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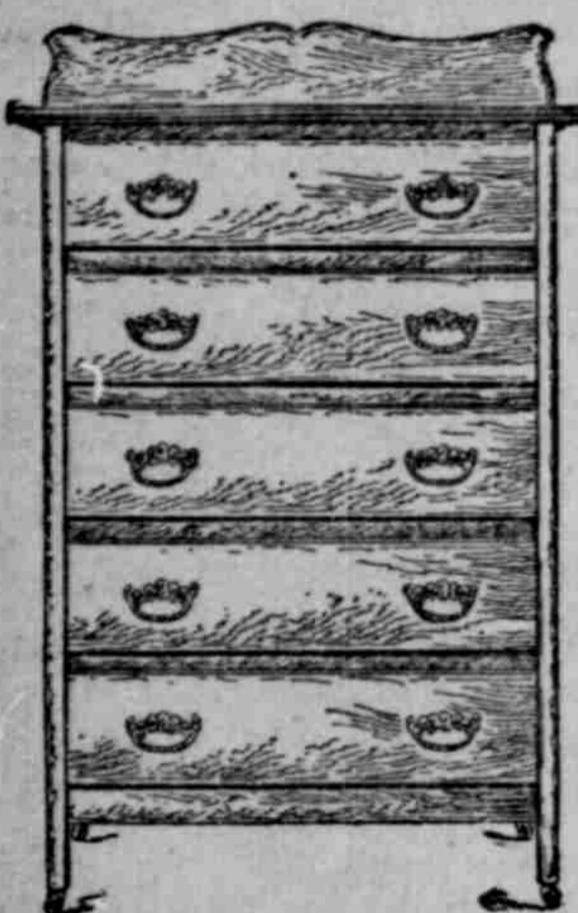
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AMUSEMENTS.

"Across the Pacific" at the Park

Theater.

"Across the Pacific," the play which

has a three days' engagement at the Park

Theater yesterday afternoon, is undoubtedly

the best melodrama Manager Charles E.

Blaney has ever sent to Indianapolis, and

that is high praise, since a great many

Blaney productions have been seen here in

the past ten years. "Across the Pacific"

has a plot that is interesting and stirring

in the extreme, having largely to do with

the movement of troops from San Francisco

to the Philippines by transport and their

life in those islands. The action of

the piece at one time takes place in the

Chinese quarter of San Francisco, and the

scene employed in this part of the production

is very beautiful and realistic. Two

stage pictures that rouse the audience to a

high pitch of enthusiasm are the loading of

troops on the transport City of Peking, in

the third act, and the fight at blockhouse

No. 7, in the last act, in which a real Gat-

ling gun is used with tremendous effect as

to noise and excitement. There is a minor

acters are acceptably handled. A com-

mendable feature of the production is the

admirable stage direction, which gives de-

lightful smoothness and consistency.

"Across the Pacific" will finish the week

out with daily matinees, and should have

been booked for a week's engagement.

Notes of the Stage.

Miss Annie Russell has been appearing

in Captain R. Marshall's new play, "A

Royal Family," at the Lyceum Theater,

New York, for the past three months, but

crowded houses are still the regular order.

Manager Zimmerman is authority for the

statement that the Empire Theater has

never done as big an ante-holiday week's

business as it has placed on record this

week. The attraction is Flynn's Big Sen-

sation company.

Miss Julia Marlowe will have another

brilliant night of "When Knighthood Was

in Flower" at English's Opera House to-

night. An excursion from Shelbyville, Mr.

Major's home, will bring something like 50

of the author's ardent admirers to witness

a presentation of the play made from his

story.

To-morrow afternoon Mrs. Murphy, billed

as the only aeronaut monkey in existence,

will make her first appearance in Indian-

apolis. She will make a balloon ascension

from the lot in the rear of the Zoo and, ac-

cording to the claims of the management,

after a height of several hundred feet has

been attained will cut herself loose and

descend in a parachute.

"The Burgomaster" having completed its

run of 161 performances at the Dearborn

Theater, in Chicago, is now on tour, and

will be presented at English's Opera House

next Friday and Saturday nights and Sat-

urday afternoon. The piece is said to be one

of the most witty and tuneful musical

comedies encountered by the persistent

amusement seeker in a long time.

Next week's vaudeville bill at the Grand

will possess more than ordinary interest

because it will afford the last opportunity

for Indianapolis theater-goers to see those

prime favorites, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sid-

man, in this form of entertainment. In a

few weeks the Sidmans will bid farewell

to vaudeville and begin a tour in their new

three-act comedy, "York State Folks."

One of the most beautiful scenes in

Joseph Arthur's new play "Lost River,"

which comes to English's Opera House

Monday night, is said to be the view of the

big ballroom in the hotel at West Baden

springs. The scene is claimed to have been

taken from designs modeled after photo-

graphs. "Lost River" will also be the

Christmas attraction, and will be given in

the afternoon and evening of Tuesday.

The custom of securing elaborately staged

productions for the Park Theater at hol-

iday times has become pretty firmly estab-

lished. "Man's Enemy," Gus Hill's new

melodrama, is said to fill this requirement

perfectly. It is booked at the Park the first

three days of next week, beginning Monday

afternoon. It will be followed Tuesday

afternoon by "Caught in the Web," the

latest play by Joseph L. Mather, author of

"On the Stroke of Twelve."

What has been called the "penultimate

climax" in the dramatization of Anthony

Hope's second great romance, "Rupert of

Hentzau," is the untold duel at the close

of the third act, in which the play might

well end. Mr. Hope adds another act, how-

ever, with an equally effective and almost

awe-inspiring finish. These conceptions of

the dramatist are even adequate illustra-

tion in the elaborate production of "Rupert

of Hentzau," which will be seen at Eng-

lish's Opera House next Wednesday and

Thursday nights with the dashing, roman-

tic actor, Howard Gould, in the dual role

of Rudolf and the King.

CITY NEWS NOTES.

The Toledo, St. Louis & Western, the

Ohio Southern and the Lima Northern are

to be consolidated, with President Norton,

of the former road, as head of the new

system.

For stealing \$6 from a servant at the

home of Judge Walker, 1509 North Dela-

ware street, Sam McArthur, colored, was

arrested yesterday and charged with petit

larceny.

The pupils of St. John's Academy and the

boys of St. John's school will give a Chris-

tmas entertainment this afternoon in Ma-

son's hall, to which parents and friends

of the school are invited.

The directors of the Lake Erie & Western

have declared a dividend of 2 per cent. on

the preferred stock. This, the same

amount which was declared in July this

year. In 1899 dividends were suspended.

The directors of the Interstate stock-

holders' association held a special meeting

to confer regarding the interests of the

enterprise. The yards in November did the

largest business in any month since estab-

lished.

It was erroneously stated in yesterday's

Journal that the contract for hanging the

large bronze doors on the monument had

been let to Bruno Schmitz, of Berlin. The

contract was let to Schulz & Holdreife, of

Berlin.

The executive committee of the state Y.

M. C. A. will meet this afternoon at the

state Y. M. C. A. building, at 100 N. Wash-

ington street, to consider a large number

of matters. The meeting will be postponed

at the time of the state convention at

New Albany.

Charles Barton, of Washington, Ind., was

sent to police headquarters last night and

slated as insane. He was acting queerly

on South Illinois street, and the attention

of the police was called to him. He claimed

to be a brother of W. F. Barton.

The Rev. R. V. Hunter, of the Seventh

Presbyterian Church, is seriously ill of

pneumonia. He was obliged to refrain from

participation in a series of weekday meet-

ings at the church last week, and his con-

dition has gradually changed for the worse.

Robert Moore, a fourteen-year-old colored

lad who was sent to the Reform

PRESENTS GO ASTRAY

THERE IS INSUFFICIENT POSTAGE
ON MANY PACKAGES.In that Way People Expecting Pre-
sents by Mail Will Be Dis-
appointed.Unless the senders of Christmas pack-
ages take more precautions in sending pre-
sents there will be many disappointments.
Night Southern, of the
postoffice, says there is already a large
accumulation of packages being held for
lack of postage. Instead of weighing the
packages and inquiring at the postoffice
for the necessary postage, many put on
what they think is sufficient to send the
packages through the mail, with the pre-
sumption that if it is not enough the pack-
age will be forwarded just the same and the
amount due collected at the other end of
the line.This is an erroneous impression. The
packages are held, and if there is no name
of the sender or return card, a letter is
written to the person for whom the present
is intended, informing him that there is a
package in the postoffice, and if the proper
amount of postage is sent it will be for-
warded to him. Otherwise the packages
are sent to the dead letter office. If the
name of the sender is on the package it is
returned. Mr. Buchanan says if senders
would write their names on the packages
and have them weighed at the postoffice
they would have no difficulty in sending
Christmas presents and would save the
postoffice forces much inconvenience.Some of the packages in the postoffice
are intended for distant points, and before
communication can be established the pack-
ages will have to be held. One package con-
tains a pair of pants "for Willie," in
Nebraska; another baby shoes "for Mike-
nie," in Indiana; and another a picture
for a relative in Florida. The packages
that have no return address are all opened
up and the names of the senders are
written on them. If it is found the packages are
returned. When a letter is found in the
packages they are forwarded and the recipient
has to pay for them at first-class mail
rates. This amount sometimes reaches 75
cents or 80 cents, and the sender could
have sent for a few cents had no letter been
inclosed.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Miss Mona Taggart will return from Vas-

sar College to-day.

Miss Bessie Watts, of Chicago, will spend

the holidays with Miss Deftrees.

Mrs. A. C. Marsters, of Roseburg, Ore., is

visiting Mrs. Felix T. McWhirter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Barrow have come to

Wayne county to spend the holidays with

relatives.

Miss Anna Smythe, of Greencastle, will

arrive from Smith College to-day to visit

Miss Luella McWhirter.

Miss Natalie Lord and Mr. David F.

Smith will arrive home to-day from Ann

Arbor.

Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Allen will spend the

holidays with Senator and Mrs. Charles W.

Fairbanks, in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McShane will spend

Christmas day with their daughter, Mrs.

Roy G. Gaylor, in Noblesville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walsh and family, of

Detroit, will be guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Michael Clune during the holidays.

Miss Frances Woerner has issued invita-

tions for a card party for Thursday, Dec.

27, at her home, on North Illinois street.

Miss Louise Bybee and Miss Anna Jil-

son and Mr. Fred Wallick returned from

school in New York yesterday to spend the

holidays.

Miss Charlotte Scott returned from Miss

Pebbles' school, in New York, yesterday,

accompanied by Miss Lindsay, of Union-

town, Pa.

Miss Ethel McWhirter is home from De

Paul University for the holidays and has

for her guest Miss Alma John, also from

De Paul.

Mrs. Arthur B. Grover and Mrs. W. F.

Clevenger have invited a few friends in to

tea to-morrow afternoon in honor of Mrs.

Thibault.

Gen. Lew Wallace and wife have come to

Indianapolis to reside for about a month.

They are occupying apartments in the

Blanchard.

Mr. George Adams Watson and Mr.

Charles Lewis Watson will arrive to-day

from Yale College to spend their vacation

with Mrs. G. F. Adams.

Rev. Harry L. Henderson, formerly of

Indianapolis, now chaplain at the State

prison, and formerly of Michigan, of

Michigan City, will be married Jan. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Bright, of Superior,

Wis., will be the guests of Mrs. Bright's

parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Henderson, of

Indianapolis, during the holidays.

Miss Lucie Holliday, Miss Evelyn Holli-

day, Miss Constance Lewis and Miss Col-

lough will arrive to-day from Bryn Mawr

College to spend the holidays with their

parents.

Miss Eleanor Carey and her visitors, Miss

Duncan and Miss Davidson, Miss Margaret

Miss Davidson, of Lexington, Mass., will

arrive home to-morrow from Vassar

College.

Miss Michi Kawai, who is a student from

Japan and college student, will arrive to-

day to visit Mrs. Frank Nichols Lewis

and Mrs. G. F. Adams, No. 236 East New

York street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ogle will give a the-

ater party to-morrow night in honor of

John M. Wiley, of Buffalo, N. Y., who will

arrive to-morrow night to visit Mr. and

Mrs. John J. Cooper and family.

The Misses Carey and their visitors, Miss

Duncan, of Washington, Pa., and Miss

Holliday, of Lexington, Mass., will arrive

to-morrow night to visit Mrs. H. H. Hel-

m, in Woodruff Place, during the hol-

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