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(Left to right) William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Ned Buntline, and "Texas Jack" Omohundro costumed for their appearance in Ned's play "The Scouts of the Prairie," first performed in Chicago on December 16, 1872. "The critics wrote mocking reviews, but even though 'Buffalo Bill' managed to forget all his lines the audiences loved it." (See the "Buntline Special" article, p. 119; cover photo *courtesy* of the author.)