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Information relative to the whereabouts of fifteen-year-old Minnie Blazer is revealing itself more each day and now it is all but a certainty that the lass has been disposed of in Chicago to the perpetrators of the white slave traffic, by the Kizer woman, who for several months was in Decatur. It has developed that the Kizer woman dressed Minnie in an abbreviated costume and placing her in the care of a conductor, instructing that she be put off the train at Chicago. It is the opinion of those conversant with the circumstances surrounding the case that a white slave agent awaited her arrival in the Windy city. All evidence obtainable at this time points to the conclusion that the Kizer woman is a confederate of the white slave traffic and that she is engaged in the damnable profession of enticing young girls from their home and selling them to the unscrupulous landlords who hold them in the bondage of the most debased of sin for a few paltry dollars. Not a word has been heard from Minnie for nine weeks. A letter has been written to the Chicago chief of police in which an appeal is made for the recovery of the girl and until an answer is received no further plans will be made for the hunt of the girl.

### A GREAT HORSE SHOW

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Stockton, Cal., Aug. 25.

Decatur Democrat:—We left Chicago June 16th and opened in Spokane, Wash., June 21st. Spent a very pleasant week there. Met Chicago friends there and took dinner with them on several occasions. Our next stop for a week was at Seattle, Wash. Was out to the exposition four different times and seen all there was to see of interest. Hastily packing our baggage after the show Saturday night in Seattle, took the boat Princess Victoria up Puget Sound to Vancouver, B. C., and played a week's engagement there. While there the whole party, nineteen of us, made up a coaching party using the large English tallyho coach and went out to Stanley Park and visited the big trees one of which is the largest in the world, being 1,700 years old and three generations of Indians were raised under its branches.

From Vancouver we took the steamer again back to Seattle, spent Sunday there and then went to Tacoma, Wash., for a week. We visited everything of interest in Tacoma, which by the way is a very beautiful city, with a magnificent harbor. Here is a city where a person can invest in real estate and nearly double their money in five years. From Tacoma we went to Portland, Oregon, the city of roses, and while there had the pleasure of meeting the boy with the perpetual smile—Chas. Elzey. We spent four days with himself and wife and had an enjoyable time, but of course Charlie has told you all about it. From Portland we went to Sacramento, Cal., passing on the way Mt. Shasta, noted the world over for its spring water. In Sacramento we found it very hot during the day, but at night when the sun went down it was delightful, the evenings being extremely cool. Here we visited the state capitol which is a beautiful structure, surrounded by a park composed of palm trees and flowers. While here Police Sergeant O'Connor who by the way was a good fellow, took us out slumming one night after the show. He took us all through Chinatown, Chinese gambling houses, also through the Chinese Masonic temple. Also visited the jail, the oldest one in California. We also visited the Tenderloin and dance houses, which were a sight to see. There were seventeen of us in the party, six of whom were ladies, including my wife. We wound up at a large cafe at 2 a. m. and had delightful lunch and refreshments. We met eastern friends here as we have so far in every city we have played. Our next stand was Frisco, playing a week at the Empire theater, and one at the Star theater. Here we found the weather so cool we were compelled to get our winter wraps and coats out. We spent one whole day out at Golden Gate park, which by the way is ten miles long. Also spent one morning out at the Cliff House and sat quite a while on the veranda in those large shell-like basket chairs, with large marine glasses watching the seals on Seal Rock. Also took a stroll over the beach here and saw a dead seal, which had washed ashore. Killed no doubt by some of its mates. We visited the city hall ruins which cost six millions to build. It is the worst wreck I ever saw. We crawled under some of the girders, that is my son Clifford and I, and secured some relics. They have been working at the ruins for three years to clear the ruins and you cannot see that they have made any headway. Now in regards to the fire here, they do not speak of it as the earthquake, always the fire and the business people you meet try to belittle it, but we know better, as we have talked with hundreds of eye witnesses and the outside world never knew the real horror of it. They are finding bodies every day in the ruins but it is a fine to have it mentioned in the papers; also as to the shocks which happen every day or two. We could write a very interesting book, from what we have heard from actual sufferers. The people are uneasy all the time, expecting another hard shock at any time. Wherever there are large ruins they are surrounded by high bill boards, so that strangers cannot see the deadly destruction that took place. Last week when we were playing the Star theater in San Francisco, we lived out in the Mission district, corner of Mission and 24th street. We saw the ruins of the old Spanish Dolores Mission. This part of the city was not damaged by fire, but every brick and stone structure crumbled to pieces. From our windows at the hotel we could see the spire of Emanuel Baptist church, where Theodore Duran killed those two girls, Williams and Lamont, whose nude bodies were found one in the belfry and the other in the studio. We visited this church one morning and saw where one of the bodies was found. We are now playing this week in Stockton, only 90 miles from Frisco and the weather here is terribly hot during the day. Here in Stockton is the large state insane asylum and we are going all through it tomorrow morning. In this asylum are hundreds

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