

AMUSEMENTS.

The last week in the Omaha theatrical world has not been a particularly brilliant one. The Creighton presented a very brilliant farcical comedy, "Innocence," and drew good houses. Those who had seen the company in the more staid drama were somewhat skeptical as to its ability to acceptably render the farce, for not every good actor can be funny if he tries no more than every one who is funny can be earnest. Those who doubted were greatly surprised, for they gave a really clever performance.

The engagement last week of the Hopkins Transcontinental Specialty company at the Boyd was not a brilliant success. This was the last week of their season and two of the best members of the company left Monday night. The remainder struggled along under the burden of poor houses until Thursday night, when they gave up and disbanded for the season.

The Trocadero of its second week presented a vaudeville bill of much more than ordinary merit. There was nothing startlingly novel or superlatively good, but there was nothing that could be termed indifferent. For those who were in search of an evening's amusement it should have afforded an ample opportunity.

The Boyd during the present week will be dark and will remain so for some time next month, when it will open for a three weeks' season of light opera. Just which of two companies with which the management is negotiating it will be reopened by is not certain, but will probably be decided by the end of the week.

This week, commencing with a Sunday matinee, the Creighton Stock company will draw light comedy and present the charming drama "Doris," in which Eddie Elshier once secured a conspicuous success.

One of the strongest bills ever offered by the theaters of Omaha in the old style will be given this evening at the Trocadero. Among the celebrated artists to appear is Miss Josephine Sobel, who will sing a repertoire of the latest and most popular songs, and the famous Bison City Quartet, composed of Messrs. Frank Girard, Ben Cook, Harry C. Haverly, and Wm. Pike.

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become quite a fad with the society folk to ride the camels and donkeys in the wonderful houchie houchie dance is the one feature of the Midway which no visitor wants to miss.

The Old Plantation amuses large crowds with its scenic pictures and live animals, the darkeys and the scenic railway, the Giant sea-saw and the Shoot the Chutes afford more rollicking amusement to those who wish to enjoy a really novel sensation.

Chiquita, the infinitesimal Cuban, is an interesting and ever the Dragon's head conceals an interesting character in strikingly artistic and still devoid of any undesirable features.

The performing dog show will be reinforced this week by the arrival of another troupe of trick dogs.

The panorama showing Havan harbor and the destruction of the Maine has become one of the drawing cards and the place is crowded from morning until night.

Plays and Players. Eddie Foy's tour in "Mr. Packer, of Chicago," lasted ten days.

Beatrice Harraden, the author of "Ships that Pass in the Night," will write a play for Helen Terry.

Colorado's supreme court has approved a Denver ordinance that prohibits Sunday theatrical performances.

"Hazel Kirke" is soon to have a revival in New York, with the veteran C. W. Coussick in his original role.

Burr McIntosh, who is to star next season in "A War Correspondent," written by Lottie Blair Parker, is now in Cuba in search of local color.

The engagement of "The Heart of Maryland" at the Adelphi theater, London, will probably close about July 1. Mr. Belasco and Miss Leslie Carter will not return to the stage until August.

Aerobatic actresses will be required for "John Martin's Secret," a melodrama by Sutton Vane, to be produced simultaneously in England and America next fall.

Anthony Hope has upon the stocks a new play founded upon "Repert of Hentzau," the continuation of "A Prisoner of Genoa." It is a historical novel, which carries a hot way, but leaves its inmate, a woman, standing at a perilous height, from which she is to be rescued by a hero, which runs across the abyss on a rope.

Everyone interested in the events of the American dramatic world takes a deep personal concern in the career of Miss Viola Allen. Her recent success in "The Christian" at the Lyric theater, New York, she will make her debut as a star in Hall Gable's dramatic version of his own novel, "The Christian."

The benefit performances for Oscar Hammerstein will be given in New York June 27-29. He will be produced simultaneously in London, there will be a big vaudeville show at the Harlem opera house, and four entertainments will be given at the Madison Square.

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The increased crowds that attended the exposition last week gave a decided boom to the Midway. Some of the concessionaires, whose previous exposition experience had led them to expect a frost during the first two months have been made happy by the satisfaction of being established on a paying basis this early in the enterprise and with very few exceptions they have enjoyed an exceptionally liberal patronage.

The illusion features are also well patronized and several of them are really remarkable. The flying lady is a marvelous effect to those who are not familiar with the manner in which the illusion is produced, and the mystic maze is sufficient to tangle the wits of the untutored visitor for days to come.

The Big Rock presents some very weird and wonderful spectacular effects with the aid of ingenious scenic and electric devices.

1:30 p. m., Mr. William L. Tomlins, whose recent visit to this city as conductor of the Chicago Apollo club is fresh in every one's mind, will deliver an address upon "Music and the Development of Child Individuality."

Immediately following the concert there will be an exhibition of 100 stereoscopic views representing scenes and characters in the music dramas.

At 8:15 in the evening the first grand concert of the congress will take place at Boyd's theater. It was the original intention that this concert would be given at the First Congregational church, but the prospects for a large attendance and the nature of the program have caused a change in plan.

At 8:15 at the Exposition Auditorium the third grand concert of the congress will be given. The program is as follows: In an suite by MacDowell, the Thomas orchestra, aria, to be selected, Miss Adele Mabel Bryant of New York; largo, American Symphony, Dvorak, the Thomas orchestra; aria, "He is Kind," "Horndale" Massenet, Miss Jennie Osborne of New York; Hiawatha Suite, Ernst B. Koenig, the Thomas orchestra; aria, to be selected, Miss Katherine Bloodgood; concerto for piano, in G minor, Saint Saens, Mr. William H. Sherwood of Chicago; aria, "I am at Last Alone," "Queen of Sheba," Gounod, Miss Jennie Osborne of Chicago; and a choral piece, George W. Chadwick, the Thomas orchestra.

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It is the policy of the congress to encourage home folks and to give those who attend its performances opportunity to get acquainted with the ability of those who have been or are citizens of the middle west. Miss Lorton will be the first.

It is a great pleasure to announce that Mr. Mees will be the regular conductor of the evening concerts of the congress, and no one better qualified for the work is to be found anywhere.

The Norden Singing society will give its first grand concert this season today in the Trocadero at 8 o'clock.

The voters of Mercer county do not want to build a \$30,000 court house.

July 2 Dearborn will vote on the proposition to incorporate as a city of the fourth class.

The first session of the congress on Friday, July 1, will begin at 9:20 a. m., when Mr. John S. Vanover of Chicago will deliver an address upon "The Influence Upon Music of Greek and German Mythology."

Southwest Missouri farmers are ready for the attack on the beautiful wheat fields. Northwest Missouri farmers would like to attack the weeds in the corn fields, but the frequency of showers retards the work.

The 13-year locust is expected to appear this year in the following counties of Missouri: Audrain, Boone, Cape Girardeau, Lincoln and St. Louis.

Hotels. The Millard, 13th and Douglas Sts., Omaha, centrally located.

Hotel Barker, 13th and Jones Sts., Omaha. Rates \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day.

Murray Hotel, 14th and Harney St. American Plan—\$3 to \$4 dollars per day.

Exposition Concerts. Monday Evening, June 27. Exposition Chorus. Under the direction of Mr. Thomas J. Kelly.

Exposition Auditorium Wednesday Afternoon, June 29. Patten's "Isaiah". Under the direction of the composer, Willard Patten.

Christian, Dade, Dallas, Douglas, Gasconade, Greene, Hickory, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Lawrence, New Madrid, Osage, Pettis, Polk, St. Charles, St. Louis, Scott, Taney, Texas, Warren, Washington and Webster.

South Dakota News Notes. Edwin Van Cise of Deadwood will deliver the Fourth of July speech at Tyndall.

Brigadier General Sheafe has started for Washington to take his place in the army. The nineteenth annual conference of the Seventh Day Adventists is being held in Mitchell.

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Hagenback's. Trained Wild Animal Show on West Midway.

Chinese Theater. Tea Garden, Bazar and Jos's House on West Midway.

Base Ball. Today, 3:30 P. M. Omaha vs. Minneapolis.

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Doris. Next Sunday—OUR BETS.

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National Congress of Musicians. Omaha, Thursday, June 30, Monday, July 4. 4 Grand Concerts, 8 Recitals, 15 Addresses. 30 Great Musical Artists and Lecturers.