

HIS UNCLE FROM JAPAN.

A COMEDY IN THREE ACTS.

under the direction of Prof. Lorenza D. Northam will be rendered at the Town Hall Leonardtown, Maryland, on

TUESDAY, Sept. 20, 1904,

at 8 P. M., for the benefit of St. Andrew's Rectory. Come and enjoy a good laugh.

- Capt. ROBERT RACKETT, of the National Guard—a lawyer when he has nothing else to do and a liar all the time.....T. SPENCER CRANE
OBADIAH DAWSON—His Uncle from Japan.....LORENZA NORTHAM
TIMOTHY TOLMAN—His friend who married for money and is sorry for it.....HARRY M. JONES
Mr. DALROY—His father-in-law—a jolly old cove.....FRANK FOXWELL
HOBSON—A waiter from the "Cafe Gloriana," who adds to the confusion.....TOMMIE ROBY
CLARICE—The Captain's pretty wife, out for a lark and up to anything awful.....KATHARINE CRANE
Mrs. TOLMAN—A lady of temper, who finds her Timothy a vexation of spirit.....EDWARDENA CRANE
KATY—A mischievous maid.....MAUD LONG
TOOTSIE—The "kid," Tim's olive branch.....

Refreshments will be served after the play by the ladies in charge. Admission, 50 cts. Children, 25 cts. Doors open at 7.30 p. m.

Mr. Duke Sets Good Pace.

Successful Business Man Who Believes in Baltimore.

Baltimore Evening News.

At the time when the future prosperity of Baltimore is at stake and its commercial progress is so widely discussed at home and abroad, it is encouraging to find a person so optimistic as Mr. W. Bernard Duke. Mr. Duke believes in Baltimore. His faith is of the practical kind, and he backs up his opinion with his money in business enterprises. He thinks that Baltimore has "a greater opportunity than before the fire, and that people with backbone will profit by it." He does not see any possibility of the cities north of it getting its trade, but he thinks the Western trade should be more thoroughly cultivated. Such are the expressions of a man who is at the head of three large commercial houses, one of which travels its salesmen in every State in the Union, and is interested in a number of minor concerns bearing on the importance of Baltimore as a business centre.

W. Bernard Duke came here in 1887 from St. Mary's county, Maryland, to carve his fortune. His family has long occupied an excellent position in Southern Maryland, a section that possesses many natural advantages, but one in which wealth is hard to acquire. Mr. Duke was only 20 when he settled in Baltimore. He first tackled insurance and then went with Tip Slee in the bicycle business. In 1896 he became a member of the firm of Ehrman & Duke and conducted a large bicycle establishment at Cathedral and Chase streets. He was wise enough to embark in this enterprise when the bicycle fever was at its height and everybody was riding over the country a wheel. He also had the foresight to withdraw from the field three years later, when the bicycle "fad" was on the decline and people were looking for some other kind of diversion. It was about this time that he married the widow of Mr. George W. Abell, who owned a handsome country place on the Joppa road, about two miles from Towson. Mrs. Abell was a woman of wealth, but to the credit of Mr. Duke it must be said that he has made his way in the world irrespective of his wife's fortune. Theirs is a happy home, but to this day he is particular to refer to "The Ridge" as Mrs. Duke's property, and he is perhaps supersensitive on the subject of not claiming the place as his own.

By his own ability and industry he is now regarded as one of the most successful young business men in the city, and he works early and late, but there are other things that he values more than money. In 1899 he formed, with Mr. James A. Dawkins, a member of the last House of Delegates, the firm of Dawkins & Duke, commission merchants and produce dealers, with office and warehouse at 219 South Charles street. He went into this business because he was anxious to keep in touch with the people in his home section of the State. Most of the customers and consignors of Dawkins & Duke are people living in St. Mary's, Charles and Calvert counties and whenever they come to town they are assured of a warm welcome from the junior member of the firm. "Whenever you see a man that doesn't care anything about his home people," remarked Mr. Duke the other day, "there is something wrong about him. He isn't all he ought to be."

To the advice and encouragement of the late William T. Dixon, Mr. Duke attributes his own success, although he is extremely modest in admitting that he has accomplished anything. Mr. Duke believed implicitly in the judgment and acumen of Mr. Dixon, and he never made a business move without consulting the late bank president. No one admired Mr. Dixon more and no one learned of his death with keener regret than did W. Bernard Duke. In 1897 Mr. Duke formed the firm of Duke & Thompson, straw hat manufacturers, and in 1900 the concern was made a stock company under the name of the Duke, Montague & Gillett Company. It has a large warehouse at 16 South Howard street, with a side entrance on West German street, and its traveling men sell goods in every State in the Union. The Duke-Peterson Hardware Company was organized just after the fire, in February, and is

the successor to Findler, Robert & Co., with temporary quarters at 308 West German street. The principal territory of the firm is Maryland, Virginia and the Carolinas.

Mrs. Duke's place, "The Ridge," is on what is called Chestnut ridge, and from it a beautiful view is to be had of Dulany Valley and the Green Spring Valley off in the distance. The house, which is of English brick, painted light yellow, sets back one hundred yards or so from the Joppa road in a group of towering oak and chestnut trees. There are 23 acres of green lawns and vari-colored flower beds surrounding it. The mansion faces south. Towson is two miles to the east, and Sherwood State Park, on the Central railway, one mile to the west. Friends of the family who go from Baltimore to the Ridge get off at Sherwood, and are there met by vehicles. The route is through a pretty country, past the homes of Mr. George C. Wilkins, general agent of the Northern Central Railway; Mr. Charles C. Homer, president of the Second National Bank, and the summer residences of other well-to-do Baltimoreans. The view from the tower at the top of Mrs. Duke's house takes in the country for many miles around.

The first impression of "The Ridge," which grows and lasts long, is that the keynote is comfort. Everything is handsome and the best of its kind, but everything denotes ease, rest and quiet. Verandas are on three sides of the house and are supplied with hammocks and reclining wicker chairs. There are rustic seats under the trees on the lawn, and summer houses as inviting retreats to the weary in the garden. The front door opens into a large hall, with a drawing-room to the right and a reception-room to the left. These apartments are ensuite and present a most effective view of the first floor. The library is back of the reception-room, and the large drawing-room, with its polished mahogany and glistening silver and set glass, to the rear of the drawing-room. Perhaps the most artistic feature of the interior, however, is the staircase, which ascends from the centre of the hall. It is finished in light oak, as is the rest of the house, and the banisters are hand carved, with ornamental scroll work. At both the first and second landings there are English windows, circular in form, with cushioned seats. Mrs. Duke's house has many rooms, and her husband and herself are always able to provide hospitality for their friends. Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Homer, son-in-law and daughter of the of the hostess, have been spending the late summer at the Ridge. Mr. Duke has two yachts and spends much of his leisure time on the water. His boats carry the flag of the Baltimore Yacht Club.

How to Secure a Vigorous Body and Mind.

Health of body and mind depend upon the health of the stomach. The brain, the blood, the nerves, the lungs, in fact every organ of the body depend upon the stomach for sustenance. The stomach's power to digest and assimilate food measures the strength of body and mind. If you are below the normal in strength and flesh, Rydale's Stomach Tablets will help you out of your trouble. They insure perfect digestion and assimilation and these secure health of body and mind. Rydale's Stomach Tablets cure the worst forms of dyspepsia and indigestion and all forms of stomach trouble. Trial size, 25 cts. Family size, 50 cts. The large size contains 2 1/2 times the quantity of the trial size. Loker & deWaal.

Whooping Cough.

In case of whooping cough a milk diet is necessary. Two or three pints may be taken daily, but not very much at a time should be given. Vomiting is very frequently a serious complication in this disease; but however unwilling a child may be to take food, he must be made to do so in order to keep up his strength. If the vomiting be very severe solids are better than food in a liquid form.

Fearful Odds Against Him.

Bedridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Havens, Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with kidney disease and neither doctors' nor medicines gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies, "I'm on the road to complete recovery." Best on earth for Liver and Kidney troubles and all forms of Stomach and Bowel Complaints. Only 50c Guaranteed by all Druggists.

Affecting sight—Barrels in tiers. Aspirited youth—One dead drunk.

ABOUT THE NEW BLANKETS.

BY MARY ANNABLE FANTON.

There are fashions in blankets nowadays just as there are in table linen and curtains and bed fittings. One used to have blankets and comfortables just for warmth. There was never much question of art effects or embroidery or becomingness.

But for some time before this season it has been decided that all one's outfit de nuit must be attractive and becoming. The American girl is making a fad of dressing for herself.

Back many centuries ago women dressed to please men, later in a high state of civilization, as women grew cleverer and more to be feared, they dressed for each other, not so much to gain flattery as to avoid criticism.

But to-day, it is herself that the American girl dresses for, and she cares as much about the fittings of her own room, her lounging gowns, her pretty night robes and bed furnishings as she does her dancing frocks and street suits. She wants to please her own good taste.

Her fad about blankets and comfortables is to have them all in one color scheme, the one that is most becoming to her and should dominate her bedroom.

Each winter bed is outfitted with one pair of blankets, one silk or saten comfortable and with a single blanket or thrower which is used in place of former crochet spread and crazy quilts for a nap or for an invalid's chair.

Usually the blankets are white, with a striped border in the color chosen, say pale blue which is very fashionable this year. The ends are bound with wide Liberty satin ribbon just the shade of the border.

The comfortable would be of blue satin with a wide border of blue, flowered with white and lavender lilies, with branches of the pale green May foliage, or with white fleur de lis, or wistaria. This is very thick and soft and made up of eiderdown, light as a feather, and thrown over the foot of the bed for frosty nights.

The extra single blanket would be all pale blue, of real blanket or very thick eiderdown cloth plain, or lined with satin and bound with wide satin ribbon. In one corner is a large monogram embroidered with silk, the same shade or to match the flowers on the comfortable.

These extra blankets embroidered make very pretty wedding or Xmas presents, one that is bound to be welcome, useful and artistic. As they soil easily, they are usually put away on a convenient shelf. They will wash, of course, but are always prettier before the laundry visit.

Sometimes the double blankets are also the same color, bound with white and the comfortable matches. Or the entire outfit, ribbon border and embroidery, is all white.

Naturally the keeping clean of these delicately lined blankets is a matter of great consideration. In fact, if there was not some way of washing them easily without fading, they would be a very extravagant household item.

It is no longer considered hygienic to dry clean blankets. It is known that germs will live for months in the fleecy surface of woolen goods, and that the only way they can be really destroyed is by the heat of the laundry. Hot water, borax, and sunshine are death to germs. A very easy modern way to clean blankets without fading or shrinking is as follows:

Fill a tub full of warm water. If you have a bath thermometer at hand see that it registers 86 degrees. Add two large tablespoonfuls of borax, and enough white soap to make a good suds. Throw a blanket in and squeeze it gently. Do not wring with the hands, and by no means should a board be used, else the fleecy surface will fluff up into little lumps and the blanket be ruined. Rub through the hands gently, and send through a rubber wringer into a second tub of water of the same temperature, and with the borax and soap added. Each rinsing water must be of the same temperature. Dry quickly in the sun.

The palest tints can be washed in this way without injury, and blankets come out looking like new without the drawn haggard look that usual laundry work induces. And to feel sure that one's dainty bedroom fittings can be kept clean for years without the least injury or much effort is to greatly increase one's enjoyment of them.

Dreaming.

What wondrous consolation comes to us in those blessed hours when the body lies resting. The spirit roams at will, no distance, space or time can separate us from our loved. The treasure snatched away by death is ours again. Forms only dust to-day, are with us in by-gone years. The same tint of hair and shade of eye; the same rich coloring of lip, and expanse of brow; the same expression. The little peculiarities which endeared them to our hearts make dreaming a blessed reality.

How apt are we to exclaim, when waking, "Oh, could I dream the same again!" Bereaved mother, you are comforted when the baby settles in your arms again; the little fingers thrill you when wandering as of old. The wee face breaks into smiles at your caress! You would hold baby thus forever. Alas! you must awake—awake to find an empty cradle, empty arms, and a longing heart.

There is more pleasure in dreams than in realities. The awakening embitters both. Brother, sister, have you awakened from the sunny dreams of youth? Are the hopes you cherished dead? Have friends forsaken you? Has disease claimed you for his prey? Because that was bright, and this dark, will you allow your life to be a failure? If you cannot be what you would, will you not be what you can? Can you kindle ashes? Will you live aright?

The Stomach is the Man.

A weak stomach weakens the man, because it cannot transform the food he eats into nourishment. Health and strength cannot be restored to any sick man or weak woman without first restoring health and strength to the stomach. A weak stomach cannot digest enough food to feed the tissues and revive the tired and run down limbs and organs of the body. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat, cleanses and strengthens the glands and membranes of the stomach, and cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. Sold by Loker & deWaal.

Offensive Breath.

Those who suffer from this will find that by taking a teaspoonful of common salt in a winglassful of pure water the first thing every morning the breath will be much improved, and the mouth can be well rinsed with this mixture. The teeth should be brushed morning and night, a tooth powder of equal parts of precipitated chalk and powdered orris root being very serviceable. Very little sugar or sweets should be taken, and no onions or radishes.

A Boy's Wild Ride For Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 13 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma; but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip prove its matchless merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at drug store.

Something That Everybody Knows.

Everybody knows that sick headache, biliousness, sallowness and constipation are caused by a disordered liver. But everybody doesn't know that laziness, that tired feeling, drowsiness, the blues, irritability and sleeplessness are also due to the same cause. If your liver is acting well, your skin will be clear, eyes bright, spirits buoyant, appetite good, health good. Rydale's Liver Tablets will make your liver act right and they will do it in such a pleasant way that you will hardly realize that you are taking medicine. Rydale's Liver Tablets are guaranteed to cure chronic constipation and all liver diseases and disorders. Your money refunded if these tablets do not give satisfaction. Loker & deWaal.

For Nervous Headache.

A "never-failing" remedy for nervous headache is described by a scientific authority thus: It consists simply in the act of walking backward, but the method of walking is an important factor in the cure. The pace should be very slow, letting the ball of the foot touch the floor first, then the heel. A hall or narrow room serves the purpose best. The theory underlying the cure is that the reflex action of the body brings about a reflex action of the brain; thus the pain induced by nervousness, which is said to be the result of too much going forward, is driven away by a simple process of reversal.

What is Life?

In the last analysis nobody knows, but we do know that it is under strict law. Abuse that law even slightly, pain results. Irregular living means derangement of the organs, resulting in Constipation, Headache or Liver trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills quickly readjusts this. It's gentle, yet thorough. Only 25c at all drug stores.

He Was a Real Farmer.

"Oh, yes," a man in the hotel lobby was overheard to say, "I'm a real farmer now. My farm only costs me about \$75 per month now, so you can see I'm getting along."

Then the man was heard to comment upon farm labor. "It's all right to talk about the poetry of farm life," he said, "but if farm life is poetry I want the poet to write it in prose. Is there any poetry in greasing harness? Do you find any rhyme and rhythm in milking a double jointed, back action cow twice a day? Well, I guess not."

"But there's the scenery," his companion interjected, "and the smell of grain—"

"Yes," said the amateur farmer, "and the chiggers, and the red bugs and holes in the fence, and rats in the seed corn, and the potatoes sprouting. And if you are through plowing for awhile and haven't anything better to do you fix the wheelbarrow for recreation, or you can see that the pen is made hog proof, or that the water trough doesn't leak too much. Then if everything else fails and it's too rainy to do anything else you can get out a second hand kit and fix the crupper on the harness or nail strips of boiler plate on the feed box so that crib eater of a plug won't have too many splinters in him when he dies. Oh, you can bet I'm too much of a farmer to look at the poetic side of it. I'm a realist farmer; that's what I am."

From 148 to 92 Pounds.

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I ran down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength." Sold by Loker & deWaal.

The Pleasure of Friendship.

Recognizing the fact that friendship has its limits, we should not claim too much. We can never fully understand each other and our modes of thought will always differ. Each person's conscience must speak for itself; each one will execute its own decisions. Responsibility belongs to the individual and duty is untransferable. We must recognize in our friends this personal element and not seek its eradication. Bitterness and sarcasm, a hasty temper, self-will and dogmatism, have dug the graves of many friendships; and stupidity and stubbornness impoverished the heart and render it unsusceptible to purest joys.

What's in a Name.

Everything is in the name when it comes to Watch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago, discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases, DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's the genuine. Sold by Loker & deWaal.

Your wife, said the physician.

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Republican Mass-Meeting.

Opening of the Campaign in St. Mary's County.

There will be a Republican Mass-Meeting at LEONARDTOWN on

TUESDAY, September 20, 1904, at 2 p. m.

Republicans, Democrats, Independents—all are invited.

The meeting will be addressed by

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