

AMUSEMENTS

AT THE CHICAGO THEATERS.

CHICAGO OPERA HOUSE.

The middle west has not cut a very important figure on the stage. American authors writing polite plays have sought their characters in the drawing rooms of Fifth avenue.

When Mr. Henry W. Savage presents Mr. Henry E. Dixey in Miss Edith Ellis' new play, "Mary Jane's Pa," for an indefinite engagement beginning Easter Monday, April 12th, at the Chicago Opera House, playgoers will experience the unusual pleasure of witnessing a piece which is fashioned exclusively from the soil of the middle west and

"Mary Jane's Pa" he has fairly proved his right to that distinction.

To those who have been accustomed to see Dixey in small productions for the past few years, "Mary Jane's Pa" will provide a surprise, as the play demands sixty people for its presentation and has been produced by Mr. Henry W. Savage, whose name is a guarantee of sterling merit to American playgoers.

McVICKER'S THEATER.

Brooks & Dugwall's production of "The Sins of Society," the best and biggest of all the great Drury Lane melodramas, will have its first American presentation in McVicker's theater, Chicago, Wednesday evening, April 14. The play tells a dramatic story of life in the highest circles of English society, showing the evils of gambling, either on the race track or at bridge

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MAJESTIC.

At the Majestic theater, Chicago, for the week of April 12th, May Irwin, the famous comedienne, whose popularity is perhaps equalled by no other actress on the American stage, will enter upon her second week as the headline attraction. Miss Irwin is always brimming over with genuine good humor, and her audiences almost invariably follow the example set by her in this respect, which probably accounts, in no small way, for the hearty welcome always accorded her appearance on the stage.

Another novelty new to vaudeville will be the terpsichorean number presented by Mr. Joseph C. Smith and Miss Louise Alexander. Mr. Smith is a well known maître de ballet and skillful pantomimist and dancer, and Miss Alexander has been a feature of numerous New York musical comedies.

This last season they have appeared as the principal feature of "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge," and in this, their original conception of "The Apache Dance," which they will present here, was a distinct sensation.

John W. Ransome, the famous comedian of musical comedy, has enlisted his services with the great army of vaudeville entertainers and will offer something decidedly interesting from his storehouse of fun. Lew Bloom, the tramp comedian, has some humorous songs and roadside observations, which will certainly score one of the big hits of the bill. Foster & Foster have a comedy singing and piano specialty. The Pissutis are European athletes, who perform a series of wonderful evolutions and daring acrobatic feats.

WHITNEY OPERA HOUSE.

Passes were wont to tell us in days gone, that "in springtime the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," and in this present day it also turns to thoughts of good musical comedy and farce.

An almost perpendicular incline plane built of steel, resembling in its solidly a section of elevated railroad structure—rises from the dome to the center of the arena. On a landing at the top of this incline are two automobiles, one red the other white, in charge of two young French women acting as chauffeurs who await the signal to start. When it is given the two machines dash down the incline.

At a given point a slight upward curve sends the leading red—auto swiftly skyward, where the machine makes a complete backward somersault. Tined to the apex of a fractional second the white car passes swiftly under the red one and leaping a gap lands upon a platform prepared with heavy steel springs, thus minimizing the force of impact, the red car following closely upon the same platform.

Another thriller, more beautiful and less startling is the act entitled "Jupiter, the Balloon Horse." This horse, ridden by Madame Raphael, takes a position on a platform, attached to the bottom of a balloon. As the balloon ascends to the great dome of the Coliseum, Jupiter, a beautiful milk white Arabian stallion, stands like a statue, with Mme Raphael on his back. Reaching the dome the balloon rests for a moment, while a battery of fire works oblige the platform is ignited, completely enveloping horse and rider in a fountain of fire.

Throughout the circus will be on Thursday night, April 1st, at the Coliseum Building, Wabash avenue, and will give two daily performances thereafter during the stay in Chicago.

"girl shows" Chicago has ever seen. A new summer attraction, with new songs, new dances, new music, has been put on, and with three matinees weekly, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, the first two being "rain days," a particular appeal is made to the visitor from out of the city.

Jobyna Howland, Charles Dana Gibson's original for his series of "Gibson Girl" pictures, one of the best known leading women in the country, has recently joined the cast of "The Boy and the Girl," at the Whitney, Chicago, where she scored a most resounding success in the role of Gladys De Vine, an actress.

Messrs. Carle and Marks, managers of the song show success of the season, "The Boy and the Girl," now current at the Whitney, Chicago, announce their intention of organizing another organization to interpret this play in Boston for the summer, and they are going to choose their entire chorus from Chicago and surrounding cities.

BARNUM & BAILEY'S

Greatest Show on Earth to Give Two Performances Daily at the Coliseum Building, Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Commencing Thursday Night, April 1st.

Interest in the approaching season of the Barnum & Bailey Greatest Show on Earth is manifest. This particular combination has always given the public the very greatest obtainable novelties; nowhere else in the world will you see such an exposition of entertaining wonders and sensational features in one vast enclosure.

The riders, gymnasts and daring specialists of one kind and another, are said to be the most expert in their several professions. Most of the artists in this season's program make their first bow to an American audience. There are 420 performers appearing in the arena show, and more than 1,000 rare wild animals in the zoological collection. There are 1,200 people connected with the great undertaking.

Of the above mentioned 420 performers, 50 are clowns, which indicates that hilarious merriment will be an agreeable element in the varied program.

A feature of the performance will be the sensational automobile act, entitled "Autos that Run in the Air."

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- APPROXIMATE QUANTITIES: 3,300 cubic yards of grading of earth, excavation and filling for roadway and curb and gutter at 20¢ per cubic yard... \$ 660.00; 200 cubic yards of grading of earth, excavation and filling for parkways at 20¢ per cubic yard... 40.00; 4,000 lineal feet of limestone concrete curb and gutter at 52¢ per lineal foot... 2,080.00; 3,750 square yards of vitrified paving brick pavement at \$1.45 per square yard... 5,437.50; 10 storm water inlets adjusted to grade and line of curb at \$2 each... 20.00; 8 storm and sanitary sewer manholes adjusted to grade and at \$1 each... 8.00; 100 lineal feet of block by 12-inch oak border planks finished and set up to line and grade at 20¢ each... 20.00; 20 split red pine, 6 inches in diameter, 3 feet in length, at 50¢ each... 10.00; Total... \$10,974.40; Dated at Downers Grove, Illinois, April 28, A. D. 1909.

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MR. HENRY E. DIXEY.

Now Playing in the Big Comedy Drama Success, "Mary Jane's Pa," at the Chicago Opera House.

From characters that spring life-like from that soil, "Mary Jane's Pa," which recently closed its long engagement at the Garden Theater, New York, offers in Hiram Perkins, the whimsical character played by Henry E. Dixey, the greatest part of that versatile actor's long and brilliant career. Mr. Dixey plays a tramp, not a son of a gun; rather a son of a gun, a ragged dilettante, who pines for a life of unfettered freedom and suddenly, with out warning, deserts his wife and children, to wander aimlessly about the world, finally returning home to find the heart, which unwittingly, he has left behind him.

Essentially "Mary Jane's Pa" is a home play for home people. In a season marked by brilliant productions it was the only clean, wholesome, utterly unobjectionable success shown in New York. It points a lesson to the restless American who is ever anxious to pull up stakes, search the world for the end of the rainbow and to find it ultimately on his own hearthstone. Mr. Dixey is at present the only star under the management of Mr. Henry W. Savage and by his splendid success in

whist, and pointing to the inevitable ending of a career that has to do with social follies and crimes. Fourteen scenes, and all of them big ones, are required to illustrate this thrilling tale and for the transportation of these scenes and the hundreds of superb costumes that are used in the melodrama, six lounge cars are necessary. The cast which will interpret the play includes Dorothy Donnelly, Louise Chesser, Hale, Louise Rutter, Lucy Sibley, Vincent Serrano, William Abington, Leslie Kenon, Oscar Aldy, William Exile, Frank Dekan, Edward Lester, Charles Fleming, Florence Edney, Lillian Collins, Grace Thomas, Eda Parine and two hundred and fifty people.

A large number of parties from the surrounding towns and cities are forming for the purpose of seeing the first performance, which will be the most important of the year in theatrical circles. Seats will be on sale after Thursday, April 8, and mail orders will be promptly and immediately attention. Express letters are sent ordering seats they must be accompanied by check, postoffice order, draft or express order



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