

AMUSEMENTS.

Like the majority of its predecessors this season the past week has been a decidedly quiet one in amusement circles. There was nothing at the theaters that proved magnetic enough to draw more than half a house.

At the Orpheum the bill of vaudeville specialties looked up on Tuesday, and nearly all the names included in it were familiar to theatergoers of this city and their owners always appeared here before with first-class attractions.

For the week opening today there are some good attractions. At Boyd's on Sunday and Monday Primrose & Dockstader's minstrel will hold the stage.

At the Orpheum the headline attraction is one that cannot help but please and will without a doubt be the most magnetic yet presented at this theater.

Despite the fact that for the last three months the management of the Trocadero theater has conducted its business in a "privilege" resort in the most orderly manner possible, and the capable little stock opera company has produced comic operas that have in most cases been deserving of praise.

The personnel of the Trocadero Opera company will be changed somewhat tomorrow. William Riley Hatch, who has been the leading baritone since it came to this city, and one of the most capable artists in it, leaves to join the new Woodward Stock company.

There were two important theatrical events in New York City last week—the reappearance in this country of England, if not the world's, greatest actor, Sir Henry Irving, and his co-worker, Miss Ellen Terry.

THE LATE CHIEF OF POLICE

White's Death Predicted by the Celebrated Palmist, Mme. Gylmer. Acting Chief of Police Donahue, Captain Iler and Oskar Karbach, the late Chief White's secretary, were interviewed yesterday about the prediction of Mme. Gylmer.

Acular production devoid of literary merit, while others praise its literary worth. The Herald says: "The return of Sir Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry to the American stage at the Knickerbocker theater proved a triumph for the actors and for Sarah's drama, 'Robespierre'."

As to Mr. Crane and his new play, "A Rich Man's Son," there is a diversity of opinion. Alan Dale of the Journal does not like it, and expressed himself in part as follows:

Those who saw "Peter Stuyvesant" at Wallack's theater recently probably set it down as the very finest example of the genre that has been produced since the days of the really excellent one of the week before.

And just the reverse opinion was the one given by the Herald, which is usually fair and just in its criticisms, while Dale cannot always be said to be so fair in his treatment of new plays.

Coming Events. Primrose & Dockstader's minstrel will open at Boyd's theater this afternoon. The show is said to be better in every way than ever before.

An unusually attractive bill is promised at the Creighton-Orpheum this week, beginning at the matinee today. The engagement of the celebrated Hungarian troupe Military band may justly be regarded as an extraordinary event in Omaha amusement circles.

Another strong feature of this week's bill, it is claimed, will be Joseph D. Bell. He follows through space with the agility of a bird and is continually surprising the audience with his daring flights and dangerous doings.

"A Female Drummer" commences an engagement at Boyd's Tuesday night. A well-defined plot, with a number of farcical situations and amusing surprises run through the play, and the specialties are said to give a logical chance for being introduced instead of being lugged in through a cabinet or other mechanical prop.

Plotow's opera, "Martha," upon which his fame is founded, will be the attraction for the coming week at the Trocadero. A change in the policy of the house, however, takes effect today, and the new production will not be given until tomorrow evening.

It is not desirable nor expedient to enter into the private affairs of the band management and the exposition, but there should certainly be a distinct understanding among the citizens of Omaha that the impression given to the mayor, who made the appeal for a collection, was that Bellstedt would have it. The writer had the pleasure of calling on the mayor to investigate the whole subject and it appears on the surface that there was a great deal of petty spite work on the part of some few members of the executive committee.

John Phillip Sousa's comic opera, "The Bride Elect," will be given its initial production in Omaha at Boyd's theater on Friday and Saturday nights of this week.

"Adam Bede" has been dramatized. William Barrett is to revive "Henry V." Mrs. James Brown Potter is to appear in a dramatic "Under the Old Vine."

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Musical Notes. Mr. Keck introduced some more of his pupils at a song recital given in his studio last Monday evening.

Ante Room Echoes. Resident Deputy O. J. Van Dyke of the Ancient Order of United Workmen has returned from Nebraska City, where he participated in the election of sixty candidates.

SWORDS FOR TWO GENERALS. MacArthur and King Are Presented with Fine Specimens of the Armorer's Handiwork.

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was to be made should have been protected in some way. If an admission fee was necessary there should have been enough ticket-takers to accommodate the people.

It was generally known in the morning that the collection was to be charged at right for admission to the auditorium and there was much satisfaction expressed thereat, inasmuch as it would tend to disqualify for admission all persons except those who were anxious to hear the musical strains of the concert numbers in preference to the "wild hoeray" of the Midway."

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Imports of Rubber. The last year has been a notable one as respects imports of India rubber in the controlling markets of Great Britain and the United States. According to the recent report of the Brazilian consul, Mr. Frank

and the committee has arranged for a "box social" and an elegant time is assured. Monday evening last to listen to one of the most interesting entertainments ever given by the Orpheum on Monday evening next.

There was a good attendance at the review of Gate City tent Thursday evening. Many air knights spoke for the good of the order.

A delightful Halloween party was given by Hollister at his home, 21, Ladies of the Maccabees, at 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening.

Woodmen of the World. George W. Reed of Topeka, Kan., a great fraternalist and lecturer, is now on a lecture tour through the state of Iowa in the interests of the order.

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AMUSEMENTS. BOYD'S. Telephone 1919. 3 Nights Commencing Tuesday, Nov. 7th. Matinee Wednesday—Best seats 25c, 50c. "A FEMALE DRUMMER" JOHNSTONE BENNETT as Hasa Bargain. Nellie O'Neil, Willis P. Sweatnam, Jas. R. Smith, Harry Ladell, Oscar Figman, Antonio Williams and 50 Others. 6—BIG VAUDEVILLE ACTS—6.

Orpheum. MATINEE TODAY 25c. EVENING AT 8:15. 59 Artists on this Week's Bill, Commencing at Today's Matinee Nov. 5. 50—HUNGARIAN BOYS' MILITARY BAND—50. LESSIK FATIMA. STEPHENS & TAYLOR. FRANKLYN WALLACE. MATINEE TODAY. EVENING AT 8:15. MATINEE TODAY.

THE TROCADERO, W. W. COLE, Lessee and Manager. Week Commencing Monday, November 6th. The Trocadero Opera Co. will present. Plotow's Beautiful Creation. MARTH. Reserved Seats in Advance. PRICES 25c, 35c, 50c. This afternoon and Evening ROBT. MACAIRE.

RUBBER BETTER THAN RICE. Boyd's. "Something to Remember." Commencing THIS AFTERNOON For 3 Performances. Primrose and Dockstader's BIG American Minstrels DENVER. BUFFET LIBRARY CARS. Best Dining Car Service. New Classes—New Term Morand's School for Dancing.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—(Correspondence of The Bee.)—As a sound and promising investment for American capital it would be difficult to find any industry in the Philippines that could beat the cultivation of the rubber plant in this respect. The genus Ficus elastica is a native of nearly all tropical and sub-tropical climates, and it is to be met with in some form or another throughout the greater part of the island of Luzon, and even more plentifully in Mindanao and the southern islands of the group.