





# Musical and Dramatic

## IN MUSICAL CIRCLES.

There is little to refer to in musical circles this week, if I except the work of the Oratorio society. The members of this society are not idle by any means, as they are preparing for a concert of miscellaneous music at any early date. It has already been mentioned that they purpose giving one of the Oratorios in the fall—probably during the exhibition. In this department miscellaneous concerts or concerts of miscellaneous music by a certain number of the active members of the society have been commended for a variety of reasons, some of which were given at the time of notice. There is another good and sufficient reason, it appears to me—that by means of such concerts, given even as chamber concerts in the rooms of the society—a number of new singers would be introduced to a portion of the public at least and would be benefited and of increased usefulness in the future purposes and aims of the society. A series of such concerts could be given and new material might be offered in turn if necessary. They would be attended with no expense to the society, and even though the financial returns were small for each concert the aggregate might not be unsatisfactory. In this idea of course a small fee would be charged to patrons. The principal desirable feature in connection with them, in a society sense, would seem to be the development of new voices in all the parts, who would individually have the advantage of the conductor's skillful advice and instruction before making a debut.

A rumor is abroad this week to the effect that the management of the Opera house in this city is arranging for another orchestra instead of that of which Mr. Morton L. Harrison is leader. The rumor further says that the new orchestra is to contain eight members and that the charge for their services will not exceed that now paid to the four or five members of Harrison's orchestra that generally do duty at theatrical performances in the Opera House. When the matter takes more definite shape it will be in order to say something more about it.

## Tones and Undertones.

Walter Damrosch's next season of opera will begin in Philadelphia in January next. Other cities will be visited. Operas will be given in French as well as German. By arrangement with Messrs Abbey, Schoeffel and Grau, Madame Calve and Madame Melba will sing at his Philadelphia performances.

Miss Ella Chamberlain, the famous whistler is appearing in concert in some of the New England towns.

Madame Calve's engagement in London begins on the 19th of June instant.

Mrs. Wm. T. Clark, a contralto of Roxbury has sailed for Europe to study with Pauline Lucien in Vienna.

Before she joins the Covent Garden (London) company this season, Madame Melba will give a series of performances at the Paris Opera. Madam Melba, it is said has been engaged for a revival of "Hamlet" in that city.

Jacques Hoffman the violinist, will spend his summer in Europe.

It is said that Mascagni has just finished an opera which he has called "Vestigia." He is working on another whose subject is "Nero."

Damrosch returns to the United States next month. He will visit Bar Harbor Me., for a time.

"Cavalleria Rusticana" is said to be Mascagni's one great success though he has written a great deal since it was produced.

"An American Beauty" is the name given to Lillian Russell's new opera.

The Castle Square Opera Company of Boston, gave their patrons, grand opera last week. "Aida" was the work and it does not appear to have been an unqualified success. A return to light opera is in order.

Miss Mary Link, the new contralto who sang the part of Amois in "Aida" at the Castle Square theatre last week made a very favorable impression. A critical notice of her work says "her voice was at times too light and weak for the music, but she put a good deal of dramatic fire into her work and her efforts were appreciated by the audience."

"My lodging is on the cold ground" is a very old song and not unpopular even yet but there is an incident connected with its early production that not everybody has heard of. The Cornhill Magazine dealing with it says "We are not told whether it was composed especially for the play in which the actress Moll Davis, a rival of Nell Gwynne's sang it so effectively: history only records that her exquisite rendering of this plaintive air attracted the attention of his majesty King Charles II. on a visit to the play house, and resulted in royal favor for the singer who was not in future so hardly lodged."

R. A. Barrett's latest burlesque "The Merry-Go-Round" recently produced at the Tremont theatre Boston, is said to be

a success. It is said to be "an entertainment without plot, one that requires no use of brain energy on the part of the audience to understand it and one that keeps the audience in good humor all the evening. No one asks what it is all about; no one cares. It entertains, it amuses; that is sufficient."

The Bostonians have bought a new opera called "Captain Kidd, Coin Collector."

Last Monday evening was called "Novelty night" in the "Pops" concerts at Music hall, Boston, and the following was the programme.

March from "Puppens"	Bayer
French comedy overture	Kaler-Bela
Waltz, "Tales from the Orient"	Strauss
Selection, "The Huguenots"	Meyerbeer.
Refrain Crosta	Gabriel Marie
Two Slavonic dances	Dvorak
Ronde D'armour	Westerhout
Overture, "Martha"	Fetow
Selection, "Grand Duchess"	Otenbach
Waltz, "Espans"	Waldteufel
Mazourka, "La Mesange"	Muller
"Jack" March from "Jack and the Beanstalk"	Sloane

The following narrative in connection with an early production of "Beggars Opera" and instancing the first marriage of an actress with the English nobility may prove not without interest to many Progress readers. It is a brief sketch of Lavinia Fenton's operatic career.

"Lavinia Fenton, who had undertaken the character of Polly in the "Beggars Opera" for the modest remuneration of 15s. per week, suddenly found herself the most celebrated person in London. Her portraits were sold everywhere, her opera costumes copied by fashionable ladies; when she went nightly to and from the theatre a bodyguard of strong friends had to be formed to escort her, lest the fair damsel should be carried off by one of her many importunate admirers. Lavinia's musical success ended with the run of the opera, (after which she retired from the stage,) but not so the good fortune it had won for her. The Duke of Bolton was so fascinated by her charms as the saucy Polly that he made her his Duchess after the death of his wife, from whom he had long been separated; whereby Lavinia became the first of the actresses connected by marriage with English nobility."

## TALK OF THE THEATRE.

W. S. Harkins and company after a week of excellent business with "In Old Kentucky" opened a fortnight season in Halifax, at the academy of Music, last Monday evening. In this City, while the old favorites were all warmly welcomed, the new members of the company individually created most favorable impressions by their really clever and consistent work. notwithstanding the fact that some of these, for instance Miss Magill and Mr. Malcolm Bradley were playing "thankless," that is unpopular roles. The Company I understand will be increased in its membership and will return here on the 24th inst. when they will produce "The War of Wealth" another strong play, by C. T. Dazey the author of "In Old Kentucky." Mr. Harkins has several plays in his repertoire entirely new to St. John theatre goes all of them pronounced successes. Among them I learn is "The New Boy" "Blue Jeans," "The Danger Signal" etc.

Mr. Rufus Somerby, so well known here as a provider of special entertainment will soon be here with a show of unusual character, which will comprise trained dogs, trained monkeys etc. No doubt as has been customary with this gentlemen he will do a large business.

W. L. Main's circus will be in the city and give two exhibitions next Friday the 12th inst. There is a free exhibition of startling character in connection with this show, and the usual forenoon parade.

A new departure caused by the prevalence of bicycles is that a Boston theatre announces they have arranged to check these machines during the performance.

Blanche Walsh it is now said will be Nat Goodwin's leading lady in Australia. Miss Walsh has been doing "Tribby" in one of the companies that was out.

The Boston theatre was so crowded last Friday (29th, May) on the occasion of the all star production of "The Rivals" that many ladies were standing. The audience was quite enthusiastic, but a criticism of the performance says "some of the parts could have been played as well, others better by actors who do not shine as stars."

Many of the theatres closed their regular season last week.

Rumor has it that Rose Coghlan will appear in "Carmen" next season.

During his trip to Europe Alex Salvini will visit his father.

The following good story is told of the late eminent tragedian Edwin Booth.

where he was acting. Seeing some particularly delightful looking cream puffs in a conspicuous part of a restaurant, he stepped in and purchased one. Without stopping to ponder upon the peculiarities of cream puffs, Mr. Booth, in the most calculating and enthusiastic manner, bit exactly in the centre of the spongy delicacy. Of course a small stream of the cream oozed out at each side of the bite and gathered itself together on Mr. Booth's cheeks. Just at this juncture some one in the shop recognized the tragedian and cried out:

"Why, that's Mr. Booth!"

"Hail a score of people crowded about and eyed the figure with interest. It was a trying position for a great tragedian, who was conscious of being in anything but a tragic role. But he went calmly on with his refreshment, eating with as much unconcern and enjoyment apparently as if he were 'far from the maddening crowd.'"

"But," he said afterward, with a twinkle in his eye, "I never did a better bit of acting in my life."

**Ready and Willing.**

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He—Thanks. I was afraid you were going to say it was too sudden.  
She—It couldn't be.

## NEW SERPENTINE RACE.

Latest Game That Has Been Adopted for Amateur Exhibitions.

For a race of one hundred yards, place ten flagstaffs in line, the first ten feet from the starting point and the others ten feet apart, the last being ten feet from the goal. Each pole should be surmounted by a small flag, which will add to the beauty and interest of the scene.

Now for the manner of running. Supposing the runners to have toed the starting line with their left foot, the left knee should be bent, the body inclined forward, and the right hand raised above the level of the right shoulder. When the start is given, bring the right arm smartly downward; it will give you an impetus to make off. Pass the first staff on your left side, the second on your right, the third on your left, the fourth on your right, the fifth on your left, the sixth on your right, the seventh on your left, the eighth on your right, the ninth on your left, and, finally, the tenth on your right. From here make the best of your time in getting to the winning post. This finishes the ordinary serpentine race.

A variation of the game is known as the

rotary serpentine race, the object of which is to make a complete circle around each flagstaff. This, performed in an ordinary way, would make you giddy—a thing to be avoided. Observe, therefore, the directions laid down, and the result will be, instead, a pleasurable one.

Start as before, passing the first staff on the left, encircle it by passing to the front of it, retreating backward, pass it on the left again.

Running diagonally across, pass the second staff on the right, encircle it by retreating backward when at the front again. Run across to the third staff and pass it on the left, encircling the staff backward as before and then run across to the fourth staff. Pass it on the right. Follow out these directions with the remaining flagstaff, taking care to encircle each backward and, in addition to the above directions, passing the fifth staff of the left side, the sixth on the right, the seventh on the left, the eighth on the right, the ninth on the left, the tenth and last on the right. Then sprint to the winning post.

**Too Inquisitive.**

At a village in Worcestershire recently the clergyman asked the bridegroom the usual question whether he was willing to take the woman to be his wedded wife, and, the rustic, scratching his head for a moment or two, replied, "Ay, I'm willing, but I'd rather have her sister."

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**Social and Personal.**

The marriage of Mr. George McLean and Miss Annie Healey daughter of Mr. Frank Healey of the west end took place on Tuesday evening at the house of the bride, Rev. Dr. Bruce performing the ceremony in the presence of only a few friends. The bride was attended by Miss Mary McCutcheon and Mr. John Y. Ellis Jr. acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. McLean were the recipients of many elegant presents, a large circle of friends with them every happy.

Hon. George E. Foster was here for a short time late on his way from Fredericton to Digby, N. S. Mr. D. W. Lamont of Toronto was here over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McDonald of Philadelphia who are visiting the provinces spent Tuesday here. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lindell of Brooklyn are spending a short time in the city.

Mrs. Neilson arrived here this week to take up her residence. Mr. Neilson succeeded Mr. Warren in the management of the street railway.

Mr. Frank P. Curran left recently for his home in Belfast, Ireland where he will spend a couple of months.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dever of Fredericton visited city friends lately.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Safeman of Toronto are in the city.

Miss J. C. Melville and Miss E. S. Lister of Cambridge, Mass. were in the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Boone of Bangor spent Monday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams of Yarmouth visited city friends this week.

Mr. Charles F. Barnes and Miss Barnes of Boston are staying in the city.

Mr. R. Churchill of Toronto is here this week.

Mr. Charles Dykeman spent Sunday in Spring- field.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. McCavour returned from their wedding trip on Saturday last.

Dr. B. C. Borden of Sackville was here the first of the week on his way to Bermuda.

Mrs. H. E. Wigton and Miss Wigton of New York spent a day or two here lately.

Dr. T. H. Rand and Mrs. Rand of Montreal were here this week.

Mrs. D. J. McLaughlin and Mrs. E. B. McLaughlin left the first of the week for Ipswich, N. B. to attend the golden wedding of the first named lady's sister, Mrs. Verona Hanson of St. John.

Mr. Scott E. Morrill and Miss McKay of Penn field were married on Wednesday morning at the home of the bride and left late in the day on a trip to Boston and New York.

Capt. J. B. Stuart arrived from New York on a few days visit.

Mr. George C. Moore and Mr. H. R. Moore of Boston were in the city the first of the week on their way home from a fishing trip to Musquash.

Mr. A. T. Murchie of Calais was in the city this week.

Hon. Thomas Temple of Fredericton was here for part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ganong of St. Stephen spent Tuesday in the city.

Mrs. J. A. Nichols of Calais visited St. John friends this week.

Mrs. Charles Porter of Milltown and Mrs. Henry of Calais were here for a day or two this week.

Mr. H. Harwood of Prescott, Ont. was among the city's visitors this week.

Mrs. Hugh Cann and Mrs. H. L. Barril of Yarmouth were visiting St. John during the week.

Mr. G. G. King and Mr. W. C. King of Chipman are in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hersey of Boston were among the Americans in town this week.

The Misses Mitchell of Boston were also here for a day or two.

The marriage of Mr. J. P. Quinn and Miss Katie Fitzpatrick was solemnized at the cathedral on Monday morning, Rev. T. Casey officiating. The bride and her attendant Miss M. O'Brien were both becomingly dressed and looked charming. The groom was supported by Mr. Walter Bewell of Fredericton. Mr. and Mrs. Quinn left after the ceremony on the steamer Bridgewater for a trip through Nova Scotia.

Mr. Edward Sears who has been very ill at St. Francis hospital in New York is reported as improving.

Mrs. Newcombe and child of Ottawa spent a day or two here lately.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. MacNichol and Mrs. H. F. Todd of St. Stephen have been visiting the city this week.

Mr. Charles F. Evelyn of Leith, Ont., is staying in the city.

Mr. Parker P. Burleigh of Houston, Me., spent Sunday here.

Mr. Charles Anderson of Truro was in the city this week.

Mrs. E. W. Hobart of Boston was here for a day or two recently.

Mr. B. W. Vanwart of Fredericton is in the city.

Messrs. John Underhay of Boston and Harry Stewart of New York are in the city.

Mr. J. H. Brock of Winnipeg is staying here for a few days.

An interesting event took place at the residence of Mayor Robertson, Gormal street, last Tuesday afternoon, when his daughter Miss Beattie Robertson and Mr. John Montgomery, barrister of this city here united in marriage by Rev. Mr. Macneil in the presence of only a few intimate friends. The bride who was unattended was attired in a becoming dark cloth trave ling dress with hat to match and looked patricially charming. After a dainty luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery left on a trip through Nova Scotia and F. E. Island and upon their return will take up their residence on Sydney street.

Mr. W. H. McKenzie of Bridgetown is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wilson of St. Myrtle are spending their honeymoon in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Newcombe of Hopewell cape visited the city the first of the week.

Mr. F. McKenna of Hazel Hill, N. B. is here for a day or two.

Mr. Walter McFarlane of St. Marys is visiting the city.

Mr. D. P. Kent of Fredericton was here for a short time this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Kelly of River Herbert, are visiting St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Wright of Woodstock, visited city friends this week.

At twelve o'clock Wednesday morning Rev. L. G. Macneil united in marriage Mr. Clarence Ferguson, barrister, and Miss Bertha Theresa Shaw daughter of the late W. D. Shaw, at the home of the bride on Cedar street. Only the immediate friends of the contracting parties were present. The bride looked charming in a very stylish travelling dress of green cloth with white trimmings and hat to match. After a rehearsal luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson left on a ten days trip to Nova Scotia after which they will reside at 20 Cedar street. The groom's present to the bride was a cherry wood cabinet and a silver toilet service. The presents received were numerous and handsome.

Mrs. N. C. Calhoun of Amherst who has been visiting city friends has returned home and is here this week on her way to New York.

Mr. Louis Raimie spent Sunday in Harcourt.

Mr. John McEwan has been visiting Harcourt.

Mr. Angus McDonald of River Herbert spent a day or two in the city lately.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schofield left Wednesday on an European trip. They expect to be away several months.

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MISS E. GREGORY OF Antigonish is in the city. Mr. Edward Hart of Philadelphia is visiting friends here.

MISS DALEY PAYSON and Mr. Walter Reginald Ward, B. N. are to be married tomorrow, Thursday in St. Paul's church.

MISS DALEY wife of the lieutenant governor and Miss Daley arrived from England Saturday.

MISS F. M. STIRLING and Miss F. Murphy, of Halifax, were passengers for New York lately on the steamer Fortia.

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DIGBY.
[Progress is for sale in Digby by Mrs. Morse.]
June 3.-Mrs. Warren arrived here on Saturday and will spend the summer months in Digby as usual.

TRURO.
[Progress is for sale in Truro by G. O. Fulton & D. H. Smith & Co.]
June 2.-Miss A. T. McKay returned from her visit among friends in Boston last Friday.

AMHERST.
[Progress is for sale at Amherst by H. V. Purdy.]
June 3.-Mrs. James Moffatt and Miss Liddle Met at Wolfville last Saturday to attend the closing exercises of Acadia college.

WOLFVILLE.
[Progress is for sale at Wolfville by Mrs. M. M. Young.]
June 3.-Mrs. M. M. Young returned from her visit among friends in Truro on Saturday.

HARCOURT.
June 3.-Mr. Percy Wilbur of Shediac was here yesterday.

DOUGHERTY.
[Progress is for sale at Dochertor by G. M. Fairweather.]
June 3.-Mrs. Newton Braedick, Mrs. Y. S. Benedict of Moncton, and Miss C. Fleming of New York, are the guests of Mrs. F. Gallagher at Hotel Windsor this week.

FAIRVIEW.
[Progress is for sale at Fairview by Mrs. M. M. Young.]
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THINGS OF VALUE. Agitation in the world of transatlantic medicine is the very order of progress, as in politics and religion—the difference of opinion and the individualism of men have been parents of the disagements by which the standard of these bodies has been elevated.

How to Read a Modern Novel. "A father (ever young lady has been explaining to 'an inquisitive librarian' the way in which she reads her novels.

Heart Disease Existed—Over Fifty Members of the House of Commons Tell of the Virtues of Dr. Agnew's Cathartic Powder.

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PROGRESS, SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1896. The Rev. Mr. Brown of Campbellton is in the village today. Miss M. Blakeley spent a few days of last week in Montreal.

ST. GEORGE. [Progress is for sale in St. George at the store of T. O'Brien.] JUNE 3.—The funeral of Miss Beath Dow young daughter of the late Mr. Robert Dow took place from her mother's residence on Friday afternoon.

FREDERICTON. [Progress is for sale in Fredericton by W. T. H. Toney and J. Hunter.] JUNE 3.—After having spent several weeks visiting in New York, the Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Fraser are now in Fredericton enjoying the sights in the 'Queen city of the West.'

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ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1896.

OPIUM EATER'S DREAMS.

THE HABIT, THE VICTIM, THE RELIEF, AND DESPAIR.

The Pipe and its Handling and the Habits of the Opium Eater—What Constitutes a Habit—A Man With a Yen-yen—Opium Smokers do not Have—Some Gorgeous Dens.

Opium smoking in this country is believed to be more particularly a pastime of the Chinese, but in truth the greater number of the smokers are white men and white women.

There were 25,000 opium smokers in the city of New York alone. At one time there were two great colonies, one in the Tenderloin one of course, in Chinatown.

Splendid joints were not uncommon then in New York. There was one on Forty-second street which would have been palatial if it were not for the bad taste of the decorations.

Upon the appearance of reform, opium retired to private flats. Here it now reigns, and it will be undoubtedly an extremely long century before the police can root it from these strongholds.

People who declare themselves able to pick out opium smokers on the street usually are deluded. An opium smoker may look like a deacon or a deacon may look like an opium smoker.

It would be very hard to say just exactly what constitutes a habit. With the fiends it is an elastic word. Ask a smoker if he has a habit and he will deny it.

It is said to take one year of devotion to the pipe before one can contract a habit; but probably it does not take any such long time.

There is but one pipe, one lamp, and one cook to each smoking layout. Pictures of nine or ten persons sitting in armchairs and smoking various kinds of curiously carved tobacco pipes probably serve well enough.

If a beginner expects to have dreams of an earth dotted with white porcelain towers and a sky of green silk, he will be much mistaken.

A yen-yen, he it known, is the hunger, the craving. It comes to a fiend when he separates himself from his pipe and it takes him by the heart strings.

When the victim arrives at the point where his soul calls for the drug, he usually leans to cook. The operation of rolling the pill and cooking it over the little lamp is a delicate task.

The fiend will defend opium with eloquence and energy. He very seldom drinks spirits, and so he gains an opportunity to make the most ferocious parallels between the effects of rum and the effects of opium.

"Opium does not deprive you of your senses. It does not make a madman of you. But drink dex. See? Who ever heard of a man committing murder when full of hop. Get him full of whiskey and he might kill his father."

When prepared for smoking purposes, opium is a heavy liquid much like molasses. Ordinarily it is sold in hollow li-shi nuts or in little round tins resembling the old percussion cap boxes.

The pill now exactly resembles boiling molasses. The clever fingers of the cook twist it above the flame. Lying on his side comfortably, he takes the pipe in his left hand.

When the engagement was broken with no word said in explanation on either side, gossip ran riot—nor were there lacking shrewd folk to rote that the break came just a week later than Miss Barbara Grahame's return to the old home.

besides it had been known always that she had really loved but two things—her brother John's memory and her own way, though it had pleased her to imagine herself devoted to her nephew.

Captain John Grahame, the elder, had not died in battle, albeit he slept well to the head of the cemetery's warder. He had come home from the long fighting with a bullet in his chest, but had grown within a year of peace so much his old self, handsome, hearty, sunny-tempered.

There is nothing but a quiet harmony of all things—until the next morning.

PEGGY'S ENGAGEMENT.

In the olden days and golden, folk held the rose a flower of silence, wisely discreet as to all which came within its kin.

"She was not of the strong today; her old enemy had her hand and fast in his clutches. It she walked at all, it was by the help of crutch and cane, and she was nervously sensitive about appearing thus in public."

"Do you know, I am as certain as can be she is at the bottom of that," the third said, nodding faintly toward the place where Peggy and Captain Grahame, in unlooked for encounter, were saluting each other with elaborate if tremulous indifference.

"Oh! that couldn't be! Why! Barbara could not hang a rag of objection anywhere about Peggy. She has grown up here—we know all that is to be known of her—her mother is the loveliest, sweet lady, and her grandfather almost the richest and quite the best man in the village."

When young Captain Grahame got home to his delayed dinner he found his aunt in wait for him with a most unusual look in her eyes. She trembled all over, too, and there was an odd break in her voice as she bade him sit beside her so she might take his hand.

"John, I am a wicked woman; I have brought sorrow to one who is—but listen! I did go to the cemetery to day; after all the crowd had gone I wanted to touch your father's shaft and read his name on it, and the names of all the battles he fought in. I was just coming to it, st if, hobbling, a bent and withered old woman—when I saw a vision, something white, with the motion of the wind. It ran and knelt by my dear grave, softly kissed some royal roses, touched the blossoms to your father's name, and hid them in the greenery about the shaft."

"It was not wholly you," John said wretchedly. "I had too little patience. I raved when I should have soothed her; told her she did not care for me, if she would let scruples of her father's memory, or anything come between us—"

"You have no time to waste recalling folly," Miss Barbara said severely. "I shall never forgive you if you do not go to her at once, and fetch her here, that I may ask her pardon."

"Blither! We had a fine bit of realism at the theater last night. Blitherer—Really, I didn't notice it. Blither—Why, the applause was genuine."



ROCKERS

We have a great variety of Rockers from \$3.50 up to \$30. Manchester Robertson & Allison, St. John.

married again. Then Miss Barbara adopted little John, saying grimly as she took him upon her knee: "John you are never to forget it is through the wickedness of those rebels you are fatherless, and worse than motherless."

heat. The poor lad was no staid. He felt himself colored, and for a minute saw all things blurred and dim, because, forsooth, a young creature who did not come up to his shoulder had waved her hand at him and flung him a rose from the cluster on her breast.

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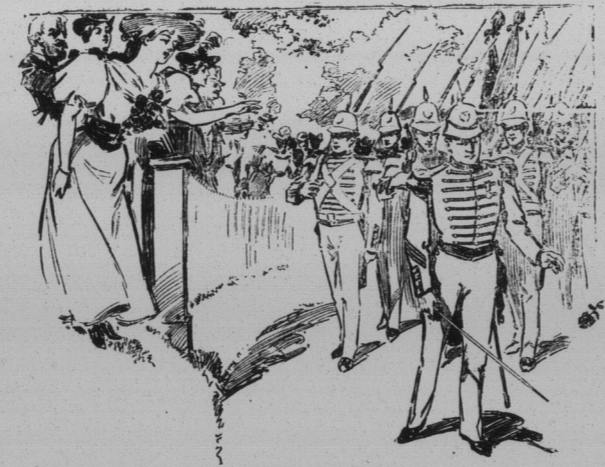
WOMEN'S DRESS IN ICELAND. The common working dress of the Icelandic women, without distinction as to social quality or wealth, consists of an undergarment of wadmil, in one piece, extending from the shoulder to the heel, fastened at the neck with a button or clasp, with petticoat of white or blue wadmil, and a blue cap, the top of which hangs down on one side and terminates in a tassel.

When you visit a family in Iceland you must kiss each member according to their age or rank, beginning with the highest and descending to the lowest, not even excepting the servants. On taking leave the order is reversed; you must kiss the servants, then the children, and lastly the master and mistress.

Artificial Diamonds. The new French Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Berthelot, first among French savants, experimented in the chemical manufacture of diamonds and other precious stones.

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THROWING THE ROSE.

to her mother, whom he had met white at college—Harvard I think— "Oh! and 'Oh!' cried the others in concert. "Wherever did you find that out? We knew Mrs. Farley was married in London and that her husband died five years after in Italy. But this story—why, it's like a play! Do tell us every scrap you know!"

TOO LATE.

It is a short title for my tale, yet when Marion Leigh walked forth those two words in my ears, they meant to her a lifetime of misery.

Years have passed since then, and I am now an old, gray-headed woman, yet I never hear anyone say them, without a thrill of horror rushing through my veins; and I will tell you why.

Marion Leigh was my schoolfellow and companion; she was not strictly speaking a pretty girl; but when you looked into her wistful gray eyes you thought not of her features; and when Marion left school, which was not till two years more had been reckoned with the past, she invited me to her home.

Now, the Leighs were rich people, while we were poor, and for a long time her parents hesitated because of the expense, but at last consented, and to the Cedars I went.

Marion was overjoyed once more to be in my company, and for the first two days I think we did little else but talk; but on the third day a dinner-party was to be given, and when Marion left school, which was not till two years more had been reckoned with the past, she invited me to her home.

Mr. Leigh, Marion's father was a wealthy country gentleman, quiet and unostentatious in everything, leaving the honors both of his house and family to his wife, who was a clever managing woman, equal to any emergency.

Marion had two sisters, but they were both younger than herself, and at school she was shown to me, and I drew my own conclusions concerning them Evelyn, the second girl was the counterpart of her mother; whilst Ada, the youngest, was my Marion's sister indeed—the same wistful, plaintive eyes, and the same wondrous hair.

The dinner-party was a grand one—at least, I thought so; the glittering plate, the splendid linen, the beautiful exotics with which the table was decorated, and above all, the ease and quietness with which it was all done—no trouts to the houses or anybody. Dear me, a party at a house was a bore because for two days beforehand I had enough to do to give out various articles, and to see that everything was in its place; but at the Cedars there was no such fuss, and we were quite as ignorant of what was going on as the visitors.

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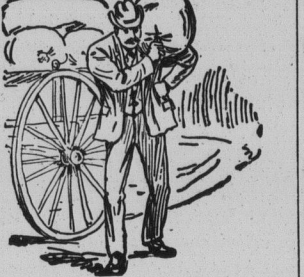
THE EXPERIENCE OF A BRUCE CO. FARMER.

Suffering so severely that He Became Almost A Help-as Cripple—In Again Able to do About His Work as Well as Ever.

HILDA THULE'S TRUST.

It was while on a visit to the Orkneys that the following story came to my knowledge.

She had not apparently heard the news from shooting widows along the coast, my attention had always been attracted to a female figure seated on a rugged headland.



Mr. Allan was seized with what appeared to be rheumatic pains in the back and shoulders.

It was just about the spring season when Steen Ranzel, I just arrived, resolved no longer to keep a still tongue, but to declare his love to Thule, and ask his eye to it.

What does he see? I inquired. No less than that the stranger from the mainland, staying at old Thule's house—a fine book-scholar, but with a wizen face.

He looked so strangely grand and beautiful as she spoke, that the old man cowered; but only for an instant; then his wrath broke forth on her.

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STRAIGHT AS AN ARROW TO THE MARK. B.B.B.

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If the Doctors Have Failed to Give You Health, Paine's Celery Compound Will Meet Your Case—Your Blood Will Be Thoroughly Cleaned—Your Nervous System Will Be Strengthened—You Will Feel Bright and Happy.

There ought to be no necessity of continually reminding people that they should look closely to their condition of health at this season of the year.

The hot, enervating weather of summer will soon overtake the weak, languid, nervous and broken-down.

Be aware of imitations and substitutes. See that you get "Paine's" the kind that "makes people well."

Even while she spoke, she had sprung to meet the advancing mountain, were bringing in the wreck on their foamy crests, to fling it down, as though weary with their wild play, upon the beach.

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NOTCHES ON THE STICK.

PATEREXX AND HIS INTERESTING DEAT ON VARIOUS WRITERS.

Ethelwyn Wetherald is a New and Pleading Canadian writer—Quotations from Her House of the Trees—What John G. Whit-ter Thought of Spiritualism.

When one has tried everything else with conspicuous success he may be advised to exercise himself as a prophet, and to commence with the exact date of the world's destruction, and a circumstantial account of the exact procession of events in that long-expected universal disruption.

There is no Amen written at the close, but the spirit will turn it on. Some of the best are appropriate to the season. We would like to quote all:

By Fields of Grass. By fields of grass and wood and silence The city's tumult incamped around;

Apple Blossoms. Amid the young year's budding hopes, When eager grasses wrap the earth,

October. Against the winter's heart of white the blood Of earth runs very quick and hot today;

Alfred Tennyson wrote. How pure at heart and sound in head, With what divine affections bold,

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Lwrie," like the birds of the air, they are free, and it would be in us insensibility or ingratitude not to welcome them. Such a birth of music is the book, "The House of the Trees," which in its light green garb, and with its title-page in verde, and with the hue of a spring forest at the head of every page, seems to have been a gift from some dryad to him who, loving to haunt the tree in which she dwells, has fallen in to her good graces.

One year doors and take me in, Spirit of the wood; Wash me clean of dust and din, Clothe me in your mood.

Let me wander lightly Through your scented hall. Ope your doors and take me in, Spirit of the wood;

There is no Amen written at the close, but the spirit will turn it on. Some of the best are appropriate to the season. We would like to quote all:

By Fields of Grass. By fields of grass and wood and silence The city's tumult incamped around;

Apple Blossoms. Amid the young year's budding hopes, When eager grasses wrap the earth,

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A correspondent to the Toronto Week contributes a list of words, made up from his reading of current Canadian periodicals which, making all due allowance for the errant typographer, indicate that they and the socialist are abroad in the land.

The reader of The Presidential Address on "The Archives of Canada," delivered at the opening of the last Assembly of The Royal Society of Canada, by the President, James McPherson Lemoine, will recognize that grace of style which has the power to clothe with charm the subjects which by reason of baldness and dryness in other men's hands, may become unattractive.

We have before us the initial number of a new magazine published in Toronto, in evidence of the literary enterprise of that city, and of the Dominion. We intend more particular notice of it hereafter.

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SWIFT PIGEONS.

More Than a Mile a Minute Made in a Recent Trial.

Aided by a southerly wind and a perfectly clear sky, the first test of the pigeons which are to represent the first Chicago Homing Club in the National Federation this year was a most notable success.

The birds were liberated at Monce, forty-two miles away from the nearest loft at 7.30 o'clock, and White Wings, owned by L. Versuren, stepped back in its loft at 8.14 1/2.

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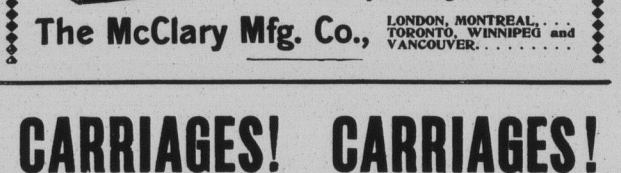
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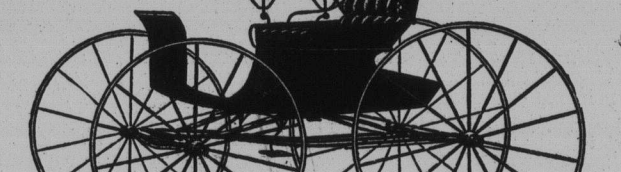
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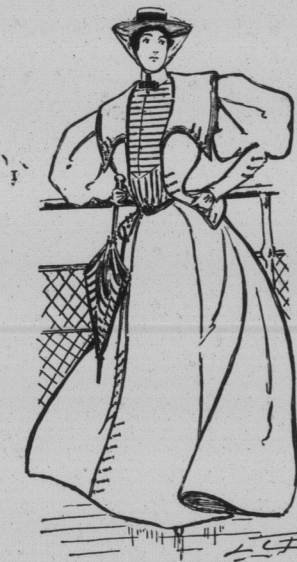
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WOMAN and HER WORK.

I see that the ladies in England who control the "Ladies' Kennel Journal"...



WHITE SAIL CLOTH.

room; but still I do not imagine the dogs will mind...

I think the good ladies who control the "Kennel Journal" have made a very wise move...

The picture is not at all an impossible one since I regret to say...

I wonder if any of my readers still retain enough interest in the little duchess...

Exhibit A, is a charmingly simple and girlish dress of white linen...

The hat was of white fancy straw trimmed entirely with pink roses...

Another lovely dress which was much richer though no prettier...

A hat of rough green straw very highly glazed, with a broad brim...

Of course the duchess looked charming in these dresses!

One more beautiful dress worn by this small but important person...

The lovely duchess is making a sensation even in the world of London...

The best fitting skirts are cut without the godet effect in front...



BLUE SERGE AND WHITE BUNTING.

dainty trifles affected by the fairy-like American duchess.

All the care and material which has been lavished upon the width of the dress sleeves...

that one style; while the large sleeve belongs to another.

The prettiest close-fitting sleeves are seen in the thin dresses for summer wear...

The latest Parisian craze is for tulle, and in consequence the world of New York is surging in billows of tulle.



LINEN HOMESPUN

line of millinery where it absolutely runs riot. Two or three contrasting colors plaited on the one hat...

Amongst the light and airy summer fabrics crepe batiste dotted with black is one of the most stylish...

Costumes of black and white striped silk are very stylish made up with a belt and bow of orange velvet...

The best fitting skirts are cut without the godet effect in front, fitting closely around the hips...

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indulge in a grass linen dress, that they will look quite as well as anyone need wish...

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"So you have arrived?" she said. "How delighted your mother will be."

"Sir Dick was too much agitated to speak articulately for a few moments; and Belle considerably went on talking."

"She called on Friday," she continued; "and she was so beautiful. You are a happy young man to have the love of such a mother."

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"You must never do anything to vex her," went on Belle, smiling. "You must let her be the guardian angel of you, like what will keep you from all wicked things."

"Do—do you believe in guardian angels?" blurted out Sir Dick.

"No," and Belle shook her head; "I once did, but not now."

"I think you could become,"

"Me! I am afraid it would be an angel of darkness then. I am of the world, worldly."

"Oh! Lady Stanmore!"

"Quite true, I assure you. If you were my son I should bring you against myself. I should say, 'You will learn to rob good from the present Lady Stanmore.' And Belle laughed."

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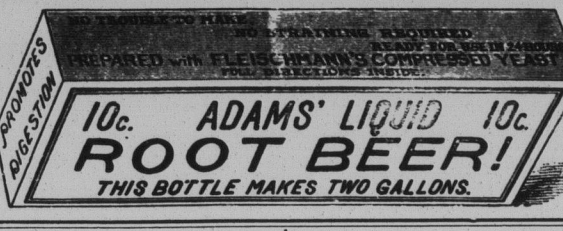
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getting really to care for me," she thought.

"But do men ever care for me? They forget easily and quickly enough at all events—do they have spoils of lives?"

"As she approached the house Stanmore saw her, but he did not go to meet her. Her words before she had gone out to row with Sir Dick were still ranking in his mind; and there was a sense of vague disappointment in his heart. He knew Belle did not love him, and this knowledge was not pleasant."

"But it is not that poor old," he thought. "I wonder if Lady knows more than I do?"

"And when Stanmore next saw Belle he made no further allusion to Sir Dick. It was indeed a subject tacitly avoided by them both, and it was not until the day Belle had fixed with Sir Dick that she spoke of him."

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