



# AMUSEMENTS

Neil Burgess' "The County Fair" at the Lansing Tuesday night, furnished a generous measure of entertainment and amusement. It was Neil Burgess' "County Fair," but there was no Neil Burgess on the stage. He was not even in the city. But his picture and his name were on the posters. This is the second time this artifice has been practiced in this city with this attraction. The play, one of the first of the modern crop to introduce the rural flavor so freely made use of in "The Old Homestead," etc., and the racing feature, which of late has become so popular, is tolerably familiar to most theatre-goers. It was given by a company of varying excellence.

Pauline Hall two years ago appeared in "Madame Favart" at the Funke to a wretchedly small house. A year ago at the Lansing she drew fairly well in "Erminie." Tuesday evening, at the Funke, she presented her first real success in several years, and the capacity of the house was all but taxed to accommodate the people. "Dorcas," an operatic comedy on romantic lines, bids fair to return to Mr. McLellan the \$30,000 more or less he lost on "Puritania," Miss Hall's late venture. It is a clean, wholesome, tuneful musical play, and allows of sufficient opportunities for the display of Miss Hall's undoubted gifts. The supporting company contains some notably competent people; the performance was warmly received.

"On the Swanee River," will be the attraction at the Lansing Monday, November 26. Miss Marie Wellesley as *Lucille Dalton*, the blind girl, is a charming piece of acting; her part is one of extreme pathos distinctly sympathetic and touching, and is portrayed by Marie Wellesley as only an actress of the highest standard can interpret it. The piece is adequately staged, and the scenic effects are of unusual merit. The Magnolia Quartet and the famous Pikaninny band are strong features of the play, and no doubt upon its production here will meet with the success it has achieved in all the principal cities. This play is said to be one of the great successes of the season.

Robert Gaylor will present his third edition of "Sport McAllister" at the Lansing Tuesday, November 27. The chief charm about Gaylor's work is his naturalness and the absence of noisy and meretricious devices to cause laughter. His style is clean, wholesome and irresistible. The play itself fulfills the elastic requirements of a farce comedy. It affords ample opportunity for the introduction of specialties in the second act, which in no-wise interferes with the action of the play. Among the specialties introduced are the great farcical tipsters Gilbert and Goldie, the clever soubrette, Mabel Craig; Maggie Fielding, Marie Laurens, Kathleen Warren and Arthur J. O'Brien and Joe Kelley are also down for vocal numbers. The second act closes with a farcical amateur dramatic rehearsal, in which the entire company appear. The final act reverts to farce comedy again and deals with the complicated experiences of the rival candidates.

Hoyt's "A Bunch of Keys, or the Hotel Polished up to Date," will be presented at the Lansing theatre Saturday December 1. The "Bunch of Keys" is an old-time favorite here. The "Bunch of Keys" has the advantage of being presented by one of the best companies on the road. Every character is adequately represented. *Teddy* is played by that delightfully piquant and clever little soubrette, Ada Bothner, who made such a hit in this part; Charles W. Bowser will resume his original creation of *Snaggs*, and the other parts will be found equally well filled.

Thanksgiving day at the Lansing will be celebrated by a double performance of Mr. Seamark's production of "Pinafore," which was lately presented by Mr. Seamark's company with so much success. The opera will be given with all of the original completeness, and with added finish, additional rehearsals having been held for these two performances. At the matinee the prices will be 25 and 50 cents, and in the evening 25, 50 and 75 cents. Thanksgiving day will be the last opportunity to see "Pinafore" in this city.

## IN OMAHA.

A large dance was given last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Carter for Miss Himebaugh and Miss Farr.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. L. J. Drake entertained the Bon Ami club at cards.

Miss Emily Wakeley went to Minneapolis on Sunday where she is the guest of Miss Hall.

Miss Cora Welch, who has been the guest of Miss Hartman for the past three weeks, left for her home in St. Paul on Sunday.

Mrs. Truman Buck, on next Wednesday between the hours of three and six, will introduce her very charming daughter into society.

Mrs. H. T. Lemist and Mrs. Arthur Herbert and baby arrived in Omaha last Saturday.

In honor of Judge and Mrs. Ogden, Dr. and Mrs. Miller gave a breakfast last Saturday.

Miss Himebaugh, for her friend Miss Farr, will give a chocolataire on next Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Burns have issued cards for a dance on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Nash have gone to San Antonio, Texas, where the Misses Nash will follow them in about a week.

Senator Manderson, Mr. J. N. H. Patrick, Mr. Holdrege, Mr. W. E. Annin and Mr. John Patrick returned from their trip west on Tuesday.

Mrs. Will Redick was at home Thursday afternoon to a few friends who dropped in for tea.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Meikle were "At Home." A very merry party enjoyed the evening in playing games and dancing. Mrs. Meikle will not leave for California until January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Coles entertained at cards on Wednesday evening.

On Thursday Miss Webster had a few friends to very informally spend the evening.

On Saturday evening next Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ringwalt will introduce to society their charming daughter, Miss Gertrude Ringwalt.

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