

Last Tuesday evening two incidents happened in the Academy of Music which surprised many persons and have been the subject of some unfavorable has visited Raleigh this season. Many ladies and gentlemen occupied seats in the gallery. There were very few ne groes present and the colored audience comprising about thirty, occupied the first seats near the stage in the gallery and gentlemen sat next to them and yet many of these colored boys and men never removed their hats until the

But they are not to be blamed altogether for Officer Ike Rogers stood in the same gallery just behind a party of ladies and it never occurred to him to take off his hat until the performance was half finished. When the fit of politeness finally struck him he made the negroes take off their hats and removed his own. The spectacle of these negro boys and a policeman with their hats on in the immediate presence of ladies drew forth many expressions of disgust from the audience down stairs.

The other incident which marred the evening's pleasure was the fact that a SMALL portion of the audience hissed when the company sang in a medley a little snatch from "Marching Through Georgia." This impolite and rude conduct was inexcusable when we remember that this Boston company was singing a medley, in which were comingled the popular airs of all sections of our country, intended to represent a perfect reunion of the States. "Dixie" was the most prominent part of the medley and received liberal applause, yet a little snatch from "Marching Through Georgia" was hissed. Of course, no one expects or desires the memories of a brave but bitter struggle to be forgotten, but all hoped that such manifestations of sectional bitterness were a thing of the past, and would not loom up to cast a shadow on the glory of our rounited country.

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the system of government in the District of Columbia, for Hawaii.

