

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES.

Miss Gertrude Kingston will fulfil the rôle of Queen Carolina in the forthcoming production of Mme. Sans Gêne at the Lyceum Theatre.

The first pantomime under the management of Mr. Arthur Collins next Boxing day at Drury Lane will be the "Babes in the Wood." Mr. Collins has engaged Mr. Arthur Sturgess and Mr. James M. Glover to write respectively the book and the music. In the autumn it is probable that a new drama will be produced at Drury Lane, written by Mr. Cecil Raleigh and Mr. Henry Hamilton. Mr. Collins has the theatre on a forty years' lease, and has secured additional land at the back where he intends erecting a suite of offices and new plant and property rooms.

The Lord Mayor will preside at the 41st Annual Banquet in aid of the Dramatic and Musical Benevolent Fund, to be held on Ash Wednesday, March 3rd, at the Hôtel Métropole.

Miss Henrietta Cowen will sustain the rôle of Mrs. Gray in "Sweet Nancy" with which the Court Theatre reopens next Monday. The play is an adaptation of the novel by Rhoda Broughton, and has been presented before with success to London theatre goers.

Mr. Brozel, the tenor, has won very high praise for the excellent level attained by his performances in the Carl Rosa Opera Company. It is said that his performance of Canio in "Pagliacci" has not been surpassed, and at the Garrick Theatre he was recalled four times some nights ago after his rendering of the part.

The short series of Saturday Afternoon Symphony Concerts which Mr. Robert Newman has inaugurated at Queen's Hall commenced very successfully last Saturday. The enterprising manager was rewarded with a crowded audience. Mr. Henry J. Wood, who has proved himself one of the best English conductor of the day, held the baton, and splendid work was done by his fine orchestra.

PRIZES AND CERTIFICATES.

ANNETTE HART, of 73, Portadown Road, student at the Guildhall School of Music has gained the silver medal for singing at the London Academy of Music.

HARRIS FINESTONE, son of Mrs. Jane Finestons and the late Mr. Moses Finestone, of 55, Elizabeth Street, and of the Liverpool College, Shaw Street, has passed the College of Preceptors' Examination in the 1st Division, Class 2, in the following: Mathematics, Latin, French, Geography and Scripture, and gained distinctions in English Literature, Hebrew and Shorthand.

ON the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Lewis H. Abrahams (of the firm of Hyman A. Abrahams and Sons, Houndsditch), to Miss Montagu, on Wednesday, the 27th ult., the whole staff and a few outside friends were entertained to dinner at Bonn's Hotel, Great Prescott Street. Toasts were proposed by Messrs. Cox, White, Hawking, Manning, Myers, Goddard and Goldstein, and the harmony of the evening was well sustained by Messrs. Messrs. Myers, Simpson, Harris, Draper, Cohen, Case and Louis A. Goldstein (an old employé). The whole arrangements were most ably carried out by Messrs. J. Miller and R. Case.

JEW'S DEAF AND DUMB HOME.—On Sunday last the Amateur Entertaining Club arranged a programme especially for deaf children. Mr. Charles Simons showed a fine selection of lantern slides and also gave an interesting exhibition of sleight of hand. Miss Collings delighted by her charming skirt-dancing, accompanied by Miss Ethel Bendon, violin, and Mr. Joseph A. Myer, the genial Hon. Secretary of the club, piano. During the interval the Misses Bendon distributed sweets. At the conclusion of the entertainment, one of the pupils (Hannah Nabarro) in a short speech, moved a vote of thanks to the performers. Mr. S. Kutner in seconding the vote, expressed his admiration of the excellent work of the club.

HOME FOR JEWISH INCURABLES.—A concert was given on Sunday last by Mr. Edward Moss. Those who assisted, were: Vocalists, the Misses Hurwitz and Weigel, Mr. Arthur Moss, Master Herbert Sellig; Violin, Mr. Sandstein. Selections on the mandoline were given by Miss Hurwitz, Messrs. Sandheim and Moss; Mr. Edward Moss delivered some excellent recitations. Mr. Alex. Levy presided.

HOME FOR AGED JEWS.—A concert in celebration of the President, Mr. F. D. Mocatta, attaining the 70th anniversary of his birth, was given on Sunday evening last, at the Stepeny Green Home, by the Misses L. and E. Green. The following ladies and gentlemen assisted in a capital programme: Mrs. R. Isaacs, Mrs. Rees, Misses Patti Levy, Elizabeth Isaacs, Marie Green, and Esther Isaacs; Messrs. B. Coster, L. Abrahams, J. Jones, J. Abrahams, S. Solomon, Marigold, Sales, Arthur Elvy, Falk, and Master Wendale; Misses R. Levy, E. Green and Mr. B. Levenson were efficient accompanists. Mr. L. S. Green presided. Refreshments were provided for the inmates, and in addition, Mr. J. Lyons sent a supply of tobacco for the men.

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A REPORTER of the Warrington and Mid-Cheshire Examiner, having been informed of the astonishing escape of a gardener, in the vicinity of Culcheth, set out the other day to hear from his own lips an account of the affair. Mr. James Parker, of High Lodge, Culcheth, was at his work—a genial and highly intelligent man, who immediately expressed his willingness to let the press and the public know the full particulars of his escape from the jaws of death. "It is," began Mr. Parker, "about seven years since I first began to suffer from spinal disease. For five years I was unable to work, and three years of that time I was treated at one of our leading hospitals. I was so badly paralysed that I could not move a foot, and got worse instead of better at the hospital. I came home, believing, as I remarked to my wife, that 'I had come home to die.' I had all the usual symptoms of paralysis—loss of power, inability to stand in the dark and great pain in the limbs and back. The pain was intolerable at times, and medicine appeared to do me no good. While in bed a friend sent me a Northampton paper containing particulars of a case somewhat similar to my own. This patient was known to my friend, who could vouch for the truth of his remarkable recovery through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I decided to take the Pills as a last resort, though the doctor at the hospital had told me I was incurable and should never walk again. Well! I procured a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I took three daily and afterwards increased the dose to six a day, taking two after each meal. When the first box was finished I was able to move my toes, which I had been unable to do for months. When I commenced, it would be about August, and by March of the following year I was walking nicely, to the surprise of every one. For the last eighteen months I have not needed medicine of any sort, and I can now walk miles."



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