

THE LOCAL PLAY HOUSES

Put on Strong Casts for the Present Week.

"Captain Imprudence" at Standard—
"Slippery Day on the Bowery"
and "Secret Panel" at Savoy.

It is too soon yet after the enforcement of the new regulation which prevents women from soliciting bar trade or drinking in the boxes, to tell what effect, or rather the extent of the effect, the new rule will have upon the theatrical business. Last night the houses were well filled, but that cannot be taken as a basis for a forecast of the matter, because the houses always draw better on the first and second nights than later in the week, so that it is still an open question as to whether or not legitimate theatrical business, run solely upon its merits, will pay in Dawson, or whether the first gloomy view taken by the managers after the issuance of the order was a correct one.

In speaking of the matter this morning Mr. Jackson, of the Savoy said: "The order is a good one, and if a strictly legitimate show business aside from the liquor trade is desired, then the order is a good one. So far as we are concerned we will, of course, always comply with the law, but we are going to remain in the show business also."

That the Standard will follow a like course is evidenced by the staging of a drama again this week, after having run a week on vaudeville and comedy. Last evening the curtain rose on Milton Royle's drama of the Mexican war with the United States, entitled "Captain Imprudence," with Fred C. Lewis in the title role, and Alf T. Layne as the other principal male character.

Although the piece is one which of necessity since it contains a battle scene and an execution, has much of tragedy in its make up, but this is largely left to the imagination of the audience, while the comedy is strongly brought out by the best talent of the Standard company. There is every opportunity given by the lines and the general action of the piece to the actors to show themselves to the best advantage, and, as they are an ambitious lot of people they are not slow to avail themselves of the opportunity so presented.

The Savoy, having made a place for itself in the good graces of theater goers, makes no change in its program, that is, so far as general make up goes, opening this week as usual with a one-act farce comedy, and closing with another slice of the same, the singing, dancing and sketches being sandwiched between. The opening piece was one of Post's, and was, without saying so, funny. It is called a "Slippery Day on the Bowery," and among other things contains a pair of most eccentric stairs, especially arranged for bill collectors and book agents. The stairs do their work exceedingly well.

"The Secret Panel" is the title of the closing act, and to its multitude of mistakes and situations are due the many excellent opportunities to laugh, which the audience last evening took every advantage of.

Both houses have succeeded this week in putting up a first-class show.

Free Library Entertainment.

The regular semi-monthly free library entertainment was no exception to the rule, but was fully up to the high standard which has made them the most popular occurrences of all the events in Dawson social life. The hall was packed to the doors and even standing room was at a premium, for those who are familiar with the class of entertainment given well know that the best talent in the city is found among the non-professionals and that it is always secured by the management of the free library entertainment. Commissioner Ogilvie presided as master of ceremonies in his usually happy and informal manner. The following program was presented, the majority of the participants being forced to respond to from one to three encores:

Piano forte solo, Mr. G. Griffith; song, "True Till Death," Mr. F. W. Clayton; recitation, (a) "Fuzzy Wuzzy," (b) "L'Envoi," Mrs. George Craig; song, "The Letter Edged in Black," Mrs. A. D. Williams; song, "The King is Coming," Mr. George Craig; recitation, selected, Mrs. J. W. Moore; story, selected, by the chairman; song, "The Blue and the Gray," Emile Craig; duet, selected, the Misses Larson; graphophone selection; song, "Hush Me, O Sorrow," Herbert E. W. Robertson; "God Save the Queen."

Voluntary contributions were accepted at the door as the audience filed out and a large amount was contributed, as those present were apparently imbued with the feeling that they had been highly entertained and the opportunity for contributing to the worthy cause was, therefore, appreciated.

A. C. Co. vs. Civil Service.

Tonight at 8 o'clock the third in the series of match hockey games will be played at the rink on Fourth avenue. The A. C. Co. and the Civil Service teams will meet and a good game is anticipated. Owing to the mildness of the weather it is expected that a good crowd will be in attendance.

The financial difficulties in which the rink management has been involved will result, it is understood, in the hockey league taking over the rink management. A proposition has been made to the creditors of the rink, with that end in view, and a decision will probably be reached today. In any event the match will be pulled off this evening and it promises to be an exciting contest.

Will Be Municipal Charge.

In his opening remarks at the free library concert last night Commissioner Ogilvie, who presided as chairman, stated that, for the benefit of those who had favored the idea of connecting the proposed museum with the library, he would explain why the scheme is incompatible. The library is for the benefit of Dawson and her people while the museum will necessarily be an affair of and for the entire Yukon district. The city of Dawson will, in the course of time, and probably in a very short time, be incorporated, after which the library will be in charge of the municipality and not of the government as at present. The museum, on the other hand, will be instituted and owned by the government and will be under governmental charge; hence, being under different managements and deriving support from different fountain heads, the two institutions can not, therefore, be assimilated and associated together. Mr. Ogilvie said the founding of the museum is practically assured and will be a reality in the near future. He paid a glowing tribute to the board of control of the library, reading and recreation room and said it had become an institution which could not well be spared from Dawson, and of which her people have good cause to feel proud.

Riley's Luck.

"That's the way Riley would play it," has come to be a common saying about the faro tables during the last few days, whenever any one wins a bet, and the reason for this is due to what is perhaps one of the most phenomenal three days' gambling record extant.

Last Friday evening Dave Allen, familiarly known as Riley, began with a \$2.50 bet at a black jack table. This sum in a few bets had increased to \$20 and Riley quit the black-jack table to try conclusions with a faro layout. His winnings that night ran into the thousands, and when he had finished Saturday night he was \$12,000 ahead of the games about town, as his luck was not confined to one table, but seemed to follow him all over town. From house to house went Riley, and everywhere he reaped a harvest of bills. Last night he was out again and is credited with having won \$2000 more, making a total of \$14,000 in three nights' play, starting with a capital of \$2.50.

This fortunate person pursuer of the goddess commonly fickle, intends leaving tomorrow, for San Francisco, his home.

Tonight's Entertainment.

The entertainment given tonight in McDonald hall in aid of St. Paul's church will be one of the most enjoyable musicales in the history of the city, as all the best local talent is represented on the program, which is as follows:

Piano solo, "Novelette in F" (Schumann), Mr. Arthur Boyle; song, "Simon the Cellarer," Mr. Craig; song, "Poppies," Miss Emma Allen; recitation, "Le Vieux Temps," Mr. Frank Johnstone; song, "The Bedouin Love Song" (Pinsuite), Mr. F. H. McConnell; song, "If That's the Case," Mr. C. W. MacPherson; song, "The Amorous Goldfish," Mrs. F. W. Trounce; recitation, selected, Mr. Ben Davis; song, "The Old Gray Fox" (M. V. White), Mr. Arthur Boyle. "God Save the Queen."

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POLICE COURT NEWS.

This morning Capt. Starnes was taken suddenly ill, and was unable to attend his duties as magistrate in the police court. Therefore, Inspector Rutledge took his place this morning and attended to the business before the court.

Alex Siresman appeared on the complaint of a policeman charged with violating a health regulation, and was accompanied by a fellow countryman, who began making an objection but brought his address to so sudden a close that he did not cite any authorities, legal or otherwise. The cause of the sudden stop in what promised to be quite a flight of eloquence, was the stern command of the magistrate to sit down. He sat. Then the officer told his story and his honor looked over the code and said "Five dollars and costs." The fellow countryman, who appeared to represent the financial end of things produced \$5, but when told that the costs and fine amounted to \$10, he was unable to produce the other four. He gave audible evidence that he was desirous of negotiating a loan, but every one present seemed troubled with deafness or the marble heart, and while Alex was taken back to the guard room to await the arrival of financial assistance, his companion told the spectators that he was the unfortunate man's employer, and that Alex had worked for him till "he got nearly sixteen hundred dollar coming."

Jacques Hess appeared in the police court this morning and laid complaint against one Joseph Houston for assault. According to Hess' story he had been compelled to garnishee the wages of the warlike Houston, who had thereupon sent to him a decoy message concerning some Cleak creek property and when he had gone in response to the Hotel McDonald, the belligerent one had thereupon ambushed him and slugged him in the eye.

COYING AND GOING.

The average snow fall this winter is 18 inches.

A heavy snow storm is reported to be falling on the Dome.

Capt. W. H. Scarth is expected to return today from an official trip to Dominion.

Thomas Bruce, of Bruce & Hall, proprietors of the Holborn, is on his way in from Skagway.

It is proposed by the council to erect a building for the home of the projected museum.

After several months spent on his claim, No. 3 below on Sulphur, Geo. Noble is in the city on business.

Old Sol only shows his face these days for but an hour and within two more weeks will go into winter quarters.

A party of hunters brought in a fine bag of ptarmigans yesterday which were shot immediately back of Dawson on the hill.

A number of people have lately arrived from up the Yukon, some of them having come over the ice from as far up as Five Fingers.

Quartz is occupying the attention of Dawson's business men, as they realize that discoveries in that direction are necessary for the perpetuation of Dawson's prosperity.

Social functions of one kind or another are crowding each other this winter and scarcely a night passes that does not witness from one to three social gatherings.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals will meet at 8:30 this evening in the Board of Trade rooms in the A. C. Co.'s office building. The public are cordially invited to attend.

The curling rink which was recently overflowed by a considerable depth of water, is once more in readiness for the curling devotee, Mr. Matheson having succeeded in stopping the flow of water from the slough.

The Automobiles Are Coming.

The teams of Sonnikson & Henry arrived last night from Stewart river loaded with fresh halibut and merchandises for Swan & Anderson. The firm are sending teams about Wednesday Nov. 26, to Fort Selkirk for the automobiles for A. E. Clear. If you have any business between here and Hellgate you had better call on Sonnikson & Henry at once. They will take freight both ways, take passengers and do anything in this line for the public on the trip. Office Boyles' wharf.

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