BUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

"The Marquis" at the Chesnut. The Marquis: or, the False and the True, which was produced at the Chesnut Street Theatre last evening, before a large and appreciative audience, is an adaptation from the French of Victorien Sardou, by Mrs. E. Edwards Lewis of this city. The language and situations of the original have been changed in a number of places, and the last act is almost entirely the production of Mrs. Lewis, so that the piece is substantially a new one, based upon Sardou's model, and the American dramatist is entitled to much of the credit for such merits as it possesses. The Marquis is a French melodrama of the better class: that is, it is picturesque and impossible, but entertaining in spite of, or perhaps because of, its extravagance. It is to be compared with such pieces as The Corsican Brothers and Pauline rather than with such as Frou-Frou or Fernande, and if extravagant in its plot and incidents, it at least has the merit of not being vulgar, as too many of the old-fashioned bloody melodramas are. The plot is considerably involved, and contains a proper proportion of the deep mystery and the desperate villainy without which such a play would be worth nothing. There is a Marquis who is supposed to have been assassinated; his son, whe has disappeared from the sight and knowledge of his relatives; another Marquis who mourns the loss of a brother and a nephew, but, nevertheless, finds time to attend to his toilet; a villain who had attempted to assassinate Marquis No. 1: a fair lady with whom all the male characters in the play are in love, and a variety of subordinate personages who ald in unravelling the intricacles of the plot, which turns upon the attempt of the heavy villain, "Count d'Alvimar, 'to gain the hand of the heroine, "Laura de Belle," and the frustration of an attempt on his part to compel her to accept him by intra-

his father, the supposed-to-be-assassinated who appears upon "Marquis." scene under the name of "Edgar," as the leader of a band of musicians who attend upon the festivities of the Chateau de Biant on the occasion of the heroine, "Laura de Belle," choosing a husband, which she is compelled to do by the will of her father, at a certain hour on a certain day, or else be disinherited. The fair "Laura" fixes her affections upon "Edgar," in spite of his supposed humble birth, and the "Count d'Alvimar" is of course highly enraged, and is, moreover, vexed because his nobility will not permit him to cross swords with a plebelan. His fighting proclivities are gratified, however, by discovering that "Edgar" is his equal in rank, but before the hostile meeting comes off, the old Marquis "Frederick" encounters D'Alvimar" and disarms him, but spares his life. "Edgar" then proclaims himself to be the lost Marquis of Bois Dore, and denounces "D'Alvimar" for having attempted his assassination. The villain, furlous at being unmasked, draws his sword and rushes upon "Edgar," but is satisfactorily killed before he does any damage, and then all goes as "merry as a marriage-bell."

ding into her chamber at night, through the in-

tervention of "Mario," the lost heir, and

The plot of the drama is ingenious and entertaining, and there are a number of highly dramatic situations, while each act concludes with an effective tableau. The performance last evening was in many respects creditable: but justice was scarcely done the piece, owing to the injudicious manner in which several of the characters were cast. "Edgar," the leading part, was either not understood or it was very carelessly played by Mr. Thorne, who made very little use of a number of fine opportunities offered him for vigorous and picturesque acting. This part, in the play as written, is one of considerable strength, but as performed by Mr. Thorne it was almost of secondary importance. and failed to make the impression it should have done. The heavy villain "D'Alvimar," another first rate acting character, was entirely out of Mr. Metkiff's line, and it did not receive the justice it would have done at the hands of a more energetic actor. The success of the piece depended in a very large measure upon the proper presentation of these two parts, and it is to be regretted that they were not better done. Miss Glover, who personated "Laura de Belle." was scarcely forcible enough, but otherwise her performance was worthy of commendation. The best effort was decidedly that of Mrs. Davenport, who sustained the character of the boy "Mario" in a remarkably artistic manner, and in effect made it the leading role. Mr. Phillips is also entitled to commendation for an excellent representation of the old Marquis "Frederick."

The Marquis was placed upon the stage in creditable style, and it was costumed with much elegance and good taste. It achieved a fair amount of success last evening, the strong points being readily recognized by the audience. and with more vigorous representatives of the two principal male characters than it had last evening, it will make an excellent stock piece for occasional production.

The City Amusements. AT THE CHESNUT the new drama, by Mrs. E. Edwards Lewis, of The Marquis; or, False and True, will be repeated this evening. It wiil also be given at the matinee to-morrow. To-morrow evening The Merchant of Venice

and Robert Macaire will be performed.

AT THE WALNUT the pantomime of The Three Hunchbacks will be repeated this A matinee to-morrow.

A matinee to-morrow.
On Monday M'lle Marie Bonfanti, the celebrated danseuse, will appear.
AT THE ARCH Lotta will have a farewell benefit this evening, when she will appear as "Paul" in The Pet of the Petticoats and as "Liddy Lanigan" in Family Jars.

AT THE ASSEMBLY BUILDINGS the panorama of "Ireland" will be exhibited this evening. A matinee to-morrow.

At the Museum, Ninth and Arch streets, the spectacle of Cherry and Fair Star will be

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AT THE AMERICAN a family performance will

be given this evening.

A family matinee to-morrow.

PONEYVILLE LECTURES.—The members of the "Poneyville Bar" will be introduced to the public through the medium of a lecture, to be delivered at Concert Hall this evening by Wiltiam L. Dennis, Esq. Mr. Dennis is sure to be appreciated in his efforts to a nuse and instruct is audience, which fact should warrant a full attendance.

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PONEYVILLE LECTURES.—WILLIAM L. DENNIS will deliver his new Lecture, enti-CELEBRITIES OF THE PONEYVILLE BAR, at CONCERT HALL, FRIDAY EVENING, April 7, at 8 o'clock. Tickets at Gould & Fischer's Music Store, Chesnut street Admission, 50 cts. Reserved seats, 75 cts. 4 5 3t*

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FROM THE WEST.

Particulars of the Burning of the Female

CINCINNATI, April 7 .- A special to the Times, from Oxford, says no lives were lost by the burning of the Western Female College. Three young ladies, named Goodfellow, Badard, and Wilson, were severely hurt by leaping from the second-story window. The building was insured for \$75,000, which will rebuild it.

There were one hundred and seventy-five inmates in the building at the time of the catastrophe. During the early morning hours the village presented a sorrowful spectacle; some of the young girls had lost nearly everything in the shape of personal clothing; while others were wandering about with a scanty supply of apparel, with no relatives to sympathize with them, and almost wholly dependent on comparative strangers for board and lodging. The liberality of the place was, however,

equal to the occasion. Tge Wisconsin Election. MILWAUKEE, April 7 .- Returns from all parts of the State indicate that the Hon. W. P. Lyon will receive ten thousand majority for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

FROM NEW YORK.

The Great Fire in Albany. ALBANY, April 7 .- The books of the concern and valuables from the safe, and most of the law, medical, legislative, and miscellaneous volumes issued by the house, and on the first floor, were removed in safety; but, with these exceptions, it was found impossible to save anything from the sudden ruin. Over three hundred people are thrown out of employment, while Weed, Parsons & Co. sustain a loss of

\$160,000. NEW YORK, April 7 .- The office of District-Attorney Garvin was entered by thieves last night, who endeavored to obtain certain valuable papers. They failed in their efforts.

\$350,000 above the insurance, which amounts to

The Chamber of Chamber Committee for the relief of the suffering population of France held a meeting this afternoon. Charles H. Marshall, chairman, stated that in consequence of speculation in provisions entered into after France was reopened to commerce, and the sudden influx of supplies previously purchased by the Government for its use, as soon as communications should be restored, there is now, superabundant tood supply in the country. New 5 Per Cent, United

Reports from the committee's agents abroad state that in Paris there has been considerable waste of perishable articles, and that at Havre and other points there was no sale for either provisions or breadstuffs. Nevertheless there is still much suffering

among the people, especially in places where. for want of sufficient means of transportation, relief can only be sent in the form of money. For these reasons it has been found desirable to convert into cash the supplies already sent out by the committee, as well as those still remaining on hand in this city awaiting transportation. A resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Committee to take that course, and another directing the publication of a detailed

mittee. - The Broad Aze is the quaint title of a paper published at Cleversburg, Pa. It should have been called the Cleversburg Cleaver. -Postage stamps of the denomination of seven cents have been issued by the Govern-ment. They are designed especially to prepay letters to Germany, seven cents being the rate

report of the proceedings of the Relief Com-

to that country.

—A farmer in Alameda, Cal., reports that he has carefully compared the seasons of Central America and Mexico with those of California for the past fifteen years, and that he has found that they are very much alike, and that the wet season of those southern countries precedes that of California some time, and is a criterion by which to judge the latter. If their rains are scanty and late, or the contrary, the same, he

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