AMUSEMENTS.

CLEOPATRA.—There was a slight falling off in the attendance at the Theater last night, but it was only slight, and the box office receipts were still up around the place where it takes four figures to describe the dollars. As before, the audience was distinguished by its intelligence and handsome appearance. But there was a very striking difference between the two nights' audiences as far as enthusiasm goes. On the Friday night the enthusiasm was cool and keen, but the enthusiasm of Monday was not specially or unusually demonstrative. Last night everything went with tempest and storm. It was only fair that it should be so, for certainly Cleopatra, as done by Miss Davenport, comes way beyond the records of theatrical representations, and underneath and upon the other scenic and spectacular productions of the great play—with the best production applied in its most generous sense. It is hard, indeed, to decide whether one scene away from the Theater with the wonderful stage effects, or Miss Davenport's delineation of the character, appealed to his mind. Both are so fine that they deserved equal attention, certainly the magnificence of the stage settings is bewildering and the realistic effect of the storm scene is electrifying. We doubt if the stage anywhere affords a picture to equal the grandeur of the scene where Cleopatra invokes Typhon, god of storms, to scatter the fleet of Octavius, the roar of thunder, the electric flashes of lightning, the howling wind, the waving trees, bowing as if before a veritable simoon of the desert, the terrified Romans, appalled at the spectacle, the weird, semi-barbaric chant of Cleopatra's maidens rising above the noise, and ever and above all the white figure of the Egyptian queen, waving her mantle as if she cast forth from its folds the fiends of destruction—all combined make up a sight and a sound impossible to be had without exciting the most unbounded enthusiasm. Miss Davenport received an ovation after this act. One scarcely less beautiful was the scene on the housetop, with the sycamore of stars glittering in the heavens, and the broad Nile visible below. Miss Davenport's acting several times rose to the greatest height of which she is capable, and this is saying a great deal. The scene with the asps when she brings her tidings of Antony's marriage was admirable and her death scene was almost appalling in its realism. Mr. McDowell's Mark Antony was excellent throughout; much as we may regret the manner in which the dramatist has falsified history in drawing the character of the noble Roman to his later years—no one can deny that Mr. McDowell makes him a character handsome and vigorous enough, even in the movements of the greatest and the frequent weaknesses—fail to impair the admiration of his audiences. The support was all good, Mr. Craven as Rejadon being the leading feature. Miss Fenwick made a very pretty Octavia, and Miss Thorndyke and Burke played Cleopatra's women with much fidelity.

Cleopatra is billed for tonight, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday afternoon.

MRS. KNOWLES' reception and informal concert in honor of the Artists' exhibition which closed last night before a very good gathering, made a very handsome conclusion to what has been a most pleasant exception from its start. Mr. H. L. A. Culmer acted as master of ceremonies and introduced the various artists, Mr. Weihe, Miss Phillips, Mrs. Woodruff, Miss Winslow, Mrs. Shiva and Mr. King and Mr. Krouse, all of whom did some very handsome work. Mr. King, especially, a new baritone or bass, it is hard to say which, owing to his big range of voice, made a pleasant impression.

LUETTE COLLINS, the famous original of Te-la-ra-bom-de-ay, is with the Howard Athenaeum Co., which shortly appear at the Theater.

GEO. SOWERS, the well-known advance manager of Henderson's great spectacle, Dorcas, is in town. His show follows this next week.

Nellie Not Yet Arrested.

Up to a late hour this afternoon Nellie Ogden had not been arrested; this is if she had it had not been reported at police headquarters. That she will be taken into custody seems to be certain if she has not already gone beyond the reach of the officers. It is expected that steps looking to her apprehension and prosecution will be taken at once.

Municipal Appointments.

There are several municipal appointments to office still at the disposal of the Mayor and as a result not a few applicants are on the anxious seat. It is not thought that any more places will be distributed before the next meeting of the Council, the earliest opportunity there will be to confirm them.

Licensed to Wed.

The county clerk today issued marriage licenses to Arthur W. Weymouth, aged 24, and Lucy Robinson, 18, both of Willow Creek, Bingham; to Elias A. Hallstrom, 22, and Sillie Johnson, 18, both of Salt Lake City.

Today's Probate.

In the probate court today, in the matter of the estate of Daniel L. Daniels, deceased, a hearing was had on petition for letters of administration. H. V. Taylor was appointed administrator on filing a bond of $1,000.

Estate of John Henderson, deceased. Hearing on final account and petition for distribution. Account approved and order of distribution rendered.

Estate of Hugh Cox, deceased. Continued to January 10th.

Estate of Andrew P. Poll, deceased. Hearing on petition to sell private property. Petition granted.

Estate of Mary Hyde, deceased. Hearing on petition for sale of real estate. Petition granted, and order granted accordingly.

Territorial Finances.

The annual report of Territorial Auditor Parr will be completed this evening and he has with the figures and weight of authority, it is supposed, the responsibility for the portrait in closing the report in black and white the rise and the expansion that Mr. Parr made, in regard to it, was mentioned that it was being outdone to a most marked and pleasing degree.

For Charitable Purposes.

An entertainment will be given in the Eighteenth Ward meeting house on Thursday evening, the proceeds to go to the Relief Society and Orphan Asylum.

Accused of Swindling.

LEO GILLIS, a man known amongst theatrical circles here, has been arrested at Shelbyville for obtaining money under false pretenses. It is believed, will lead to confession of a most wholesale character, implicating a number of people.

Selling Realty.

Secretary C. C. Richards was busy today getting the necessary documents, papers, etc., for the cause to be tried by the Legislature, which meets next Monday in the city.

THE COUGHLIN TRIAL.

Further Testimony in the Case Today.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—In the Coughlin murder case Chas. Carlson, owner of the Carlson cottage where Dr. Cronin was murdered, testified that he left the cottage because he heard his dog, howling been threatened by the friends of the alleged conspirators.

Barna McInerney testified he belong in Dr. Cronin's office on the evening of May 4th, when a man called and said one of Ogden's men had been hurt and he was wanted to attend him.

ANOTHER CLAIMS.

A crank carrying a large revolver appeared at the county jail today and asked to see Frank Cronin, Mayor Harrison's condemned assassin, saying that he merely wanted to see him a minute, as he was commissioned by the Lord to make Frank Cronin well out a few man. The crank was arrested. He gave his name as Fred Nation.

A Fatal Boiler Explosion.

PORTHUR, Ky., Jan. 3.—On the packet W. T. Sorrell, the boiler exploded at Panther Island, wrecking the cabin and killing James Mundell, of Smith, Tenn., and seriously injuring a number of the crew. It is reported one passenger was drowned.

Throwing out of Employment.

JOLIET, Ills., Jan. 3.—The Joliet branch of the Consolidated Steel and Wire company closed down this morning throwing nine hundred men idle. It is seen as a return with strikers, and a relief association has its hands full.

PEALING EPSAGE BRUSH.

A Machine Has Been Invented for the Purpose.

Special Correspondence to the News.

EVANSTON, Wyo., Jan. 3.—Webster A. Moser of this place have patented a machine for clearing the grounds of sage brush. The machine is made with a large revolving cylinder filled with teeth which will pull the brush up by the roots.

ADOLF IRON ORE.

A Patent Against Putting it on the Free List.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 3.—At a meeting of Cleveland road owners this morning it was unanimously resolved to raise funds to meet the expense of an agitation in Washington against the putting of iron ore on the free list.

OBITUARY NOTES.

MARIA M. CHAMBERS.

On January 2nd, 1894, at 7:30 o'clock a. m., Mother Maria M. Chambers passed from this sphere of life at Logan. For over a year past she has been a very severe sufferer, constantly confined to her home and weak has been constant in her feet. It always was her pleasure to Mother Chambers to minister to the wants of the sick and the needy and her death was several years previous to her children who were orphan and active women as memorial to the belief society of the Fourth Ward. She was highly esteemed and beloved by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

The only surviving relatives are the sons of her husband, Parley Amos M. Chambers, and now the passing of the mother from the large family of sons, daughters and grandchildren makes it doubly hard for them to bear. Her sons are John H., a general performing missionary labor in England.

In company with her husband Mother Chambers left England, her native country, in February, 1855, and arrived in Utah in October of the same year, where she has resided with her family ever since.

The funeral will take place from the Fourth ward meeting house Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

O. M. ATKIN.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 31, 1893.

Editor Deseret News: Mrs. Mary Jane Atkin, wife of John Atkin, died at her residence in Pinson, November 16th, 1893. Mother O. M. Atkin was born in the township of Salt Lake City, Salt Lake county, Missouri, June 28, 1846. She joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in an early day and endured all the privations of the pioneers of those days. She was one of twenty women's body guard during the troubles in Nauvoo that was in charge of Brigham Young in the case they were approached and by the band of Perrit, who is sending thousands of souls to perdition. Brother Atkin never had relinquished the Utah and Mississippi Valleys. Papers and testimonies in her possession, signed by Joseph Smith and others of the Church Presidency, prove that she was sealed to him and with him in all the sacred ground for Heaven of the Lord, and a witnesses of Heaven found by Thomas Leslie, governor of Mississippi, and others. Sister Atkin's funeral was the second report of the Saints in Birmingham. Elder Jesse Gibbs officiated at the obsequies of the sister of Sunday, 31st inst.

Sister Atkin was a faithful Saint of God in the Latter-day Church of Christ. Her husband, John Atkin, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1884. Her son, Elder Jesse Atkin, who was in the mission field in Tennessee, died in Birmingham, Ala., in 1888. Her son, Elder Thomas Atkin, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1890. Her son, Elder Joseph Atkin, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1892. Her son, Elder Jesse Atkin, died in Birmingham, Ala., in 1893. Her son, Elder Jesse Atkin, died in Salt Lake City, Utah,