AMUSEMENTS

AT THE CHISAGO TEXATERS

WHITNEY OPERA HOUSE.

There is a jolly jingle of musical comedy in the Chicago theaters these near Christmas days. Of the several new productions none has gotten' a stronger hold on the public than the lively farce, "They Loved a Lassle, which is now running at the Whitney Opera House. The piece is freshly humerous from beginning to end, and in the adept hands of a wonderfully clever company it creates more genuine laughter than has been heard

in a Chicago theater for many moons B. C. Whitney, who is at the helm of this cozy playhouse, is a pastmaster in the selection of happy material and fine actors for the attractions he offers. The record of this theater for success in the light and overdone field of light entertainment is unique. Ever since he took the house the offering of each new season has been of sufficlent strength and beauty to run through the year. It looks as if the current attraction, "They Loved a Lassle," would repeat the success of last year.

Charles E. Evans, who kindled so much wholesome laughter in the days of "A Parlor Match," with the aid of his unctious partner, "Old Hoss" Hoey, is at the head of the present Whitney company, and at his elbow, stirring the big not of effervescent hu mor, is Alice Yorke, than whom there is no more winsome and talented a bad on the stage to-day. Forest Huff is another factor in the developing of the success of this new farce.

MAJESTIC.

Miss Helen Grantly, who is a favor ite actress in the leading vaudeville and dramatic theaters of the country, opened in New York last week with a new sketch called "The Agitator," which is said to have proven a great success. Mrs. Beringer, whose dramatic playlet, "A Bit of Old Chel sea," was presented by Mrs. Fiske sev eral years ago, is well known to theatergoers. "The Agitator" is now being presented in America for the first time. Miss Grantly secured its rights for this country from the Charles Frohman offices at what is considered the highest royalty ever paid for a dramatic sketch in vaudeville.. George Sutton, the world's billiard champion. will give an interesting and unique exhibition of his cleverness and skill with the cue, incidentally showing how he makes some of his most remarkable shots. Clara Belle Jerome. the pretty little musical comedy star. will sing her way into the graces of her audiences in the clever singing and dancing number in which she is assisted by half a dozen pretty danc ing girls and Mr. William Seymour The Seven Bonhairs are European ac robutic marvels, who are here for the first time in a wonderful performance Alf. Grant, the comedian, and a numher of other important features of the vandeville world will complete the

"LITTLE NEMO" AT THE BIG CHI CAGO AUDITORIUM

Beginning Sunday evening, Dec. 19, the Auditorium, Chicago, will offer the biggest musical comedy production that has ever been made in this coun try or abroad in Klaw & Erlanger's "Little Nemo," which will be seen for a limited engagement of two short weeks, with matinees Wednesdays and Saturdays

colored cartoons by Winsor McCay, dethe year, and this is due not only to St. Louis. the exquisite musical score Victor Herhave given it. Some of these scenes, notably the Land of Living Valentines; the Palace of Patriotism, with its great display of electrical fireworks; the Summer Amusement Park, with its belter-skelter, loop-the-loop, merry-go-round and other pleasure devices; the Jungle, with its wild animais; the Weather Factory up in Cloudland, with its demonstrations of all kinds of weather; the battleship of | mist.

Country in which Little Nemo shally 1000 GINLS OF TO DAY meets the Princess, almost baffle de

scription. During the engagement of "Little Nemo" at the Auditorium the orches tra is to be augmented to thirty mu sicians. Reservations for the attraction have been made by a large number of people throughout the State, and there will be excursions from a number of outside towns.

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ly different matter. His fees are standardized not by act of parliament, but by that autocratic body, the Royal College of Physicians. His fees for consultation at his own house are fixed at 2 guineas the first visit and guinea for each subsequent one. For consultation away from home he receives a fee at the calculated rate of two-thirds of a guinea a mile.

Elstree, twelve mile- out of town. is ipso facto 8 guineas; Liverpool (201 miles) is 134 guineas and so on prorata. But it must be remembered that nowadays all the big provincial centers have their own specialists and the town man is very seldom sent for unless he be one of the very biggest

fetich, "medical etiquette," and branded a quack by his less lucky brethren. Moreover, when he arrives at a sufficient standing in the ranks of his profession the Royal College of Physicians will not elect him to their all-important fellowship, the crowning qualification of high water mark of his calling. - London Mail.

Veteran Hymn Writers.

Living quietly in retirement at his home at Osterdock, lowa, is Eden Reeder Latta, who is the author of that well known gospel hymn entitled Whiter Than Snow." Mr. Latta has composed between 1,600 and 1,700 hymns and has revised hundreds more He was born in Noble County, Indiana in 1839, and his first poem was published when he was a lad.

Whiter Than Snow," his master piece, has been published and tranlated in several languages for the use of missionaries in foreign lands and "Little Nemo," which is based on the is still popular and to be found in many hymnals. Another popular song, picting the adventures of this remark. "Wandering Away," was written by able young dreamer in Slumberland, Mr. Latta several years ago for the has proved the theatrical sensation of great Baptist evangelist, Dr. Penn of

At Mount Vernon, lowa, resides Rev bert has composed for it and the clever | Louis Hartsough, who wrote "I Hear book that Harry B. Smith has provid. Thy Welcome Voice," another popular ed, but also to the prodigal manner in | gospel hymn which has done much which Klaw & Erlanger have mounted good and has been used with great It and the extraordinary cast they effect at various revival meetings since it was written at Epworth during a revival meeting in the early eighties.

Dr. Hartsough is now past 80, yet is an active religious worker, and each Sunday has a class of forty men. During the war he was stationed in the east and had much to do with the chaplain service in the army.-Minneapolis Journal.

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With possible dissent from a few conservatives it seems to be understood that young American women moving in good society have now more freedom in their association with the other sex than did their mothers, and one of these mothers in commenting on the set of rules drawn up by educators for the young women of Japan governing their relations with the male sex remarked that they were not unlike the rules governing the conduct under similar circumstances of any well brought up American girl, says a writer in the New York Sun.

"It may have been that way once," said her friend. "Present-day rules are far less prohibitory. Take for instance that cautioning against communicating directly with a man and advising 'Don't open yourselves letters which you have received from a stranger.' I remember quite well when in any well-regulated New York family a young daughter was expected to show a letter received from a young man to her mother or chaperon at once, and it was quite correct for mothers to open their young daugh-

Wouldn't Open Daughter's Letters. "Were I to open my daughter's letters she would be simply furious, I admit, and I should consider it a great But the pure physician is an entire | bore to be obliged to read all the notes she gets from young men," said the woman who had first spoken, "At Newport last summer occasionally I would find my daughter absent on a motor or a yachting party with intimate friends or off to play tennis or look at a ball game without saying as much as 'by your leave,' and in every case it was all right. Naturally there were young men in the party or young men joined the party, but invariably married women chaperons were included, so I saw no particular reason why I should have been consulted.

"An introduction to a young man at an entertainment in a private bouse is considered a guaranty that he is a proper person to know. Calling therenames and the case desperate and fore some morning thereafter on young woman and asking her to go If the physician should accept more to the tennis courts or golf links for he transgresses that professional a game, the young woman, if she pleases, consents without consulting

"There has been a noticeable relaxing

in recent years, it is said, of the once stringent rule against two young persons of opposite sex driving together without a chaperon- a rule which at one time applied even to engaged couples. The actions of a popular young daughter of a certain exceedingly gay and popular matron of Newport and other resorts had something to do with it. The girl, in her dubutante year and months before her engagement to one of the wealthlest young men in the country was announced really shocked some of her mother's friends by flying past in the young man's dogrart or runabout, the two laughing like children and evidently enjoying themselves hugely.

Bachelor's Entertalaments.

"A generation ago there was no need for rules relating to visiting bachelor quarters, for the reason that few backelors then entertained in quarters equipped with tea table and other studio appurtenances, whereas now bachelors' entertainments are considered among the pleasantest in the summer program. It goes without saying that these affairs are always chaperoned. even if the chaperons are more apt to be very young than very old matrons. In this respect some of us mothers see room for improvement."

Small Families in France.

The recent census of France disclos-

es some curious information concern-

ing the decrease of population in that country, and gives the number of children in the household as follows: Total number of families11,315,600 Without children 1,804,720 With one child 2,966,171 With two children 2.661,578 With three children 1,613,425 With four children With five children With six children With seven children With eight children 94,729 With nine children With ten children 20,639 With eleven children 8,205

With twelve children

With thirteen children

With fourteen children

With fifteen children With sixteen children With seventeen children With eighteen children There are 19,533,899 women and girls and 18,816,389 men and boys in France, making an excess of 717,510 women and girls. There were about 45,000 less births than deaths in

3,508

1,437

France during the last year. Difference in Time,

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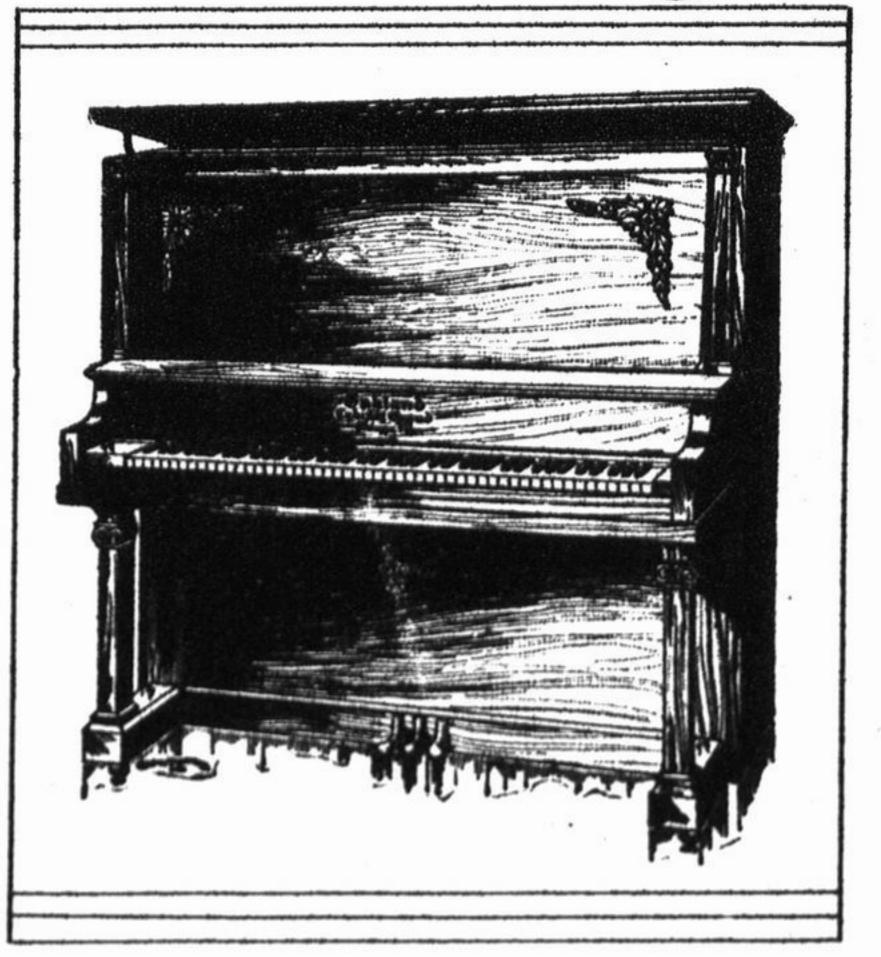
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