CRITIC AND CLEANER ACCUSED

Manager of Musical Show Charges Collusion-Writer May Suc.

Milwaukee.--It wasn't that Marie Dressler's chorus girls permitted those-well-er-those lacy bits of nothingness that peep from beneath their skirts to be exposed in their esvortings.

No. That wasn't what shocked a Milwaukee dramatic critic. But they bore evidences of travel. In fact, it was set forth that the dust of St. Louis, where the play last was produced, still clung to the-the same garments-when the company tripped put before the footlights in Milwau-

And that wasn't the worst of it. A Milwaukee cleaner was just as aggresgive as the dramatic critic. He hurried around to the opera house and told John Dalton, manager of the show, that he specialized in making those very garments white as the driven snow after they passed through the ordeal of appearing on St. Louis

"Well, you get no job here," roared the male end of the house of Dressher. "I think you are in league with that critic and you don't get a penny of this show's money."

And he didn't. The cleaner is willing to give \$500 to some worthy charity to prove his innocence of the charge of collusion, while the critic is talking of the possibility of a damage suit against the ungallant manager.

ARE MARRIED AFTER 25 YEARS

Chance Visit to Sister in Seattle Brings the Lovers of Early Days Together Again.

Seattle, Wash.-A romance that had Ms inception in Union, Neb., a quarter of a century ago culminated here when Henry R. Wills, chief clerk at the Great Northern docks, and Harriet Pollard Barnum of Union, Neb., were married at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Harvey E. Shotwell, No. 302 Tenth avenue, North,

In the 25 years intervening since they first met, both the bride and bridegroom were married and bereft of their partners.

The bride confessed that little did whe think when she left her home last summer to visit Alaska with her father, 81 years old, that she would meet and marry Mr. Wills in Seattle.

Upon her return from Alaska the afterward bride was persuaded to remain as the guest of her sister, Mrs. Snotwell. She again met Mr. Will and the old acquaintance was re-

The bride is a member of a well known Nebraska family which has agured in the history of that state since 1855.

KING GIVEN STOVE PATENT

George V. of England Perfects a Range Which Is Said to Save Coal.

New York.-King George of Eng-Land has taken out a patent through the German crown prince, his cousin, for a coal saving range, according to dispatches published by a scientific journal. His majesty is said to have perfected the device during the long month of enforced idleness following . his father's death. The crown prince. who some time ago patented a pair of non-slipping sleeve links, proposed that he take out a patent in Germany for King George and his offer was promptly accepted.

The range has two ovens and is so built that by pulling a lever the contents of one side, including the fire beneath, may be shifted across, thus maving time and coal.

OFFICES SEEKING THE MAN

Wyack (N. Y.) Caucuses Cannot Induce Any Citizens to Be Candidate for Office.

Nyack, N. Y.—The five highest elective offices in this town are vacant and no one can be found to accept. a nomination. Republican and Democratic caucuses were held, each nomimating for president and trustees the pame men, all acceptable to both par-Ries and the voters generally. The Mve nominees decline to stand as candidates, and the two committees to fill, vacancies are unable to induce anybody to accept the offices.

This unusual condition perhaps nerfor has happened before in this counky. The reason is that the previous acts of the board of trustees resulted smaatisfactorily to many texpayers and brought criticism upon individual amembers.

ROBBED BY MAGPIE OF \$1.000

Ranchman Living Near Greeley, Colo-Reports an Odd Experience With Pet Bird.

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Greeley, Colo.-Robbed by a pet mexpie of \$1,000 which he received From the sale of property in the east, Cheron Selder, a ranchman living mear here, passed an auxious week. Belder received the money in bills and concealed it in it tin can, which he placed on a shelf. A few hours Jater he found the can on the floor and the money was missing. He reported the fact to the authorities.

He put on an old cost left hangling on a pail several months. In the "mocke's he found the money, as well me several other small articles miseing for some time. He blames the Smagple, which be explured severalpronths ago, tamest and taught to talk.

Annual Struggle of Railroads With Huge Drifts.

Enormous Cost of Maintaining Snow Plows and Crews-Much Damage is Caused by Treacherous Avalanches in Rockies.

Denver, Colo.-The annual battle with the snow king is on in the Rocky mountains. From the middle of February to the 1st of May the struggle is at its hardest. Western railroads are hurling their giant rotaries against the drifts that threaten to impede transcontinental traffic. Snowsildes are booming down mountain sides, sweeping away valuable timber and sometimes carrying away mining camps, villages, stage coaches and trains.

To secure an accurate estimate of the amount of money spent in fighting the snow king in the Rockies every winter and to east up the total amount of damage done by avalanches is not easy. Authorities on the subject say that \$20,000,000 would not cover the

Every western railroad is under tremendous expense in maintaining snow plows and their crews. The nitt cost of a modern rotary plow is about \$25,000.

In Colorado, which contains the highest mountains of the continental divide, snow fighting has been developed to a science. Every railroad in Colorado has a full equipment of snow plows and maintains snow fighting crews for eight months of the year.

Necessarily when the snows are severest attention is cestered on the main lines, which are kept clear most of the time, traffic seldom being impeded an hour by the worst blizzard. The branch lines, which penetrate the high hills to the mining camps, do not fare so well, and some of the Colorado mining towns like Silverton and Breckenridge are cut off from the rest of the world for weeks, in spite of the efforts of the snow fighters.

Probably the Moffat road, which is the popular name for the late David H. Moffat's Denver, Northwestern & Pacific railroad, now in course of construction from Denver to Salt Lake. is called upon to do more snow fighting than any other line in the world. The Denver, Northwestern & Pacific crosses the continental divide about 60 miles west of Denver at an altitude of more than 11,000 feet above

For miles on both sides of the divide the snow plows are required todo heavy service. The track must be swept clean every day, for the reason that the high winds are constantly filling the cuts with snow. The drifts accumulate on each side of the track until the trains are overtopped many feet and they pass through miles of snow lanes, yet so systematically is the track kept cleared that traffic is

seldom impeded. The damage caused by avalanches in the Rocky mountains each winter is past all accurate computation? These snowslides are full of treachery and descend at the most inopportune times and in the most unexpected places. There are some slides in the San Juan mountains in western Colorado which follow beaten trails and which come booming down the slopes. at about the same time each year. Their paths are avoided and they do little damage. But the average snowslide seems to be a creature of whims.

It forms at the foot of some craig far above the timber line. The winds whip the snow into deep drifts at the head of a slope leading thousands of feet into a deep valley below. Under the spell of the lengthening days and warm suns of February and March the drifts begin to loosen. Tiny rivulets trickle from beneath the white mantle, and suddenly, with a roar that is never forgotten by those who have once heard if, the whole mass starts on its journey to the valley.

VASSAR GIRLS ARE FIREMEN

College Has Its Own Voluntary Department Made Up of Women Students.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.-Vassar college has its own volunteer fire department made up of young woman students. The new organization aims rather at saving life than at fighting flames. and the girls who have volunteeredare being taught chiefly the rudiments of first aid in case of fire. Miss Louise W. Farnham of New Haven, Coun, is the "chief" of the new fire department. Her official title is fire

captain. In the drills which have been neld the volunteers have shown much skill at uproeling hose and making couplings in the corridors and performing other duties regulred of them.

Pigeons Stop Phone Service. Terre Haute, Ind .-- Mysterious Interruption in the telephone service in the office of the Vandalia master mechanic, which occurred only at night time, was traced to roosting pigeons in the attic. They roosted on a wire and their weight caused it to come near another wire which they

Jap Students Send Taft Trees. Seattle Wash .- Turge clerry trees. gifts to President Tail from the Agricultural college of the Tokyo university, have arrived here on the

caught with their feet, thus establish-

ing a short circuit.

STOMACH IS HOME OF SOUL

Kansas Çity (Mo.) Woman Advisos Sun, Exercise and Baths as Best Religion.

Kansas City, Mo.-A new religion, centering in the stomach instead of the soul, and having salvation of this life and not some future existence as its aim, is being launched in Kansas City by Mrs. Katheryn Boggs of Topeka.

"All religions of the past," says Mrs. Boggs, "have been bound with traditions and unnecessary formality and have made demands on human credulity which were unreasonable. Comfort, health, truth and peace, where they have been present in the religions of the past, were accidental. In my religion they are the objects."

Last Easter Mrs. Boggs opened Trinity Home in Topeka for the followers of what she terms "Practical Christianity." Whosoever wished to come was welcome. To this home she expects to return at some-time in the future, and admit all who desire to live the new religion.

Some of the practices of this religion are: Daily baths-of sun, water or clay-she says there is nothing so good for the body as pure air, sunshine, water and soil. The religion is essentially one of the stomach. And the rule and guide to conduct is, "He

Mrs. Boggs says all life centers around the digestive apparatus. The first thing a little child uses is its stomach. She says its future depends more on this organ than on anything else. By treating it right the child may develop into a good man, and by treating it wrong it may develop into a criminal.

NO AID GIVEN HERO'S WIFE

Government's Employer's Liability ... Law Does Not Apply to Mine Rescuers.

Washington, D. C .- Although the government has an employer's liability law which applies to certain parts of the government service, the widow and children of John Ferrell, who lost his life while exploring the burning mine at Cherry Valley, Pa., will get nothing. Ferrell was a mine rescue worker in the newly established federal bureau of mines.

The widow of a laborer accidentally killed on the Panama canal gets at year's pay. The same benefits apply to employes of the reclamation serv-

Ferrell had personally saved at least ten lives. At Briceville, Tenn., in the Cross Mountain mine disaster **be found and saved five miners**. was a miner and mine foreman for 31 years.

Ferrell's pay was \$1,000 a year. His widow and children are left without means of support unless congress passes a special act.

ADMITTED TO BAR AT 56

Foreigner, Ten Years Ago, Unable to Read or Write, Is Massachusetts Lawyer.

Boston -Ten years ago Moses H. Steuer could not read or write. Today, at the age of 56 years, he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. Steuer came to this country a little more than a decade ago. To earn a living and support his family he traveled from house to house selling small

wares. Then he became involved in a lawsuit. In a local court Steuer successfully argued his own case and recovered goods which a deputy sheriff had replevined. The court proceedings gave him an inspiration to study and he began to learn English. Working by day and studying law at night. Steuer laid the foundation for his professional career, which started today.

WOLF LEAPS 150 FEET; LIVES

Animal Escapes from Extermination Party in Northern Michigan and Plunges from Cliff.

Marquette, Mich .- Deer, elk and other animals in the game preserve of an iron company on Grand island are at peace again. The "wolf in the fold" has gone, although in his going he performed what seemed to the hunters who had cornered him a suicidal feat. For some time the animals have been proved upon by a huge timber welf which had crossed from the mainland on the ice. An extermination party was organized and drove the a simal to bay upon a high promontery.

Although the distance to the ice below was 150 feet, the animal when it discovered there was no hope of escape leaved from the cliff to the ice below and loped unharmed to the mainland.

ATHLETE SNEEZES TO DEATH

Another (nokes and Succumbs While Eating in a College Dining Hall.

Philadelphia, Pa.-Andrew Herd, a well known athlete, for many years a life guard on the beach at Atlanta City, N. J., speczed to death at his home there. He was suddenly seized with a violent attack of sneezing which he was unable to control in any way. It continued until he expired from a ruptured blood vessel.

At Collegeville, Pa., Robert Thompwon, a Ursinus college student, famed. as a football player, choked to death while eating in the college dining hall. A plece of mear lodged in his throat and he was unable to dislodge it.

Sanitation Has Changed Picque Center to Health Resort.

is Called Paris of Western World-Cost of Living is High, but Business and Wages in Ail Industries Are Good.

Rio Janeiro.-Rio is the Paris of the Americas in all that the name implies and is one of the loveliest, most modern and progressive cities in the world. The fire and police departments are perfectly equipped and maintain a remarkably high standard of efficiency.

The people of Rio, by the expenditure of a vast amount of determination, courage, energy and money, literally have accomplished marvels. Fifteen years ago the city was a mudhole and a cesspool of filth and disease, scourged by yellow fever and many forms of pestilence. An Italian warship visited the city at that the and every officer and every man of the crew died of the fever. A foreign crew had to be hired to take the ship back to Italy. Today Rio compares favorably with the healthiest cities in the world. Sixty million dollars has been spent in the last ten years for sewerage, water, streets, etc. No better water supply exists. It is brought clear and cold from the mountains to the city in covered aqueducts, of stone. There are no flies, mosquitoes or rats in Rio. For two years the city maintained a force of 4,000 men engaged in their extermination, and with entire success. Her public markets are gems of heauty and cleanliness; screens are unnecessary; indeed, they are unknown in Rio, and the meats and fish can be exposed with perfect safety, because there are no flies and no dust, whether on the Avenida Central, the Champs Elysee of Rio, along the docks or in the back alleys. They are all as clean as the constant use of soap and water can keep them.. A 100-mile ride through the streets of Rio does not discover a scrap of pa-

The public buildings are magnificent, the parks, boulevards and avenues unique in their beauty. The department of commerce and labor of the United States, in an official report, states that the beauty of Rio Janeiro cannot be exaggerated; to quote: "It is very much like Switzeriand-for one cannot exaggerate its beauty. All is here—the beautiful location, the well-planned city, the well-payed streets, the lovely the Avenue Central, with its million of dollars' worth of buildings, and the harbor improvements that will cost millions and lead the world." Rio's park system is one of the most notable features of the city. The municipality has 597,000 square meters laid out in parks, squares and parkways, and in addition the federal government maintains most extensive

botanical gardens. The climate is excellent. It is never any warmer even in the center of the city than the average summer weather in New York or Chicago, and in 15 mitrates on the electric car the heights overlooking the sea can be reached where the residential districts are located and where the air is always cool and invigorating. The winters last from May to October and an overcoat is generally necessary.

Rio's location, its beautiful bay, the surrounding hills and mountains clothed in eternal verdure, are incomparable. It is a very cosmopolitan city and her citizens have all the elegance, luxury and refinement of Paris, Brussels or any European capital. Everyhody focks prosperous, and as most everybody is making money. many are spending it fast: Rio is one of the most costly places in the world to live, since everything eaten, worn and used is imported. Chickens are \$3 and \$4 apiece, turkeys \$3 to \$12, butter \$1 a pound. An ordinary quarter-pound can of baking powder cost \$1.08 on bargain day.

KISS COSTLY FOR COUPLE

Wife of Another is Assessed \$15 for Not Preventing Man's \$25 Osculation.

Fort Smith, Ark .-- Forty dollars is a fair value for a kiss, acording to Police Judge John Harrington. Abe Froman was fined 25 when the husband of Mrs. Frank Smytha testified he caught Freeman kissing Mrs. Smythe. Symthe also had his wife arrested.

She restified Freeman stole the kiss from her. Preeman said she allowed him to kiss her. Because Mrs. Smythe did not prevent Freeman kissing her, she was flued \$15.

"This court does not intend to allow a kissing-bug epidemic," declared the court. "The next time a man comes before me charged with kissing a married woman, the kiss market is going to touch a new high

Huge Rock Falls.

Ruenos Ayres, via Galveston, Tex .--The famous "pledra movediza." or oscillating rock, near Tandil, in the province of Buenos Ayres, has fallen down. It was the most notable natural phenomenon in Argentina and was known since the time of the discovery of the country. The huge rock lay upon another rock near the edge of a clift. It swung to and fro on being toucked by hand, but the flercess hurricane was unable to dislodge it.

The cause of its collapse after so many hundreds of years is a mystory

USE FOUND FOR OLD SHIPS

Vessel is Stormed by Piratical Crews In Savage Attacks for Motion Pictures.

San Pedro, Cal.-Old ships that have gone down to the sea on their last voyage need not rest in the "bone-"yard" longer. They can be moneymakers without the necessity of seeking a charter or the trouble of hunting a crew out of a dozen satiors' boarding-houses; and they need not put to sea at all, or, if they do, only for a day's voyage on the Pacific main in the company of a tug.

The ancient bark Alden Besse has saved herself from the fats of being converted into a coal hulk or condemned to disuse forever. Today she is the most sought after ship in southern waters. The motion picture concerns all want ber.

Already the still stately old windjammer has borne the brunt of half a dozen "piratical" attacks by "sea rovers" of the most savage mien. Her decks have been the scene of sanguinary battles for lovely women and a half dozen "commanders" have bravely walked the plank and been quickly rescued by San Pedro boatmen with an eye to business.

Her owners say she never will be converted into a coal barge as long as her popularity with the film people

NEWSBOY SUES FOR ESTATE

Lad Declared to Be a Surviving Grandson of a Wealthy Mining Pioneer.

San Francisco. By an action filed in the Superior court a London newsboy, fourteen years old, became contestant for a fortune.

The suit, filed by Mrs. Amelia A. Dierks in behalf of Etienne Buillard, a lad whom she by chance found selling papers in London two years ago, reveals the story of the boy's abandonment in Paris after the death of his mother.

According to Mrs. Dierks, she discovered that he is the grandson of the late Dennis Hayes, a wealthy pioneer miner of California. The boy sues for all of the Hayes estate of approximately \$100,000. The boy's memory of his parents was vague, but Mrs. Dierks learned by investigation, she said, that his mother was Annette Hayes, daughter of Pennis Hayes, and that she had married Etienne Buillard, a suposedly weakby Frenchman, against her father's wishes and had gone to Paris to live.

CRIPPLE'S KNEE IS CHISELED

Surgeons Perform Remarkable Operation on Jersey City Lad-De-Sformed Since Childhood.

Baltimore, Md. - William Knorr, aged 19, of Jersey City, is recovering from a very delicate operation at University hospital, which the surgeons believe will save him from being a cripple for life.

For nearly an hour the surgeons chiseled the bones on the knee. It was necessary to separate the kneeday from the bones of the upper and lower leg, for all three had grown firmly togother, in what is described as an

anchylosed condition. The surgeons placed the bones in position, separated from one another by a preparation of white wax and landlin, which will not yield to the ac-

rion of the elements of the body for nearly eight wasks. The boy has been a crippie since childhood.

MANY COLLEGE WOMEN WED

Nearly Fifty Per Cent. of Those of Mount Holyoke Happily Married.

South Hadley, Mass.-Nearly 50 per cent, of the 7,000 women graduated from Mount Holyoke college are hap pily married, according to statistics compiled by Dr. Amy Hewes, professor of economics. No divorces have been reported in fifty years. According to her statistics, the average uge for graduation has fatien from 23 years and 5 months to 21º years 8 months Most of the graduates watt three or four years after commencement before marriage.

The college graduate mother, according to statistics with reference to a certain group, has two children and more boys are born to college women than girls.

GIRL WINS BET BY CLIMBING

Kentucky Young Woman Hampered by Skirts Clambers Up 187-Foot Tower.

Louisville, Ky.-Miss Susan Diannell, clad in a coat sult and wearing her street shoes, climbed the framework of a tower 187 feet high at Lakeland, a suburb, and won a wager of

Miss Diannell was with a party who were discussing the hazards of working on so high a frame. She said she could climb the structure and a young man offered to bet \$20 she couldn't. He lost the money in less than twenty minutes.

Williamsport, Pa.-Treating thirteen-year-old Carolina Garrison for deafness, Dr. G. D. Nutt found two watermelon seeds in the girl's right ear and one in the left. They had evidently been there since she was a child, and likely stuffed there oy herself, unnoticed by her parents. Her hearing now is normal.

Deaf From Melon Seeds.

Budapest Has Hostelry With Rooms for 14 Cents.

Guesta Served With Breakfast for Three Cents-Building a Beauty of Architecture Equipped With Modern Appliances.

- Budapest.-Rooms, including steam heat and electric light, for 14 cents a day, breakfast of coffee and rolls for 3 cents and dinner for 14 cents are, provided at the new Municipal People's hotel which has just been opened here for people whose earnings are not more than \$400 a year, says a Budanest correspondent.

Budapest has for some time suffered because of a lack of dwelling houses and reasonably priced hotels for the working classes. This need was particularly keen among the petty "Beamten," as all persons employed by the city or state are known, whose income is small but who by reason of their position must keep up an appearance.

Some time since a large number of houses were built by the city for its small officials who were married. The rental, while low, was well within the means of the class of people for whom they were intended, and at the same time insured the return to the city of the money expended. It was a happy experiment.

Next, the municipal authorities considered the matter of providing a hotel for the transients of little means. workingmen, clerks, small merchants and petty officials, who could not afford to stop at even the cheapest hotels when they visited the capital. The unmarried of small wage or income, who might want permanent quarters, also were to be provided for. With this in view the municipal authorities built the new People's hotel, which has just been thrown open.

I was shown a large handsome fourstory structure covering a corner of a block. The exterior was as architecturally beautiful as the interior was modern, comfortable and homelike. Many of the hotels in Vienna, Berlin, London and New York where you payar more in tips than you do here for your room are not half as inviting in appointments.

The corridors and halls are tastefully decorated; the rooms are of fair size, have large windows and are light and airy. The furniture is simple but serviceable. Each room has electric light, cold and warm war, ter and steam heat. higher priced hotels in Budapest, Vienna and other continental cities do not have. A bath in most European

hotels costs from 25 to 50 cents. Coffee and rolls for breakfast may be had at the People's notel for 3 cents. A plain, substantial hungersatisfying dinner, which here as all over Europe is enten at midday, is

served for 14 cents. Should the management of the People's hotel, appointed by the municies pal authorities, find that these prices are insufficient to make the onterprise self-sustaining, the deficit will be charged pro rata to the rooms and . meals and the prices raised accord-

It was explained to me that the project was in no sense a charity but a place where any self-respecting workingman, clerk or member of the small official class may stor for a day or two or make his permanent home at a cost within his reach and that without taking all his carnings. In order that those whose income enables them shall go to a public hostelry, those who wish to take advantage of the low rates must produce reasonable proof that they do not each more than \$400 a year. This may seem very small in America, but in Austria, Hungary and other continental countries there are hundreds of thousands of men whose income is considerably less than that.

Education and rechestion have not been forgotten in the People's hotel There is a large smoking room and a reading room where the leading new: papers are on file.

KINDLY SNAKES POST HIN

Reptiles Give Pennsylvania Farme His Coveted Hint of Earliest -8pringtime.

Allentown, Pa.-James Hauk, farmer hear Rising Sun, Lehigh cour ty, started to dig out a cache of wir ter apples and cabbages, such as man rural dwellers are in the habit of mail ing in the fall, so as to have fres fruit and greens in the spring.

In the straw covering the provision he came across a wriggling mas which proved to be a pair of live copperheads, which he quickly dis patched with his shovel.

The snakes were about three and half feet long. Their awakening fro torpidity at this time is regarded as sure sign of an early spring.

Cat le Philanthropic.

Winsted, Conn.-Mrs. Arthur Morehouse of Northville is sure th animals reason. She found a colo of rats and mice in an oat bin in t barn. She called her cat "Deacor weighing 18 pounds. "Deacon," aft one look into the bin, started at I speed down the road. In five m utes he was back with half a dozen lean and hungry brother and sis cats and all followed his lead strat; into the bin. The barn is now f

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLÉANS

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