"The first performance of "The Blue Mouse." with the Canadian comedienne, Mabel Barrison, and Harry Conor, at the head of the original Lyric Theatre, New York, cast will take place to-night at the Royal Alexandra Theatre. Caught in Germany, "The Blue Mouse," a mischievous but harnless creature, has been imported to this country by Clyde Fitch, who, in charm him. This-error leads her into this country by Clyde Fitch, who, in charm him. This error leads her into the importing process constructed what committing another unwillingly, and is said to be the most laughable farci-



MABEL BARRISON.

Who will appear at the Royal Alexandra next week in "The Blue Mouse

"The Blue Mouse" is really a charming dancer who "Salomes" at a New is a general reconciliation. York variety theatre. Yet there is no attempt to make the audience step into her life, as it were, or swallow

but only sinks deeper into the mire

"Detective Sparkes."

With Hattie Williams, whom Chas. Frohman will present at the Princess disagreeable pills of suggestiveness. Frohman will present at the Princess Like "The Blue Mouse," aitho she nib- next week, is Michael Morton's thrilbles at the coals without being burnt, ling comedy drama, "Detective the play is clean, and at no time is the Sparkes," there will appear Julian audience asked to solve a problem or Royce, a well-known English actor. even think seriously. It was the purpose of the author to create laughter.

The play ran for over one year in Edwin Nicander, Frank Burbeck, Perview York, and for six months in Chicago, and will be presented here by Postance, Herbert Budd, F. Owen Bax



BLANCA MOURE, WITH "BRIGADIERS," AT THE STAR NEXT WEEK.

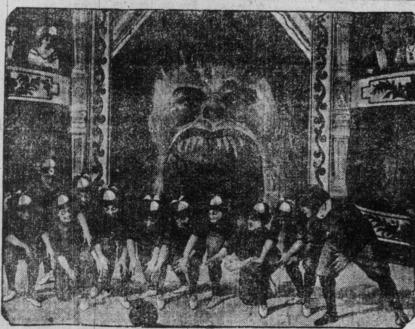
made it such a success.

"The Thief."

Thief," the extraordinars French society play by Henry Bernstein, that Charles Frohman will produce at the Princess Theatre to-night, with a special company headed by Herbert Kelcey and Effie Shannon, is

try and abroad. Tho a society drama ter, Kenneth Hill, Harry Barfoot, Ansame principals that originally ne Meredith, Vira Stowe, Vida Crolv Sidney and Mary Manly.

Vaughan Glaser in "St. Elmo." "St. Elmo," the novel that every woman knows and every man will accordingly, be obliged to take her to see, has been dramatized at last, with the full consent and approval of the authoress, Mrs. Augusta J. Fyons Wila work that has been the topic of much son, and will be the attraction for this discussion and criticism during the week at the Grand Opera House, bepast three or more years in this coun- ginning with a special matinee to-day.



"VANITY FAIR," AT THE GAYETY NEXT WEEK.

What makes the event of interest the fact that Willard Holcomb, wh the fact that Willard Holcomb, who dramatized "St. Elmo" successfully produced his play at Richmond, Va., the wartime home of Mrs. Wilson, and received her approval as well as exclusive rights to stage her story.

The comedy elements of the play are contributed naturally and "in the period" by an old darky servant of the Murrays and a "po'n white" family, who are friendly to Edna. The scenes are all laid in the south in the vicinity of Chatanooga, Tenn.

Majestic Music Hall.

Staley and Birbeck, whose wonderful transformation musical act, is one of the most unique turns in vaudeville, will head an international program of vaudeville this week at the Majestic Music Hall. Sam J. Curtiss and Com-pany, the added attraction, will offer "The Tribulations of a Pural School Master" and others on the bill will be Tuder Cameron and Bonnie Gaylord, presenting "On and Off the Stage"; Walter James. who impersonates Harry Lauder, Blanche Sloan, a petite comedienne, and several other attrac-tive features.

At Shea's Theatre To.day.

To-day at Shea's Theatre the big New Year's bill will be headed by Thos. J. Ryan-Richfield Co. There is no funnier Irishman on the stage than Thos. J. Ryan, and he is splendidly assisted by Miss Richfield in the role of his daughter. The Six Musical Nosses presenting their picturesque Idyl, "In Old Seville," and Hassen Ben Ali's Arabs, a whirlwind of bounding tumblers will be the special attractions blers will be the special attractions for the week.

Other features to be seen are Mile Chester and her statue dog, Dick Lynch, Evans and Lee, Malia and Bart, and the kinetograph. At the Gayety.
"Vanity Fair." the big extravaganza

company, will offer an opportunity at the Gayety Theatre this week to judgs



HERBERT KELCEY and EFFIE SHANNON, in "The Thief," at the Princess next week.

in how far it has deserved the ex-ceptionally fine favors that have been showered upon it, and in all probability it will demonstrate quite conclusively that an extrayaganza with a real plot, while can be more than friendly towards the rang. engagement of fretty girls in confunc-tion with comedians of ability and skill, and in the same spirit allow for novelty features and grandeur of cos-tumes and stage effects.

The attraction at the Star this week is the "Brigadiers," which has succeeded in gathering together this yea ne of the best companies that this famous organization of burlesquers poasted since its inception. Always



HATTIE WILLIAMS, n "Detective Sparkes," first New Year attraction at Princess.

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"The Toymaker," a new and original musical play, was presented for the first time in Toronto at Broadway Hall on Xmas Eve, under the direction of Mme. Kathryn Chattoe-Morton. The cast was composed entirely of amateurs, and the whole performance ran teurs, and the whole performance ran initial effort. The chorus sang well, and danceffort. The chorus sang well, and danceffort. The leading role (a comfirst time in Toronto at Broadway Hall Bron Xmas Eve, under the direction of ca. ed gracefully. The leading role (a com-edy old man), was well sustained by road, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 28, 1909. Lee Suilivan and his single solo was at 8 o'clock, to discuss various ques-rendered acceptably. Miss K. Rose tions in connection with the interests

sent case have served long terms of exile in Siberia. Tschaikovsky, who visited America

For some time he has been at liberty on bail, pending his trial, owing to a serious breakdown in health. Madame Breshkovskaya also has visited Ameri-

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Bernard and Spadina-road. Reward Premier Stolypin's office signed by at 126 Spadina-road. of New York, Chicago, Boston and Philadelphia, requesting assurances from the premier that Tschaikovsky and Madame Breshkovskaya, will be given an open and public trial, "in accordance with the time-honored prinaccordance with the time-honored prinaccordance of justice in all rations."

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