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AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium Theatre—"Diplomacy." New Savoy—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

THE SITUATION EXPLAINED.

An important admission is made in the Sun this morning in connection with the candidacy of Chas. Macdonald, to which special reference is drawn. The statement has been made in the Nugget on several occasions that Mr. Macdonald was an unsuccessful aspirant for the mayoralty nomination at the hands of the Kid Committee.

It is easy to see why Mr. Charles Macdonald refused to allow his name to go before their convention. What chance would he have had in the face of that delegation? He and a number more knew what was coming. They had received intimation of it before Mr. Macdonald could not be relied upon to do the bidding of the executive of a small clique of them, and he had to go.

Mr. Macdonald has made an effort in several of his platform utterances to convince the public that he would not have accepted the "Kids' nomination under any circumstances. The Sun this morning not only admits the contrary but explains why Mr. Macdonald did not go before the nominating convention.

In brief, and with Mr. Macdonald's own organ as authority for the facts, it is now clear beyond question that Mr. Macdonald WAS A CANDIDATE FOR THE "KIDS' NOMINATION AND WAS ONLY DETERRED FROM GOING BEFORE THE CONVENTION THROUGH THE FEAR THAT HE WOULD BE KNIFE.

Such being the case, his present position is easily explained. To use a colloquial expression, Mr. Macdonald has been "thrown down" by the Kid Committee and is now looking for vindication. Having failed to secure the nomination from the "Kids" he has moved heaven and earth to secure a nomination from any old faction which would take him up.

From his own standpoint his action may seem all right, but from the standpoint of the voters of the community the situation has an entirely different aspect. Why should any voter give his support to Mr. Macdonald in preference to Dr. Thompson? Both candidates have been tarred with the same stick, and the odium which clings to the latter by reason of his connection with the Kids hangs just as closely about the former.

If the voters of Dawson desire to endorse the Kid Committee and the influence behind it, let them vote for Dr. Thompson direct, but if they are opposed to that nondescript gang of political adventurers, then should they

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No substantial objections have as yet arisen from any source to the candidacy of Mr. Macaulay, and as a matter of fact none can be made. Mr. Macaulay is an old-timer in Dawson who through his own personal enterprise and integrity has made himself the head of a successful business house. He possesses in every particular the peculiar qualifications which will be required of Dawson's first mayor.

With a level-headed business man such as Mr. Macaulay at the head of affairs Dawson will be saved thousands of dollars, which under the control of a professional politician would be scattered to the four winds.

The responsibility for the complicated nature of the present situation lies with Chas. Macdonald and a few of his supporters. Had Mr. Macdonald remained out of the field after his failure to secure the nomination from the Kid committee, there would have been no serious difficulty in the way of administering a straight knock-out blow to that organization.

To speak of the dead with as little harshness as possible is a principle recognized among barbarians as well as among civilized people. It appears that the recently imported Sun editorialist belongs to neither of these two classes.

If the Kids continue to lose ground as they have done during the last few days the News will be switching to the Citizens' ticket, just as sure as fate. Something must be done to prevent it.

Hockey.

Unless something unforeseen turns up, the long anticipated and much postponed hockey match between the Civil Service and Polar teams will take place this evening on the N. C. rink. Much difficulty has been experienced in agreeing upon a referee, but it has finally been decided to select one of three names—Dr. Norquay, Wm. Hingston and Wm. Henderson—the names to be written on slips of paper and drawn from a hat, the first one so drawn to be accepted as final.

A Polite Rebuke.

A lady entered a draper's shop in a thriving northern town recently and casually inquired the price of some blankets which were neatly folded on the opposite shelves. The shopman took down one after another, until the counter was strewn over with a pile of unfolded blankets of various colors and prices.

A Query.

Would you or some of your readers inform several of your subscribers who Sidney Cooper was or is? PRO BONO PUB.

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The drastic changes which the Education Department has made during the last few years in its methods of determining whether the youth of the nation is receiving proper instruction have had a most beneficial and far-reaching effect, was the remark of one of His Majesty's Inspectors of Schools.

On inquiring the reason of this I was informed that my advice had been followed, but that the lads had proved such utter failures under a fresh teacher that they had been relegated to their former class. It afterwards transpired that the youthful pedagogue had bribed his clever pupils to sham stupidity while in their new class, so that they might remain under his tuition and so continue to bring him renown.

EXCELLENT PROGRAM.

Was Rendered at the Miller Testimonial Benefit.

The testimonial benefit tendered Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Miller Sunday evening was not as well patronized as the worthiness of the cause and excellence of the program warranted. In the absence of programs Mr. Ralph Cummings announced each specialty from the stage as they were given. Excellent music was furnished, the orchestra being under the direction of Professor Wolcott and consisting of: At. Wolcott, violin; Ernest Miller, clarinet; Sidney Stewart, flute; Charles Rennie and Bert Zabst, cornets; Martin Hobbs, trombone; Thos. Rennie, bass; Theo. Eggert, piano; and H. T. Wilkinson, drums.

Police Still Mystified.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, the fashionable modiste who was murderously assaulted on the night of the 8th of December, was able for the first time today to make a statement. The police have been hopeful that what she would say would throw some light on the motive for the crime or lead to the discovery of the perpetrator, but Mrs. Dennis' statement contained nothing that would give any clue in either direction.

Chicago River.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The project of giving a national aspect to the Chicago drainage canal, making it a link in water connection between the Great Lakes and the Gulf, was considered today by the House committee on rivers and harbors. Two delegations from Chicago were present, one including the officers of the sanitary district interested in this larger project and another headed by former Representative Adams of Chicago, who appeared in advocacy of improved navigation facilities, including turning basins in the Chicago river. The latter project was first presented by Mr. Adams, who explained the vast magnitude of the

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Commerce on the river and the difficulties and dangers incident to navigation at this time. The city is making extensive improvements, widening the channel, erecting the most modern bridges, etc., costing in the aggregate about \$11,000,000. All of this benefited the general navigation interests and it was desired that the Government supplement the work by providing turning basins to cost about \$500,000.

W. H. Baker, chairman of the committee representing the canal trustees, stated the general purpose of the project of extending that waterway to the Mississippi and thence giving a deep water channel to St. Louis. For the present the committee asked only a government survey to develop the feasibility and advantages of the plan, this survey to cost \$200,000. Mr. Baker did not go into the general merits of the project, saying that the arguments were the same as those so fully presented last year.

Chairman Burton and Mr. Reeves of Illinois stated in this connection that the members of the commission personally examined the project last summer and were familiar with its leading general features. At a later day the committee will pass upon the two items proposed.

Insurance Companies Amalgamate.

New York, Jan. 13.—It has just become known among the fire offices that the directors of the Yorkshire Fire & Life Insurance Company of York and of the Lion Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., of London, have signed a provisional agreement whereby, if approved, the Yorkshire will absorb the Lion January 1, and F. E. Hooker, general manager and secretary of the Lion, will become London secretary for the Yorkshire, says a Journal of Commerce dispatch from London. There had been rumors since the reinsurance of the Lion's American portfolio that some amalgamation might be pending and these intimations now turn out to have been well founded. The Yorkshire has a capital of \$500,000, assets \$1,294,177, and an annual income of \$287,147.

TELLS STORY OF FAILURE

Relics of Boom Days in Puget Sound country.

The sale soon to take place of 10,000 tracts of land in King County for taxes past due will tell of many failures to acquire riches by plating town sites and additions to towns already established.

Of the 10,000 tracts to be sold at least 90 per cent. of them are lots in addition to many small towns throughout the county, each one of which expected during the boom days of 1888 to 1891 to become the metropolis of the Sound country. Such towns as Kirkland, Des Moines, Brighton Beach, East Seattle, Richmond Beach, Kent, Auburn and even Boise Creek and Sunnyside caught the fever and platted additions and acre tracts. Later, however, when the assessor came around and surprised them in their prosperity by plating boom values on their cities in embryo, followed by the tax-gatherer with a bill almost in excess of the value of the lot, their hopes of getting rich by selling lots vanished with the departure of the tax collector and his unpaid bill.

In their distress the disappointed speculators appealed to the Legislature, and from time to time that body has tried to lighten their burdens by remitting the interest and penalties. But the accumulation of each succeeding year's taxes exceeded the tax fund of the owners and the Legislature of 1899 finally said that something must be done. That body passed an act that all of this property on which taxes have not been paid should revert to the county, and a certificate of delinquency be issued thereon to the county, giving former owners, however, two years in which to redeem.

Among the list of owners in the list advertised in the Weekly Times appears the names of many well-remembered capitalists of those boom days. Especially is this so of some of the additions to Kirkland, to which there were additions by Harry White that require thirteen columns in the Times to list.

At Des Moines the list of delinquents fills thirty-nine columns, the additions at Chastauqua require four columns and Boise Creek ten columns. In sixty days from the first day of this month Prosecuting Attorney Fulton will ask the Superior Court to enter judgment against the owners of this property, which is not redeemed, or the foreclosing proceedings contested. The treasurer of the county will then issue a deed to the county and the commissioners will offer it for sale in any sized tracts desired. The proceeds will be turned into the county treasury, and distributed among the different funds the same as all other tax collections.—Seattle Times, Jan. 13.

Largest in the World

London, Jan. 12.—Further particulars have leaked out about the electrification of the District Railway. The electrical generators will rank with the biggest in the world, and will be of nearly 7,000 horse-power apiece. They will be driven by turbine engines weighing over 400 tons each, and measuring 42 feet in height. Any one of them, it is calculated,

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will give out an energy equal to that of 500,000 men. The generating station in Chelsea creek will be the biggest in the world. Its minimum capacity will be 70,000 horse-power, and its maximum 100,000. Several hundred men will soon be at work on its construction.

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