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of Ivan the Terrible at Novgorod seem like kinds of little "stunis," calculated to child's play. Yet Philip of Spain has not amuse as well as exemplify the possibili

been accused of being superstitious and ties of canine intelligence, will be con cruel. "Bloody Mary" of England, acting tributed by Taffary's troupe of dogs. Baras she thought best for the spiritual wel- ney Ferguson and John Mack need little fare of her subjects, lighted several funeral by way of introduction to be identified, for

## ABOUT PLAYS, PLAYERS AND PLAYHOUSES

opera at the Boyd; two nights of musical mistake of thinking that because the Swiss omedy at the same theater; seven nights were not soldiers that they would not fight. and three matinees of musical comedy at Louis XI had a hand in leading him into the Krug, and a vaudeville bill at the Orpheum, on which at least two of the leading numbers were of a musical nature, plundered by his Italian mercenaries and unstituted the menu afforded the Omaha left where he was found. Louis died in bed, people at their places, of amusement last alternately cursing and praying, but cruel week. It might look like a little too much of the good thing in the musical line, but the patronage was fair. The visit of Roger brothers brought out the society people on Monday night, and the Rose Cecilia Shay given the same name for much the same opera company was, extensively supported by the music-loving portion of the people auring the rest of the week. Miss Shay was It had been a dukedom of some pretenuhable to appear, owing to the bad cold she contracted in Denver, but the rest of the company gave the several operas on the bill in very good fashion. At the Krug George Evans and his company did good business | III, had found his predecessor paying tribwith a good show in the early half of the ute to the Mongols; Ghengis Khan had week, and the colored company that closed the week furnished music of its kind for its kind. The present week promises five blank nights at the Boyd, Manager Burgess adhering to his determination to have good shows or none, and the latter end of the week will see the Krug dark for the first time since it opened last fall.

When making up your estimate of the character of Ivan IV, who is more familfarly known by his sobriquet of "the Terrible," it is well to give the old boy the benefit at least of his surroundings. Environment has much to do with shaping charactor and determining action, and when all things are taken into consideration and given proper weight in due order, it is likely that the verdict will be that John, who was born in 1583 and died in 1584, being a daughter of the emperor of Constanticrowned in 1547, wasn't any more terrible nople, set himself up as heir to the in his time than is Nicholas II, who now sits on the throne of him who first wore eagle which to this day adorns the Rusthe title of czar, whose name has long been coupled with more or less apocryphal accounts of terrible atrocities. In general he has been likened unto the eleventh of mother, who apparently realized all that the Louis series of French monarchs, who has the misfortune to be called "most His youth was spent under such conditions atrocious" and other similarly reprehensible names by modern historians, who decline to give him the benefit of the atmosphere of his time. It is admitted that Louis was a master of statecraft and that One was to get even with the men who had he really laid the foundation and began the superstructure for the French nation; that established an aristocracy of merit Moscow what David and Solomon had been rather than of birth in his domain; that in Jerusalem. For centuries the Russians his confidential adviser was a barber, and had modeled everything on Constantinople. that he chose men for their brains rather Ivan had formed his ideas on Jerusalem than for their buik. He was cruel, and he during its magnificence, and wanted his was superstitious, and he was, according capital to resemble that of the great Jewish to our enlightened standard, treacherous, but he was shrewd enough to carry on his peaceable enough; he married the woman multifarious intrigues so successfully that he loved, and it is recorded of her that he was out of reach of the gentlemen who she was a good woman, and her influence would have gladly stuck what was then over her husband was for good. After her called a dagger, being a weapon with a death began that succession of outbursts blade a foot or more in length, into his that won for him the title of "Terrible." sacred person, to the end that his reign He died when 51 years old, some historians might be terminated at once. He was wise say of grief for having murdered his oldest withal, so that he kept the gallant Charles son during a fit of passion some two years of Bergundy, surnamed the Bold, busy and before, but the probability is that he finally lured him to his destruction, and all succumbed to the ravages of disease, his without embroiling France in a war against hard campaigns and great excesses during the great duke. In this connection Omaha the intervals between his battles naturally scople will easily remember the great pic- contributing to the breaking down of whatture exhibited at the Transmississippi ex- ever constitution he may have had. position, "Entry of Charles the Bold Into the Church at Liege." This picture depicted nost graphically what happened at the cathedral in Liege, where the wives and chil- for their treatment of Russia prior to his dren of the leading citizens took refuge grandfather's day; he overturned a thrivwhile their fathers were engaged in a fu- ing young republic in Novgorod and otherthe effort to stay the genial Burgundian wise camented the provinces of Russia in outside the walls. Charles had taken un- Europe Into a more homogenous whole.

pyres, and under the ministrations of her they are well known comedy stars from Five nights and two matinees of grand frozen fast in a ditch. He had made the gentler sister, the good Elizabeth, a certain the legitimate stage. Their vehicle will amount of rigor was practiced on the same be a laughable absurdity entitled, "The score, but against the believers in another Dimple Sisters." J. Bernard Dyllyn, the creed. Conditions in Italy and Austria character singer, who uses the bad man this blunder, and after he had been killed were not so much better, for, while there of the west guise as a distinguishing feaby a Swiss pikeman he was stripped and were no Protestants in those countries to ture, will be a vocal card. Fiske and Mo persecute, the Jews were at hand, and Donough returne with a new sketch called they had always been looked upon as fair "Brocky's Temptation," which they degame by the Christians, and, for that mat- scribe as an idyl of the slums. It tells a and superstitious to the end.

ter, are today in Russia. Almost a century story of the winning over to the good side after Ivan had joined his fathers in king- of a criminal and hard-natured husband Now, Ivan IV, who happened on the scene some generations after Louis XI, is reasons. Russia at that time was just beginning to take on concrete existence. sions for about 800 years, and yet was not considered of sufficient importance to be

then recall the very recent campaign proseenumerated among the nations of Europe. cuted by the twentleth century Russians in Manchuria. Think of Kleff and Kishineff, and try to convince yourself that superstioverrun Novgorod, and the other provtion and cruelty died out in Russia when inces that had been comprised in the Mus-Ivan died. When the present enlightened ruler of Russia was crowned, several thoucovite duchy, and had levied a tribute on sands of his loyal subjects were trampled the rulers and their people. Several attempts had been made to throw off the to death in the crush to get at the free yoke, but the Mongols had held on. Once lunch spread in honor of the happy day, but nothing exists to show that the tragedy a Muscovite rebellion brought them in force and Moscow was burned and more of the plain and the sunken road was re-

than 20,000 of its inhabitants were put to flected in the festivities at the palace that the sword. Novgorod was the principal afternoon and evening. If Ivan was terricity of that section of the world, its fair ble, what shall be said of the present czar, being a great exchange point, the meeting who prays so unceasingly for 1" ace? Ivan places of merchants from England and killed his own son; without going into de-Holland on the one side and Chinn and talls, it is not entirely improbable that India on the other. Ivan III threw A the if he hadn't his son would have killed him. Tartar yoke, and established his duchy History is not without examples of the sort. Louis XI was engaged in an enteragain; he annexed Novgorod and a number of European provinces, and by marrying prise of the sort against the life of his father; English history affords a number of notable instances in point. That insig-Byzantine throne and adopted the double nificant bauble, the scepter, gave ample excuse in those good old days for almost sian banner. His grandson came into the any enormity committed in its pursuit.

succession at the age of 3, and during his If Ivan consulted soothsayers and maminority was under the charge of a stepgicians, as well as the priests, what charge has ever been said bad of step-mothers. nay we bring against him that cannot be odged against 'the admiral who was 'moved to great emotion" the other day, as would warp even a less imaginative nature than that of Ivan Vassilivitch, and when, as he was departing for the front when he was old enough to assume the of battle, a peasant presented him with a throne he had but two ideas uppermost. picture of "The Holy Virgin of Joy to the Afflicted," said to possess miraculous powers? Think of the rulers of the world so cruelly misused him during his boyhood; the other, strange to say, to be in of any age, and if it doesn't occur to you that Ivan IV, surnamed the Terrible, nverages up pretty well with the lot, this article has been written in vain. It is called out by the near approach of Mr. Richard Mansfield with his great production of the Tolstoi tragedy, "Ivan the Terrible," and its purpose has been to show kings. His earlier years of manhood were that while Ivan might have been a pretty bad sort, as we look on men and methods nowadays, he was only living life as he saw it, and that if no better, he was certainly not much worse than some others. Russia owes to him that very Siberia out of the acquisition of which the war with Japan today has grown. He lived up to his lights, and that is about all any of us is likely to do.

Coming Events.

of which is fraught with much interest,

Daniel Sully returns to Omaha for his inee this afternoon, in "The Old Mill Stream," which he presented here for the

200-20-20-20 first time last season. This pretty play Ivan the Terrible annexed Siberia, a tells a story founded on fact, the scenes modest way of retaliating on the Tartars and incidents of which are those of the neighborhood in which Mr. Sully lives when at home. It tells three love stories, each

dom come, witches were burned in Massa- by a good wife, and naturally is deeply chusetts colony. From this it hardly ap- dyed with pathos. Belle Gordon is a fe pears that the first of Russian czars had male bag puncher, somewhat of a novelty a monopoly on cruelty. even in these days of women's invasion of athletics. New kinodrome pictures will He massacred his own subjects at Novbe shown. gorod and other places; remember that they were in rebellion against him, and Gossip from Stageland. Annie Oakley recovered \$3,000 from a New Jersey paper, alleging that it had injured her reputation.

Jersey paper, alleging that it had injured her reputation. Margaret Anglin and Henry Miller are playing "Camilie" at one house in New York and Virginia Harned and William Courtenay are giving it at another. Frank J. Wilstach, who is "ahead" of Viola Allen, was in Omalia Friday, arrang-ing for the appearance of Miss Allen here. He says the star has entirely recovered from her recent illness, and is in better health than she has been for many years. Sam Benjamin, who has been treasurer of the Krug theater since its opening, leaves today for Kansas City to begin work as treasurer for the concessions at the racing park there, and to prepare for the opening of Electric park, where he is em-ployed during the summer. Fritis Scheff heard a phonograph singing some of her songs in Chicago one day last week, and she didn't do a thing but get half a dozen blank records, sing them full and send them to her mother in Germany. Fritis sung in English, so the pleasure of the mother will be double on hearing the songs.

The inclusive will be double on nearing the songs. The Theatrical Managers' association of New York has determined to cut off the lithograph pass and thereby expects to save a lot of money, not only on the cost of lithographs but the price of seats. The Omaha managers adopted the plan last fail and do not seem to have suffered any for having done so. Robert Downing failed to keep a vaude-ville engagement in Cleveland, alleging that he had married a wealthy woman and doesn't need to act. He never could, but if the wife is rich enough to keep him off

if the wife is rich enough to keep him off the stage, her money will have done the public some service.

public some service. "The Streets of New York" got an awful jolt in a Connecticut town recently. It was advertised that 40,000 gallons of water would be used in the tank scene. The water commissioner decided that this was enough to be paid for, so he swooped down on the manager and demanded a setue-ment. The manager went to the mayor, but couldn't get off until he had convinced the authorities that the scene actually called for about a pint of water. Thus are stage illusions rudely dispelled by the icon-oclasm of municipal authorities who insist on heing "showed."

oclasm of municipal authorities who insist on being "showed." Klaw & Erianger are trying to get a bill through congress to relieve them of pay-ing the customs house for the scenery of "Mr. Bluebeard," destroyed in the Iroquois theater fire. It was valued at \$19,000 and was admitted to this country duty free under the law providing for such cases, a bond of twice the value being given for its removal within six months. Now that the scenery has been destroyed it cannot be removed, but Harrisen Grey Fiske selzes on the incident to point out how the trust seeks to evade its obligations. Just why Klaw & Erianger should be compelled to pay a forfeit for doing that which it is physically impossible for them to do, and through no fault of their own, isn't ap-parent, and the "independent" slur looks we a gratuitous insult.

annual engagement, beginning with a mat- CIRCUS HEARS THE GOSPEI

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ducing the walls and hanging or otherwise apportioning death to its inhabitants. From the earliest ages the church had been esteemed sanctuary, and those who found refuge there were looked upon as safe. On and letters flourished under his rule to a this occasion, probably to show that he was degree at least, for he set up the first a good fellow, the noble Charles rode his printing press in Russia at Moscow, and horse into the main aisle of the church and the first work to be printed was a Bible; ast there in all his dignity of boldness while this was not completed, for the men who his soldiers climbed into the galleries and made their living by copying the holy book tonued women and children over the railings and other volumes, raised such a rumpus and ballustrades to be caught on sword, spear or dagger point by their comrades below. It was a notable exhibition of the prowess of the duke, and as history does hot clothe him with any other title than British museum. But Poland is only a the complimentary one of "bold," imagination halts at the thought of what a contemporary must have done in order to merit descriptive appellation of "atrocious." And yet Charles the Bold was found dead his third exarina. One, was chosen and on the field of battle, stark naked and



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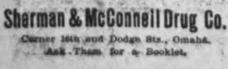
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and gives to Mr. Sully his chance to appea brage at something the citizens had done Mhidful, probably, of his grandfather's of chap, without the money loaning, horse to them each Sunday of their long New pretentions to the Byzantine throne, which trading propensities. "The Old Mill Stream" will be given Sunday afternoon and eventitle of Caesar, but, as the Russians were always a little off in the matter of orthography, he spelled it czar, or tsar. Arts delicious Irish wit and humor for which Mr. Sully's plays have been noted. that the press was moved just beyond their One does not often come upon such surjurisdiction into Poland, where the czar's prisingly eulogistic criticisms as those Bible was completed; a copy, owned by which were published after Viola Allen's the emperor himself, still exists in the Press has this to say of the performance: memory, thanks to a later Russian and a Not in years have Pittsburgers been ac thoroughly delighted as were those who German. He sought an alliance with England, and at one time asked Queen Eliza-

Not in years have Pittsburgers been so thoroughly delighted as were those who composed the first night's house at the Nixon last night to welcome Miss Viola Alien and her admirable company in that irresistibly fascinating Shakespearean comedy, "Tweifth Night." It were not exaggeration to say that it would be ex-ceedingly difficult to attempt any improve-ment upon the production which was given last night. The interpretation of the sub-ile wit and rare humor of the great bard and playwright was the acme of histrionic perfection. There were no disappointbeth to send him an English woman to be actually on her way to Moscow, when she, by her tearful entreaties to Elizabeth, was relieved from what she conceived to be a deplorable fate. And he made a treaty with England by which the bulk of the trade with Russia was monopolized by the English. This doesn't seem to justify the horror in which his name has been

and playwright was the acme of histrionic perfection. There were no disappoint-ments, nothing to jar the tasts of the most critical. From star to most humble mem-ber of the company the work was exceed-ingly well done. Miss Allen as Viola was a realization of the winsome, misunder-stood, dainty character that Shakespeare has portrayed. She seems to be eminently fitted for the role and her revival of the legitimate in classic comedy cannot but add new luster to her already sparking crown. Ivan followed the same policy that is now pursued by Holy Russia. He was legitimate in classic comedy cannot but add new luster to her already sparkling crown. There was nothing that was overdrawn. Bentiment was portrayed to perfection, and her love making was the rarest piece of acting in the splendid performance. Miss Allen has surrounded herself with a strong and carefully selected company. John Blair's impersonation of Malvollo was most accurately worked out. Miss Zeffe Til-bury as Marie gave a rollicking, vivid, pic-ture of the shrewd and honest, yet mis-chlevous friend of her mistress. Clarence Handyside as Sir Tobr Bolch, and Frank Currier, the foolish knight, caused the audience to shed more tears from laughter in a given time than most of them have been tricked into for many a long day. At the end of this act no less than five curtain calls were given, and it seemed as though the performance could not go on. Miss Allen will appear here on May 3 and but not the first with the general idea of Russia's external and internal policies. who were his political enemics; so is Nicholas of the present day; so has been every czar who ever sat on the Russian When the citizens of Novgorod undertook to maintain independence of the throne and took up arms against Ivan, he citizens perishing as a result of his opera-He caused to be murdered an indefinite number of political objectionables. his own hands, it having been suggested to him that he should retire from the

Miss Allen will appear here on May 3 and command of the army in favor of the 4 at the Boyd theater. younger man. He consulted with priests and with magicians, and was moody and "The Stain of Guilt" is the title of the vaccilating in his later years. His will, play which will be offered at the Krug the supreme law of the land, was enforced for the first half of the week, opening favor were rewarded, often far beyond their with the matinee today. It is said to be a melo-drama of the strenuous type, full of startling situations and sensational cli-

pleasure seldom had an opportunity to so far toward the frontier, where their only safety could be found. On this is the charge of "terrible" lodged against him.

the average of those usually appearing in Let us see in what manner some melo-drama. The leading role is that of of the contemporaries of Ivan IV an Italian street singer, known as Chiquita. and is in the hands of Miss Lillian Sey were spending their time. Philip II of Spain, who came to the throne about the moure, who is said to be an exceptionally time Ivan took to himself the title of clever young leading woman. This part, czar, was ruler of the mightiest empire of which is highly emotional, not only rethe day; the most enlightened people of quires an actress with more than usual the earth were the Spanish; yet what talents, but one who is also possessed of monarch's reign can equal Philip's for vocal abilities, and Miss Seymoure is said ruelty, treachery or intrigue? His dealto fully meet these requirements. Other ngs with the Dutch alone are enough to character parts in the play are those of a ondenin him to everlasting obloquy, but detective, a banker, a tough Italian, a his name isn't coupled with any distinctive

newsboy, a burglar, a colored laborer, the appellation of contumely. An example of little soubrette who is always on the spot and the conventional villain is thoroughly his character is given in his course after being crowned at Brussels as king of the in evidence, Netherlands. He swore the most solemn oaths to protect and preserve the rights At the head of the new bill that opens of his people, and disregarded them on the at the Orpheum, with matinee today, comforting ground that as king he was omes Truly Shattuck, the noted soprana the people, therefore any oath taken to singer, who has also won distinction as a stage beauty. This marks her first local appearance in vaudeville, but she has been here several times in operatib productions. Her last engagement previous to going into vaudeville was with "The English Daisy," duchess of Parma, the duke of Alva and

Madison Square Garden was wrapped in ing, and on Monday evening Mr. Sully Sabbath stillness, but in the room where will present his new play, "The Chief Jusduring the week the freaks held sway the tice." In this the star enacts the part of congregation listened to an address by Rev. a high-minded jurist who sacrifices his W. H. Sheak, chaplain of the show. personal interests and sentimental con-The clown was there without his paint siderations on the altar of judicial honor. and grotesque costume, and grave decorum It, too, has the "love" interest thoroughly replaced the leers and antics which com developed, and has that broad vein of uended him to week-day audiences. No one

except his fellow performers knew that he was of the circus. The three Russian dancers sat sedately attentive. On front chairs were the midgets, having

the appearance of animated dolls. Behind apeparance in Pittsburg last week. The them sat the bearded lady, who sought to conceal her ample and flowing beard by fastening her long, light coat over it and turning up her collar until it almost met the droop of her black hat, with its pendant white feather

Sitting beside her was the "missing link," who was afflicted with a cold.

The lion-faced boy, in a back seat, looked like a dog dressed up for the occasion. Next to him was the eight-foot glant, tow ering above the others so that they looked lige pigmies.

The chaplain stood on a platform gally lecorated with red and gold tapestries. After reading a chapter from the Bible he prayed that all before him might be inspired to lead a higher life and that no accident might occur in the circus throughout the season and that there might be no suffering from storm or railroad disaster. "I heard two gentlemen in the menagerie ast week discussing religion," said Mr. Sheak in the course of his sermon. "One who occupied a high position in this circus said he did not believe there was a hell The other replied that if there was no hel there could be no heaven-and that is true.

> M'GUIRE LEARNING TO TALK Actor Whose Tongue is Removed

> > May Soon Be Able to Speak.

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Service-Special to The Bee.)-Although his tongue was cut out recently at the New York Skin and Cancer hospital, to save him from dying of cancer, and he never expected to be able to speak again, "Tom McGuire, an actor, can now make himself understood, although in a way that cannot maxes, but not without a vein of comedy fail to be painful to the many friends he interspersed. The scenic equipment is comhas made in theatrical and political cirplete and the company is said to be above oles.

McGuire's throat is becoming trained, as were, to adapt itself to the changed conditions, and as time goes on it is expected that his ability to express himself by sounds will increase considerably. He is practicing on the alphabet now, and is able to tell his friends how much better he feels generally. In fact, without i tongue, McGuire is learning again to talk much as a child learns, by repeating again and again, simple words and phrases. For more than twenty-five years McGuire had been smoking from twenty to twentyfive cigars a day, and his habit was to hold the cigar in the same place in his mouth, thus causing a constant irritation on one spot of his tongue.

## Will Not Visit Shanghal.

BAN FRANCISCO, April 23.-Owing to their deep draft the Pacific Steamship company's new steamers Mongoilo and Manchuria will not make Shanghal a port of call. Every trip, however, they will call at Manila. The service to that port being contributed entirely by the two giant twins and their smaller, but more fashion-able, sisters, the Siberia and Korea.

Packing Company in Trouble.

one of Weber & Field's attractions. Hume, Ross and Lewis will furnish a melange of comedy, song and terpsichore in their satirical sketch called "The Duke and the American Heiress." Scores of different a Juan of Austria such atrocities were satirical sketch called "The Duke and the analitied in Holland as make the affair American Heiress." Scores of different



himself endured as binding only so long as it was convenient or desirable for him to observe it, and that a king could not break such an oath, for he had a perfect right to change the nature of any obligaon assumed as to himself, and therefore ould not be guilty of perjury. Under the

Don Juan of Austria such strocities were