

people who can write plays do not need to know any of the rules, and if a man can't write a play not all the handbooks that have ever been written will teach him. The born dramatist is one who doesn't know how it is done, but can do it. Sir James Barrie, when he was asked to write an introduction to the plays of Harold Chapin, confessed that he bought a book about how to write plays. But the book was so learned and the author knew so much and the subject grew so difficult, that Sir James abandoned it in despair. And we may reflect upon how great would have been the loss to the English stage if Barrie had ever learned how to write for it.

Letter from Rev. Weeks

THE following letter was addressed to the secretary of the Wellington Amateur Radio Society:—

"As we are nearing the shores of Canada I am just catching up with the very heavy amount of correspondence which the abundant kindness of my many New Zealand friends has entailed. I was exceedingly glad to receive your most generous letter of appreciation on behalf of the Amateur Radio Society of Wellington. We have been 'labourers together, and I have heartily appreciated the co-operation. Your society has been doing mighty good work, and, while I have not been able to take any active part in the meetings, I have been exceedingly interested in what you have been doing.

"Please accept and convey to your society my very grateful thanks for the letter, which I value greatly. With kindest greetings and all good wishes,

"Ever sincerely yours,

"ERNEST C. WEEKS."

Wilkie Company leaves Wellington

SATURDAY last marked the last appearance of Mr. Allan Wilkie and his company in Wellington. On this occasion the historical play, "Henry the Eighth" was presented, and its rendering marked a brilliant finale to a very successful season in the capital city. None of the characters left anything to be desired, and Mr. Wilkie as "Cardinal Wolsey" gave an exceptionally fine interpretation.

Those in the country who were privileged to hear the broadcast of the "Merry Wives" will now have the opportunity of seeing the company in person, for, as Mr. Wilkie says, wireless can never replace flesh and blood, and, although the broadcast left little to be desired, it certainly cannot be a substitute to actually witnessing these plays.

At the conclusion of "Henry the Eighth," Mr. Wilkie thanked his audience for their appreciative hearing, and outlined the Wellington season. He claimed that it was the most comprehensive Shakespearean season that had ever been presented in that city.

Listeners throughout New Zealand are looking forward to another treat when the company arrives in the cities where they will be able to broadcast, for it cannot be denied that the broadcast of the scenes from the "Merry Wives of Windsor" was one of the finest yet heard in the country.

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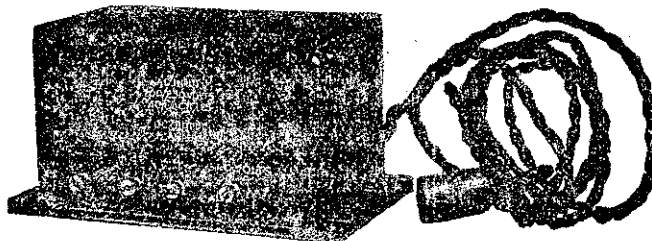
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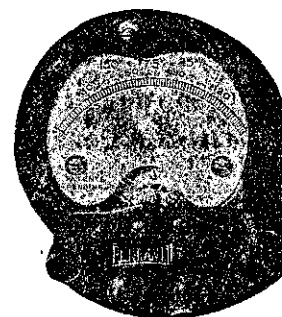
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