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MEMPHIS THEATER.

T. W. DAVEY ..... PROPRIETOR

For one week and Christmas and Saturday Matinees, an engagement extraordinary of the celebrated English Comedian and Author,

MR. WYBERT REEVE,

Assisted by the very admired and talented English Actress,

MISS ADELINE STANHOPE,

Of London Theaters Royal, Haymarket, Olympic, &c.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings, Dec. 21, 22 and 23,

Grand production of Wilkie Collins' celebrated and marvelous drama, in a prologue and four acts, entitled POSON; or The Woman in White. Count Fosco, Wybert Reeve; Anne Catherick, Adeline Stanhope. Thursday, Friday and Saturday THE ROUTIER ANGEL; Christmas Matinee—PIQUE. Saturday Matinee—BIRTH. Prices—$1.50, 75, 50 and 25. Parquette Fifth Av. Theater combination—DI VONA'S.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

For Councilman Ninth Ward.

EDITORS APPEAL—Gratifying the family of a great host of philosophic thinkers of the, a generation future, are not among the common politics of American habit—intelligent people of intrinsic worth being the rule, not the exception. Encouraged by these facts, I respectfully announce myself for the single term of twelve months, in a prolonge and four years, as the people of the Ninth Ward, an honest their valued support, for Councilman at the January election.

dec8 12 THOS. R. CLARKE.

For Councilman Fourth Ward.

WE are authorized to announce E. KECK as a candidate for re-election as Councilman from the Fourth Ward.

REMOVAL.

R. S. MILLER, Justice of the Peace, to No. 98 Main street, opp. New Courthouse.

ROOMS AND BOARD.

BOARD—A nice front furnished room for gentleman and wife, and a few day boarders can be accommodated at 151 Court street.

LEHNER HOUSE—Corner Washington and Second streets. Cheapest and best board, comfortable furnished rooms for families and gentlemen, with or without board. dec6

ROOM—A fine furnished front room, in a strictly private French family, (of 3) boarders. Apply at 198 WELLINGTON ST.

SEVERAL elegant rooms, with board, at reasonable rates, at 195 Union.

ROOMS AND BOARD—Desirable front room, $5 per week. 80 UNION ST.

ROOM AND BOARD—One unfurnished room in private family. 351 ADAMS ST.

ROOMS AND BOARD ..... at 56 MONROE ST.

ROOM AND BOARD—Fine front room on 2d floor, unfurnished, with board. Can accommodate a few day boarders also. Apply at 304 Third street, corner of Washington.

ROOMS—GEE HOUSE, cor. Main and Beale. Newly furnished rooms, single or in suits, for gentlemen only; $8 and $12 per month, $2 and $3 per day. Good board at the dollar per week in the building. sat3

FOR RENT.

RESIDENCE—A very desirable two-story frame dwelling, with six or eight rooms, kitchen, servants' rooms, good water; nice yard; all in perfect order; corner Greenlaw and Seventh streets, Chelsea, one square from street-cars. Apply on the premises, or to

B. LOWENSTEIN & BRO., 305 Front street.

DWELLINGS—Two good dwellings, Nos. 193 and 195 Jones avenue, 5 or 7 rooms each. Brick dwelling on Fourth st., near corner of Mill ave., in Chelsea; 5 rooms, lot 54x12; cheap.

H. L. GUION,
Rental Agent, 21 South Court st.

RESIDENCE—For one or more years, the house and six acres of ground lately occupied by James Boyle, some three miles from the city, on the south side of Central avenue, and but a short distance from the city gardens, in good shape, for a cook, for a gardener, or a PRESENT PAYING TENANT, terms will be reasonable. Apply to

R. RICHMOND, 293 Main st.

STORE—The best store in Chelsea, 38 Third street. For information apply on the premises, or to HARBOUR & SIMPSON, dec17 251 Main street.

NEW BRICK DWELLINGS.

No. 89 Hawley street, 1 story frame containing 4 rooms.
No. 87 Manassas street, 7 rooms and large yard.
No. 97 Marshal avenue, 4 rooms.
No. 141 Mosby street, 6 rooms.
No. 149 Mosby street, 6 rooms.
Two-story in a house, on Promonade street, contains 10 rooms.
No. 21 Wilson street, 7 rooms.
No. 162 and 164 Robson street contains 6 rooms each.
No. 72 Lance street, 5 rooms up stairs.
No. 61 Promonade street, 3 rooms.

L. D. COSAWAY,
Rental, Real Estate and Collecting Agency, dec27 10 Madison street.

CITY AGE—Cottage No. 108 Alabama street. Apply to J. COURI, Memphis Wood Works, Georgia street, just below Mississippi and Tennessee depot.

HOUSE—Six rooms, on Overton street. Apply to SAM. H. COWARD, No. 8 Jefferson st.

RESIDENCE—No. 339 Jefferson street extended, with garden, for $25 per month. Apply to J. F. JENUX, 15 Union street.

HOUSE—A double frame house, suitable for a grocery, with good stable and large garden attached; rent cheap to a good tenant. Apply at 50 JEFFERSON ST.

LAND—On Union Avenue, adjoining Court House, one acre of land, well improved, with nice residence and all necessary outbuildings. Apply to M. W. KENSEL, Nov 29 Tarpaulin Shed, on the levee.

COTTAGE—Seven rooms, 361 Georgia street, adjoining Mount Pleasant street cars. EUGENE S. LYNN, No. 249 Main street.

ROOMS—Handsome furnished rooms at $10 a month, at No. 275 MAIN ST.

FLAT OF—Three sitting-six rooms and Kitchen; everything conveniently good location; rent cheap. Apply at 352 Twelfth street.

ENGINE 8-Horse power, one engine and boiler. Apply at 18 NORTH SECOND ST.

RESIDENCE—Two-story frame, very convenient and desirable location, street-cars in front; to a good tenant. Apply on the premises to B. G. HOLKENBRING, 284 Main st.

ROOMS—Handsomely furnished rooms, Apply at Room 1, third floor, 194 Main street.

MADISON STREET OFFICES—Two new brick second-floor front offices at No. 95 Madison street, suitable for physicians, lawyers, editors or for a fruit store. Apply at

H. L. GUION,
dec8 10 Madison street.

FOWLER HOMESTEAD—Corner Union street and Marshall avenue, with outhouses, stables, flower and vegetable gardens, adjoining grounds of Female Institute, for one year, or a term of years, to a desirable tenant. Apply to MOS. ROLAND & GOODWIN, dec8 10 Madison street.

FOR SALE.

COAL—Pittsburg, St. Bernard and Cannel coal and coke. Apply to P. G. HOLST, 280 Main st.

LODGING HOUSE—In good location, well fitted up, doing a paying business, will be sold cheap. Apply within three days, at nov22 THIS OFFICE.

LAND—55 acres of land, one of the best and most desirable tracts of upland in Shelby county, situated five miles south of White's station, on Memphis and Charleston railroad. Apply to

WM. B. HAMLIN.

BULL CALF—A pure Kentucky breed Bulldog, Bull Calf. Name leather. Inquire at Fenin's warehouse, South Main st.

SALOON AND FIXTURES—All complete at No. 300 Main street, opposite Mississippi and Tennessee railroad depot. Will be sold cheap to change business. Good low. Apply on premises. dec6

TO PAY CHARGES—On January 2, 1875, the following goods will be sent to pay charges, viz: Goods of A. E. Frankland, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Andrew J. Chase, G. L. Vaughan, 1 box mdse; P. H. Tuttle, 1 box mdse; Jos. Bell, 1 box mdse; W. Ryker, 1 washing machine; P. L. Rice, 1 cider; Love & Co., 1 box mdse; A. S. Jones, 1 cider; S. J. Bucknal, 2 kegs (no mark), 8 boxes mdse; J. K. Hall, 1 box.

G. H. BECKER & CO.,
Hand 19 Union st., Memphis.

FURNITURE—A large lot of furniture, nearly new, at private sale. Call at THE HOUSE, Main street, cor. Beale.

FOODING MILL—A large flouring mill, situated at Grand Junction. Address A. J. ADAMS, LaGrange, Tenn. dec6

BRICK—Orders left with W. H. Grider & Co., 319 Front street, or at yard on Oregon street, on the bluff, South Memphis, will receive prompt attention.

O. H. P. PIPER.

BUILDING LOTS—Great bargain for cash or in trade—EX building lots on Union street, Chelsea. Address

J. J. DUBOSE, 35 Madison st.

50,000 BRLS. No. 1 PITTSBURG COAL, as low as the lowest. Also, Pittsburg, Cannelton and St. Bernard coals, cheap as any other mine. Also, FOOD "is every style." Also, Rockaway and 3 spring wagons. Also, several fine mules, large and in fine order.

R. PACKER & CO., 194 Second st.

THREE COAL LOADS NO. 1 PITTSBURG Coal, at wholesale.

R. R. PACKER & CO.,
dec6 194 Second street.

LAND—20 acres land adjoining for building lots, on Union road, miles Mississippi and Tennessee railroad, about five miles south of Memphis; good spring. Address Peter Mitchell, Fort Hill, Tundas & Co. dec1

HORSES AND MULES—Received this week, and on hand, 20 head of Missouri horses, one lot Illinois horses, one lot Kentucky horses and mules, embracing saddle, harness and draft horses of all classes.

FORREST & FAIRES,
Memphis Stables, Adams and Stock Yard.

BARBER CHAIR, glass, razors, brushes and combs. Apply at 196 SHELBY ST.

OLD TYPE METAL—

AT APPEAL OFFICE.

PRESS—An A No. 1 letter-press, cast iron frame, with two drawers, will be sold cheap. Applyat THIS OFFICE.

ENGINE AND BOILER—Nearly new, in good order. Apply at BARTON & CO., 279 No. 329 Front street.

FARM—Cheap for cash, one of the best farms in Shelby county, 10 miles. Apply to T. W. BROWN, 10 Madison st.

PORGIES—Four or five second-hand and one new two-horse power, very cheap, at C. H. Deering's Co.'s station, No. 321 Second street.

RESIDENCE—My late residence on Jessamine street, third door east of Lauderdale, is offered for sale. House and grounds in perfect order. JOHN OVERTON, Jr.

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

BLACK COW—Has white spot on her tail, and a hole in each horn. A liberal reward will be paid for delivery of the cow to M. F. Virgeon, corner Broadway and Davis streets.

STRAYED.

$10 REWARD—For a light red cow, good condition; missing since 14th inst.

J. R. MILES, 39 Adams st.

PIANOS.

PIANOS AND ORGANS—Tuned, repaired and exchanged; work done by experienced, first-class workmen, and warranted. Leave orders for city or country at

J. G. HOLLNBERG'S, Clark's Marble Block.

FOR LEASE.

LAND—For a term of years, 35 acres of good land, within three miles of Court square; suitable for a market garden or dairy. Inquire of R. G. RAINE, 364 Main street.

TO EXCHANGE.

PROPERTY—First-class improved residence property; eight thousand dollars; one-fourth in money, on time; balance in other property. Address MAX, Appeal office.

WANTS.

COOK—One who can wash and iron. Apply at 367 POPLAR ST.

PURCHASERS—For hardware of all kinds, at half price.

A. HIRZFELD & SON, 295 Second st.

SITUATION—As shipping and receiving or bill clerk, or anything else. Am not afraid of work. Best of city references.

LIGHTNING,
Appeal office.

SITUATION—A lady, experienced in teaching the English branches, mathematics, French and music, desires a situation as principal of a school, assistant teacher, or governess. Good references given. Address

dec6-tdw Miss L. C., Appeal office.

SITUATION—By a practical, thorough business man, a position as manager of a large plantation; salary to be an interest in the increased crops. Address

w PLANTER, Appeal office.

SITUATION—As bookkeeper, by a thorough accountant, or will write up one or two sets of books. Address,

dec18 BOOKKEEPER, Appeal office.

SITUATION—As housekeeper, companion or governess, by a widow, a good home being the chief remuneration required. Address MRS. L. RILEY,

dec6 37 Market street.

WOMAN—Swede or German woman, to do general housework. 68 SHELBY ST.

DAY-BOARDERS—At 306 Second street, near Monroe. Reasonable terms required.

WANTED—ATTENTION TO THE MEMPHIS AWNING MANUFACTORY, 11 Washington st. Awnings of all styles made to order. Old work and Furniture made and repaired, re-upholstered, varnished, and packed for shipment. Carpets taken up, cleaned and relaid. All work called for and delivered free of charge. H. BUTTENBURG.

SALE OR EXCHANGE.

RESIDENCE—A fine residence at Gill's Station, on Memphis and Charleston railroad; eight or ten rooms, good out-houses—everything in complete order; ten acres in the lot; at a great bargain; will exchange it for city property, or for a good plantation on the Mississippi or Arkansas rivers.

H. L. GUION,
Real Estate Broker,
21 South Court st.

NOTICE.

All Advertising Bills after this date, for amounts less than Five Dollars, must be paid for before insertion. This rule will be strictly adhered to.

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Register! Register! Register!

—Mardi Gras comes the ninth of February next.

—Let nothing deter any good citizen from securing his registration papers.

—The fire this morning was the burning of a frame cottage in the neighborhood of Jones avenue and Hawley street.

—It should be the first duty of every citizen to-morrow morning, who has not already done so, to secure his registration papers.

—Yesterday was the dreariest of the season, and a more cheerless day has not visited Memphis for a year. May such an one never come again.

—One vote may secure the election of a good man in your ward, so go and register to-morrow, that you may have the privilege of casting the electing vote.

—The criminal court jury yesterday returned a verdict of guilty in the Bender homicide case, and the defendant was given ten years imprisonment in the penitentiary.

—This morning, Handy Perkins, colored, left his hack—No. 62—in front of the Charleston depot, and went across the river to see a friend. During his absence, his hack and horses mysteriously disappeared.

—The United States courts adjourned yesterday. A special term of the district and circuit courts will convene the second Monday in January, at which time the Memphis and Paducah railroad bond cases will be taken up and disposed of.

—Billy Lieben, the enterprising newsdealer, at 293½ Main street, has received *Frank Leslie's, Harper's Weekly, Godey's Ladies' Book*, and all the popular weeklies, magazines and daily papers. He keeps a full supply of the latest and best at all times.

—Those who fail to get their registration papers by next Tuesday will be deprived of a voice in the next municipal election, and will have to be content with whatever disorders may occur in his ward, as regards the effort to elect a representative man. Go and register to-morrow.

—EDITORS APPEAL—How can the protectors and beneficiaries of the *Esther Cantata*, or "Opera," as some people style it, given for the benefit of a church, reconcile that with the action of the late general convention, on the subject of fairs, concerts and theaters? CHURCHMAN.

—Jimmie Corwin, at No. 285 Main street, keeps a well-stocked news-stand, where customers can at all times find a full supply of current reading matter, dime-novels, magazines, illustrated journals, periodicals and weeklies, besides daily papers from the west, south, east and north.

—We have received the December number of the *Masonic Trowel*, edited and published in this city by A. J. Wheeler. Among the interesting articles of this number will be found a copy of a pamphlet published in 1814, in connection with the formation of the grand lodge of Tennessee.

—Harrison English, colored, had a difficulty with a negress named Elvira Smith, on Concord street last night, and was assaulted with a knife by the unfortunate woman, who severed his wrist artery. Both parties were arrested and a physician called in to dress the wound of English, who would have bled to death had not the artery been ligaltured by the doctor.

—Mrs. Mansford's Catholic bookstore, on the corner of Monroe and Second, has just received a full line of school-books, magazines, illustrated weeklies, miscellaneous literature, journals of art, fashion and science. The leading daily newspapers of the different cities of the Union can always be found for sale at Mansford's.

—Futures closed easy and lower to sell up to two-cent ice in the evening for the week ending, December 17th. Seventeen million bales of cotton on hand. The above was the nightly dream of the firm of Jap Waggener, Rankin & Co., late and frequent visitors to the Bluff City, but now on their return to Cincinnati to hunt for the baling and ties left of the bales.

—EDITORS APPEAL—Will you be so kind as to allow space in your columns for the members and pastor of Providence chapel A. M. E. church, at Central Point, to return thanks for blankets and other articles sent to us by Mr Wm. Essick & Co., of the Red Store, for the benefit of the poor widows and orphans of said church, and needy neighbors. These have been distributed as best we could to the needy ones.

A. A. WILLIAMS, Pastor.

—We have received from the Southern Baptist publication company, of this city, a handsome bound and interesting volume entitled the *Hand-Book of Theology*, by Norvel Robertson, Silver Creek, Mississippi. The typographical appearance of this work will compare favorably with those of eastern houses, while the contents possess much interest and contain a large amount of valuable reading matter for ministers and church members and all others who would examine into theology.

—We have been asked what a theater fiend is. It is difficult to answer this question. A theater fiend may be deemed a kind of social mackerel who steals the enjoyments which gentlemen pay for. They are a kind of social creature who attends theaters, and during the interludes of the play seek the accidental smiles of ladies, and move among the crowd like some hapless being seeking the broken rays of a shattered rainbow, amid the ruins of a desolate temple.

—Among the proceedings of the schoolboard examining committee yesterday afternoon, was the appointment of Judge Henry G. Scott, to serve in the place of Mr. I. M. Hill, who has been forced to decline serving on the above committee because of private business. The board of examiners was occupied yesterday afternoon chiefly in examining and hearing comparative statistics concerning the cost of running public schools elsewhere, salaries of superintendents, etc. No time has been set for the committee to visit the schools and examine the charges of their management, etc.

—Yesterday morning Mr. H. L. Guion, the real-estate agent, in company with his son, made a visit to the house No. 57 Madison street, which has been unoccupied for some time, and caught two white sneak-thieves locked up in one of the rooms. The enterprising real-estate agent turned his attention to the disposal of personal property by conducting the thieves, who are not above eighteen years of age, to his honor, Judge Winters. The boys said their object in visiting Memphis was to secure work, and thereupon the recorder gave them each fifty days of work on the chaingang. They entreated him to let them off, as they would immediately return to their home in Illinois. This Judge Winters could not do, as he wanted to retain all immigrants in Memphis that we in search of work. In this connection we would call the attention of the police to the fact that sneak-thieves are stealing grates, locks, and other fixtures from unoccupied houses, and sell them at junk-shops. They recently stole a dozen locks from one building, and in many instances exercise a boldness that is truly astonishing.

—The following is the mortuary report for the week ending yesterday afternoon, six o'clock:

NAME.	AGE	SEX.	COL'R	CAUSE.
S. Hill	54	male	white	congest'n
D. Oak	20	male	white	bronchitis
C. Lewis	19	male	white	aneurism
F. W. Shafer	2⅝	male	white	consump
J. Brooks	21	male	white	consump
I. Hoover	84	male	white	erysipelas
M. A. Bergman	3	male	white	scarlet'n
I. Shaw	21	female	white	suicide
C. Tighe	50	female	white	asthma
W. Montgomery	5m	male	colo'd	spasms
W. Black	18	male	colo'd	consump
T. Murray	1½	male	colo'd	teething
H. Clark	1½	male	colo'd	cem't fev
A. White	1	female	colo'd	ear ach's
M. Ford	9m	female	colo'd	teething

Total for week, 15; whites 9, colored 6; males 10, females 5; adults 5, minors 10; under one year of age, 4; under five years, 8; from the hospital, 3.

RICHARD R. TAYLOR, M. D.,
Secretary Board of Health.

—The following telegrams remain undelivered in the Western Union telegraph office, 55 Madison street: George Mackey, R Gibson, Schwab & Co., W. T. Bender, Ben. Eiseman, Orgill Bros. & Co., G. A. Eckerly, Brooks, Neely & Co., W. J. Chase & Co., O. F. Prescott & Co., Dudley Allen, J. T. Washington, F. W. Brode, W. D. Lucas, James & Son, G. B. Denison, J. W. Moore & Co., Menken Bros., Mr. Pennoyer, David Nicholson, F. F. Brown, R. B. Haynes & Co., German national bank, Martin & Hillsman, Miss Alberta P. Chapman, R. R. agent L. and N. and M. and L., A. C. Treadwell & Bros., J. LaCroix, P. J. Mallon & Co., James Speed, Manhattan bank, Wetter & Co., H. Lührmann, F. H. Ellis (2), Captain Wm. Elliott, Mrs. W. J. Littlejohn, W. S. M'Coy & Co., Wm. N. Biggs, E. Warburg, Fargason & Clay, John N. Barbin, Mrs. Mintie Nowland, J. A. Simmons, Muldoon, Bullett & Co., J. W. Heath & Co., P. J. Murray, H. L. Brinkley, White, Langstaff & Co., L Rayner & Co., V. D. Fuchs, R. C. Daniel, N. Schnottenberg, James & Sons, Union and Planters' Bank (2), Schoolfield, H & Co., H. Gronauer, Hill, Fontaine & Co., Brode & Cooper, Dillard & Coffin, Estes, Fizer & Co. (3), A. J. Wheeler, G. Falls & Co., C. W. Goyer & Co. (2.)

EXAMINE AND BE CONVINCED

That at L. M. Dean's, 351 Main street, they have the finest lot of picture-frames and pictures ever brought to this market. An immense stock of fine gold and imitation frames expressly for holiday presents. Go and see them, and take the little folks with you and get them a nice present, for their goods are elegant, and at prices that defy competition.

JOHNSTON & NUNNS—IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Great Sale of Holiday Goods, Toys, etc. for Four Days, Commencing Monday, December 21st.

HOBBY HORSES,
ROCKING HORSES
and WHEELED GOODS
—AT—
AMAZINGLY LOW PRICES.

We are determined, if possible, to close out in the next four days the balance of our mammoth stock of toys, holiday goods, etc. Come early and secure bargains; the rush increases every day.

N. B.—For the accommodation of those who cannot come during the day, our store will remain open next week until nine o'clock in the evening.

JOHNSTON & NUNNS, 310 Main Street

FROM December 17, 1874, to January 5, 1875, we will remain open until nine o'clock in the evening, in order to give parties a greater opportunity to secure some of the bargains now being offered at our closing-out sale. BARNUM & CO., Jewelers, 295 Main street.

STEPHEN CLEMENT—92 BEALE ST.

Specialty in Bear Meat for Christmas roasts. Clement's Choice Turkeys specially selected for his patrons from the best dealers in Tennessee and Kentucky. All orders promptly attended to.

RUTH'S SQUARE OYSTERS

TO THE LADIES.

I DESIRE to inform my friends and patrons that I have removed my dress-making establishment from 240 Main street to 191 Alabama street. The reduction in rent enables me to do work for much less than the customary prices. Dressmaking, cutting and fitting done at short notice. MRS. BOOTH.

PRESENTS for ladies at Menken Bros.

Now or never is the time to buy a cheap overcoat at Johnston & Vance's, 305 Main street.

We have received many additions to our large stock of

TOYS AND HOLIDAY GOODS.

Also a fine assortment of

CHILDREN'S CARRIAGES,

designed expressly for Christmas gifts.

Open every night until nine o'clock.

WHEELER, PICKENS & CO.,
328 and 330 Main street.

REFERRING to the call of "Many Voters," which appeared in the APPEAL on the morning of the thirteenth, asking me to become a candidate for councilman of the fourth ward, and my card of the sixteenth, I am now satisfied that some one else having more time, and in other respects more suitable for the position, can be found to serve the city in this capacity, I most respectfully decline to become a candidate for the position. Thanking my friends for the preference shown me, I am yours respectfully,

M. BURKE.

SUITS! SUITS!! SUITS!!!

Gents' Cassimere Suits

At Wonderfully Reduced Prices, at

Lowenstein's Mammoth Clothing Store,

238 Main Street.

GOEBEL'S GREENHOUSE.

We visited this beautiful establishment, at No. 413 Second street, yesterday, of which Mr. F. Goebels is sole proprietor, and must confess that we witnessed the most beautiful display of flowers, hot-house plants, evergreens, and everything grown for the adornment of yards, flower-gardens and lawns we have ever seen collected together in one establishment in this city. Mr. Goebels assured us that he was prepared to furnish every variety of flowers known to horticulturists, and in any quantity, at lower figures than they were ever offered for in Memphis before. He gives particular attention to embellishing grounds, and guarantees satisfaction to all who may entrust him with such work. The Christmas holidays are at hand, and Mr. Goebels is prepared to furnish Christmas trees, decorations for churches, festivals, balls, parties, etc., of the most tasteful and artistic style, on short notice. A large lot of magnolia, box and other evergreens on hand, which he will dispose of at low rates. Call and see him.

NEW sugar-cured hams and beef-tongues. Just received.

LYTLE & SHIELDS.

GET THE BEST.

A valuable Christmas gift—the Howe sewing-machine. Special inducements to cash purchasers. Office and salesroom, 258 Second street.

IMPORTED.

The only genuine Rosa Concha cigars, 5c each, 5 for 25c, at

SOL. COLEMAN'S, 320 Main street.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Call at L. Gospel's music emporium, No. 375 Main street. Pianos, organs and musical merchandise to suit the most fastidious judge.

OVERCOATS for $10 and $15 at Johnston & Vance's, 305 Main street.

GRAHAM flour, cracked wheat, oatmeal, rye flour, farina, maltena.

OLIVER, FINNIE & CO.

ATTEND Robertson's Business College.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS!

DRY GOODS! DRY GOODS!

FOR THE MILLION

—AT—

B. LOWENSTEIN & BROS.

FURS! FURS! FURS! FURS!

Furs at half their value to reduce our immense stock.

CLOAKS! CLOAKS!

Cloaks at a reduction of 25 and 50 per cent.

SHAWLS! SHAWLS!

Shawls exceedingly low.

Paisley Shawls reduced, 50 per cent.

DRESS GOODS!

Marked down low.

BLACK ALPACAS!

A good quality at 40c; a very fine quality at 75c; finest silk warp alpacas at $1, former price $1 50.

MOURNING GOODS!

All greatly reduced.

HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS!

At lower prices than ever before.

—AT—

B. LOWENSTEIN & BROS.

In addition to our regular stock of

DRESS GOODS and FANCY GOODS,

We will exhibit a

GREAT MANY NOVELTIES

Suitable for Holiday Presents.

Beautiful Linen Sets.

Elegant Lace Sets.

Richly Brocaded Ties.

Exquisite Embroidered Ties.

Fancy Neck Ribbons.

Silk Gros Grain Ribbons.

In all the new shades, at an enormous reduction from former prices.

FANS! FANS!

Rich Fans for Holiday Presents.

Fans with gilt, silver, pearl and ebony sticks.

Rich Point Lace Fans.

Rich Satin Fans, with down.

Rich Painted Satin Fans.

Bridal and Party Fans.

—AT—

B. LOWENSTEIN & BROS.

SASHES! SASHES!

Striped Silk Sashes.

Plain Silk Sashes.

Embroidered and Beaded Sashes, reduced 50 per cent.

Fancy 5 lk Collarettes.

Beaded Collarettes.

Lace Collarettes.

Beaded Lace Veils.

Dotted Lace Veils.

Sewing Silk Veils.

In all the new shapes.

HANDKERCHIEFS!

All linen hemstitched at 12½, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40 and 50 cents.

Fine linen, embroidered initials, for ladies and gentlemen, at 50 to 85c.

Ladies' linen colored borders.

Gents' linen colored borders.

Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs.

Mourning Handkerchiefs.

—AT—

B. LOWENSTEIN & BROS.,

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Esther.

Esther, the brilliant, the wonderful *Esther*, is a thing of the past! We feel regret as we write the words. When shall we gaze upon such a pageant again? Like a dream filled with brilliant fancies reduced to actual shape—like corruscations of the dawn and the sheen of the rainbow chrystalized and placed before the dazzled eye—such was *Esther*. Who that last week gazed on the dazzling spectacles put on the boards of our Theater can ever forget *Esther*? In years to come it will be spoken of as something unapproachable—a scene from the wonders of Orient seized and placed before amazed and delighted audiences in this western world. To James Kirkland and his accomplished coadjutors we are indebted for one of the most delicious moments we have to treasure. Already as we recall to mind those busy shapes, those wondrously gorgeous costumes, those beautiful faces and elegant figures winding in and out in evolutions of the strange marches and promenades they executed, we seem to be recalling a remembered vision rather than reality. The matinee yesterday was the concluding exhibition, and, to the mortification of hundreds, the day proved to be the stormiest of the season, but even that did not prevent a full house enjoying the last of the grandest spectacle ever seen in the Memphis Theater. There are many things about *Esther* that it is a pleasure to contemplate—the principal one was the absence on all class exclusion, or denominational selfishness. The actors in the spectacle were from every portion of our population, from the wealthiest to the poorest; christian and Israelite, Catholic and Protestant, Baptist, Presbyterian, Episcopalian and other sects were represented. The object to be accomplished was to raise money for an organ for one of our Episcopal churches, and the liberal feeling that associated all shades of belief in carrying out the object is something to rejoice at, and shows a state of kindly feeling where there is too often only bickering and disquiet. The occurrence of this sort of kindly co-operation is creditable to the society existing in Memphis. It is unnecessary for us to again describe the scene as it was presented for the last time, we need only say that the performers, having acquired facility by their previous efforts, never appeared to such advantage as during their well-discharged task had arrived at its conclusion. To Messrs. Handwerker, Petersen, Ellinger, Carey, Curie and others; to those gifted ladies, Misses Sparrow, Magevney, Walker, Jones, Ennis, and many another fair daughter of song, Memphis is indebted for the pure and sweet enjoyment their skill has lavished so generously for the gratification of its citizens. It is with pleasure that we know that every one who has participated in the production of *Esther* has the liveliest reasons for being proud of their work; they have done a noble thing, and our Memphis amateurs have once more proved their power to personify what is beautiful in art, and successfully, to render music often of style few but professionalists would dare to attack.

Hirsch, Mystery and Mardi Gras.

Mardi Gras is approaching, and mysterious occurrences are hinting to observers that something wonderful is in store for that day. There is a curious gilding about the bluffs of figures whose faces can never be seen in the darkness of the night. Some cavern, known of only to the initiated, is supposed to exist, and there the nameless cities of the Memphi are understood to be celebrated. But the wonder is, how could the opening to such a chamber be concealed! It is known that in countries where there is much rock, the entrances to caverns are sometimes hidden by fixing a stone of the rock itself as a door, the rock being mounted so as to turn round upon its center, that it may be readily opened and shut. But our bluff is of clay, and the concealment of a cavern entrance in that looks little short of a miracle. How is it, too, that no one has been actually seen as he entered or left the scene of those strange rites? We know that persons have been on the watch, who have seen parties gliding where the shadow was darkest—suddenly, in the winking of an eye, they have disappeared—but how, it was impossible to say. On examining at the moment the spot of disappearance, and marking it so as to examine it next day in clear daylight, not a thing has been discovered. We know that there is a mysterious body called the Memphi, but who knows where they assemble, or when? Does anybody know one of the Memphi? Can anybody identify their Grand Ouro, or point out their Typhon, whoever these things may be? Were it not that every Mardi Gras we see such a wonder of beauty put on the streets as the Memphi procession is, we would say that it would be a great pity such actual things as Memphi at all, because—though associating with them, no doubt, every day—no one has yet discovered a single one of the Memphi. How is it; true that not one of them has been known to confide the secret of his affiliation with the Memphi to his dearest friend, to her he loved, or even let a word drop in moments of social converse when the wine cup brings out most secrets men can reveal. It must be acknowledged that the Memphi have some peculiar way of keeping their secrets, that looks unlike what any other organization has been able to do. We know the places where Odd Fellows, Free Masons and other secret societies assemble, and we know which of our acquaintances belong to these bodies—but who knows where the Memphi meet together, or who belongs to them? Those who give the matter a little thought, will see there is something in all this that is wonderful, brightly astonishing, and that most provokingly arouses our curiosity, and stimulates our desire to know what is so strangely and pertinaciously kept, year by year, in most profound secrecy. It has in some way got to be known that the coming Mardi Gras show of the Memphi is to outblaze all the wonders they have accomplished before, and that the costumes are making in Paris for the occasion, it being impossible in this country to find what is required for the astounding exhibition that is to pass through our streets. And this brings up another subject of wonder—those who set the skill of Paris to work, and import such grand and strange things as the Memphi show on their parades, must have the command of immense wealth. We hear that thousands will be paid for the coming Mardi Gras. It is evident, therefore, that the Memphi are not a collection of obscure persons, but must include the wealthiest and most cultivated—this adds to the wonder how it is they contrive to remain utterly and absolutely unknown, "Ye local" is supposed to be able to find out who and what is what with more skill than most people, but *this* local must acknowledge that the Memphi beats him. That a thing goes on year by year, directly in the midst of a city, conducted by people of whom many, no doubt, are acquaintances with whom we daily associate—and yet we can learn no more about it than we knew the first time the word Memphi met our ear, is a matter of astonishment that is to us inexplicable. We must acknowledge we should like to know what the Memphi do when they assemble—and we must wonder who the Grand Ouro is—and we are positively burning with desire to know what the typhon is—but the grandest thing of all we want to know about the Memphi is—how do they continue to keep themselves and their doings so impenetrable a secret. The way that is accomplished must be something worth knowing.

The Theater.

Mr. Rybert Reeve, supported by an excellent stock company, makes his *debut* in *The Woman in White* at the Theater to-morrow night, and will remain one week in this city. He will be supported by Miss Adeline Stanhope, a lady very favorably spoken of by the press elsewhere, who will take the role of "Ann Cathrick." Mr. Reeve has been generously patronized by the people of those cities where he has appeared, and the press generally speaks in terms of high praise concerning him. From what we can learn, Mr. Reeve is an actor of remarkable dramatic ability, and is evidently a gentleman of culture. He is an actor of the Fechter school, one who is evidently master of his profession and the possessor of the secret of touching human emotions. In speaking of him the New York *Tribune* says: "Mr. Reeve's intellect is, manifestly, of an alert order, compact, vital, sympathetic, and fed by a vigorous imagination. His voice is fresh and bright; his individuality is unique and pleasing; his bearing is notably refined and very agreeable. He used no stage tricks to entrap attention, but, in a mood of quiet power and skillful precision, he embodied the character and lived it out through its experience. He had not been five minutes on the stage before the presence was felt of an original nature, and a drama in artist of the best school—because the school of simplicity." We hope to see a full house Monday night, and feel assured that after that he will be no less interesting, entertaining and attractive to the people of Memphis than he has been to those of New York and other large cities where he drew such large and critical audiences.

Parisian Dancing Academy.

A new class for ladies and children commences this week, Wednesday evening at three o'clock, and a class for gentlemen on Monday and Tuesday evenings at eight o'clock, at Prof. Mueller's academy, Memphis Club hall, over the postoffice.

Musical and Dramatic.

J. K. Emmitt is now making a tour through the country under the management of N. E. Rosenqui, of Pittsburg.

Mr. Charles Mathews has been starring in a round of characters at Belfast, Ireland, and other provincial cities of Great Britain.

Signor Arditi is fulfilling an engagement as conductor of a grand opera troupe touring through Austria, Prussia, Holland and Belgium.

Madame Christine Nilsson, having declined a St. Petersburg engagement for the present season, is expected in Paris the twentieth instant.

Wachtel has been engaged for the Germania theater, New York, next season, and Niemann, the renowned tenor of Berlin, has been engaged for the winter of 1876.

The *Merry Wives of Windsor* is to be revived at the Gaiety theater, London, and Mrs John and Miss Rose LeClercq are to play the *roles* of the "better halves."

Joe Murphey, supported by a company under the management of E. M. Gardner, of Chicago, is now on his way west and north, and will appear in our city at an early date.

Mr. Barry Sullivan, supported by Miss Rose Coghlan, well known to New York theater-goers, is playing his *ter tivitum jam exit* engagement in Ireland, and soon sails for this country.

Mrs. Lander, who is to fill a week with us, is said to have the finest combination on the road. Each of her people are in themselves said to be a host. All our exchanges seem to call this the best company now traveling.

Lotta has been delighting the frequenters of the Operahouse, Albany, New York, during the past week by her assumption in *Zip* and *Musette*. She is now taking a two-weeks rest at her delightful home in New York. Can't we have her here this season?

John E. Owens has just recovered from a severe fit of sickness, and is now filling a two weeks engagement at his new theater in New Orleans, appearing in his most celebrated character of "David Plummer" in the dramatization from Dickens's *Cricket on the