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breaking home ties

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## LIFE


bod society for the prevention of cruelty to parents?

"While there is Life there's Hope."
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$\mathrm{T}^{\text {wia ace }}$ tions went well. Here, in New York, it is a great relief to have Tammany pitched out of the Assembly and to be freed from the fear of a Tammany charter for this metropolis, and of Levy bills and Frawley bills and ripper bills and bills to feed the cohorts of Murphy. It is not that Murphy is so much worse than somebody else in his place, but that the place, with the powers of State domination with which recent circumstances had endowed it, is a hopeless obstacle to successful government of New York State by the Democratic party. Murphy and Tammany do not represent the Democrats of New York City, much less the Democrats of New York State. They represent some of them. The rest in the city are without organized representation, and can do nothing at present, except to vote with the Republicans whenever things get too bad. Tammany has in it ability, efficiency and a fair proportion of honesty, but they are so tangled up with graft and government for a profit that nothing avails by way of remonstrance but to hit it between the eyes on election day.
But things are improving, and the late election will help the improvement considerably, and not in the long run to the advantage of Mr. Hearst or Mr. Barnes, either. Neither of those gentlemen, any more than Mr. Murphy, has the qualities or the intentions which will finally appease the wholesome forces of political discontent.
And Philadelphia actually elected an out and out reform Mayor, notwithstanding the Penrose machine had been constrained to run an able and
respected Republican candidate against him.
And Boss Cox was beaten by an out and out reformer in Cincinnati, notwithstanding that President Taft was somehow induced to indorse the Boss's ticket!


THE Socialist successes in various places look more like part of the revolt from machine-rule-for-the-bene-fit-of-the-machine than like an important extension of the nebulous principles of Socialism. People, in cities especially, seem to be acquiring an effectual appetite for government that will benefit the governed. They seem to recognize that they have had a great deal of government for the benefit of bosses, office holders, politicians, contractors, real estate speculators and all the other citizens who regard the taxpayers as meat, and when they think they see a chance to get something different they are not scared off because the chance has a Socialist tag on it. We understand the Socialists have done pretty well in Milwaukee, though that is disputed. We hear that they have spent a good deal of money, but that they have got good value for it. We shall see how they do in Schenectady, and if they do not show themselves sensible and efficient we don't suppose that any pious confidence in the theories of Karl Marx will save them. Schenectady, however, is a pretty lop-sided town, disproportionately strong on its labor union side, and liable to be influenced by motives which would not have effective strength in the average city.


$\mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{F}}$course, not everything that could be said of Joseph Pulitzer was said last week in Life. It might be added to advantage that whatever else, first or last, he fed his readers, he never tried to attract them with quack politics. Political mistakes he may have made; doubtless did; but his mind was politically sound. He did not, for
purposes of circulation, or for any purpose, attempt to set class against class; he never fooled with bad money nor followed Bryan out into the wilderness of silver. He did awful things sometimes, but very seldom stupid things.
We have heard it said that the newspaper he made fell so far short of being the paper he had in mind and wished to make, that the discrepancy between his ideal and the existing fact made him despondent. As it was, the World's editorial page probably came much nearer than the rest of the paper to realizing his hopes. In that, his urgent and powerful mind found its chief expression, with the result that there has been no great issue of politics for years in which the World's opinion has not been important.


THERE begins to be more indulgence in the tone of current remarks about Mr. Wickersham. The disposition to identify him with the text of the Sherman law, as well as with its enforcement, seems to be abating. As this or that point is illumirated by a court decision and stocks go aclimbing, there begins to glimmer in various minds the idea that maybe it was not after all an ill office to business to bring the Sherman law into court and thrash it out. To our lay mind, it has seemed that whether the Sherman law was wise or foolish, a stubborn effort to enforce it was a necessary preliminary to any settled condition of business, and that the President and the Attorney-General were doing an indispensable service in pressing the law on the trusts and on the courts. It was said that they might have enforced the law without publishing their personal conviction that with the assistance of the courts it would work. Perhaps so, but the enforcement has been better and the results more convincing, because the enforcers, at least, have believed in what they were doing. At any rate, it begins to look as though, some day, Mr. Wickersham might walk down Wall Street again without having anything worse than ticker tape thrown at him.


A plymouth tale

## Dr. Lounsbury Swats the English Courses

IN Harper's Magazine for October is a piece by Professor-Emeritus Thomas R. Lounsbury of Yale on "Compulsory Composition in Colleges." It is a detail of instruction that Dr. Lounsbury dealt with for twenty-five years, so that he speaks out of a fairly full experience. But he gives himself no airs of infallibility on that account, but expressly warns the reader that the views of persons without actual experience in reading undergraduate compositions, and who think without emotion on that subject, are probably wiser and sounder than his.
He writes very humbly, indeed, admitting that he expects the execration of the good and wise for what he has to say, but he says it firmly and at considerable length, duly embellishing his views with reasons, deprecations, considerations, apologies and the other impediments of written speech.
His conclusion, after serving as a supervisor of compositions for twentyfive years, and being released from that employment and using the leisure of several free years to think about it, is that compulsory compositions are too much for human nature to endure, almost useless as a means of compelling the young who have nothing to say to say it creditably, and a very grievous burden on the minds and spirits of persons fit to read and rectify them. Good writing, he says, is an art, for which some people have a


THE STREET MASHER IN EDEN "SIR! I DON'T KNOW YOU FROM adam!"

## an ultimatum

"ALL RIGHT; IF I CAN'T BE CAPTAIN, I won'T LEND THE BALL"
turn, and more have not. He wants to know why it must be forced on all comers any more than music or painting. He thinks that the special effort that has gone on for a quarter of a century to make good writers of all collegians has been a mistake and is a good deal of a failure; that its aim is not very important and cannot possibly be realized; that it is impossible to supply the job with teachers competent to direct it in its higher aspirations, and that, as a result of immense effort and vast resulting mental misery, the proportion of good writers that come out of the colleges is about the same as it was before the struggle began.
Professor Lounsbury lives in New Haven, and presumably justice will find him there. The least result that can reasonably be expected to follow such a deliverance as he has made is the stopping of his retiring allowance. But if it stops, the hat shall be passed for him. He is the kindest man of these times that writes about writing English; the bulwark of all free writers who have ears to hear the sounds of words; the prosecutor of the prigs and mechanics of language. He backs you up in usages you know are right, and tells you why they are right and wherein the pedants who
correct you are wrong. He not only knows, but knows why. He lets you say, "None were" and "had better," and gives you more freedom in the use of "me" than you deserve.
As to compulsory compositions, to do them justice their aim is chiefly humble, to qualify collegians to express themselves intelligibly. But there are others besides Dr. Lounsbury who have wondered this long time, not that the English courses in the colleges did not turn out better writers, but that so much natural talent managed to emerge from them without incurable deformities of style.
E. S. M.

"across the bridge of size"

national Vaudeville
Aldrich to Taft: wickersham always brings down the house with that play

## Concerning the Fourth of July

RATHER out of season to talk about the Fourth of July when Christmas is looming up in the near future, but certain figures just published by the Journal of the American Medical Association are timely for those who are interested in LifE's crusade against celebrating our national birthday by a slaughter of the innocents.

It is grateful to learn that the movement in behalf of a sane Fourth has shown such speedy results, although there are still many communities where the barbaric use of noise and fire to express patriotism is not prohibited by the authorities. According to the figures before us, the deaths from Fourth of July fireworks and explosives in 1911 were fifty-seven. In 1909 there were 215 and in 1910 there were 131. The main influence in bringing about this reduction in the death rate is the attitude of the press and the more intelligent public in urging the enforcement of local ordinances against the silly and dangerous custom.

Others among these figures are interesting, for instance. 39,219 persons have been killed or injured during the past nine years in celebrating the Fourth of July.

Massachusetts, whose John Adams is often quoted in support of the fireworks idea, makes reparation by reducing its death list to only six per cent. of what it was two years ago. Pennsylvania has an unenviable precedence over New York, recording 442 casualties this year to the latter's 237 . Among Western States, Illinois heads the rec-
ord with only 217 injuries, but Indiana, Iowa and Michigan still show a marked lack of enlightenment.

Besides the fifty-seven deaths in 1911, eight persons lost both eyes, twenty-six one eye each, and thirty are minus a leg, an arm or a hand. It will be seen that there is still need of agitation for a proper and reasonable way of celebrating the national holiday and against useless killing and maiming.


OUR ILLUSTRATED SONGS
after the ball was over

With Apologies to Mrs. E. W. W.

o,IT'S easy enough to look pleasant
When one hasn't a cause for regret.
But the man worth while
Is the man who can smile
When his wife is a suffragette!

## The Latest Parcels Post Convert

WHEN we reflect upon the difficulty up to this time of getting even the slightest parcels post encouragement from Washington, we are severely shaken by Secretary Hitchcock's recent pronunciamento. We confess to a feeling akin to flabbergast at his almost unqualified endorsement of the idea, for he qualifies only as to the gradual method of establishing it. We are "up in the air." He doth " enthuse" too much. If he had gone any further he might have been mistaken for the very innovator himself of the idea.
It has all happened so quickly that there comes to mind that tale of the Greeks who presented a lovely horse full of soldiers to the Trojans, the tale that has ever since made us look Greek gift-horses in the mouth.
We hope we are wrong. We trust that we have merely become morbid from cogitating upon the silent and inscrutable and unreasonable opposition to this most obvious and reasonable reform.


ANOTHER CONVERT

reflections of a bachelor

## Reclaiming Our Millionaires

THE work of reclaiming our millionaires has not yet been taken up in earnest in this country, but we are looking soon for a popular movement in this direction.

The first thing to be considered is a place where they can have their minds occupied, thus keeping them from writing articles for the magazines and saving the country by coming to the rescue of the stock market.

The stock market has been, when on the verge of some necessary panic, rescued so often by thoughtless millionarres that there is apparently little hope for ever getting rid of it.

No millionaire, however, should be forced to go; his going should be purely voluntary. To do this requires much skill. But, once accomplished, his cure is only a matter of time.

Will you assist in this grand work? Will you, whenever you see a millionaire, ask iim sently if he does not want to be reclaimed?

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## Alas and Alackaday!

Be a Member of the Pessimists' Club-Everybody is Joining-Classes in Melancholy, Fear, Misanthropy and All Forms of Cussedness Meet Daily-Now is the Time to Abandon All Hope.

$I^{T}$T is highly desirable that members of the Pessimists' Club shall mingle freely with other people rather than associate exclusively with their own class. In this way you can meet people who have grievances that you never suspected.

At the same time, for the convenience of the members of the club, and in order that they may not miss any of their favorite causes for depression and melancholy, groups have been formed composed of all branches of pessimism.

Our Knockers' Corner is at present largely attended. All new knockers who came to the club are directed to go to the first alcove to the right. Cynics' Retreat is a little further on.

Owing to the intensely disagreeable fact that the club is composed of the meanest men on earth, the headquarters

have had to be changed almost every week. No matter where they are, however, no one likes them. It is a melancholy fact, in spite of the constant disagreements and bickerings that the club is constantly growing. Local chapters are being formed all over. In the meantime, we announce the following classes which meet regularly:

Plain Worriers.-Members of this class are in the habit of worrying about anything and everything, no matter how small. "How to Make the Most of Unimportant Things of Worry" will be the subject of the next lecture.


The World-Owes-Me-a-Living Class.-Meets every Monday. Composed of people who don't want to work, but consider that they are entitled to all the luxuries of the day. Members will relate their personal experiences, and give in detail accounts of conspiracies formed against them to prevent them from getting on.

Pure Cussedness Class meets on Tuesday afternoons. This class is composed of ordinary mean men, who just like to be mean without any reason. If you have a yellow streak that you are proud of, join this class and you will not hear of anything to your advantage.

Class of Sensitive Souls meets Wednesday. These people cherish secret grievances, and are constantly imagining that others are thinking hardly of them. Each member of this class will be expected to demand apologies from every other member for everything that he says.

Sneerers.-Thursdays. To be a sneerer you must have developed the habit of sneering at everything that everyone else has, and showing, in a few ill chosen words, that it is pretty poor stuff. In this class sarcastic, bitter remarks are the order of the day.

The Introspectives.-Silent class. Members of this class do nothing but stare into vacancy. They are trying to read their own minds. Any member speaking will be expelled from the class. Any form of speech to an introspective is a sign of too much happiness.

The other day a man was admitted to the club; but he hadn't been a member a day before he tried to borrow money from the others. He has been promptly withdrawn from the list of members, as he is plainly an optimist in disguise.

We have just received the following letter: Dear Sirs:

If I join your club can I have a safe refuge from my creditors?

Mournfully yours,
Our reply is, No, sir! Why, a large part of the club membership is composed of creditors who cannot collect their bills.

This is no haven of refuge for anybody. It is a place where we face things. No compromise!


We have also been asked whether we admit ladies. Not as a rule.
We have a few old maids who have been put up for a few weeks by friends who hoped that their condition might be made worse by contact with the club. But, generally speaking, women don't care for the club. No woman is a pessimist long enough. Her business is to create them.

We grow stronger every hour. Only yesterday four hundred abandoned suburbanites joined.

It is possible that you are light hearted and go about with a smile on your face. This is a false condition of mind.

Look inward, not outward; downward, not upward; be a grouch.

Our club is governed by stern, inevitable logic.
The club will meet next week in Greenwood Cemetery; week after next in Wall Street; after that in City Hall Park, unless it is decided to the contrary or worse places can be discovered.

We urge everybody to join. Life is short and there may be little time left to sorrow.

## Can Anyone Tell?

APUZZLED correspondent wants to know the difference between a materia medica and a pharmacopœia. This is a fair question, but, frankly, we can hope to indicate merely a few broad lines along which the problem is to be attacked if a sane solution is to be expected. The old explanation that a materia medica grows wild, while a pharmacopœia is domesticated, no longer suffices. Modern science must be more precise if it is to fulfill its destiny. A materia medica, therefore, is more closely related to the nebular hypothesis than the pre-Darwinian philosophers were willing to admit. A pharmacopœia, on the other hand, in its pure state, has all the appearance of a more attenuated phenomenon. But authorities differ.

Lack of space prevents a more extended discussion at this time, but we do not think the matter should be dropped. If any of our readers can throw light on the subject we should be glad to offer a suitable reward in recognition thereof.

Ellis O. Jones.

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" john, i'm sorry that ethel has engaged herself to that young poreleigh. he isn't half good enough for her."
" my dear, if eve had had parents they would have been convinced she might have DONE BETTER."

the trysting place

## Centralization

HE best way to become confused over a problem in finance or financial legislation is to read a financial paper. Consider the following from the United States Investor of Boston:
"Probably the most serious objection thus far made to the Aldrich plan has been the fact that it so clearly paved the way for centralization. The reply has been made that the Aldrich plan did not aim at centralization."

This occurs in the center of an editorial which says nothing and which concludes thus: "Perhaps it is as well to have the issue made as sharp as possible in the beginning."

This is amusing, but let's take it seriously. What is the issue? This is it.

Be it remembered, first, that the Aldrich plan neither paves the way for, nor aims at, centralization. It is centralization. The present plan of having the public funds in the public treasury is also centralization. Mr. Aldrich merely wishes to change the center of the centralization.

Shall we have a public centralization or a private centralization? That is the issue.


Coniractor: why, confound it! i risk my capital! you don't risk anything.

Worker on Bridges and Buildings: that's right; all 1 risk is my life.

## Marse Henry On Woman Suffrage

Where two have but a single mount one must needs ride behind. It is not that the man is superior to the woman, but stronger and better able to handle the reins and control the horse, that, where there is any happiness or prosperity, he rides before.-Marse Henry in the Courier Journal.

MARSE HENRY deprecates militant methods in the woman suffrage movement. There was a suffragist convention in Louisville last month, and Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst was there, and stirred Marse Henry to several columns of deliberative discussion of the whole subject of votes for women. Above is one of his conclusions. Another, more particular, is that "the universal and precipitate enfranchisement of women in Kentucky would bring upon the people and the State a revolution more hurtful than the enfranchisement of the blacks forty years ago." He tells the suffragists, moreover, that their recent convention in Louisville "left a very bad taste in the masculine mouth." He would have the leaders of the movement for the betterment of women "bring to the discussion unembittered hearts, free and fair minds."

So some of them do; and those are the ones who are most influential, whether they want votes or not. The embittered ones are apt to damage their side, which is usually the side of the suffragists.
As for the single mount, it is true that the man is usually the better able to handle the reins and control the horse, but we all know in how many cases the man who rides ahead is no more than a sack of bones and appetites that the woman-the real ridercarries before her.
A little book, called "The Power of Women" (Macmillan), to which Miss Ida Tarbell has written an introduction, seems to owe its existence to the feeling that the suffragists, in their campaigning, have disparaged and misrepresented the honorable position of women in this and other civilized countries, minimizing their powers, liberties and influence, and making their condition out to be far worse than it is. It is made up of selections from various writings, and


## GOOD QUEEN MESS

"She doth temporize and coguette with both the ancient fashion and the young reformers, and would cozen the entire body politick."
-Report of the French Ambassador to his most Catholic Majesty.
is useful in helping to dispel the impression that a woman without a vote is a slave, a drudge, a toy and a hopeless inferior of man, and that a woman with a vote is going to be, off-hand, man's equal.

She is man's equal anyhow, but not in all particulars, any more than he is her equal in all particulars. The pith of the suffragist discussion is the question whether she is at present man's equal as a voter, and whether it is expedient that she should be called upon to demonstrate that particular phase of equality at the polls.
E. S. M.

AN'S inhumanity to man makes countless thousands of dollars.

## Speaker Clark and Annexation

WHAT possesses Speaker Champ Clark, presumably a sensible man, to persist in talking to the newspapers about the annexation of Canada? He was at it again, the other day, in South Dakota. It is a harmless topic enough, now that reciprocity has failed, but it is still a topic better suited to a person in private life than to the holder of one of the greatest public offices in our Government.

It must be that the Speaker is trying, as Bryan has so often done and so successfully, to demonstrate his fitness for unofficial life. His annexation talk has no other effect, but it has that one.

## Paris Pleads in Vain

Hereafter All French Ladies Will Have to Wait for Six Months Before They Can Copy Our Styles-Drop in and Have a Cast of Yourself Made-A New Department.

OUR latest Christmas and New Year's shopping costume consists of a galvanized iron blouse, solid brass toque trımmed with aluminum, skirt of chilled steel, and Irish crochet slippers with velvet edging. With this it is en règle to carry a shepherd's crook of solid gold, with steel prodding points. The success of this costume with several thousand of our patrons is evidence that there is no department of human activity to which we do not cater.

Our manager has just returned from Paris, where it is needless to say he was besieged by the dressmakers and tailors who are anxious to obtain our styles in advance. His object in going was to make some sort of arrangement


PARISIAN WOMEN bEG THE MANAGERS FOR PERMISSION to COPY OUR FASHIONS
with the Paris people, whereby they can obtain the use of our styles about six months after they have appeared in this country.

They begged for a three months' margin, but we would not grant it; six months is the limit, and by the payment of a handsome royalty-which we shall use in increasing our buildings in Life Park (formerly Central), hereafter all our styles will appear in Paris six months later.

This affords the French ladies an opportunity to keep fairly up to date, and does us no harm. When it is considered that only a few years ago we got all of our styles from Paris, and were aping them, it is quite a change now, when our cry of "America for the Americans" is heeded and the Fashion Reform League leads the world.

Every American woman is eligible to become a member of the Fashion Reform League, which entitles her to all privileges, on payment of the customary fee; you are thus kept informed of the latest styles. On entering our


OPERA NEAR-GOWN
material for neck, back and arms, peau poudrée, the remnant of gown of n'importe brodée
establishment you are first looked over critically by one of our trained artists. Every possibility is noted-whether you are too fat or too thin, too long or too short, and so on; after this examination you are taken to a quiet room, where one of our breakers-in sits down with you and, looking tactfully into your eyes, tells you all your faults.

Do not be disturbed for the moment if the story seems a sad one; it is our business to make you over and our rule not to spare anyone at the start. To illustrate our methods, here is a letter just received from an ardent patron:
Dear League:
About a year ago, when I entered your establishment, a young man took me aside and told me that I was twenty-five pounds over weight, was lopsided, vulgar in appearance, didn't know how to carry myself, was short of hair, had a gunny bag complexion, and, in fact, was almost a hopeless case. I was so mad that I threatened to sue him for damages; however, I controlled myself and agreed, after a scene, to take your advice; now I have a svelte figure, my hair is growing like wheat in the Kansas belt, my cheeks are alabaster, and I have developed such a languid air of utter indifference that my friends are all green with jealousy.

Gratefully yours,
This lady was even worse than we made her out; indeed, such tender hearts have our critics that oftentimes they shrink from telling the fatal truth. Be prepared to have your feelings hurt, but, remember, that it is all done for art's sake. In six months after you have gone through our establishment you may be able to capture a millionaire.

In the meantime, if you are living out of town step in on your next visit and have a wax mold made of your figure. Our new method enables us to do this easily and

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THE "GOAT" PALETOT
russian sable paletot for lady Who likes to go slumMING, BUT WISHES To AVOID AT TENTION.
without any particular pain. You simply step into a warm wax bath up to your neck and wait for it to cool; we then break it away and use it as a mold to reproduce your figure in any medium you may select, from plaster of Paris to solid gold. After this all that is necessary for you to do is to send us your weight; if you fall off a couple of pounds we reduce the figure accordingly; if you gain, we pad it. Thus we can make your clothes right here and ship them to you anywhere, either by parcels post, express or freight, according to weight.
As we reproduce your complexion and the color of your hair, we can also select your hats. We ship all our hats in hand-painted crates specially made for this purpose.
In addition to these purely physical details, we also enter upon our books a description of your temperamentwhether you are vivacious or sad, a dashing blonde or a buxom brunettenothing omitted and naught set down in malice.
We have just started a new department, which is a course of instruction in how to give an afternoon reception.

We show you what people you may safely omit and where you can place your husband to make him really useful.

Send for our latest list of reception gowns, from one thousand up.
old clothes department.
(This department is designed to help those of our patrons who wish to dispose of their wardrobes. Only five dollars a line charged.)

I have an automobile costume fo which I paid three thousand dollars, and have used it for five years without a puncture. Will dispose of it to out of town party weighing 250 pounds for eighty dollars.

I have outgrown my pajamas. Will dispose of them cheap to desirable party, Chicago.-Mrs. B., this off

Four golden brown rats wanted by lady in reduced circumstances. Send sample strand. Must be a bargain.

Adele S-
Life's Fashion Reform League.


HOKUS: Brownsmith was after a poiitical job for a long time. What's he doing now?
Pokus: Nothing. He got it.

Y $\begin{gathered}\text { vestigation, but you can't make }\end{gathered}$ him remember.


## LOOK FOR THIS PICTURE

in the Christmas Number of Life, out on Tuesday, December 5. It will contain the winning title of the contest, which began in Life's Thanksgiving Number, and which closed on November 18. In the same number will be published about twenty-five of the best titles received.
(Note.-In Life's issue of November 9 it was stated that the above picture would not be publ:shed again. This referred to its use as a guide for contestants. In the present instance it is used simply as a reminder.)


Chicago Barnstorming in New York


NCE more New York has voted "No" on the question, " Do you like Ibsen?" The propounder in the present instance was "The Drama Players," an organization backed by wealthy persons in Chicago, Ill., and which later on proposes to do something in the way of theatrical uplift in that city. Just why the Chicago company should experiment first on New York, and just why it should start with a second or third rate Ibsen play when New York has never cared for Ibsen at his best, are mysteries the like of which can only be conceived by experimenters with the theatre.

New York is big enough not to pay much attention to the fact that it was being used as a dog-town for Chicago; it went to see the Ibsen piece, "The Lady of the Sea," once, concluded it didn't like it and didn't go any more The play may create a furore in Chicago, and its New York failure may be an argument in its favor. Life doesn't believe that that fact or any other can make Chicago or any other place take kindly to "The Lady of the Sea," but if it does, the laugh will be on Chicago. Therefore it is quite enough to say that the play is one of Ibsen's most dreary and commonplace dramas dealing principally with the vagaries of a wife who has never been quite right in her head since the birth and death of her child. It was given a perfectly fair trial in the nature of its performance by the Chicago organization, the cast, although not by any means a great one, being quite competent to show that the play contained no acting possibilities.

$I^{N}$ its second effort, Moliére's "Les Femmes Savantes," played as "The Learned Ladies" in a translation by Mr. Curtis Hidden Page, the Chicago company had much better material and appeared to much better advantage. The translation was not on an expert poetical plane, but it recited and rhymed sufficiently well to carry the spirit of the old satirical comedy. Its raillery at feminine affectation of learning seemed almost apropos of the present Suffragist assumption of knowl-
edge of public affairs. External truths will not down and Moliére's fun at the expense of women's fondness for fads was very far from lacking in contemporary point. Its simplicity of plot and our modern sapience in the mechanics of the drama made it appear primitive in method, but even so there was no question of its hold on the attention of a modern audience.

The performance was an excellent one throughout and if Chicago can hold these artists together the organization will supply to that city something which New York does not possess, a good stock company. The director, Mr. Donald Robertson, had the rôle of Chrisale, and although he was not able to supply to it the humor that a French artist or even some of our older comedians would, he played it in straight, first-old-man fashion. In the male cast the honors went to Mr. Fred Eric as Clitandre and to Mr. Edward Emery, who was thoroughly at ease as Trissotin, although playing it with more deliberation than sparkle. It was good to see Effie Shannon and Mr. Herbert Kelcey back on the New York stage, although in an out-of-town company. As Armande and Ariste their rôles were not important, but were handled with the ease that goes with experience and competence. Renee Kelly, who played Henriette, is a young and attractive actress who seems to have a future which will be better assured when she overcomes a tendency to just a little bit too much energy in her delivery and movements. That excellent English artist, Charlotte Granville, made a sufficiently domineering Philaminte. Belise, the spinster, who like other learned ladies never took her eye off the main chance of matrimony, was amusingly portrayed by Eugenie Woodward.

If this company had not wasted its first energies on the Ibsen play, it would be easier to estimate its possibilities. As it is, it shows artistic conscientiousness in preparation, very good ensemble work, but as yet no great distinction of speech or manner.

THERE has been considerable complaint of late about the lack of plot in our musical shows. The sluggards in this particular among our librettists should go to "The


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mr. fred lennox, georgia caine and mr. fred walton in "the three romeos"

Three Romeos." They could help themselves generously and what they took never would be missed. There was so much of it that even at the end of the last of the three acts no one in the audience was at all clear as to what it was all about. Part of the plot was laboriously unfolded early in the proceedings. Then there was an interim of singing and dancing by lady principals and a numerous chorus. Then the plot unfolded a few more complications. Then some male comedians did something with the aid of the ever merry chorus. Then a few more links of plot were loosened up, and so it goes on. There is a lot of catchy although not particularly original music, including the inevitable moonlight and flower songs, several laughable ditties, two or three mechanical surprises, but the plot asserts itself at frequent intervals to keep the audience guessing.

In the company are Georgia Caine, handsomely gowned and thoroughly at home as musical show prima donna, Elita Proctor Otis with her grande dame comedy, Ethel Cadman, a pretty girl who sang her solos painfully off the key, Mr. Fritz Williams, debonair as usual, and Messrs. Fred Walton, William Danforth and Fred Lennox, all sufficiently amusing eccentric artists, so it will be seen that "The Three Romeos" is not lacking in talent. Mr. R. H. Burnside has provided more fun in the way of lines and songs than usually falls to the lot of the musical show.

After it has been boiled down a bit and a few kilometres have been vivisected out of that plot, "The Three Romeos"
ought to be considerably better than "also ran" in the musical show purse-race.

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" $\mathrm{T}^{1}$HE Red Widow" also has a plot which it appears the authors of this musical show libretto consciously or unconsciously absorbed from a sensationally successful novel of a few years ago. As a consequence the owners of the novel's copyright have successfully declared themselves in on a division of the royalties. Having been taken from a book, this plot is unusually cogent for an entertainment of this sort and really adds to the interest.

Besides a plot "The Red Widow" has a comedian whose fun is of a higher grade than that usually allotted to the dialect or vaudeville actor whose name appears at the top of the bills as a guarantee that there will be nothing new or intelligent in the fun-making. Mr. Raymond Hitchcock has been at this kind of work for a long time, but still manages to give to everything that he does and says a new twist of drollery. The title part falls to a competent and good looking young singer with the distinguished name of Sophye Barnard. In a not specially distinguished cast the stately Jeane Newcombe and Gertrude Vanderbilt's dancing are conspicuous. "The Red Widow," although the music is rather commonplace, is really funny. Its authors, Messrs. Rennold Wolf and Channing Pollock, are to be congratulated on everything but their misfortune with their plot. Metcalfe.


Astor-Mr. Raymond Hitchcock' in "The Red Widow." See bove.

Belasco-"The Return of Peter Grimm." Mr. David Warfield and good support in well staged but rather sombre drama dealing with life after death. Never Homes." Musical show produced by Mr. Lew Fields in his usual elaborate fashion and showing what may happen when the Suffragettes get control of things.
Casino-"The Kiss Waltz." Musical show, well staged and with the Viennese waltz its main feature.
Century-"The Garden of Allah." Unusually elaborate spectacle and $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {i }}$. Hichens's well-known novel in dramatic form. lated to Comedy-" Bunty Pulls the Strings." Unusual, diverting and exceptionally well acted comedy of Scotch life.
Criterion-" Passers-By." Very English and moderately interesting play distinguished by well delineated types of London low life. Daly's-Viola Allen in "The Lady of Coventry." Notice later. mpany in the agreeable English society comedy, "A Single Man"" Globe - "The Three Romeos." See above. Harris-"Maggie Pepper," with Rose Stahl as the star. Rather interesting melodrama dealing with department store life.
Herald Sauare - The Wife Hunters." Ordinary musical show with the customary attraction of costumes, scenery and chorus girls. Hippodrome-Ballet, spectacle and "Around the World," the last a series of brilliant stage pictures.
Hudson-"The Price," with Helen Ware. Sex drama reasonbly interesting and fairly well acted.
Knickerbocker-"The Siren." Musical show of the Viennese type with Mr . Donald Brian's dancing the feature.
Lyceum
" The Runaway." Miss Billie Burke admirably fitted with the star part in an amusing French comedy.
Lyric-The Drama Players from Chicago in İbsen and Moliere. See above.

Maxine Elliott's-The Irish Players in repertory, Notice later. Park-"The Quaker Girl." Very dainty musical show from
London unusually well cast. Paid For." American drama moving points and laughable at others. Extremely well done.
Republic-"The Woman." Strong and well acted play illuminating the methods of corrupt politicians in Washington,

Thirty-ninth Street- "The Million." An inconsequential but very laughable farce from the French
in agreeable little plav of that name
Weber's-" The Wife Decides."
Weber's-"The Wife Decides." Notice later. Deslys and a new bill of variety and extravaganza.


The Intelligent Gentleme

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gent Gentlemen of the Jury

# Old Books for New 

## The Advantage of Being Overtaken by the Past, as Illustrated in Books by Edward Carpenter and Arnold Bennett

UNCLE EPH was an old darky in Northern Georgia, who owned a lop-eared mule. The animal was reputed to possess great speed, but was even more renowned for its ability to balk and for the wisdom attributed to it by its owner, who was wont to declare, "Yas, sah, she's a mean mule, but she's 'meanable to reason, sah, 'meanable to reason." One fall he entered her in a trotting race at the county fair and she actually led the field well into the back-stretch. But there she balked. And nothing that her driver could do or say could induce her to move a step. Finally, the other contestants made the circuit of the half-mile track and thundered up again from behind, and as they passed him the old man leaned forward and called out, "Come along, Jinny! You'll never get another chance like this for catching up!"

The appearance of two brand new American editions of two long issued, but little known, English books, Edward Carpenter's "Love's Coming of Age" (Mitchell Kennerley, \$1.0o) and Arnold Bennett's "The Truth About an Author" (George H. Doran, \$1.00), confronts us with a similar, not-to-be-neglected opportunity.

FIFTEEN years ago when Edward Carpenter wrote "Love's Coming of Age; a Series of Papers on the Relations of the Sexes," there not only was no English publisher who had the courage to publish it, but the chances are that there was not one who would have wanted to had he dared. It was not so much that questions of sex were taboo as that it was still taken for granted by universal Anglo-Saxon consent that openly to regard nature as natural was to be guilty of the one unpardonable $\sin$ against nicemindedness. So far, indeed, was this principle carried that not to show one's self constantly conscious of the immanence of the obscene was to be lacking in the finer forms of breeding. Thus ladies and literature were both adjudged to be everything that the most scrupulous delicacy could require if they lowered their eyes

## CHONTIAL BOOK GUIDE

Creative Evolution, by Henri Bergson. A constructive and critical philosophy based upon a masterly analysis of, and differentiation between, instinct and intellect.

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Researches on the Evolution of the Stellar Systems, by T. J. J. See. A colossal work by an American astronomer containing a new, carefully elaborated and strongly defended theory of the origin of the solar system and the mechanism theory of the or
of the heavens.

The Truth About an Author, by Arnold Bennett. See above.
bashfully and blushed a little whenever they had occasion to refer to one of their acquaintances having broken alimb.

Under these circumstances it is scarcely to be wondered at that when the author of these exquisitely written papers -so simple in their seeking after truth, so amazingly bisexual in their understanding, so fervent in their plea for the manumission of love through the abolition of sex slav-ery-published them at his own expense, he only gained at home a reputation for libidinous estheticism; while in America, which in prurient prudery was more royalist than the king, he was never mentioned in mixed company.

But the world moves, and America-now running ahead like an active child and now hanging timorously back like a bashful one-moves with it. And in its walk the world has discovered Edward Carpenter. Let us, too (remember, please, that we have been tagging along with "The Dangerous Age" in one pocket and "The Common Law " in the other), step up and hear what he has to say.

ELEVEN years ago, when Arnold Bennett wrote his anonymous autobiographical sketch, "The Truth About an Author," he managed, after considerable difficulty to find a publisher for it. But the firm undoubtedly regretted the venture, for the book was a complete failure; and even after the author acknowledged the work and began to be famous it was only, generally speaking, known of by the knowing and only spoken of, even by them, with raised eyebrows as a curious indiscretion of his youth.
But it wasn't because Arnold Bennett was unknown in 1900 that this piquant piece of professional frankness was frowned down. It was because, with malicious delight and undeviating honesty, it told the truth about some things connected with the mysteries of art and the psychology of authors that it was then thought only self-respectful to lie about, even to one's self.
And it is not because Mr. Bennett has since become a celebrity that we now chortle with glee over the book's refreshing candor. It is because, in the meantime, we have become more interested in the actual workings of the human mind than in the maintenance of a conventionally dignified make-believe.
J. B. Kerfoot.

AGNES: Am I the first and only girl you ever loved?

Frost: Yep, the rest have all been married women.


THE RISING FLOOD

## Approacheth Winter!

OSHORTENING, shortening days! (And lengthening bills from the electric light company, gas office, coaloil man, et al.) I feel the sharp, crisp air. (And wonder, as I feel, how the kids' last winter's flannels held out.) I can almost already hear the creak of spotless snow under foot. (I can likewise hear Robbie's cough and feel the well-rocked snowballs against my cheek, sent by some lusty juvenile.) It is no wonder that the festive days of all the year should come now. (And a little extra summer expense in the form of certain vacation gambols is now supplemented with such Thanksgiving and Christmas expenditures as clear the pocketbook of any small change left therein.) What shall it be-a sympathetic rendering of "Winter" or the more jubilant "In the Good Old Summertime"?
R. G. S.

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What we need is something that is perfectly useless, but at the same time mysterious and awe-inspiring.

$\mathrm{R}^{\mathrm{E}}$EVOLUTION-A time when the people cease to follow one set of leading citizens and select a new set.


## A Mayor on Literature

When I pick up The Outlook, for instance, and read some of Dr. Abbott's learned writings, they seem to me so turgid that I turn over to the advertisements in the back and begin to read them, and I find relief immediately. . . . Or if I pick up, say-to go from one extreme to the other-a copy of Life, and read over the jokes, which turn out to be as turgid as Dr. Abbott's logic, I have nothing to do in that case, either, except to turn a feze pages over to the advertisements either, except to turn a few pages over to the advertisements all the magazines.-Mayor Gaynor to the Advertising Men's League of New York.
$\Delta$ WAY with idle jest and futile fiction! I'll read instead this Ode to Slaughter's Lard.
Your race of scribes has earned my malediction
Except, of course, the Advertising Bard.
These foolish scribbling folk that strive to tell me
Their "views," forsooth!-I scorn the trash they write;
But he that hath a razor-strop to sell me
Is always clever, terse-and most polite.
More dear than all the saws of Epictetus
(Though much I venerate that ancient sage),
Appear the apothegms that rise to greet us
Upon the merry Advertising Page.
Besides, the pleasant treatises of barter
Have no remarks upon my Perfect Charter.
Should Dr. Abbott pay me forty dollars To skim his turgid screeds, I'd still refuse; But oh, this Lullaby to Sawtooth Collars!

And ah, that Serenade to Bunyon's Shoes!
The papers,-bah! they rile me past endurance;
The magazines are quite too much to bear;
For me the siren song of Life Insurance,
The young romance of Union Underwear!
I love to hold discourse with Mr. Creelman
About the words that charm me more and more
Of-you know, what's-his-name, the rubber-heel-man,
Or him that sings of Homburg's Dry Goods Store.
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Let none forget that unexampled blessing
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To find the slightest peccancy in Me !
The lies these fellows tell are most surprising.
The only truth is found in Advertising!
Arthur Guiterman.

## Motor-Car Activities

THE automobile is waking up old Massachusetts. There are complaints about it. According to the Springfield Republican 100 Massachusetts people woke up dead because of it last year and 1,100 woke up injured. The Republican says: "Nothing like the present need for alertness has been known since the days when men went

the hunter can get around the tree, but can he GET AROUND THE SQUIRREL?
armed and the fittest to survive was the one who saw the other first."

In Boston Mr. Moorfield Storey writes to the Transcript about it and suggests committees of pubiic safety for self-defense.

They say hereabouts that chauffeurs are improving in quality and deportment; are older than they were, and less rash. Perhaps so. It is also true that we are getting used to motor cars and are forming habits of looking out for them, so that we dodge and run by muscular instinct and without stopping to think.

Homicidal statistics have to be comparative to give true information. We would like to see tables that set forth the killings and injuries done by motor cars, trolley cars, horses, railroads, factories, mines, burglars, negroes, Italians and Other Citizens. But, in comparing horse and trolley car fatalities and injuries with those committed by motor cars, the respective numbers of horses, motor cars and trolley cars in use must be considered. Comparison per horse-power would be, perhaps, the fairest way of all.


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"Is your child in bed by eight every evening?"
"Technically, yes. We begin arguing about that time."-Christian Advocate.

## Bill's Way

Neighbor: I s'pose your Bill's 'ittin' the 'arp with the hangels now?

Long-Supfering Widow: Not 'im. 'Ittin the hangels wiv the 'arp's nearer 'is mark!-Black and White.

## Little Choice

Russian Offictal: You cannot stay in this country.

Traveler: Then I'll leave it.
Russian Official: Have you a passport to leave?
Traveler: No.
Russian Official: Then you cannot leave. I will give you twenty-four hours to decide what you will do.
-Cassell's Saturday Journal.


Mike: so, pat, I hear ye're thinkin' of goin' to work on the panama canal?
Pat: 1 AM.
Mike: you'll find it very hot down there-as much as $115^{\circ}$ in the shade, they tell me.
Pat: well, you don't think t'll be dom fool enough to work in the shade all the toime?

## One on George

"Oh, my!" she exclaimed impatiently; " we'll be sure to miss the first act. We've been waiting a good many minutes for that mother of mine."
"Hours, I should say," he replied, rather tartly.
"Ours?" she cried joyfully. "Oh, George, this is so sudden !"
-Ladies' Home Journal.

## The Folks from Maine

The Governor of Maine was at the school and was telling the pupils what the people of different States were called.
"Now," he said, " the people from Indiana are called 'Hoosiers'; the people from North Carolina 'Tar Heels'; the people from Michigan we know as 'Michiganders.' Now, what little boy or girl can tell me what the people of Maine are called?"
" I know," said a little girl.
"Well, what are we called?" asked the Governor.
" Maniacs."-Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

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In the distance a car appeared. It slipped and swerved from side to side as it approached because the wheels did not hold to the road.
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With speed unchecked the car struck the sharp curve.
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## -Chicago Record-Herald

Good Intentions
Mayor Speer of Denver at a recent temperance banquet was discussing a drink cure of little efficacy.
" When I think of this cure," he said, " I recall a poor old woman with a red nose who entered a magistrate's office and said:
' I'd like to take the pledge, if ye please.'
"'Very good,' said the polite clerk. 'And how long did you wish to take it for?
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-San Francisco Chronicle.
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## FOR CHRISTMAS



that Lincoln had not only been elected but inaugurated.

Burleigh hurried to Washington and demanded a job.
"What kind of a place do you want?" asked President Lincoln.
"Any kind-where there's not much work and big pay."
"I'm afraid," smiled Lincoln, " that most of those jobs are gone. I'll have my secretary look round and see what we can find for you. Come back tomorrow."

Burleigh went back.
"Burleigh," said President Lincoln, " there isn't much left. The best thing I can offer you is the agency of the Yankton Sioux Indians. It pays fifteen hundred dollars a year.'
" But, Abe," expostulated Burleigh, " a man can't live on that salary! I'd either have to starve to death or rob the Government.'
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Bellowed and thundered Oh , the wild howls they wrought ! Right to the end they fought Some tune they sang, but not, Not the Old Hundred.

Anonymous.

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cordingly, as soon as the singers could crawl on deck, they commenced to try their voices, and among them the tenor, who, always anxious to occupy a distinguished position, went on the bridge of the steamer for the purpose. What was his surprise on hearing an echo of his own-voice-another tenor. His amazement became disgust when he heard the third tenor running up the scale, a fourth, a fifth. He looked forward and saw two men eyeing him and each other with intense hatred; he looked aft and

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saw two others similarly occupied. The five tenors simultaneously made a rush below to the manager's cabin and demanded whether he had not expressly stipulated to each of them that he was to be his only tenor. "I know, I know," replied the manager, " and I will keep my word. You see, none of you have been to New Orleans before or you would understand. When we arrive the yellow fever is sure to be raging, and as you are fresh from Europe two of you will probably be carried off before you land and two more during the rehearsal. One will probably survive; he will be my first and only tenor."

## Good Living

An Englishman and a Welshman disputing in whose country was the best living, the Welshman said: " There is such noble housekeeping in Wales, that I have known above a dozen cooks employed at one wedding dinner."
"Ay," answered the Englishman, "that was because every man toasted his own cheese."

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## RhymedReviews

## The Knight-Errant

(By Robert Alexander Wason. Small, Maynard \& Company.)
Observe, dear friends, a modern fad,
The patent, non-heroic hero
Whose net achievements, good and bad, Amount to half a rimless zero.

He may not conquer tyrant kings
The walls of moated castles scaling, But, while attempting lots of things Must always make a point of failing.

A hero of this bootless sort Was wealthy Mr. Philip Lytton,
A happy, idle, careless sport As harmless as a pussy-kitten,

But Edith Hampton asked him, please, To use his money, mind and muscle, And so for love, abjuring ease, He sallied forth to work and hustle.

That is, he plunged with growing zest, Till, thinking every speculation
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Alas, she loved our luckless Phil,
But loved in vain, though fine and clever;
For Philip's soul was loyal still
To Edith,-lost, he thought, forever.
'Twould give these fingers writers' cramp
To note the many woes that followed;

As grimy drudge and shabby tramp A bitter dose our hero swallowed,

To learn at last that Fortune's whim Had made his ample substance double, That Edith's heart was true to him And all his grief was just a bubble!

But still as all the traps of Care
Are set to catch such hopeless lubbers, Let's hope that Edith combs his hair And always makes him wear his rubbers.


## Irish Reasoning

A poor Irishman, who was on his death-bed, and who did not seem reconciled to the long journey he was going to take, was kindly consoled by a goodnatured friend with the commonplace reflection that we must all die once. "Why, my dear, now," answered the sick man, " that is the very thing that vexes me; if I could die half a dozen times I should not mind it."

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" Wm. B. Giles."
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