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" boys Whll be boys"

## L’Envoi of Baseball

W HEN earth's last ball game is ended and the bats are all put aside,
When the oldest catcher is toothless and the youngest pitcher has died,
We shall rest, and, faith, we shall need it-lic down for a season or two
And peacefully cease to be caring what the Wagners and Cobbs may do.

Then those that are wise shall be happy; they shall cease to be bowed by care,
And never have cause to grumble at weather that isn't fair ;
There shall be no fans to argue, winter or summer or fall,
And those who have brains will be thinking of something beside baseball.

And umpires never shall fret us and never deserve our blame And no one shall beat his children when the home team has lost a game;
But each shall find something to live for, though the spitballist journey afar,
And the grandmothers, well out of danger, shall be pleased with things as they are.

"A home run"

"While there is Life there's Hope"


SCANDAL is lively reading, even political scandal, and doubtless the papers are justified, as Life goes to press, in devoting much space to revelations, furnished primarily by one of Mr. Hearst's magazines, of details of Republican financing in the Presidential campaign of 1904. Mr. Hearst printer! letters to the effect that the Standard Oil Company contributed liberally to the Republican campaign fund in that year. A committee of the Senate investigated, and Mr. Penrose for the Kepublicans and Mr. Archbold for Standard Oil admitted that it was true. And there has been assertion that the candidate, Mr. Roosevelt, knew of these contributions, and was agreeable, and wanted $\$ 150,000$ more and did not get it, and for that reason persecuted the Standard Oil Company after his election.

Of course, this last accusation is not true. A matter of $\$ 150,000$ worth of political assistance, more or less, would never have affected President Rooscvelt's behavior towards a corporation. He denies that he had anything to do with this Standard Oil money of 1904. or consented to its being received, and has furnished letters he wrote about it to Mr. Cortelyou forbidding him to accept any Standard Oil money. But it is impiously suggested that these letters were written to be filed, but not otherwise respected, and so on and so on, and, as we write, the headlines are all awhirl with accusation, denial, recrimination, alibis and general exposure.

All that is fine for persons who enjoy that sort of reading, but to our mind not very important. Mr. Roosevelt has admitted that the old style Republican party was, in years past, a thoroughly and hopelessly tough organization that would do anything necessary to win. It was so bad, and the prospect of inducing it to let him
purify it was so faint that he had to get out of it and set up for himself and hang out a new sign. During the seven years of his Presidency he was its leader, and inferentially spattered by some of the mire of its delinquencies, but after the year he spent in Africa communing with Nature, he came home with sincere aspirations to lead a better life, which were strengthened and solidified by his associations with the Outlook and with the other moral and philanthropic tenants of the United Charities Building on Fourth Avenue. It is admitted that he is not a Republican any more, but a reformed man and a Bull Moose. If he did anything wrong while he was still a Republican, it doesn't count now, because he has been born again. His organ, the Mail, insists that he is an absolutely new man since two years ago, and has broken with his past. Then why bother about the accusations about what happened eight years ago? He does bother because of a weakness he has, not only for being good and right, but for demonstrating that he always has, himself, been good and right, and never at any time implicated in any of the malefactions of his partners and associates, however bad he may admit them to have been. Because of that weakness he got into the scrape of the three cups of coffee by insisting that he said what he meant and meant what he said about running again and had never changed his mind a hair's breadth or failed at any time to embody his thoughts in clear and comprehensible language. So far as he is concerned, there is only one surprising thing about these "revelations" of 1904. We should have expected him to come out of this Standard Oil mix-up with a heart pure before the Lord, hands clean before the fublic, his letter file impregnable, his will unshackled and the additional $\$ 150,000$ in the pocket of the party's trousers. But it seems, somehow, that Mr. Penrose's friends did not get the

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additional \$150,000, and that is indeed surprising.


Omuch more urgent present interest than these efforts to connect Colonel Roosevelt with past indiscretions of the Republican party-efforts from which we are confident that he will emerge with every flag flying and every moose-call blowing-is a matter of which the ingenious editor of the North American Review treats 'in the current number of that publication. He starts by saying that the nominal candidates for President are Wilson, Taft and Roosevelt, but the real candidates are "Woodrow Wilson and James S. Sherman, with a remote possibility of Philander C. Knox becoming acting President pending a new election in 1913." This assertion he proceeds to establish on an imposing political, historical and constitutional basis.

Now, let us see!
We know that, according to the twelfth amendment of the Constitution, if none of the candidates now running gets a majority of the votes in the electoral college, the election of President will pass, when Congress counts the ballots on the second Wednesday of next February, to the House of Representatives, and the House, if it can, will elect a President (each State having one vote) from the persons, not exceeding three, who got most votes for President in the electoral college. But it will take a majority of all the States to elect, and two-thirds of the States must be represented to make a quorum. Then the amendment proceeds to provide:
And if the House of Representatives shall not choose a President, whenever the right of choice shall devolve upon them, before the fourth day of March next following, then the Vice-President shall act as President, as in the case of


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the death or other constitutional disabil ity of the President. The person having the greatest number of votes as VicePresident shall be the Vice-President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of electors appointed, and if no person have a majority, then from the person have a majority, then from the two highest numbers on the list the Senate shall choose the Vice-President ; a quorum for the purpose shall consist of two-thirds of the whole number of Senators, and a majority of the whole number shall be necessary to a choice.

So if the electors fail to elect any one, the House is to elect a President if it can, and the Senate a Vice-President. But the Senate is reckoned to have 50 Republicans, 44 Democrats and 2 vacancies, so, voting on two candidates as prescribed, it would naturally elect the Republican, Mr. Sherman, who, if the House failed to elect a President, would serve as President for four years.

Now it is reckoned that the present House, on which this duty of electing a President may devolve, stands 22 votes for Wilson, 22 for Taft or Roosevelt, and four States evenly divided. It may easily fail, therefore, to elect a President. And Colonel Harvey argues that the Senate may fail to elect a Vice-President, for though it has 50 Republicans, 44 Dem-
ocrats and two vacancies, its Republicans include the group of Progressives who would not be likely to vote for Mr. Sherman, and by abstaining from voting could cause failure to obtain a majority for anyone. And if the candidates should be Johnson and Marshąll, instead of Sherman and Marshall, some of the Regular Republicans could, and probably would, secure a like result by declining to vote. In that case Mr. Knox would be temporary President and would have to convene Congress to order a new election, and we should have next year another Presidential scrimmage, to the glee, no doubt, of our Bull Moose fellow citizens.

Colonel Harvey is as good a preelection estimator of election figures as there is in the country. He discusses chances, gives his figures and draws his inferences. "It is a common assumption," he says, "that the candidacy of Roosevelt will serve only to divide the Republican vote and so clear the way for an easy Democratic victory, but the facts do not justify the conclusion." On the contrary, he cons:ders and points out that for Wilson to obtain, as he must, a clear majority
over Taft and Roosevelt, may be by no means so easy as it now looks to the more sanguine Demorrats. But he says, finally :
Wilson will probably be elected. If he carries New York he cannot be beaten.

Neither Taft nor Roosevelt can win.
A vote for Taft is a vote for Sherman. A vote for Roosevelt is a vote for Sherman.
A vote for Wilson is A vote for wilson.
Just after the first Chicago convention, when Roosevelt threatened to bolt, the chance that the election might be thrown into the House was discussed. But that discussion died out. Now that Roosevelt is actually running, and running pretty strong, it revives, and certainly is worth attention. How the Third Term Candidate would feel to see, as the result of his exertions, "Sunny Jim" or President Knox opening the new Panama Canal we leave it to more imaginative persons to conjecture.

Meanwhile, a vote for Wilson is A vote for wilson.


$I^{T}$T is pleasant to have a new style come into public discourse. Since stenographers multiplied, and statesmen ceased to write anything more than their signatures with their own hands, the papers they address to the public have gained pitiably in length, but lost in manner. Mr. Roosevelt, long the chief contributor of unpaid reading to our public prints, is an interesting writer, but has an inordinate lot to say, and says it with profusion and repetition. He is profusely reported, for which he is not to blame, so that we all know now not only all he thinks on every subject, but all the ttirns of language by which his thoughts find expression. In Dr. Wilson we have a new mind, new thoughts and a new manner, and the manner is so good that it will be a pleasure to get better acquainted with the mind and the thoughts. He says his say in fewer words, as yet, than Mr. Roosevelt, and here's hoping that he may persevere in that practise and ability. Even if he proves to have less to say than Mr . Roosevelt, the deficiency will not be charged against him and seems not at all likely to cost him any votes.


DURING VACATION TIME
MEETING A FRIEND WHO IS STUDYING FOR THE MINISTRY

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## The Case of Kapsa

JOSEPH J. KAPSA, a gunner's mate on board the battleship Delaware, refused to be vaccinated, on the ground that it was against his religion and that he was perfectly healthy
"Kapsa," says the New York Herald, " has been reduce to the rank of seaman, without pay, and is serving a sentence of one year at hard labor at the disciplinary barracks at Port Royal, S. C."

But what a delightful commentary on liberty of thought when a perfectly healthy man is made to serve a year's sentence like a common criminal because he refuses to submit to an operation in which he does not believe!

baseball talk
"He had plenty of speed and wonderful curves, but very poor control


## Dorlan's Home-Walk

## A Baseball Tract

THE ninth ; last half; the score was tied,
The Hour was big with Fate,
For Neal had fanned and Kling had flied
When Reddy toed the plate.

And every rooter drew a breath And rose from where he sat,
For Weal or Woe, or Life or Death Now hung on Dorlan's bat.

The Pitcher scowled, the Pitcher flung An inshoot, swift and queer;
Put Dorlan whirled his wagon-tongue And smote the leathern sphere.

" When Reddy toed the plate "
He smote the ball with might and main, He drove it long and low, And firstwards like a railway train

He sped to beat the throw.

He reached first base with time to spare (The throw went high and wide), But what a tumult rent the air When "Safe!" the Umpire cried.
"What!" shrieked the Pitcher, lean and tall,
"What!" roared the Catcher stout,
"Wh-at!" yelled the Basemen one and all,
"Ye're off! the man is out!"
The Shortstop swore, the Catcher plead, They waved their arms around. The Umpire shook his bullet head And sternly held his ground,

Though in the wild-eyed Fielders ran To tear him limb from limb Or else to tell that erring man Just what they thought of him.

The Basemen left the bases clear And came to urge their case;
So Dorlan yawned and scratched his ear And strolled to second base.
"Safe? Safe?" the Pitcher hissed, "Ye're blind!"
And breathed a Naughty Word;
While Dorlan hitched his belt behind And rambled on to third.

And throats were hoarse and words ran high,
And lips were flecked with foam
As Dorlan scanned the azure sky
And held his way toward home.

"And held his way toward home "

And still he heard in dreamy bliss As down the line he came
The Umpire growl, "Enough o' this ! He's safe. Now, play the game!"
"All right. Come, boys," the Pitcher bawled;
"Two out; now make it three!"
When Dorlan touched the plate and drawled,
"Hey! score that run fer me!"

What wrath was there, what bitter talk, What joy and wild acclaim!
For Dorlan's peaceful homeward walk Had won the doubtiful game.

Aye, thus the game was lost and won; So, Athletes great and small, If like mischance y f fain would shun Keep cool, don't kick, play ball.

Arthur Guiterman.

"Hey, Jimmy! Watch this one"

## Our Custom House Letter

## (Special Correspondence to Life)

CUSTOM HOUSE, September 3 : 1912. There is very little to report of interest. The routine work going on as usual. This morning several ladies who landed complained of having their clothes torn off and of having what they called their " sensibilities" irritated. This happens so often, however, that it is hardly worth mentioning. A little later the report that one of these ladies had gone to a hotel and hanged herself from mortification was received by Commissioner Loeb with considerable satisfaction. "A
few more hangings like this," said Loeb with a bright sriile, " and these women will learn that they cannot transgress the law. We'll show 'em."
A reception is being planned by a group of New England factory owners who are expected on the Lucania. It is understood that the reception is in the form of a testimonial to Mr. Loeb for his conscientious enforcement of the custom house laws.

A detective seized an old gentleman and his aged wife to-day, returning from their trip abroad. An office boy
in a Paris jewelry store had written a postal card stating that these old people had bought an imitation pearl necklace which possibly might be real, as the oid gentleman had displayed quite a roll of bills. When confronted with the postal card they both broke down and cried, and in order to prevent false sentiment on the part of the spectators they were haled off to the Tombs. Their baggage has all been confiscated.

Quite a scene took place on the dock this morning when a tall man, whose name is unknown, declared that he was an American citizen, and that the principal object of the tariff was to make fortunes for a few magnates who controlled the industries of the country, while the rank and file of honest and respectable people were being constantly insulted and outraged by the hired representatives of the government. Although he had nothing dutiable to declare and no evidence could be found against him, his trunks were all unpacked and their contents scattered over the wharf as a lesson to him.

A training school for our custom house officers will shortly be inaugurated. The course includes baggage searching, insolent indifference to protests of travelers, seizing goods on the slightest suspicion, and the undressing and searching of women.

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ICH SETTLEMENT WORKER: If it will interest you young people, I will tell you about some of the European cathedrals.
East Sider: Which moving picture show did youse see 'em in?

baseball talk
"Early in the game he knocked out a long one"

" i have rung for you, hortense, eight separate and distinct times. you knew i was still to be hooked UP. are your hands perfectly clean?"


Showing the feelings of haroli, who considers him self very athletic. he has just been r:SCUED FROM DROWNING BY THIS GIRL FROM VASSAR.

## Fourth Dimension

## Baseball

TO the Initiated, Enlightened and Uplifted-that is, to the constant readers of the fifteen-cent magazinesit has long been too evident that marvelous changes have come upon our National Game. Grown weary in welldoing, jaded with their efforts for Social Betterment, the intense minds that dominate our periodicals have sought relief in shifting their attention to the sports of this fair land of ours, with the inevitable result that baseball, no longer the simple but argumentative diversion of village green and city lot, can now be properly played only with the assistance of a picked force of civil engineers, corporation lawyers, professors of ballistics and wireless telegraphers, all directed by the counsels of a military board of strategy.

The scientific perfection of our great pitchers alone has obliged baseball campaigners to devise startling defensive measures, just as the increase in the muzzle velocity of naval guns has resulted in the invention of armor plate of greater resistance. All will remember Four-handed Boggs of the Tallahasee Sparrows, whose baffling "snake curve" mowed down the opposing batters of the Gulf League in the season of 1908. All will remember that great pitcher's

baseball talk
"After a shake up they blanked.the visitors"
lamentable downfall when, in the critical game of the season, the Cherokee Scouts solved his delivery by a total of twenty-eight hits. But all they know of the cause of this sad reversal of form is that Moriarity, the pinch-hitter sent in by Manager Beeswax for the Scouts in the fatal sixth inning, started the run getting by a tremendous home-run drive to center field. The fact may now be disclosed that this Moriarity was none other than Gunga Dın, the celebrated Hindu snake charmer, who, by the exercise of his mystic powers, charmed and straightened out Boggs's snake curve, and left him the easy prey of the hard-hitting Scouts.

The same year developed another pitching prodigy in the person of Green-eyed Parsons of the Oskaloosa Invincibles. Parson's spitball made him the despair of the surest batters. But when the Invincibles were about to open a series in West Newton Center, the crafty attorneys on the staff of the West Newton Center Tumblebugs covertly lobbed an anti-spitting ordinance through the Board of Selectmen, served a warrant upon Parsons as he was in the act of expectorating lupon the ball preparatory to delivering his dreaded curve, and thus effectively broke up the game. I cannot, however, admit that this stratagem was wholly sportsmanlike Nor am I among those who

" Thou shalt not steal"

hold that baseball ethics fully sanction the ingenious methods of the Peoria Pink-Socks, whose mysterious and sensational base-stealing on their home grounds was at length explained when Bigfoot Hasenpfeffer of the visiting Waukegans accidentally broke into the secret underground passage between first and second, the work of the sappers and miners on the auxiliary staff of the Peoria team. I may add that some have grave doubts of the propriety of the now famous ruse of the Raritan Rustlers. This enterprising team, it will be remembered, kept a trained eagle that would swoop upon a pop fly from the bat of one of the home team and carry the ball over the left field fence for a home run. Still, it must be admitted that much of the interest in fourth dimension baseball lies in ingenious evasions of the rules of the game, and that the sport is thus admirably adapted to the end of equipping our young men for their future careers in business, law and politics.

What a gulf lies between modern fourth din. .sion baseball as maneuvered in the magazines and the game as we used to play it!-when the pitcher's stock-in-trade was some degree of speed and a slow out-curve; when the batter's strategy was to hit hard and frequent; when the dar-
ing base-stealer's plan of action, as forecast by the ratucous coach, was to " watch the pitcher's arm, take a good lead, go down on the first ball"; and when the rooters for the home team expressed their opinion of the quality of the visiting aggregation in the chant that ran:
"The Pitcher has a glass arm, the Catcher's on the bum First Baseman's got a game leg an' Second's split his thumb ; An' Third has such a headache; an' Short is goin' to die, An' every limpy Fielder has a bad, bad cye!"
Yes, I played in that game and-excuse my boasting, but I did put out the last man by a particularly brilliant catch of a hot liner over second base, and the final score was fifty-two to thirty-one.
A. $G$.

## The Latest In Play

THE latest fad in educational circles is the supervision of children's play. Little Harold is no longer permitted to roam at will in the back yard and, with a rusty old hammer and an equally rusty saw, knock some derelict soap box to pieces and reconstruct from it a dog kennel or a chariot.

If little Harold feels the primitive and psychologic impulse to play, he must apply to the supervisor of the playground by filling out an application and having his name entered in the card index system. These slight details having been complied with, Harold is then passed on to the supervisor.

The supervisor is a lady who has taken a six months' course in a training school for the psychical study of childish play impulses and is, therefore, qualified as an expert. She places Harold in group A. Harold is a newcomer, but if he displays the right tendencies, and doesn't play abnormally or in any other way not down in the curriculum, he may, at the end of two months or so, pass on to group $B$.

It might be well to mention, in closing, that all modern play is done by means of apparatus. This is furnished by corporations. Thus a new business has sprung up, which has been able to work a new vein-viz., the play impulse. Talk about the profits in gold mines! Why, an ordinary gold mine is a vacuum compared to the possibilities in the modern child!


BASEBALL TALK
"Calling the game"

-LIFE.

baseball reaches hell
NEW ARRIVALS STRUCK oUT EVERY time


THE NATIONAL GAME
Politics vs. Common People

Politics Batting Order.
Root, 1.f.
Taft, c.f.
Sherman, r.f
Mryan, s.s.
Marshall, 2 b
Hadley, ab.
Wilson, e.
Roosevelt, p.

Umpires-Trust and Combine. Attendance, $93,402,151$.

Situation-Ninth Inning-Score, $1: 3$ to o (favor Politics), Commoa People et bat. Two out and two strikes on the batter.

## The Passing of the Cradle

The cradle is empty that the lobster palace and the luxurious girl apartment may be crowded.-Mrs. John Martin.

THE cradle is, no doubt, a convenient expression which Mrs. Martin is justified in using in order to define the habitation of babies. As a matter of fact the cradle, considered as a cradle, has gone out. One of the reasons for this is that there is no longer room for it. When we are lucky enough to have a baby, we are pretty likely to put him on the pantry shelf; or, if we happen to be busy between times, to put him on the dumb-waiter, where he can journey up and down and keep his mind occupied. Another desirable place for a baby is an ordinary dog basket, arranged so that you can put the cover down. It is well ventilated, can be changed about and placed in odd corners, and takes up comparatively little room. Also, a baby can be sent by express in a dog basket with considerable advantage.

The cradle was never a success. In the beginning of time, when women were not engaged in making stump speeches and smashing windows and getting up suffrage propaganda, they carried their babies on their backs or slung them in front by an impromptu strap. Then, after the cradle had come and gone, some of the affluent mothers used a crib and hired a trained nurse to explain why it is that rocking a baby is bad, and why it is that babies are better off when they are not joggled.

We haven't the slightest doubt that the cradle-being an ephemeral production-was first discovered by some
man who had to stay home while his wife was out hunting reindeer or cinnamon bears. He probably wanted to make himself a deerskin overcoat and was interrupted by the baby. Then, having a capacity for invention, he suddenly conceived the idea that if the baby was swung back and forth he could be quieted temporarily, and so the selfish man invented the cradle and the woman adopted it as her own.

As for Mrs. Martin's contention that the cradle is being emptied for the purposes she mentions, while we are in entire sympathy with her views, generally speaking, we do not believe in this instance that she is quite right. There have always been luxurious girl apartments from the time of the gynæconitis of Athens down to Sixth Avenue. And in spite of the fact that babies have continued to be born, these apartments have never been empty.

Personally, we do not believe that the lobster palace has much to do with the output of babies. We think the tariff has a good deal more to do with it.

## Life's Lucid Lexicon

ABSURDITY-Any foolish thing that is recognized to be foolish. Foolish things which are not recognized as foolish are given other names, such as etiquette, " proper thing," fashion, etc.

Adjournment-The last and, as many authorities believe, the best act of Congress.

Accounts-Records or statements of affairs by which one is unable to find out his financial condition.

- LIFE.


## Baseball Terms


"The squeeze play"

"A beautiful throw down"

"Getting a scratch "

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ACERTAIN few of us, who haven't been mutilated in or by automobiles, who haven't been dumped out of aeroplanes or drowned by upsetting canoes, are back in lown prepared to meet the terrific hazards of an early-beginning theatrical season.

Our Jewish friends, who run the theatre in America, have been quick to note that there are dollars to be gleaned in New York from the visiting cloak and seal-skin buyers even in August, so they have advanced the theatrical calendar a full fortnight. Where September used to be the month with the first $r$, the first oysters and the first shows, mid-August now tempts the theatrical palate of those who might dodge a bad shell-fish, but will take any sort of a chance with any sort of a show. Many a person who wouldn't eat an oyster before September will give up good money to go to an Augus: theatrical entertainment. Which confirms the statement that there's one born every minute.

In spite of the public interest in the antics of an unbaianced person named Roosevelt and the startling discovery that police officials accept bribes for not enforcing blue laws, the theatre, even in what should continue to be Summer, elicits a large amount of managerial energy and considerable critical acumen on the part of the public.

TKE " The Merry Countess" for instance. Even in August it so caught the critical appreciation of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt that they were willing to pay five thousand dollars and the traveling expenses of a large company to show the high-brows at Newport that they were wrong to linger looking at the sad sea waves when New York and its Casino could offer, even in August, attractions so much greater than those of Newport, with its rocks (geological, not financial) and its beauties. If only a typical Casino audience could also have been taken along it would really have given Newport a correct idea of New York in August.

If Newport had to be enlightened and elevated by a New York girl-and-music show, "The Merry Countess" was a selection highly to be approved as a missionary effort. The piece is Johann Strauss's delightful old waltz opera, " Die Fledermaus," modernized in everything but its charming music and enhanced in that particular by the interpolation of other Strauss melodies. Gladys Unger has rewritten the libretto and brought it very much up to date. The recent revival in stage dancing has made possibilities in that direction not dreamed of in earlier productions of the opera, and these are gracefully exploited by the Dolly sisters and Mr. Martin Brown, and marred by the self-satisfaction of the young woman familiar to the vaudeville public under the title of Mlle.

Dazie. Mr. Maurice Farkoa, who has been absent too long from our boards, where there is a dearth of refined methods like his, was delightful in an important male rôle, and Mr . A. W. Baskomb, a very clever imported comedian, helped him admirably in one of the best comedy duets seen and heard since the days of "Erminie" and the earlier ones of "Genevieve de Brabant."

If the Vanderbilts were actually compelled to take a five-thousand-dollar musical show to Newport, they couldn't have made a better choice than "The Merry Countess."


ON-MUSICAL but very amusing is "Ready Money" at the Maxine Elliott. Mr. James Montgomery manages in this financial comedy to get a lot of fun out of the get-rich-quick idea, which is so appealing to the American public. From improbable premises he evolves a plot which has just enough logic and credibility to carry a number of ingenious and diverting complications to a third act conclusion with the interest of his hearers enlisted every minute. On the male side he has a competent cast, which includes Messrs. Ben Johnson, Joseph Kilgour and William Courtenay. In the other column are a number of good-looking young exponents of the hobble skirt.
" Ready Money," by Mr. James Montgomery, provides a guarantee that none of Mr. William Shakespeare's classy dramas will be seen at Maxine Elliott's Theatre for a good many weeks to come.

MUSICAL shows like those at the Broadway and the Winter Garden are put on frankly to please a public which insists on quantity of entertainment and an appeal to the elementary instincts rather than anything in the way of intelligence or mental equipment. That public is a big one and gets just about what it is entitled to have and enjoy. There must be a profit in catering to it or we should not have in prominent New York theatres so many attractions like "Hanky Panky" and "The Passing Show of 1912."

Tthe Shuberts goes the unenviable distinction of being the first American managers to exact additional payment from their theatre patrons to secure programmes. This practise, long an imposition in England, has been condemned by every American who ever went to a London theatre. It was regarded by Americans as a petty managerial graft of which no American manager would be guilty. Of course the Shu-
herts are business men and are not in business entirely for their health. They are, perhaps, not so much to be blamed as the spineless public which without a murmur stands for this addition to the already heavy cost of theatre-going.


OL. WM. A. BRADY opened his pretty new theatre in West Forty-eighth street with a slender iarcical comedy called "Just Like John." The name of Mr. George Broadhurst appended as one of the authors led to the belief that the piece would show at least technical merit. Instead of that it proved to be of such trifling interest that one was forced to wonder why Mr. Brady chose it to open a new theatre, unless it was with the idea that whatever might come afterwards would gain by comparison.

The Thirty-ninth Street opens its season with one of those conundrum plays which makes us wonder just what kind of a public it is that likes them. Its title is "The Master of the House," but it does not seem likely that it will prove to be a filler of the house. Its domestically doleful last act, with tearcompelling children welcoming their papa, who had sinfully wandered from his own fireside, back to home and mamma, sent the audience from the house in tears. In the other acts it was crude in construc-
tion and unnatural in action, but it may catch the patronage of that element in the community which enjoys going to funerals for the sake of a good cry with the mourners.

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FOLLOWING a formula which has proved successful in several cases, "The Girl from Montmartre" is a musical show utilizing for its libretto a farce which had met with considerable unsavory notoriety and advertising under the title of "The Girl from Maxim's."

This is a labor-saving device which promises to have quite a vogue in a time when the musical stage seems to have exhausted all the originality at its command and finds the old material better than anything it can secure in the way of new stuff. The process is simple. Take anything that has been successfully done on the legitimate stage, get a hack writer to substitute songs for the longer speeches and throw in a few up-to-date gags for the comedians, secure a writer of dinky music to inject some tunes, preferably of the rag-time brand, put a catchy title on the whole thing, and, with the addition of a few dancing chorus girls, the miracle is wrought.
In the case of "The Girl from Montmartre," the result is not imposing, although the farce plot gives the piece a coherence not usually found in musical shows. The double-barreled stars are Hattie Williams and Mr. Richard Carle,
who in the single-barreled state were not able to bring down the bird of successful stardom. Even jointly they do not make a powerful combination. Mr. Henry Bereny has written a score in imitation of the Offenbach style, to which the producers have added some rag-time by native talent, just so New York audiences shouldn't feel lonesome.
"The Girl from Montmartre" is neither very good nor superlatively bad. It belongs in that middle rank of musical shows which furnishes mild amusement to the not over-exacting.


FROM the above it will be seen that the great hurry to put the theatres into commission, so ds to catch the dollars of the August cloak-buyers, has not resulted in any notable additions to New York's amusement resources. Of the lot "Ready Money" and "The Merry Countess" are the only ones likely to remain in the running later on. Those of last year's successes holding over are getting a temporary spurt of renewed patronage from the out-of-towners.

The real season, which begins with Labor Day, promises a larger than usual number of new productions, domestic and imported. The increased number of new theatres means the need of a lot of new material. Later on we shall be able to tell whether greater quantity means poorer quality.

Metcalfe.


Astor.-Continuation of "The Greyhound," last season's successful and amusing melodrama, based on the doings of the deepseagoing confidence man.
Broadway.- " Hanky Panky." Elaborately staged girl-and-music show not intended for high-brows

Casino.-"The Merry Countess." See above.

Comedy.-Unbroken run of "Bunty Pulls the Strings." Delightfully acted and most laughable satire of Scotch traits.

Criterion.-" The Girl from Montmartre." See above.
Empirc.-Mr. John Drew in Mr. Alfred Sutro's "The Perplexed Husband." Notice later.

Forty-cighth Strect.-" Little Miss Brown." Notice later.
Gaicty.-The laughable police farce, "Or. ficer 666." Recent developments have given some of its lines added force.
Globe.-"The Rose Maid." Rather dainty musical show of the Viennese type.

Harris,-"The Model," by Mr. Augustus Thomas. Notice later.

Hippodrone.-" Under Many Flags." Notice later.

Hudson.-One week of "The Siren." Musical show of the usual Viennese kind, with Mr. Donald Brian and his dancing featured.

Lyric.-"The Ne'er Do Well," by Mr. Charles Klein. Notice later.

Maxine Elliott's.-Mr. James Montgomery's "Ready Money." See above.

Moulin Rouge.- ${ }^{\text {" }} \mathrm{A}$ Winsome Widow." Girl-and-music show based on Hoyt's ". I Trip to Chinatown." Diverting.

Playhouse.-" Bought and Paid For." Interesting and well played emotional drama, with strong comic relief.
Thirty-minth Street.-"The Master of the House." See above.

Wallack's.- "Disraeli." Agreeable little play of mid-Victorian days, with Mr. George Arliss's clever reincarnation of the British Arliss's
Premier.

Winter Garden.- "The Passing Show of 1912." A jumble of girls, music and vaudeville turns.

## LIF E.


to the Mentally Feeble
all means marry for a home

Blinds Down, by Horace Annesley Vachell. A double bill. Being the story of a romance repeated, with significant variations, in two successive generations.

Bottled Sunshine, by Mary Dale. A reformed groucher's account of his conversion. A working partnership between a tract and a genre-study.

The Drunkard, by Guy Thorne. A striking (although intentionally sensational) tale of drink-fostered crime. A sort of dramatized clinic of the pathology of alcoholism.

In Cotton Wool, by W. B. Maxwell. The history of a young man who took too good care of himself. An interesting novel, but a trifle terrible-example-ish.

The Labyrinth of Life, by E. A. U. Valentine. A storywith blue stockings and a high forehead-about a young American writer who lived in Paris and was low in his mind.

The Marriage of Captain Kettle, by C. J. Cutcliffe Hyne. A volume of variegated but rather mechanical adventures, in which a once popular hero returns, but fails to "come back."

My Life in Prison, by Donald Lowrie. An ex-convict's account of twelve years in San Quentin. A remarkable volume of personal appeal and sociological interest.

The Nezy History, by James Harvey Robinson. Interesting essays on historical perspective as affected by the discoveries and disillusionments of modern research.

One of Us, by Exra Brudno. A cripple's autobiography. A story that boasts itself as realism, but is really melodrama tincturetd with morbidity.

The Penitent, by Rene Bazin. The life-tragedy of a Breton peasant family compressed with characteristic skill into an irreducible minimum of pregnant narrative.

The Permanent Uncte, by Douglas Goldring. In which a sophisticated ingenue, an artistic temperament and a nice old gentleman take a short but eventful trip in France.

The Principal Girl, by J. C. Snaith. An amusing skit which is not without its sound fictional merits. A satire of sorts and an entertaining story.

Problems of Se.r, by Professors Arthur Thompson and Patrick Geddes. A most interesting contribution to the series Patrick Geddes. A most interesting contribution to the series
of "New Tracts "for the Times," by the authors of "The of "New Tracts,"

The Search Party, by G. A. Birmingham. A veracious account of mysterious events at Clonmore, in Ireland. A story full of humor, good humor, and Irish acumen.

Socialism and the Great State. Papers by H. G. Wells and twelve others dealing with various aspects of constructive socialistic thought.

The Theories of Evolution, by Yves Delage and Marie Goldsmith. An extremely simple and graspable presentation of the main outlines of evolutionary speculation since Darwin.

White Ashes, by Sidney R. Kennedy and Alden C. Noble. A fire insurance novel in which the technical intricacies of the business are made interesting and its dramatic possibilities made the most of.

The White Waterfall. by James Francis Dwyer. A tale that is meant to make your eyes stand out with fascinated horror, while goosewith fascinated horror, while goose-
flesh gathers all down your back. It is gathers all down your back,
nowever, guaranteed to It is

## The New Régime

(The Medical Trust is now in full control, having vanquished all of its cnemies; the scene is laid in the largest hospital in the United States, just outside of Washington.)

HEAD SURGEON: What was that disturbance outside just now?
Assistant: Oh! a chap and his wife objected to being separated from their children. I ordered them back home. Head Surgeon: And the children?
Assistant: Will be retained for experimental purposes; fine subjects!
"I thought we had enough children on hand for all purposes."
" We have, but these are exceptional; highly nervous, and refined. I am quite sure they will bring out many fine points in that new line of investigation that Dr. Barrel is undertaking."
"Good; any arrests this morning?"
Assistant (looking over record by
telegraph from leading centers, reads) : There was an uprising of osteopaths at St. Louis.
Head Surgeon : I thought those fellows had all been exterminated.
Assistant: They have, time and again; but they are always bobbing up; but they have all been thrown in jail and their property confiscated.
Head Surgeon: Ha! That's good. By jove, we will exterminate every osteopath, Christian Scientist and homeopath in this country. By the way, did that government appropriation go through?
"With a swing; fifty millions yesterday for more hospitals. You see, we must have more experiments. Otherwise we shall be up against it. We have got to discover some new operations.
Head Surgeon : Precisely; practical-


LOST-TEN POUNDS-
Finder need not return

iy every one has been operated on for appendicitis since it has become a government requirement. How many new serums were put in force yesterday?
Assistant: Fourteen.
Head Surgeon: And the new scale?
Assistant: Has gone into effect. Here it is.
(He takes a printed paper from his desk and reads as follows) :
"Hereafter every American citizen will be required to have his appendix removed before the age of ten; also his tonsils before the age of five. Every American citizen will be required to pay a certain proportion of his income for the following fifty operations."
Head Surgeon : Only fifty operations required by law. Say, can't we do better than this?
Assistant (enthiusiastically): Better? Sure. Remember, the trust has only been going a year. Give us time! When we have experimented on a hundred thousand children we will
have at least a hundred more different operations which every American citizen will have to undergo. We've only just begun.
Head Surgeon : I believe you! I always did have faith in the American people!


AN OLD ENGLISH BOILED DINNER

## The Home Team

OUR catcher comes from Keokuk. Our pitcher votes in Troy. Our shortstop-Ah! we played in luck

To get that Pittsburgh boy.
Our first base lives in Chicopee;
Our second base in Milwaukee; Our third in Kalamazoo ;
Our right field's married in Spokane;
Our left resides in Eastport, Maine; Our center's from Peru.
R. B.

## Shall We Go the Limit ?

WE understand that there are still two or three small countries of the Old World which have not yet established the parcels post. This raises an interesting question. Since we have waited so long and so patiently, would it, perhaps, be well to wait a little longer until every last one of the others is supplied? This would make our title clear, parcel-postically speaking, to being the most backward country of the entire world.


## Greatest of Games

THE origin of baseball is lost in the mazy labyrinths of prehistoric antiquity. That it is older than the Bible there can be no doubt, for the Good Book starts with the words, "In the big inning." A little further on we are given some particulars, showing that Eve "stole first," Adam "stole second," and the serpent "slid home." Genesis VI, 4, reveals the astonishing fact that "there were Giants in the earth in those days." Job alludes to the " children of base men," XXX, 8, and in Isaiah XXII, 18, you will find the words, "He will surely violently turn and toss thee like a ball into a large country."

Nor did the interest in the game lessen with the advance of the centuries. "Catch and hold," said John Hey-
wood, about 1565. Shakespeare hints at the game frequently. "To what base uses we may return, Horatio," and "a hit, a very palpable hit," are familiar quotations from Hamlet. In Macbeth he says, "Fair is foul, and foul is fair," and in Richard III, "Pitchers have ears."

Other famous authors of former days refer unmistakably to baseball. "Afraid to strike," says Pope; "Delayed to strike," says Milton. Thomas Campbell, in "Lochiel's Warning," uses the words, "With his back to the field," evidently referring to some famous pitcher of his time, and the Earl of. Chesterfield tells of "a great rough diamond." But why multiply instances? The game of baseball always was, is now, and ever shall be, the greatest of games.

Addison F. Andrews.

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Here is another letter:
Adored Baa Baa:
How can I thank you for what you have done for me?
Since taking the lessons in your silence classes I have become a new woman.
Up to the time that I first met you, I was constantly annoyed by the fact that I weighed over four hundred pounds, and could not seem to get any thinner. Since becoming a member of your classes I have actualy gained fifty pounds; but it does not matter; I do not care; I am not conscious of it. Owing to the new treatment that you have given me I appear to float about in the air with a sinuous ecstatic movement that is simply grand. No more dieting for me. And, better than all, I feel my moral nature constantly growing stronger and stronger. I have sympathy for - everyone.

Gratefully and eternally yours, Madam
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## Rhymed Review

Pitching in a Pinch
(By Christy Mathewison. G. P. Putnam's Sons)
What circus ever brought to town A sight so utterly bewitching
As Big Chief Meyers crouching down Behind the bat, with Matty pitching!

Though Marquard wins the crowd's acclaim,
When Matty flings I'm best contented ;
So cleverly he plays the game,-
The greatest game that Man's invented.

The Game!-our game of lightning throws
And swifter thought,-what need to praise it?
For Matty shows (and Matty knows) The way your true Big Leaguer plays it.

He tells of hits and daring steals
That make the shirt-sleeved rooters bellow.
He tells you how the pitcher feels On hearing, "Take him out! He's yellow!"



He writes of Brown and Chance and Clarke,
Of Home-run Baker, Giant-queller,
Of baseball hoodoos dire and dark And Charley Faust the Jinx-dispeller.
He tells of tricks, some rather raw, Repeats the coacher's artless prattle; He tells how Mister John McGraw From bench and line directs the battle,
And how to stir the umpire's gall With bits of pleasant conversation. He's not too full of "inside ball,"
But gives a lot of brisk narration.

This "inside game" they prose about, He says, will break in several places When some one hits the ball a clout Across the fence and clears the bases.
And all is proper, he opines, In games, to state the rule compactly, But crooked ways of stealing signsWith which I can't agree exactly.
Yet by my faith, gadzooks, and zounds ! This book awakes an old-time itching. I'll hie me to the Polo Grounds And have a look at Matty pitching.


## Simple

"My wife," said Mr. Clarke, " sent two dollars in answer to an advertisement of a sure method of getting rid of superfluous fat."
" And what did she get for the money? Was the information what she wanted?" asked Mr. Simmons.
"Well, she got a reply telling her to sell it to the soap man."
-Harper's Magazine.

## A Materialist

W. D. Howells, at a luncheon at Kittery Point, said of a certain popular novelist : " There is about as much poetry in him as there is in MeMasters. McMasters, you know, was walking with a beautiful girl in a wild New England wood. 'What is your favorite flower, Mr. McMasters?' the girl asked softly. McMasters thought a moment, then cleared his throat and answered: 'Well, I believe I like the whole wheat best.'"
-Argonatit.

"A FOWL TIP"

## Vicarious Sea Bathing

Woodrow Wilson, at a dinner at Spring Lake, said of the multi-millionaire :
" After all, most of his wealth is superfluous. When I think of a multi-millionaire's millions, I am reminded of a story about Gobsa Golde.
"' I have four English men servants, said Gobsa Golde, on the terrace of his marble cottage at Newport-' four English men servants whose sole duty it is to look after my sea bathing.'
"He cleared his throat pompously and continued:
"'The first has charge of my bathing suits, the second takes care of the bathhouses and the showers and the third, in a small boat, acts as a kind of life guard to me.'
" But the fourth-what does the fourth do?' a listener asked.
"' Oh, he takes my bath. Sea bathing always has a depressing effect on my heart.' "-New York Tribune.

Knicker: What is Roosevelt's platform?

Bocker: The decalogue and the mono-logue.-New York Sun.

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"I looked at him doubtfully.
"'Engaged, married or divorced?' I asked."-New York Tribunंe.

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"We'll serve it right away, sir."
"Serve it right away!" roared the big man. " Who asked you to serve it right away? I'm ordering this breakfast now for to-morrow morning!"
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I'm going to golf.
Where is the tee? I only see the caddie Agape to criticise my dubious play;
Where do you keep the stance?-confound the laddie,
Why does he grin in that suspicious way?
Now for a stroke. With what serene simplicity
'Tis done; a swing, a swish, a thud that's all
I've hit the turf, not having the felicity To hit the ball.

At last! She rises in a curve most gracious.
She falls . . . beneath the shrubs on yonder hill,
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"A nice new china shaving-mug, with gold flowers all around," said the little maid.
" But, my dear," explained her mother, "papa has a nice one, just like that, already."
" No, he hasn't," the little daughter answered thoughtfully, "'cos-'cos-l've just dropped it!"-Newark Star.

## The Government Must Go

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"On the next deal he got a pat king full. He passed, and the amateur next to him opened the pot. The other amateur raised. The German did not raise back. He contented himself with staying. Then these two new players thought they would whipsaw the German. They bet and bet and bet.
"The German stayed each time, and the two amateurs raised back and forth until they had put about all the money they had carried in the middle of the table.
"'How many ?' asked the dealer.
"'Three cards,' said one of the amateurs.
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The outlook wasn't brilliant for the Mudville nine that day ;
The score stood four to two with but one inning more to play.
And then when Cooney died at first, and Barrows did the same,
A sickly silence fell upon the patrons of the game.

A straggling few got up to go in deep despair. The rest
Clung to that hope which springs eternal in the human breast :
They thought if only Casey could get a whack at that-
Wed put up even moncy now with Cascy at the bat.

But Flym preceded Casey, as did also Jimmy Blake.
And the former was a lulu and the latter was a cake ;
So upon that stricken multitude grim melancholy sat,
For there seemed but little chance of Casey's getting to the bat

But Flynn let drive a single, to the wonderment of all,
And Blake, the much despised, tore the cover off the ball,
And when the dust had lifted, and the men saw what had occurred.
There was Johnnie safe at second and Flynn a-hugging third.

Then from five thousand throats or more there rose a lusty yell;

It rumbled through the valley; it rattled in the dell;
It knocked upon the mountain and recoiled upon the flat,
For Casey, mighty Casey, was advancing to the bat.

There was ease in Casey's manner as he stepped into his place ;
There was pride in Casey's bearing and a smile on Casey's face.
And when, responding to the cheers, he lightly doffed his hat,
No stranger in the crowd could doubt 'twas Casey at the bat.

Ten thousand eyes were on him as he rubbed his hands with dirt:
Five thousand tongues applauded when he wiped them on his shirt. (Concluded on page 1742)

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"Fraud!" cried the maddened thousands, and the echo answered "Fraud!"
But one scornful look from Casey and the audience was awed.
They saw his face grow stern and cold, they saw his muscles strain,
And they knew that Casey wouldn't let that ball go by again.

The sneer is gone from Casey's lip, his teeth are clinched in hate;
He pounds with cruel violence his bat upon the plate.
And now the pitcher holds the ball and now he's let it go,
And now the air is shattered by the force of Casey's blow.

Oh! somewhere in this favored land the sun is shining bright ;
The band is playing somewhere and somewhere hearts are light,
And somewhere men are laughing and somewhere children shout:
But there's no joy in Mudville-mighty Casey had struck out.
-Ernest L. Thayer.

## Translated

She: That's a funny French dish on the menu. Do you know what it means? HE: Yes; an attack of indigestion if you take it.-London Opinion.
" Home politics is always the same."
"What do you mean?"
"The father of the household is always a standpatter, and the boys are always insurgents."-Washington Herald.

Casey at the Bat
(Concluded from page 1741)
Then while the writhing pitcher ground the ball into his hip,
Defiance gleamed in Casey's eye, a sneer curled Casey's lip.

And now the leather-covered sphere came hurtling through the air,
And Casey stood a-watching it in haughty grandeur there.
Close by the sturdy batsman the ball unheeded sped-
"That ain't my style," said Casey. "Strike one!" the umpire said.

From the benches, black with people, there went up a muffled roar,
Like the beating of the storm-waves on a stern and distant shore.
"Kill him! Kill the umpire!" shouted some one in the stand;
And it's likely they'd have killed him had not Casey raised his hand.

With a smile of Christian charity great Casey's visage shone;
He stilled the rising tumult; he bade the game go on;
He signaled to the pitcher and once more the spheroid flew ;
But Casey still ignored it and the umpire said: "Strike two!"

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And we made them partners in the concern when their results deserved it.

That's the main reason why Goodyear tires have come to outsell all others.

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that, with the average car, adds 25 per cent. to the tire mileage.
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