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SOLDIERS FARED WELL AT EX. CAMP

Thousand Men Stayed Behind While Others Had Special Furlough.

SICK SOLDIERS DINE

Practically All Patients at Spadina Convalescent Home Were Able to Go Home.

service soldiers ate their Christmas dinner at the big Y.M.C.A. quarters in the grand stand building at Exhibition Park Camp. They were waited upon by over a hundred members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Y.M.C.A. The festive meal began at 11.30 o'clock and lasted until after 1. The tables were very attractive, the Christmas decorations consisting of holly, flowers, ferns and flags of the allies.

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The menu included roast turkey, with tranberry sauce; boiled potatoes, green peas, English plum pudding, with caramel sauce; celery, apples, oranges, nuts, raisins, sweet biscuits, coffee and cigarets. Also on the bill-of-fare was a list of soldier songs appropriate for the occasion. The men joined in these choruses during the course of the meal. The musical numbers included, "Smile, Smile, Smile," "Mother Machree." "Here We Are," "A Wee Deoch-an-Doris," "When Your Boy Comes Back to You," and the National Anthem. In the evening the Y.M. C. A. held an entertainment for the soldiers. The feature of the program was a five-reel movie film.

Nearly 3000 of the other troops quartered at Exhibition Camp were on Christmas furlough, or special leave, and spent the holiday at their homes with relatives and friends.

Sick Soldiers Dine.

At the Military Base Hospital, East Gerrard street, 100 of the staff and those soldier-patients who were too ill to go home on leave took part in a Christmas dimer arranged and served by members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Army Medical Corps. The day was further brightened by orchestra selections in the morning and choir music in the after-moon. Patients whose part of kin live

morning and choir music in the afternoon. Patients whose next of kin live
overseas, and thus without anyone to
sive them Christmas presents, were the
recipients of special holiday gifts aranged for by the A.M.C. committee.
Practically all the patients at the Spadina Military Convalescent Home were
with their families on Christmas Day,
everyone who wished being given a holiday pass. Eight of the soldier-patients
were not well enough to leave their beds,
but the staff did everything possible to
make the day a happy one for them.

Weilington st. corner Bay st.

CHARMING PLAYLET IS HEADLINER AT SHEA'S

"The Frame Up" is Chief Attraction on Excellent Holiday Week Bill.

Frame-Up" is the charming in which Claude Gillingwater, an old Toronto favorite, is the head-liner in the varied bill that opened to real Christmas house at Shea's yes-erday. The sketch offers opportunity or a peep into the domestic life of onaire, his wife and his brotherh-law, these being the chief person arises from the bright dialog, which is found necessary to explain the amusing complications which arise. Miss Julie Hearn shares in the honwith Claude Gillingwater.

Bert Baker and his company pro-ide comedy galore in their sketch, Prevarication," which is an elabora-on of the white lie that leads to a ain made up of one lie after another. new figure is introduced to vaude-file in Roger Gray, who is better wn in stock productions. He and the show was kept going there was no is company are a quartet whose ofing satirizes bright bits of musical ions. "The Strolling Tenor," Roberts, with his bell-like bill, as do also Bernard and Janis. combine both music and comedy Feats of strength, skilportrayed by the Guzmani Trio, birds, together with feature

THE WEATHER

Cbservatory. Toronto, Dec. 25.—(8 pm.)—'The weather has been mostly fair today over the Dominion with moderate temperature from Ontario eastward and quite cold in the west.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver, 22-30; Kamloops, 2 below-8; Vancouver, 22-30; Kamloops, 2 below-8. Calkary, 16 below-10 below: Edmonton, 24 below-8 below: Battleford, 26 below-8 below: Saskatoon, 28 below-8 below: Moose Jaw, 18 below-4 below: Port Arthur, 12 below-4; London, 23-32; Toronto, 19-30; Kingston, 14-26; Ottawa, 10-18; Montreal, 8-16; St. John, 10-24; Halifax, 14-50.

—Probabilities.—
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fair at first, followed by increasing easterly winds, with sleet or snow at night.

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STREET CAR DELAYS

Monday, Dec. 25, 1916, Parliament cars, both ways, and Dundas cars, westbound, delayed 10 minutes at 2.50 p.m. at Queen and Yonge, by fire.

Rates for Notices

Births, Marriages and Deaths Daily (minimum 50 words) each additional word 2c. (No Lodge Notices to be included in Funeral Announcements).

BIRTHS. MORROW-On Christmas Day at Toronto, to Rev. and Mrs. E. Lloyd Morrow,

DEATHS. LLEN-On Sunday evening, Dec. 24, 1916, at his late residence, Athelma Apartments, Grosvenor street, Toronto, Charles Bernard, dearly beloved husband of Annie Barall Allen. Service at A. W. Miles' funeral chapel, 296 College street, Wednesday,

at 2 p.m. Interment Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Please omit flowers. Mo-CROFT-On Christmas Eve, at 12 Ferndale avenue, Adele Marie (Pinky), only daughter of William and Mabel Stuart

Croft, jr., aged 18 months. Fureral from above address at 2.30 p.m. Wednesday, the 27th instant, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Motors. ASTINGS-On Sunday, Dec. 24, 1916, at his late residence, 1264 College street, Peter Hastings, beloved husband of Lizzie Grogan, in his 52nd

HUNT-On Monday, Dec. 25, 1916, Ernest

Hunt, in his 25th year, beloved husband of Rhea McKenna. Funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 27, and 2.30 p.m., from his father's residence, 51

Morningside avenue, Swansea, to Park Lawn Cemetery. HYDE-In St. Michael's Hospital, on Sunday, Dec. 24. 1916, Mary Hyde, aged

63 years. Funeral Wednesday morning from Rosar's Chapel, Sherbourne street, to St. Paul's Church. Interment in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

JOHNSTON—On Sunday, Dec. 24, 1916, Andrew Denholm, infant son of David Funeral from his parents' residence

and Agnes Johnston, age 8 weeks. 4 Dermott Place, on Tuesday, Dec. 26, at 10.30 a.m. Interment at St. John's Cemetery. KNOX-At his residence, 71 Spadin

road, on Dec. 25, 1916 (suddenly), John A. Knox, in his 57th year, Funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 27, at 2 p.m. to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. MORRISON-On Sunday, Dec. 24, 1916, at Suite 62, Hampton Court Apart-Morrison, beloved husband of Eliza

ments, Avenue road, Toronto, John P. beth Townsend Morrison, in his 64th year. Funeral leaving on 8 a.m. G.T.R. train Tuesday, the 26th, for Brantford, Ont. Service in Grace Church, Brant

ford, at 2 p.m., Tucsday. Interment in Mt. Hope Cemetery. ALE-On Dec. 24, 1916, at Toronto General Hospital, Harold Sale (Bobbie), in his 18th year, late of 206 Logan avenue.

Funeral Wednesday, 10.30 a.m., Norway Cemetery. MITH-At the Sick Children's Hospital on Saturday, Dec. 23rd, Thomas Herbert Smith, only son of Christopher J. and Margaret Smith, aged 1 year and 10

months. Funeral from 1166 St. Clair avenue at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 26th, to Prospect Cemetery. WILSON-On Saturday, Dec. 23, 1916, at Toronto, Miss Grace Wilson, in her

18th year, daughter of the late Richard and Elizabeth Wilson. Service on Tuesday at 3 p.m. at A. W. Miles' funeral chapel, 396 College street. Interment in Mt. Pleasant

Cemetery. TANGO QUEENS AT STAR A CHRISTMAS TREAT

Illuminated Runway One of Chief Attractions of Good Show.

Manager Dan Pierce presented the patrons of the Star Theatre with a first-class Christmas treat in the performance of the Tango Queens, which opened a week's engagement with yesterday's matinee. The Tango Queens proved to be a real yuletide attraction

lack of Christmas spirit. Principals of the cast and the memonald Roberts, with his bell-like bers of the large chorus are all worthy of comment. During the many numbers in which the chorus appear they prance down a large illuminated runway which has been erected. The board "lly portrayed by the Guzmani Trio, runs from the stage to the rear of the exhibition given by Camillia's the theatre down the centre aisle. Mile. Lovera is a very graceful dancer and scores in a vaudeville number. and "The Girl With the Golden Calf."

His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, attended by Colonel, the Hon. Harold Henderson and Captain Bukley Johnson, A.D.C., was present at the dinner given in Ottawa by the Women's Canadian Club for the returned soldiers at the Sir Sandford Fleming Convalescent Home.

The Princesses Zenia and Mina, daughters of H. J. H., the Grand Duke George, and the Grand Duchess George of Russia, were brides maids at the recent wedding of the Countess Nada Torby to Prince George of Battenburg.

Col. Kelly Evans, who has been staying with Mr. Aemilius Jarvis, left town on Thursday to join Mrs. Evans at Atlanta, Georgia.

Story of Hypochondriacal Wife is Received With

Lord Curzon, whose first wife was Miss Leiter, of Chicago, is marrying another American woman shortly. Mrs. Duggan, who is the daughter of the late Mr. J. Munroe Hinds, Alabama. Mrs. Philip Graftan Kiel is leaving

for Montreal today to stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mcdougald, Mackay street. Mr. John Wray, Detroit, is

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Troller are with Col. and Mrs. Troller in Montreal.

Miss Harriet Cassels, daughter of the Eon. Justice Cassels and Mrs. Cas-sels, who has been spending some time at Ste. Agathe has gone to Saranac for Mr. and Mrs. Murray Alexander and

Miss Kitty Alexander are in California with Mr. Alexander's mother. Miss Kathleen Burke and her mother who have been spending some time in Boston, where Miss Burke gave an ad-dress at the allied bazaar, spent the Chrhistmas holiday in Ottawa.

Miss Beatrice Sullivan entertained several wounded men from the College Street Hospital at the matinee at Shea's and afterwards to tea at the King Edward on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Selby Martin and their children are spending Christmas in Toronto with Dr. and Mrs. Templo. Mrs. Arthur Rowe, Hamilton, is in Toronto spending the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Hugh Blain,

Mr. Geoffrey Birkett, lieuterant Royal Canadian Dragoons and Mr. Wren Birkett went to Montreal to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Birkett.

It is said that Mame Vanderveldt is intending to visit Toronto in the near Mr. Lewis Woodson, Pennsylvania, spent Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Watt, in Brantford, and will be in

Funeral from above address Wednesday, Dec. 27, at 8.30 a.m., to St. Helen's Church. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery.

The engagement is announced in Wancouver of Gertrude Kathleen Hudson, youngest daughter of Mrs. Kerr and the late Dr. S. B. Kerr, Toronto, and her many and her many that a common state of the to Mr. James Taylor Lynde, cldest son of Mr. S. B. Lynde, 'Foronto. The

marriage will take place in Vancou Mr. and Mrs. Lorne McGibbon are entertaining a party of friends at their summer residence at St. Agathe, dur-ing the Christmas season.

The hospitals in Folkestone, England were sent \$1468 from various secieties in Ottawa, to provide Christmas cheer for the Canadian patients.

Miss Agnes Macpherson is spending the holidays with Mrs. John Mac-pherson in Ottawa.

Mrs. E. J. Watkins has just returned from England to the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. McCullough, of Dovercourt road, after a visit with her husband, Lieut. Watkins, of the Hoyal Tlying Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Davidson and their son (Winnipeg) are spending Christmas in Toronto with Mrs. David-

Mr. Charles W. Bishop is in Winnipeg and was the guest of honor at the Women's Canadian Club on Thursday last, when he gave an interesting address on the work of the "Y Huts" in France and England.

Miss Phyllis Jones, Montreal, is the guest of Mrs. F. W. Gates at Gladwyn. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gibbons and their family and Mr. and Mrs. George Baker are spending the holidays with Mrs. J. G. Cockshutt in Brantford.

The marriage of Miss Daphne Gibsone to Mr. Robert R. C. Crombie, C.F.A., took place at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Quebec, only the immediate relations being present. The Very Rev. Dean Shreve performed the ceremony. The bride, who looked charming in a gown of white satin, with a tulle veall caught up with orange blossoms and carrying a shower bouquet of lilies, was given away by her brother, Mr. L. F. Gibsone of Winnipeg. Miss Gladys Gibsone, her sister, was the maid of honor. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Geoffrey Cox. Montreal. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the bride's residence, which was decorated for the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Crombie left in the afternoon for Toronto on their honeymoon afternoon for Toronto on their honeyn

Miss Marjorie Mackenzle and Miss Kathleen Speirs have gone to Winnipeg for the holidays from Westminster Col-

Mr. Paul Wells has gone to New York Mr. John A. Murdock is in town from

Miss Gertrude Drummond is in town Miss Enid Greenstreet is spending

Mr. C. A. Passmore is in Rossland er

Miss Childs is in Toronto from Saskatoon; also Mr. and Mrs. J. Cragg and Mrs. Shaw. Dr. Manning of the Saskatoon Univercity staff is in Toronto.

Whirlwind and tango dances are offered by Frank Martin and Dolly Wilson. Monica Redmond has a number of bright stage costumes and is a very good bur!esque prima donna. Ethe Green, the soubrette, is full of "pep" and her songs are of whistly kind. Tom Coyne is the chief of the fur brigade, and he causes much merriment during the presentation of the

PLAYS, PICTURES AND MUSIC

MARIE TEMPEST IN BRILLIANT COMEDY

Henry Miller Presents All- May Become One of Great Star Cast in "Her Husband's Wife."

WITTY AND GAY PLAY

Wife is Received With Unrestrained Approval.

dectors who, agree most amoyingly that there is absolutely no cause for concern; then in desperation she purchases lovely colored medicines, and drives the cuckoo clock silly in its attempt to keep up with her half-hour doses. Anxious for her dear husband's happiness after she is gone she decides upon a control with dowly person turns out to be a "fascinating devil" possessed of rare charm, captivating ways and wonder charm, captivating ways and wonder if three-act story, interwoven with femining frailties, amiable cynicisms and witty dialog. Marie Tempest is simply "made" for the filtratious role of the accommodating friend. Her ability as a comedienne is ever in the ascendant and her manner of wearing fashion-plate gowns is a second and the consumer and plate gowns is a second and the clever and plate gowns is a second and the clever and plate gowns is a second and the clever over the encominums tendered on behalf of Mr. Tully, his associates and on broaded upon the clever novel by Katherine Cecil Thurston, whose tragic fate swiftly followed the success of the book, known in England as "The Masquerader." and on the Assumer in Associates and house tragic fate swiftly followed the success of the book, known in England as "The Masquerader." and on the Assumer in the story has been ingeniously adapted and brought up-to-date the leading for the Atlantic as "John Chilcote being presented as a Canadian cousin. All this adds a fresh and vigorous interest to a plot which of the play is founded upon the clever hovel by Katherine Cecil Thurston, whose tragic fate swiftly followed the success of the book, known in England as "The Masquerader." and on the clever hovel by Katherine Cecil Thurston, whose tragic fate swiftly followed the success of the book, known in the comedienne is ever in the ascendant and her manner of wearing fashion-plate gowns is a second nature. Laura Hope Crewe, at the hypochrondriacal wife, is superly. Positively fascinating is this little bit of feminity when she says "Uncle John. I'm going to cry." Uncle John is deliciously human, with a lovely sense of humor and a naturalness of manner with his high sense of the sen alness of manner which always distinguishes the work of Henry Kolker.
W. Graham Browne, as Stuart Randolph, the much imposed upon and truly innocent husband, is most convincing, and does some extraordinarily fine work in his scene with deposed King Alcohol. Richard Belden, the handsome brother who eventually wins the fascinating flirt, is played with plenty of spirit and boyish animation by Eugene O'Brien, Norma Mitchell, as Nora the maid, has a small part but with the art of which she is mistress. this pretty young actress makes it a "part." The costumes worn by Miss

of the season, LOU SKUCE HEADS BILL AT SHEA'S HIPPODROME

Tempest and Miss Crews are beautiful

beyond description. Taken in its en-tirety and judging from the opening performances at the Grand Opera

House yesterday "Her Husband's Wife" should prove one of the "hits"

Toronto World Cartoonist is Headling Attraction With Other

Lou Skuce, well-known World car-toonist, is the headliner at the Hippo-drome this week. With the aid of slides, lantern, screen and his facile pencil, he draws pictures in black and white, the like of which have made him justly famous as a caricaturist.
In "The Wedding Party," a miniature musical comedy, Tom Shute.
Grace Howard and George Usher provide a turn that instantly appealed to the Christmas Day audience, while s singers and trippers of the "light anttastic." Tom and Stasia Moore won well-merited applause.

Mid-air stunts that made one's hair stand on end, composed the act of Gordon and Gordon, aerial artists. Two excellent sketches, "Back to Buf-falo," with Raynor and Bell and Ross and Clarke, in "Free at Last." a Keystone comedy, and "Sister of Six," an early California story filmed by the Triangle producers, with dainty Bessie Love in the title role, complete an unbeatable bill.

MASTERPIECE OF SCREEN SHOWING AT THE REGENT

"Oliver Twist," a Lasky film production, starring Marie Doro, shown at the Regent Theatre all Christmas week, is not only one of the master-pleces of motion picture productions, but it portrays Charles Dickens' popu-lar old story with exactitude. Marie Doro, who portrays the character Oliver, will be remembered for the excellent work in the all-star revival, few years ago, when she took the ame part. Monday's big Christmas audience showed splendid appreciation of the

otion picture world.

GUY BATES POST

Historic Figures of

Toronto Before.

Marie Tempest's name is magic in Toronto. Her admirers who turned out en masse last night were thrice for swarded. Miss Tempest was brilliant Marie—a jewel in a perfect setting. Living up to the mary of shining stars, and Henry Miller, that prince of producers, capped the situation with the smartest comedy of the sesson, when he provided such a delightful vehicle as "Her Husband's Wife" is a delicious comedy from the pen of A. E. Thomas, whinusical and gay from first line to last; and evidently built for mirth-provoking purposes only. The story with hypochondriacal tendencies is the protagonist.

"Do you know what a hypochondriaca is, Richard?" says Uncle John. "As hypochondriaca is a person who thinks he is ill when he isn't. He's usually a woman!"

In "Her Husband's Wife" the hypochondriacal lady is married, and all the through the protagonist.

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portrayal of the part, as when Brock, the confidential servant, speaks of "your wife."

"My wife? No, Brock, you forget—his wife," was one of these episodes.
Several of the scenes in Clifford's Inn were marked with tragical strength, and the later scenes with Robbins, in which the madness of the drug-victim rose to a climax, possessed a fateful fascination. Mr. Post was admirably and strongly supported by Louis Calvert as Brock. This sterling actor was last here some years ago as Faistaff in a fine production of "The Merry Wives of Windsor," and the versatility begotten of long and splendid work with the Compton Comedy Company was displayed in a most consistent and well-marked character part. Thais Lawton was charming and efficient as Eve Chilcote, and Kirby Gordon was excellent as Robbins. Little Georgia Mai Fursman was thoroly good in a child part. Clarence Handyside, as Mr. Asquith, alias Herbert Fraide, and Ian Robertson, as Mr. Lakely, the editor of a great paper, who was not above appropriating the literary reputation of one of his contributors, were all distinguished in a first-class company, numbering seventeem. The house was full and the audience enthusiastic and intelligently appreciative.

GOOD MUSICAL COMEDY **HEADS BILL AT LOEW'S**

Excellent Acts and Photoplay week.

nent of the audience.

Ethel Costello, the hampered by the

ideal selection of characters in the production, and the attention to details of the story which have been worked out. In prose and stage "Oliver Twist" has always been popular; promises to be even more so in the nanagement has secured special Christmas music, which will be rendered by the Regent Symphony

WONDERFUL ACTOR

Stage.

PLAY MARKS EPOCH

"The Masquerader" Equals Anything Ever Seen in

lord's Inn were equally faithful, and some clever devices for the change of parts were resorted to in the Clifford's Inn and at the Cadogan Gardens scenes. The chief interest centres in the fact that Mrs. Chilcote falls in love with her husband's double, and the false John Chilcote has to struggle with himself to keep up the deception and maintain honorably the relation which he has at the same time thrust upon him. There are some very fine and subtle touches in Mr. Post's portrayal of the part, as when Brock, the confidential servant, speaks of "your wife."

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"The Smart Shop" heads an unusu ally good bill at Loew's Theatre this week. In it are seen a number of pretty girls who have good voices and wear the newest in gowns and lingerie, almost a complete musical comedy. The Two Franks give an exhibition of astonishing balancing stunts, while Miller and Marsh are singers of condc songs that are different. Tom Davies oppears in a clever little playiet in which the downfall of the housewives union is depicted to the great enjoy

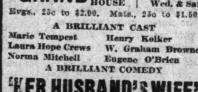
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VOTE FOR THOMAS VANCE FOR ALDERMAN

ON THE GROUNDS OF EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY.

merchant for 25 years in Toronto (now retired). He made a success of his own business, and now offers his services to the city on the platform of public ownership of utilities and



torm, received well-deserved encore at yesterday afternoon's perfermance Jewett and Pendleton are a pleasing

Announcements

Notices of any character relating to enture events, the purpose of which is the raising of money, are inserted in the advertising columns at fifteen cents a line.

Announcements for churches, societies, clubs or other organizations of future events, where the purpose is not the raising of money, may be inserted in this column at two cents a word, with a minimum of fifty cents for each insertion.

Amusements

sewett and Pendleton are a pleasing couple and are seen in several charming dances and new songs. Murray Bennett brought down the house with a line of Yiddish humor, nonsense and hilosophy.
"The War Bride's Scoret," featuring Virginia Pearson is a splendid photo Grama of heart interest concerning a Scotch lassie in a little out-of-the way highland village that completes a splendid Christmas-week bill.

FUNNIEST THIS SEASON

AT GAYETY FOR A WEEK "The funniest show that has been ere this season" was the verdict of the large crowd coming out of the Gayety Theatre yesterday afternoon, after witnessing the opening Toronto performance of Ben Welch and his

burlesquers.

Ben Welch proved himself to be burlesque's most capable character comedian. It is near the close of the fore he appears, but from then on he

is seen in his many laugh-getting numbers. In the second act Welch changes rom the Hebrew character to that of The Hebrew character to that of the Italian in a few seconds.

The members of the chorus are winsome and all possess good voices. A "Rag" specialty by the chorus took well with the audience.

Florence Rother, Hilda Giles and Leona Earl are the leading femining principals. Sid Gold has a good voice and is like an eel on his feet. The

and is like an eel on his feet. The comedy of the first half of the first

act is looked after by Billy Wild and

AT STRAND THIS WEEK Of all the motion picture stars the business, no more suitable character than Mme. Olga Petrova could have been selected for the feature part in "Extravagance," which drew a big crowd at the Christmas performance at the Strand Theatre Monday, Mme. Petrova, said to be one of the most beautiful and magnetic women

clude the sixth spisode of "The Crimson Stain Mystery," the thrilling and tensely dramatic serial which is taking

Toronto by storm. **Election Cards**

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Matinees HIPPODROME Evenings 10c, 15c. HIPPODROME 10c, 15c. 25 Week Monday, Dec. 25.

BESSIE LOVE IN "SISTER OF "THE WEDDING PARTY" Tom and Stasia Moore; Gordon and Gordon Raynor and Bell; Ross and Clark; Key stone Film Comedies.

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THE FIRST HUNDRED THOUSAND Prices, 50c, 75c, \$1.00. Plan Wednesday, Dec. 27th