



THE WEATHER. Forecast for October 14, 1905: San Francisco and vicinity—Fair Saturday with fog in the morning; light south winds changing to brisk westerly.

THE CALL

THE THEATERS. ALCAZAR—'What Happened to Jones.' CALIFORNIA—Burlesque. CENTRAL—'The Wreckers.' COLUMBIA—'Merely Mary Ann.'

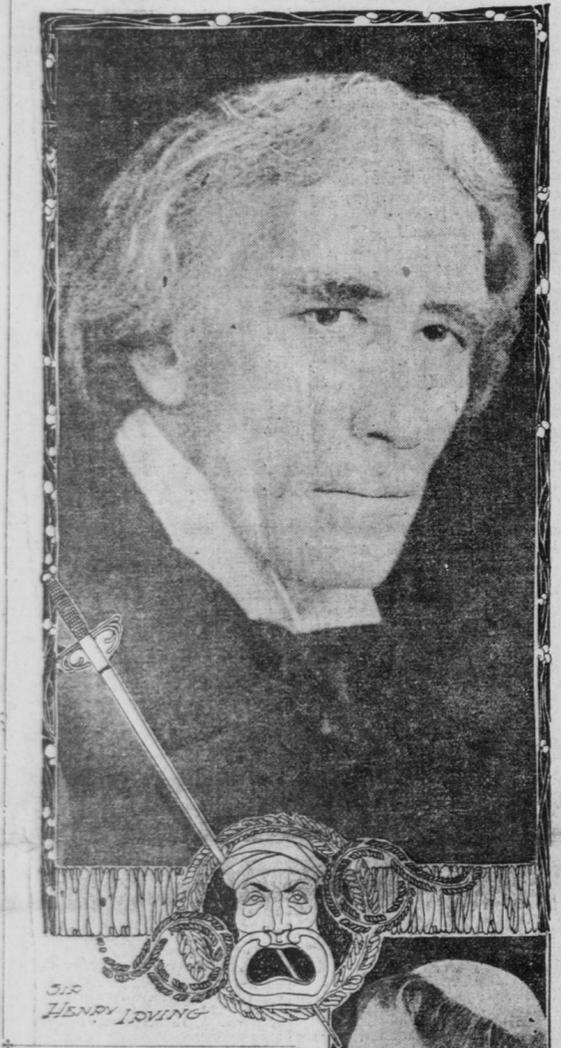
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SAN FRANCISCO, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1905.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

ACTOR HENRY IRVING DIES SUDDENLY.

Tragedian Passes Away in England After a Performance of "Becket."



LONDON, Oct. 13.—The English-speaking world has suffered an irreparable loss by the sudden death to-night of Sir Henry Irving, who was universally regarded as the most representative English actor of contemporary times.

After the performance Sir Henry returned to the hotel, reaching his rooms at 11:30 o'clock, when it was observed that he was in great pain. Physicians were immediately summoned, but before they could arrive Sir Henry was seized with an attack of syncope and expired within a few minutes.

AMERICAN TOUR PLANNED. Actor Had Hoped to Say Farewell in United States.

VENEZUELA MAY BRING ON TROUBLE

France Is Ready to Forward an Ultimatum.

Property Seized Must Be Restored Without Any Delay.

Uncle Sam Will Not Object to a Blockade if It Is Necessary.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—American grievances against Venezuela may be settled by diplomacy, while France, in the absence of any diplomatic relations at Caracas, may yet be compelled to resort to a show of force.

This briefly is the situation to-night. The French ultimatum will be held up until further conferences have occurred between the French embassy here and the State Department.

While not prepared to announce definitely its exact course of action, the Washington Government has let France know informally its belief that American grievances against Venezuela, although complicated, can be settled without the assistance of American warships.

A thorough understanding exists between Paris and Washington on this subject and even if France shall find it necessary to establish a pacific blockade against Venezuela the Washington Government will offer no objection, having already assured itself that the Monroe doctrine is not involved in any way.

MOTHER BRINGS HER DEAD BABE TO MORGUE

Mrs. John Busch Carries Tiny Corpse in Her Arms.

OAKLAND, Oct. 13.—With her dead babe clasped in her arms, Mrs. John Busch, wife of an actor at the Lyceum Theater, San Francisco, stepped into the coroner's office at 9 o'clock to-night and wearily gave her precious burden into the hands of a Southern Pacific train.

ELLIS' ASSAILANT IDENTIFIED AS MURDERER OF BESSIE BOUTON.



HER WEDDING GIFTS WORTH NEAR MILLION

Miss Frederica V. Webb Is Showered With Presents.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Oct. 13.—The wedding of Miss Frederica V. Webb, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. Seward Webb, and Mr. Ralph Pulitzer of New York will attract to Shelburne Farms, Sunday, about 400 New Yorkers.

ROPE OF SHEETS SAVES EIGHT LIVES

Seven Women and Children Rescued From a Burning House.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 13.—The family and servants of J. H. Simms, eight persons altogether, narrowly escaped death to-day by the aid of a rope of sheets which they used to descend from the burning house.

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William Ellis made the statement yesterday from his bed in the Roosevelt Hospital in Oakland that Milton Franklin Andrews, alias William Brush, etc., attempted to murder him in Honolulu.

SOMNAMBULIST WALKS OFF A MOVING TRAIN

Los Angeles Capitalist Is Badly Injured in a Peculiar Way.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 13.—W. A. Fields, president of the Hesperia Land and Water Company, is suffering from injuries sustained by walking off a fast Santa Fe train while in a somnambulist state.

FATHER WANTS THE CUSTODY OF DAUGHTERS

Alleges That Divorced Wife Is Not a Fit Guardian.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 13.—Thomas C. Young, former Mayor of Webster Grove and a well known architect, has filed an amended petition in the Circuit Court at Clayton to modify the decree of divorce granted to Ruth H. Young in September, 1904.

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