

CRAWFORD GRAND THEATRE E. L. MARTLING, Manager

The Social Event of the Season New Year's Day, January 1 Matinee and Night James B. Delcher presents the talented young American Star, Miss



Supported by her Excellent Company in the original New York production of

"In The Palace of the King"

A Powerful Romance, Dramatized by Lorrimer Stoddard from F. Marion Crawford's novel of the same name. Seats on sale Dec. 29. Prices—Matinee, 75c, 50c, 25c. Night, \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, 50c, 25c. Carriages at 10:45 p. m. Free list suspended at night.

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The High School Seniors in "Ship Ahoy"

Monday and Tuesday January 4th and 5th Exchange tickets for seat checks at Howe's jewelry store December 31 for Monday's, and January 1 for Tuesday's performances.

Wednesday, January 6th HENRY W. SAVAGE OFFERS RICHARD GOLDEN In the Comedy-Opera.

"KING DODO"

By Pixley & Loden, authors "Prince of Charm" Charming Choral Court. Special Stage Settings. Prices, \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, 50c, 25c. Seats on sale at Howe's jewelry store Monday, January 4, 9 a. m.

TOLER AUDITORIUM TOLER & SONS, Prop.

EXTRA LYCEUM NUMBER. NEW YEAR'S DAY Matinee and Night The Entertainers

A WORLD OF FUN FOR ALL Seats for season ticket holders on sale now. Regular sale Wednesday, December 30. Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c; matinee, 15c and 25c.

Wichita Mutual Burial Ass'n Assessment No. 1 for 1904 is Called. I. W. GILL, Secretary.

For New Year's. We have a fine lot of fancy holly and mistletoe for holiday decorating. Call or telephone your orders to W. H. Culp & Co., Florists, 514 N. Market. Phone 56.

Attend Wichita Business College and Inmate. It is open always to persons of both sexes. Fred Adams, Hilberger and Price, 114-116 North Market street, Wichita, Kansas. 67-11

Attention, Delegates to Building Trades Council: Call at 212 North Main. L. Wolf's for permanent organization. Date Tuesday, January 6, 1904. D. Redican, Sec. 26-11

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. Has been used for over FIFTY YEARS by MILLIONS OF MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WHILE TEETHING, with PERFECT SUCCESS. IT SOOTHES THE CHILD, SOFTENS THE GUMS, ALLEYS ALL PAIN, CURES WIND COLIC and is the best remedy for DIARRHOEA. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" and take no other kind. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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Sunday Excursions on the K. C. M. & O. R. Every Sunday the K. C. M. & O. railway will sell from Wichita to all points on its line except Anthony, Kan. These tickets will be available for purchase on the regular train leaving Wichita at 7:59 a. m., and will be limited for return to the same day. No baggage checked on Sunday excursion tickets. Trains arrive and depart from the Missouri Pacific depot, corner Wichita and Douglas avenues, Wichita, Kan. L. B. SHERWIN, Passenger and Ticket Agent.

TRouble IS EXPECTED. Plans of a Revolution in Honduras Are on Foot. New York, Dec. 31.—Political enemies of President Manuel Bonilla of Spanish Honduras are planning a revolution to overthrow the present administration in that republic, according to advices from Puerto Cortes. The situation is asserted to be so serious that trouble is momentarily expected.

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TRAIN IS WRECKED

Derailed Near Bertha on the Katy Line.

ENGINEER IS KILLED

Fireman and Brakeman Are Badly Scalded.

Parsons, Kan., Dec. 31.—A work train on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway was derailed near Bertha at 11 o'clock today by spreading rails. J. P. Burgeon, the engineer, of Parsons, was killed. Fireman Whitsett and brakeman Fred Murray were scalded badly. The engine was turned over.

HARRIS MAY QUIT. Ex-Senator Says He May Make Chicago His Home.

Fort Scott, Kan., Dec. 31.—Ex-Senator W. A. Harris of Kansas is to leave Kansas and take up residence, at least temporarily, in Chicago. He declines to accept the Democratic nomination for governor, and expresses a doubt about his being appointed on the Nicaragua canal commission that indicates his abandonment of hope for that position.

Several other witnesses were examined in an effort to show that the dynamite stolen from the Tropic tunnel where Milburn was employed was used in the Sun and Moon explosion.

Court adjourned this afternoon till Tuesday next. J. E. Chandler, secretary of the Idaho Springs union, was today released on \$2,500 bail.

WILL INVOLVE EUROPE. General Miles Sees General War if Hostilities Break Out.

St. Louis, Dec. 31.—Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., retired, who stopped here today en route east, said in an interview: "If war is declared between Russia and Japan, it will probably involve all the nations of Europe."

Asked if he meant that all the nations in Europe would come to the aid of either Russia or Japan, he said: "Yes, they would have to be involved in that way."

General Miles stated that he had been in both Russia and Japan in the past few years and is familiar with the armies of both countries. "Both are in fine and effective condition for war," he said, "but I will not say what I think of their relative strength and condition. The war will be decided by military, as well as naval, and in my opinion there will be battles on land of considerable magnitude."

MENELIK FORMALLY ACCEPTS. Sends Two Sons and a Pair of Tusks to President.

Jibuti, French Somaliland, Dec. 31.—The United States expedition to Abyssinia under Consul General Skinner of Marselles, which arrived at Adis Adebba December 21, has successfully carried out the principal features of the mission. A treaty between the United States and the empire of Ethiopia, opening for the first time to friendly commercial relations had been negotiated and signed.

Each member of the American party has been awarded a decoration, the acceptance of which is held in abeyance, owing to the official character of the expedition. The closing audience granted by Emperor Menelik to Mr. Skinner and the leaders of the American escort was of a particularly cordial character.

They Send Messages of Condolence on the Terrible Disaster. London, Dec. 31.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra have sent telegrams to the sufferers of the Chicago fire to the United States government through Foreign Minister Lansdowne. There was no marked falling off of attendance to the theaters and dance halls in London today on account of the fire at Chicago.

Confidence was probably felt in the regulations by the county council, the severity of which in recent years has evoked many complaints from managers of theaters. One of these regulations is that the fire curtain must be lowered once during every performance.

Sir Algernon West, chairman of the theaters' committee of the county council, points out that no life has been lost by fire or panic in a property licensed building in London since 1888.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER. Dr. Rice Was Insane at the Time of His Crime. Pueblo, Colo., Dec. 31.—After a trial lasting for several days, Dr. Chas. O. Rice, a prominent physician of this city, was acquitted of the charge of murder. Mr. Rice on October 17, shot and killed police officer Martz after holding at bay for hours a crowd in front of a drug store of which he had taken possession. He was drinking at the time. Insanity was the ground on which the defense was made.

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VIENNA DISASTER

Catastrophe at Chicago Recalls Other Theater Fires.

EUROPE IS HORRIFIED

Cablegrams Pass Between State and Foreign Officials.

Vienna, Austria, Dec. 31.—The catastrophe at Chicago has aroused the most painful interest and the utmost sympathy everywhere, the Viennese having a keen recollection of the disaster at the Ring theater in 1881, when many people lost their lives.

Berlin, Dec. 31.—The evening papers express horror and sympathy over the Chicago catastrophe, comparing the details with those of the Vienna and Paris theater fires. The fire department here announces that it will immediately make a fresh study of the prospective arrangements of the local theaters, so as to prevent, if possible, a disaster similar to the one at Chicago.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—The following cablegram has been received at the state department from Ambassador Choate, at London, dated today: "Citizens of London, through the Lord Mayor, offer their deep sympathy and sincere condolence with the American people in the awful loss of life at the Chicago fire."

The following cablegram has been forwarded from the state department for Ambassador Choate at London: "Assure Lord Mayor and citizens of London of the high appreciation of their sympathetic message in this hour of sorrow."

LOOMIS. "Acting Secretary of State." Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, went to the state department today and expressed the personal sympathy of the Russian emperor for the people of the United States in this hour of affliction.

Mr. Loomis assured the minister that the expressions of the emperor were deeply appreciated and a message to that effect has been cabled to St. Petersburg.

REVIEW OF TRADE. Readjustment is the Word That Describes Situation.

New York, Dec. 31.—The annual review of trade of R. G. Dun Co. will say: "Readjustment is the one word that sums up the industrial and financial history of the United States during the year 1903. From the lowest point of depression in 1896-97 to the zenith of prosperity and commercial activity in 1902-03 the course of business was well defined and uninterupted, although numerous events occurred that were calculated to check even this great momentum but five years of expansion in trade and manufacture brought financial excess. There was building of bigger 'barns' and the capitalization of hopes and expectations of the future. The past year has chiefly been devoted to retrenchment. Assimilation of securities was only accomplished by the drastic remedy of a 20 per cent reduction in prices."

Accumulation of iron and steel found a market only with the aid of lower prices and curtailed production. In the process of readjustment there were many failures, the number being especially large in the last quarter. Some industries have not shared in the reaction to any appreciable extent and this provides an element of uncertainty for the future. But in many sections of the country and in numerous walks of life the set-back has reached such proportions that there is reason to look for recovery in 1904.

New York, Dec. 31.—Bradstreet tomorrow will say: "Clearance sales by retailers and jobbers have furnished about all the activity noted in distributive trade in a week usually quiet and devoted largely to stock taking and inventories. Holiday business closed with a rush and a volume of trade equal in most cases to the best heretofore."

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES. Washington, Dec. 31.—A cable message to the navy department this afternoon announces the arrival of the gunboat Vicksburg at Chempoo, Korea, where she is expected to remain for some time for the protection of American interests.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 31.—At today's session of the American Economic society the trust question treated in an elaborate paper by Prof. Henry C. Adams of the University of Michigan.

Ashabula, Ohio, Dec. 31.—The double-header east-bound limited on the Lake Shore road was derailed here today by an open switch. Two passengers and six trainmen were injured and two engineers and one fireman were killed.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Information has reached Washington to the effect that Germany is making a quiet but determined effort to secure possession of a coaling station at St. Thomas, one of the Danish West Indian islands.

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 31.—Governor Dockery today refused to honor a requisition by the governor of California for the return to that state for trial of Grapho Zerko, charged with the crime of grand larceny.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Refunding operations under Secretary Shaw's recent order for closed today. The amount of 2s and 4s thus far received approximates \$15,450,000. The amount of 5s received for redemption is \$12,825,000.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 31.—The Republican state central committee today held the state convention for Little Rock on May 19. A resolution, introduced by General Powell Clayton, ambassador to Mexico, endorsing President Roosevelt, was unanimously adopted.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 31.—Banker Chas. F. Woods shot and killed himself last night in his bank at St. Charles, Ia. So far as can be learned the bank is in a good condition.

Manila, P. I., Dec. 31.—The United States gunboat Quinoe is reported aground on a reef off the coast of Burmes. The Quinoe is a single screw steamer of 400 tons and is commanded by Lieutenant Francis Boughter.

Monow, Russia, Dec. 31.—The imposition of war risks today by the insurance companies on shipments hence to the far east was the first local intimation that Russo-Japanese hostilities were considered within the bounds of possibility.

Manila, P. I., Dec. 31.—Lieutenant Elmer E. Bolton of the Philippine constabulary has committed suicide.

Manila, P. I., Dec. 31.—The old Mexican currency will be demonetized tomorrow and the Spanish-Philippine peso will then be legal tender until July 1 next at the regular government rate.

Coloju, Colombia, Dec. 31.—Henry Moe, who has been appointed French chargé d'affaires at Panama, arrived here today and was received with honors by the officers of the military and police. He paid a formal visit to Governor M. Mendive.

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Christmas and New Year's Holiday Rates For the General Public Kansas City and Return \$7.15 During the Holidays

Kansas City, Mo., and Return for the Holidays \$7.15 Missouri Pacific Railway

Special Rates, Account Christmas and New Year Holidays

Holiday Rates via FRISCO SYSTEM To Points Within 200 Miles

Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway Commencing December 29, 1903, all trains of this company will stop to let off and take on passengers at ALINE, O. T. O. G. BURROWS, Commercial Agent, 204 N. Main St., Wichita, Kans.

SKIN AND BLOOD PURIFICATION Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills Cleanse the Skin, Scalp and Blood Of Torturing, Disfiguring, Humours with Loss of Hair COMPLETE TREATMENT \$1.00