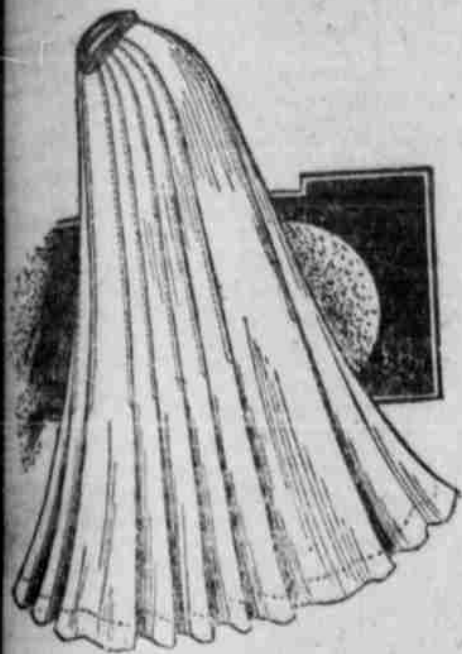


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Tuesday.

Sousa's "The Free Lance."

A new comic opera by John Philip

Sousa, the American "March King"

is to attract interest from the

music loving people of this country

by his latest production "The Free

Lance" which will be presented by

Sousa Opera company at the

Grand opera house Wednesday eve-

ning. It is said to be written in the

"March King's" happiest strain.

"The Free Lance" attained a notable

success in New York last fall at the

Amsterdam theater, and comes

with the same big cast, number-

ing 50 singers and comedians, and

conducted by the same wealth of

orchestra which Messrs. Klaw & Er-

langer gave to the New York presen-

tation. Harry B. Smith, the librett-

ist of "Robin Hood" is sponsor for

the book and lyrics which are said to

be of a better quality than any he

has written for a decade. A notable

feature is made of a male chorus of

voices which greatly aids in the

rendering of Mr. Sousa's spirited

music, especially his new

number "On to Victory," the

title of the first act. This is con-

sidered a worthy successor to the

"Washington Post" march and the

"Stars and Stripes Forever."

The principal comic interest is car-

ried by Joseph Cathorne, who is the

star feature of the organization.

His character of Stigmund Lump

combines this comedian with more

personality and effective meth-

ods than any he has ever heretofore

used in, and this is saying much

for a comedian who remembers his clever work

in "The Fortune Teller," and

"The Goose." Twenty-three mus-

ical numbers are introduced through-

out the action of the story, the ma-

jesty of which have that swing and

the stirring effect that sets one's

feet a-tinkin' and fingers thrumming.

These are sung by Mr. Cathorne as

usual, Nella Bergen as Princess

Yolande, Jeanette Lowrie as Gris-

selda, Albert Hart as the Duke, Geo-

Schiller as the Emperor and George

Tallman as Prince Florian. Other

principals are Sim Pulea, Stanley

Murphy, Charles Santra, Monte Elmo,

Estelle Thebaud and Dorothy South-

wick.

Seats will be on sale at the box

office from 9 a. m. to 1 o'clock p. m.

tomorrow. During which time no

orders by telephone will be accepted.

The general sale of seats will open

Wednesday at 9 o'clock. At which

time reservations by phone may be

made.

New York Theatrical News.

Besides the state secret which is

highly discussed in "The Ambitious

Mrs. Alcott" which opened on Mon-

day night at the Astor theater and

which is now public property, as far

as it can be, there is another secret

connected with this Leo Dietrichstein

and Percival Pollard play that very

few people know about. Before the

production of the play, it was gen-

erally understood that there was a

suggestion in it of a famous inter-

national controversy, that within the

past few years has been a carefully

guarded diplomatic secret. The rum-

or got to be so strong that when

the play was put in rehearsal at the

Astor theater, Managers Wagenhals

& Kemper received a request that a

member of a certain governmental

office in Washington be permitted to

attend one of the early rehearsals.

It was explained that this was not an

official request and that there was

really nothing official about it, but

that somebody wanted to know. The

source from which the request came,

however, made it quite plain that

there were some diplomats in Wash-

ington who were a little bit nervous

as to just how much of a certain state

secret the play would divulge.

Wagenhals & Kemper gave their con-

sent; the official presented himself

promptly and during one entire after-

noon, sat all alone in the body of

the Astor theater, a silent, lonely

spectator of the new play. At the

close of the rehearsal, he said: "You

are quite right. The secret is there,

but it is so delightfully told, and so

carefully clothed that I do not think

there can be any objection to it from

outside interests." Now Wagenhals

& Kemper are wondering what would

have happened if the playwrights had

been less careful in their handling

of the theme.

The end of the first two weeks of

the engagement of the Barnum &

Bailey show at Madison Square Gar-

den finds previous records for at-

tendance broken. The show seems

to have caught on with a greater

degree of tenacity than ever before.

There are old stunts in new dress

and new stunts in old dress. The

Norwegian ski-jumper, Howelsen,

and Isabelle Butler, the American

girl who does the "Dip of Death"

are sharing honors in the thrill giv-

ing propositions.

William Morris Stock Company

took possession of the Lincoln thea-

ter on Monday evening for the rest

of the season. Mr. Morris will pre-

sent a change of bill weekly.

CANTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Be sure the

Signature of

Chas. H. Hinges

SALEM-MEHAMA ELECTRIC

Blocked by Failure to Get Right of Way at Stayton

Stayton Mall, April 5th: What are the people of Stayton going to do toward securing the Salem-Lyons electric railroad? In a personal note from Fred R. Waters, of Waters Bros., Salem, the gentlemen who secured the right of way for the Portland-Salem line, and who are endeavoring to get the right of way from Salem to Mehama and Lyons, Mr. Waters says that the company will begin operations soon, and that "the indications are that Stayton will lose the road." What are the people of town going to do about it? Are they going to let another railroad go by without an effort to bring it to town? If this road does not come to Stayton, but is built from one to five miles north of us, property here will not command 25 cents on the dollar of the price at which it is now held, and the growth of the town will stop. The sawmill, probably the leading employer of help in town, will in a few years be compelled to shut down unless logs can be hauled in by train. As the dairy industry increases, wheat growing decreases, and if the time ever comes—as it may—when Gardner has to ship in wheat in order to run his flour mill, he will have a hard time to do anything but a small local business, unless he can get wheat to his mill by train. With the sawmill and the flour mills only running to supply a small local trade, and no railroad into the town, what will Stayton amount to? Mr. Grover Cleveland once said: "It is a condition, not a theory, that confronts us." That is the situation of we people of this town. In common parlance, if Stayton loses this road, we will certainly be up against it good and hard.

So far, practically no inducement has been offered the road to build through town. The company asks for a free right of way through the incorporation. The council has offered to open a street and give a free right of way along that street for about half the distance asked by the railroad. This does not suit railroad people, and there the matter hangs. The council has power under the charter to appoint a committee to appraise property and award damages for the purpose of opening streets. Unfortunately at this time there is no street running through town in a direct line east and west. There should be one opened, and its use donated to the railroad company, under proper conditions. At one time the company agreed to give bonds to build the road and have cars running in a given time, provided the right of way asked for was granted. They probably will do so now. If so, let the council accept a good and sufficient bond that the railroad will fulfill its part of the contract, then open a street from the west to the east line of the corporation and give the railroad a free right of way. It will cost something, to be sure, but it will also insure the road. The man who insures his home doesn't get any thing in return unless he suffers a loss, yet he pays his dues regularly, and is considered a wise business man. By the expenditure of a comparatively small amount of money Stayton can insure itself a railroad. Are we going to do it, or are we going to sit still and let it go by, to mourn later over another lost opportunity?

EUREKA!

Yes, I Have Found It at Last. Found what? Why that Chamberlain's Salve cures eczema and all manner of itching of the skin. I have been afflicted for many years with skin diseases. I had to get up three or four times every night and wash with cold water to allay the terrible itching, but since using this salve in December, 1905, the itching has stopped and has not troubled me.—Elder John T. Ongley, Rootville, Pa. For sale at Dr. Stone's drug store.

The latest thing in the church line in New York is called "Sons of Elsewhere." Their theology is a little from Everywhere and leads Nowhere.

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Eppley's Perfection Baking Powder

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Our new spring line contains every desirable style for the present season in SHOES AND OXFORD TIES.

We now have a great variety of Ladies' WHITE CANVAS OXFORDS. The demand for these goods will be enormous, so you'd better buy while the present stock lasts, as later shipments may be badly delayed.

Barnes' Cash Store
E. T. Barnes, Prop.

Big line of NOVELTY SILKS received yesterday in our Dry Goods Department. They'll be ready for you today.

Buying Oregon Mines.

Agents of Clark, of Montana, are said, on good authority to have made a deal purchasing the Dixie Meadows mine and the Standard mine in the Quartzburg camp, 49 miles southwest of Baker City. It is said that the price paid for the property is about \$250,000.

About three weeks ago Angus McQueen took a bond on the Standard at \$200,000, but report has it that his bond is not included in the deal just closed. The indications are that there will be lively times in the Greenhorn and Quartzburg camps this season.

Gentle and Effective.

A well known Manitoba editor writes: "As an inside worker I find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invaluable for the touches of biliousness natural to sedentary life, their action being gentle and effective, clearing the digestive tract and the head." Price 25 cents. Samples free. For sale at Dr. Stone's drug store.

There will be a concert at the Woodmen of the World hall at Lewisburg April 13th.

Bitten by a Spider.

Through blood poisoning caused by a spider bite, John Washington of Bonaventure, Tex., would have lost his leg, which became a mass of running sores, had he not been persuaded to try Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes: "The first application relieved, and four boxes healed all the sores." Heals every sore. 25c at J. C. Perry's, druggist.

The Prosper and Aberdeen mills on the Coquille river, where the men have been on a strike are open again and running.

Pendleton organizes a new militia company Thursday night.

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FIRE DESTROYS PROPERTY

The Residence of Mrs. O. Johnson Burned Last Night

Flames were discovered coming from the dining room window of the Mrs. O. Johnson residence on Fifteenth and B streets, last night a few minutes past 9 o'clock.

Mrs. W. T. Ramsden, who resides just across the street, immediately sent in the alarm by phone, but by some means, she says, the fire company did not receive the message until she had called three times. When the company arrived at the fire the entire building was a mass of flames, and, notwithstanding the wood work of the department, the structure was soon almost a total wreck. Very little of the furniture and personal property was saved.

The house, barn and furniture were covered by a \$1000 policy in the McMinnville Company.

Some one attempted to turn in an alarm from one of the new fire alarm boxes, but, owing to not understanding the working of the box, the alarm was not received. In order to send in an alarm from a box the glass must be broken so that the glass will fall entirely out. The plug will then be released, and one can hear the box in action.

Flood Causes Fire.

Owing to the high water getting into the O. C. T. dock this morning, about 7 o'clock, the lime which was stored there caused a dense smoke to come from the building. The fire company was called out, and soon succeeded in getting the boiling lime out.

At 1:30 o'clock this morning the department was again called to the Johnson residence to extinguish a little blaze which had started afresh in the charred building, and which was soon extinguished.

Salem Men Get Contract. John Hunzicker returned from Portland last Friday evening, where he assisted Herbert Gordon fix up the contract for his building at the corner of West Park and Yamhill streets and from him we get some matters of interest in connection with the building.

There were several bidders, but Welch & Mouser, of Salem, who have done so much building in Eugene, were the successful bidders, but there was only a slight difference in all the bids.—Register.

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