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ABOUT HALIFAX MUSIC

THE ORPHEUS CLUB NOW DOING EXCELLENT WORK.

It Has Become a Permanent Institution and is Fully Appreclated-Names of the Club Members, Ladies Auxiliary and Orchestra-Some the Work Done.

HALIFAX, Feb., 20.-The Orpheus club is a musical organization of which any city might well be proud. Its series of concerts invariably furnish the chief musical attraction of the winter. The club and ladies auxiliary constitute the pick of the musical talent of Halifax, and the orchestra is the cream of the instrumental artists of the city. Halifax for more than a generation, has had a succession of fine musical organizations, but till the days of the Orpheus never have any of these attained the element of permanence. The club owns a beautiful hall, with the best acaustic properties, and capable of seating 700 or 800 people. Solid men devoted and intelligent lovers of music, form the foundation on which the club rests. The existence of the Halifax conservatory of music lends an additional element of permanence to the club, for many of the men most interested in the one are at the head of the other. Mr. C. H. Porter, the conductor of the Orpheus, is one of the men who. more than any other, has made the organization the success it is. The Orpheus rules not only in the local musical world but fashion smiles upon it, and the audiences

that attend it's concerts are "swell." Here are the names of the club, ladies' auxiliary, and orchestra :

Mrs. Clarkson, Mrs. A. W. Cogswell, Miss Gough, Miss Lawson, Miss Lownds, Miss Storey, Miss B. Taylor, Mrs. B. Johnson, Miss Wetherby, Miss Tilsley, Miss Doyle, Miss Coxwell, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Noel Forbes, Miss Lewis, Miss Locke, Miss Ryan, Miss S. Wilson, Miss Metzler, Mrs. L. J. Mylius, Miss Neville, Mrs. A. G. Troop, Miss Blackmore, Miss K. Curren, Miss A. McDonald, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. H. D. Creighton, Miss Mac-Nab. Miss Johnston, Miss Ryan, Mrs. T. J. Payne, Mrs Stead, Mrs. J. McD. Taylor, Miss Metzler, Mrs. Tobin, Miss Shute,

"Now wait a minute and you will see the trick," said the barkeeper. In a quarter of an hour a well-dressed man walked up to the bar, called for a

cocktail and asked : "Don't you want to buy a little of those gooseberry bitters of mine ?"

"No, I guess not." "No one call for them ?"

"Oa, yes; those two fellows you sent around awhile ago, and they were both afraid I might have the bitters."

"Once," explained the barkeeper, "all a man wanted to start a bar was a couple of bottles of bitters, one of Jamaica ginger, and one of whiskey. Now he needs a warehouse to keep the bitters and cordials in and that is the way a demand is created Francisco Post

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FAMOUS JOSEPH MAIER. THE PERSONATOR OF CHRIST IN

THE PASSION PLAY.

He Will Never Take the Part Again, for an Accident Has Deprived Him of a Leg -The Story of His Acting and Its Influ-On this Famous Drama.

Many persons must have felt deep regret a few days ago at the news of the serious accident to Joseph Maier, the Christ of the Oberammergau Passion Play. He was employed with others in hauling some heavy timbers, when one of them fell and crushed his leg so badly that it had to be amputated. for a new brand that nobody wants."-San | His mistortune will be the cause of sorrow, not because it will deprive his admirers of any future privilege of seeing him or his acting, but because every one who saw him as the Christ learned to admire and The Imperial Trusts Company of Can- respect him, and to remember vividly, happily, and almost affectionately, his wonderful impersonation. He would never play the Christ again in any case. He might play some other part in the drama, but it is doubtful whether, having been the

central figure for so long, he would wish to take any subordinate place. Maier first appeared as the Christ in

1870. 1 It is the custom in the year when the Passion Play is given to act it on certain days of each week all through the summer. In 1870 the series of performances was interrupted after only three or four had been given by the France-Prussian war. Maier and his associates had to leave their theater of the Passion and serve as soldiers, The next summer, 1871, the series of representations was taken up again at the point where it had been interrupted, and was carried through the season. trustees. They may in this way retain the Maier played the leading part in it again control and direction of their trusts and in 1880, and it was then that his fame was spread all over the world, and his name became known wherever newspapers and

Six years ago Maier did indeed look a trifle too old for the part, but his perform-Imperial Trusts company of Canada as ance was exquisite, and in the simplicity, the refinement, and the dignity of his acting, and the sweetness and gentleness of his voice he made those whs saw him forget any disappointment that they had felt at the first sight of him. When it was over,

choosen for them two or three years in advance. It was thought while the play was going on in the summer of 1890 that the successor of Maier as the Christ would

probably be Peter Rendi. He then appeared as St. Johnr His chief qualification for the part was his beautiful face. Physically he was a model for St. John. His acting, though adequate to the small part which he played, was not conspicuously fine. He was clearly trying to do his best and he was young. He was then about 20, and he will, therefore be of the right age to play the Christ in 1900. If he is chosen for the part there is no doubt that he will give it diligent study and serious effort. But he will have a hard task to satisfy those who have seen Joseph Maier. -New York Tribune.

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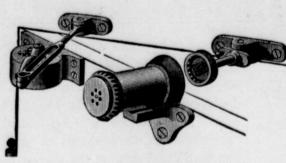
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season, Mr. J. J. Racer, who made his debut on Thursday night at the ciub's opening concert. Mr. Racer is a baritone and has a thoroughly cultivated voice, but there is no mistaking the fact that as a soloist he was not a success. The number in which he was expected to show to best advantage was the "Toreador's Song" from "Carmen," but it fell far short of expectations. There are three or four men in the club who would have sung more acceptably; George E. Boak, the president of the orphens sang "the Toneador" a month ago at the Sailor's home, and there were none at the Orphens concert, who had been at the Sailor's home but who pronounced the amateur's rendering superior in every particular. In the protessional versus amateur comparison, in this case, the advantage was decidedly with the amateur. J. B. Currie is another member of the Orphans who could easily have eclipsed the professional in singing "The Toreador" Mr. Racer, however, is said to be a magnificent teacher.

Since Miss Homer's withdrawal from the club the question of its leading soloist has been no easy matter for Mr. Porter to settle. It has by no means been plain sailing for him. Dangers enough have been avoided, however, to give assurance that the voyage will be successfully made.

Creating a Demand.

A seedy, red-nosed individual walked

"Don't keep it," replied the barkeeper.	Small bottle of pleasant pellets-fit your vest	institution against him with warmth and vigor At any rate, the man is modest. He is greatly annoyed, it is said, by curiosity- seekers, and, while the series of perform- ances is going on and the town is full of visitors, he never shows himself outside of	Our revised terms give excellent opportunities for those who can spare time for the combined courses. Seud for Catalogue giving terms &c. S. KERR & EON, Odd Fellow's Hall, St. John Business College.	It is a type-wheel machine; the wheels are interchangeable and inexpensive, writing is always in sight; has very few parts; can be adjusted to any width between lines; is a good manifolder, and has a light, well arranged key-board. It shows lightness, simplicity, scope, inexpensiveness and istrength. IRA CORNWALL,
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