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AMUSEMENTS.

"Tannhauser."

Lovers of Wagner cannot heap too much praise on Walter Damrosch for the beautiful and thrilling interpretation of the German master's great work, first given in this city at English's last night. The lavish manner in which "Tannhauser" was presented shows that this brief engagement is to be one of the rarest of musical treats. The large audience which nearly packed all three floors of the opera house last night, also shows that the musical people are not going to let the opportunity slip by them. But even with such patronage one can hardly see how Damrosch will receive adequate returns for his engagement here. With Klafsky at $800 a night, Gruenning at $600 and an orchestra which Damrosch says costs another $600, there is an expense of $2,000 a night, saying nothing of the salaries of Fraulein Eibenschuetz, Conrad Behrens, Mertens and the rest, without mentioning the $20,000 put in the scenery and costumes and the traveling expenses of a company of 165 people. One cannot help wondering where Damrosch, himself, will come in when the salaries are paid. This practical side of art is one that cannot be ignored when one considers such an entertainment.

It is not surprising with Damrosch's years of experience in directing purely orchestral productions of Wagner, that the music rather dominates the general interpretation. The orchestra is the foundation of an adequate performance of Wagnerian opera, and the excellence of the Damrosch orchestra was, probably, more appreciated last night than the masterly singing of the score. But the mounting of the opera and the powerful voices of the principals, the ensembles and the choruses, all aiding in the elaboration of the spirit of "Tannhauser," makes this production famous. None can say when next Indianapolis will have another such opportunity. The great "Tannhauser" overture, as given last night, called forth a stream of superlatives from everyone. The overtures to the second and third acts were hardly less extravagantly mentioned.

But Klafsky! No two people had the same opinion, except among those who were far enough from the stage to obtain an artist's perfective. Klafsky did not burst on the audience as a dream of beauty. She is not beautiful, as most people have learned to expect from their experience with light operatic singers. But from a Wagnerian standpoint, as a Wagnerian heroine, one of profound emotions and as a woman able to give vocal interpretation to the profound Wagnerian motif, Klafsky is not only beautiful, but great—beautiful as an actress and great as a prima donna. Every expression of her tragic face, every motion of her supple arms and every step she takes is dramatic. Her voice is wondrously thrilling, more particularly in the upper register. It was made for Wagnerian music. Its penetrating sweetness is never lost, even when the great orchestra is rolling up its vibrating volume of melody between her and the audience. Its resonant ring is all too powerful for such a confined auditorium and at first many no doubt failed to realize its beauty. The great scene during the second-act finale, with the heavy orchestra and the voices of Gruenning and Behrnes and Mertens and the chorus, making the walls of English's Theater fairly vibrate, with a grand Wagnerian climax, was an astonishing triumph for Klafsky. Every beautiful and true note from her throat was distinct and melodious as if she had been rendering a chamber selection. As a dramatic soprano one could not ask for a more perfect exponent. Her final scene in the last act, when disappointed at Tannhauser's failure to return with the pilgrims, Elizabeth solemnly consecrates herself to the Virgin and departs to die in solitude, held the attention of the audience in what is generally termed breathless suspense. Klafsky is not only great, but too great to be thoroughly appreciated in only one performance.

Less had been heard here of Wilhelm Gruenning, who took the title role in "Tannhauser," and he was a welcome surprise. The tragic expression in the face of this new tenor strangely suggests the features of Edwin Booth. The conflicting emotions necessary to a correct portrayal of Tannhauser, who is buffeted by passion now for a goddess and now for earthly joys, give great scope for an actor of ability as well as a singer, but the sometimes crude manner of Gruenning's interpretation shows that he has not given enough attention thus far to dramatic art. As a tenor Gruenning displays fine ability as a Wagnerian singer. He may be considered a coming great singer, and even now ranks only little less than the best in this country.

Riza Eibenschuetz, with a face of pleasing grace and a voice not powerful when compared with Klafsky's, but much sweeter, gave an excellent impersonation of the goddess Venus. Conrad Behrens shows the deep Wagnerian feeling in the basso solo of the Landgraf, and Wilhelm Mertens makes a soulful Wolfram.

In handling the chorus Damrosch does not display remarkable talent as an operatic director. He has selected strong voices, excepting among the high sopranos, and paid less attention to dramatic detail. The opening to the tournament song in the second act was sung with fine effect, and it did full justice to this celebrated chorus.

"Lohengrin" To-Night.

There was an unusual scene behind the curtain on the stage at English's last night. Walter Damrosch was the leading actor and a crowd of local Wagnerian enthusiasts had the director cornered and poured hot shot into his ears because he had changed the bill for to-night from "Die Walkuere" to "Lohengrin." Mr. Damrosch seemed not a little put out that he should be taken to task so vigorously, and offered in extenuation that his manager had made the change purely on account of the box office. He frankly put it on this mercenary basis. He said: "We can't give a $4,000 performance of 'Die Walkuere' with $1,000 in the box office and so we changed it to 'Lohengrin,' which has been our most popular performance and in which you will get Alvary, the great Wagnerian tenor, and Gadski, who is a great Elsa. You may have had 'Lohengrin' here, but surely your people will not class our performance of 'Lohengrin' with that given by minor organizations. For myself, I should prefer to give 'Die Walkuere,' in preference to the older Wagnerian operas, but now that the change is made we will go ahead and give 'Lohengrin.'"

"Will Klafsky sing again?" asked one.

"Oh, no," said Mr. Damrosch, "you get Klafsky and Gruenning to-night. I could not give you Klafsky twice in such a brief engagement. Your people should not forget that in addition to Alvary and Gadski in 'Lohengrin' you will also get Popovici, the great baritone. The singing of these three has been received with storms of applause wherever the opera has been given, and I promise you a performance of 'Lohengrin' that you will remember and one that the public generally will enjoy more than that of 'Die Walkuere.' The few Wagnerian enthusiasts will be disappointed at not hearing the latter, but I could not give a $4,000 performance for these few, even though I should like to do so."

The performance to-night will begin promptly at 7:45 o'clock, when the doors will be closed until the end of the first act. The cast of "Lohengrin" will be as follows:

Lohengrin.....Herr Max Alvary
Elsa.....Frl. Johanna Gadski
King Henry.....Herr Conrad Behrens
Telramund.....Herr Memeter Popovici
Ortrud.....Frl. Riza Eibenschuetz
Herald.....Herr Wilhelm Mertens

Mr. Damrosch's Recitals.

The special train which brought the Damrosch company here yesterday was nearly four hours late and did not arrive until 3 o'clock, when it was too late for Mr. Damrosch to deliver his lecture recital at the Propylaeum, announced for yesterday afternoon. Several hundred Wagnerian enthusiasts had assembled and were much disappointed at the nonappearance of the lecturer. Mr. Damrosch said last night that he regretted very much that he did not get here in time to deliver his lecture, but that it was through no fault of his. This is the first audience he has disappointed this season, he said. He would be glad to make amends for it in any way in his power, and, accordingly, he has arranged to lecture at the Propylaeum this afternoon on "Lohengrin," the opera that is to be given to-night, and to-morrow afternoon on "Die Meistersinger." These lectures, which are under the auspices of the Ladies' Matinee Musicale, will begin promptly at 2 o'clock, and will last about an hour and a half. They will be of unusual interest to those who will hear the operas named, as Mr. Damrosch is a fine Wagnerian scholar, and gives, in addition to his lectures, selections from the works on the piano.

Park—Howard Athenaeum Company.

The Boston Howard Athenaeum Star Specialty Company is the attraction at the Park Theater the rest of the week. This is one of the best specialty shows seen here this season, and there is not a dull act in the show. The show filled the Park twice yesterday. John Drew, the Irish comedian and dancer, is a favorite here, and won loud applause. Mlle. Madeline Rosa, the ventriloquist, performs remarkable feats. Lizzie Mulvey and Pearl Inman, the famous novelty dancers, introduced to an Indianapolis audience for the first time their new creation, "After the Opera," which was well received. Dolph and Susie Lavino gave their novel entertainment, entitled, "The Rival Arts." Prof. V. P. Wormwood gave a fine exhibition with his thirty trained dogs and thirty trained monkeys. A trained ant eater attracted much attention. Meyer Cohen, the descriptive vocalist, sang a number of songs, which were illustrated with beautiful pictures taken from life. Keno and Welch, in a grotesque knock-about act, made a big hit, as did Annie Hart in her songs. The mirth, however, reaches its climax when those great comedy boomers, Hughes, Morton, McBride and Walton, appear in their absurdity, "The Arrival of McGinness." Andy Hughes is funny in his Irish comedy role, and the boxing bout between McBride and Walton is exciting and well sustained. The Howard Athenaeum Company is keeping up its reputation in good style. It is a first-class vaudeville organization. Harry Morris's Twentieth Century Maids follow Monday for three days.

American Actors for Australia.

There will be a veritable exodus of American actors and actresses to Australia during the coming spring. George Musgrove, of the firm of Williamson & Musgrove, the most prominent theatrical managers in Australia, has been in New York for several weeks looking for attractions for his playhouses. He has already closed contracts for sending four companies across the Pacific, and hopes to secure several more. "Trilby" will be the first to go. The company, headed by either Miss Blanche Walsh or Miss Edith Crane, and including several of the principals in A. M. Palmer's original company, will sail from San Francisco on March 5, and will open at the Princess Theater, in Melbourne. Mrs. Potter and Mr. Bellew will follow on April 30, and will open at the Lyceum, in Sydney. They will present "Charlotte Corday," "Francillion," "A Royal Divorce," "La Tosca" and "Camille."

"A Trip to Chinatown" will be the first of Charles H. Hoyt's plays to visit Australia. The company to present it, which will include Harry Connor, Bessie Clayton, Anna Boyd and George Beane, will sail on May 28, and will also open at the Lyceum, in Sydney.

Probably the most important of Mr. Musgrove's engagements, however, is that of Mr. Nat C. Goodwin, who is booked for a twelve weeks' season in the island continent. He, with his supporting company, will sail from San Francisco on June 25, at the conclusion of his engagement at the Baldwin Theater. He also will open at the Lyceum, in Sydney, probably in "A Gilded Fool." His repertory will include, besides Carleton's comedy, "The Gold Mine," "Ambition" and "In Mizzoura."

"This is really opening up a new field for American managers and stars," says Mr. Musgrove. "Your season here closes in May or June, while ours in Australia is just then opening. The trip will be a pleasant one, and I have no doubt that if Mr. Goodwin and the others we take over this summer prove successful—and, for my part, I am sure they will—many more will be eager to follow their example next year."

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Mr. Henry Schurmann left Wednesday for Denver, Col., to remain some time.

The T. E. G. Card Club will be entertained this afternoon by Miss Nettie Bruce.

Mrs. Freeman, of Terre Haute, is visiting Mrs. Harold Hibben, on North Delaware street.

Mrs. Dr. Wall, of 339 West Vermont street, has gone to visit her daughter at Danville, Ill.

The Aid Society of the Central-avenue Church will meet this evening with Mrs. Jefferson Caylor.

Miss Edna French, of Decatur, came yesterday to visit Miss Jessie Wilson, for a week or ten days.

Mrs. D. W. Gerard and daughter Mayme, of Crawfordsville, are in the city to attend the German opera.

Miss Dice, of Crawfordsville, is the guest of Mrs. Charles N. Thompson, on North Pennsylvania street.

Mr. Clifford Fisher, of Union City, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Gray, on North Pennsylvania street.

Miss Geneve Reynolds, of Lafayette, is the guest of the Misses Ketcham, on North Delaware street, for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Owen and Miss Hallie Stutson were called to Mechanicsburg, O., by the death of Mr. Owen's father.

Dr. H. F. Barnes and daughters, Pearl, May and Hettie, have gone on an extended trip through Florida, to remain several months.

Miss Hollenshed and Miss Rowell, of Greencastle, are the guests of Mrs. and the Misses Eads, on St. Mary street. They came to attend the opera.

Mrs. John Oxford has issued invitations for a company Monday afternoon to observe the birthday anniversary of her mother, Mrs. Dudbridge, at their home on North Pennsylvania street.

Mrs. E. C. Atkins has issued invitations for a reception and dance Thursday evening of next week for her daughters, the Misses Atkins, and their guest, Miss Elizabeth Guilford, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. H. A. Edson, who has been living in Tennessee for a number of years, is spending a short time in this city with relatives. She was entertained Tuesday evening by Mrs. James I. Lodge.

Mrs. F. H. Johnson gave a children's party yesterday afternoon for Misses May and Bessie Harkness, daughters of her sister, Mrs. George W. Harkness, of St. Louis, who are visiting her. There were about twenty seated at a low, long table for supper at 5 o'clock, and later there was dancing. Favors for the children were French bon-bons, containing paper caps.

Mrs. Thomas L. Hale entertained a few of her younger friends yesterday afternoon with a quotation party at her residence on North Pennsylvania street. The guests were seated at tables, and were supplied with words of a quotation, to be properly arranged. It was progressive, like a card party, and the winners were presented with pretty prizes. The company included Mrs. Frederick Adams, Mrs. Robert Drake, Mrs. J. Hart Laird, Mrs. William Carter, Mrs. Calloway, Mrs. Helen Deitz, Mrs. Charles Busby, Mrs. F. L. Thompson, Mrs. John Thurman, Mrs. Kistner, Miss McCune, the Misses Lowe, Miss Rees, Miss Rafert, Miss Hicks, Miss Jelleff, Miss Bell, Miss Pickerell, Miss Tilford and Miss Hesse. Mrs. Hale was assisted in entertaining by Miss Bell.

COLONEL AND MRS. LILLY'S PARTY.

The largest and handsomest private party given in this city for many years was that of last evening, when Colonel and Mrs. Eli Lilly threw open their palatial home, on North Meridian street, to all of their friends. Over one thousand invitations went sent out for the event. Many went to friends out of town. There were comparatively few regrets, and the great halls, spacious parlors and numerous rooms, as well as the ball room, were thronged with guests. The entrance was at the north side of the house, connected directly with stairs that lead to the second floor. As the company descended to the first floor, they were welcomed by Colonel and Mrs. Lilly, who stood in the beautiful oriole window on the broad landing. Mrs. Lilly received in a handsome gown of cream white crepe, gracefully fashioned, and carried a large bunch of American Beauty roses. In the corners at either side of them were palms, which filled the space and made a half frame for the window and the host and hostess. The entire floral decorations for the drawing and other rooms was of American Beauty roses. These were placed in handsome vases on the mantels, and reflected their rich colors in the mirrors, hundreds of them making the atmosphere rich with their odor. The corners of the rooms contained palms, few in number but effectively arranged against the delicate fresco of the walls. In the dining room the furnishing is of old blue. Here La France roses, in a tall stem vase of cut glass, stood on an embroidery in the center of the polished table, and strewn around its base were other roses. Pink confections in dainty dishes of glass gave color to the corners of the table. In the library, across the hall from the dining room, the furnishing is in tints of green, and the floral embellishment was Bermuda lilies placed on the mantel and tables. Mr. and Mrs. Lilly were assisted in extending their generous hospitalities by their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lilly, Miss Massy, Miss Margaret Ridgely, Mr. and Mrs. Medford B. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh H. Hanna, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Day, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Spann, Mr. and Mrs. George G. Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Murty, Mr. and Mrs. Bement Lyman, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus L. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. William Fortune, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred M. Ogle and Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Page. Each of the assisting ladies were handsomely costumed and carried a bunch of American Beauties, sent to them by the host and hostess. A number of the assistants presided over the ball room, on the third floor. An elaborate supper was served in the dining room and library. In the alcove of the front door in the hall, which was filled with palms, there was a long table with two punch bowls, which were kept filled with champagne punch. The smaller room at the north of the hall was used as a place for a tete-a-tete, and many took advantage of it during the evening. The rooms on the second floor were all fragrant with carnations of different colors, to harmonize with the tint prevailing in the several furnishings. The large ball room on the third floor was beautified with Southern smilax and palms. On one side the orchestra was hidden with a hedge of palms, and at the extreme front of the room there was an alcove of palms, within which there were seats. There were also many seats around the room. The programme of dances was arranged in Venetian form, and was suspended on the wall. A second orchestra furnished music down stairs. The whole house was brilliantly illuminated with more than three hundred electric lights. Wires are placed in the ceiling, in the chandeliers, and in the sides of the rooms, with shades to give a soft and clear light. Above the oriole window there is a circle of lights, and from the upper hall the scene was brilliant in the extreme. With the hundreds of guests there was much rich dressing, many new costumes were worn, and the gay colors and rich fabrics have never been surpassed at a like entertainment given in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Lilly took possession of their home over a year ago, and celebrated their silver anniversary with a family gathering soon after going in. Last evening's party was in the nature of a house warming, to extend the liberal hospitalities of the home to every friend. The arrangements were not only lavish but complete. Carriages were called by a special telephone from the house to the gate. Among the guests from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doxey and Mr. and Mrs. John Jouvett, of Anderson; Mrs. Potter, of Chicago, with Mr. and Mrs. Seedt; Miss Ella McCrea, of Wabash, with Mr. and Mrs. John E. Stephenson; Mr. Clifford Fisher, of Union City, with Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Gray; Mr. Harris Thibaud, of Columbus, with Mr. and Mrs. Layman; Mrs. Ralph St. J. Perry, of Iowa, with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Perry; Mrs. Thomas, of Minneapolis, with Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Butler; the Misses Von Starkloff, of St. Louis, with Mr. and Mrs. Reese; Mrs. Freeman, of Terre Haute, with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hibben; Miss Rowland, of Philadelphia, with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Foster, and Mr. Donald L. Smith, of Rushville.

MUNCIE WEDDINGS.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., Jan. 16.—The marriage of Edward Bender and Miss Fredda Markman, last evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hummel, was solemnized by Rev. J. F. Carney, of the Universalist Church, in the presence of one hundred guests. The parlors were beautifully decorated with smilax, ferns, plants and cut roses. The bride wore a costume of white silk, with pearl trimmings and diamond ornaments. Her parents now reside in Denver, Col., but formerly lived in Richmond, where she is well known. The groom is connected with the Globe Clothing Company, his parents residing in Daleville.

Luther Hawkins and Miss Mary Canada were married last night by Rev. Sly, at their home on Kirby avenue.

James Matthews and bride arrived home from Indianapolis last night. Yesterday morning, at the home of Patrick Fowley, in Indianapolis, his daughter, Miss Jessie, was married to Mr. Mathews by Father O'Donaghue.

A. A. Burnholl and Sarah Clevenger, Charles Hay and Josephine Schwelker were married last night.

CASSADY—JOHNSON.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Jan. 16.--Alva M. Cassady and Miss Lourene, daughter of Mrs. Stacy Johnson, residing west of this city, were married last night at her mother's home. The Rev. J. B. Blount, of the Raleigh Christian Church, officiated. A large number of friends witnessed the ceremony and partook of the elaborate bridal supper given. Numerous beautiful presents were received. Mr. and Mrs. Cassady have gone to housekeeping in the elegantly furnished home of the groom, on his farm, near Homer.

COOPER—M'CLARREN.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WORTHINGTON, Ind., Jan. 16. — Mr. Jodie Cooper and Miss Lessie McClarren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McClarren, of this place, were married last evening by Rev. W. M. Whitsitt, of the M. E. Church.

A CURE-ALL APPARATUS.

An Annihilator of Disease Invented by Tesla, the Electrician.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The Press this morning says: Nicola Tesla, the electrician, has invented an apparatus which he believes will cure any organic disease. Some years ago, when Mr. Tesla made public a mere outline of the cure, an Austrian doctor applied it in a crude way to the cure of several patients suffering with tuberculosis of the lungs. The typewritten report of these cures was destroyed in the fire in Mr. Tesla's laboratory a year ago, and the name and address of the doctor are lost. The apparatus is something like the Swedish movement cure. It gives 100 shocks a second. Abram S. Hewitt has found that it cured his liver trouble in one day, so Mr. Tesla says.

After the Populist Convention.

President Irwin and Secretary Woolen, of the Commercial Club, went to St. Louis last night to try to perfect arrangements to have the national convention of the Populists held here. No cash bonus will be offered, but they will be promised a hall in which to hold the convention, rooms for committees, etc. It is hard to say what the attendance at the Populist convention will be, but it will run up into the thousands. The time and place for holding the convention will be decided this week.

Caught While Selling Plunder.

John Kelley was arrested yesterday in a second-hand store on East Washington street, while trying to dispose of an overcoat belonging to druggist Pfafflin. Some time ago he sold a coat and vest and overcoat at the same place that had been stolen from George Parker, of 22 West Ohio street. He says his home is in St. Louis.

Fees and Salaries Again.

The county auditors and treasurers of the State will further test the fee and salary law by carrying the Vanderburg county case to the Superior Court. The obnoxious part of the law is that section which says the salaries of treasurers and auditors shall not exceed the amount earned in fees.

Still Hold the Body.

Collier & Murphy, the undertakers who have charge of the body of Jessie Milburn, will hold it until information is received from her friends. They have written to J. P. Manley, of St. Louis, who, they are informed, will be able to communicate with her relatives.

Grumbling of the Enemy.

New York Evening Sun (Dem.)

In spite of all predictions to the contrary, the tendency to "count a quorum" in his old, sweet way still sticks to the Czar Thomas B. like original sin to a Calvinist.

A Little Later.

Washington Post.

It is now plain William McKinley, of Canton, O., but he expects to make other arrangements for the future.

THE WAR ON SALOONS

SHELBYVILLE EXCITED OVER THE ARREST OF THE DETECTIVES,

But the Outlook Is Not So Alarming as on Wednesday Night—Lodging House Guarded by Armed Men.

CITIZENS' LEAGUE FAVORED

BROWN COUNTY'S CAPITAL SUFFERS SERIOUSLY BY FLAMES.

Exciting Scene in the Madison County Court Room—Peculiar Will of a Michigantown Merchant.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Jan. 16.—The excitement of last night over the arrest of detectives Simpson and Weirick still continues, although the outlook is less alarming. It needs only a repetition of last night's action to cause serious trouble. The trial of Oscar Williams, charged with violating the Sunday liquor law, was continued by Squire Simpson. In the cases against Simpson and Weirick the State asked a continuance until next week, and the trials were set for next Wednesday, when it is hoped the excitement will have subsided.

It develops that Mrs. Ida Darr, who operates the Morrison House, where Simpson and Weirick boarded, was warned late last night, that unless she turned the detectives out of doors her house would be dynamited and through the entire night citizens sat inside the windows, fully armed, to protect her property. All through the day excited crowds stood about the street discussing the situation in all its phases. The better class of citizens are agitating the organization of a Good Citizens' League to secure punishment of violators of the law. For fear of trouble upon the streets armed officers accompany detectives Simpson and Weirick to and from the courtrooms.

A careful analysis of the situation discloses the fact that several times Marshal Sparks, who, by the way, is the only police officer in this town of seven thousand inhabitants, has asked the Council to give him additional help to enforce the laws, but each time the Council has refused. The better class of citizens demanded of Sparks that he enforce his ante-election promise to them, and he induced the police committee of the Council to allow him to employ help. The majority of the city Council are understood, however, to be opposed to the employment of any additional policemen and the people have stepped forward and assured Mr. Joseph R. Stewart, who is chairman of the police committee, that they will support him both with money and influence.

An interview with one of the saloonkeepers who was fined on the evidence of Simpson and Weirick presents a complete denial of having ever seen either of the two men before the day of the trial. He says that it is only a blackmailing scheme to extort money from the local Liquor League; but, before the conversation closed, he admitted that they had been in his saloon on Saturday, Jan. 4, and bought whisky. He also stated that the saloon men would not be "monkeyed with," but would severely use everyone who had anything to do with the detectives. The trial of the other saloon men charged with violation of law will continue to-morrow. These affidavits are not made under the Nicholson law, but the old law.

FIRE AT NASHVILLE.

About One-Half the Business Portion of the Town Consumed.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

NASHVILLE, Ind., Jan. 16.—Last night, about 8 o'clock, fire broke out in the block of business buildings on the north side of main street, between the courthouse and the public square, and in less than two hours the entire block was in ashes, viz.: Pittman's saloon building, including stock and fixtures; Coffey's business building, in which was his law office; McLeod's dental office, and Dr. Griffith's office; Dr. Ralfly's two buildings, one occupied by Mrs. Walters as a grocery store, and the other occupied by Mobley & Parcifield as a barbershop; Grattan's grocery store and Dr. Cork's three buildings, one occupied by the township trustee as an office, and one occupied by Alonzo Allison, for postoffice and grocery store, and the other also occupied by Allison, as the office of the Brown County Democrat. Pittman's loss is estimated at $2,000, no insurance; Coffey's loss on building $1,500, no insurance; Dr. Ralfey's loss on building $1,500, no insurance; Grattan's loss on building $2,000, $600 insurance; Dr. Cork's loss on building $2,500; no insurance. The loss on stocks of goods is estimated at $500 for Allison, $800 for Grattan and $500 for Walters.

EXCITING COURT SCENE.

Judge Ellison Severely Criticised by Attorney Kittinger.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 16.—Never in the annals of court history in this county or district has a scene been enacted that would parallel one witnessed here this morning. The court room where the event took place was packed with witnesses, and almost every attorney of the bar was present. Judge Bundy, of the Henry Circuit Court, was on the bench, and Judge Alfred Ellison, for whom he was holding court, sat within the inclosure near the reporters' table. Special Prosecutor B. H. Campbell, recently appointed by Judge Ellison to file an affidavit of information and prosecute Herron Richardson, after the grand jury failed to return an indictment, had presented an argument to the court asking that W. A. Kittinger be debarred from appearing in the case as an attorney for the defense, and in so doing cast reflections upon the honor and integrity of the attorney. Mr. Kittinger defended himself and vigorously denounced the charges, at the same time severely criticising the action of Judge Ellison. The latter arose and called upon Judge Bundy several times for protection, but did not get it till the irate attorney had spoken his mind freely. The trouble originated in the prosecution of the "White Cap cases." Attorney Kittinger was appointed by Judge Ellison to assist the State in prosecuting Sam Clark for "burglary and larceny." The defendant was acquitted, and then an effort was made to indict Herron Richardson for the offense. Richardson's son Hamp had been granted immunity from prosecution in several cases by order of Judge Ellison. The State's special officer sought to have Mr. Kittinger ruled off because he had appeared for the State in the prosecution of Clark. The occurrence is still the talk in legal circles. Judge Bundy left this afternoon, and will render his decision on his return.

Left Orders About His Funeral.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FRANKFORT, Ind., Jan. 16.—In 1890 Geo. H. Merritt, for years a prominent merchant of Michigantown, died, and at the time it was supposed without leaving a will. The widow, with the assistance of a son, continued the business until a short time since, when she died and the court appointed an administrator to settle the estate. This week, while going through some old papers of Mr. Merritt, a will was found, which had been executed Jan. 14, 1888, two years before his death. The instrument contained the following strange paragraph: "Sooner or later I will be called upon to leave this state of existence. When that time comes be sure that life is extinct; then get a plain box, without paint or varnish, in that a bed and pillow of clean shavings. Wrap me in a sheet, a clean piece of muslin, lay me in the box on the shavings, nail down the lid and consign me to the grave without any form of ceremony. Leave nothing but the mound of earth, with a plain head and footboard to mark the spot." The will was admitted to probate to-day.

An Alleged Insurance Fraud.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Jan. 16.—A. Gocke left this city at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon for Cleveland to see if he could identify a man under arrest there as William Boyle, whose friends claimed has been drowned five years ago. Gocke will go to see a man named Bresuahan at No. 110 Breuell street, Cleveland, who seems certain he has Boyle located. Boyle was supposed to have been drowned in Lake Michigan in 1891 and although his clothes were found on the lake shore his body was never recovered. He was insured for $3,000 in the Catholic Benefit Society, the officers of which refused to pay the death benefit on the grounds that Boyle was still alive. The widow secured judgment for $2,402.23 on Dec. 17, 1894, and the case is now in the Supreme Court. More than a year ago a detective was put on the case and a telegram to-day from him states that he is positive Boyle is under arrest in Cleveland. His wife, Mrs. Anna Boyle, lives in Chicago.

Shockney Club Organized.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

UNION CITY, Ind., Jan. 16.—The Republicans of this city and vicinity assembled in Music Hall this evening for the purpose of organizing a Theodore Shockney Republican club. The meeting was large and extremely enthusiastic, resulting in the adoption of resolutions to the effect that the members would use all honorable means to secure the nomination of Mr. Shockney for Governor of Indiana. Mr. F. H. Bowen was selected as president of the club. This will be made a permanent organization, whose influence will be felt in the coming campaign. Speeches were made and the enthusiasm displayed demonstrated that the candidacy of Mr. Shockney will be espoused in a manner that will do honor to their fellow-townsman. The club will meet regularly until the State convention, taking such steps as will best further the interests of the Republican party and their favorite candidate.

Badly Hurt on His Last Trip.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., Jan. 16.—Frank Craighead was brought home from Montpelier last night, where he was fatally injured yesterday by falling under a locomotive while doing switch work on the Fort Wayne, Cincinnati & Louisville railway. He attempted to jump on an approaching engine which was backing. He was standing in the center of the track and missed his footing. The brake beams caught him and rolled him a considerable distance, but his cries were heard and the engine stopped. One hip was dislocated and his internal injuries are very serious. The young man has a wife and two small children in Muncie. The trip he was making was to be his last, as he intended going into business in Fort Wayne.

Robbed by Footpads.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Jan. 16.—M. E. Gibson, local agent of the Buckeye Harvester Company, was returning home at 11 o'clock last night, when he was stopped on North Main street by three footpads and robbed of $26 in money and a Confederate $100 bill and some small change. Gibson had collected the money during the afternoon. He at first thought the robbers were merely some men playing a practical joke, but this impression was dispelled when one of the men put a revolver to his ear and told him to throw up his hands. After searching his pockets Gibson was felled with a blow from a piece of lead pipe and left lying senseless while the robbers fled. Gibson is a member of the Rushville bar.

Good News for Elwood.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ELWOOD, Ind., Jan. 16.—It was announced to-day that the Postal Department had closed the lease of the present site of the postoffice for a term of five years, and that within six weeks after April 1 a free delivery service would be established. The terms of the contract require that the owner of the building shall refit the office as required for a free delivery office, and this will be done immediately after April 1 if the quarterly receipts for the quarter ending April 1 do not fall below the $2,500 requisite to insure the change to a free delivery office. Postmaster F. M. Harbit has worked untiringly to secure this for Elwood and feels quite elated over the success of his efforts.

Brought Up as a Dependent.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FRANKFORT, Ind., Jan. 16.—Clinton county has a man who has a remarkable history, in at least one particular, in the person of William Russell, who has been an inmate of the county poorhouse thirty-two years. Russell, with his mother, was admitted to that institution when he was but two years old and has remained there continuously. Russell is industrious and is favorably regarded by the other inmates of the farm. He is strong in body and of average mind, but, having been reared among the dependent, has not the courage to get out and "hustle" for himself, and is happy with his miserable surroundings.

Two Little Ones Burned to Death.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

PETERSBURG, Ind., Jan. 16.—The home of George Spraggins, at Little's mines, was destroyed by fire at 7 o'clock this morning, and two little children, a boy and girl, aged, respectively, two and four years, were burned to death before the eyes of their mother, who was also badly burned in trying to save them. The origin of the fire is unknown as both parents were away from the house when it started. When the news of the fire reached the mines the three hundred men employed there ceased work and will not resume until Saturday.

Passed Counterfeit Silver.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FRANKFORT, Ind., Jan. 16.—The police to-day arrested five tramps and placed them in jail on charge of passing counterfeit money. The men gave the names of Ross Lytle, Wm. Clark, Robert Williams, Thos. Morgan and Geo. Booker. On Clark were found several spurious half-dollar pieces and it is known where he passed two other pieces of like denomination. On Lytle was found a new revolver and burglar tools. The gang is supposed to be the same one that has been flooding Kokomo with counterfeit money.

Pastoral Call Accepted.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RICHMOND, Ind., Jan. 16.—Something over a year ago the Rev. John Volmar was called from Michigan City, where he was the pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, to take the superintendency of the Wernle Orphans' Home, the Lutheran institution located just south of this city. He has now tendered his resignation from that position and desires to be released by April 1 in order to accept a call to the pastorate of a church at Chattanooga, O.

Bottle Works to Resume.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENFIELD, Ind., Jan. 16.—Harry W. Streeter, of Muncie, who has leased the Hollweg & Reese bottle works plant, of this city, for five years, has everything about ready for starting up. He has had a new gas well drilled for the especial use of the factory. Saturday the men will be hired. About one hundred will be employed and later increased to 150. This factory has been idle for the past two years.

An Accommodating Council.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LEBANON, Ind., Jan. 16.—The Town Council at Jamestown, this county, at its last meeting raised the saloon license from $25 to $100 per year. Richard Bush, the only saloon keeper there, threatened to remove his bar elsewhere. The Council arranged a called meeting, requesting Bush's presence, when he was asked how much of a raise he would stand. By mutual agreement the license was then reduced to $50.

Buckeye Manufacturing Company

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ANDERSON, Jan. 16.—The Buckeye Manufacturing Company, of Anderson, filed articles of incorporation to-day in this city, showing a paid-up capital stock of $100,000. The officers are: President, J. W. Lambert; vice president, George Lambert; secretary and treasurer, George A. Lambert. The company is now operating a large plant in this city, and is preparing for extensive additions in the spring.

Fire-Bug Given Five Years.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LIGONIER, Ind., Jan. 16.—Henry Rosenberger, charged with arson, was to-day sentenced to five years in the Indiana Prison North. He set fire to the buildings on the Kendallville fair grounds, destroying property and valuable horses amounting to $16,000. Governor Matthews, who was addressing the people on the grounds at the time of the fire, was compelled to stop owing to the excitement.

Burglars Cause Heavy Loss.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ROCKPORT, Ind., Jan. 16.—The stores of George Wandel, William Finch and August Tonlo, of Grandview, were burglarized last night. Loss in money, in goods taken and injury to property, $10,000.

Hunting Illicit Distillers.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Jan. 16.—John P. Schiltges, deputy revenue collector of the Sixth district, was in this city to-day. He confirms the report of the captured still in Brown county, and says that he is on the track of more in that same community. He also said that there was a moonshiner in Johnson county, who was giving the officers much trouble, but they could not locate him.

Charged with Using Canceled Stamps.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

NEW ALBANY, Ind., Jan. 16.—Theophilus Key, of Marengo, Crawford county, was arrested to-day by Deputy Marshal Taylor on a charge of using a canceled stamp on a letter. He was brought to this city and arraigned before United States Commissioner Harrison. He pleaded not guilty and was released on his own recognizance to appear before the United States grand jury.

Two Years for Killing a Constable.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

VINCENNES, Ind., Jan. 16.—Edward Lankford, of Sandborn, was convicted of killing Biann B. Williamson and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary by the jury verdict this afternoon. Lankford fired into a crowd and killed Williamson, an aged constable, something over a year ago.

Twins Not Divided by Death.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LEBANON, Ind., Jan. 16.—Misses Minnie and Flora, eighteen-year-old twin daughters of James Davenport, living at Fayette, this county, died to-day, near the same hour, of typhoid fever. During their lives they had never been separated from each other over night.

Traveling Man Fatally Hurt.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

DECATUR, Ind., Jan. 16.—A traveling man named Ed. Mack, of Marion, O., was fatally hurt at Magley, in this county, this afternoon. He was struck by the Chicago & Erie fast train and his head mashed. He was brought to this city, but will die in a few hours.

Indiana Obituary.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Jan. 16.—Mrs. Mary Woodcock, widow of the late Alvah