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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

Practically the holidays are over,
and the big rush at the theatres of
the colony, which prevailed at pretty
well every place of entertainment in
New Zealand during the past fort-
night, is to some extent over. But a
larger number of visitors are remain-
ing in all the principal towns than
usual, so business is everywhere
more than averagely good.

In Auckland there has been a larger
influx of visitors from Australia, the
South and the country than has ever
been recorded before, and naturally
the theatres have reaped the benefit.
Both "The Runaway Girl" and "The
Wrong Mr Wright" had prolonged
runs. The former gives way at His
Majesty's Theatre to-night to "San
Toy," and though it sounds Irish,
"On and Off" goes "on" at the Opera
House. The competition at the two
houses is very keen, and extraordi-
narily well balanced. It is unlikely
Aucklanders will see two such even-
ly matched companies playing to-
gether in opposition for some time.
As money still seems to be plentiful,
both shows are doing equally well,
but as the Willoughby-Geach Com-
pany is less numerous, it is presum-
ably also less costly, and therefore
may be getting slightly the best of
the deal. Both little Pete Hughes and
Mr Geach wear faces which radiate
smiles as they look over their "treas-
ury returns" of nights, so that the
happiest state of things appears to
exist in the Northern capital so far
as things theatrical are concerned.

Quick changes, fun and plenty of
it, will be the London Comedy Com-
pany's motto in Auckland for the
remainder of the season. "On and Off"
will run till January 12. Then will
follow three nights of "Why Smith
Left Home," to be followed by a
final couple of evenings investigating
"What Happened to Jones."

"Charley's Aunt" did remarkably
well in Christchurch.

The Majeroni Dramatic Company re-
ports excellent business during its
coastal trip. It will fill further dates
on the roads of both islands before
opening in Wellington.

The Leigh Douglas Comedy Com-
pany did well at Wanganui during the
holidays with "Confusion," which was
greatly appreciated by very large
audiences.

Personal Paragraphs.

Mrs Medley (Wellington) is visit-
ing friends in Wanganui.

Mrs Abbott (Wellington) has gone
up to Auckland for the races.

Miss Large, of "The Mount," Nap-
ier, is visiting friends in Dunedin.

Mr and Mrs Richardson (Mastert-
on) spent Christmas in Wellington.

Mr and Mrs Wiggins, Sumner, have
gone to Mt. Cook.

The Hon. J. D. Ormond (Hawke's
Bay) is on a visit to Wellington.

Sir George Whitmore will probably
return to the colony by the Waiwera.

Mrs and Miss Bloxam, Papanui, are
at Governor's Bay for a change.

Mr Henry Wood (Christchurch) has
gone a trip to Sydney.

The Rev. W. S. Bowle and Mrs
Bowle, of Waipawa, have gone for a
trip to Rotorua.

Lieutenant Hovell has returned
from South Africa, and is spending
his leave at the Deanery, Napier.

Mr and Mrs R. L. Levin (Welling-
ton) have been spending the holidays
at Bowlands, Wairarapa.

Mr and Mrs Peter Wood, Christ-
church, are spending the holidays at
Sumner.

Mr and Mrs. H. Baillie, Carterton,
were staying with Lieutenant and
Mrs. Baillie in Picton for Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Thomas (Auckland)
are visiting Mr and Mrs J. C. Wilkin,
Carlton Place, for Christmas.

Mrs Ralph Fitzherbert (Marton,
Tangitikei) is paying a visit to Well-
ington.

Mr and Mrs. Welford were in Pic-
ton for Christmas, staying with Dr.
and Mrs. Scott.

Miss Ronalds, Christchurch, has
gone on a visit to Miss Courage, Am-
berley.

Mrs M. Turrell, Christchurch, is
back from her visit to Rotorua, much
improved in health.

Mr and Mrs Jellicoe (Wellington)
are staying at Bellevue Gardens,
Lower Hutt, for part of the summer.

Mrs G. Gould and family (Christ-
church) are going to spend the holi-
days at Moeraki.

Dr and Mrs Reginald Stowe (Pal-
merston North) are staying with Mr
and Mrs Stowe, Wellington.

Mr Webster (Wellington) is staying
with his sister, Mrs Chaffey, at High-
field, Amuri.

Mr. L. F. Allen, Wellington, spent
a few days in Picton with his people
this week.

Miss Daniel and Miss Abbott (Well-
ington) have gone to Hawke's Bay;
Miss Butts is on a visit to Napier.

Mr and Mrs Ernest Coleridge (Well-
ington) are staying at St. Paul's
Vicarage for the time being.

Mrs E. D. Benjamin has returned to
her Auckland home from her trip to
Sydney.

Miss Grace Harcourt is back in
Wellington, after a round of visits in
Canterbury.

Miss Isabel Blackett (Wellington)
is on a visit to Mrs Lysaght, "Mo-
voia," Hawke's Bay.

Mr and Mrs W. Wood (Christ-
church) have gone for a trip to Mt.
Cook.

Mrs C. Wiggins (Wellington) is
visiting her mother, Mrs Kiver, Tuam-
street, Christchurch.

Mrs. Jenkins, of the Bank of New
South Wales, Blenheim, has gone to
Nelson on a visit to friends.

Miss Laura Beauchamp, "Anikiwa,"
Queen Charlotte Sound, has gone to
spend her holidays in Wellington.

Mrs Michael Studholme, Waimate,
came up to Christchurch to meet her
daughter, who returned from Eng-
land in the Ruapehu.

Mr and Mrs F. de C. Malet, Christ-
church, and Mrs Randall are staying
at Clearwell, with Mr and Mrs Leo-
nard Malet.

Among passengers by the Victoria
to Wellington were Mr and Mrs A.
W. Cave, of Masterton, who have been
paying the Old Country a visit.

Amongst the N.Z. visitors to Lon-
don this year will be Mr and Mrs Wil-
ford, of Wellington. They leave on
their tour to-day (Wednesday).

Miss Scanlon, formerly of Blen-
heim, now living a Palmerston North,
has been visiting Mrs. W. Green, and
staying at the Club Hotel, Blenheim.

Mr. James Greenhill and Mr. White-
horn cycled from Motueka, Nelson,
to spend Christmas with Mrs. Green-
sill at Waikawa, Picton.

Mr A. J. Allom, of Parnell, Auck-
land, intends going on a visit to the
South about the end of the present
month.

Another well-known newspaper
man, one of the proprietors of the
"London Times," Mr Stephen Walter,
is visiting N.Z.

Mr and Mrs V. Hargreaves, Meri-
vale, have gone to Mr and Mrs Peter
Cunningham, Pleasant Point, for a
fortnight.

Mrs and the Misses Dillon, who are
returning to the colony after a pro-
longed absence abroad, were passen-
gers by the same steamer.

Mr and Mrs W. Ferguson are at
Otaki for some weeks before return-
ing to their town house in Welling-
ton.

Captain Edwini and the Misses Ed-
win (Wellington) are going the trip
to Stewart Island and the West
Coast Sounds by the Waikare.

Mr and Mrs W. D. Wood and Mrs H.
Wood and children (Christchurch)
have gone to "Swyncombe," Kaikou-
ra, for Christmas.

The Misses Henry (Wellington),
who went Home about a year ago,
have decided to prolong their stay
for some time.

The Rev. T. H. Sprott and Mrs
Sprott (Wellington) are going to
Christchurch for some weeks on a
holiday trip.

Mrs Von Dadelzen, of the Napier
Athenaeum, has gone to spend sev-
eral weeks with Mrs Shrimpton, of
Clive Grange.

Mrs Vawdrey Baldwin (Palmerston
North) has been visiting Welling-
ton, staying with Mr and Mrs G.
Pearce.

Mr and Mrs A. de B. Brandon (Well-
ington) are staying at their country
house at Pahatanui for part of the
summer.

Mr Adams, conductor of the choir of
the Church of the Sacred Heart, was
last Sunday the recipient of a hand-
some presentation from the Rev. Dr.
Egan and members of the choir.

Mr E. M. Carr, who was for many
years employed on the New Zealand
railways, has been appointed secre-
tary to the Amalgamated Railway and
Tramway Service Association of New
South Wales.

Mr and Mrs Ewen and Mr Percy
Huller are making a short stay in
Wanganui, prior to doing the river
trip and spending a few days at Pipi-
riki.

Mr and Mrs Butt, Mrs Watson, and
a large party of young people are
camping out at Port Underwood for
some weeks, returning to Welling-
ton about the end of January.

Mr and Mrs J. Strang (Palmerston
North) have just returned from a
trip to England, and are spending
a few days in Wellington before pro-
ceeding home.

Miss K. FitzGerald (Wellington) is
on a visit to friends in Otago and
Southland. Miss B. FitzGerald is
home after a long stay in Christ-
church.

The motor-car craze is in full force
in Wellington. Among the latest mo-
torists are Dr. Collins, Mr H. D. Bell,
Mr T. W. Hislop, Mr Justice Ed-
wards, Mr H. P. Barber, M.H.R., and
Dr. Chapple.

Lady Berkeley and the Misses Ber-
keley have left for Hong Kong, where
they will live for the future, Sir H.
Berkeley having accepted an appoint-
ment there after leaving Fiji.

Mr D. Miller, Inspector of Post-of-
fices in the North Island, has been
appointed postmaster of the Wanganui
office, and left Auckland last Fri-
day for Wanganui.

Mrs Longden (Sydney) and two
daughters are over on a visit, and
were recently staying with Mrs
Longden's sister, Mrs Peache, Mount
Somers.

Mr. W. B. Fisher, the Wellington
secretary of St. John's Ambulance As-
sociation, and Mrs. Fisher, are spend-
ing the Christmas holidays in Marl-
borough.

Mrs. Beauchamp, Anikiwa, Picton,
and Miss L. Greensill, Waikawa, have
gone to Motueka, Nelson, to visit Miss
Fearon, and Mrs. Salisbury for a few
weeks.

Mr and Mrs W. L. Kennedy, of "El-
lerslie," Toko, and their son, have
been on a short visit to Wanganui to
spend Christmas with Mrs Heron, of
Durie Hill.

Mr F. Wilding, Christchurch, and
one of his daughters, have gone to
Nelson to the tennis tournament, and
Mrs Wilding and the other two
daughters to Timaru, and are stay-
ing at "Beverley."

The many friends of Miss Ivy Hill,
daughter of the late Mr Thos. Hill,
Collector of Customs, who is gifted
with a very rich soprano voice, will
be pleased to learn that she has been
engaged by Algar Leslie for an ex-
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her as a dramatic artist. Mr Leslie
says she will cut a figure sure in Ame-
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