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The Mummy and Humming Bird-Lyceum Course-Nov. 21. Local "Pinafore"—24-25. Sons of Scotland Benefit—Nov. 30.

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MUSIC IN MINSTRELSEY.

Those Kings of Minstrelsey, the six Guy Brothers, are providing this season an entertainment especially strong on its musical side. The superb silver band, the concert orchestra, the Eagle Quartette, Hughs and Palley, the widely known musical team with their surprising novelties, and such eminent solo vocadists as J. Frank Flynn, of Grand Opera fame, Norman Stanley, the well known baritone, Harry Leonard, robust tenor, and Ed. Keating, who is not only a basso of note but King of the Banjo and Mandolin, comprise, with Ainsley, with his cultured alto voice and impersonations, a musical program not MUSIC IN MINSTRELSEY. personations, a musical program not equalled by any other organization in the business. At the Grand Opera House, Saturday night, Nov. 12th.

"On the Bridge at Midnight," a new comedy-drama, with remarkable scenic effects, comes to this city on Monday, Nov. 14th. George Klimt and AlmaHearn will appear in the leading roles in this production, which from a scenic standpoint, has effects entirely new to stage productions and represent roles in this production, which from a scenic standpoint, has effects entirely new to stage productions, and represents the acme of the scene maker's art. An important episode of the play transpires on a "Jack Knife Bridge." This furnished a wonderful bit of stage mechanism, the huge halves of the bridge rising to permit passage of a lake steamer, the whole presenting a wonderful picture. It is from this scene that the play receives its name. The comedy element is especially strong, although the play borders close on tragedy at times. Kidnapping and its horrors are strongly depicted, but a happy ending with fine bits of comedy relieve the sombre portions of the play, a fine bit of humor running through the entire production makes it one of the highest class dramas on the road to-day. road to-day.

SPIRIT CLOTHING IS NOTHING EXTRAORDINARY.

One of the characteristics which almost every one has noticed in those of his friends given to delving in the mysteries of the orient is that they tell in the most matter-of-fact way about things which paralyze the humdrum Americans, and show wonder and bewilderment themselves as feats which any prestidigitator can duplicate. Seattle has been favored by the visit of an Englishman who throws on a magic lantern screen photographs of ghosts which he has taken on his travels. The camera, he explained in a nonchalant way, is so graphs of ghosts which he has taken on his travels. The camera, he explained in a nonchalant way, is so much more sentitive than the human eye that it will often catch the likeness of a spirit where the operator can see nothing. No sooner had he started his lecture and displayed a picture of an unhappy looking little girl, not at all like the happy spirit children of Mr. Kipling's "They," than some practical-minded woman in the rear of the hall exclaimed: "My, do the poor little ghosts wear the same clothes that they were buried in?" The lecturer replied that the spirits wore their old-time clothes chiefly as a means of identification, it being obvious enough that they would look more familiar to their friends than if they appeared in robes of glory or in no clothes at all. Then came from a man in the audience a remark which seems to the outsider much more remarkable than any orthodox ghost story. "There was one investigator," he said, "that once secured a piece of spirit clothing. He wore it on the lapel of his coat for about an hour, and then it dissolved in thin air."

"That is nothing unusual," said the

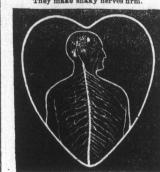
"That is nothing unusual," said the lecturer severely. "It happened to me many times. I once had a piece of spirit clothing that I kept for three days, and then it faded away like mist. It is all nonsense anyway to think that a spirit would go about unclothed. Sometimes they only wear a soft, fleecy robe, and sometimes their regular clothes."

It is at least worth remembering for any one who goes about ghost hunting.—New York Evening Post. "That is nothing unusual," said the

A drive through the country in this district shows numerous large flocks of turkeys, yet the Watford Guide-Advocate, speaking only for that district, no doubt, says: Turkeys will be scarce and expensive this year. The outlook for the Thanksgiving supply is rather dubious, and on that account it is very easy to prophesy high prices. Many tables heretofore accustomed to serve the royal bird on Thanksgiving Day will be without this important adjunct this year. Ducks, chickens and other fowl are as plentiful, however, as the turkeys are scarce. Buyers who have been searching the country for turkeys report the supply very limited. While the usual number of young turkeys were provided for in the settings, many of the young birds have perished on account of unfavorable weather. Some of the farmers who went into the turkey business a year ago came out so poorly they were fearful this year of another failure. This has had the tendency to reduce the supply. It is said that prices in November will range from 18 to 20 cents. A drive through the country in this

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Before us and behind,

And scorn the little days that pass

Like angels on the wind? Each turning round a small, sweet

As beautiful as near; Because it is so small a face We will not see it clear.

We will not clasp it as it flies, And kiss its lips and brow; We will not bathe our wearied souls In its delicious now.

And so it turns from us, and goes Away in sad disdain; 'Though we would give our lives for It never comes again.

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THREE NOTED AND MUCH-TALKED-OF ENGLISH SWIMMERS.

These British Aquatic Champions Attempted to Swim Across the English Channel -Their Exploits in the Water Since Their Names Became Household Words in Emulating Captain Webb's Deed of

The entire world at home and abroad has been aroused of late by accounts of the attempts of a trio of noted British aquatic champions to swim across the English Channel. Not one man succeeded, but each made a gallant fight, only to be ov-

ercome by a very swift tide and by the unusual coldness of the water. Montague Holbein, John Haggerty and G. N. Greasley were the con-testants. Each man was backed by a



prizes. One day, however, he had a smash and injured his leg. The doctor recommended swimming.

Holbein accordingly swam, and be-

ing a man who does not do things by halves, he swam for hours at a time. In fact, he swam so long and so well that his friends pronounced him a marvel. That's how he come to try to equal Captain Webb's truly stupendous achievement of swimming

the English Channel.

His name is now a household word wherever men talk of brave deeds by flood or field.

The man himself is a splendid fellow, with a magnificent physique to support his bold spirit. He has unusual powers of resisting the cold resulting from long immersion. His temperature is seldom anything but normal after a protracted swim. It is interesting to know that he can also bear immersion in very hot water. A bath heated to 125 degrees causes him no inconvenience, while it would raise blisters on most people. He takes long walks and swims during training, eats less vegetable food than usual and drinks no spirits. He has always been a non-smoker. During the swim, Holbein here usual powers of resisting the cold reits. He has always been a non-smoker. During the swim Holbein be-lieves in taking nourishment every half hour. He employs a long, steady back stroke of his own invention, in which the hands are used, and strikes about twenty-two to the min-

John Haggerty was selected by a London newspaper out of 3,000 ap-London newspaper out of 3,000 applicants to swim the English Channel. His qualifications are naturally beyond the ordinary. He is forty-two years of age and since he began swimming, thirty-two years ago, has carried off 350 prizes.

When but ten he won the boy championship of his native town, Stalybridge, and fifteen years later he retired champion of England after he had met all the great swimmers



G. N. GREASLEY.

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prominent London newspaper.

Montague Holbein is a swimmer by accident. He was formerly a very successful cyclist, winning many



MONTAGUE HOLBEIN.



of his day. He is a man of extraordinary physical strength and gifted with unusual power of endurance.

G. N. Greasley has won most things a swimmer can win, but he craves for fresh laurels and is going to make another effort to cross the Channel in the only way that appeals to the ambitious swimmer.

There is not space here to enumerate all his triumphs. It may, however, be stated that he was for five years champion of the Leicester Swimming Club of England. He has broken the records for the mile and half mile and has been champion of all England. One of his most striking victories was gained at the Paris Exhibition of 1900. The distance was 4,000 metres, and the crack swimmers of the world were arrayed against him. Greasley swam in most sensational style and won a splendid race amid the enthusiastic plaudits of a huge crowd, his fellow-countrymen being naturally mush selections. its of a huge crowd, his fellow

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Once Liechtenstein had a standing army. In full force, armed and equipped, it marched away to join the Austrian forces in the war with Prussia, and had it arrived in time might have turned the scale, for although it consisted of but eighty men with a captain and a trumpeter, it was a whole army in itself, and very brave. Fortunately, the country was mountainous, and the roads bad, and when the army arrived at the camp of the Austrian nobleman. ner-coffee-size" country is the princi-

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