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WAS POORLY RECEIVED.

Norelli Concert Company Gives an Excellent Entertainment to a Vacant House.

The reception given the Madame Norelli Concert Company at Fisher's opera house last night was anything but creditable to the people of Astoria. The entertainment was one of the best in the musical line that has ever been given in this city, and Astorians were given every reason and facility to believe that it would be. Notwithstanding, there were less than 100 people in the house last night. One of those present made a most pertinent and appropriate remark when he said that had there been a cheap circus or a third-class prize-fight on the stage, there would have been a premium for standing room.

In view of the apparent lack of interest shown in high-class music, it seems that it would be merely a waste of space to criticize the concert from a technical standpoint. It is, therefore, enough to say that Madame Norelli is one of the most finished vocalists that has ever appeared in this city. Her voice possesses richness and volume really remarkable and her range is much greater than that of many of those recognized as high-class professionals.

Rigmold L. Hidden's violin solos were exceedingly fine, his execution, in many respects, being equal to that of some of the old masters.

WAS NOT SO VERY DARK.

Street Lights Not Missed Nor Was the Army of Footpads Abroad.

The streets of Astoria were in darkness last night so far as the West Shore Mills Company's are lights were concerned. No one will claim that it was as convenient for pedestrians at certain points without the lights as with them but any fair-minded citizen will admit at the same time that the absence of the lights in general was hardly noticed.

At the hour of writing, 4 a. m. this morning, not a case of broken neck, arm or leg had been reported and the police had not been notified of the presence of a single member of the army of footpads that were to swarm in the streets and rob right and left. While no one wants the streets left in darkness for a single night longer than is absolutely necessary, everybody will agree that the great bogle built up about dark streets by the agents of the West Shore Mills Company failed to scare when faced last night.

The truth is, the street lights that the West Shore Mills Company has been furnishing of late have been so poor in candle-power that they were of no real service a hundred feet away from the poles on which they hung.

BOER WOMEN IN THE WAR.

Wife of One of the "Peace" Delegates Denies That They Have Had to Fight the Boers.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Mrs. Abraham Fischer, wife of the Orange Free State delegate, accompanies her husband to this country. She is a Scotch woman. Speaking of the war she said that many stories sent out from English sources were wholly false.

"It was outrageous," she said, "that report which was sent out a while ago that women were being enlisted in the Boer army, or would be. They would go willingly but their services would not be accepted. Boers are not so barbarous as to send women into war. If some few have been found it is because they were disguised as men and thus entered the ranks."

"It would be easier for them if they might fight. As it is, they stay at home trying to keep the great farms running that the country may not be devastated, and it is heart breaking work."

"Life is hard," she continued. "Our women struggle with the fortitude of heroines. They never despair. They and fighting for their homes and right must triumph in the end."

"Here we want to enlist the sympathies of the American government; if we could only do that our cause would be won, for all Europe would follow America's example."

"We do not want America to fight—that is not necessary—a mere declaration of sympathy would be sufficient to throw the balance of favor our way. Europe is afraid to be the first, but support would bring others. We want the help of the American woman to bring that about. We women of other countries hear that those here are pow-

erful. If ever their help was needed, it is now and we South African women are putting our faith into them.

"We find here such sympathy from individuals that it makes us very happy. The weeks before our coming here have been so hard and trying that we are appreciative of joy."

Mr. and Mrs. Fischer left their home at Bloemfontein 10 days before the arrival of General Roberts.

One of Mrs. Fischer's sons is fighting with the Boer army.

HAVE MADE A FALSE MOVE.

Conduct of Boer Emissaries in New York Will Make Against Their Reception By the Administration.

NEW YORK, May 18.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: What chance the Boer commissioners had of being received officially by the president and Secretary Hay is lessening in consequence of their conduct in New York.

Administration officials have been following with close interest the statements the delegates have made. It is unusual, according to the officials, for the diplomatic representatives of foreign governments to come to the United States and immediately upon arrival publicly announce the purpose of their mission before they obtain recognition, and some of the authorities do not hesitate to call such conduct highly improper.

From the administration's point of view the action of the delegates and their friends is calculated to stir up a sentiment designed to force the government to receive them and carry out any suggestions they may make.

It is becoming apparent, however, that the mission of the commissioners is more of a political than a diplomatic character and whatever propositions they may make looking to the intervention of the United States in South Africa it is altogether likely that the president will decline to act.

COUNTERFEIT STAMPS ISSUED.

Part of the Cuban Frauds Consisted of Bogus Stamps Printed in Indiana.

MUNCIE, Ind., May 18.—One of the government detectives who has been here working on the Muncie end of the Cuban embezzlements, made the statement that the real steal had been the sale of counterfeit stamps, which, it is alleged have been printed in the office of a printing company in this city.

Thousands of dollars worth of bogus stamps are said to have been issued and distributed to Cuban postmasters, a number of whom, it is alleged, shared in the profits with the chief culprits. The printing office is said to have been searched from garret to cellar for the material used. When Mr. Ross Cowan, president of the Neely Printing Company, was told the story, he said:

"You may say that if there is any story afloat that the Neely Printing Company ever turned out Cuban stamps it is false. We have neither printed stamps legitimately nor illegitimately."

FRANCIS SLOCUM'S MEMORY.

Monument Unveiled Yesterday in Presence of a Multitude of People.

CHICAGO, May 18.—A special to the Tribune from Peru, Ind., says: Ten thousand people, men, women and children, witnessed the unveiling of the monument erected to the memory of Francis Slocum, the Indian captive, and more generally known as "The White Rose of the Miamis," at the Indian burying grounds, 10 miles east of this city yesterday.

Nearly 200 members of the Slocum family attended, coming from all parts of the country. In addition the remaining members of the Miami tribe of Indians were also present.

WASHINGTON K. P.'S.

Grand Lodge Selects Everett as the Next Meeting Place.

SPOKANE, May 18.—The Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias today elected Everett as the next place of meeting. Colonel W. H. Plummer of Spokane, was elected Brigadier-General of the Uniform rank. Mr. A. V. Merrill of Spokane, was elected Grand Chief of the Rathbone Sisters.

FELL FROM A WINDOW.

TACOMA, May 18.—William Patterson, a waiter, fell from a window in the Lexington Hotel last night and later died from his injuries.

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IMPROVED SERVICE AND EQUIPMENT.

The new schedule of the O. R. & N. which went into effect April 22nd, shortened the time to Chicago 12 hours, and gives a double daily service between Portland and Chicago. Train No. 2, leaving Portland at 9:15 a. m. is known as the "Chicago-Portland Special." Its equipment is new throughout, making it fully the equal of any train now in service from the Pacific coast to the East.

The "Overland Express" leaves Portland at 5:20 p. m. and furnishes complete service both via Huntington and Spokane to the East, together with the best of service to all local points on the O. R. & N. lines.

A NEW TRAIN.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. will place in service April 29th a New Train between St. Paul and St. Louis, called the "Flying Dutchman." The train will have through sleeping cars and be first-class throughout. Ask any ticket agent for particulars or address C. J. EDDY, General Agent, Portland, Oregon.

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