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DR. W. W. NASMYTH, December 12, 1903.

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THE POLICE COMMISSION.

The Watchman-Warder warns its geaders to not forget the war that has been declared on the Police Commission, and says that "those who prefer the present efficient and panceful order of things must take concerted steps to defeat the bold design to bring back the old order.' Stuff and nonsense ! We beg of our potem, to keep cool, and to resort to an ice application if necessary. Nobedy is trying to make an issue out of the late police court unpleasantness, and the little flurry of indignstion at the Council board was merely an incident which served to illustrate one of the little weaknessas of a police administration system | ed for the purpose. The spirit of | giving : finish to the ranks next the Gavotte," or The Lovers' Quarrel, which is immeasurably better for the occasion was quite in harmony audience; and the interlocutor-with Lindsay than the one it replaced. It | with Sir William Macdonard's noble | Club mascot-occupying raised seats, should not be forgotten, however, that many towns prefer to have the | buildings for the specialized educa- | The musical conductor, Dr. Day, stood police managed by the Council, and | tion of young women. The papers | in front of the stage alongside the if the aldermen of police orgy days had been men of backbone like those at present at the head of affairs, they would not have been shorn of responsibility and Lindsay would still be lacking Police Commissioners.

PUBLIC VS. PRIVATE QUARRELS.

From some safe retreat in the wilds of Haliburton County, whither he fled the day following the publication of the alleged details of what was really a petty difference of opinion between two of our most respected business men, the Watchman-Warder man forwarded an editorial rile attempt to establish an analogy episode in which two prominent mem-

ishment of these men in the interest of law and justice to all, our cotem condemns as "the wildest demagogue attempts to embitter the laboring men against the authorities, regardless of the pernicious effects of such a course upon the community." Not a word, mark you, good citizens, as to the danger of permitting the pubjustice is at all times ready to punish the poor man, but is inclined to wink the other eye when the culprit happens to be a well-to-do man pos-sessed of influence. That kind of "justice" is un-British-it belongs to the other side of the border and we

Impelled by a consuming desire to justify its lukewarmness in the mattiefr of the police court fracas and its own readiness to pry into and make sport of the private affairs of citius of unfair motives, in giving prominchee to one incident and ignoring the other. We do not prorose to waste space on a refutation of these mean insinuations further than to say with all the earnestness possible that every many-whether Protestant or Catholic, Jew or Gentile, rich or poor-can at all times command and will receive fair treatment in these columns. When we strike it shall be from the shoulder, and we will not pry into private disagreements and give them the prominence due only to public issues.

THE ONTARIO WINTER FAIR.

In view of the obstacles they had to overcome and the success they have achieved, it would be difficult, according to The Globe, to speak too highly of the work done by the promoters of the live stock exhibition which was held during last week in the city of Guelph. They have now a permanent home for their "fair," and, though it is not all that could be desired, it should be found comparatively easy hereafter to improve it. The most pressing needs are a larger show ring and a better fecture room, and in some way it ought to be possible to add these to the existing accommodation before this time next year.

The show of animals was this winter superb, the prizes were wide-Vice President. 1y distributed, and the judging gave general satisfaction. The animals were regarded from the butcher's rather than the breeder's point of view, through the merits of the various strains were constantly thrusting themselves on the spectator's attention. One of the three judges of cattle was a well known Conadian breeder, one an experieced local butcher, and one an emigent Scotchman who had been selected to serve in the same capacity at the Chicago show the week previous. Col. Ferguson, of Pictstonhill, in Perthshire, is a breeder as well as a feeder of stock, and, what is of equal amportance, he has the tact, courage, and capacity to tell the andience precisely the grounds of his opinions. Judging done in this way becomes a succession of object lessons, which serve an extremely important purpose in fitting the observer to be a better judge of animals on his own

> The show of poultry far surpassed any other ever held in Canada, not merely for the immense number and variety of the exhibits, but also for the excellent condition of the birds. The fall exhibitions cam: too early to have domestic fowl at their best. For that one must wait till nature by the stimulus of frosty wenther perfects the plumage after the period of moulting. Nothing could have shown better than this exhibition did the enormous progress this | + J GRAY (province has made in the poultry industry within the past twenty years, for unlike the cattle department, where a good grade animal might win the first prize, the poultry were for the most part, and W SHELTON quite obviously thoroughbred, and

were admirably classified. As usual, a number of breeders' as- | A Podger sociations selected this occasion for their annual meetings, thus adding to the general interest and swelling the attendance. The more popular and important gatherings for the discussing of topics were the annual meeting of the "Ontario Experimental Union," and the annual convertion of Women's Institutes. The former has done excellent service for many v ears in keeping graduate students in touch with the Agricultural College, and in drawing around the institution many who would otherwise never had made any attempt to know it. The union has also through the co-operation of its many workers conferred a great boon on the farmers of Ontario by the interval of waiting was pleastheir carefull conducted and ac-The sessions of the convention of Women's Institutes were appropriately enough held in the lecture

curately reported experiments. room of the "Macdonald Institute," | chorus singers composing the sides, which had been sufficiently complet- the golly attired end men in pairs purpose in donating these beautifu! at the junction point in the rear. read and the discussions which fol- pianist, Miss Roenigk, where all the lowed, were practical, suggestive company could watch the movement and hopeful. The topics dealt with of his baton, and where his eagle eye were related to the farm, the house- and well-brained ear could detect hold and society at large. The del- sign of wavering in the chorus line. egates and visitors separated for the year, after spending a few hours together in a way that was both pleas-

ant and profitable. For Lindsay citizens the one bitter thought in connection with the success of the Guelph Winter Fair will be the recollection that some ten or a dozen years ago - before Guelph was chosen as the home of the big Snow-our Central Fair and Town Council authorities had it in their power to secure the exhibition for Lindsay. That they - and our leading citizens generally-failed to for publication in this week's issue of realize the value of the opportunity that paper, in which he makes a pue- was as great a mistake as will be committed Friday next if the members of the South Victoria Society between the incident he so luridly fail to realize the imperative nedescribed and the disgraceful kicking | cessity of purchasing additional iland for Central Fair purposes. The townbers of the Lindsay Bar took part action now will give the Lindsay in a public court room under the eye | Central an impetus that will land it of the presiding Magistrate. Our very close to London, Ottawa and successful efforts to secure the pun- other big fairs.

WITH CLEVER END MEN, A ROUSING CHORUS, WITTY JOKES AND LOCAL HITS, AND GRACEFUL DANCERS.

lic to imbibe a suspicion that the law is administered on class lines—that Everybody Who Could Find the Price Was There, and the Academy was Crowded as Never Before-Many of Our Leading Citizens Subjected to Good-Natured Raillery-End Man Fullerton's Local Hits a Feature - Discovery of a Local Orchestra and a Musical Director Who Know Their Business-Read On.

Those who keep tab on theatrical from the appreciative audience. doings, and freshen up thair knows ledge occasionally by reading the New York Mirror, are ready to acknowledge that a few first-class zens, the Watchman-Warder accuses Minstre! companies still hold the boards and play to crowded houses mherever they appear. But then, these are professionals, and not in the same class with those who don the cork, explode neat witticisms, compose local "gags," and do other nnusual stunts just for the fun of the

Many years ago-perhaps a dozen or fifteen of those earthly cycles-Lindsay possessed a gay and talented bunch of Minstrels, and some of their jokes and merry doings are occosionally recited at gatherings of the select-"when good souls get together." But the Minstrels of former days no longer snap the bones, twick the tambourines, join lustily in the choruses or poke fun at a gentlemanly interlocutor-they have retired from the glare of the footlights. Some have settled down into a staid condition of business life that almost forbids a suspicion of youthful frivolity; others have lleft the old town to seek fortune or a competence elsewhere; and not a few have gone where good Minstrels go when they depart this life.

But to their credit be it said, the citizens of the Lindsay of to-day love a good Minstrel show quite as well as did the residents in the days when the no th side of Kent-st. was lined with shabby wooden verandahs, Nor do we lack the talent to conceive, or the will to execute. Two years ago a number of our young mea put on a very pleasing performance; last year the announcement of their progrom filled the Academy with pleased anditors, and on Monday night last, on the occasion of the third appearance of the local Minstrels, there was a popular movement in the direction of our pretty theatre which ended only when every seat upstairs and downstairs was fulled and every inch of standing room was occupied. The youth and beauty, wealth and talent of the town and countryside were there, and the scene was joyous and exhibitarating-so much that everybody was predisposed to obey the program motto, "It is to Laugh."

CAST. INTERLOCUTOR T W GREER

BONES

TAMBOS JACK WALKER GEO BELL WILL HAMBLY

G L SILVER W Low J HALWARD SCOTT PATON A NAYLOR C PERKINS J HARTLEY H MAGWOOD A PARKIN R HARSTONE A KEITH J Ross G TAYLOR F MCRAE ◆ D MOFFATT R PORTER W PILKIY L PRIMEAU H STEVENS

7 J LUNNY F LENNON R BALFOUR

R LAMONT B EYERS C BATESON G ROBINSON

ORCHESTRA E GORDON

GEO DENNISON W ROENIGK F MARTIN J Young

MISS ROENIGK G GARLAND

A DAY, (Conductor) ?

F TAYLOR

L MONTGOMERY

J DEYELL

S MEEHAN

C WEBSTER

H KELLY

W HARTWICK

****** It was almost 8.30 when the scramble for seats came to an end, but antly engineed by the fine orchestra. When the curtain rose the ebonyhued and correctly clothed Minstrels were disclosed sitting in formation like this A, two double rows of

PART ONE. The opening chorus, "Coonville Culled Band," was given with great spirit and at once established the fact that the voices had been chosen with much care and the instruction had been thorough. In this and other choruses throughout the evening the effect was greatly enhanced by the clever work of the orchestry. Other choruses in the first part were 'My Palm Leaf Maid," "Good-bye, Eliza Jane," "Under a Panama," "Come and Mest Me, Sadie," and "Sun Dance." The majority were render. ed in a way that elicited hearty applause and won the approbation of lience. We reproduce them here: the many musical critics in the house, THEN I KNOW THAT I'D BE SATISbut perhaps special mention should be made of "My Palm Leaf Maid" and the two concluding numbers. "Tha Sun Dance" was given in excellent | Locale Versesharmony; the music was "catchy" with the conductor in making a special effort to do their best, the result cliciting a furore of applause

Interspersed between the choruses were end songs and jokes and several taking ballads. Mr. G. L. Silver rendered "Down on the Farm," in fine voice. Mr. Jack Walker-withcomplete-captured all hearts with his clever and laughter-provoking song, "He was a Sailor," his makeup and sailor "hitches" being inimitable Mr. Will Hambly also caught on with his amusing ditty, "I'm a Jonah Man," which was well given. Mustar Scott Paton scored one of the successes of the evening with his ballad, "Somebody's Somebody," which he rendered with the salf-possession of a veteran and a sweetness and strength of tone that professionals might envy. He was vociferously applaaded and in respore gave the cute number. Tessie, you're the Only, Only, Only. Mr. Geo. Bell, end man, made his initial bow as a vocalist under the great disadvantage that he had been given only two days in which to practise his lines. We make this explanation because no one in the audience sugpected his difficulty. His treatment of "Auntie" was praiseworthy indeed, and the hunming and whistling

the audience recognized as such. It is not belittling the successes achieved by other members of the company when we say that everyone bwaited with some impationce the advent of Mr. Jack Fullerton, the popular and man, whose song, "He ought to have a Tablet," (with local application) was to open up a mine of fun. It did, and thrawi the houss into paroxysms of laughter. The chorus was taken up by the company and orchestra, with great effect. So that those who had not the good fortune to be present may share in the fun we reprint the local "hits" introduced by the versatile end mun. They were as follows:

HE OUGHT TO HAVE A TABLET IN THE HALL OF FAME. (By J. H. Fullerton.)

Loca' Verses-Now, in our Police Court lately, Colonei Deacon sat in the chair. Willie and Jerry got fighting, And raised a disturbance there. Willie called Jerry a puppy, Which made Jerry mad so quick He reised his toc-about just so-And hit poor Willie a kick.

(Chorus.) He ought to have a tablet in the Hali There should be something there in honor of his name, Alas : The Evening Post

Gave Jerry an awful roast, And it ought to have a tablet in the Hall of Fame. Our Police Court has no terrors

For crooks when they are tried-They quickly take their departure and down the stairway slide. Our Chief waits till they've started, Ther after them does run-He sims up at the clouds above, And then he fires his gun.

He ought to have a tablet in the Hall of Fame, There should be something there in honor of his name

If crooks were in the sky He'd shoot them in the eye-He ought to have a tablet in the Hell of Fame.

We have a County Magistrate, Of him we are justly proud, For fighting and loud talking In his court is not allowed, And perchance should any loafers A great disturbance rais, He quickly fines them "twenty" each Or gives them sixty days.

(Chorus.) He ought to have a tablet in the Hall oi Fame. There should be something there in honor of his name;

On lawyers he is severe-For them he has no fear-And he ought to have a tablet in the Hall of Fame.

PART TWO.

The slack wire performance and juggling work of Forbert brothers in this part was a pleasing variation been incomplate without the exceedingly laughable'stunts' introduced by Mr. W. Walker, whose delineation of the tramp acrobat was a neat bit most favorably and afforded them no

This pleasing number, was followed by an old-fashioned dance that was a vision of grace and beauty and asa specular event ranked with the best ever witnessed on the stage of a Lindsay theatre. We refer to "The a dance of the Louis XIV. period, in which the Misses Banson, Allan, Sylvester and Hughes were costumed in white to represent country maidens, and Messrs. A. Simpson, G. S. G. Baldwin, G. Beall and J. A. Walker, typified four gay Court gallants in the handsome garb of the period. The movements of the ladies and their pariners were very graceful and the dence was charmingly executed from start to finish. We leave it to Apple Parers, the audience to award the palm for

be suty to the fairest of the fair. Mr. Everard Gordon delighted the audience with a weli-executed violin solo Mazzoin's Intermezzo, "La Rose," being accompanied on the piano by Miss Benson. The number was encored, but owing to the 'at mess of the Iron Pipe, hour there was no response. Mr. Gordon will be heard with pleasure at future entertainments. "More Local Hits" by End Man

Fullerton were introduced in part two to the keen delight of the aud-FIED WITH LIFE.

(By J. H. Fullarton.)

We see a lot of funny things And wonder if we'll ever have a The Council of our little town

They spend our money right and left And never count the cost, Or what we poor taxpayers e'er

But wait till the new year, Then their tale of woe we'll hear When they all get up to sing their little song.

O'Rielly says we spend some twenty Waile Storer says an 'auto' I have

Mayor Sootheran says it keeps me To regulate and control this bloom-

McCrea, he says, let us fire the Police Commission, While Cinnamon pats up a "spicy"

But if they would only talk a little Then I know that I'd be satisfied with life.

How happy would I be If some persons we daily see (Would only change their present mode of life-If my friend G. A. Lytle,

Of the Watchman-Warder fame, Would only take unto himself If in our Mayor's chair I could see A. D. Mallon there,

And hear him do the Council members "brown"-Then from Belrose Cottage high His flag he'd proudly fly, He would show us how he'd keep our taxes down.

(Chorus.) If Colonel Deacon only knew his busichorus by the company gave the fin-If Chief Nevison would only do his ishing touch to what is admitted to

have been a fine number, and which If John Crawford was only paid a solary Instead of being paid for each only owned Doc. Shier's pnonmatic buggy,

> If I only owned the Lindsay-Caygeon railroad, Then I know that I'd be satisfied with life.

I'd paint this town a red so very

(Encore Chorus) If the Grand Trunk trains on time were running, If Walter Reesor would only hurry prices 15c, to 35c, with our light;

If our Council would provide us all with candles To guide our steps while hurrying home at night;

If I only knew that Cincimon and Boxall Would only kiss and then be friends If I only knew this song had reallly

p'eased you,

THE POLICE COURT FARCE.

Then I know that I'd be satisfied !

The pantomime entitled "Fun in a Lindsay Court of Justice," was an amusing parody of recent police court events, the principal characters being represented with a faithfulness that excited the mirth of the spectators to the explosive point. "Wasn't it rich?" is the way those present now refer to it.

Minstrel Show Notes. Mr. T. W. Graer, the gentlemanly interlocutor, repeated his success of

dast year. He was faultless in that

somewhat trying position. The members of the new orchestra are deserving of a few words of special praise. During the evening they rendered three or four numbers in splendid style, and Leader Geo. Dennison has since been complimented by many citizens on the wonderful progress made in so short a time. It is not too much to say that Dr. Day has achieved a record for himself in connection with this year's show. His work as musical conductor began with the first rehearsal, and ever since he has been laboring almost night and day to make the affair a success. His energy and buoyant spirit was infused into everything, and to him much of the credit is due, but he received loyal and effactive aid from Mesers. Fullerton and Burke, the other members of the managing committee.

DON'T PROCRASTINATE

During the past few days We have been sending out a large number of small accounts for subscription amounts due The Post, and we trust that those receiving them will kindly give of the program, but it would have them their attention, as we are in need of money to meet current liabilities. A post office of work that impressed the audience order is a cheap and safe way of remitting money.

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