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FRENCH PLAY GIVEN

BY THE FRENCH SOCIETY OF THE R.M.C.

A Farce Written By Prof. Lanos Was Also Presented—An Informal French Programme Created Great Enjoyment.

On Friday evening the "Cercle de l' Alliance Francaise du College Militaire du Canada," gave an entertainment for their lady friends. The "piece de resistance" consisted of a short play entitled, "Le Retour de Bruxelles." The caste was as follows:

Gaston, A Good Man ..... M. Hebden.
Adrienne, His Wife ..... M. Hanson.
Miss Deborah, A Very English Lady ..... M. Graves.
Matilda, A Very French Lady M. Mackie.
An Old Woman ..... M. Morrisey.
1st Customs House Officer ..... M. Holt
2nd Customs House Officer M. Campbell.
A Servant ..... M. Campbell.
Madam Salomon, A Retailer Of Old Lace ..... M. Morrisey.

The following is a synopsis of the play:

A Railway Porter et alio ..M. Stacey

The first scene takes place in a Brussels Hotel; the second at a railway station on the French Frontier.

The plot centres around Adrienne, whose plan to transfer race from Brussels to France without the usual formalities of the custom house is encouraged by her friends, Matilda and Miss Deborah, but is forbidden by Gaston, who possesses a great sense of public duty. He imagines, indeed, that he has to induce his wife to abandon the enterprise, but, unfortunately, her two tempress friends and an untimely display of the forbidden fruit are too much for her strength of mind and she sets out for the frontier, a perambulatory dry goods store.

The second act takes us to the customs house at the frontier railway station. The other ladies evade the attentions of the officers by devices in which they are, as usual, proficient, but Adrienne's too trusting husband has the temerity quickly to suggest to an officer the necessity of making a thorough search of his wife's baggage; his motive is to show his wife the danger she might have been in. Poor Adrienne is accordingly searched only too well, and the triumphant officers produce, like conjurors, lace from every portion of her anatomy. Gaston's astonishment at the result of his plan may be imagined and the curtain drops on his departure with his wife to pay the fine.

The play was well rendered and received. The large proportion of female characters were the source of much interest to the audience, whose sympathy and excitement were not infrequently aroused by the disasters which now and then occurred to the "toilettes" of the actors, especially to Adrienne's. Where all were good, special mention is, perhaps, invidious, but public opinion seemed to approve Mr. Campbell's dramatic power, Mr. Mackie's natural and confident conversation, Mr. Hebden's clear enunciation and Mr. Henson's genius in feminine difficulties.

A short farce, written, by M. Lanos, the delegate of the society, and performed by Messrs. Wheeler, Rogers and Ross, aroused the laughter of the audience.

The programme included several songs. Mr. Lanos gave "David et Saul," by Luigi Bordese, a composition of great power, as was effectually shown by the singer, and his clever accompanist, Miss May Hinckley. Mr. Monk sang well a pretty song entitled "La Petite Tonkinoise." Mr. Cote's "Deux Gendarmes" and Mr. Parker's rendering of "Les Montagnards" (the song of the "Cercle") were also appreciated.

But it was reserved for Mr. Danseau to meet with the success of the evening in his recitation taken from Victor Hugo's "Legende des Siecles," entitled "Waterloo." The audience were quite carried away by the enthusiasm and pathos of the reciter.

The evening was opened by an address from the president, Major Mozley, and was brought to a conclusion with an "Adresse Aux Dames," from Mr. Grasett, who overwhelmed his fair audience with compliments, which appeared to afford them considerable pleasure.

The programme was followed by an informal dance.

The Queen's Character.

Queen Alexandra's portrait, "read" by a "character delineator," has been declared to reveal that her majesty has "a gentle disposition, and no selfish traits of character; great love of children, of home, pets, and animals; is quietly ambitious, a little reserved in disposition, and exceedingly cautious."

The Ontario Churchman on sale at Uglow's Book Store.

THE NEED OF A CENSUS

DUTY BY THE CHURCHES POINTED OUT

By Rev. Mr. Villiers—Religious People Should Get Acquainted With Newcomers and Influence Them For Good.

Rev. J. Charles Villiers preached at the First Congregational church, last evening, on "Bible Teaching In Relation To The Religious Census." Taking for his text the words, "For in one spirit were we all baptized into one body," I Cor. xii, 13, he said, in part:

The churches of our city under the initiation of the Evangelical Alliance are planning to take a religious census, on Tuesday afternoon, the 18th of February. The names of some 350 persons have been handed in to the district committee as the names of those who are willing hearted volunteers to do whatever they can to make the canvass accurate and successful, a means of service in the interest of the kingdom of heaven.

It is necessary that such a census should be taken. During the past year many new families have come to the city with a view to find therein employment and residence. They are our neighbors, new-comers though they are, and, as such, it is incumbent upon us of the churches that we should get acquainted with them and give to them all the fellowship that one neighbor should give to another neighbor. Some of them perhaps are a little shy, and not easy to get acquainted with. They are strange to their new surroundings, and do not find it easy to adjust themselves to these. Even the very church life of Canada may seem strange to them, and in consequence may have an effect on their church attendance. It is one purpose of the census to give to the churches and pastors of every denomination in the city the names of those persons and families who rightly belong to their care, that they may give to any needing it the attention and service it is the duty of any church to give to its adherents.

But there is a need, probably, for a religious census apart from the stranger within our gates. There are many causes, some of them very trivial, and some greatly to be deplored, which tend to lead people away from church life, and to be lost sight of by the churches. Whatever the cause of estrangement from the church may be, the people should be rediscovered by the church, and, if possible, won to a renewal of their relations with it.

However, it is no part of the duty of the canvassers in the census to be taken on the 18th, to assume the missionary function. Their duty is simply to record facts, and, after proper tabulation, to place those facts in possession of the churches and religious organizations of the city. The missionary work is to be done afterwards by the pastors.

In closing Mr. Villiers said that the census had been undertaken as a solemn duty, in full recognition of the fact that no man liveth to himself, that we are members one of another, and, as such, have duties to each other, that cannot be neglected with impunity.

February Drug Store Bargains.

Dr. Grant's Iron Tonic pills, 3 boxes 25c.

Dr. Hobbs' Kidney pills, regular 50c., for 15c.

10c. toilet paper, 5 rolls for 25c.
Violet Talcum Powder, 25c. for 15c.
Violet Cream, 25c. bottle, 20c.
Tonic of Cod Liver Oil, tasteless, $1 bottles for 50c.
Chamois vests, $1.50 for $1.
"Short Stop," for coughs, 15c.
Hair Resterer, 50c.
Baby's Own Soap, 25c. a box.
Tooth picks, 100 for 5c.
Many other articles reduced all over the store. You can save money here.
Bests' drug store.

Appreciated Services.

Miss Ethel Young, Glenella, Manitoba, formerly of Livingston avenue, Kingston, was recently presented with a handsome gold chain and purse by the scholars of Badger school, thus indicating an appreciation of her service.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

Newsy Paragraphs Picked Up By Reporters On Their Rounds.

Chamois vests, regular $1.50 for $1, at Bests'.

A $1 two-quart fountain syringe for 50c. at Wade's drug store.

H. Cunningham, piano tuner from Chickering's. Leave orders at McAuley's Book Store.

"On the bargain counter," Saline Laxative, regular 25c., two for 25c., at Gibson's Red Cross drug store. Phone 230.

The Barriefield Thistles and Black Watch II will play, on Tuesday night, at Royal open air rink, in the junior City League series.

Five cadets of the Royal Military College are in hospital with measles. Not much of a surprise; they are in the ranks of the infantry.

Only ten bottles of Wa-Hoo tonic left on the bargain counter at Gibson's Red Cross drug store. It cures severe cases of rheumatism. $1 bottles for 25c.

The yacht club dance will be held in the club house on Wednesday night. This is the first dance in some weeks, and will be welcome news to the younger people, who always consider these gatherings as the most enjoyable of the season

Held Back By Storm.

On account of the big storm, Johnson and Lewis, who were engaged for this week's vaudeville at the Princess theatre, were unable to make connections with trains to arrive, to-day, therefore, the management is running two reels of pictures and an illustrated song all week for 5c.

J. J. Allen, manager Princess theatre, has left for Brantford on business. During his absence George Hammond will be acting manager.

The pictures for the first of the week are the best shown in Kingston this season, namely, "The Japanese Girl," and "The Strange Introduction."

Pictures for the last of the week are just as good, and have never been shown in the city before, namely, "An Ingratitude" and "William the Poacher."

Rockport Navigation Co.

The annual meeting was held at Poole's Resort on the 22nd ult. The shareholders were represented from Lansdowne, Mallorytown and Rockport. Capt. Carnegie presented a satisfactory report of the season's work and the improvements on the boat last spring. The secretary-treasurer's report showed that after paying for all improvements on the boat there was quite a sum left, which the shareholders thought advisable to put in a sinking fund for another year. The following were elected by acclamation: Directors, A. McL. Tennant, C. W. McCullough, Egbert Mallory, A. W. Mallory and John A. Carnegie; secretary-treasurer, Robert Poole.

Royal Rink.

The boys have the Royal rink in fine shape for skating. They have piled the snow in huge banks all around the rink, and the ice is in an excellent condition. They are to be congratulated on the work done this year. Large crowds are present nearly every skating night and have in every case been well pleased with the condition of the ice.

Special Cash Bargain.

Fresh eggs, for boiling, per doz. 25c.
Fresh crisp sodas, per box, 20c.
Large Labrador herrings, per dozen, 25c.
Jam, 7 lb. pails, 50c.
Pura Java coffee, fresh ground, per pound, 25c.
Force, 3 packages for 25c.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday only. Mullin's grocery.

Was Given Reprimand.

A case of cruelty to a horse, came up before Magistrate Farrell this morning. A fourteen-year-old boy left a horse in a shed on Queen street, all Saturday night and Sunday, and the poor animal suffered much frim the cold. The lad was given a severe reprimand for his conduct.

Ontario is to be visited in September, 1909, by the Pomological Association of the United States.

Five rolls of 10c. toilet paper for 25c., at Bests'.

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CHINAMEN MAKE MERRY

BEGINNING OF NEW YEAR OF CHINESE TIME.

Festal Day of Orientals is Celebrated in the Usual Style—The Paying Up of All the Debts.

On Saturday, not a single Chinaman in Kingston owed anybody a cent. If he did, he was a pretty sick chink, and felt that he had gone back on the traditions of his ancestors. The reason for all this was the fact that it was the Chinese New Year. The traditions of his ancestors demand that he pay up all his debts on this day, and the Celestials made a point to see that this was carried out. The deepest regret and humiliation a Chinaman can know, is to owe money after twelve o'clock on New Year's day. Welcome to the Chinese year, 4605.

As the festivities were observed more particularly on Sunday, the majority of the local Chinamen worked as usual on Saturday. In China, the day is observed with the greatest enthusiasm. The celestials exchanged greetings and good wishes, and sat down to dainty repasts prepared especially for the occasion. Of course, the menu consisted of chop suey. A Chinaman's menu would not be complete without this dish. The other delicacies consisted of roast chicken, pork steak, celery, mushroom, tea, wine, nuts and sweetmeats.

The celebration in Canadian cities is quite tame to that conducted in China and Vancouver, where there are so many Chinese. In these centres there is a great clash of brass gongs, and instruments like tom-toms fill the air, firecrackers and fireworks are set off, and everyone drinks freely of Chinese wine. It is said that in China the celebration continues for a month. New Year's is also every Chinaman's birthday, and his age is always calculated from that day.

New Year's resolutions are made by the Chinese. They take the form of mottoes, placed on the walls. These are for the most part, well-known Chinese maxims, and are not removed until the end of the year. On this day customers are offered tea, such as Canadians seldom get, together with Chinese nuts, and other strange delicacies. It is a day for good words—no self-respecting Chinese will say anything but good about anyone on New Year's day.

But the very first thing a Chinaman attends to on New Year's is the settling up of all his debts. Possibly many Canadian merchants would not be at all disappointed if their patrons would adopt at least this debt-paying Chinese custom.

"Do you suffer from cold feet?" A good hot water bottle will keep them warm. Pure gum rubber ones are sold at Gibson's Red Cross drug store. Phone 230.

Do You Buy Bakers' Bread?

A Barrel of Flour makes 300 loaves, and costs, at the Baker's, 5c. a loaf, or $15.

A Barrel of Flour Costs $4.50
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Hardware.

Captain P. A. Clive, unionist, was elected in the Ross division of Herefordshire, defeating his liberal opponent by a majority of over a thousand.

"Chamois vests keep out the cold." The warm kind are sold at Gibson's Red Cross drug store. Take no other.

A notice of motion has been introduced in the British Columbia legislature with the object of having Lieutenant-Governor Dunsmuir removed from office.

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