

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Orpheum to-night.
NEW SAILOR HATS at Sachs.
 The Amateur Orchestra plays this evening.
THE PEOPLE'S PROVIDERS, Sachs & Co.
 The Board of Health meets this afternoon.
 The band plays at Thomas Square this evening.
R and G CORSET are the best. Sachs & Co., Agents.
 The First Regiment had a capital moonlight drill last night.
SPECIAL SALE of Ladies Muslim Underwear at Sachs.
 Congratulations to Albert McGurn and his wife on their wedding.
 The Hongkong Maru was telephoned off Koko Head at 1:30 this afternoon.
 500 Dozen Towels, 75c a Dozen, at L. B. Kerr's Departure Sale.
 The Toyo Maru sailed for Japan yesterday with 150 returned Japanese laborers.
 Portugal has followed in the line of fashion with earthquake shocks in the interior.
 10,000 pieces Valenciennes Laces, all New Patterns, at L. B. Kerr's Departure Sale.
 There was a very jolly luau in Nuuanu valley yesterday. Many happy returns of the day for the "keiki."
 The Council of State recommended pardons for four Chinese and one Portuguese, Manuel Freitas, whose sentences had nearly expired.
 Albert McGurn, the handsomest officer on the force, is now a benedict. He will now do the "stand up" business and not order "editors" around, as he used to do.
 A few unimportant cases were disposed of in the District Court this morning. Judge, prosecutor and clerk took a rest and the acting Chinese interpreter took several chairs, and a fee.
 Rev. V. H. Kiteat was thrown from his horse on Monday on Tantalus and severely bruised. By great good fortune he escaped with his life, as the horse fell back but some rocks prevented the weight from resting on him.
 Sailors and landlubbers, soldiers and civilians flock to the Anchor Saloon, because they are well treated in the cosy room of that establishment and a rved with first class beer high grade liquors and the favorite drink Canadian Malt Whiskey.
 A jury entered a verdict of not guilty in the case of Mr. Higby, the plantation lina charged with assault and battery. The case had gained some notoriety, but through the masterly defense of Mr. C Creighton the innocence of the man was proven and he was acquitted.
 The people who have not yet seen the graceful contortionist at the Orpheum or listened to the sweet voices of Miss Leslie and Miss Dixon ought to get a free seat at the next missionary excursion party. At the Orpheum there are always lots of joy, clever acting, fine voices and finer shapes. Hurrah for the Orpheum!

A Bowl Came Back.

There are people who say that this is not an honest community and that bowls and umbrellas, etc., will be "borrowed" never to be returned. Geo. D. borrowed a valuable bowl (value 10 cents) from Geo. C. exactly 12 years ago. It was filled with poi then, and he needed it. Yesterday the bowl was returned without the poi and George C. is singing the cosmopolitan song, "The bowl came back."

Dewey Sick on His Ship.

PARIS, Aug. 15.—The anarchist organ Le Journal du Peuple says that, in relation to the outrage on M. Labori the anarchists will hold General Mercier and MM. Drumont, Rochefort and Judet as hostages and personally responsible for anything done against the anarchists.

English Cricketers Score Heavily.

"This civilizing war talk is all a sham. Any people can maintain as good a government as they have a right to have and you cannot give them a better one."

A PRODIGAL FATHER.

A Festive Evening at the Opera House.

There was a good attendance at the opera house last evening to greet the second performance of the Moore-Roberts Company, and the hearty reception given to the company in "The Prodigal Father" augurs well for future performances.

Everyone knows the rollicking farce comedy presented. It is not a brain-wearying production, abounding in intricate finesse and requiring undivided attention to unravel a delicate plot; but it is full of fun and frivolity, mirth and jollity and one that drives the cobwebs of business troubles away with breezy laughter. Amusing complications ensue through "a very naughty old man" pursuing a vaudeville actress in Africa instead of his researches among the fauna. An amiable, satirical faun among the nymphs of the ballet with a son possessing a family failing in the same amiable direction, coupled with the dangerous experiment of public notoriety emblazoned on a tissue of "yellow journalism."

The house, led by the discreet and critical gods, applauded continuously and vociferously immediately they caught on to the fun, the witty phrases and dialogues and catchy songs. There was nothing half-hearted in their genuine enjoyment and all had the good sense to testify to their inward appreciation of the merits of the play and the performers. The encouraged actors showed their metal and supported excellently well.

Mr. H. R. Roberts, to our mind, was the life and soul of the play as Mr. Stanley Dodge, the flirtatious old reprobate and mendacious traveler. It is a rare treat to watch so clever and finished an actor thoroughly up in his part. In has aplomb, coolness, excitability, versatility, quaintness, thoughtfulness, stage gymnastics and refined deportment. He occasionally reminded us very strongly of dear, old Charles Matthews, of our youthful days—He whose universality was almost imitable.

And Maggie Moore, next to Lotta Crabtree, the beloved of Frisco in the early sixties, the adored of the stricter pioneers in the days when San Francisco boasted of that splendid stock company of the old California Theater and the lighter joys of Gilbert's melodion; what shall we say of her? Time has touched her lightly, even if she has handed to him some of the lissomeness of sprightly youth. Her ability has ripened with years and her welcome in her beloved birth-place, as a daughter of the Golden Gate, is assured. Bold and dashing as ever and with a mastery over her voice that is almost phenomenal, she still holds the stage as a mistress of fun and an adept at pleasing. She has the happy gift of recalling pleasant memories with the promise of creating many more. That she has already made herself a popular favorite here was proved by the extremely hearty reception accorded to her last evening, and we doubt not but that she will increase the friendly sentiment on Thursday evening next in '49.

The support was even and clever and we missed that amateurish stagginess that has unfortunately too often accompanied many of our visiting companies in which stars have striven to shine alone, to their own financial detri-

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ment and the public's disgust. The cast was as follows:
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 Catesby Duff, a man of the world Herbert Ashton
 Smith, Dodge's valet
 W. J. Townshend
 Rev. Midway Smiles, recently imported Percy Ward
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