

Good Things Coming to Theatres of St. John

CHRISTMAS WEEK AT THE IMPERIAL

Funny Ghost Story, Romance and War also God's Out-of-Doors; New Musical Features

The mixed emotions of this most peculiar of all St. John Christmases with its worrisome war news, election reaction and Halifax memories, will doubtless be soothed and allied by Imperial Theatre's choice array of holiday goodies for next week.

OPERA HOUSE NOW AND FOR CHRISTMAS

For the holiday season the Opera House management has selected a splendid vaudeville programme with five high-class acts, including Louis London, English character singing comedian, who has been a sensation in England, Australia and the United States; Ivanhoff and Varvara, a marvelous tenor singer and a pianist; Vercé and Vercé in "A Twentieth Century Elopement," Nestor and Vincent in a comedy variety offering; Capt. Powers and Company in a de luxe ventriloquist specialty different from any act of its kind ever seen on a local stage, and Eddie Polo in a sensational chapter of "The Gray Ghost."

NEW BILL AT GEM AND A GOOD ONE

The Gem's programme is all changed for tonight. June Caprice is here in "Fatsy," a delightful sunshine play with thrills and adventures. The vaudeville is made up of two good specialties, rounding out a fine show. See ad, for particulars.

XMAS FRUIT CAKE

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DEATHS

ANDERSON—At the General Public Hospital, Dec. 21, Sarah, widow of Robert Anderson, leaving four daughters to mourn. Funeral Monday at 2.30 p.m. from her late residence, 292 Millidge ave.



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Old and New Governments. Ottawa Journal: The union government is the greatest assurance that, whatever were the mistakes of the Borden government, they will not be repeated. The union government may make new mistakes, for no government is infallible, but the union government includes men who were the bitterest assailants of the government of yesterday, and these men will have their eyes wide open to the mistakes of yesterday, whatever they were. To attack now the Borden government that has passed away can have no other object than deliberate deception. A HOTEL FOR SOLDIERS. Place in New York Where Uncle Sam's Men Will Be Given Cheap Accommodation. Soldiers and sailors visiting New York city who cannot afford to pay regular hotel prices, and yet who do not care to be recipients of charity will, in the near future, have a hotel reserved for them at which they can obtain a night's lodging at nominal prices, as a result of the efforts of the National Service Commission. The commission has acquired the Hotel Earlington, at 49 to 55 West Twenty-seventh street, with more than 800 rooms. As soon as it can be fitted up the commission will open its doors to soldiers, sailors and marines. The acquisition of the Earlington was the result of soldiers and sailors coming to New York and spending all their money on sight-seeing and then finding themselves without means to get proper lodging. This resulted in many of them spending the night in surroundings that were anything but ideal. DO ANIMALS THINK? (E. E. Harriman, in Literary Digest.) I am surprised that any one should still hold to the old theory that animals do not think. That theory is smashed completely by the one fact that memory, which is conceded to all animals by every one who knows them at all, is defined as the conscious reproduction of a previous thought. If they do not think, whence comes "the previous thought?" Either our scientific men who deny thought in the lower orders must agree that thought is common with these animals, or they must remodel the definition of memory. How about the mare that broke through a barbed wire fence and traveled a mile and a half to the home of my brother-in-law when she was sick, waking him in the middle of the night by pawing at his door, because her owner had taken her there a year before when she was sick as now? How about our own red cow with the lop horn, who learned to carry her bell so the clapper would not touch the bell, while she made her way into the corn field? How about that same cow, after trying to reach a choice morsel through the fence, stepping back to look the situation over, then getting down on her knees to run her head under the fence, which was on short posts that kept it two feet off the ground, rolling to her side and kicking herself through below the rails to the garden? How about the mischievous horse of Henry Ferguson, in Minnesota, that would tease his mate to try and bite his knee, then either bump the nose of the biter with his knee or catch his rein in his teeth and yank on it till the mate threw his head up? Saw that done myself at least a dozen times in an hour. My Tuesdays are mealless, my Wednesdays are seatless, and I'm going more eatless each day. My home it is heatless, my bed it is sheetless, they've been sent to the Y. M. C. A. The barrooms are treatless, my coffee is sweetless, each day I grow poorer and wiser. My socks they are feetless, my trousers are seatless, Oh, my, how I do hate the Kaiser. A South Dakota state senator recently gave a new illustration of that fine saying of an ancient philosopher, "Man was born for mutual assistance." A customer entered the small town barber shop. "How soon can you cut my hair?" he asked of the proprietor, who was seated in an easy chair, perusing the pages of a dime novel. "Bill," said the barber, addressing his errand boy, "run over and tell the editor that I'd like my scissors if he's got done editin' the paper. Gentleman waitin' for a hair-cut."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Dispatch. The doctor was attending an injured woman who had come to his surgery with her arm severely bitten. As he dressed the wound he remarked: "I cannot quite make out what sort of animal bit you. The wound is too small for a horse's bite and too big for a dog's." "Oh, it wasn't an animal," exclaimed the patient. "It was another lady!"—Philadelphia Evening Star.

PICTURES Halifax Disaster THIS WEEK'S MONTREAL STANDARD 12-24 SNAP for Inky Fingers and Ribbon-stained Hands Business Girls know the value of Snap for cleaning the hands and keeping the skin smooth and soft.