### ----Music and The Drama

TONES AND UNDERTONES.

Last Tuesday evening the Williams Concert Band produced before a large and fashionable audience their third concert. upon which they were ably assisted by Miss Blanche Shute, contralto, of Halitax; Mr. W. R. Shute, basso, of Halifax; and Mr. J. A. Kelly, tenor, of St. John. Of the vocalists it can be said those present were treated to some rare solos. Miss Shute, sang Gilchrists' "Heart's Delight" with all the musical truth the pretty piece called for, and, though lacking slightly in full expression, showed that her voice pos sessed superior tone, She is a student in the Halifax conservatory and will most certainly develop into a most excellent singer. Her encore song was every bit as pleasing as her first number. Miss Shute received two beautiful bouquets. Mr. W. R. Shute's easy manner and deep rich voice made his solo "Hybrias the Cretan," also his encore piece, real gems in the estimation of the audience. He also was well received and shared the honors with Mr. J. A. Kelly, St. John's leading tenor, who also rendered two numbers, the principal one being a plaintive love song by Watson, "Tis Better So."

Miss Bessie Farmer accompanied faultlessly.

Mr Harold Williams with his saxaphone solo "Favorite" by Hartman, captured the audience and was forced to respond to an encore while Ernest R. William's clarionet solo "8th air with variations" was a musicalgem as well.

The band itself was up to its full strength and rendered its various difficult numbers in perfect harmony and with the precision of professionals. Professor Williams' baton has certainly worked wonders in the corps of instrumentalists and the manner in which they rendered such high class selections as the overture "William Tell" "Der Freischuets" and the Coronation march from the Prophet was worthy of tar more pretentious organizations.

TALK OF THE THEATRE.

When looking over the advertising columns of the New York Sunday papers this week I noticed that a number of good people who have appeared before St. John audiences this summer are now trying to amuse the metropolitans. That tavorite, "The Old Homestead," is on the boards again at the Academy of Music, announced for a "limited engagement" only. This is coupled with the information that Denman Thompson "returns to the scene of his former triumphs."

Whatever the kala-techno-scope is, it is on view at Proctors and represents Admiral Dewey leading the land parade. So it is quite evident that New Yorkers are still crazy about their favorite admiral. Eddie Sawtelle, who was with us this summer as one of the California trie, is also a feature and he is associated with the two Duffys.

"Too Much Johnson" is on at the Murray Hill, and "Why Smith Left Home" at the Madison Square, and Francis Wilson in "Cyrano de Bergerac" is at the Knickerbocker.

Speaking of advertisements those announcing excursions to see the yacht race are worth noting. The great tourist firm Raymond & Whitcomb seemed to have the top notch price, ten dollars a trip, but then they had an elegant steamer and would only take 350 persons. Other steamers made the price one dollar and it ranged from that to three dollars. Thos. Cook & Son had the Grand Duchesse and charged five dollars for a seat and five for a stateroom. But then the wireless system of telegraphy was operated from this ship.

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The season is just fairly opened and as many provincial people are taking advantage of the fall season to visit the great metropolis they will be interested in what there is to be seen in the principal houses of amusement. In addition to those that have been mentioned as advertised. 'The Sorg of the Sword' will be produced at Daly's. It has been written by Leo Dietrichstein for E. H. Sothern, and it is believed to contain not only a hero suitable to that actor but also a heroine whom Virginia Harned will represent handsomely. The scenes and characters are French. Their nature is romatically melodramatic. The massacre of St. Bartholomew is a principal episode. The first halt of the week at Daly's will be devoted to repetitions of The King's Musketeer.' Daniel Frohman's stock company will be there next month with 'The Manoeuvres of Jane.'

The second opera of the season at the American will be 'Romeo and Juliet, which was one of last winter's agreeable productions by the Castle Square Company and which, in view of the stronger organzstion and extended facilities, can hardly fail to be a good revival. The alternating casts name the best favorites, and none of them can be worn in voice or waned in vim so soon after the summer's rest.

Shakespeare will get attention [at the Grand Opera House. 'The Winter's Tale' will be performed with Kathryn Kidder as Hermoine and Perdita, Charles B. Hanford as Leontes, and Louis James as Autolycus. These are players of experience and ability and their efforts should be not only worthy but what is more to the purpose, entertaining as well. They will figure, on various nights of the nights of the week in 'Macbeth,' 'The Rivals' and The School for Scandal.'

The Harlem Opera House will have for a week or so 'Because She Loved Him So.' This is the first visit of the farce to New Square last winter. Most of the players of the original cast are still with it. J. E. Dodson is again the quiet old man, and Annie Irish the jealous young wife who objects to three yellow hairs on her husband's coat.

The weekly change at the Star will bring 'Through the Breakers' to that house. It is a melodrama with a full supply of thrilling rescues and almost lots of things which are prevented just in the nick of time. The scenery is said to be the required quality and with a sufficient amount of changes. It is imported from England, where the most exciting examples of this kind of stage entertainment are made.

Henry Miller and "The Only Way" will finish their stay at the Herald Square next Saturday night. On the following Monday they will move to the Garden, to remain until Richard Mansfield occupies that stage in November. A week from to morrow Zangwill's "Children of the Ghetto" will come to the Herald Square.

Anthony Pope's "Rupert of Hentzau" will leave the Garden a week from tomorrow night. People who have seen James K. Hackett in "The Prisoner of Zenda" find him interesting in this sequel. It is an entertaining example of the slightly subdued melodrama which nowadays goes by the name of romantic drama, and therefore is considered possible in a Broadway theatre.

In a few more nights and "My Innocent Boy" with Otis Harlan will vacate the Garrick. The excellent though slight character sketch given by Ada Deaves in the second act is not the least amusing portion of the piece. A week from to morrow night Louis Mann and Clara Lipman will occupy this stage with a new three-act farce called 'The Girl in the Barracks."

Francis Wilson in "Cyrano de Bergerac," with its good music by Victor Herbert, has this week left at the Knickerbocker. Next the Empire company will \$1,000. One of the most sought after come for a fortnight's stay in "Lord and Lady Algy." This will give New Yorkers another opportunity to see Jessie Millward in one of her best characterizations and William Faversham in one of his most po-

A week and "The Girl From Maxim's" will leave the Criterion to make room for the less sportive "Barbara Freitchie" and Julia Marlowe. Before this latest work of Clyde Fitch is shown to New Yorkers, the current French farce will have reached its fiftieth performance on Oct. 17.

Another play to announce its farewell to New York is "The Ghetto" at the Broadway. This drama with its exceptionally take its place with a translation from the French, "More Than Queen." Afterward, her assumption of the role of Hamlet will be seen.



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If you want to exchange a hundred dollar bill for cents you would get ten good large bags full of coppers. Nickels and copper coins have no mint marks, neither have coins issued at the Philadelphia mint. Collectors often pay high prices for coins bearing certain mint marks which otherwise would not have been worth more than their face value

The first United States struck for circulation bear the date 1793. They are of six varieties and are valued at \$2.50 to

Very rare are the New York doubloons coined in 1787 of which only five are known to exist. On one side of this rare and curious coin is a picture of the sun rising over a mountain surrounded by the legend 'Nova Eboraca Columbia Excelsior.' Below is the name of the designer. Brasher.' The other side has the original form of the national motto, 'Unum E Plurbus.' There is an heraldic eagle on one wing on which are the letters 'E. B.' the the designer's initials. These coins are worth about \$500. The last sold brought \$527. It had belonged to an old Maryland family ever since it was coined.

The five dollar gold piece of 1822 is rare coin. At one time only two were said to be in existence; one in the Philadelphia mint, the other in Boston, but a third was picked up in a New York money changer's shop a few years ago.

'I was afraid at first that it might be a counterfeit,' said the collector of coins who happened to spy it. The man was so de lighted to secure it that before leaving the shop he bought several other coins which he didn't want. He paid only \$6 for it. The same day he received an offer of \$250; later \$450 was offered by another gentleman; \$600 by another one, but the gentleman, at last accounts, was holding it for

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About nine years ago a silver shekel was found in Texas which dates back to 142 B C Its intrinsic value is about 50 cents; its value to collectors \$5 000.

One of the earliest known coins is didrachm of ancient Aegina, coined about 700 B. C. Its intrinsic value is about 30 cents; its market value \$7.

The coins spoken of in the bible are shekels which were of silver: the widow's mite, the tribute penny and the 'Judea capta,' the bronze coin struck by the Emperor Titus to commemorate the destruction of Jerusalem.

In Japan coins are generally of iron, and in Siam they are chiefly of porcelain. Whale's teeth form the coinage of the Fiji Islands. They are painted white and red, the red teeth being worth about twenty times as much as the white. These teeth are worn as a necklace instead of carried in a pocketbook.

The entire collection of coins and medals in the British Museum consists of 250,000 specimens, and is one of the finest in the world. At the Philadelphia Mint is a good collection of American coins, but the government only allows it \$300 a year to buy coins with. The British Government spends \$5,000 a year.

# Words From the Heart

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'And it was a comfortable house, I tell you everything just as slick and nice as could be; people of means, and people who knew how to live, and who lived happily; pooty things all around, and showing so you could tell that the folks had 'em there cause they liked 'em; not just for show And the silver was what you might have expected in a house like that. It was solid and good and handsome, and at the same time kind o' chubby; that is, it was inclined to be sort of stoutish, rather than tall and slender. It locked good humored and cheerful, somehow, and it suited me right down to the ground.

'I got that stuff together and it made a pretty heavy sort of a sack. And then I stopped right there. I knew the house was empty, well enough, but I wasn't taking any chances at all; I might have struck a good trade up stairs, but I'd struck a good one down, sure; and it seemed as though it would be a blunder to take one chance in a million of spoiling the good thing I'd got by reaching after more, and so I just went away and went bome; and I got there. with all that stuff, almost as soon as I'd have got to the house that I'd set out to go to, as if I'd gone there. My folks was away, like they was out of that house I'd just come from, and baby like I spread the silver out on a table in a room downstairs and looked at it and then left it there and went to bed. I woke up in the morning thinking of it, and came down to look at it again, and it wasn't there; it was gone, to the last spoon; and a latch shoved back from a window, showed how.

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