

## MUSEUM NOTES.

*Managers of Museums will please send list of attractions each week for this column, and any other items of interest.*

Peoples' Dime Museum, Cincinnati: Circassian beauty contests and Harry Webber's "Nip and Tuck" Combination.

Dime Museum, Kansas City: The attractions are: The Lilliputian Queen, the long-bearded man, the giant bearded lady, and the Mexican wild boy.

Harris' Museum, Cincinnati: Baby Venus, a troupe of Zulus, the elephant boy, Edison's talking machine. In the lecture hall: Hartz, magician; the prismatic fountain, and Victorelli, juggler.

Dime Museum, Washington, D. C., April 21: The Zouave children, Matthews and Harris, Thorne and Willetts, DeWitt Cooke, Mulletley and Moreland, Dilks and Gray, the Preston Sisters, and the comedietta, "Rural Simplicity."

Dime Museum, Ottawa, Can., week of April 21: Quaker City Quartette, Laird, Ernest, Hanson and Graham; John Williams, The Hearts, Nelson Curry, Charles Mauritius; Dollie Sharpe, and Sam Lang. Business continues good.

Dime Museum, Detroit: This being the last week of the "Passion Play," Col. Milligan announces that some startling sights are to be seen next week. A person can for ten cents obtain as much fun at the Dime as elsewhere for five times the amount.

Drew's Dime Museum, Cleveland, O.: The attractions at the museum last week were large, and they drew large audiences. This week they will present Eli Bowen, the legless man, who has feet growing from the hips; Victor Jerome, the boneless man, who has possession of all his faculties; Dick James, the mastodon man, and a number of other attractions. Next week Miss Lucia Zarate, who is 21 years old and weighs four and three-fourth pounds.—*Cleveland cor.*

Dime Museum, Providence, R. I.: Attractions this week are: The Two Blatts, men fish; Sir Walter H. Stuart, legless and armless; Hiawanda, iron jaw; Harry DeCoursey, tattooed man; John C. Leech, Chinese character; Maggie Day, songstress; Chas. and Bly Harris, German characters; Harry Binns, character vocalist; Walter Stanton, farm yard imitator; Webber and Field, song and dance; Coraline, Circassian; Adams Sisters; Lizzie Sturgeon; and Sullivan's miniature salt works.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" has been the cardinal attraction at the museum, Washington, D. C., this week, and, strange to say, the business has proved greater than the previous week. The olio, though, was strengthened by the addition of Dilks and Grey, James Marlow, Mills and Adams, and Mareo and Lewis. As stated last week, the good old play was put on nicely, and considering every thing, it was one of the most satisfactory representations produced in this city for a long time. The museum portion of the cosy building is as attractive as ever. The managers have not experienced a losing week this season.—*Washington cor.*

Bunnell's Museum: The "Frisco" quartet made a great hit here last week. Their singing was very fine, and they received three or four encores at each performance. The attractions for the ensuing week are: Grace Courtland, the "Witch of Wall Street;" the "Big Little Four;" Gregory Brothers, gymnasts; Mary Milton, dancer; Chas. Diamond, the Milanese minstrel; Wentworth, contortionist; Phillips and Sherwood, sketch artists; T. F. Grant, one-legged dancer; DeWitt and Kerwin, musical performers. The "Witch of Wall Street" will distribute from the balcony on Monday afternoon, the 21st inst., \$20 in nickels and pennies. Business booming.



#### 4-26-1884 CIRCUSES.

Barnum's Greatest Show, Philadelphia, April 21, two weeks. Washington, D. C., May 5, 6; Baltimore, Md., 7, 8, 9, 10.

Dr. Thayer's New York and Trans-Continental Shows, Lafayette, Ind., May 1.

Cole's Circus, St. Louis, Mo., 21, one week; Kansas City, 28; Topeka, Kan., 29; Abilene, 30; Salina, May 1; Manhattan, 2; Lawrence, 3; Leavenworth, 5; Atchison, 6; St. Joe, Mo., 7; Hiawatha, Kan., 8; Marysville, 9; Beatrice, Neb., 10.

Nebraska City, 12; York, 13; Lincoln, 14; Plattsburgh, 15; Omaha, 16.

Doris' Circus, in Belleville, Ill.

E. H. Babbitt's Royal Hippodrome, at Freeport, Pa.

Forepaugh's Circus, Philadelphia, Pa., 21, 22, 23, 24.

Hunting and Washburn's Circus, in Greensburg, Pa.

Hilliard and Maine's Circus, in Chicopee, Kansas.

John O'Brien's Circus and Menagerie, at Frankford, Pa.

Martell & Co.'s Consolidated Circus, Neosho Falls, Kan., 26; Colony, 28; Leroy, 29; Burlington, 30; Key West, May 1; Lyndon, 2; Osage City, 3; Reading, 5; Americus, 6; Dunlap, 7; Council Grove 8.

Old John Robinson's Circus, Hillsboro, O., 24; Chillicothe, 26; Waverly, 28; Portsmouth, 30; Athens, May 1; Nelsonville, 2; Logan, 3.

Robbins (F. A.), Heightstown, 24; Bordentown, 25; Lambertville, 26.

Robbins (Burr) Circus, Janesville, Wis., May 1; Beloit, 2; Woodstock, 3; Elgin, 5; Rockford, 6; Freeport, 7; Dixon, 8; Mendota, 9; LaSalle, 10.

S. H. Barrett's Circus, Christianburg, 24; Wytheville, 25; Bristol, Tenn., 26; Morristown, 28.

Sells Brothers' Circus, Covington, Ky., 24; Paris, 25; Maysville, 26; Richmond, 28; Winchester, 29; Lexington, 30; Frankfort, May 1; Louisville, 2, 3.

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#### Circus Notes.

Jumbo is the biggest and best natured of elephants.

The Barnum show gave out three flour barrels full of silver last Wednesday pay-day.

Chang goes to China next summer, and will spend \$40,000 during the pleasure trip.

Billy Shepard opens with Donaldson's consolidated shows at Bay City, Mich., on May 6.

The Morello Brothers, champion head balancers can be engaged by a first-class circus. See card.

Barnum has presented Admiral Dot with a gold-headed cane, once the property of Tom Thumb.

The big show's bearded lady has a pet rat which, at her bidding, sets up, walks on its hind legs and does other cute tricks.



Four additional chains have been put on Barnum's dangerous elephant "Glen," who lately tried to walk over everybody in the reserved seat department.

Barnum's traveling physician is at work on the museum people's eyes. All of the Indians and the skeleton women needed not the slightest treatment.

Jumbo's keeper stationed a boy within the ropes especially to count the number of peanuts Jumbo ate in one day. The scheme was a failure—the boy, during a conversation between his employer and an elderly lady went to see the other circus attractions.

May Stewart, of the Barnum show, during the second turn in the hurdle race Easter Friday, caught her foot in a projective pillar and broke her leg, being at the same time thrown from the horse. Two years ago the same day, Mattie Jackson met with a similar misfortune.

Lew Davenport, of the Davenport Brothers Barnum show, was sick abed the three last days of last week with a severe cold. He is up again and appearing with usual excellence this week in Philadelphia. Lew says he is positive that White Beaver's Cough Cream cured him.

During the Easter Friday chariot races at the Barnum show, one of the four black entries, a horse noted for remarkable beauty, fell dead just above the judge's stand. The animal being removed from the track and another being put in its place, the race was finished, the new entry being one of the four which won.

Frank Crosley and Luproil, of the Barnum show, are ever testing one another's circus ability. Luproil last week bet Crosley that he could turn a forward somersault nineteen feet. The bet was taken up and Luproil sailed through the air. Crosley, however, won the wager, Luproil having succeeded in reaching only ten feet.

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### **THE O'BRIEN BROTHERS.**

These two well-known acrobats are freely conceded by everyone who has seen them to be the kings of their profession. The vast number of perilous tricks which they perform place them beyond the pale of imitation or competition. They have performed in all the places of amusement from Maine to California, and everywhere have been received with favor. The past season they have been with the Wheatley, Traynor and Kernell Brothers Combination, making a great success.—See page 385.