of the hero in the play Robert Buchanan has just completed, based on the life and times of Richard Brinsley Sheridan. The play will make its first appearance in New York.

Manager Jamieson has booked 22 first-class attractions for the coming season.

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