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OPERA OPENS.

New York to Be Scene of Light and Beauty.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—The wealth, fashion, beauty and musical culture of New York will be at the Metropolitan Opera House tonight for the opening of the greatest operatic season in the history of that temple of song. The excitement and glittering social pageant of last week's horse show has intensified the interest of society in the opera, and the dress parade of the opening night will be the most brilliant of spectacles. The season will extend over a dozen weeks. All the standard operas of the great masters of music will be presented. The performances will be given in Italian, French and German to satisfy the most exacting cosmopolitan taste. Instead of the customary "Faust"

the piece selected for the opening performance is "Otello," with James, Homer, Alvarez and Scott. Among the eminent artists to be heard during the season are Nerdica, Eames, Sembrich, Fritz Schott, Gadeki, Schumann-Helk, Elpham, Gilbert, Van Rooy, Flancon and Edouard de Reszke. A number of revivals are planned for the season, among them Ponchielli's "Gioconda," Verdi's "Masked Ball" and "Ernani," Mozart's "Harem," Weber's "Fras Schuetz," and Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel."

DES MOINES POULTRY SHOW

DES MOINES, Iowa, Nov. 24.—One of the biggest poultry shows ever seen in this part of the country opened here today under the auspices of the Des Moines Poultry Association. The exhibits number several thousands and include high-bred chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese, rabbits and Belgian hares. The show continues all week and at its close \$1,000 in prizes will be awarded.

NORTHWESTERN AND MILWAUKEE

Talk of Building to the Pacific Coast.

Rivalries of the Two Roads—An Extension of the Elkhorn Road.

It is announced by President Marvin Huggitt of the Northwestern Railroad that the increase of capital stock amounting to \$9,000,000 will be available April 1, 1903. The greater amount of the issue, it is believed, will be used to extend the Fremont Elkhorn & Missouri Valley from its terminus at Casper, Wyo., to St. Anthony, Idaho, on the line of the Oregon Short Line.

THOUGHT TO BE A SAFEGUARD. This is thought to be a safeguard against the Milwaukee making any move westward, as the latter road voted to increase its capital stock \$10,000,000 some time ago. There is some talk of both the Northwestern and the Elkhorn building to the Pacific Coast. In talking of the recent fight for the control of the Northwestern a Chicago paper says:

VANDERBILT LOBBING GRIP. "While this fight with the outsiders who were determined to get inside was going on there have been other moves. The railroad chessboard in which it has looked as though the Vanderbilts were getting the worst of it. One of these was the traffic agreement by which the St. Paul road was admitted to the use of the Union Pacific tracks and those of the latter's connections, under such terms that through trains to the Pacific Coast from Chicago became certain. For many years the Northwestern has been approaching the latter road decided advantage in this direction. With the opening of its own line through to Ogden or to St. Anthony the Northwestern will be able to approach the Union Pacific and demand terms for through trains as much more advantageous as the distance to Ogden from Chicago is greater than the distance to Omaha from the lakes.

"The expenditure of a small part of the money to be realized from the sale of the increased capital stock will more than build the Northwestern line from its present western terminus to Ogden. The Northwestern, by the events of the past few days, is not only put into a position where it is recognized that it can protect its interests against all comers even in the western quarter where it is the weakest, but it is again demonstrated that the Vanderbilts rule the Northwestern and hold it with ease."

SEEMS TO BE DEMOCRATIC

Chicago Wholesaler Meets Governor of Nevada.

"The other day in Nampa, Idaho," said John L. Baker, a Chicago wholesaler, who is at the Portland Hotel today, "I met the only Democratic governor who was elected west from the Missouri River this fall. It was John Sparks of Nevada. This governor has no reason to complain of his majority, for out of a total of about 12,500 votes, he received 10,000. Gov. Sparks is an affable fellow, a successful cattleman, a man of high personal qualities, and charitable to a degree."

Mr. Baker is one of the owners of the Calumet Tea & Coffee Company of Chicago, and is well known to Portland clubmen. He has been entertained as usual by numerous members of the Arlington Club, while he has been here during the past few days.

Mr. Baker says that the Lewis and Clark Fair is already quite well advertised throughout the East. "I hear it spoken of frequently," said he, "and have numerous inquiries from people who know that I occasionally visit the Pacific Coast. I feel like telling the people of this State why I reason about Portland that they are upon the right track, and that the fair will certainly bring rich returns for the expense and labor given to it by your business men."

OREGON.

"Heretofore, Easterners have known less of Oregon than of any other Western state. Yet, here you have, to my personal knowledge, boundless resources and illimitable possibilities. There is no reason why the coming five years may not witness to Oregon a development beyond the hopes even of the most enthusiastic optimist.

"Indeed, you need but to attract attention in the East. In order to induce investigation, to compel growth remarkable. "In my opinion, the fair proposed, and which surely will be held, is just what is needed to make the beginning. And you will notice the effects even before the fair opens in 1905.

"As I view it, after intimate acquaintance with Oregon during a dozen past years, the fair will serve its best purpose in uniting effort for the advancement of the state. United effort, that is what your state needs and must have, and united effort will result from the preparations for the fair.

"I look for Portland to double its population during the coming decade. There will be wonderful opportunities as this growth goes on, for new citizens to invest and make homes in this region that boasts so beautiful climate and so boundless resources.

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60,558 PERSONS HUNGRY FOR JOBS

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Civil Service Examinations Are Held in Every State—A Variety of Subjects.

According to the annual report of A. R. Serven, Chief Examiner of the United States Civil Service Commission, there were 60,558 persons examined during the last fiscal year in and for the classified service. Of these 46,028 passed the examinations, and 15,298 appointed, promoted and transferred. In addition to these figures, there were 1,174 persons examined for service in the Philippines, of whom 480 passed and 694 failed.

LOCAL BOARDS. Steps are being taken to consummate the complete organization of a civil service district embracing the Boston district, with headquarters in San Francisco, in immediate charge of a consolidated board of commissioners. The total number of local boards of examiners on June 30 last was 1,125, with a total membership of 3,725. The local boards of examiners, specially designated for the custodial service, were discontinued.

WRITTEN EXAMS. The preparation of 487 sets of examination papers on different subjects were required by the various written examinations, which necessitated the preparation of 181 separate sheets of tests.

VARIETY OF SUBJECTS. More than 2,000 sheets of examination questions were handled. The large number of examinations, which includes subjects of a special professional and technical character, shows the great complexity of the work done under the direction of Chief Examiner Serven. There were held 28 technical examinations, in which 277 persons took part. Nearly every kind of professional or scientific inquiry and research is represented in the variety of the examinations. Competitive examinations were held by the commission in every state and territory, except Alaska. Several attempts were made at examination work in Alaska, but abandoned. However, another effort may be made shortly.

CIVIL SERVICE IN HAWAII. Residents of Hawaii have been furnished with facilities to compete in the general and local civil service examinations at Honolulu, and residents of Porto Rico hereafter may take the general and local examinations at Ponce and San Juan. A great deal of attention has been given to the upbuilding of the service in the Philippines.

FROG MAKES TROUBLE. It is said that one of the great enemies of the overland telegraph line in Central Australia is the common green frog. In order to save the insulators from being eaten, the lightning they are provided with wire "droppers" leading round them at a little distance to conduct on to the iron poles in case of need. The frogs climb the poles and find the insulators cool and pleasant to their bodies, and fancy that the "droppers" is put there to furnish them with a back seat. After a nap they yawn and stretch out a leg until it touches the pole—result, sudden death to the frog, and as the body continues to present an obstacle, readers with the usual cables from England.

A GENIUS. Small Son—I know what I'll be when I grow up—I'm going to be a great inventor. Papa—that's an encouraging, certainly. What makes you think you have inventive genius? Small Son—Why, I wanted to take a screw out and couldn't find a screwdriver, so I unscrewed it with my razor.—Short Stories.

A WONDER. An advertisement was inserted for some one to take charge of the choir and play the organ at a village church. The following was among the replies: "Sir—I noticed your advertisement for an organist and music teacher, either lady or gentleman. Having been both for several years, I offer you my services."

THANKSGIVING FOR EVERYBODY

Poor Not Forgotten This Year.

Services Will Be Held in Many Churches—Donations Asked.

The poor will not be forgotten next Thursday, the day set apart by the nation to give thanks for benefits, prosperity and general well being of a joyful celebration.

Many are those who this year, as well as in years gone by, will not be able to understand what they have to be thankful for. Extreme poverty or distressing sickness makes sore hearts, and festivities, and happiness on the part of others are none of theirs. However, charity will go out in abundance this year, and already great preparations are being made to cause the unfortunate of the city to feel that they are not forgotten.

On the other hand, those who have been fondled by the hand of prosperity during the last 12 months, will give thanks by making the day one of joyful celebration. There will be dancing parties, theater parties, fraternal meetings, banquets, football games and scores of other minor events of pleasure indulged in by those who have things for which to be thankful.

CHURCH SERVICES.

In most of the churches services have been arranged. Several congregations will unite and hold union services. Union services will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, Twelfth and Alder streets, by all of the Presbyterian churches of the city. Sermon by Rev. A. J. Montgomery, 10:30 a. m.

Union services held at the First Christian Church, Park and Columbia streets, by Grace M. E. First Baptist, First Congregational, First Christian. Sermon by Rev. Dr. E. L. House, 10:30 a. m. Trinity Episcopal Church, Nineteenth and Washington, 8 a. m. and 10:30 a. m. Swedish Lutheran, 428 Burnside, 10:30 a. m. Cumberland Presbyterian, East Twelfth and East Taylor, 10:30 a. m. St. Vincent's Episcopal, East Taylor and East Thirteenth, 11 a. m. Union Services at Mississippi Avenue Congregational Church, 10:30 a. m. Sermon by Rev. E. M. Bill. Temple Beth Israel, Eleventh and Main, 10:30 a. m.

The Volunteers of America will send out baskets of provisions to all the poor families in the city. Capt. R. E. Watson, of the Volunteers, wishes such poor families as have not already done so, to send in their places of abode, in order that none may be overlooked. He said yesterday that donations for the purpose of supplying these families will be gladly received at the hall, 26 North Second street, or, if notified by telephone, donations will be sent for. Anything in the way of turkey, chicken, fruit, butter, jellies, in fact, any of the necessities of such nature, are earnestly desired.

DONATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS. Thanksgiving donations for the Patton Home for Old Women at East Portland are requested and will be received at Adolph Dekum's store on First street between Alder and Second.

Beginning tomorrow, donations for the Children's Home will be received at Woodard, Clark & Co.'s drug store. A committee of ladies will be in attendance at the store each day during the Thanksgiving week. At the Babies' Home Thanksgiving donations are needed. Clothing for the little ones, for the beds and for the general comfort of the babies are needed. A winter suit for each child is requested. Contributions for this institution may be left at the Skidmore drug store, 151 Third street.

WILL CALL FOR GIFTS. Anything in the way of donations, whether of clothing, money or provisions, for the needy of the city, will be called for by Superintendent Gardner, if he is notified by telephone, or may be left at the home at East Twenty-ninth and Hoyt streets. Donations will also be received for the society at the City Board of Charities, 213 Fourth street, telephone Main 717.

Special collections to assist in defraying the running expenses of the Samaritan hospital, and of the Children's Home, will be called for by members of all denominations are requested to donate and not confine the collections to Episcopalians.

REPEATING IN PHILADELPHIA. The view of the "unfashioning" Republican frauds at the last election in this city, many an honest voter has doubtless asked himself how do the repeaters go about it in order that there may be no embarrassing hitch at the polls? The solution is easy enough. There is always a distinguishing mark previously agreed upon between the ward heelers and the men who act as election officers at the various polling places where the repeaters are sent to vote. Down in the Fifth Ward last Tuesday a lot of repeaters were sent around wearing as a mark of identification a certain Pennybacker button of unusual design, one that was not generally seen. Most of these men, who they had been instructed, drop them in the box and go on to the next place. In another part of the city the repeaters, by a prearranged plan, all wore red carnations in their button-holes, and as most of them resembled the "hobo" as pictured by the comic artist, the effect was incongruous, to say the least. But the red carnations answered the purpose of identification, and that was the main thing.

WHITE ORANGES. In a few years white oranges may grace the American dinner table or the Italian's fruit wagon. One of the explorers of the Agricultural Department discovered this freak of Nature in his rambles along the shores of the Mediterranean some months ago, and brought some cuttings from the tree to the United States. These were carefully grafted on an ordinary stock at the department grounds and are now three feet high. A cutting of this plant was sent to Santa Ana, Cal., to be tried in that climate. A couple of years will see the first fruit. If it proves of fine flavor, cuttings will be widely scattered and in time the white orange may be as plentiful as the seedless orange.

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FOR FRUIT MEN'S TRUST

Farmers Decide to Call a Mass Meeting.

GOOD MANY ARE DISCOURAGED

If Organization Is Perfected Prices Will Be Raised.

An effort was made on Saturday afternoon to form a fruit growers' trust. The meeting was held at 64 Grand avenue, a number of prominent fruit men being in attendance.

In the early part of last summer an organization known as the Fruit Growers' Association was formed. It was intended by the organizers to get at least 75 per cent, of the fruit men of Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington Counties into the organization and then make a uniform price under which no member of the combine would be allowed to sell their product.

However, after a number of meetings had met with indifferent success in the getting of new members, the officers became discouraged and the meeting of Saturday was called to find out just where the growers stood in the matter. At Saturday's meeting it was decided to call a mass meeting of all fruit growers at Odd Fellows' Hall, Saturday, December 6, and if no further progress is made in getting new members, it is very likely that no further action will be taken for a long time, and the organization will be abandoned.

It was announced at the meeting that a stock company was being formed, composed of fruit men, to operate a cannery in the building now occupied by the Portland Canning Company, Grand avenue and East Salmon street.

FUNERAL OF JOHN POOLE.

Yesterday afternoon the funeral of John Poole was held from Centenary Church. Services were conducted by Rev. W. B. Hollingshead, Rev. J. J. Walter and Rev. L. E. Rockwell. Washington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., attended the funeral in a body. W. H. Moore, W. Schmeer, J. L. Wells, T. H. Briscoe, C. T. Wright and W. B. Chase acted as pallbearers. Deceased was a well-known business man of Portland.

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INVESTIGATION WILL BE MADE

The Ellen Gore Case to Probed.

PARIS, Nov. 24.—Everything has not yet been settled to the satisfaction of the authorities regarding the death of Mrs. Nellie Gore, the American woman who was found dead in the apartments of Rydzewski, a Russian opera singer. A most important move was made this morning when American Consul-General Gowdy appointed the following to conduct a special autopsy as soon as permission can be secured from the French authorities:

Dr. Magnien, of the Paris-American Hospital. Dr. Whitman of the Equitable Life Insurance Company of San Francisco. Dr. Turner of New York.

The men appointed are all American citizens and the special autopsy will be held either this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

The American Consulate will also send a representative to attend the preliminary hearing of Rydzewski, the accused Russian. The Gore funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow from the American Episcopal Church.

BERTILLOU AT WORK. Dr. Alphonse Bertillon, the famous expert on identification and head of the Parisian department for the identification of criminals, has been placed in charge of the case, has made minute examination and photographed the interior of the room in which the dead woman was found, and is leaving no stone unturned to establish the true standing of Rydzewski with relation to the death of his alleged mistress.

There are many minor opinions on both sides. The Americans, many of the prominent members of which class were acquainted with the deceased girl, are loth to believe she was mistress to the Russian, and prefer to think she was lured to his apartments and murdered by him because he realized his passion for her could never be returned. On the other hand, the Russian has many warm friends who support him in his theory that the girl's death was due entirely to accident.

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