

LEADS' THEATRES THIS WEEK

Both Open With Good Plays to Crowded Houses.

Standard Presents Comedy "The Private Secretary" - "Louisiana Before the War" at Orpheum.

Both of the theatres opened the week's engagement last night to crowded houses.

At the Standard the celebrated comedy "The Private Secretary," is being produced. This play is a bright, clean, lively comedy in which the fun is continuous and keeps everyone in a good humor throughout. Wm. Mullen as the Rev. Robert Spaulding, the private secretary whose remarkable goodness and innocence makes him an easy victim to the designs of the more worldly-wise, makes his character the most comical and best in the play.

Alf T. Layne as Col. Tom Cattermole, who has just returned from India is a humorous character whose ambition is to see his nephew, whom he is making a visit, the same "devil may care" sort of a lad as he was in his younger days.

W. C. Bohman as Cattermole's nephew, who in trying to escape debt disguises himself as the Rev. Spaulding and accepts the position of the private secretary, leaving the real Spaulding to assume his own character and succeeds in causing a general misunderstanding.

Fred C. Lewis as Squire Marsland who engages the private secretary, acts the typical country gentleman. Robert Lawrence as Harry Marsland the nephew of the squire who is in league with Douglas Cattermole, in his attempt to aid his friend, further complicates matters and makes the situation more unique.

The arrival of Mr. Gibson, the tailor to whom the money is owing, and who threatens exposure to the plot unless paid or introduced into high society further complicates the situation and causes the boys plenty of trouble. This character is assumed by A. R. Thorne and is well carried out.

Julia Walcott makes a star play by her delineation of the character of Miss Ashland an advanced Spiritualist.

Vivian as Edith Marsland, daughter to the Squire and Irene Wilson as Eva Webster her friend whom the private secretary is to instruct, make pretty pictures of jovial school girls.

Daisy D'Avara as Mrs. Steam, Pat Dundon as a servant and Gus Saville as a constable complete the cast which in every particular is well adapted to the different parts.

Act one of the play occurs at the apartments of Douglas Cattermole in London and the other two occur at Marsland hall the home of Squire Marsland.

The orchestra this week under the direction of Prof. Friemuth, has a particularly good program, which is as follows: Overture, "Pique Dame," Suppe; grand selection from "Ernani," Verdi; medley, "Midway Plaisance," or "What Reuben Saw at the Fair," F. Wagner.

The opening sketch at the Orpheum this week is one of Eddie O'Brien's creations entitled "Louisiana Before the War." The piece is in three scenes, the first shows an auction sale of slaves; the second Uncle Eph's dream of the old plantation and the third Uncle Eph's return to the plantation after an absence of 15 years. In the last scene specialties are introduced by the members of the company and include sentimental and comic songs, con shontings, quartettes and choruses by the company.

The olio which follows the first part is very extensive and includes a number of new and entertaining specialties.

Nick Williams the jumbo comedian makes his reappearance this week in his clever con specialties.

Mead & Hill make another hit this week in their songs, dances, con shonting, etc.

The Coles in their thrilling performance on the Spanish rings are as clever and more popular than ever.

Harry O'Brien and Chas. Brown score a big success in their Irish caricatures. Gladys Gates, May La Rose, Mae Stanley, the Winchell Twins, Dollie Mitchell, Madge Melville and O'Brien, Jennings & O'Brien in one of their original sketches complete one of the largest and best vaudeville entertainments which has yet been seen in Dawson.

ROBBED IN DAYLIGHT

First Avenue Store Touched on Sunday Evening.

While W. Schoeder proprietor of the Oak Hall clothing store on First avenue was at church Sunday evening someone entered the store by the rear

door and took from a cigar box on the shelf back of the gold scales two pokes, one containing \$400 and the other \$87.50.

No clue to the thief has yet been discovered. The remarkable thing about the proceedings is that such an affair could happen without the party being seen as the burglary was committed between 6:30 and 9 o'clock in the evening before the darkness had fallen.

The back part of the store where the person entered is entirely exposed to view by a large window which extends nearly the full length of the building and can be seen from the rear of two hotels and several cabins at the back. It must have required considerable force to cause an entrance as the back door was barricaded with a ladder and several boxes braced against it.

The case is being investigated by the police.

GOES ON MERRILY

Road Building Will Be Completed Early in September.

Within another fortnight the roads now under construction by the Dominion and territorial governments will be completed and Dawson will then have instead of at times impassable trails leading to the various creeks, a system of roads which will be in excellent condition at any and all seasons of the year.

The work in many instances has been better done than was called for in the estimates, and the result is that when the funds appropriated for the building of these roads become exhausted those who have had the matter in charge and later the traveling public who will traverse them will have pleasure in the knowledge that every dollar has been well spent and the permanency of the roadbed is an assured fact. Special attention has been given to securing a solid foundation wherever there is the least likelihood of trouble to arise during the rainy season or at the breakup of the winter.

Culverts innumerable have been built to carry off the surplus water as it collects from the sidehills in the drains constructed along the upper side of the roads. The grades, too, in crossing the divide between the head of Chief gulch and Calder and also between Hunker and Lombard gulch are so slight that a full load can be transported over the ridges with almost as much ease as along the creek bottoms.

The same is true of the road leading up from Bonanza connecting with the ridge road. So expeditions has the work been performed that the laborers have seen but one pay day. Between the 5th and 8th of August \$40,000 was distributed among the men employed, and before the 5th of next month the work will have all been finished and the men paid off.

That portion of the road leading from Eldorado up Chief gulch, down Calder and Quartz to an Indian river will be completed before the end of the week. Whether it will be continued to Eureka or not will depend largely upon the amount of money left out of the appropriation. The Bonanza road leading to the ridge will also be finished by Saturday next. The work being done by the federal government under the direction of Mr. Tache is progressing equally as well.

The Hunker speedway along the left bank of the Klondike is finished to a point a half mile above the Cliff house. The Bear creek bluff has been blasted out to such an extent that it is thought trouble from that source is forever at an end. The only portion between the Ogilvie bridge and the mouth of Hunker yet to be built is the cutoff across the flat from above Bear creek. This will avoid the swamps and follow the solid footing found along the foothills. On Hunker two gangs are working toward each other, one from the mouth of the creek up and the other from Gold Bottom down. They are expected to meet at Last Chance either Saturday or Monday next.

The gang which began work at Caribou, working up Dominion and Lombard gulch, crossed the divide three days ago and is now pushing down the left fork of Hunker. They will connect within a week with the gang which has been working from Gold Bottom up. When this portion of the Hunker road is finished the entire force will be moved over to Dominion and begin work on the section running from Caribou to lower Dominion. According to present arrangements this will only be extended this season as far as 72 below lower. N. de Bellefeuille, roadmaster in charge of the federal work, now has 200 men in his employ.

STEAMBOAT NEWS.

The Buma Knott is in trouble at Whitehorse, having been placed under arrest for debt by telegraphic order from Sheriff Bitbeck.

The Ora left for Whitehorse last night with 8 passengers. No news of the down river boats have been received today owing to the wire being down between here and Fortymile. The Louise and barges passed Eagle bound down yesterday afternoon.

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MATTERS ON THE CREEKS

What Has Taken Place Lately on Eldorado and Bonanza.

Dr. Carper who went to Nome a short time ago thence to Seattle returned last week accompanied by his wife.

Mr. J. W. Raymond who has the contract for the big roadhouse on the ridge road above Chief gulch, reports a 12-hour rain and snow storm in that region last Friday night.

E. E. Christy, formerly of Christy & Hadley, Grand Forks, who went to Nome six weeks ago, returned last week and declares the Klondike is good enough for him. Mr. Christy has seen all the camps in that country and says there is no doubt but that there is some good ground, and considerable more which seems good from the fact that it is shallow and easily and cheaply worked, but everything is overdone in all lines of business, everything cheap weather disagreeable, working season short and people generally feeling uneasy.

Mr. John Murphy who was with Willet & Thompson last summer, is another returned Nomeite who speaks fully as discouragingly of that country as Mr. Christy. Mr. Murphy says men returning from the mines say nothing but "look wise."

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hammer of 24 above Bonanza were made glad by the arrival at their home last week of a sweet little baby girl.

Mr. H. Havery formerly of Dawson has taken charge of the Gold Hill cafe. The change is already apparent, as the whole place has been entirely renovated, which has very materially added to its appearance. Mr. Havery is a wide awake young business man, and his many friends will be glad to hear of his new venture, which will certainly prove successful.

Mrs. Primus, of 33 above Bonanza who gave a social dance in honor of the arrival of her two sons last Wednesday evening, was agreeably surprised at the loss of guests who answered the call for a social good time. Dancing and music were the order of the evening. A fine supper was served at midnight and everybody enjoyed themselves to their heart's content.

Grand Forks people desiring photographs need go no farther than their own home, as Kinsey & Kinsey have certainly turned out some of the finest photographs that have ever been seen in this country.

Gold Star Arrested. Sheriff Bitbeck placed the steamer Gold Star under arrest this morning at the instance of members of the crew, the aggregate of whose wages amounts to \$600. Some of the men have not drawn a dollar in wages since the opening of navigation and now find themselves in a position where it is almost impossible to secure other situations.

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That Kidnapping Story.

A corroboration of part of the story of the kidnapped Mortimer is found in the statement Chas. T. Dunbar made this morning. He says that four or five weeks ago Rogers came into his office and offered for sale the claim in which Mortimer is alleged to have been confined.

"He showed a goodly poke of gold," says Mr. Dunbar, "and with this and his statements of the prospects of the claim I was induced to ask him why he did not go on working it. I was surprised that a man having such a

piece of ground should want to dispose of it. The reason he gave was that someone had stolen the larger part of his gold. I asked who had stolen it and he said that he did not know. He said that but for this gold he would have put up with the stolen property. Under the circumstances he wanted to sell it out of the country."

The Whitehorse arrived this afternoon with 25 passengers and much of freight. The cargo was principally liquors for the Rosenthal.

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