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RUSSIA STIRRED UP.

Intervention in Turkey Advocated by the Press.

THE POWER OF THE TURKISH ARMY

The Czar's Government Most Concentrate Thirty Thousand Troops at Tiflis to Begin With.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—A special to the Herald from St. Petersburg says: Lord Salisbury's speech at the Guildhall has produced an electrical effect here. It has brought about the unanimous expression of opinion that the powers must intervene with joint action in Turkey.

The Novosti says:

"In order to avoid war the powers must establish a protectorate over Turkey. The Mohammedans, Kurds, Armenians and Cretans are rising in various parts of the empire and Turkey is practically calling out her reserves."

The Novoe Vremya in a long article on the situation, speaks of the power of the Turkish army being great by the presence of its fanaticism and its being organized by German officers.

Russia must be equal to the occasion, one of the necessities being the mobilization of 50,000 troops at Tiflis to begin with.

SIMILA REPORTS TO BE HONORED.

BERLIN, Nov. 13.—A dispatch from Constantinople to Frankfurter Zeitung says the Russian ambassador, Count Kapnist, declares that Russia would not accept the mandate of the powers to send an army into Armenia.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC.

People Interested Going Over the Road in a Special.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 13.—The special train bearing Receiver Burbidge of the Northern Pacific and his party arrived here late last night. The party consisted of Judge C. H. Hanford, President Benton of the Farmers' Loan & Trust company and Counsel Hamilton B. Tompkins of New York; ex-Senator J. C. Spooner, of Wisconsin, George B. Peck, of Milwaukee, counsel for the Adams committee, Silas W. Pettit, counsel for the Drexel interest and of directors, W. A. Underwood of New York, counsel for Receiver Burbidge, and W. D. Tyler, president of the Washington and Columbia River railroad. Receiver Burbidge left the party here going to Seattle and the special after a half hour's stay started east, it being the intention to run through to St. Paul in 48 hours. Judge Hanford will leave the train at Pasco, going to Walla Walla. It was learned from an authoritative source that Receiver Burbidge stands a strong one of the probable receivers and that it is also probable that Judges Gilbert and Hanford's court here will be the court of primary jurisdiction.

Judge Hanford would not discuss the situation, but said:

"The details of what was done at Portland yesterday cannot for many reasons be made public. However, I can say this: These people, namely, the representatives of the Adams committee, the Farmers' Loan and Trust company and the Northern Pacific National company, have come out from the East with their desires formulated in a request which they intend to present to all the Federal courts having jurisdiction over the Northern Pacific property. It is their intention to start here and present this request to the courts from here to the East."

While crossing the Columbia river on the transfer boat, ex-U. S. Senator Spooner fell from a car step, his abdomen striking a projecting rod. He suffered great pain and it was feared he was injured internally. A surgeon was in waiting here and on the arrival of the train he examined the injured man. The injury is not necessarily serious, but Senator Spooner will be compelled to remain quiet for several days.

Murder and Suicide.

LAREDO, Tex., Nov. 13.—A woman and a baby child were found murdered near miles from here last night. The murderer this morning killed himself. He had registered at the hotel as C. Chester and family. He had about $1,700 on his person. The woman said she was from St. Louis and the man said he was going to Monterey as superintendent of the railway shops there.

FROM HAWAII.

Queen Lil Sick—Other News From the Islands and Asia.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13.—The Occidental and Oriental steamship Coptic, Capt. Lindsay, arrived here last night from the Orient and Hawaii. Among her passengers from that latter place were A. T. Hatch, late minister of foreign affairs of the island republic and recently appointed Hawaiian minister to the United States to succeed Minister Thurston. The Coptic was a month sooner at the coaling station than her officials call inclined and it will be late this morning before she will dock. Mr. Hatch, in common with the other passengers, was compelled to remain aboard the ship which found no anchorage was safe near the fort. Chas. Wilder, the Hawaiian consul general, went off on the Hartley to meet his late chief and the two had a long conversation, the consul remaining on board all night. All of the exiles are, with a few exceptions, been carried back to the country, late statesmen bringing up the rear.

Ex-Queen Liliuokalani had been ill, I was informed, but her sickness was not regarded as being serious. The rebels had disappeared, but the lesson remained. The drainage of Honolulu has been made almost perfect, streets have been walled up to stop trickling and swamps have been cleaned up. Business was doubly depressed by the cholera, and with the removal of quarantine outposts, it is improving. The situation as to the government is said to be absolutely unchanged. Mr. Hatch will join his wife here at San Francisco.

Another passenger of importance was Major General D. T. Subotitch of the Russian army lately stationed at Vladivostok. He talks of commerce and industrial development, attaching the greatest importance to the trans-Siberian railway. He says that Russia plans the establishment of great fish canneries on the Asiatic coast. Their operations means competition with the United States fishing interests. The general was accompanied by his wife.

MESSAGE ON LYNCHING.

Important Document by the Governor of Virginia.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 13.—Governor O'Ferrall's forthcoming message to the legislature which meets here on the first Wednesday in December, is expected to be one of the most important and interesting papers sent to that body by any executive since the close of the war. A most unique and remarkable feature of it will be what he will have to say of the lynchings that have taken place in this state during the past fifteen years. The record promises to startle the people of this state as well as the country.

Another feature is expected to be a recommendation with regard to sheriffs or other officials charged with custody of prisoners who allow a lynching to take place. The vigor of the law is to be dealt out to such persons. It is a fact, and one which the government will probably call to the attention of the legislature, that but for the prompt use of the militia, seven more lynchings would have been added to the record in Virginia during the past year. Governor O'Ferrall saw the danger and promptly ordered troops to the scene of trouble. And not the executive appreciated the condition of affairs more than he would have been added to those taken by excited mobs.

THE ROMANCE OF A SLAVE.

Story of a Negress and Her Two White Husbands.

A Lawsuit to Determine Whether She Is Entitled to the Property of One of Them.

CHICAGO, Nov. 13.—The romance of a slave, the strange story of two capricious loves, which endured until death, was brought to light in the trial of a suit which will be called for hearing in Judge Brentano's court this morning.

The central figure of the romance, began more than half a century ago, survives in Maria Evans, or Lourenco, a negress, who is now fighting in the courts for her dower in the estate of Dr. Henry Lourenco as his widow. Opposing her suit is Dr. Wm. J. Lourenco, of Oakwoods boulevard, and twenty other relatives of Dr. Henry Lourenco, who died in 1891. They set up the contention that the complainant was not the lawful wife of their dead relative. The amount involved in the litigation reaches the sum of $100,000, the property left by Dr. Lourenco, who died intestate and childless. The widow's dower is two-thirds the whole estate.

Maria Evans Lourenco, the complainant in the suit, still preserves the comeliness which gained her freedom and as she claims, two white husbands, both of whom were men of learning, of distinguished family connections and possessed of means. Her kinked hair, long for one of her race, is whitened with the snows of 72 years, her face is scared with the furrows of time, but her carriage is erect, her step is light and her eye lustrous.

She was born in Adams county, Mississippi, in 1823. The first chapter of the romance of her life began in the slave market of Vazoo, Miss., when she was 17 years old. A young clerk, John H. Kruger, who came of an old and prominent Virginia family, saw her there and fell in love with her. He made a vow that he would secure her freedom and then marry her. He had no money with which to buy her freedom, but set about to earn and save it. It took him seven years to do it, but he was true to his dark skinned sweetheart while in the meantime had been sold to a new master and taken to Kentucky. Evans followed her there and in 1848 paid down $1,000 to our uncle, brought her to Cincinnati, where he gave her liberty, and, it is alleged, made her his wife. They returned to Vazoo, where he continued in business.

Shortly after moving from this place she made the acquaintance of Henry Laurence, a young Englishman, a dentist, who became a frequent visitor at the Evans's home. He was an abolitionist and after left Vazoo and came to live in Chicago. Just before the war broke out Evans and his wife went to live in New Orleans. In 1861 they received a letter from Laurence, who was not prospering in Chicago, and he was advised by them to move to New Orleans, which he did. The Evans couple conducted a fashionable boarding house on Canal street, the best city, and which was a rendezvous for politicians of the time. In 1868 Evans died. Dr. Laurence was living with them and he fell in love with the widow.

Two years after the death of Evans there came another epoch in the life of the Mississippi slave. From thence she called herself the wife of Dr. Henry Laurence. Whether she was in the question that will be determined by the court of inquiry is the legal contention. The claims it was only a common law marriage by which they consented to live together as man and wife until death parted, and this contract, she says, was faithfully carried out by them both. For twenty-five years, she says, she was as true to Henry Laurence and closed his eyes when death finally separated them. The couple came to live in Chicago in 1877, in a house which Dr. Laurence bought.

The defense to the suit is that the former slave was not the wife of Dr. Laurence, but his servant, and that no marriage contract existed between them.

A LORD AND HIS WIFE.

He Threatens to Shoot Her but Reconsiders the Proposition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13.—An Examiner Los Angeles special says:

Lord Sholto Douglas last evening threatened to take the life of his wife. In the corridor of the Ardmore, at 6th and Broadway, in highly pitched tones under and while laboring great anger, he informed Lady Douglas that if she entered her mother's room he would shoot her.

Lady Douglas was cool and collected while all this loud talk was being made and did exactly what he told her not to do. She went to her mother's room and talked with her. Lord Douglas did not shoot her, nor did he make any attempt to.

Mrs. M. Mooney arrived in Los Angeles today. There was no one to meet her. She had given it out that she was coming down here for war and it certainly seems as though she had realized what she came for.

Mrs. Mooney proceeded to the Burbank theater and in the corridor she met her daughter, Lady Douglas. After a brief conversation Lady Douglas proceeded with her mother to a hotel where Mrs. Mooney engaged a suit of rooms.

At the usual hour Lady Douglas appeared at the stage door of the Burbank theater but Lord Sholto was not with her. She was accompanied by her mother. The stage doorkeeper admitted both ladies. Shortly after Lord Sholto turned up. As soon as he heard where Mrs. Mooney was he became greatly enraged. He was told to go and invite her to leave. He did so. Mrs. Mooney said it was all right and that she would stay. Manager Frawley then said that Mrs. Mooney must leave the dressing room.

This was too much. Lady Douglas was loyal to her filial affection. Drawing herself up to her full height she said with great dramatic power that where her mother could not stay, she would not. Then Lady Douglas withdrew to her dressing room, packed up her belongings with the aid of her mother and left the theater. Lord Sholto, who had during this interval been prancing around behind the scenes, trailed behind. When Lady Douglas arrived at the hotel his lordship went in after her and then he made the threat to shoot her, but he evidently reconsidered his words. Hostilities ceased for the while, but they will be resumed today. At least that is what Mrs. Mooney says, and Mrs. Mooney knows.

The Tears Come to Grief.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 13.—The battleship Texas, has come to grief at New York, and has sustained injuries the exact extent of which is not known at present. The ship went into dry dock a week ago to be cleaned and painted and to remove an accumulation of seaweeds which had grown to the pipe gratings leading to the condensing pumps.

On the 8th instant Captain Glass reported to the commandant of the yard that on the regular weekly examination of the vessel made that day frames 43 and 45 in compartment B were found to be distorted, apparently from straining of the ship on the keel blocks. No other evidence of straining appeared, and an outside examination failed to show any evidence of damage.

Sherman Favors McKinley.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 12.—The following letter was received by Col. H. G. Otis, editor of the Los Angeles Times, from John Sherman, in response to a congratulatory note in reference to the latter's determination to lend his assistance in leading the Republican forces in favor of McKinley:

Senate Chamber, Washington, D.C., Nov. 7, 1895.—Col. H. G. Otis: Your note of the 29th ult. is received, for which please accept my hearty thanks. The recent elections have cleared the political sky and I believe fairly opened a way for the nomination of Major McKinley. He will be heartily supported from Ohio, and I trust he nominated and elected.

Very truly yours,
JOHN SHERMAN.

Peter Maher's Intentions.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—The Herald this morning published a letter from Peter Maher, the Irish champion whose victory over Steve O'Donnell recently caused a stir in sporting circles, saying in part:

"In reply to your query as to my intentions in a pugilistic way, I would say that I am prepared to defend the championship of the world turned over to me by James J. Corbett against any man in the world, Robert Fitzsimmons and Joe Goddard preferred. My reason for expressing a preference for Goddard and Fitzsimmons is that when I met Fitzsimmons and suffered defeat at his hands I was only a novice and had but a vague idea of the rudiments of sparring. Although I has beaten him I did not at the time appreciate it, nor did I know enough of the game to follow up this advantage which would have ultimately given me a victory over him. The same is true in regard to Goddard. My inexperience alone was responsible for my reverses at the hands of the two men mentioned. They are the only blot on my record, and I wish to wipe them out as quickly as possible.

Paint Boats—End Collision.

AKRON, Ohio, Nov. 13.—A wreck on the Cleveland, Lorrained and Wheeling railroad at Warwick, fifteen miles south of here, at 3 a. m., resulted in the death of two men. The engineer of the freight train was stepping whistled for the flagman. Conductor Charles Ernest and Brakeman John Adams were asleep in the caboose and did not hear the signal. The second section ran into the first at twenty miles an hour. Both Ernest and Adams were killed.

O. S. L. & U. & S. Interest.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—A bill of exceptions has been filed by the American Loan & Trust company, of Boston, to the reports of Judge Coxhill for the master in chancery which favored the payment of interest due February 1, 1895, on Oregon Short Line first mortgage sixes and interest due January and July 1, 1895, for Utah Northern first mortgage sevens.

Down the Grade to Death.

SUMMIT, N. Y., 13.—Four cars being drawn up a steep grade on the Delaware, Lackawana & Western railway near Short Hill today, broke away from the locomotive and ran back at great speed, crashing into the locomotive of the newspaper train. The engineer of the newspaper train was killed and the fireman badly injured. The engineer was Reuben Tindale of Washington, N. J., the fireman was Hiram Rush.

A DISORDERED STATE

Turkey's Troubles in Her Various Provinces.

SOME STORIES FALSE, OTHERS TRUE

A Ministerial Crisis Imminent—The Sultan, However, Cannot be Preparing to Flee.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 13.—The Turkish minister of foreign affairs, Tewfik Pasha, replied today to the diplomatic representatives of Great Britain, Russia and France, assuring them, as he previously assured the ambassadors of Germany, Austria and Italy, that the Turkish government's statement of what measures it intends to take for the suppression of the disorders in Asia Minor will be presented to the ambassadors "without delay."

Another complication seems likely to arise which may give the sultan a further excuse for inaction. The Hall Hilat ministry is said to be tottering and another cabinet change is likely to occur at any time. Rumors concerning the possible deposition of Abdul Hamid are still current, but the statement that the imperial yacht is lying off the palace with steam up is illustrating that the sultan is preparing to seek safety in flight, is a weak fabrication. The imperial yacht is easily out of repair and is laid up for the winter.

The statement published in the United States that there had been trouble at Angora and Lais and 1,000 Armenians there had been massacred is also a clumsy invention. No news of a disturbance of any kind has come from Angora or Fain. Meanwhile fresh disturbances are reported from Mardisa, where a number of persons have been killed, including four priests of the Society of Jesus, under French protection. The French ambassador, M. Cambon, is preparing a strong representation on the subject to the Porte. A squadron of five French warships has sailed from Pierce for Turkish waters and it is stated that the Italian fleet will rendezvous with the British fleet within a few days.

There has been serious trouble at Caisero not far from Jerusalem, but no details of rioting there have yet reached the city. A panic prevails at Mosul, owing to the Kurdish movement. All who can do so are fleeing from the city and neighborhood. Many people are reported robbed and murdered while fleeing. The Kurds are said to be in arms throughout the district. Troops, it is claimed by the authorities, are being hurried to the spot.

According to a report of the United States ambassador, Terrill, as to the safety of American missionaries, Commissioner Dearnham telegraphed from Harput that the missionaries are alive, but in extreme danger. Terrill has informed Tewfik Pasha that the government will be held responsible for the safety of the Americans. The Turkish minister for foreign affairs has assured Terrill that everything possible will be done for their protection.

A serious state of affairs still prevails at Zeitoun, where the Armenians recently captured a battalion of Turkish troops, and occupied the barracks and all the strategic positions in and about the city. The government is striving to prevail upon the Armenians to lay down their arms, promising that they will not be in any way molested if they return to their homes and surrender the Turkish soldiers they now hold as prisoners, with the arms and. The Armenians have so frequently been the victims of Turkish promises that it is not considered likely they will give up their prisoners or the positions they hold. In this case desperate fighting may shortly take place, as a large force of regulars and reserves are moving directly on Zeitoun. The Armenians, it is to be known, have been well treated by the Armenians, much to the surprise of the authorities.

Light Orange Crop in Italy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 13.—U. S. Consul Dean, at Naples, reports that the Italian orange and lemon crop will be less than last year, or two-thirds of the average, and the same is true of all citrus fruits.

Dr. Keen Dead.

DELAWARE, Ohio, Nov. 13.—Dr. Samuel Ashton Keen, the noted evangelist and author, and widely known in religious circles throughout the United States, is dead; aged 53.

THE CZARINA'S HEALTH.

The Sensational Rumors Contradicted in St. Petersburg.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—A special to the Herald from St. Petersburg says the sensational rumors lately circulated in reference to the health of the czarina and the reports that an operation might be required are absolutely without foundation and there is the best of authority for contradicting them.

The Herald also prints the following from Tsarskoe Selo:

Owing to the number of false reports concerning the czarina's health, it can be stated authoritatively that it is normal. Its course gives the least cause for alarm. It may be added, as further confirming this fact the czar left here this morning for Kronstadt in perfect spirits.

COULD NOT STAND IT.

Compelled to Leave the Living Husband by the Dead One.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Nov. 13.—W. D. Staplin, of this city, has lost received a letter from his daughter, Mrs. Ida Hamilton, confirming the report that she had left her husband at Leville, Colo., after being married only a few days. Mrs. Hamilton states that her first husband, Mr. Gant, told her before his death that if she ever marrying again he would haunt her until death. She says she had a horrible feeling come over her on the way out to Colorado and could not shake it. At the wedding everybody noticed her pallor, and she nearly fainted during the ceremony. Every time her husband came near her she says she felt a nameless horror steal over her. She could stand it only a few days, she says, and then, kissing his seven children, while he was out on the ranch, left the place for Denver. Mr. Staplin has written to his daughter to come home.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Will Probably Be Held in San Francisco Next Year.

CHICAGO, Nov. 13.—A special from Washington, D. C., says: The Republican national convention of 1896 will probably be held in San Francisco. Information of a trustworthy sort has been received to the effect that the Golden Gate city already has nearly a majority of the national committee pledged to its favor.

Convention of the Labor Federation

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 13.—President Mollitor, of the American Federation of Labor, has sent out the call for the fifteenth annual convention of the federation which will be held in Madison Square garden, New York, beginning December 9. The basis of representation in the convention will be:

From national or international unions of less than 4,000 or more, two delegates; 8,000 or more, three delegates; 16,000 or more, four delegates; 32,000 or more, five delegates, and so on, and from each local or district trade organization or federated body not connected with or having a national or international head affiliated with the federation, one delegate. President McBride and Secretary McGrath say the convention will be the largest the organization has ever held. President McBride is writing his annual address and Secretary McGrath is engaged on his report.

HOLD THE TROOPS READY

To Proceed to the Scene of the Killing of the Ute Indians.

General Wheaton Instructed to Hold Cavalry in Readiness if Necessary.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—At the request of the interior department General Wheaton, commanding the department of Colorado, has been instructed to hold a troop of cavalry in readiness to dispatch if necessary to the scene of the killing of two Indians on the Southern Ute agency, Colorado.

Killed by a Telephone Wire.

RACINE, Wis., Nov. 13.—Michael Carroll, aged 35, was electrocuted here last evening. He climbed an electric light pole to adjust telephone wires and caught hold of a live electric wire. He fell and hung on a cross arm where he taken to death in the presence of several hundred people.

LETTER FROM A CRANK.

He Says He Knows Who Killed Blanche and Minnie.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13.—Mayor Sutro has received a rambling letter from Cincinnati, signed by Alex Ross Kenshaw, M. D., in which the writer states that he accidentally came into possession of facts that he claims will lead to the discovery of the murders of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams. He says that two professional gamblers committed the crimes, but fear of death at their hands seals his lips. He would be glad to give additional information if he could come to California in safety.

The police took upon the letter as the work of a crank.

GOOD RESULTS FROM GUANO.

Splendid Specimens of Onions Raised on Land Where the Fertilizer Was Used.

John Howard, agent for the Utah Guano company, brought to the NEWS office this afternoon some specimens of onions. They were of the same variety but widely dissimilar in appearance and proportions and were eloquent testimonials in behalf of the fertilizer now being taken from the islands of the Salt Lake.

Rather late last spring or early last summer, Mr. John Beck, of this city, sent some guano to his brother, George Beck, at Saratoga Springs, near Lehi, Utah county, where he is extensively engaged in the vegetable raising business, with instructions to experiment with it and report the results to the company this fall. A few weeks ago Mr. Howard wrote to Mr. Beck and requested that he send him some specimens of onions raised on guano fertilized ground and some that had been raised on land that had not been thus fertilized. Today Mr. Howard received both kinds of onions and they tell a convincing story of the benefits to be derived from the use of guano. The first named specimens are magnificent ones extraordinarily large while the latter are just common, plain onions. Both kinds can be seen in the front window of the NEWS business office. That people may think that conditions were different in the raising of these onions it need only be said that they were raised in parallel rows upon the same ground. The only difference is that one received a surface sprinkling of guano at the rate of 500 pounds to the acre while the other got none at all.

The company expects to do a big guano business next year and Mr. Howard will be in the field in its interest steadily hereafter. The officers of the company are Simon Bamberger, president; A. H. Cannon, vice president; —— Howell, secretary, W. S. McCornick, treasurer; A. Richter, general manager; John Beck and W. L. Maginnis, directors.

Says He Struck Her.

Margaret Harrison was in U. S. Commissioner Norman's court today in proceedings against Alex. Redeker, whom she charged with assault and battery. There had been some trouble between the complaining witness and the defendant, and she says that in the progress of the quarrel he hit her in the face with his fist. Redeker was released on bail to appear on Saturday next for trial.

THEY WILL NOT MEET.

The Big Football Game at the Fort Called Off.

The Reliance team, of Oakland, California, which was scheduled to have given the Fort boys the game of their lives, (unless things can be patched up at the eleventh hour) will not indulge in the gentle sport on Saturday afternoon next, as the team on the hill has practically disbanded owing to a disinclination to practice and otherwise train in a manner essential to the success of a well organized football eleven.

A deputation from the Fort waited upon Mr. Axtell yesterday afternoon to induce the Y. M. C. A. boys to take the game off their hands, or even fill up the vacancies in the ranks of the boys in blue. But the athletic young Christians did not see it in that light and up to the time of going to press the steps had been taken to notify the Reliance team, who many are disputing superiority with the Battle team in Sacramento.

Change in Passenger Service.

Beginning Sunday next the Union Pacific passenger train will leave this for Ogden at 4 p.m. instead of 4:45. On and after the same date the Cache Valley train will depart for the north at 8 a.m. instead of 7 a.m. daily.

A Farewell Party.

Last evening, at the home of Miss Abba Wardrop, a very pleasant farewell social was given in honor of Messrs. William Davis and Hyrum Smith, of the Seventeenth ward, who are soon to leave for the missionary field. The party was given under the auspices of Misses Abba Wardrop and Juna Howe. After passing the earlier part of the evening in interesting games delicious refreshments were served. Near the midnight hour the jovial party of about thirty young people took their departure and bid farewell and "God speed" to the young missionaries.

AMUSEMENTS.

Pauline Hall in Dorcas—Fernclift at the Grand.

Salt Lake City, renowned for its excellent musical talent and appreciation of high class art in this direction, has lately had an abundance of comic operas at the Theater. Immediately after the De Wolf Hopper engagement, the celebrated Pauline Hall appeared last night in Dorcas, and the crowded house gave sufficient evidence of the interest with which her entertainment was anticipated. Nor were the expectations disappointed, if the applause accorded both the star and her clever supporters be taken as an expression of the sentiments of a cultivated audience.

Dorcas is a pretty little comedy redundant with music. In the first act the audience is introduced to an innkeeper and his wife, a lord and his friend and a lady disguised as a peddler, and her attendant. The lord, a libertine, takes a fancy to the innkeeper's wife, whom he knows only by reputation. The innkeeper, in order to save her honor, agrees to a proposition by the supposed peddler, really the sister of the lord, to impersonate his wife, and in the second act these two are introduced into his lordship's family. A series of laughable situations are the result, and they continue through the third act, where the lark's friend makes love to the supposed wife of the innkeeper and is accepted by her, before all the entanglements are cleared up.

Pauline Hall has the role of Lady Hipnotia. She is an accomplished actress and well trained singer with her voice under almost perfect command, but unmodestly, she left the impression that those who are responsible for her great fame in the theatrical world have, unfortunately, been guilty of exaggeration. But this impression is again neutralized by the fact that Miss Hall is surrounded by a company which in efficiency surpasses most of similar organizations. Miss Hall's sweet and clear with great skill. She has a sweet soprano well modulated and captivating. The scene at the chess board particularly took with the audience. Miss St. Henry is the very opposite in talent. Miss Hall's lacks are full of charms although of an entirely different type, and without the program it would be difficult to tell which is the real star of the company. In fact, the two seemed to form one double star, after the pattern of some of those brilliant luminaries in the universe of which astronomers tell wonderful things. Then Miss Eva Davenport is exceedingly clever in her line. She is full of burlesque and comique.

Among the male members of the organization Mr. Hugh Chilvers attracts attention by his fine acting and singing. Mr. Taylor also received much applause. Mr. Bradshaw as Mine Host is a commodian of the highest order, and he seemed to have an infinite share of fun on hand. For his characterization it would have been hard to suggest any improvement.

Taken all in all, Dorcas is an excellent musical comedy presented by a company that deserves praise both for their acting and vocalization. Some of the costumes are exquisite.

The advance sale of tickets for the Ladies' Minstrel show at the Theater commenced this morning. The event comes off on Friday and Saturday next. Matinee on Saturday.

AT THE GRAND.

Fernclift was presented again last night at the Grand to a good audience. The popular war drama continues throughout the week.

DONOVAN'S DEFENSE.

Denies that he Sought to Blacken Ford's Character.

HAD A RIGHT TO OPEN LETTERS.

What He Knew of the Mt. Pleasant Photograph Episode and Officer McDonald's Sickness.

This has been Captain Donovan's day—that is, he has been on the witness stand before the board of fire and police commissioners, in his own defense; and in rebuttal of the testimony introduced against him by the prosecution through Chief Pratt. The visit to Mt. Pleasant, the photographic incident and the mihtar "sickness" disturbance and arrest of ex-Officer McDonald and a variety of incidental branches of the case, were gone into in detail.

After the NEWS report in the Pratt-Donovan suspension case closed yesterday afternoon, Marshal Brady of Mt. Pleasant was subjected to a thorough cross-examination, which dealt with the woman Francken and the photographs referred to in the correspondence.

Mr. Frank Jensen of the Nelson House at Mt. Pleasant, was called and identified the register in which McDonald on July 27 had signed his name as "James Robson, Portland, Ore."

Then Desk Sergeants Adams and Mackintosh were called and testified in regard to McDonald's time. Adams had given McDonald credit for work he had never done, on the orders of Captain Donovan. The pay roll showed that Captain Donovan himself had marked in the margin opposite McDonald's name, the words "special duty."

Chief Pratt was recalled and stated that Donovan when questioned as to McDonald's time, had admitted that he was credited with having worked twenty days in August, it was a mistake, as it should be but eleven days.

Here the prosecution rested, with the understanding, however, that they could introduce Conductor Wheeler's testimony as soon as he was present.

Then the testimony for the defense began with ex-Officer F. D. McDonald on the stand.

Witness testified as to his trip to Mt. Pleasant on July 27. He had been sent there by Captain Donovan to investigate the rumors that were current with regard to Sergeant Ford's intimacy with the Francken woman. The witness carried there with him a letter of introduction to Marshal Brady, but had been unable to find him. He was the man in question, however, and asked her for Donovan's or Ford's photograph, which were purported to have been in her possession.

Witness further stated that the picture of Donovan and Ford he did not see in the woman's house, but he did see Officer Gillespie's photo there. Donovan has given him $20, with which to pay his expenses to Mt. Pleasant, and he had returned to him a few dollars which he had not used. Did not know he was going there on Donovan's business, but thought it was private business for the police department.

Charles Chapman was the next witness and testified to a conversation he had had with the captain, in which he had told Donovan of his picture being in the Francken woman's possession. When he told Donovan this, the captain had become provoked at the remark and declared that "this bunco business" had to be stopped. Defendant stated that he had seen a picture in the woman's possession, but that it was not Donovan's, and that he made the remark that he did to the captain just to call him down a little. Witness was a butcher by trade and admitted being a great deal of an incidentist for great larceny. Had been arrested a great many times, but never convicted.

Sergeant Kellinger was then called and stated that Donovan had told him that McDonald had started drinking again, and that he wanted witness to observe his conduct. Donovan had told witness that he could find no one who was willing to swear to McDonald's alleged intoxication at Saltair.

The defense having no further witnesses at hand an adjournment was taken till this morning at 10:30.

THIS MORNING'S HEARING.

Donovan on the Stand in His Own Defense—Other Testimony.

At 10:30 this morning the defense again took up their testimony by placing Officer Singfus on the stand. He was examined by Judge Powers, and stated that Captain Donovan had had a conversation with him with reference to McDonald's connect in getting drunk, and otherwise acting in an unbecoming manner. Witness had watched McDonald's demeanor, but had seen nothing "out of the way."

DRUNK OR SICK—WHICH?

Officer Lund was next called, and testified that in the latter part of July or the beginning of August, Captain Donovan had sent him to McDonald's house to ascertain as to whether or not he was drunk. Witness obeyed his order and went to the house, finding Mrs. Donald sick in bed but not drunk. When Judge Powers asked the witness if he had a conversation with Sergeant Ford regarding the case at bar, Mr. Sutherland, for the prosecution, interposed an objection as to it being irrelevant.

TAMPERING WITH WITNESSES.

Counsel for the defense stated that it had come to their ears that certain witnesses had been tampered with and it was for this reason that the question was asked.

After some discussion it was finally admitted.

Judge Power—Did you have a conversation with Sergeant Ford with regard to this case?

Witness—Yes, sir.

Judge Power—What was the substance of the conversation?

Witness—Well, he asked me if I

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