## DESERET EVENING NEWS: SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1904.



**F** 1894, when she appeared as leading iady to John Drew. Maude Adams comes back to her native town next Monday night. Her stay will be brief, the demands from other cities allowing her to give us but three performances, but will other clilos allowing her to give us but three performances, but as far as can be judged by the over whelming demands at the boxoffice, her home coming will be made a memorable event.

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The "News" has been flooded during the week, with requests that the dramatic editor print in the Saturday issue, an authoritative answer to such questions as the date . and place of Miss Adams' birth, whether the house in which she first saw light is still standing, where she received her education, when and where she made her first appearance on any stage, how long she has been a star, with a small host of other questions more or less personal, to which no attention will be paid.

Most of the inquiries, however, are decidedly pertinent, especially as Virginia City, Nev., and San Francisco has each been claimed as her birth place, and the widely advertised "first appearance" has been said to have taken place on the stage of the Salt \* Lake Theater, the Bush Street theater, San Francisco, and the old opera house in Virginia City.

The facts that follow were given the "News" in the course of an interesting interview with Mrs. A. A. Adams Kiskadden, the "Senath" of the old Salt Lake stage, and the mother of the gifted actress whose career is in question, Mrs. Adams (this is the name she retains on the stage, and she is seldom called any other), is in Salt Lake, the guest of Mrs. Isabel M. Pitts, and is awaiting the arrival of her daughter, whom she will accompany to the coast after the Salt Lake engagement. ....

"You may say once and for all," said Mrs. Adams, "that Maude made her first appearance on the stage of the Salt Lake theater. I was there," she added with a laugh, "and i ought to know. Maude was just 10 months old. The play was the farce of "The Lost Child," and the date was the fail of 1873. The the-ater files would tell the precise time. I well remember the occasion. I had ap-peared in the first plece, and was dress-ing to go home. I lived then at the old Stephens' house, just below the city hall. Mary, our nurse, frequently used to wrap the baby up and bring her over to the theater, and we would walk home together. This night she arrived with Maude, and we were on the point of leaving the theater when a commotion arose over the fact that the baby in the first appearance on the stage of the Salt reaving the theater when a commotion arose over the fact that the baby in the farce, "The Lost Child," was in a "tan-trum," and could not be faken upon the stage. It had made one entrance and the time was approaching for its second singe. If had made the off-minine and the time was approaching for its second entrance, it was only three months old, and when Phil Margetts, Mr. Graham, Mr. Maiben and Harry Horseley ap-pealed to me to allow Maude to be sub-stituted, I remember well tailing them had Maude was 10 months old, and the audience would be sure to see the dif-ference. There was no time, however, to debate it and Maude was placed on a tray and made the entrance. The audi-ence ho sooner saw here than they set up a roar which so attracted, the child that she put up one hand and waved it at the audience, which set the house wild again. She was born in Novem-ber, 1872, and this event, as I have said, took place in the fall of 1878." The house where Miss Adams was born was the eld Adams' homestead, built by her grandfather, the late Barborn was the old Adams homestead, built by her grandfather, the late Bar-nabas Adams. His wife, Maude's grandmother, is still alive, hale and hearty, and is also with her family in Salt Lake, though she has spent the Salt Lake, though she has spent the Inst several years at her distinguished granddaughter's home in New York. The old Adams' homestead stands on the corner of Seventh East and Eighth South, but the little adobe structure in which Maude was born was torn down some time ago, though was born down some time ago, though <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

"I well remember one night in Den-ver," said Mrs. Adams, "when Maude was not feeling well, and the moment for the tank scene arrived. The scene could not be put off, and I absolutely refused to allow her to make the leap. so it was arranged that the villain should struggle with her off the wings, that I should be ready there, drassed exactly as she was, and that the vil-lain should throw me into the water in her place. It was done and I came up dripping and drenched, without any-one being the wiser. Maude was re-ceiving at that the princely salary of \$25 a week, and though Mr. Harri-"I well remember one night in Den-

Geraldine.' On our way east we appeared in Salt Lake with Mr. Harrison in these plays, but in "The Paymaster Maude had to jump into a tank of real water, and I was so fearful of the ef-fect it might have upon her health, that I refused to allow her to continue in the part. Odette Tyler. In "Men and Women" she waw cast for her part by the authors, Belasco and De Mille. Maude was then taken out of the stock company to go as leading lady with John Drew. She remained with him five years, playing "The Masked Eall," "Butter-flies," "Christopher Junior," "The Im-prudent Young Couple," "Squire of Dames," and "Resemery." Mr. Drew and she also played in a num-ber of benefits, and in New York pro-duced such plays as "Eroken Hearts." She remained with Mr. Drew until Mr. Frohman decided to zend her out as a

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The Grand theater will be dark all of next week, in fact, so far as known, its curtain will not rise again until the coming of Mirs. Leslie Carter, whose appearance in Salt Lake is booked for three days beginning June 8, when she will be seen in "Du Barry." It was thought at one time that the Held con-corts would continue until the close of May at least, but both the house and hand managements concluded. After

band managements concluded, after casting an eye over the field, that it would be the part of wisdom to have the season end with last Sunday night's program.

Miss Ada Dwyer, pays the New York Telegraph, is familiarly known to her friends as the "Salad Queen" a name bestowed on account of her propensity for making salads out of all sorts of materials. Fish, flesh or fowl -they are all alike to Miss Dwyer-she

A London cable says Mme. De Na-varro, once known to dramatic fame as Mary Anderson, has politely, but posi-tively declined a request signed by Cardinal Gibbons, Bishop Potter, W. K. Vanderbilt, George J. Gould and a score of other noted Americans that she make a reading tour of the United States. States. Kyrle Bellew opens his new season in "Raffles" in Denver, Colo., about the middle of August. He will journey to the Pacific coast, reaching the Colum-bla theater, San Francisco, on Sept. 1. Mr. Bellew will play "Raffles" during most of next season, with practically the same company as he had this year, and Salt Lake will be on his list.

Mme. Rejane, during her tour in this

country next season, will be seen in country next season, will be seen in the following plays: "Mme, de Mon-tansler," "Zaza," "La Passerelle," "The Marriage of Kitty," "Ma Cousine," "Divorcons," "La Course," "De Flam-beau," and "La Robe Rouge,"

Nance O'Neil is still holding Boston captive by the worth the citizens of the Hub find in her performances. She

"Macbeth," and is new presenting the "Macbeth," and is new presenting the play in a version which demands the raising of the first curtain at 7:45 o'.

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Slenkiewicz's story, "By Fire and Sword," is to be dramatized by Maurice Bernhardt, assisted by a young Polish writer, for a production to be made in Paris in October, it is to be made in Paris in October. It is also stated that Sardou is to have a hand in the drama-tization, probably in the nature of re-vision, and also that Paderewski has consented to write the incidental music for the play.

English newspapers say that Ellen Terry has made a profound impression by the pathos and tragic passion which she displays as the old Dutch fisherwo-man in the English version of Heyer-man's "Op Hoop van Zegen." called "The Good Hope." The piece, it is said, will be one of the chief attractions of her part London commented her next London engagement.

San Francisco theatrical managers having abolished window advertising, are going to do away with bill posting. They intend to erect kiosks similar to those now in use in Paris, on which theatrical announcements can be made. If they can obtain permission from the authorities to erect these on prominent street corners they say they will do so at their own expense.

Julia Marlowe will close her season in New York on May 28. Fritzi Scheft will terminate her season on the same date in St. Louis. The Rogers broth-ers, on June 13. Maude Adams will finish her first western tour and her season on June 18 at Stockton, Cal., and on July 15 at Helena, Mont. E. H. Sothern will end his career as a single star for at least three years.

The jewels worn by Miss Nance O'-Neil in "Elizabeth, Queen of England," are said to be the identical gems which adorned Madame Ristori when the Ital-ian tragedienne played this character at the Covent Garden, London, in 1858. Mme. Ristori bequeathed them to her niece, Mme. Marjeroni, who presented them to Miss O'Neil after seeing her performance of "Elizabeth" in Ade-laide, Australia.

George C. Tyler sailed for Europe last Saturday, says the Mirror, on the Lucania to make final preparations for Eleanor Robson's debut there in Merely Mary Ann. He will then go to Paris to see Madame Rejane, whom he will bring over in November. Then he will go to Florence to confer with Signer Novelli, Madame Duse and Signor Sai-vini about tours that he has planned for them. them.

David Belasco has accepted for next season Joseph Arthur's oriental drama, to be called either 'Seirine." the name to be called either 'Seirine,' the name under which it had its English copy-right performance, or 'Cross and Cres-cent.' The play has a strong religious element and the scenes are. laid in In-dia in 1606, during the reign of the Emperor Jehangire. Mr. Bela.co in-tends to give it a production heavier and more elaborate than any play he has hitherto handled.



## MAUDE ADAMS IN FOUR OF HER GREATEST ROLES.

"The Wandering Boys" was produced at the Standard theater, the two boys being in January, 1886, when we found ourselves at the Aleazar theater, San Piora Walsh, who later became the Aleazar theater, the management of the managem

to the joy of her friends. Indeed, so clever is the actress at transforming seemingly impossible in-grodients into a saiad, that whenever

The English version of the great Ger-man success. "Zapfenatrsich" ("Taps"), which the Shuberts are to produce early next season, will be cast with-Herbert Kelcey as the old sergeant and Miss Effle Shannon in the leading fe-male role. It is said to be probable that Robert Lorraine will have the character of the young lleutenant, Ed-win Stevens that of the captain, and Max Figman that of the humorous woon man hater. man hater. Sec. all

The London newspapers are beginning to direct attention to the fact that Sir Henry Irving will complete his half Sir Henry Irving will complete his half century upon the stage 15 two years' time. A suggistion has been made that a committee be appointed to make ar-rangements for the celebration of this event, and that a theaser be built and presented to Sir Henry as a memorial of his achievements. Doubtless Sir Henry's jublee will be more memora-ble than any event in theal rical annah-since the retirement of Macready, and nobody will deny that he has fairly earned whatever honors may be show-ered upon him. ered upon him.

ered upon him. I Clara Sudermann, the wife of the celebrated dramatist, has recently come forward as the author of a play entitled "Lazy Mary." Mine. Sudermann is said to show a dramatic esight and strength equal to that displayed by her eminent husband. If that doesn't spen ruin to the Sudermann household peace then old adages count, for naught "Lazy Mary" is supposed to be the daughter of a reformed demimondaline and she falls in love with a man who chances to turn out to be her half brother. The latter finally discovers the relationship, tells the girl, and pol-son ends the unpleasait tangle and cually unpleasant play. jually unpleasant play.

From the standpoint of the manneer, the Ibsen drama is likely to become most popular during the coming the atrical season. Little in the way of expense is needed to give a highly artistic Ibsen presentation, the scenery required being of most commonplace order and the costumes hardly worth worrying over. Five or six actors and actresses of merit are sufficient to Miss Shaw, Mrs. Fiske and the others who are devoting themselves to pro-moting this form of caterialment have aable that the innovation will be fol-lowed more generally in the future. From the standpoint of the manager,

"A remarkable play," says a Berlin "A remarkable play," says a Berlin "correspondent of a London journal, "is being given now at the Kleines theater, It is an adaptation from Sophocles" "Electra," by Hugo von Hofmanesthal. The fitle role is filled by Fraulein Gert-rud Eysolde, and to her marvelous im-personation of the weird, prophetic and revengeful daughter of the murdered-King Agamemnon the play dwes its un-doubted success. For an hour and a half, without change of scenery or cos-tume, or a single moment's absence from the dimly lighted stage. Electra-holds her audience spellbound and horfrom the dimly lighted stage, Electric holds her audience spellbound and hor-ror struck by her terrible personality, and it watches with breathless inter-est her fearful revenge overtake the guilty Clytemnestra and her lover degristions." Ægisthus.'

John Coleman, the old Eaglish actor, who died a short time ago, was a link

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