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NEW THEATRE PLAYERS SEEN IN "THUNDERBOLT"

Great Pinero Comedy is Given a Magnificent Presentation at the Royal Alexandra.

There will be a lot of disappointed people in Toronto to-day over "The Thunderbolt" at the Royal Alexandra last night, but they will be people who were not present. Since Sheridan wrote his "School for Scandal" there has been no such comedy of English composition put upon the stage in its inclusive and biting satire, its consistent and masterly portrayal of character, and its tremendous dramatic intensity. George Blisset dealt with English middle-class life in "Adam Bede" and "Middlemarch," but she never got to close grips with life as Sir Arthur Pinero does in his new play.

In addition to the merits of the play the company which has been brought together by the direction of Winthrop Ames of the New Theatre is one that rivals the very greatest that has ever been seen on any English-speaking stage. Productions like this go into history and set standards for generations to come. In last night's cast, every part was filled by a performer of the first rank, and was consequently a study of life such as one has never seen hitherto outside London or New York.

The heavier part of the work falls on Thaddeus Mortimore (A. E. Anson) and Phyllis, his wife (Miss Thais Lawton), the younger members of the Mortimore family, whose oldest brother, a brewer, has just died, apparently intestate, leaving brewery property worth a million dollars. The family are discovered in the house of mourning debating the settlement of the estate, when the illegitimate daughter of the dead man arrives from Paris. It had been expected that he would leave all his fortune to her and the play turns on the mystery of the missing will and the consequent stirring of avarice in the hearts of the relatives. This may not sound promising to the veteran playgoer, but it is a veritable Copart in Sir Arthur Pinero's development.

James Mortimore (Louis Calvert) is a middle class builder and contractor, vulgar, coarse and even brutal, as when he turns on Thaddeus, "Who the hell's your wife," and later, "What do you think of her now?" And yet he is the dominant overman of the play, who sees what must be done and flatters all opposition to his will; who throws his temperance scruples to the wind when the beer money is in question, and who leaves everyone in doubt as to whether he is an arch-hypocrite or merely a common-sense business man begging for his future. Mr. Calvert rendered this part in a way that can only be paralleled by Tyrone Power's "Drumman" in "The Servant in the House." While the other parts were not equally powerful they were equally well played. Stephen Mortimore (Albert Brumby) is the editor who echoes everyone and finds his bitterest pang in the possible triumph of his rival "Hammond and his filthy rag"; Colonel Ponting (Frankland Gotschall) is a perfect study of a positive little cad, and the excellent work of the two soliters (Ben Johnson and E. M. Holland), and the ladies without exception contributed to this verdict.

The wonderful scene in the second act when Thaddeus discovers his wife's complicity is done with terrible passion in the stilled and undramatic, but so striking way of the self-condemned and sensitive. The scenes where the expectant family are deprived of all their hopes is not equalled anywhere else on the stage, and will remain as a typical picture of the vulgar soul under mortal stress. The acting of the company in this passage was magnificent comedy. The generosity and attractiveness of Mortimore's daughter Helen (Miss Olive Wyndham) is very pleasantly depicted. The play is not at all a repulsive one, but quite the contrary, and the laughter and the absorbed attention with which the dialog held them. The theatre should be filled at both performances to-day.

INCREASED PHONE RATES

Bell Company Have Made Application to Railway Board.

When the city council last year started a movement to get the telephone rates in the newer districts reduced to the level of those existing in older Toronto, Manager K. J. Dunstan intimated that the Bell Telephone Company would resist the rate by applying to the Dominion Railway Commission for power to raise the rate for phones throughout the city. Yesterday Corporation Counsel Drayton received notification that the company will apply to the commission to raise the rate on residence phones from \$20 to \$25 and on business phones from \$50 to \$55. The existing rate applies only to older Toronto, the annexed districts having to pay the regular rates with a mileage charge of \$5 a quarter of a mile to within half a mile of the nearest station.

While the adoption of the company's schedule would mean an additional tax of \$5 each on about 20,000 subscribers, considerable benefit would accrue to the customers in the outer districts, some of whom pay as much as \$90 or even \$100 a year for their phones.

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the former of which was pre-eminent in art and the latter pre-eminent in law, few because they did not strive to apply their original greatness for the common good of the commonwealth. The doctor also said that the Hebrews were the originators of the three great religions today, Judaism, Christianity and Mohammedanism. Professor Johnson started in by saying that the Greeks and the Romans were only learners like themselves, while the Hebrews cribbed from other races as well and did not originate. He denied that these old races monopolized the greatness in the lines mentioned and said that there was plenty of greatness that Canada could achieve.

Council's Protest

A special meeting of the city council was held this evening, when the notice served upon the city by the hydro-electric commission to the effect that it would not accept the pole line route selected by the city was considered. It was admitted that the commission had the power to build a line where it chose and the council refused to accept any responsibility for the commission's action should it decide to build on its own engineer's route. The council also rescinded a resolution previously passed giving the commission the permission of the city to build a line thru the city and also adopted the following resolution: "That the city council enter its strong protest against the arbitrary and unwarranted manner in which the commission has interfered with municipal rights in building a pole line thru Hamilton, in which no other municipality thru Hamilton is interested, and for which this city will be called upon to pay the full cost."

Controlled Cooper and Aids. Ellis and Anderson voted against the resolution. The mayor said he did not think any such powers as the commission possessed existed outside Russia. Engineer McCallum endorsed the route chosen by the city and said that he thought his opinion would go further before any examining board than that of the commission's engineers. Old Residents Dead. The deaths took place this evening of Mrs. Mary Harker, aged 84, late of

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King, Ont. and mother of J. S. Harker, dry goods merchant here, and Miss Mary McGowan, daughter of J. McGowan, 117 North Hughson-street. At the court of revision this evening the Martin estate secured a cut in its assessment from \$67,500 to \$5,000. It is not satisfied with this and may appeal to the county judge. The old Central Church Sunday school room, now used by the Christian Scientists, was assessed at \$13,750, but was exempted on the grounds that it was a place of worship. D. Williams, a Grand Trunk car-checker, got between two coaches this evening and had two of his ribs smashed.

At the deaconesses' annual Thanksgiving reception to-night it was resolved to build a new home. The funds for the same are being raised by a campaign.

Stabbed by Highwaymen. A murderous assault was made by highway robbers last evening on J. Perry Vier of Brampton. Vier was driving into town and got off to brake the wheels of his buggy. When coming down the Ancaster road he was "set upon, and when he put up a fight he was stabbed in the side. He was left on the roadside and afterwards strangled into his rig and drove into Dundas. Vier's wound is serious, but not fatal.

Wages Increased. This morning the officials of the Street Railway Company announced that they had decided to voluntarily increase the wages of all the motormen and conductors two cents per hour, effective to go into effect on December 1. This will mean an extra expenditure of about \$18,000 a year by the company. The increase also applies to the employees of the suburban lines.

Eppworth League Annual. BURLIN, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—The Hamilton District Eppworth League held its annual session here to-day. The following officers were elected: President, Rev. G. A. King, B.A., Hamilton; vice-president, G. E. Hudson, Walkerton; secretary, Rev. W. S. Daniels, B.A., B.D., Troy; vice-presidents, missionary, Miss Quirbach, Berlin; literary and social, Miss N. Stansel, Elora; citizenship, Manly Orr, Brantford; junior league, Miss A. G. Jelliffe, Rockwood.

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Young Man's Errors. SASKATOON, Sask., Nov. 4.—(Special.)—C. C. Campbell, a young man from Ottawa, who launched a paper known as "The Gazette" a few months ago, was to-day found guilty of obscenity and sentenced to three months in jail.

Open Season for Whitefish. OTTAWA, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—An order-in-council has been passed abolishing the close season for whitefish in the waters bordering on the Counties of Norfolk and Elgin for the present year.

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Recent Cancer Cures. The regular meeting of the Canadian Household Economic Association will be held Tuesday, Nov. 8, at 3 p.m., in the Canadian Institute, 135 College-street. Dr. F. N. G. Starr will give an address on "Recent Cancer Cures." The public are cordially invited.

Hon. Rupert Guinness Coming. The Hon. Rupert Guinness, one of the members of the noted firm of Dublin brewers, is expected to arrive at the King Edward Hotel on Sunday from New York. He is traveling with a party who will tour Canada before their return home.

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HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

COUNCIL BY RESOLUTION JABS H.E.P. COMMISSION

Protests Against Selection of Transmission Line Route Thru City—Address at Can. Club.

HAMILTON, Nov. 4.—(Special.)—A mild surprise was caused at the banquet of the Canadian Club here to-night when Professor Johnson of Toronto University contradicted the speaker of the evening, Rev. Dr. Symonds of Montreal, who contended, in the course of an address on "Machinery and Men," that too often individuals and nations mistook means, such as wealth and culture, for ends. He pointed out that Greece and Rome,

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