

filled Association Hall last evening the celebrated Kneisel quartette maintained its reputation as the very best band of musicians in its line of work, on the American continent. This quartette, consisting of Franz Kneisel, first violin; Julius Roentgen, second violin; Louis Svecenski, violo, and Willem Willeke, violoncello, devotes its efforts to the

violoncello, devotes its efforts to the best of music, and to spend an evening with it is to gain an inspiration. The quartette's interpretation of the masterpieces of Mozart or the other great composers of old or modern days gives the purest enjoyment. It leaves nothing to criticise; everything to emulate in the musician; everything to long for in the non-musician. The gathering that heard Kneisel's last night was an eminently musical one, and it took supreme enjoyment out of the numbers presented. These began with a Mozart group, ex-



quisitely played, included two Dubussy movements and two by Greig, with a 'cello solo by Mr. Willeke. To describe the quartette's work would be a hard the quartette's work would be a hard task. They play as one man, so perfect is their action, their balance of tone, their light and color work and their intonation. The audience enjoyed the Mozart music greatly, and got from the musicians an encore. After the Greig number they applauded and applauded until Mr. Kneisel and his fellow musicians had come in and bowed their acknowledgments two or three times. The solo number of Mr. Willeke was superb—his execution of the Jeral "Gypay Dance" simply marvelous—and was most heartily encored. Mr. Roentgen played the piano accompaniment. The programme was:

Mozart quartette in G major Allegro vivace assai.

Allegro vivace assai.

Menuetto (Allegretto).

Andante cantabile. Molto allegro.

Claude Debussy. . Two movements from quartette in G mino Andantino doucement expressif. Assez vif et bien rythme,

(a) Goltermann.... Andante in A major (b) Sitt Andante in A major Serenade
(c) Jeral Gypsy Dance
Solos for violoncello,
Mr. W⁽¹⁾ Villeke.

A very elaborate programme will be presented at the Edith Miller recital at Association Hall this evening. As the programme is a long one, the concert will start at 8.15. The programme is as

Solo cello—Variations, Symphoniques
Beellman

Miss Maud Bell.

Toreador's Song Recit. and Duet (Carmen and Don Jose)

Miss Maud Bell.
Air—Ah Moon of My Delight (Persian

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Mr. Alfred Heather.
Aria—0 Mio Fernando Donizetti
Miss Edith Miller.
Song—Young Dietrich Geo. Henschel
Mr. Thorpe Bates.
Violoncello Solo—Nocturne A. Trowell
Miss Mana Bell.
Song—I Hear You Calling Me Charles Marshall
Mr. Alfred Heather.
Old English Songs—(a) This Way, Mortal, Bend Thine Eyes
(Pallas' Song from Judgment of Paris) John Eccles

ris) John Eccles
(b) A Pastorale . . Carey
Miss Edith Miller. Hermann Lohr Mr. Thorpe Bates,

(a) Break . Frederick Rowley (b) The Little Dustman Brahms Miss Edith Miller . e piano . Mr. Harold Claxton.

"THE THIEF" AT THE GRAND.

"The Thief," a play which has had long runs in New York, Paris and London, was the attraction at the Grand last evening. It drew a good sized house, and was fairly well presented. The events shown in three acts take The events shown in three acts take place during an evening and the next morning, and show the coquetry of some women, their love of dress that leads to theft in order to keep up appearances, and the ever mysterious powers of love. There are but seyen characters in the cast, and the movement of the clarat times is rather slow. David acters in the cast, and the movement of the play at times is rather slow. David Proctor, as Richard Voysin, usually spoke too rapidly to be well understood. The best work, perhaps, was done by Rea Carlysle, who, as Marie Louise, the wife of Voysin, in order to keep herself attractive in his eyes, finally sucsumbed to the temptation to steal in order to pay for fine gowns. Their work in the second act ended in an impressive climax. Maurice Drew, as Raymond Lagardes, was rather mechanical; the work of Elizabeth Lee, in the role of Isabelle, his second wife, being much better. Wyrley Brick, as Fernard, Lagarde's son, who, while only nineteen years old, had fallen deeply in love with the wife of Voysin, being encouraged by her, and who proved his sincerity by accepting her guilt, played his part well, while Richard Garrick, as Mons. Goudoin, a detective, and Edward Sidney, a doin, a getective, and Edward States, as the servant, were quite acceptable. The gowns worn by the ladies were rich and becoming, the scenery and stage ap-pointments fitting, but the play as a whole, as presented, was rather disap-rounting.

pointing.
AT BENNETT'S THEATRE.

One of the most spectacular acts ever seen at Bennett's Theatre was presented there yesterday, afternoon and evening, by Gird's International Zouaves—sevenb) Sitt Serenade
b) Jeral Gypsy Dance
Solos for violencello.
Mr. Willeke.

Greig. First an demoments from unfinished quartette in F major op. posth.
Sostenuto-Alegro vivace e grazioso.
Allegro scherzando.
The quartette's encore number was by Gird's International Zouaves—seventeen soldiers. First, an extraordinary exhibition of team drill and fancy and countermarching is given, then gund drill and the handling of various types of machine guns, picturesque incidents in camp life are depicted, and a sham batternational Zouaves—seventeen soldiers. First, an extraordinary exhibition of team drill and fancy and countermarching is given, then gund the machine guns, picturesque incidents in camp life are depicted, and a sham batternational Zouaves—seventeen soldiers.



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nearly double the first five-year period. In the "depression year" of 1908, the sales, like those of all the Canadian industrials, showed a decrease. But the Company have completed arrangements to doubts their factory capacity, and thus be in a position to

meet the constantly increasing demand for their high-class shoes. The new capital is required for the entargement of the present factory and for the development of the

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St. James St., Montreal.

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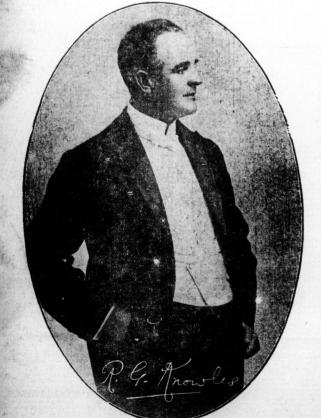
Subscriptions paid in full within 10 days of allotments will be entitled to the full quarterly dividend on July

Terms of Payment-10 per cent. with application, 15 per cent. on allotment, 25 per cent. 1st July, 25 per cent, 1st October, 25 per cent. 1st January, 1910.

FORM OF APPLICATION

July, October and January next, and I authorize Register of Shareholders in respect of the same.

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AN OLD HAMILTON BOY, WHO WILL BE SEEN AT THE GRAND TO-NIGHT AND WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS.

gerty's Father," was presented by Thos. J. Ryan, Mary Richfield & Co. The sketch has to with a hard working Irishman—a hod carrier—whose charm-Irishman—a hod carrier—whose charming daughter marries a man of wealth. The daughter tries to make a "gintleman" out of the old man, but the father does not take kindly to his change of condition. Mr. Ryan, in the titular role, kept the audience in roars of laughter. Another very good act was presented by the two Heim children—a boy and a girl. The boy is a clever little comedian, and made a big hit.

Evans and Leo appeared in a clever dancing and singing sketch.

George B. Reno & Co. appeared in a burlesque military act, which was very amusing. The act was in striking contrast to that of the Zouaves, and tended to give the bill a strong military

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Kretore, in a musical novelty act; and new moving pictures completed the bill, which should draw big houses all week-the closing week of the season.

DICK KNOWLES TO-NIGHT. Mr. R. G. Knowles, whom everybody nows here as an old Hamilton boy knows here as an old Hamilton boy and a brilliant entertainer, will open a three nights' engagement at the Grand this evening, when he will appear in a humorous description of his travels through London and rural England, all through London and rural England, all of which will be illustrated by moving pictures. To-morrow night Mr. Knowles will take his audience through Auld will take his audience through Audi Scotland to New Zealand, via Ceylon, and on Thursday evening through Ireland as it is. Speaking of Mr. Knowles' entertainment the New York Sun says: Knowles has a personality that cannot fail to affect his hearers pleasurably. Its value in his half-humorous, half-serious, wholly entertaining descriptions of life in many lands is marked, and in consequence the lecturer never fails to hold an audience from start to finish. His aim, he says, is amusement with a purpose. If the purpose is to educate pleasantly, Knowles has hit the bullseye.

A POWERFUL DRAMA.

The famous drama "Parsifal." which

last season, comes to the Grand next carrier says: "Parsifal" teaches the lesson which is the luminous soul of the noblest religions. It tells us that not only light that leads the wanderer to the throne of the Infinite. "Parsifal" points the way to the heights, not merely for the individual, but for society as well. All nations and civilization which are not destined to suffer eclipse, must tread the pathway over which he passed. No more solemn truth confronts mankind to-day than is taught by the victorious struggle of "Parsifal." A people, nationality or civilization may seem to to-day than is taught by the vectorious struggle of "Parsifal." A people, na-tionality or civilization may seem to flourish for a time through might of force, as did Babulon of old, as did the empire of the Medes and Persians, as force, as did Rebylon of old, as did the empire of the Medes and Persians, as did, nome as she approached the summit of her world-wide rule, as did Spain in the fifteenth century. But all triumphs based upon force and injustice, on victories not won by love, are only for the day. If history teaches any lesson in clear and unmistakable language, it is that whatsoever is sown shall be reaped—and the nation or civilization which disregards the eternal demands of justice, freedom and fraternity will sooner or later follow the pathway trodden by Egypt, Assyria, Greece, Rome and Spain, Victory to be permanent must depend on the cohesion of love, which is ever creative and constructive, and not on the disintegrative influence of force and hate. It must do right because it is right. It must imitate the sun, which bathes the world in light and warmth; the violet, the lily and the rose, whose fragrance and beauty delight the senses and bring into the human heart a message from the Infinite.

"BEVERLY OF, GRAUSTARK." "BEVERLY OF GRAUSTARK."

"Beverly of Graustark" comes to the Grand next Monday. "Beverly of Graustark is a sequel to Graustark, George Barr McCutcheon's romantic novel, which established as America's most popular writer of romantic fiction. In addition to the characters appearing in Graustark, several new ones are introduced in Beverly, the most important of

A SLOW GROWTH.

The English Public Schools Are Always Unique.

The public school is an institution disinctly English in its origin and development. Some writers have maintained and civilization, and others with equal positiveness have declared that England has been made by her public schools. The truth is, both classes in a measure are correct, for the school is not a result of attainment along a certain fixed line. The more correct figure is that of an are in a circle. That English ideals, civilization, traditions have produced these great schools is true; but it is equally true that they have created or modified the traditions, civilization and ideals, and each in turn has become both cause and effect. The public school is at once a growth and an outgrowth, an expression and an impression, a startand civilization, and others with equal

at once a growth and an outgrowth, an expression and an impression, a starting place and a goal.

The manifest excellencies of these great schools have led to many attempts to imitate or even to transplant them to other lands; but even the sincere flattery of imitation has not succeeded in more than a weak dilution, and as for transplant a London fog. The schools are as distinctively English as are the

climate and soil of the British Isles. Sug gestive they certainly are, a careful study of them may be inspiring, but they can be reproduced on other soil no more than Florida oranges can be grown in

ermont.
What is a public school? The ques tion is natural and the answer well-nigh impossible. Even the head master smiles at the oft-heard query, but he sel dom attempts to give a categorical reply. He knows; but it is difficult, indeed, almost impossible, for him to impart his knowledge to you—doubly difficult

you are an American. There is a certain Act of Parliament which seems to imply that these schools are limited to Eton, Harrow, Rugby Winchester, Westminster and Shrews bury; but these names by no means com-plete the list.—From "The Great Public Schools of England," by Everett T. Tom-linson, in the May Scribner.

COTE ST. PAUL EXPLOSION.

Two of the Victims Dead-Third in Serious Condition.

Montreal, April 26.—Two pare now dead as a result of the explosion which took place explosion which took place in the basement of the Notre Dame convent at Cote St. Paul. They are Florence Naulta, twelve years old, a girl attending the school, and Bernadotte Dubreuil, juncten years of age, the furnace man. The Sister Superior of the convent is also in a critic. erior of the convent is also in a criti

ONLY WAY OUT.

Little Mary hated to say "vinegar" because she had been laughed at so of-ten for her queer pronounciation of the word. So when her mother sent her to the store to buy some, she presented the jug to the clerk and said: "Smell of that and give me a quart." —From the May Bohemian.

Many a man ceases to live for a wo-man when he finds that she dyes for him.

Those who marry in haste frequently find that they have no leisure for re-

Nili Spend \$95,000 For New Collegiate. en Alleged to Have Threatened

to Hang Old Man.

Hotels Had to Close-Rev. Dr. Gee Preached in Darkness.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Brantford, April 27.—Brantford ratepayers by a vote of 1,124 to 380 decided yesterday to have a new Collegiate Institute building. The electorate was given the choice of two sites, the present George street one near the Grand Trunk Railway and a new one on Brant avenue Railway and a new one on Brant avenue on the spacious grounds owned by Mr. John Hewitt, of Chicago. The decision was in favor of the latter by a vote of 975 to 436, although it cost \$20,000 more. The new building will mean an outlay of \$95,000. The vote was in the nature of a referendum, and the Council will authorize the issue of debentures.

ILL TREATMENT.

An old man named Knight, who resides at Harrisburg, appeared here yesterday, charging two young men of the community with gross ill treatment. They were alleged to have taken the old fellow at the point of a revolver to a shed in the rear of his house, placed a rope around his neck and with threats of hanging, abused him to the point of desperation. Magistrate Livingston adjourned the case until Thursday, when several witnesses will be heard.

HOTEL TRADE SORE. ILL TREATMENT.

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The hotel keepers here yesterday were very much disgruntled over the action of the license inspector, who, acting on the advice of the city solicitor, ordered them to close up their bars air tight on account of the voting progress. They claimed that merely property owners were voting, and this class forms a small percentage of the populace. The city solicitor, however, said the law was strict in this regard, and had to be enforced. The hotel keepers are talking of entering suits for damages because of the undue cessation of their licensed business.

RECEIVED JEWELS. HOTEL TRADE SORE.

RECEIVED JEWELS. A. B. McBride, Grand Master of the I. O. O. F., was a visitor with Gore Lodge here last night, when ex-Magistrate Woodyatt received a Past Grand jewel, and veteran jewels were bestowed upon John Muirhead, A. E. Harley, John R. Allen and W. E. Long.

LIGHTS WENT OUT. For the third successive night at an impressive point in the pastor's sermon the electric lights were suddenly extinthe electric lights were suddenly extinguished and the remainder of the sermon was finished by Rev. Dr. Gee in darkness. Fortunately the pastor was not accustomed to referring to his manuscript. The switch-room door had been locked previous to the service, but the lock had been found picked at the conclusion, and it dawned on the church officials that some boy disturbers had been creating the nuisance. The joke is on the pastor, however, who previously announced that the slightest vibrations in the church caused a disturbance of the electric connections on the switch board. It was thought that the deliverance of It was thought that the deliveral the eloquent passages of the dishad caused the trouble.

A NEW CANAL.

A proposal has originated at Selkirk to construct a canal joining Lakes Eric and Ontario, and the Brantfard Board of Trade has invited a representative of that place to address a meeting to-night in this city. It is said that the scheme is feasible and has found much favor in the Selkirk district.

GENERAL NOTES. Court Endeavor, A. O. F., will pay a fraternal visit by special Radial car to

fraternal visit by special Radial car to Hamilton to-night.

At the City Council meeting last night a new by-law limiting the hours of local bowling alleys to 11 o'clock p. m. was passed. The measure also applies to

passed. In measure also applies to pool rooms.

In spite of the fact that the price of wheat is being quoted at \$1.10 locally, buyers here state that no wheat is available for purchase in Brant county, and all has been cleaned out.

Much sympathy is expressed here at the death of Charles Campbell, head of the Grand Union Hotel Company, which controls the Kerby House in this city.

C. A. Depew, who is on the problibitive list, who returned here intoxicated after a spill in Dundas, was fined \$12.85 after a spill in Dundas, was fined \$12.85 Magistrate Livingston, who held that made no difference where an Indian

TWO YEARS FO RBIGAMY. Walter Blizzard Pleads Guilty at St.

St. Catharines, April 26.—Walter lizzard, on trial before Judge Cartan on a charge of bigamy, secured veral remands, chiefly because of the difficulty of obtaining the evience of Rev. William C. Gates, Lockrott N. Y. said to have conducted the Blizzard, on trial before Judge Carman on a charge of bigamy, secured several remands, chiefly because of the difficulty of obtaining the evidence of Rev. William C. Gates, Lockport, N. Y., said to have conducted the ceremony that united Blizzard to Alice Krick, previous to which the accused had gone through another ceremony with Mrs. Goff at Niagara Falls, N. Y. After being brought to trial it was discovered that before the ceremony with Mrs. Goff, Blizzard had been married to a Miss Maloney, Niagara Falls, N. Y., and that the real wife was now living in Chicago. Blizzard sept word to the Crown Attorney that he wished to change his plea to guilty, and desired a speedy trial. He was accordingly brought into court this afternoon, pleaded guilty of bigamy, and was sentenced to two years in the Kingston Penitentiary. SHERIFF MAY BE HANG JAN.

New Brunswick Official Considers Radcliffe's Fee Exorbitant.

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Andover, N. B., April 26.—Unless he decides to abandon his present intention, this week Sheriff James Tibbits, of Andover, will perform the double execution on Tuesday, May 4, when Tony Arosha, and Leon Seppepil, confessed murderers of Edward Green, will be hanged. As he believes the fee for Hangman Radcliffe's services is exorbitant, as double the amount of a single execution is asked, Sheriff Tibbits says he intends to act as executioner himself.

NEXT.

A broken pitcher was offered as tes-timony that Ephraim Jackson, the col-ored prisoner, had whacked his wife on the head.

"The testimony doesn't hold water,"

said the learned judge.—From the May Bohemian,