Music and The Drama

The concert held in Carleton last Friday in aid of the Transvaal contingent fund was very successful and quite a neat sum realized. From an artistic standpoint the entertainment was most enjoyable.

TONES AND UNDERTONES.

Practices for Iolanthe have begun in this city by the amateurs and an excellent performance of the pretty opera is antici

The Soldiers' Wives League will hold a concert the middle of next month. The programme which contains some good attractions will be announced later.

Byron Tapley has dedicated his latest musical production, a new and tuneful march, to the boys of the Canadian contingent. The march is bright and pretty and Mr. Tapley is to be congratulated upon it

Nellie Melba's recent appearance in Vienna was a most complete triumph.

Grace Cameron is scoring a pronounced success in prima donna roles with the Bos-Martin Simonsen the operatic impre-

sario, committed suicide in Melbourne, Australia, recently. William McLaughlin, the basso, is in

Paris where he is studying with a view to appearance in grand opera. Marietta Piccolomini a famons prima

dorma of half a century ago died in absolute want in Florenna a few days ago Reginald DeKoven and Harry R. Smith

are at work upon a new comic opera, Maid Marian a sequel to Robin Hood. Puccini's new opera, Tosca, was produced on Jan. 14, in Rome, and is re

ported to have won a remarkable triumph. Victor Capoul sailed from New York last Thursday to assume the position of director of the Paris opera with M. Gail-

hard. Masssenet's Herodiade will be sung for the first time in America in New York in a few weeks with Calve and Signor Scotti in the leads.

Myra Morella, a prominent and accomplished operatic prima donna, died in Florida last week, hither she had gone to regain her health.

Kirke La Shelle's new comic opera, Princess Chic, was given its initial production at Washington recently and was most favorably received.

Frank Daniels has just closed a successful metropolitan engagement and will spend the next two years on the Pacific coast and intermediate territory.

The Robinson Comic Opera Co., whose charming performances attracted large audiences during their recent visit to this city are touring the eastern states.

Adele Ritchie, of The Three Little Lambs, had to give up in the middle of a performance the other evening at the Fifth Avenue theatre, N. Y. her voice failing her entirely owing to a severe cold.

Maurice Farkoa the famous English light opera singer arrived in America last Wednesday. Mr. Farkoa, made a decided hit in New York a few years ago in An Artists Model. His present visit is for the purpose of appearing in concert and private entertainments.

John Albert, the renowned maker of violins died at his home in Philadelphia a tew days ago. His reputation was world wide and his instruments were "said to be the best since the time of Stradirarins. Violins of his making found favor in the yes of Remenyi, Joachim, Strauss and Ole eBull and few years ago he was commis soned by Patti to make her a quartette of instruments. This is called the Pati-Nicolini quarette and is kept for privateuse. Other of his violins are owned by the most famous musicians of the day.

TALK OF THE THEATRE.

Today closes the fifth week of the Val entine Stock company's engagement in this city, and the interest in, and attendance at their excellent performances is on the increase, a pleasant testimony to their merit as players and their popularity, as men and women. The School for Scandal was given the latter part of last week and though it was appropriately and beautifully costumed and superbly staged, there

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were several weak spots in the performance that almost overshadowed the smooth and finished work of several members of the cast. Miss Boostelle, Miss Kate Blanche, Mr. Mawson and Mr. Evans sustained their respective roles in a very praiseworthy manner, in fact the last mentioned gentleman is entitled to more than ordinary praise for his Crabtree. It was an excellent piece of work and won for Mr. Evans much warm praise from those who saw the School For Scandal. The beginning of this week Romeo and Juliet was played and later The Lost Paradise. In response to a very general request The Taming of The Shrew will be the matinee bill today.

Next week the company will present A Parisian Romance made famous by Richard Mansfield for three performances and a Wednesday matinee and later on Camille will be given.

A friend in New York writing this department says: "Last Monday night I went to see Ben Hur at the Broadway. don't know just whether I was pleased or disappointed. The scenery was magnificent, the choruses were grand and the costumes of a very spectacular nature but as a play it was nothing. Sketchy incoherent and without any interest whatever. The acting too was far from being what it could have been and some of them were as bad as bad could be and right in New York too. But you can see bad acting there without going out of your way. Morgan played Ben Hur. He is one of my favorites but he seemed to me to suggest a very modern young man wandering about in ancient dress and not to even suggest the Ben Hur of the book, but I suppose I wanted too much."

On Land or Sea has closed as the result of a very bad season.

Emmett Corrigan has been engaged to play the part of Ben Hur for two years.

Rose Coghlan in The White Heather is receiving a splendid reception in the west.

Isabel Evesson has won decided success as Claire Taupin, the leading role in In Paradise.

Modjeska will present her new play York the last of next month.

Clarence T. Arpen is playing General Hulsen in Lewis Morrison's Frederick the Great, booked to appear here in March.

Katherine Rober, a clever actress who was a favorite during her visits to this city is meeting with success in Massachusetts.

Victory Bateman will originate the title role in Samuel Blairs forthcoming melodramatic production, The Augel of The

Adelaide Mann who was here with Harkins last season, has left the Why Smith Left Home, company and is at present disengaged.

Maud Granger sustained severe Injuries by falling through an open stage trap at Waterloo, Iowa last week during a performance of Mlle. Fife.

Ada Rehan will begin a short starring tour on March 12, in Baltimore, presenting a repertoire of plays in which she has been seen in New York.

Edward J. Morgan, it is said, will play Lacrtes, to the Hamlet of E. H Sothern and the Ophelia of Virginia Harned in New York in the spring.

Alida Cortelyon played Emelia in Othello and the Queen in Hamlet, in Wilson Barretts recent revivals in London and was highly praised for her impersonations.

Marion Crawfords new story in a dramatization of which Viola Allen is to star next season, will shortly make its appearance in serial form in MacMillans new magazine.

Sidney Chidley a scenic artist of fame died this month in San Francisco. His name is familiar to St. John theatre goers, adorning as it does the curtain of the opera house stage.

Grace George will make her debut as a star in New York on Feb. 3, in a play adapted from the French, originally called Man and Wife but now christened the Countess Chiffon.

Jack Tucker and Eva Williams, who made a big hit here two years ago, have gone permanently into vaudeville, and are among the most prominent artists in that branch of the profession.

Thomas E. Shea, whose success in the Man-of-War's-Man here two or three seasons ago will be remembered is playing Ohio at present. He recently lost his only child who died in New York after a ten weeks illness.

In the death of Felix Morris which occurred two weeks ago to day after a very brief illness the American stage loses one of its greatest and most popular actors. Twenty years ago Morris was a favorite in Halifax and it was during an engagethere in 1879 he met and married Florence Wood a former member of Augustin

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Daly's original company. His wife and two daughters survive him.

The Broadhurst Brothers have secured the rights for The Man From Mexico, H. A Du Souchets successful comedy made fam ous by Willie Collier and will send out strong company with it next season.

The London Theatres are having a hard time just now. The Transvaal war has temporarily suspended the public taste for playgoing, and the losses on Theatrical ventures are likely to continue as long as the war lasts.

Gertrude Whitty, wife of Tom Wise an old St. John favorite, and herself well known in this city, plays the role of Madame Pettipont in The Girl from Maxims. She has quite recovered from a recent illness.

Mrs. Richard Mansfield (Beatrice Cameron) reappeared, on Jan. 8th, for a single performance after a long absence from the stage, being seen as Regina in Arms and The Man, with Mr. Mansfield, at the Garden Theatre, New York.

Adelaide Mould, a daughter of Marion Manola, is ill with nervous prostration. Marie Antoinette for the first time in New | This dainty little actress was with James O'Neill's company last season and in describing the ladies of that company as seen in Montreal, in a performance of The Musketeers, her gowns and pretty stage presence was described in this department.

> The dramatic rights to Richard Harding Davis' 'Van Bibber' stories have been secured by Liebler and company and next season Robert Hilliard will star under their management in a play based on the stories and entitled Mr. Van Bibber, written by Mr. Davis in collaboration with a playwright whose name has not been ade public.

The trial of Julia Morrison charged with the murder of stage manager, Frank Lyden, of the new Plaster of Paris Company at Chattanooga, Tenn, last September, was concluded in that city on Jan. 10 The jury decided that she was not guilty. Miss Morrison has announced her intention to lecture about the 'other side of stage life.' Next season she will return to

Charles Frohman recently published an advertisement in Chicago offering \$50 000 "for a comedy that contains as many in genous and laughable situations as The Girl from Maxins, and one that pleases the public as well." The reason for this outbreak was doubtless the severe raking which that play got in the Chicago papers, and its purpose no doubt was to seek to counteract the effect of the criticisms. "It is to be hoped" said one of the daily papers "that the generous offer of Mr. Frohman will result in his getting a good farce, as

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At a public reception to Joseph Jefferson in St. Louis recently, that venerable actor is reported to have said in answer to a question as to "the immoral play:" "If you go to a play of this sort and expect to find it immoral, you will not be disappointed. If you go solely to see its beauties, its perfection of acting, its scenic completeness, again you will not be disappointed, and you will have viewed it in the right light. Don't ask yourself whether the play is immoral; ask whether it is well done. That, and that alone, is the test."

When a clever young actress well known in this city left Richard Mansfields company the general opinion was that she had made a serious mistake in so doing. Her reasons for the step were never made pub lic but it is pretty well known that the actors temper-not a question of salary-was the cause. To be called a "-fool-," "a d-stupid idiot" and "a d-jackass," at every rehearsal is not very flattering to say the least, and that is what every one of Richard Mansfield leading ladies—and the one referred to in particular-have to stand. The latest member of his company to break into revolt is Catherine Grey who has begun a lawsuit against him for \$25,-000 for his treatment of her. Mr. Mansfield's idiosyncracies in the treatment of his people are so generally known and under stood that those who subject themselves to his rule do so with their eyes open and have very little excuse for surprise when disagreeable consequences ensue. Miss Grey says his barsh treatment broke down her health and compelled her retirement from his company.

A Spanish Beggar,

The beggar in Spain has more pride than the self-supporting citizen of another country. It is related that in Madrid a beggar had from time immemorial occupied a certain step at the entrance to a certain church, where he held out his hat for alms from arriving worshippers. To this church there came every day a certain weli-to-do gentleman, to offer up his prayers, and this gentleman was accustomed to deposit a ten-centryo piece in the waiting beggar's hat as he came up the stairs. But it happened that the gentleman fell ill, and for two weeks was confined to his bed. As soon as he was able to be out again he resumed his attendance at daily worship, and as he passed up, he put his coin in the beggar's hat, and was going on into the church, The beggar seized his coat-

"Pardon me, senor caballero," he said, but have you not a little account to settle with me?'

'What?' asked the gentleman. 'An count with you? What do you mean?'

'Why, yes', said the beggar. You are accustomed, are you not, to give me ten centavos as you come in?'

'Well have I not just given you the coin?' 'Ah, but you give me ten centavos every day. You have not been here for fourteen days. Therefore you owe me one hundred and forty centavos!

'Get ont!' answered the gentleman. This is alms not a salary, and I owe you no alms when I am absent!'

The beggar drew himself up loftily, and flung back the ten-centavo piece te the gentleman.

'Well, then' he exclaimed, 'if you have no more honor than that, you can go and get another beggar! I shall have no more to do with you!'

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