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Music and The Drama IN MUSICAL CIRCLES.

In addition to a chorus of male voices, for the rendering of several sea songs, the following ladies and gentleman have so far signified their intention to assist in solos, in the B. K. Club concert Misses Lawlor, Knight, Brennan and Messrs, J. N. Sutherland, Robinson, R. Ritchey, J. Kelley, Dr. Daniel, J. Sutherland, Hegan. The programme will be chiefly of a nautical character. Harrison's orchestra will also assist.

Mrs. Andrews the fortunate posseseor of a very sweet and well trained voice, is visiting this city, and many of the triends made during a previous visit have again had ing with much success singing in Europe. the pleasure of hearing her sing. Mrs. Andrews is the leading soprano in a church in Massachusetts.

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Gwilym Miles, will doubtless prove a very strong attraction to music lovers, when he appears here next month. There is nothing definite yet, concerning the programme for his concert.

Tones and Undertones.

This is what a Boston paper says of a gentleman referred to several weeks ago in this department and to whom several St. John people had the pleasure of listening one evening, though neither he nor his pupil Miss Maud Richards who accompanied him sang here in public: 'Mr. F. W. Wodell of the Pierce building, Copley square, Boston, this summer, made a successful concert tour in Nova Scotia. He sang in St. John, Amberst, Digby, Halifax and other towns, and received high praise from the critics. The Halifax Herald said : 'Mr. Wodell has a baritone voice of fine quality, range and power, and sings in a most finished manner.' Several promising pupils are to come to Mr. Wodell from the Provinces this season. He begins teaching Sept. 12. As is well known, Mr. Wodell is a successful voice trainer. His method is his own, though based upon the principles of the Italian school which stands first for beauty of tone and a genuine legato. next for power and compass. Here is a charming story about Verdi just hot from Italy says the Westminster Gazette. A farmer living in the depths of country was very desirous to hear one of the illustrious composer's operas. So, better late than never, he took his fare, traveled up to Milan, and, securing a good seat, heard "Aida." He was very much disappointed, and wrote to Verdi to say so, adding that he did not like the music at all, and that under these circumstances he hoped that Verdi would see the reasonableness of at once returning him his money. There was his rail fare, his ticket of admission and his supper at Milan, for which he inclosed the bill. The grand old maestro entered fully into the humor of the situation. He wrote back a polite letter, regretting that his music had failed to please and inclosing the rail fare and the price of admission. But he added that as the farmer would have had to provide himself with supper at home, he could not admit the justice of that part of his claim, and he absolutely declined to pay for his supper at Milan. The maestro added that he hoped the farmer would never come up sgain to hear any of his music, as he could not promise to refund him a second time. And then we talk about people growing old ! But here is a man close upon 90, a practical farmer kimself, who retains all the liveliness of a farceur and the sound heart of a boy.

Jean Gerardy, the cellist, will take part in the Patti tour in the English provinces and will play at the Liverpool Philbarmonic concert Dec. 6.

George Henschel has been granted a patent for an improvement in pianos.

Bernard Stavenhagen will begin bis engagment as conductor at the Munich opera house Oct 1.

De Pachmann's reading of the Chopin B minor sonata has been accepted in London as superior to that of either Eugen D'Albert or Herr Liebling.

Emma Esmes will remain at her Italian villa until O:t. 1.

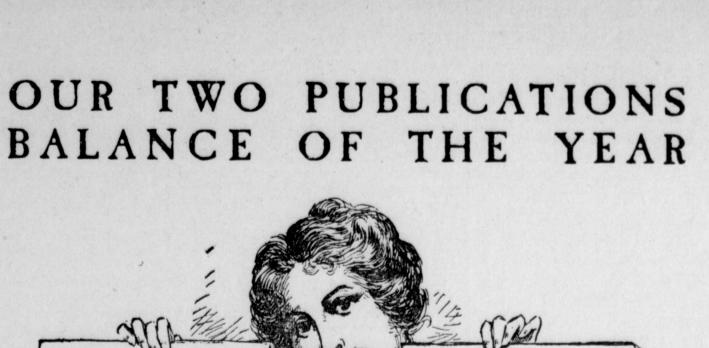
Miss Esther Palliser, the American singer, who has made such a reputation in London, is contemplating a tour of the United States next season.

Albert Gerard-Thiers is said to be meet-

TALK OF THE THEATRE.

Large and well pleased audiences have attended the Miles Stock Company's excellent performances at the Opera House this week. On Labor Day, the S. R. O sign was in evidence long before the afternoon or evening performances began. A feature of the week was the production on Tuesday evening of a play At the Mercy of Crooks, written by Mr. Butler, a clever member of the company. Other engagements prevented my witnessing it, but I understand; it went with a swing and dash and was full of interest from start to finish. I believe after all there is considerable in a name, and I must confess to a little prejudice against the one Mr. Bntler has chosen for his play. I junderstand At The Mercy of Crooks is to be repeated during the week.

The company has produced several new plays this week, and all have been well received. A number of the sailors from the H. M. S. Indefatigable were present at the theatre on Wednesday evening, and enlivened things somewhat, by their hilarious ways. They were feeling





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The list of pianists announced to play in America this season comprises Emil Sauer, Josseffy, Rosenthal, Fanny Bloomfield-Zeisler, Siloti, Sherwood, Aus der Ohe, Madeline Schiller, E. A. Macdowell, George Liebling, Godowsky, Constantin von Sternberg and Richard Burmeister.



pretty good, and the song specialties caught their fancy to such an extent that they lent the singers every assistance. The company will play here next week by special arrangement and should prove a good attraction for visitors to the city next week.

A performance of Under the British Flag will be given Saturday evening in honor of. and under the distinguished patronage of Capt. Primrose and officers of H. M. S. Indefatigable. This no doubt will be sufficient to pack the opera house, and of course it goes without saying that it will be a very brilliant event, and unusual here too.

"A Female! Drummer" is a "crackerack" the boys say.

Maud Adams opens her season Monday in Troy In "The Little Minister."

"A Stranger in New York" tollows Roland Reed at the Boston Museum next week.

Augustin Daly has secured the American rights to A. W. Pinero's next work.

Sol Smith Russell's season in "Martha Morton's comedy "Uncle Dick" will begin Sept. 26.

Lillan Russell is mentioned to play Marie Tempest's part in "The Greek Slave" in London.

The regular winter season at the Castle Square, Boston, opens this week. "Led Astray" is the play.

Mlle. Anna Held will shortly be seen in a new French comedy, secured during her recent trip to Paris.

Adelaide Hermann has a new act for this season, in which she says she will make 50 changes in 10 minutes.

The tour of the Rogers Brothers in John J. McNally's new comedy, "A Reign of Error' began this week at New Haven, Ot.

Edward J. Ratcliffe contemplates heading a company of his own this season in a play by John E. McCann entitled "Punchinello."

George W. Brennan, formerly a Boston newspaper man, has leased the Third Avenue theatre, New York, and will open it with a stock company Sept. 24.

Jane Hading is negotiating for a trip to this country in 1899 with an English company She speaks our language and will have her regular repertory translated.

It is said that Sadie Martinot's disrobing in the first act costume of Glory Quayle in CHAS. K. CAMERON & CO. act in "The Turtle," which opened last It is a powerful alterative and diuretic. Pur-ifies the Blood and Cures Liver and Stomach troubles. Revives the energies and spirits. It is a tonic and Blood Purifier. Price 75c. per bottle. Prepared only by Monday night at the Manhattan theatre in 77 King Street. sea boots, a short skirt, a sailor's coat, a New York, outstrips anything before Manx Knit "jersey" and a "stocking cap" shown on the American stage. **\$7** to **\$10** a Week in leasure hours; any one can do the work. We want reliable families in every locality to help us manufacture Children's Toques, Gaunt-lets and Bicycle Leggings for the trade, by a new process. No canvassing or ex-perience required. Steady work, good pay, whole or spare time. Write to-day. Address, THE CO-OPERATIVE KNITTING Co., 15 Leader Lane, Toronto. which make a most romantic costume Mr. Mervin Dallas, the distinguished Miss Allen had an old Manx woman knit English actor, has been engaged by Liebl-ALLAN the "jersey" for her during her recent visit er & Co. managers of Viola Allen, to play to Hall Caine at Greeba Castle, Isle of Chemist and Druggist. Lord Storm in, and to act as stage manager of "The Christian." 35 King Street. **Telephone 239** TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Miss Grace Mae Lamkin, a Boston girl, Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All Re-Have you tried my delicious Phosphate and Cream Soda ? Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. who was a leading member of the Criterion

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club before she adopted the stage as a profession has been engaged as leading lady in the Batlimore Lyceum Stock company for this season.

W. A. Brady announces that if either Richard Mansfield's or Augustin Daly's production of 'Cyrano de Bergerac" proves a success he will send out six companies to produce his own version of play in various parts of the United States.

Mr. Charles Coghlan will arrive in New York from his summer home in Souris, P. E. I., next Tuesday and will then assume personal control of the rehearsals of "The Royal Box," which have heretofore been conducted by Stage manager Claude Brooke.

Jacob Litt is organizing a company of Germans to play "In Old Kentucky" in that language in Berlin, Vienna and other continental cities. Laura Burt will play her original part in the production and is now brushing up her German in preparation.

James A. Herne has rewritten his play "Rev. Griffith Davenport," and he will produce it this season. He is also rewriting his first successful play "Hearts of Oak" and will give that an elaborate production in November. Mr. Herne will not go out in "Shore Acres" this season.

YOU FEEL TIRED IF als at the Hollis Street theatre this week and open their season a month later in De-CRAPE, SILK AND JET. TRY A BOTTLE OF OUR troit. The repertory will include "Ingo-ALSO mar," "As you Like It," a new version of CELERY "Camille," Thomas Bailey Aldrich's "Mercedes," "Infidele" from the Italian, NERVE and "A Lady of Quality." It is said that this will be Miss Arthur's last season on Orders by mail will receive prompt and careful attention. the stage. TONIC. Miss Viola Allen has been photographed

Roland Reed is hurrying along the new Man. Mr. Caine will arrive in this counplay which Madeline Lucette Ryley is writing for him. "A Distinguished Guest" has not proven such a success as he had

hoped. In fact it seems the most noteworthy feature of the first production at the Museum in last week was Isadore Rush's gowns.

Julia Arthur promises an innovation when she appears as Rosalind in "As You Like it.' In the last act of the play, instead of assuming an elaborate court dress, as is usually done, Miss Arthur reasons that the heroice would have no such gar nent with her, and will don a simple peasant's gown. Mrs. McKee Rankin has been specially engaged for "The Turtle," a farcical comedy, not so slow which introduces W. J, Ferguson, M. A. Kennedy, Henry Bergman, George Leelie, Sadie Martinot, Agnes Findlay, Merri Osborne and other skilled players, at the Manhattan theatre, New York.

Frank Daniels has arranged for a revival of "The Wizard of the Nile" to use with "The Idol's Eye" next season. He will make a tour of the large cities of the East and then go West to play a three months' engagement on the Pacific coast. This will be Daniel's first appearance on the Pacific coast since he left farce comedy.

Julia Artbur's company begins rehears-

try on Sept. 10, and will be present at the first production of the piece at the Nation al theatre, Washington, Sept. 26.

> Boston will have another theatre this season called the Gaiety. The property is located in South Boston, and is rapidly being remodeled from a church into a cosy little theatre of about 800 capacity. The entrance will be greatly improved, a new stage built and fitted with scenery by W. F. Hamilton of the Columbia theatre. The house will present refined variety, and, it is thought, will appeal strongly to the large number of local theatregoers. Two shows daily will be presented. R. C. Sanborn will manage the house.-New York Clipper.

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