

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

THE HOME JOURNAL has received a letter from Mr. J. A. Nunn, who was here with the Capt. Swift company. Mr. Nunn is now in New York and says, "I am filling an engagement a comic opera company, organized to open the New Fifth Avenue Theatre. The opera, 'The Robber of the Rhine,' was written especially for the occasion. The libretto is by Maurice Barrymore, score by Charles Perner. There are twelve principals and a chorus of seventy."

The scenes of "Uncle's Darling," which is being produced in London, Ont., are laid in British Columbia and Alaska, and its characters are all sea-faring men. Miss Hettie Bernard Chase takes the part of Little Dar, a regular sea nymph, who can row a boat with the most expert oarsman and swim like a fish.

"The Blind Beggars" and "Vilkins and his Dinah" two humorous sketches, will be presented at "C" Battery barracks on the evenings of June 7 and 8. Major Peters, Capt. Benson and Messrs. Drake, Webber and Peters will furnish the dramatic talent.

The following are the bookings for Victoria for the month of June:—Bandit King, 15 and 16; Jane, 20 and 21; Carroll Johnson, 23 and 24; Blue Jeans, 28, 29 and 30.

The Westminster Amateur Dramatic Society will give a double-bill performance in the Opera House of that city, Thursday, June 9.

The Cake Walk failed to connect. Walking was probably no good.

Mr. Leighton is no longer manager of the Nanaimo Opera House.

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