Irving May Retire From the Stage and Dispose of the Lyceum Theatre Owing to Miness.

GEORGE EDWARDES MAY LEASE IT

And a Brilliant Comedy Company May Take the Place of the Best

nost actor and of the leading play house has cut his tour and compelled him to take a winter's rest and to abandon his season at the Lyceum Theatre, which is now occupied by the old Carl Rosa Opera Company and which is singing "Corporal's Guard."

There are rumors that irving may retire rom the stage and sell the house. A num-



became famous on the vanderille stage. On distress, in latitude 48 north and longitude is feeling his age, it is impressed upon him that he is entitled to lighter labors.

When these suggestions were made he promptly acquiesced in them; and soon after approached Mr. Charles Frohman with a proposal to take the Lyceum, stipulating that he should himself continue to play there, but for shorter seasons. He also suggested an American tour under Mr. Frohman's management.

Mr. Charles Frohman replied that after carefully considering the proposal, he had come to the conclusion that it night be difficult to arrange for attractions which would maintain the high prestige of the lanking Sir Henry for the compliment, he felt compelled to decline the proposal. The question of an American tour under Mr. Frohman's management is still under consideration.

Lyceum a White Elephant.

The Lyceum a White Elephant of the control of Daly's in the light of course of the wins his suit for the control of Daly's Theatre in London, he intends to sell.

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Tells How Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills Cured Her of Exces-

Shoot will be at bluerocks, to be held on Sterior of the commencing at 2 p.m. Visitors welcome.

A Women's Lodge.

The installation of the newly-elected officers of Olive branch of the Ladies' of Research in Toronio as these remarkable pills freely to elegate the testimony of the estimony of the suffering releved and health and strength restored. This time Mrs. James Asteford of 225 Robert-Street gives an account of how this remedy acted in her case. This is her statement, and Nerve Pills I was so nervous that I was since the conding Secretary, and Miss Cooper, Treasurer, the installing officer was D.D.G.M. Mrs. Fearce, Final Robert-Street gives an account of how this remedy acted in her case. This is her statement, and health and strength restored. This time Mrs. James Asteford of 225 Robert-Street gives an account of how this remedy acted in her case. This is her statement, and Nerve Pills I was so nervous that I was almost afruid of my own shadow. Such things as the closing of a door or unexpectedly meeting any person would make me jump tand completely upset me. I felt failigned and worn out nearly all the time. All plants we strengthened my new failing the time of the catching well and the proposed and the completely upset me. I felt failigned and worn out nearly all the time. All plants we strengthened my new failing the complete to the catching that the complete to the catching the catching the complete to the catching the complete to the catching the complete to the catching the ca

WERE THE WOUNDED MASSACRED?

The Statements Made by Bennett That Dervishes Were Wantonly Killed Strenuously Denied.

London, Jan. 4.-The deliberate charge nade by Bennett, an Omdurman corresondent, in the pages of The Contemporary teview, that the English and their allies in the Soudan campaign wantonly massacred wounded dervishes after the fall of the city, is causing a great newspaper sensa

wounded dervishes after the fall of the city, is causing a great newspaper sensation here. Denials come freely from every quarter, and the bulk of the evidence seems to be strongly against Bennett. It probably is not to be demied that wounded men were shot, but it is equally undentable that if they had not been killed they would have treacherously shot those passing or coming to their assistance.

One of the oldest and best-known of English war correspondents, Burleigh by name, writes to day vehemently denying Bennett's charges on the strength of his own knowledge and observation. "More humanity," he says, "never was displayed in the capture of an enemy's city than was shown by the Sirdar and his victorious troops at the entry into Omdurman. When I entered the city I saw several dead women and children. The natives whom I asked told me that these were the wives and children of dervishes, who had killed them because the husbands and fathers did not wish to be hampered by them in their flight." Bennett declares that these were shot by 3ritish soldiers. "The report," says Burleigh, "Is pure fiction."

To sum up, there is abundant evidence that the dervishes sham disability from wounds in order treacherously to assassinate their enemies, so that they have to be treated on occasions as active combatants, while Bennett's charges stand absolutely unsupported in the face of the fact that 9000—and later 11,000—dervish prisoners were cared for by the medical staffs of the two armies, British and Egyptun, in Omdurman itself.

ONE OF THE FRENCH TWINS DEAD.

The Wife of Actor Evans Dies in New York Under Peculiar Circumstances-An Inquest On.

New York, Jan. 4.-Minnie Alice Evans, one of the French twins, well-known on sir Henry Irving.

Stances attending Mrs. Evans death. Siested by the family regarding the circumstance with the none manifestance attending Mrs. Evans death. Siested by the family regarding the circumstance with the shoule and that Mrs. Evans death. Siested by the family regarding the circumstance with the shoule and that Mrs. Evans death. Siested by the family regarding the circumstance with the shoule and that Mrs. Evans death. Siested by the family regarding the circumstance with the shoule and tha the stage as the wife of Charles E. Evans,

maitresses were: Miss Irving, Miss Berzin, Miss Rogers, Mrs. McMurchy, Mrs. Darby and Miss. R. B. Hamilton, The jelly, which was tastefully served, was made personally by Mrs. D. R. Rogers of Toronto Junction.

Strike of Velvet Weavers.

Berlin, Jan. 4.—The strike in the Rhyensiah velvet district is spreading to Creferd. The were the first place between J. McMullen and McMullen succeeded in defeating Plant by about two yards. Time 23 3-5600ds. The neat dive was won by affected.

All Well in the East.

Dr. Mand Kilborn of Chentu, China, has written the Women's Methodist Mission Society, telling the correlation that all is well in the cast. The Presbyterian Foreign Missions Foreign Missions For Society is also informed by the missionaries of Honan that the expected with the natives has blown over.

Henry C. Smith, aged 58, hanged himself in a stable at Lancaster, Pa., because he had speculated in stocks and lost.

Swimming at the Y. M. C. A.

The second annual swimming contest of the Central Monday of the Central Y.M.C.A. was held Monday of the Central Y.M.C.A. Was held Monday of the Central Y.M.C.A. Mean held Monday of the Cent

The Stanley Gun Club's first of the series of handicap shoots for the Fleming Sawden Cup was held on the New Year's holiday, on the club grounds, corner Booth and Eastern avenues, and, considering the unfavorable conditions of the weather, exceptionally good scores were made. The cup is being competed for in a series of 40 shoots, viz., 4 sparrow and 6 bluerock events, the two highest scores in sparrows and the four highest scores in bluerocks to count. Each member must compete in not less than two sparrow and four bluerocks to qualify for the finals. The next shoot will be at bluerocks, to be held on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 14, commencing at 2 p.m. Visitors welcome.

New Finds in the Vatican.

Some very important discoveries have recently been made in the Vatican library. The manuscript, which was hitherto only known as N. 8193, is all in Galileo's own handwriting and ends with the words: "Written in Rome in the Medici Gardens or dered that the manuscript be published at the expense of the Vatican. The text differs considerably from the text hitherto accepted as Galileo's.

A Female Robber Chief.

Times of India: The Central Provinces seem to be distinguished for peculiar crimes Stanley Gun Club.

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AN INFERNAL MACHINE EXPLODES. WHERE IS THE CATANIA?

The Atlantic Transport Company's Five Men Were Terribly Injured Steamer Mesaba Stood by for 22 Hours Without Result.

London, Jan. 4.-The Atlantic Transport Company's steamer Mesaba, Captain Lay-land. from New York, on Dec. 24 for this land, from New York, on Dec. 24 for this port, which passed Prawle Point yesterday and reported that she spoke the American steamer Catania, Captain Furlong, from Glasgow on Dec. 17, from New York, in distress, in latitude 48 north and longitude 48 west, has arrived here, with details of the meeting. Captain Layland says he met the Catina on Dec. 29. Her funnel had been washed away and her decks had been Pekin, Jan. 4.—An Imperial edict has been issued appointing all viceroys and governors of provinces members ex-officio of the Tsung-Li-Yamen. This arrangement will undoubtedly make dealings with the Chinese Government much more difficult.

The New Steamer India.

Kingston, Jan. 4.—The new steamer India was launched to-day at Garden Island.

She is the largest steamer ever built on Garden Island. She is 212 feet tong, 37 foot heam 15 feet bold and built of the

Justice Ferguson, venerable and weighty, one of the pedestrians out in the petting rain last night about 6.30, at the end of The World's lane made a little move which shows he has not quit "kidding" yet. Passing a couple of urchins in conversation, he removed one of their hats, and the "kid," in recovering it, used language which, if His Lordship heard it, must have made him think of 30 days' sentences, the deprayity of youth, etc.

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New York, Jan. 4.-The from The Herald: Havan -The city is much excited the open charge made in trado, the organ of Cuba Zacarias Bresmes, a Spanis a fugitive from Havana, ergaged in the plot which the destruction of the Ma concentrado to-day gave Bresmes' career previous a The paper will say to-more harbor Bresmes openly des Spanish cafes that such an city on the part of the Ye not pass without stringent His threats were direct and truction to the American sh

truction to the American si sociates were Felipe Gonzal Vega and Eusebio Azcue, v iards. Others with him v of the volunteers. "These men boasted that vere about to get their due charge can be directed again Bresmes. He and the hot his bands of Murally-street met ands of Murally-street me a house near the corner of Habana-streets, where the the plot against the Main cocted and all arrangement When the explosion took pl was in the Tacon Theatre At the sound of the explose There goes the Maine. "Champagne was drunk the terrible event at the n

evidence was then forthe rant any action, and all a him was suppressed in the p port. The Cubans here alm exception regard the charges concentrado as beyond disp mes is now said to be hiding

THE DEEP WATER

Report of the Board of Presented to Cong Washington, Jan. 4.-The gineers on Deep Waterways submitted to the Secretary of which was to-day presented

A Christmas Gathe The Christmas holidays have great number of insurance medity. The agents from the outly have invaded the various of they are accustomed to meet. Corridors and offices of the St corridors and offices of the St Assurance Company in the Ba moree Building on King-street besieged for two or three we prominent agents of the compan-side points. These included Allen from Kingston; Mr. M Manitoba; Mr. G. M. Huna fron district and many others. It is to the agency in Toronto to see from the country districts and sharpening iron, so do these me of their friends."

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James Judge was convicted in Court yesterday of stealing a from the office of B. Leadley street east, on Feb. 17, 1897. includes several terms in the son and he was sent back the months.

months.

Thomas McKillop was convicting a suit of clothes and a gold was sent to jail for 60 days.

The two Italians, Raffaelle S Giuseppi Agostine, charged w counterfeit money, were remand day. day.

Joseph Maroney and Violet Ca fine of \$50 and costs for so without a license.

What a London Reade.

Editor World: I read with it peat 'fuel drials. If a good pobainable,' it should be good and other coalless countries, Canada. The question is "Ho compressed blocks stand the wes will bind them if stacked in the I note, too, Mr. S. Jarvis' lett gets the parable of the prodigal be jealous about the fatted calf. Le Rot might have been sold two years ago if the parties sold at terms it is now sold for. London, Eng. Thomas What a London Reade

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