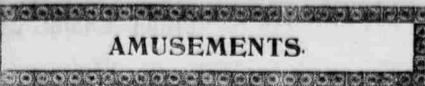
THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 1896.



The event of the week, from the theatrical | never has he so thoroughly succeeded in as well as the meteorological and every other standpoint, has been the moisture which, in the form of snow and rain, has fallen upon this thirsty land and, bringing up the stage of precipitation from a deficiency to an excess for the first time in a year, has brought with it the golden promise of renewed prosperity Valentine of the star. and augmented means for theater-going and kindred luxuries. Possibly the playhouses

have suffered temporary loss through this beneficent visitation, but their light affliction, which is but for a moment, is not to be weighed even for that brief period of time against the ultimate benefits which will flow to them and other enterprises through the breaking of the drouth.

As a matter of fact, however, it may be doubted if the stormy weather kept many away from the theaters. The two attractions presented by the Boyd management were of a kind and of a degree of celebrity which never fails to draw paying business to each in its own sphere of entertainment. At the most agreeable performances of Creighton some of the Frohman plays of past years were afforded by a company of actors, for the most part young and without exception talented and ambitious to excel, who, coming with a certain amount of reputation as individual players, but almost entirely unknown in the aggregate, yet were able to please growing audiences and to make so steadily favorable an impression upon our public that the engagement next year is bound to be a financial as well as an artistic success. It is understood that the Frawley company will both close and open a season here in the spring of '97, the two events being separated by the penitential season of Lent. In view by the penitential season of Lent. In view of the excellent record made by this strong organization during its just completed week's stay in Omaha, it is safe to congratulate Empy's chambers. players and people, as well as the Creighton management, upon the favorable outcome of negotiations looking toward a renewal of relations another year.

The attraction which opened the week at Boyd's and played to overflowing houses during the two nights of its engagement, illustrates finely the unaccountable drawing power which certain names possess and retain when all reason and excuse for their popularity has passed away. Considerable comment-some, as a matter of course, hostile, and other gratefully sympathetic-has been called out by the omission in the notice of the opening performance which appeared in these columns of all mention of the per-son whose name apparently still holds its charm, however inexplicably, for many theater-goers who are otherwise sound of mind and reasonably well balanced in judg-ment. One almost ventures to use the past tense, since her last appearance here—to say the newspapers, held instead of holds-for her reception, at least on the opening night, was none of the warmest; the applause was all for D'Angells, and many who had gone thither thirsting for their annual experience of the "little dramatic cocktail," came away with the taste in their mouths of the flattest kind of small

It has been suggested, no doubt charitably, that this once potent name was left unnoticed here through inadvertance, the loss of a sheet of copy or some such accident. One is sorry to see one's charitable motives, which hesitated to inflict needless pain upon this shrinking personality by setting down all the painful truth, so widely misconstrued. It was a choice between a "roast" of the ime: The old man sat by the bright log fire, Dreaming a long dead past, The sparks flew merrily higher and higher As he dreamed of his first love, and last. proportions which the pretensions and not actual merits of the subject called for and the veil of charity, and one drew the veil, as best calculated to cover that which is no longer attractive, even to those who His faithful old servitor, bowed down with stood by his old-fashioned chair, As he turns o'er the leaves of his life page by page To the wondering menial there. formerly admired. With the private lives of player-folk The Bee has noth-ing to do so long as they keep to the windy side o' the law; especially should a life so given over to ascetic uses as the one now Chloë and Francis, Inez and Joan, Dead loves to his memory dear, But Agnes, the dearest, stood out there alone, under consideration be exacted from news-paper meddling; and if the person in question should modestly stick to the sphere of professional work for which her naturally elender and rapidly waning equipments fit her, there would be no serious complaint to It is when she assumes stellar make. honors, and takes dollars in exchange for an exhibition which, so far as she herself concerned, would be dear at quarters, that one draws the line; and if one draws as well the veil, as aforesaid, surely one's humane intentions should not go unrecognized. The performances of the Frawley company were so generally delightful, and so gratify-ing in conscientious attention to detail, that one hesitates to criticise unfavorably any minor point in its work. It is just this minor point in its work. It is just this admirable completeness, however, which brings into prominence, by contrast, the crudity and obsolesence of the means em-ployed to heighten certain effects, startling ployed to heighten certain effects, startling or sentimental, by the orchestral accom-paniment of incidental music. To point the entrance of the villain by an agitated move-ment on the strings, and to play a subdued and tender strain during the hero's avowal of his manly love, or the heroine's confes-sion of her fall-these are familiar expedi-ents, which are not without their effect upon country andiences, and the gallery sections country audiences, and the gallery sections of city houses, but the custom is one which does not commend itself to the public to which the Frawley company caters. This is one of the things-and almost the only one—in which this very praiseworthy or-ganization can conspicuously improve the general tone of its performances. The Bee is able this morning to announce chancery. He has had great success in with certainty the engagement of Richard amateur theatricals and is presumed to be Mansfield to appear at the Creighton for the an adept in disguises. At all events, for entire week, following fair week, next Sep-tember. The very cordial reception which ment penalty for so doing, he induces his Mr. Mansfield met here has given him a high love to play truant and weds her privately. opinion of Omaha and its people, and it was Her absence from her seminary is discovered bis desire to play two weeks at the Creighton instead of one. So long an engagement, how-ever, even of so strong an attraction, being ind yard detective, who are after the caper, even of so strong an attraction, oeing ind fard detective, who are after the cap-emed inadvisable, contracts were signed at week for eight performances, above, which will include Mr. ansfield's entire repettory and will be the proximity of the schoolmarm, and the last with a magnificence to which officers of the law. There is only one way usha has been hitherto a stranger and of escape for the captain. Mrs. O'Gallagher staged Omsha has been hitherto a stranger and which can only be compared to the sump-thous productions of Henry Irving. It is probable that one or two elaborate Shakes-perian revivals will have a place in Mr. Mansfield's list of plays for uext year, es-pecially "Richard III.," in the title role of which this superb artist has already won renown.

Tuesday, April 12, 13 and 14. sinking his own strong personality and di-vesting himself of the mannersims which are During her present tour of this country, Miss Fuller, now universally known as "La Lole," has introduced many dances new to nearly always with him. His efforts were admirably seconded by Mr. Woodward in the the stage, which merit especial mention from the very fact of their originality, and which will be presented by her during the appearance at the Creighton Monday, April 6. The five dances which created the most part of the old negro body-servant, the only other character in the piece, which, in the hands of this accomplished artist, became a thing of beauty, fit to rank with the Mr.

a rate we dances which created the most favorable mention during the recent New York engagement were: The "fire dance," "La Nuit," the "white dance," the "fire ment" and la Lyse de Nile." The "fire dance" serves for the introduction of the most start-In the bright dialogue of "An Everyday Man" is seen the defi touch of Miss Mer-ington, but the hand of the brilliant author of "Captain Lettarblair" is not apparent otherwise in the construction of this later ling of the new effects, the damesr standing on a plate of glass set in the stage, through work, which is to a certain extent disap-pointing. The curtain rises to the orchestral which a strong calcium light is thrown, as are lights from above. The result is that the entire stage is in darkness except the accompaniment of "Mary and John;" the domestic happiness of Mary and John is re-vealed; the always hazardous experiment of illuminated form of the dancer and the scarf which she waves about her. The contrast makes the whiteness of the gown and scarf forcibly changing the current of a human life is tried, with ludicrous and inevitable

life is tried, with ludicrous and inevitable results; and the final curtain falls to the shine with absolute brilliancy, and the varied olored lights which shine upon them change renewed harmonies of "Mary and John," shutting out the hum of the bees, the sight of the hollybocks and snowballs in the their likeness to a startling resemblance of flame. Miss Fuller deserves the cre introducing all dances of this homely garden and the spectacle of the uninterrupted bliss of Mary and John. It Others have done them afterward, but her's was the first and the best. These will probably be imitated, like is a pretty, clean, harmless play, based upon that rare thing, an original idea, and con-taining one of the most humorous scenes the rest, but they are elaborate, and the means of producing them are apparently furnished by the contemporary stage. Peo-ple can and do laugh at it without restraint. difficult and costly, and good imitations of them will not be produced easily. There are no tears, save such as may be shed in sorrow over the employment of the touch of melodrama in the matter of the de-Of the many artists of the Tavary Opera falcation. It is a good contrast to "Mr. Val-entine's Christmas," which is all pathos. Unlike that fine performance, it is not cal-

company, which will open a short engage-ment at the Creighton in the near future, Sig. Abrahamoff and Mme. Thea Dorre are culated to add greatly to Mr. Russell's fame, nor, one is confident, to be very long re-tained in his repertory. There is not much among the most prominent. Mme. Dorre's greatest success perhaps is Carmen. Her rendering of the role of the heroine in Biset's In it for the company, outside of Miss Rad-cliffe, who was a gracious figure as Empy's charming opera is said to be marvelous Prior to coming to America she devoted much of her time in Italy, creating the most diffi-cult roles and making for herself a reputation wife, and Mr. Denham, who as that physician whom the apparently intoxicated junior warden calls "Old Dry Doc," contributes a most artictic drunk to the symposium in which places her among the leading singers on the operatic stage. She will be heard this year in such operas as "Mignon," "L'Afri-caine" and "Carmen." She is a beautiful woman and is certain of proving a popular

It would seem that the warning which was published in the evening papers relative to late comers at the performance of "Mr. favorite.

Valentine's Christmas" was mere stag thunder, inasmuch as the last tardy ar stage Omaha theater-goers will be honored spe cially by the presence of the eminent Ameritival was ushered to his seat at precisely 8:30, stumbling over half a dozen people to reach that resting place. Add to the an-noyance caused by these fashionably dila-tory folk, the wave of bronchitis which a quiet performance behind the footlights alcan actor, Nat C. Goodwin, on the stage of Boyd's theater in two performances on Wednesday, April 15. The play which he "In Mizzoura" or "David Garrick," and for the evening performance the new comery, "Ambition." On May 5 Mr. Goodwin will ways calls out, and the inevitable chatter of those neighbors who were exchanging social gossip and explaining the incidents open with the all-star company in "The Rivals" at McVicker's theater, Chicago, in of the play, and it will be understood that the first fifteen minutes of the action on the which he has been cast for an important part. After this engagement Mr. Goodwin stage was little more than a pantomime, enjoyable as such, but not precisely what those expected to experience who came early will start for Australia, where he will play the whole of the coming summer. in the faith that the notice referred to had

some other object than to fill space in Following Mr. Goodwin's engagement at the Boyd will come Stuart Robson and his excellent company for three performances, the engagement opening with the new and suc-A member of Mr. Russell's company, who, though he is never conspicuous in the cast, cessful comedy, "Mrs. Ponderbury's Past." and immediately following Mr. Robson will contributes largely in his way to the pleasure of the audience, is the efficient stage man-ager, Stewart Allen. In addition to the ome Nellie McHenry in her new and up-to late comedy called "A Bicycle Girl."

somewhat unusual qualifications for his posi-tion, which have kept him with Mr. Russell night in April and nearly every night in May s filled at the Boyd with good attractions. for a good many seasons, Mr. Allen has a compositions having appeared in the Dramatic The prospects for the financial and artistic brighter as that event approaches and the Mirror and elsewhere. The following lines, suggested to Mr. Allen by the delightful per-formance of Mr. Russell in "Mr. Valentine's local costumers are busily engaged in pre-paring to meet the great demand for suits Christmas," are here printed for the first

absolute freedom from the disorderly element which mars the enjoyability of the average public ball, and announces that every effort vill be made for the comfort and thorough enjoyment of those attending. The list atrons of the Arion from adjacent cities is ally growing larger and the prospects are or an overwhelmingly large attendance at Breighton hall on Saturday, April 11,

The cozy resort at the corner of Tenth and Harney streets, presided over by Fritz Wirth and sacred to King Gambrinus and the orchestrions, is just now made unusu-

cenes are laid in Virginia, and one of its cading characters is a clergyman. Mr. **OXFORD AGAIN** THE WINNER leading characters is a clergyman. Mr. Herne's other play, "Shore Acres." con-tinues to meet with great success wherever 102 7 It is played. This comedy will undoubtedly have a fine scenic production in London early next season. The first performance of "Shore Acres" given in Omaha will be held at Boyd's theater on Sunday, Monday and Was Anybody's Race, from the Start to the Finish Line. CAMBRIDGE BEATER A THIRD OF A LENGTH

> Race Rowed in Mongh Water with the Odds Six to Four Against the Team Which Won the Bace.

PUTNEY, Eng., March 28 .- The Oxford crew, to the surprise of almost everybody ashore and afloat today, won the fifty-third boat race between the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge by about a third of a length after a most exciting finish. Thus Oxford has won thirty races of the series to twentytwo won by Cambridge, the dead heat of 1877 making up the total number of races pulled. This is the seventh year in succession that Oxford has defeated Cambridge. The time was 20:00:04 and the course was

the usual one from Putney bridge to the winning post above the Ship inn at Mortlake, distance about four and a quarter miles. The morning opened cold and cheerless and

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with prospects of a poor attendance. In the early hours a heavy downpour of rain drenched the gathering sightseers and caused

thousands to decide to remain at home. This shower was followed at intervals by other rainfalls, accompanied by a cold, biting wind. As a result the crowds along the backs of Old Father Thames were much slimmer than usual.

Cambridge was a hot favorite at 6 to 4 and few takers at that. In fact, the light blues were looked upon, previous to the start. as almost certain winners, "barring accidents.'

Cambridge embarked first, won the toss and chose the Surrey side of the river, which was a decided advantage, as half a gale of wind was blowing from that shore, or about southwest, raising lumpy water everywhere and quite a little sea at the bad places.

heered as warmly as possible under the circumstances.

At the pistol shot at 1:02 both bbats got away sharply, Cambridge pulling a pretty thirty-six to Oxford's slightly more powerful

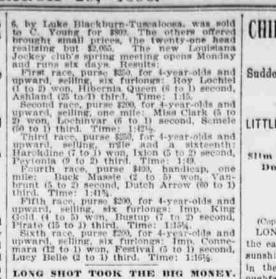
until Clasper's boat house was reached approaching the first half-mile, when the Cambridge boat nose showed slightly in front. The crews were pulling with great determination and splashing somewhat on account of the rough water. At the half-mile Oxford laid down to it in fine shape, drew up and shoved ahead at Waldens.

MADE IT A DING-DONGER.

At this there was great cheering, for it made it apparent that a splendid ding-dong race was to be rowed. Gold of Magdalen, the Oxford stroke, evidently had his men well in hand and ready for some good spurting work without any danger of the distress signal being displayed. But Fernie, the Cambridge stroke, whose training on board the Worcester stood him in good stead, quickly Every called his crew together and pulling a long, powerful, clean, telling stroke with the high

(just the stroke for such weather and water) regained the lead at the Crab Tree wharf nearing the one-and-one-half-mile post, which is at the soap works, a little higher up the rlver

work most greedily, and, calling upon the dark blues to hit her up again, the Oxford boat lapped up to and passed the Cambridge craft at the soap works amid a storm of terrific cheering from both shores. Up to that point the race had been as



sunshine and the mercury at the 70 mark LONG SHOT TOOK THE BIG MONEY

Wheel of Fortune at Twenty to One Wins the Rich Burns Handleap, SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—There was regular derby crowd in attendance today at Hay District track to witness the great event of the Interwinter season, the Burns spring finery was under a cloud and the handleap, with its \$7,500 added money, the parks began to look forlern again. weather being perfect. It was a foregone

event of the Interwinter season, the Burns handleap, with its \$7,500 added money, the weather being perfect. It was a foregone conclusion that the stake would be won by a California horse, for outside of Pat Dunne's colif Perper, the east was practi-cally without a suitable representative. Al-though these predictions were verified, the race resulted in an overthrow, the winner turning up in a 20 to 1 shot. Burns & Water-house's Lovedal, with Griffin up, opened up favorite at 7 to 5, with Crescendo. Tod Soan up, second choice at 2% to 1. Owing to a tremendous plunge on the latter horse. Lovedal receded in the betting, Crescendo being the virtual favorite at post time. The Australian machine sent the field away in perfect alignment. The starter were Pep-per, Lovedal, Service, Thornehill, Wheel of Fortune. Imp. Miss Brummel, Crescendo, Silver State, Vinctor and Installation. Serv-ice and Imp. Miss Brummel, Crescendo, Silver State, Vinctor and Installation. Serv-ice and Imp. Miss Brummel alternated in the lead for the first part of the jorney, with Crescendo and Lovedal in close attendance, and cumning easily. This order was main-tained with but slight change until the stretch, when Crescendo assumed the lead, closely followed by Lovedal. A furlong from home Lovedal took to the whip and cress of "Crescendo wher" rose above the din, but while Griffin and Sloan were watch-ing each other Wheel of Fortune, with Shaw up, came from nowhere with a wonderful burst of speed and before it could be real-ized, this horse flashed by the wire, winning by a short head from Lovedal, who just beat Crescendo for the place. by a head. The time, 2:094, is remarkably fast for the heavy condition of the track. The winner is a 4-year-old by Ganno-Jennie B, and is owned by Joe Harvey. He has won some good races here, being considered one of the best iong distance horses on the cosst. He was well played at 15 and 20 to 1. Shaw was presented with \$1,009 by Joe Harvey for his admirable riding. Summaries: First race, six furlongs, se spondingly early spring has had much to do with the prompt display of the season's fashions, both for men's and women's wear, and the leading tailors have been display ing their wares for some time past, and i is noticed that there is little changes in styles from last autumn. The double-breasted frock coat is still de riguer for semi-dress occasions. It is made, as for-merly, of rough material, either in black or dark gray. The only difference is in or dark gray. The only difference is in the length of skirt, which is a triffe shorte than before. The trousers, which are shown

terial are used. Some of the fashionable tailors urge a diagonal cheviot upon the customers. This material is either of the last season and has a straight back with sides splite.

IN MORE SUBDUED COLORS. The leading haberdashers have also long lisplayed their stocks. Of neckwear, the plain and made scarfs are generally seen in more subdued colors than a year ago. straight collar is again to the fore and is a trifle deeper. The levee of the duke of Connaught, it is

noticed, was more slimly attended than usual upon the occasion of such functions Incidentally, an unusual privilege was granted to C. D. Gibson, the artist, who was allowed to sketch the ceremony in the throny room.

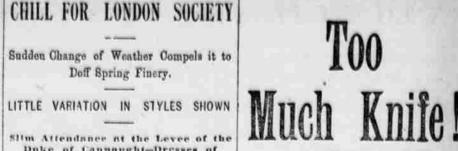
Society during all the past week has been flocking to Chelsea barracks, where the annual burlesque, acted by officers of the guards, was the great attraction. This year the play was written by Colonel Sir H. Colville, the music was by Edward Jones and the title was "Nicoltime." But it was a very poor production, although nearly all the smartest young officers were in

Nellie G, Virgie A and Rome Harris also ran. Fourth race, mile and a quarter, the Burns stakes, handicap, value \$7,500: Wheel of Fortune, 106 (Shaw), 12 to 1, won; Lovedal, 103 (H. Griffin), 7 to 5, second; Crescendo, 107 (T. Sloan), 8 to 5, third. Time: 2.084, Installation, Service, Silver State, Imp. Miss Brummel, Pepper, Vinctor and Thornehill also ran. Fifth race, about one mile and an eighth steeplechase, handicap: Sir Reel, 138 (Spence), 5 to 2, won; Three Forks, 153 (Peters), 8 to 5, second; W. L. Munson, 120 (Swift), 6 to 1, third, Time: 2:074, Hello and Swiftsure also ran. and the chorus was composed of well known society ladies, wearing diamond tiaras and the costliest and most attractive costumes In fact, it has been stated that never before had such jewels and dresses been seen or a stage. The American tourists are beginning to

arrive in London, prominent among the carly birds of passage being Mr. and Mrs. Chatfield-Taylor of Chicago, who reached the where they received much attention. Mr and Mrs. Taylor were received in audience

Swift, G. G. H. Hud. Time: 2004. Heno
and Swiftsure also ran.
Sixth race, six furlongs, selling: Kamsin,
(Cochran), 7 to 5, won; Sir Play, 106 (E.
Jones), 7 to 10, second; Ricardo, 97 (Garner), 15 to 1, third. Time: 1:15. Realization
also ran.
Seventh race, one mile: Logan, 100 Seventh race, one mile: Logan, 100 (Shields), 8 to 5, won; Scimitar, 101 (Coch-ran), 25 to 1, second: Imp. Santa Bella, 88 (Garner), 1 to 2, third. Time: 1:42% Good-win II also ran.

of the relations between Spain and the United States and deprecated the "interfer-ence of the latter country in Cuba." MAY RACE MEET AT TECUMSEH.



the Women the Only At-

tractive Feature.

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the early part of the week were revelling it

oughfares were crowded with people, bask-

ing in the sunshine and airing their spring

costumes. But on Thursday and Friday

there was a change; heavy gales swept

around the coasts, discarded overcoats and

winter wraps were again brought into use.

The exceedingly mild winter and corre

LONDON, March 28 .- Londoners during

the shade. The parks and main thor-

The use of the surgeon's knife is be-coming so general, resulting fatally in such a large number of cases, as to occasion general alarm. The press almost daily announces the death of some unfortunate whose system could not withstand the shock of an operation, and whose life was cruelly sacrificed to the keen blade of the surgeon.

Of course, in some instances an operation is necessary, and is the only means of saving life, but such cases are exceedingly rare. So many deaths occur ander these conditions, however, that the public is beginning to realize that the doctors are too hasty in resorting to the knife, and if such a state of affairs continues, there will before long be a general uprising against such meas-It is but reasonable to believe ures. that the majority of operations are unnecessary, but when the fatal mistake is discovered too late, only the doctors ever know of their error, and though a precious life is given up, the public is assured that death would have resulted in spite of the operation, and who is ever the wiser?

The folly of resorting to the knife in cases of cancer, is demonstrated every time it is undertaken. The disease is in infinite variety of dark colors, are made somewhat narrower and have the least susin the blood and the cancer or sore is but the outward manifestation of a picion of a spring at the bottom. For morn ing coats the single-breasted cutaway stil terrible condition of the entire circulation. To cut out this sore, therefore, iolds its own. These are made somewhat does not in any way effect the disease, longer than before and all varieties of maand it can easily be seen that the only correct treatment is to get at the seat of the disease, and purify the blood; the sore will then heal up naturally. O.S.S. is the most powerful blood remedy made, three colors, black, brown or gray. The sack coat is made somewhat more closely fitting than before, is a trifle longer than and is the only cure for cancer.



MR. WILLIAM WALPOLE.

To submit to an operation, is to voluntarily endanger one's life, without the slightest hope of being benefitted.

Mr. William Walpole, is a wealthy planter residing at Walshtown, South Dakota, and is well known all over the state. Under date of January 20th, 1896, he writes; "About three years ago, there came under my left eye a little blotch about the size of a small pea. It grew rapidly, and for the past year, shooting pains ran in every direction. I became alarmed and consulted a good doctor, who pronounced it cancer, and said that it must be cut out. This I would not consent to, having little faith in the indiscriminate use of the knife, though I

of the many cures made by S.S.S.,]

determined to give that medicine a trial,

charge. This after awhile ceased, leaving

lied upon. It is guaranteed purely vegetable, and cures Cancer, Scrofula,

Eczema, Catarrh, Rheumatism and any

other disease of the blood. Other blood

diseases often develop into such alarm-ing conditions that the doctors think an

operation necessary. Scrofula, for in-stance, often diseases the glands of the

neck to such an extent that an operation

is looked upon as absolutely the only

relief. This is also a grave error, as the disease is in the blood and a real blood

The Chatfield-Taylors are attending many social functions here and will sail for New York on April 4. was alarmed at my condition. Reading

The crews embarked at 12:58 p. m. and were

weep of thirty-four. There was little to choose between them

feather characteristic of this Cambridge crew

Gold in the meanwhile was sticking to his

op to that point the race had been as pretty a offe as ever was pulled. It was nip and tuck, little or nothing to choose be-tween the two crews, both laging down to it in grand style and with plenty of reserve force in either boat. After passing the soap works Oxford kept

up the pace and led by nearly a length at one time. Fernle thereupon called upon the light blues for a spurt and they re-

At the Boyd matinee yesterday Sol Smith Russeli and his fine company repeated "The Rivals," and the short engagement termin-Available for the anote ended and the anote of the anote

much of Mr. Russell. Certainly we are in no danger of tiring of him when his stay is limited to two nights and a matinee. Peraps, when week stands become popular and rofitable in Omaha, he will sometime give us a chance to see whether that length of time can wither him or that amount of

custom stale his infinite variety. It is only excently that this favorite comedian has been even suspected of versatility by the general which has followed him at each succensive stage of his progress in such admira-tion as has threatened to crystallize him in certain lines of character parts and keep him perforce in paths less glorious than he wishes to tread. But the round of parts in which he has just appeared at Boyd's was which he has just appeared at Boyd's was sufficiently varied to convince oven the superficial observer that the limit of his capability has not yet been reached. John Empy says to his dissatisfied friends, "You don't know my possibilities;" which is what Mr. Russell has been this long time saying, and still says, to those who will listen. Acres, Mr. Valentine, John Empy! The actor who cas play them all in one day, and all thoroughly well, is not lacking in versatility

well, is not facking in versatility. Mr. Russell's work in the exquisite little sketch called "Mr. Valentine's Christmas," will be generally considered to be the best which he has done thus far in his career.

which he has done thus far in his career. Based upon a pathetic story by the editor of Lifo, which appeared some time ago in that sprightly periodical, it has been arranged for the stage by Charles E. Louis, and af-fords Mr. Russell an opportunity to present a most perfect cameo-gen of the actor's art. Never has he had a medium so completely adapted to the best qualities of his genius;

r in the ament clear! Far away though she was on this Christ-

mas eve, He feels the sweet touch of her hand, Each heartstring of memory attuned and sime Like the tone of a melody grand!

The sudden heart failure, the faltering The knowledge of sins all forgiven, The Christmas chimes ring, the a angels

O'er the bachelor's Christmas in heaven!

Coming Events. An event of more than ordinary interest

to the theater-goers of this city will be the appearance at the Creighton, commencing this afternoon, of the popular comedian, Eddie Foy. His annual engagements here for many seasons with the Chicago opera house productions are still pleasantly remembered. Inasmuch as Mr. Foy has always in the past been associated with spectacle and plays of the burlesque order, his appear ance here in legitimate comedy will add a new interest to the performance. In the character of Captain Courtenay, in "The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown," he has a role entirely different from any he has heretofore played, but if report is true, his access has been unqualified. Miss Brown's adventures are said to be

very funny. In reality, there is no such person in the play. One, Captain Courtenay, who is a regular up-and-up guardsman, falls in love with a school girl, who is a ward in

and 10.

and taken back to school. Then the cap tain, finding his dieguise so effective, de termines on a plan to elope with his wife to the continent, there to remain until she he-comes of legal age. Aided by his friend, the **EUrse** major, he is made a fellow pupil as Miss Brown with his bride in the young ladies' seminary. The scenes that ensue are said to be funny beyond description. It takes two acts to enable the married couple to escape from the school and to get free from the legal embarramsments, but is the end they find all obstacles to their happiness re moved, and thereafter they become models of married military propriety. There will be

special matinee on Tuesday Thomas Keene will begin an engagement of three nights in classic and Shakespearan tragedy at Boyd's theater next Monday week. Mr. Koono has always been a strong favorits in this city, and there is every reason to ok for a large business. Mr. Keens carried with him this season a company of twenty-four people for the speaking parts, and in addition to these he will put upon the stage of Boyd's forty other people, to compose the crowd which is represented on the program as "citizens, soldiers, servants, lords, magnificos, populace, etc.," and to handle the

scenery and look after the stage properties. Monday night Mr. Keene will be seen in "Louis XI." which is regarded by many as his best part. Tuesday he will play "Riche-liou," Wednesday, "Richard III." "Little Miss Nuggett" will be the attraction

at the Creighten for three nights, com-mencing Sunday matines, April 6. The cast includes such well known artists as Herbert Cawthorne, who will be remembered for his rmer success in this city,

ally attractive by the presence and phe-nomenal performances of two children, a boy and a girl, who play that difficult inbey and a girl, the cornet, in a way which would be a credit to many adult operators upon the silver horn. Even if there were no other attraction there the work of these little people would make a visit worth while, but "there are others," which the hospitable Fritz will take pleasure in making known to

those who call. The music-loving people of Omaha are to be congratulated upon the announcement that the itinerary of the Seldl orchestra tour has been arranged to include this city for one or two concerts in the not distant future. The arrangement is due to the en-terprise of Adolph Meyer, to whom we have been indebted for similar treats in other

seasons. The Woodward Theater company will open at Boyd's with matinee today, presenting the four-act comedy, "Bessle, the Romp." There will be a change of play at every performance, with the usual matiness until Sunday night, April 5. The box office was busy all day yesterday, the demand for seats being very large, thus indicating that the Woodwards will do as much, if not more business, than during their former engage-ment. The company has been strengthened by the addition of two new people. Some new and strong productions are promised. The company now has sixteen people, and early in the week will be presented three of their most popular plays, "The Octoroon," "Streets of New York" and "East Lynn." The plays presented by this company are full of comedy, sensation and dash, and never fail to please the people. A large number of new specialties will be introduced every night. A large amount of special scenery is carried for each play, including calcium

and electrical effects. Those desiring good amusement at very cheap prices will cer-tainly be able to find it at Boyd's for the ext eight days. No lecture before the American public i as entertaining and instructive as the famous Frank Carpenter. Secure your tickets for the dollar course of three lec-

tures at First M. E. church, April 8, Tries to Steal Modjeska's Grand Child, CHICAGO, March 28 .- Within the last two weeks two attempts have been made to kidnap the 4-year-old granddaughter of Mme, Modjeska, the actress, in this city. The first attempt was made while a nurse girl had the child out for a walk. A man seized the child and started to run. The followed him several blocks, screaming for help before she succeeded in re-

ing for help before she succeeded in re-covering her charge. That night Ralph Modjeska, the father, received an anony-mous letter, warning him to leave the city under penalty of losing his child if he re-fused. The second attempt to steal the child was made a few days ago. Since then Modjeska has received numerous threatening letters and the father has taken steps to ascertain their source. He says he cannot account for the attempts to steal threatening letters and the father has taken steps to ascertain their source. He says his child and drive him out of the city. Last Monday night the conspiracy took a new and alarming turn, when an un-known man called at the Modification of the city. The shouting was almost deafening. For a thread the contents of a bothe of carboic the child. The girl was terribly burned, and will be disfigured for life. The police were at once notified, but have been unable to locate the thrower. De-tectives have been stationed around Mod-jeska's house ever since, to watch for the kidnapper, should he return.

Colorado People Caught.

DENVER, March 28.-A special to the News from Pueblo, Colo., says: On the application of two shareholders Judge

MACON, MO., March 28.-The head of the 3-and-a-half-vear-old child of Mr. and Mra.

former success in this city, The new theatrical syndicate, composed of Mesars, Henry C. Miner, Joseph H. Brooks and J. H. McVicker, contemplates a gorgeous production of James A. Herne's latest work, "An Unofficial Patriot." It is a war play, but written on entirely original lines. Its

sponded with such vim that the Cambridge boat shot under Hammersmith bridge a short length ahead of Oxford, and, according to tradition, should have won the race.

GAME TO THE BACKBONE Gold, however, was as fit as a fiddle and game to the backbune. Down the dark blues laid to it and the manner in which they drove their bdat through the water scon hushed the jubilant cheering of the partisans of Cambridge. Slowly but per-

ceptibly the dark blues gained, in spite of he magnificent work of the Cambridge men. At the lead mills on the upper side of Hammersmith bridge both crews were pull-ing a powerful thirty-two and the prophets who declared that Oxford would go to pieces after the first two miles looked glum and uncomfortable, for there were no signs of

collapse among Gold's sturdy youngsters, who only gripped the water more powerfully as they sped by The Doves, almost nose and ose and gaining fast and furlously through the choppy seas. In fact the strength of the Oxford men

eemed to increase instead of diminish as he struggle wore on and there was as much lash in their stroke at the two miles as here was at the start. Under the influence of this telling work

the dark blues cut out great work for the Cambridge crew, but the latter was equal to he emergency, and responding with a beautifully sustained effort, it drew away again, causing a hurricane of cheers to rise from the crowds on shore.

A more exciting race could hardly be imagined, and the enthusiasm was intense. Cambridge at Thornycrofts had a lead of about three-quarters of a length and both crews were bending down to their work in the grandest manner possible. From there to the three-mile post, about half way be tween Chiswick church and Barnes bridge, the race was most panishing both from the pace set and the lumpy water.

GATHERING FOR THE FINISH.

Cambridge succeeded in holding a slight lead and shot under the bridge ahead of Oxford, whereupon there was another storm of ap-plause and encouragement. The sightseers thought the race was over and that the light blues had it beyond doubt. "Cambridge wins!" was the cry which rang from Barnes to Putney. This, however, was without reck-

oning upon the reserve force of Gold's gallant men. The cheering only nerved them to still another beautiful effort, and down they went to it as if their lives depended upon the result. They almost lifted their craft over the seas, and drove her along in a manner which will longree remembered on the Thames. The longree elender racing boat fairly tore through the water and there was a mighty shout of admiration when it was seen that the increased power put into the Ox-ford stroke was settilly taking the dark blues up to their civala. Fernie replied with another supreme effort; and his plucky ligh-blues backed him up to the utmost. They could not, however,; throw off their rivals, who clung to them lierpely, and then began to overhaul them stored by the term

But this was notify he the case. As the church was passed Oxford put its final effort and there was a spirit from the dark blues which will be recorded in the history of row-ing. It was simply magnificent. The men pulled as if they had just started in the race and there was no resisting it. The dark blues overtook the Cantabs and for a moment or so it was nose and nose, with the winning post in sight, and then, putting still more steam into their stroke, the dark

News from Pueblo, Colo., says: On the application of two shareholders Judge Thorpe today appointed A. S. Day receiver for the state of Colorado for the Granite State Provident association of Manchester, N. H. The bank has done business in twen-ty states. The allegation states that the assets of the company are \$2,870,243 and the liabilities \$1,82,1631. A receiver for New Hampshire was appointed March 18. Train Ran Over a Child. MACON, MO., March 28.—The head of the

Last year Oxford won in 20 minutes, 50

New Orleans Meeting Closed. NEW ORLEANS, March 28.-The Crescen-City Jockey club's winter meeting closed today, after 100 days of racing. The All Arrangements Completed for

Successful Affair, TECUMSEH, Neb., March 28.-(Special.) -The May race meeting for Tecumseh need no longer be considered as being in embryo,

but, rather, as assured. The Tecumseh Racing association has secured enough funds through subscriptions to pay all pre-

2:30 trot\$

2:28 pace 2-year-old trot, two in three SECOND DAY. 1:00 pace , half mile and repeat Running, half mile Ladies' bleycle race, half mile THIRD DAY. ile 3-year-old trot

3-year-old trot Free for all go-as-you-please, trot or pace Running, half mile and repeat Bicycle race, half mile, three in five 150 TILLIE ANDERSON KEEPS THE LEAD.

Three Riders Lower the Record for

Female Bicyclists. DETROIT, Mich., March 28.-Tillie An-derson of Chicago maintained her prestige tonight by winning the eighteen hour female bicycle race, which has been in progress in the Auditorium all the week. nie Brown of Syracuse finished second, May Alten of Liverpool third. Pearl Keyes of Rochester and Lilly Williams of Omaha quit the track at the end of the seventeenth hour to give Anderson, Brown and Allen a chance to make better time. Lucy Berry, Elsie Gable and Kittle Staples stepped a half hour short of the eighteenth hour, be-ing unable to better their positions. Ander-son broke her former eighteen hour record by e'even miles, twelve laps. Brown low-ered the same record by nine miles, seven laps, and Allen by six miles, seven laps. The prizes for the five leaders range from \$259 to \$50, the others who covered over 200 miles receiving salary and expenses. At-tendance 3,000. Closing scores: Miles Laps. our to give Anderson, Brown and Allen a hance to make better time. Lucy Berry of Mrs. Maybrick will not accept the recent innouncement of Sir Matthew White Ridley,

Miles, Laps Anderson tien Williams Raples Gable Berry

Racing Opens at Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 28-The rac ing season was inaugurated here today inder auspicious circumstances. Th

under auspicious circumstances. The weather was partly cloudy and warm, the track was good and the attendance was large. The derby brought together five good horses. Garlan Bar got the flag first by a neck in a good start, with Sidkel a head in front of Lady Inez. Sidkel came to the front at the first turn and made the pace to the three quarter pole, where he gave way to Ben Eder, who ran easily the entire distance. In the stretch Lady Inez came out of the bunch and won by a length cleverly in a moderate drive, with Ben Eder a neck in front of Garlan Bar. Summaries: First race, for all ages, five furlongs: Em-pera (2 to 5) won, Petrolene (10 to 1) sec-ond, Helena Belle (5 to 1) third. Time: 1035.

Second race, selling, for 2-year-olds, half le: Chapple (even) won, Manzanilla (3 to second, Charlie Rieff (6 to 1) third. Time: place on jubilee days. this week from Bournemouth, is busily en-

bisi.
Third race, the Arkansas derby, guaranteed value \$2,006, one mile: Lady Incz. 117, iThorpe, coupled with Ben Eder, won in a drive; Ben Eder, 122 (Perkins), 1 to 5, second; Garlan Bar, 112 (Tabor), 10 to 1, third.
Time: 1:4312, Sidkel and Wnisper also ran. Fourth race, relling, one mile: Crevasse (1 to 2) won, Toots (3 to 1) second, Joc o' Sot (3 to 1) third. Time: 1:46.
Fifth race, selling, six furiongs: Leavitt (29 to 1) and Bingbinger (2 to 1) ran a dend heat. Kirk (00 to 1) third. Time: 1:46.
Fifth race, selling, six furiongs: Leavitt (29 to 1) and Bingbinger (2 to 3) ran a dend heat. Kirk (00 to 1) third. Time: 1:46.
Steinster Won Bath Games. gaged in rehearsing the new play by Henry Arthur Jones, which he hopes to produce at the Garrick shortly after Easter. The name and plot of the play are not yet divulged, but there will be a strong part for Marion Terry.

the same time.

Steinitz Won Both Games.

NEW YORK, March 28.- The chess match stween W. Steinitz and J. Schiffers began in the "Kommers" club at Rustow, on the City Jockey club's winter meeting closed today, after 109 days of racing. The weather was line; track fast and attend-ance large. At the auction held in the paddock before the first race, Chottanoogn, won by Steinitz in forty-one moves. Cross" still continues at the Lyric. The the first game, a Ruy Lopez, which was opened by Schiffers, after forty-one moves. Cross" still continues at the Lyric. The weak before Easter. Wilson Barrett is now giving eight performances a week, two com-panies are touring the provinces, and two

Richard Harding Davis, with his mother and sister, is still here, but will start for the continent on Monday. While abroad the party will visit Florence and other Italand after I had taken it a few days, the cancer became irritated and began to dislan cities after which the young literateur will go to St. Petersburg. Mr. Davis tonight will attend the reception which Henry M. Stanley is giving to Dr. L. S. Jameson, the raider of the Transvaal, and the latter's officers.

British metropolis this week from Spain

by the queen regent informally in a small room of the royal palace. Her majesty spoke

a small scab, which finally dropped off, and only a healthy looking little scar remained to mark the place where The annual fur sales, just concluded, at which the best furs in the world are dis-posed of and which are attended by wholethe destroyer had held full sway .Words are inadequate to express my gratitude to the great blood purifier, S. S. S., and I write this hoping that it may be the means sale buyers from all countries, were very successful. Chinchilla established a record price, several lots being sold at £21 (105) of leading other sufferers to a cure." a dozen. Several specimens of silver fox brought \$25 each. Two unusually fine speci-Cancer is not incurable, but the only means of curing it is to rid the blood of mens of sea ofter were bought by the court furrier of Berlin for \$1,200 each. Russian the disease. S.S.S. never fails to do this, but it is the only remedy to be resable showed an advance of 20 per cent

over last year's prices. ENTERTAINED CELEBRITIES.

Mrs. Ronalds, the charming American don at her musicale last Sunday, including the duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, William A. Astor, several ambassadors (including Thomas F. Bayard), Mesdames Moreton Frewen and Jack Leslie and many others Mme. lika von Palmay, the popular prime donna of the Savoy theater, was among the singers, and Fay Davis of Boston, Mass. recited It is reported that one of the reasons

remedy is the only cure. An operation never did cure a blood which prompted the marguis of Salisbury to go to the Riviera after leaving London was the desire of the queen that her disease. Beware of the knife! Send for our books on cancer and daughters, Princeesses Christian, Beatrice and Louise, should be made duchesses in their own right. It is added that her mablood diseases, mailed free. Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Georgia. jeaty was also desirous of conferring a duke-

tom upon the premier, which honor he declined a few years ago. The barchess de Roques has been in town AMUSEMENTS. all the week, indefatigable in her efforts to THE CREICHTON, Paxton & Burgess, procure the release from prison of her daughter, Mrs. Florence Maybrick. She has seen the lord chief justice, Baron Russell of Killoween, the officials of the United States Managers Three Nights, Commencing embassy and many others on the subject and on Thursday the baroness went to Alls-MATINEE TODAY. 2:30, TONIGHT AT Si15, Eddie || The Strange bury prison, where she was allowed thirty minutes' conversation with her daughter in the presence of a warden. The baroness de Roques and other friends Adventures of Fov

Miss Brown. Presenting || Miss Brow MATINEE TUESDAY, Prices-25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00,

April 5-7-8, Mittle Miss Nugget. April 6, La Loie Futier.

BOYD'S. SUNDAY MAT., MARCH 29. Special Return Engagement of the

unday Matinee,

Prices-10c to all parts of the house.

HALL ...

companies will soon leave for America with

the same play. The new play upon which Mr. Barrett is engaged has the high-sounding title, "The Daughters of Babylon."

Stewart Ogilvie's new play, "Credo," will also be produced at the Shaftesbury at about

the same time. Weedon Grossmith is meeting with great success in his new play. "The Romance of a Shopwalker," at the Vaudeville. Clasy Graham will produce a new musical entitled "On the March," some

comedy. time in May. The enormous success of the "Sign of the

Wheeling Surprised the Champtons, WHEELING, W. Va., March 25.-The afternoon games between the Brooklyn (Linden Grove) champion bowlers and

Wheeling included as eight men team match, which was won by Brookiyn, 1255 to 1.111. In the special three men match for \$200, however, Wheeling surprised the casterners, who conceded a handicap of thirty pins in each game, by turning in and winning two games without the aid of the handicap. handicap. -----

Butgers Too Swift for Princeton. PRINCETON, N. J., Murch 28 .-- Princeton 23, Rutgars 28.

D. Weils, second secretary of the United States embassy, to a young English woman, will shortly be announced. Mrs. Langtry has sold to Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, president of the Grand Trunk rail-road of Canada, her heautiful home, 31 Pent treet, near Cadagan Place, presented to har in 1891 by the late Abingdon Baird, the well sporting man. The house originally cost £32,000. According to a weekly paper the total amount of the fortune of the Rothschild family here and on the continent is 400,000,000.

the secretary of state for the home depart ment, as official and they will not relax their efforts to obtain the release of the unfortu-

It is reported that the betrothal of David

nate woman.

WOODWARD THEATER "BESSIE, THE ROMP."

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Damm Family Ladies Orchestra From the Royal Aquarium, London, Ans. Concert every evening, 8 to 12. Matineea, Monday, Thursday and Baturday, 3 to 5.

GOSSIP OF THE THEATERS. The next production at the Criterion will be the new play by Messrs. Parker and Carson, entitled "Resemary." The play is in four acts, the action of the first three pass-

ing at the time of the queen's coronation, while the fourth, which is almost a mono-logue for Charles Wyndham and reveals him in the character of an octogenarian, takes E. S. Willard, who returned to London