other side of the world. Mr Kingston, after his sea voyage from South Africa, is anxious to begin work with Miss Titell Brune, and as soon as he arrived in Melbourne began his rehearsals with Mr Williamson's dramatic company.

After the Adelaide season the members of the then disbanded Knight-Jeffries Company will apparently scatter to all points of the compass. At any rate the two stars who have so long led the combination to success after success are booked for destinations half a world apart. Her Tennessee home has been calling Miss Maud Jeffries for some time past, and she goes there with her husband (Mr J. B. N. Osborne) on a prolonged visit, leaving Sydney for San Francisco on May 20. She herself has declared her fixed determination of retiring from the stage and settling down after her trip, on Mr Osborne's New South Wales station, but it remains to be seen whether so popular a stage favourite will be allowed to withdraw herself so completely from the public eye. England and a long holiday are the objectives of Mr Julius Knight, and there can be no question that he has thoroughly earned the latter.

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Mr. George Alexander has told the latest Irving story, in which so far as the "Graphic" is concerned he himself plays a somewhat sordid, not to say shabby, part. "Sir Henry wrote suggesting that I should make another season's engagement with him at the Lyceum," said Mr. Alexander. At that time I was receiving a salary of £40 a week, and the Scotch instinct being strong in me, I asked my wife if she thought it was possible to squeeze out a little more. After a sleepless night I went to the theatre, with my mind made up to ask for 40 guineas. Irving looked at me, and said, 'My boy, what have you done that you should get this enormous salary? Are you aware that I was leading man in this theatre for £15 a week? Are you aware that I played Hamlet for £20 a week? And yet you have the audacity to ask for a rise in your salary. You are not content with your present salary, but you come here as if you were a doctor or a lawyer and suggest guineas. I am determined to have my own way in this matter, and I engage you for next season at £45 a week.'"

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A prominent figure in the English dramatic world disappeared in January when Mr Benjamin Charles Stephenson died at the age of 67. The late Mr Stephenson was a most prolific and versatile writer, and numbered among his works some of the greatest successes that Australia, as well as England, has known. "Charity Begins at Home" the little four-character musical sketch that has brightened so many charity matinees—was written by him, and another and greater achievement, also with the late Alfred Cellier as composer, was the opera "Dorothy." In strenuous drama, Mr Stephenson was equally facile. It is his version of Sardou's "Diplomacy," which is well-known in every English-speaking community, and the powerful play known as "Peril" (known here as "Friends") was translated by him from the same author's "Nos Intimes." Among the multitude of excellent plays Mr Stephenson wrote are "Impulse," a great favourite in Melbourne some years ago, and the clever adaptation of "My Official Wife," called "The Passport," which the Brough-Flemming Company revived in Sydney within the last few weeks.

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What promises to be a very big success is the new living picture exhibition, "Living London," which opens at the Opera House on Friday next. These wonderful pictures are pronounced by the Southern press to be the very best ever seen. Every quarter of London is traversed. The business in the South has been of the boom order, and no doubt Auckland will duly follow the lead. The following is from the "Wellington Post" on the subject:—The managerial anticipation that "Living London" would thrill Wellington was amply verified at the Town Hall last evening. The huge building was densely thronged, and the great gathering of spectators kept its eyes glued on the fascinating screen. The New Zealand public, when it can reasonably hope to see good moving pictures, will always muster in force, and last night proved that Wellington folk were conforming to the general rule. The principal "business" of the evening was preceded by sets of pictures which flitted pleasantly from subjects grave to gay. The programme opened with glimpses of the Creusot steelworks, in full operation, and the people had indeed glowing pictures of the processes of smelting, rolling, and forging masses of red-hot metal. This course of realistic instruction gave way to a pourtrayal of the sad experiences of a hen-pecked husband, the pursuit of "two little vagabonds" who had robbed a hen-roost and a rabbit-hutch, the interiors of bedrooms of French flats as seen by an old concierge, a very curious doorkeeper, and the trying time of a lover who had concealed himself in a travelling-trunk to escape detection in a flirtation. The famous fountains at Versailles were also presented and played prettily in plain and coloured light, and keen excitement was provided by a French National Steeplechase. After these very agreeable curtain-raisers came "Living London." The hub of the Empire was shown awake and asleep, especially awake. The busy streets, with all their wealth of life and motion, were faithfully flashed from the machine. In one minute the Thames, with bustling tugs, trains of barges, or a conglomeration of pleasure-boats at a lock, appeared on the sheet, with Westminster, the Victoria Embankment, and Cleopatra's Needle following. Then the eye would be carried past the monuments of Wellington and Nelson, through the Marble Arch into the Park. The Tower of London and St. Paul's would loom up, and in turn would arrive the places and scenes which are as dear to colonials as to Londoners. The costers, the children of the Ghetto, the flower-girls in Piccadilly, the gutter-merchants, the traffickers in Covent Garden and in the meat and fish markets, were all clearly outlined by the magic tape. The pictures were so comprehensive that the watchers saw more of London than many a person who has made a trip to the Metropolis, and certainly had a less fatiguing task in "doing the city." It was, in fact, the cost of globe-trotting reduced to the tabloid form of a shilling or two. The kinematograph behaved splendidly throughout, and must have thoroughly satisfied the most exacting critics.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The Education Board of the District of Auckland.

In accordance with the provisions of "The Education Act, 1904," the Education Board of the District of Auckland directs it to be publicly notified that Meetings of Householders in the several School Districts named in the Schedule hereunder will be held on

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at the times and places respectively set forth in the said Schedule.

And in accordance with Section 119 of the said Act, the Board has also appointed that the Committees of the several School Districts named in the said Schedule shall hold their First Meeting immediately after election at the places respectively set forth therein.

And further, the Board hereby calls upon the Householders in each School District to send in writing, by post or delivery, so as to be delivered to the respective Chairmen of the several School Committees not later than eight o'clock in the evening of MONDAY, the 16th April, 1906 (being the third Monday in April), the names of persons being resident householders nominated by them for election to serve upon the Committee for the year next ensuing. Such nominations shall be signed by the Proposer and by the Candidate, and shall be in the form set forth in the Ninth Schedule to the said Act or to the effect thereof. Printed forms of nomination may be obtained on application to the Chairmen of Committees or at the Office of the Board.

VINCENT E. RICE,
Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

Allurea, 7 p.m., School
Albertland North, 3.30 p.m., School
Alexander, 7.30 p.m., School
Aotea, 7.30 p.m., School
Aut, 4 p.m., South School
Arapuni, 12 noon, School
Arapohue, 7.30 p.m., School
Atarimu, 4 p.m., School
Awarua, 7 p.m., School
Avatapu, 7.30 p.m., School
Ardmore, 7 p.m., School
Auckland City, 8 p.m., St. James' Hall, Wellington-street
Avoca, 4 p.m., School
Avondale, 7.30 p.m., School
Awanui, 7 p.m., Awanui School
Awitu, 7 p.m., Awitu Central School
Birkdale, 7.30 p.m., School
Bombay, 7.30 p.m., School
Brooklyn, 4 p.m., School
Buckland, 7 p.m., School
Cabbage Bay, 5 p.m., School
Cambridge, 7.30 p.m., School
Cambridge West, 7.30 p.m., School
Churchill, 4 p.m., School
Clevedon, 7.30 p.m., School
Coromandel, 7.30 p.m., School
Dacre's, 7 p.m., Dacre's Hall
Dargaville, 7.30 p.m., School
Devonport, 7.30 p.m., School
Dome Valley, 7 p.m., School
Driving Creek, 7 p.m., School
Drury, 7.30 p.m., School
East Tamaki, 7.30 p.m., School
Ellersile, 7 p.m., School
Elstow, 7 p.m., School
Epsom, 7.30 p.m., School
Fairburn's Road, 7 p.m., School
Flat Bush, 7.30 p.m., School
Glen Murray, 7.30 p.m., Glen Murray School
Goodwood, 7 p.m., School
Gordon, 6 p.m., School
Grafton, 8 p.m., School
Graham's Fern, 7 p.m., School
Grahamtown (Whangarei), 4 p.m., Grahamtown School
Greerton, 7 p.m., School
Gumtown, 7 p.m., School
Hamilton East, 7.30 p.m., School
Hamilton West, 7.30 p.m., School
Harrisville, 7 p.m., School
Hauraki, 7.30 p.m., School
Helensville, 7 p.m., School
Henderson, 7 p.m., School
Herekino, 4 p.m., School
Hikurangi, 7 p.m., School
Hikutaia, 7.30 p.m., School
Hobsonville, 7 p.m., School
Houhora, 4 p.m., Waihopo School
Hoteo North, 7 p.m., School
Howick, 7 p.m., School
Huiarau, 4 p.m., School
Huhue, 7 p.m., School
Hula, 4 p.m., School
Hukaunui, 7 p.m., School
Hukatere, 7 p.m., School
Hukerenui North, 4 p.m., School
Hukerenui South, 7 p.m., School
Huntly, 7 p.m., School
Hunua, 7.30 p.m., No. 1 School
Jordan, 4 p.m., School
Kaeo, 7 p.m., Kaeo School
Kaihu, 7 p.m., Waikaraka Hall
Kaitaia, 7 p.m., School
Kaitara, 7 p.m., School
Kaiwaka, 4 p.m., School
Kamo, 7.30 p.m., School
Karaka, 3.30 p.m., No. 1 School
Karamu, 3 p.m., School
Karangahake, 7 p.m., Montgomery's Hall
Katikati North, 4 p.m., No. 2 School
Katikati South, 4 p.m., School
Kauri, 7 p.m., Kauri School
Kauneranga, 7.30 p.m., School
Kaukapakapa, 7 p.m., School
Kaurihohore, 4 p.m., School
Kawakawa, 7 p.m., School
Kawhia, 7.30 p.m., School
Kibikihi, 7.30 p.m., Town Hall
Kimihia, 7 p.m., School
Kirikiri, 7.30 p.m., School
Kirikiriroa, 7.30 p.m., School
Kiripaka, 7 p.m., School
Kohukohu, 7.30 p.m., Public Hall
Komata, 7.30 p.m., Public Hall
Kuaotuna, 7 p.m., School
Lake, 7.30 p.m., School
Lichfield, 7 p.m., School
Lucas' Creek, 7 p.m., Lucas' Creek School
Maharangi Heads, 4 p.m., Mullet Point School
Makarau, 4 p.m., School
Maketu, 7 p.m., School
Mamaku, 7 p.m., School
Manawaru, 7.30 p.m., School
Mangakura, 7 p.m., School
Mangapai, 2 p.m., No. 2 School
Mangapiko, 7 p.m., School
Mangawai, 4 p.m., Beach School
Mangawhara, 7 p.m., School
Mangere, 7.30 p.m., Mangere School
Mangonui, 7 p.m., County Council Room
Maraetai, 4 p.m., School
Maramarua, 4.30 p.m., School
Maretu, 4 p.m., School
Maropi, 7 p.m., School
Marsh Meadows, 7.30 p.m., School
Matua, 7 p.m., School
Matahuru, 7 p.m., No. 1 School
Matakana, 7 p.m., School
Matakohe, 4 p.m., Matakohe School
Matamata, 8 p.m., School
Mauku West, 7 p.m., School
Maungakaramea, 7 p.m., School
Maungatapere, 7.30 p.m., School
Maungatautari, 7 p.m., School
Maungatawhiri, 7 p.m., School
Maungatiroto, 6 p.m., School
Mauma, 7 p.m., School
Maxwell, 7.30 p.m., School
Meeter, 7.30 p.m., School
Mercury Bay, 7 p.m., School
Miranda, 4 p.m., Miranda School
Mokau, 7.30 p.m., School
Morinsville, 7 p.m., School
Motukaraka, 4 p.m., School
Mount Albert, 7.30 p.m., School
Mount Eden, 7.30 p.m., School
Mount Roskill, 7.30 p.m., School
Nelherton, 7 p.m., School
New Lynn, 7.30 p.m., School
Newmarket, 8 p.m., School
Newton, 7.30 p.m., St. George's Hall, Great North Road
Ngahinepouri, 7 p.m., School
Ngaruaturuma, 7 p.m., School
Ngaruawahia, 7.30 p.m., Town Hall
Ngungatu, 7 p.m., School
Northcote, 7.30 p.m., School
Ohaeawai, 7 p.m., School
Ohaupo, 7.30 p.m., Council Chambers
Ohinewai, 7 p.m., School
Okaihau, 7 p.m., Okaihau School
Okoroire, 7.30 p.m., School
Onehunga, 7 p.m., School
Onehunga, 7.30 p.m., of the Public Hall
Onewhero, 7 p.m., School
Opotiki, 7.30 p.m., Opotiki School
Opuatia, 7 p.m., North School
Opua, 7 p.m., School
Opuawhanga, 4 p.m., School
Orauta, 7 p.m., School
Orakei, 7.30 p.m., School
Otaika, 7 p.m., School
Otaua, 3 p.m., School
Otonga, 6 p.m., Kaimamaku School
Otorohanga, 7 p.m., Mrs Turner's Hall
Otumoetai, 7.30 p.m., School
Owharoa, 7 p.m., School
Oxford, 7.30 p.m., School
Pamuaku, 4 p.m., School
Paeroa, 7.30 p.m., School
Pa Kauri, 7 p.m., Kalpara Flats School
Pakaru, 7 p.m., School
Pakia, 4 p.m., School
Pukori, 7 p.m., School
Paparanga, 7.15 p.m., School
Panmure, 7 p.m., School
Papakura, 7.30 p.m., School
Papakura Valley, 7.30 p.m., No. 1 School
Paparata, 7.30 p.m., School
Paparimu, 7 p.m., School
Paparoa, 7 p.m., School
Papatotiai, 7.30 p.m., School
Paradise, 4 p.m., School
Parawai, 7.30 p.m., School
Parkhurst, 7 p.m., School
Parnell, 7.30 p.m., School
Parua, 4 p.m., No. 1 School
Paterangi, 7 p.m., School
Patumahoe, 7.30 p.m., Public Hall
Piriaka, 7 p.m., School
Point Chevalier, 7.30 p.m., School
Pokeno, 7.30 p.m., School
Pollock, 7 p.m., School
Pongakawa, 7 p.m., School
Ponsonby, 7.30 p.m., Ponsonby Hall
Port Albert 4 p.m., School
Puhoi, 5 p.m., School
Pukeatua, 7 p.m., Pukeatua School
Pukekawa, 7 p.m., School
Pukekohe East, 7 p.m., School
Pukekohe West, 7.30 p.m., School
Pukerimu, 7 p.m., School
Pukete, 7 p.m., School
Puketaratara, 7 p.m., School
Punakitere, 4 p.m., School
Pungare, 7 p.m., School
Puni 7.30 p.m., School
Puriri, 7.30 p.m., School
Purua, 7 p.m., Purua School
Raglan, 7 p.m., School
Ramarama, 7 p.m., School
Rangiaohia, 7.30 p.m., School
Rangiriri, 7.30 p.m., School
Rangio, 7 p.m., No. 1 School
Rawene, 7.30 p.m., School
Remuera, 7.30 p.m., School
Riponui, 4 p.m., Poth School
Riverhead, 7 p.m., School
Rotorangi, 7 p.m., School
Rotorua, 7.30 p.m., School
Ruakaka, 4 p.m., School
Runpekapeka, 7.30 p.m., at the Old School Building
Ruapuke, 2 p.m., School
Ruataugata, 4 p.m., West School
Russell, 7 p.m., School
Swanson, 7 p.m., School
Tairua, 7.30 p.m., School
Tairua Block, 7.30 p.m., School
Takahue, 4 p.m., School
Tamahere, 7.30 p.m., School
Tamaki West, 7.30 p.m., School
Tangihua (Block II), 7 p.m., School
Taotaoroa, 2 p.m., No. 1 School
Tapu, 7.30 p.m., Hastings School
Tarara, 8 p.m., School
Taupaki, 4 p.m., School
Taupiri, 7 p.m., School
Taupiri, 7.30 p.m., School
Taupo, 7.30 p.m., School
Tauranga, 7.30 p.m., School
Tawharu 7 p.m., School
Te Arohia, 8 p.m., School
Te Arohia West, 7.30 p.m., School
Te Awamutu, 7.30 p.m., School
Te Konura, 7.30 p.m., Public Hall
Te Kowhai, 7 p.m., School
Te Kuiti, 7 p.m., School
Te Mata, 4 p.m., School
Te Pahi, 7 p.m., No. 2 School
Te Pua, 7 p.m., School
Te Puke, 7 p.m., Mission Hall
Te Puna, 7.30 p.m., School
Te Raha, 7 p.m., School
Te Rore, 7 p.m., School
Te Uku, 4 p.m., Te Uku School
Tiffaragi, 4 p.m., School
Tokatoka, 7.30 p.m., No. 1 School
Totara, 7 p.m., School
Tryphena, 2 p.m., Tryphena School
Tuakau, 7 p.m., School
Turanga Creek, 7.30 p.m., No. 1 School
Turua, 7.30 p.m., School
Utakura Valley, 7 p.m., School
Victoria Valley, 4 p.m., School
Wade, 4 p.m., School
Waharoa, 8 p.m., School
Waihi, 7 p.m., School
Waihopai, 7 p.m., School
Waiheke Island, 3 p.m., Central School
Waihi, 7 p.m., School
Waihou, 8 p.m., School
Waikiekie, 4 p.m., West School
Waikumete, 7.30 p.m., School
Waimamaku Valley, 7 p.m., School
Waimate, 7 p.m., School
Waimd, 4 p.m., School
Waiokaraka, 7.30 p.m., Waiokaraka School
Waiorongomai, 7 p.m., School
Waiotemarama, 4 p.m., School
Waipipi, 7 p.m., Waipipi School
Waipu Central, 7 p.m., School
Waipu Cove, 7.30 p.m., Waipu Cove School
Waipu North River, 4 p.m., School
Waipu Upper, 4 p.m., School
Wairanga, 7 p.m., Wairanga School
Wairere, 7 p.m., School
Wairoa South, 7 p.m., School
Waitekauri, 7 p.m., School
Walton Valley, 7 p.m., School
Waituna, 3 p.m., Temperance and Public Hall
Waiwera, 7 p.m., School, Upper Waiwera
Wallon, 7 p.m., School
Warkworth, 7 p.m., School
Wayby, 4 p.m., School
Wellsford, 4 p.m., School
Whakapara, 7.30 p.m., School
Whangaiaro, 7.30 p.m., Schedule
Whananaki, 7.30 p.m., School
Whangamarino, 7 p.m., School
Whangapoua, 7.30 p.m., School
Whangaruru, 7 p.m., School
Whangarei, 7 p.m., Whangarei School
Whangarei Heads, 4 p.m., School
Whangaripo, 7 p.m., School
Whangaroa North, 7.30 p.m., School
Whareama, 4 p.m., School
Whitford, 7 p.m., School
Waitu Whatu, 7 p.m., School
Woodhill, 7.30 p.m., School
Woodside, 2.30 p.m., School