

THEATRICAL.—Mrs. Julia Dean Hayne had a crowded house at her benefit on Tuesday evening, 5th inst.

The character of Lucretia Borgia in the tragic drama of that title presents but one redeeming trait,—maternal love; but that is so strong that it forces its way through the deepest and most firmly resolved plans of deadly revenge. If the object of the dramatist was to intensify the ex-ecration which greets the name of the historically notorious Borgias, the representation of some of their crimes in the person of the beautiful and remorseless Lucretia ought to have the desired effect. The prolongation of the last scene so agonizing and bitter, excites feelings of a far from pleasant nature. No one who watches the character throughout feels other than that she should die; but to perish by the hand of her own son, who does not know her, with the holy name of mother trembling on her lips which she dreads to speak, is a consummation more dramatically and poetically just than pleasant to witness. Mrs. Dean Hayne played the character with consummate effect and artistic grace. At the close of the piece she appeared before the curtain, in answer to a prolonged call from the audience, and offered a response to the hearty welcome she had received in a few neatly appropriate and feelingly expressed words.

The other characters in the play were creditably sustained. Mr. Waldron's Genarro, Mr. Mortimer's Duke and Mrs. Leslie's Maddie being entitled to special notice.

The Rough Diamond, with Mrs. Dean Hayne as Margery, elicited much laughter, though the playing was more tedious than vivacious. At the close Mr. Mortimer as Cousin Joe was called before the curtain.

The Bell-ringers having occupied the Theatre on Saturday night, the Orchestra Benefit has been postponed until next Saturday evening, when a most attractive bill will be presented.

The great character in Macbeth is unquestionably Lady Macbeth, a part that has taxed the ability and energy of the highest tragediennes of the age. We understand it is considered Mrs. Julia Dean Hayne's best character, and will afford a treat in artistic and powerful acting of no common order. Mrs. Dean Hayne supported by Mr. Waldron and the members of the D. D. Association ought to draw a good house in any piece. It is an arrangement which the public have desired. We will be glad to see old faces and hear old voices on the boards, and we are satisfied the lady will be supported in a manner that will make the play a great success. The fine music in Macbeth, with the powerful chorus of witches by which it is given here in its rarest treat. Add to which a grand Overture by the Orchestra, a Violin Solo by Professor Careless, and the sparkling farce of the Rendezvous to conclude with and the whole programme is varied and excellent,—deep tragedy, side-splitting farce, beautiful singing and excellent music. If the members of the Orchestra do not draw the crowded house which their past labors entitle them to, it will not be because the bill is not sufficiently attractive.

SEVERE SNOW STORM.—A downright heavy snow-storm of several hours duration, covering mountain and valley in a sheet of white, is what we look for when hoary winter shakes his chilling benison over the land; but to have in the early part of September a storm like that which we experienced on the morning and through the early part of the day on Saturday is so unparalleled that "the oldest inhabitant," that respectable and often-referred-to individual, can remember nothing to compare with it. On the morning of the 8th, snow was seen lying on the West Mountains, a thing very unusual at this season, and through the day on Friday "dusters" were at a discount, and heavy clothing called into requisition. But on Saturday morning the huge flakes of snow bore down steadily and evenly for hours, and people thought they had wakened up in the wrong season, wondering how sleigh-bells would jingle in September.

We have heard of lots of sugar cane, late wheat and other standing crops being leveled with the weight of the snow, and we know that the fruit trees in many parts suffered severely, peaches in particular. The snow falling on the thick foliage, of trees already being borne down with a heavy crop of fruit, splintered limbs off, and split open trunks to a serious extent. The slight frost that followed blackened cucumber, tomatoe and other tender vines, and altogether did a great amount of damage.

COMMISSION PURCHASES.—James Needham, Esq., who recently returned from the East, where he purchased extensively on commission for many of our citizens, as well as for the firm of Bourne and Needham, expects a train of his purchases to arrive at an early date. This will be welcome news for many who had occasional doubts whether the Indians would not "gobble up" the results of their carefully saved investments. It will be still better news when they arrive; though we hear of freight-bills, however small, being a matter for serious consideration just now. A storm of currency, or even double-eagles for want of something better, could be borne at present.

J. G. HARDY & SON offer for sale "shingles, lath and broom handles." Cover in the houses that are building, then the broom handles will come in handy with brooms. We want a hundred of the latter.

FIVE DOLLARS offered for a stray horse.

ARRIVAL.—Elder Thomas Taylor arrived on Sunday morning by stage, in good health and spirits, from a mission of about three and a half years duration to England. Elder Taylor superintended the immigration through the States this season, and left Nebraska after the last train had started from the frontiers. He was twenty-three days from Nebraska city to G. S. L. City, having had to wait five days at Denver and four at Sulphur Springs. Several items which he has furnished us relative to the immigration will be found below.

THE IMMIGRATION.—The first company of this season's immigration left the frontiers on the 28th of July, composed of about 490 souls, mostly Scandinavian, with Elders M. G. Atwood, Captain, Charles B. Taylor, Assistant Captain, A. W. Winberg, Chaplain, and John Swensen, Commissary. This company was passed by Elder T. Taylor, on the Platte, about 150 miles this side of Nebraska, when it was getting along nicely. The second company, of about 200 souls, started on the 12th of August with Elders Henson Walker Captain, and Robert Pixton, Chaplain. The third company, likewise of about 200 souls, started on the 15th of August, Elders W. S. S. Willis Captain, and F. W. Cox, Chaplain. These two companies are expected to travel together for protection to each other, and are mostly English with a few American families. Elders George Sims and Alfred Lee started in the last company with a mule team, but they calculate to overtake and pass the first company before it reaches this city.

DAILY MAIL EAST.—In a conversation on Monday last, with A. G. Lawrence, Esq., Special Mail Agent for Montana and adjoining Territories, including Utah, we learned considerable of the difficulties which have had to be encountered in bringing the mail across the plains during the past season. An answer was freely given to the question asked in the News some time ago, Why passengers were carried and mail matter left behind? which for the better information of our readers we give publicity to. The stock of the contractor having been run off in places by the Indians, and a long distance having to be traversed to replace it, Government was notified of the fact; and it agreed to run a weekly mail through the disturbed district with Government stock. This side of that point a tri-weekly coach was run to this city, which, of necessity, at times, brought passengers when there was no mail, the mail coming but once a week. Mr. Lawrence expects that we shall very soon have the daily through mail again, a guard of 25 soldiers being assigned to each station on the route to protect them. These guards are now at their posts as far as Green River; and they are expected to winter at the places assigned them to protect. It is the stations not the stages that are liable to attacks from the Indians.

GROWING AND PROSPERING.—Ogden continues improving temporally and spiritually, commercially and agriculturally, a spirit of progress and enterprise being abundantly manifest. The erection of several new stores and other substantial buildings have added to the architectural appearance of the city, and an abundant harvest will make plenteous bins. Much of the land flooded by the overflowing of the Weber and Ogden was replanted after the falling of the water, and produced a late crop which in part rewarded the farmer for his double toil. We were pleased to meet Bishop C. W. West in our sanctuary last week, and glean from him the above items. The location of Ogden is a desirably good one; we are glad to notice its continued growth in importance.

THE SWISS BELL-RINGERS.—This troupe appeared in the Theatre on Friday and Saturday evenings, and on Saturday afternoon, in an entertainment at reduced prices expressly for children. On the bells they are certainly expert and accomplished music ringers, the pieces selected being well executed. The violin solos by Mr. F. Buch were very fine and were warmly applauded. Herr S. Fiedler as a pianist and solo oboe player showed talent. "Little Clara" has ability and any quantity of nerve. The troupe as a whole are really clever, and we were sorry that stormy weather and other causes prevented larger audiences from attending their novel entertainment.

WOODMANSER & BRO. are out with a new stock of staple groceries, dry goods, etc. Read their advertisement.

LATEST FROM EXCHANGES.

A WEST INDIAN paper gives the following as a certain cure for diphtheria; Take a common tobacco pipe, place a live coal in the bowl, drop a little tar on the coal, draw the smoke into the mouth and discharge it through the nostrils.

THE Lafayette (Indiana) Courier, of July 26th, says:

"More rain yesterday and to-day. The wheat, oats and hay have suffered great damage by the continued wet weather, and in some sections will be a total loss. Much of the best wheat in this vicinity is so badly sprouted as to be worthless. A gentleman who has just returned from an extended tour in the Wabash Valley, reports a similar

condition everywhere. The loss of the wheat crop is a great calamity."

On the occasion of the nomination for North Wilts on Tuesday last, says the London Star, a rather ingenious method was adopted in order to prevent an outbreak. Two hundred of the roughest of the mob, attracted by the bounty of 5s. a head, were sworn in to act as special constables. A short time before the proceedings commenced the entire body were marched into the Corn Exchange, where they were locked up until the nomination was over. The result was that no disturbance whatever occurred.

LINES of railway are being established in Asia Minor. It sounds oddly to read of them as connecting places once reached by the bleeding feet of the apostles. Think of Paul and John as going from Ephesus to Smyrna in the first-class express train! They could do that if they lived in these days. There has lately been opened to the public travel a railway about fifty miles long, between these two cities. English enterprise is at the bottom of this undertaking. Spacious station houses have been erected, and a hope is cherished of developing a large traffic; but at present a single daily train renders sufficient accommodation.—[Monthly Religious Magazine.

CAPT. MOORE, A. Q. M., in command of the expedition to Andersonville, to put headboards to the graves of the prisoners who died there, has written a letter in which he says the Andersonville prison is truly "a human pen," where 30,000 of our brave soldiers were huddled together in an inclosure not 200 yards long and scarcely 100 wide, where they were exposed to the rays of an almost tropical sun for months, resulting in the death of thousands. This prison-pen should never be permitted to be destroyed, but should stand until its stockade falls to the ground by decay, so that the unbelieving of the North may be able to look on this ground and convince themselves of the inhuman cruelties perpetrated by the Southern leaders on our prisoners. This is about the hottest place in the South. There are yet about 14,000 head-boards to letter and put up.

THE late census shows that of Wisconsin cities, Fond du Lac ranks next in size to Milwaukee, Oshkosh next, then Madison and Janesville.

LONDON spreads over more than 120 square miles, contains 2,600 miles of streets, has 360,000 houses, a population of 3,000,000, and an assessed annual rental of over \$60,000,000.

THERE are 1,600 male and 500 female clerks in the Treasury Department at Washington—being more than two full regiments, speaking in military parlance. The annual cost of this little army is more than two million dollars.

PRINCE NAPOLEON and wife have left France in consequence of the rupture between the Prince and his august cousin, and are now traveling in England, where they will probably take up a permanent residence.

CONSTANCE KENT, whose sentence to death has been commuted would shortly be transported to Freemantle, Western Australia. It is said that the information that her life had been spared produced no visible effect upon her when it was communicated.

DURING a late debate in the British Parliament a member stated that in England and Wales alone there were a million of paupers, and five hundred thousand more on the verge of pauperism. The heavy national debt and the high taxes necessary to meet the interest on it were assigned as the cause.

THE "midnight meeting" movement in London, for the purpose of reclaiming "unfortunates" is proving highly successful. At one meeting nearly 80 poor unfortunates were present, and seemed deeply affected by the addresses given. Fourteen girls were sent to Homes from the meeting the same night.

SOME interesting experiments have just been made at L'Orient, on board the Coligny, the object of which is to utilise the electric light at sea. By means of a submarine reflector, the water was illuminated to a great depth, so that it was possible to look down from the deck and see the fish, attracted by the light, swimming round the lamp as if in an aquarium. According to the report of the experimenters, several varieties of fish unknown to naturalists were discovered far down in the water, including a remarkable specimen with a head something like that of a monkey.

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terminating the long existing treaty stipulations restricting naval protection on the frontier waters.

Reports to the Agricultural Department for August, from all parts of the country, though not entirely complete, show the corn crop to be enormously large, and maturing in excellent order; its excess over past years more than compensates for the deficiency in wheat. The potatoe crop is unusually large and promises well. In some localities the rot has appeared.

New York, 8.

General trade continues moderately active, with improving prices for most commodities. The speculation in bread-stuffs has broken down under the sudden decline of five cents on wheat; reports from Europe, however, give a very unfavorable account of the crops there. Gold rules very firm at 144½ under a continued demand for customs. Foreign exchange dull at 109½ for bankers' sixty days bills.

A letter addressed by Mason, the rebel agent in England, to the London Times, Aug. 20th, says, that he sent orders long since to the pirate Shenandoah to cease hostilities, to go into port, disarm and discharge her crew. The orders were sent through channels which would ensure prompt delivery, and by this time it is presumed that her cruise has ended.

The Commercial's special says intelligence from Mexico confirms the reports of disasters to the Liberals; the strategic combinations of the Imperialists seem to preclude the hope of a prolonged resistance by Juarez. The retreat of the Mexicans from Chihuahua is confirmed. It is not probable that they can sustain their position, or that continued resistance by the Mexicans, without aid, can be looked for. The French are receiving reinforcements, and are now in a better position than ever.

The President will not interfere with the action of the Southern Bishops; they may unite with the northern church or not, as they please.

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