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MINSTRELS MAKE A HIT



HE Annual Minstrel Show of the Village employees in aid of the Firemen's fund, Tuesday evening, drew together an audience which taxed the capacity of the Village Hall. From first to last there was not a dull moment, a varied program of song and choruses, two specialties, and a farce rounding out a merry evening. Local people and conditions also received their share of attention and if anything was overlooked in was mistake, not intention.

The program opened with an overture by The Holly Inn Orchestra, which was in attendance during the evening, and the chorus "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia", sung by the company behind the curtain which rose at the close, revealing the usual black face circle. Mr. Ernest Quimby, the interlocutor, was seated in the center flanked on either side by the chorus in sombre evening dress, relieved by crimson breast bands, with the gaudy bones and tambos—Mr. Charles Baxter, Mr. E. R. Ellis, Mr. James Gorman, Mr. W. J. McNabb, Mr. Frank Ellis and Mr. W. P. Murphy in the foreground resplendent in gaudy attire.

"Love me and the World is Mine", by Mr. H. A. Wright, was the first number, Mr. Baxter following with "Abraham Jefferson Washington Lee", Mr. W. E. Honey then sang "Where Southern Roses Grow", Mr. E. R. Ellis following with "I'm a Jonah Man", "Much Obligated to You" by Mr. Gorman was next, the solos closing with "The sound of a Chicken Frying in the Pan", by Mr. Frank Ellis.

The next number was a novelty, a "Santa Claus" song by Mr. E. R. Ellis, with a chorus accompaniment by the "Georgia Silver band" an aggregation of stars which would make the typical "German band" green with envy.

"A Little Blase Harmony" by the Farrey Bros., Owen J. and John J., mandolin and guitar, filled in the wait between the first and second parts, a song, "In the Evening by the Moonlight", being rendered in connection.

The program ended with a one-act farce, "Hart's Pudding", in which the offer of a reward for the discovery of the plot was a safe twenty to one shot. The cast included a New Yorker suffering from "millionairitis," his valet a "good thing" a "slick 'un" and a Bell Boy, with the scene laid at the "Haulem Inn" and the time, the present; Mr. E. R. Ellis, Mr. McNabb, Mr. Baxter, Mr. T. H. Taylor, Jr., and Mr. Canby Steele, filling out the cast.

Thus early has come a demand for a repetition of the performance for the benefit of the Baseball fund, with the possibility of the request being granted next Thursday evening.

Rev. Dr. Mills Officiates.

Rev. Dr. John M. Mills of Evanston, Ill., officiated at Sunday's religious services, delivering a sermon of special and timely interest.

CANTERBURY.

Second of Miss Olney's Lectures Enjoyed by Attentive Audience.

Miss Olney's second library talk—on Canterbury—was thoroughly enjoyed by the attentive audience who last Tuesday morning filled the pretty room almost to overflowing. Sixty or seventy fine photographs contributed their share of pleasure.

In this talk, as well as in the previous one on Winchester, the history of the ancient city and cathedral proved fascinating in the extreme, and many choice bits were told which the average seeker after knowledge would fail to find. Perhaps a better thing—certainly it is easier—than to be an original explorer is to profit by the thorough study of such a careful observer as Miss Olney was during her winter in England.

The fact that many of the audience had visited the fine old cathedral city seemed to add to their pleasure in listening, and several expressed the wish to go again that very day while the pictures were fresh in their minds.

The third talk in the series comes Tuesday morning next, the subject being Queen Elizabeth.

MR. TRAVIS' FAST CARDS.

Rounds Out Record Thirty-six Hole Total in Play.

Walter J. Travis, who is spending two weeks here, enjoying golf, is rapidly getting into his old form, rounding out a seventy-three in the morning and a seventy-one in the afternoon, during the week, or a total for the thirty-six holes of one hundred and forty-four.

In the afternoon match Mr. Travis played the best ball of Gilbert Nicholls and Colonel J. E. Smith of Wilmington, in a four ball foursome with Henry W. Brown of Philadelphia for a partner, winning by three up and two to play:

Out—5 4 2 4 4 4 6 3 4—36

In—4 3 4 4 5 3 4 3 5—35—71

The morning round was a friendly match with Mr. Brown:

Out—4 5 3 4 4* 4 5 3 4—36

In—4 3 3 4 5 5 5 3 5—37—73

*Stroke lost on a stymie.

MR. HAGER WINS.

Close Scores Rule in Tuesday's Trap Shooting Event.

Robert Hager, Jr., of New York, was the winner of Tuesday's trap shooting tournament for the Country Club cup, in a very closely contested hundred target race, only a single point separating the leaders.

Mr. Hager's total was 79, Leonard Tufts of Boston, making 78, and H. Nelson Burroughs of Philadelphia, 77.

A number of sweepstake events are planned for the near future in which a lively interest is manifested.