ALL ARE OYSTERS

WITNESSES BEFORE THE YACHT CLUB COMMITTEE ARE DUMB.

Nothing is to be Got Out of Anybody, Notwithstanding the Number of Witnesses Examined—One More Day Required in the Taking of Testimony—Long Shots Win All Events But One on the Bay District Track—Bicycle Records Made at Coronado—Bouts Before the Empire Athletic Club—Sporting News.

New York, Dec. 30.—The departure of Lord Dunraven and Arthur Glennie from New York, on Saturday last, detracted only a little from the interest exhibited by all those interested when the hearing of evidence by the special committee was resumed at the New York Yacht clubhouse today. Captains Haff and Terry, with many members of the Defender's crew were early on hand.

Lawyer Askwith, who is looking after the interests of the Valkyrie's owners, was also present, accompanied by Secretary Hamilton.

At 6 o'clock the committee adjourned to meet again at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The members of the committee, and the lawyers, together with the witnesses maintained the same stony silence that has characterized all of this investigation, stating that there was absolutely nothing to be said for publication yet. Among those who testified today were Mate Berry of the Defender, and Messrs Thorne, Terry, Staples and Conant. It is expected that tomorrow's session will end the case.

San Francisco Races.

FRISCO RACES Bmywt

San Francisco, Cal. Dec. 30.—The card at Bay District today was of a very ordinary nature. The events being will filled by the poorer class of horses. Only one favorite won, long shots flashing in first under the wire in almost every instance. The track has now thoroughly dried out and fast time may now be looked for.

Little Bob won the fourth race, but was disqualified for fouling Trix and the race was given to the latter horse, who was backed from 10 to 4 to 1.

Weather clear and pleasant; track fast; attendance large. Summaries:

First race—Five, furlongs, selling, 2-year-olds: Rey Del Bandidos, won; Summertime, second; Alvarado, third. Time 1:02.

Second—About six furlongs, selling: Claquer won; Tim Murphy, second; Sir Richard, third. Time 1:12¼.

Third—Five furlongs; selling: Trix won; Duchess of Milpitas, second; Navy Blue, third. Time 1:55.

Fourth—Mile and an eighth, selling: Mount Roy won; Two Cheers, second; Dorsey, third. Time 1:02.

Fifth—Five furlongs, selling; 2-year-olds: Salisbury II won; Virgie A, second; Easel, third. Time 1:02.

Sixth—Five furlongs: Seaside won; Fijian, second; Matt Benhart, third. Time 1:01½.

New Orleans Races.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 30.—Weather Clear and cold; track heavy. Summaries:

First race—Six furlongs: Minnie Clyde won; Burley Leaf, second; Arsenic, third. Time 1:23.

Second—Six furlongs: Black Tiger won; Bob Neville, second; Senator Vest, third. Time 1:22½.

Third—Mile; selling: Mendicant won; Eagle Bird, second; G. B. Cox, third. Time 1:51½.

Fourth—Mile and a quarter: Cass won; Satine, second; Peytonia, third. Time 2:19¾.

Fifth—Five furlongs; selling: Clarus won; Vida, second; Balk Line, third. Time 1:56.

Official ruling—Henry Link, a betting messenger, is ruled off the turf for returning a customer a fraudulent ticket.

Records Made at San Diego.

Hotel Del Coronado, Cal., Dec. 30.—Taylor and Hewitt of Los Angeles, on a tandem, rode three-quarters of a mile, paced by Stone, Swanbrough, Washburn and Terrill on a quad, flying start, in 1:21 flat, breaking the world's record of 1:23 1-5, made by Bainbridge and Gardiner at Waltham. The same men and pacemakers, same start, broke the world's record class B, of 1:32 3-5, time 1:30 1-5, tieing the world's professional record for one mile.

DENVER DOTES ON VOGNER

Denver's German Opera Season Opens With the First German Opera in Denver.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 30.—The Denver German opera season, directed by Mr. Walter Damrosch, was inaugurated this evening by a grand performance of Lohengrin, with the great tenor Gruening in the title role, Fri Gadski as Elsa and Herr Popivici in his celebrated part of Telramund. The Broadway theater was packed to the doors. The enthusiasm of the audience from beginning to end was boundless and all the artists had numberless recalls. Mr. Damrosch and his magnificent orchestra also had a large share of the applause.

Denver is truly Wagner mad. Tonight's house was sold completely out, and the following three performances are the same.

Gruening as Lohengrin this evening was a revelation and sustained his reputation as one of the greatest living tenors. He has a pure tenor voice of remarkable sweetness, perfect vocalization and great histrionic powers. Popivici may be considered the greatest Telramund. He created a sensation in that role tonight, and these two, tagether with Fri Gadski as Elsa made up an ideal cast which will long be remembered.

This is the first time in the history of Denver that German opera has been given here, and judging from the great enthusiasm of the audience it gained great popularity.

Men are often wiser than they act. They know how to be happy but sometimes they are miserable. They know there is no happiness worth the name without health; yet they neglect health. They allow dyspepsia and biliousness and constipation to get a hold on them and make life wretched. These three complaints usually come together. Constipation affects the stomach and liver. That brings on bilious attacks and indigestion, headaches, nausea, dizziness, queer sensations of weakness and palpitation. Your nerves are unstrung, your system is sluggish. You lose ambition. The fact is your whole constitution is being slowly undermined. What you need is Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

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WIND SIXTY MILES AN HOUR

Denver Experiences One of the Worst Storms in Its History.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 30.—The wind storm in Denver today was one of the worst ever experienced here. At 6 a. m. the wind was blowing at the rate of 45 miles an hour. It increased in velocity until 6:30 and for five minutes blew at the rate of a mile a minute. All the mountain lines of the Colorado Telephone company are down.

SNOW IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Heaviest Fall in Several Years Reported From Various Points.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 30.—Dispatches from southern Illinois mention the heaviest snow storm for several years in that section. At Shelbyville eight or ten inches of snow has fallen since last night. At Odin six to eight inches and at Lebanon, Ind., two feet have fallen, blockading the railroads and impeding all kinds of traffic. The storm also prevailed in some parts of Missouri. About four inches of snow fell here last night.

SILVER FORCES ARE UNITED

Three Organizations of National Scope Effect a Consolidation.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 30.—At a meeting yesterday between representatives of the American and National Bimetallic union and the National Silver committee, these organizations consolidated, and will be called the American Bimetallic union, and will support the party declaring in their favor. In the event of non-support by either of the great parties, the union will put forth its own ticket in the next campaign.

ON GROUNDS OF "INDIGNITIES"

Further Than Which Term, Neither Party Will Specify.

Kansas City, Dec. 30.—Watson J. Ferry, a well known lawyer, was today sued for divorce by his wife, who is said to come of a distinguished New York family. The grounds are "indignities." Both parties to the suit refuse to specify as to the charges. Mr. Terry is a member of the legal department of the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis railway and his wife was formerly a society leader here. They have three children.

MRS. GREEN SUES MR. SODEN

She Wants Him to Pay Twenty Thousand for Breach of Promise.

Kansas City, Dec. 30.—Patrick H. Soden, a capitalist of prominence here, was today sued for $20,000 for breach of promince by Mrs. Katy Green. She asserts that Soden promised to marry her last September but instead married another woman the day previous. Soden has three grown sons. Mrs. Green is 45 years old and was deserted by her husband several years ago after having been married to him twice.

Soden was married to Mrs. Nellie Looney, widow of a local politician, at Colorado Springs, last summer.

BEAR'S PEOPLE ARE QUESTIONED

Crew of the Revenue Cutter are Sure They Can Sustain Their Charges.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30.—The examination of the scandals growing out of the last cruise of the revenue cutter Bear began today. The proceedings were in the nature of a preliminary examination of the charges recently made by the vessel's crew against Lieutenant Dorry and Lieutenant Daniels in order to determine whether the accusations possess sufficient merit to warrant a regular court of inquiry. The examination is expected to be productive of some very sensational stories, as the crew of the Bear, upon whom the burden of proofs rests, promise to furnish sufficient evidence to support their charges.

PEAK GETS HIS COMMISSION

Starts for His Ministerial Post by Way of Georgetown, Ky.

Kansas City, Dec. 30.—John L. Peck, United States minister to Switzerland, received his commission from Washington today and left, with his wife and three daughters, on a Missouri Pacific train for Georgetown, Ky., their former home. They will stay a week or ten days in Georgetown and then go to Washington and from there to New York. Mr. Peck and his family will sail from New York January 22.

Minister Peck will be joined in New York by W. R. Hereford, who will go to Switzerland with him as his private secretary.

FROM THE BALDWIN WORKS

Twenty Oil-Burning Locomotives for the Trans-Caucasian Railroad.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—The British steamer Turret Bay sailed from Port Richmond today with a cargo of twenty oil-burning locomotives built by the Baldwin locomotive works for the Russian government.

The engines weigh ninety-seven tons each, and are built with special fire boxes for burning petroleum instead of coal. The oil is supplied from tenders which carry a large oil tank, with places for water and coal. They are designed for both freight and passenger service on the Trans-Caucasian railroad. Another cargo of the same number of engines will be shipped in January. The steamer Turret Bay will sail direct to Gibraltar and thence through the Mediterrean and Black seas to the Russian port of Novoosisk. The voyage is 5,000 miles in length.

TAKES IN ALL BUT FOUR

Zinc Smelters to Be Combined Under One General Management.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 30.—The biggest deal in the history of zinc mining in Missouri will be closed soon. It unites all zinc smelters in the country, except four, under one management practically. About $2,000,000 is involved, furnished by eastern capitalists. The deal is engineered by B. F. Hobart, president of the Kansas and Texas Coal company, which controls the big zinc smelter at Pittsburg, Kan. The company will control all zinc smelters embracing the producing territory of Missouri and Kansas. Two smelters in Indiana come in also.

Placerville, Cal., Dec. 30.—In the Episcopal church yesterday Bishop Wingfield of this diocese, pointing contemptuously at Rev. C. E. Pierce, for thirty years pastor of the church, called him an unmitigated liar. The greatest excitement followed during which Wingfield narrowly escaped violence at the hands of the pastor's supporters.

HEADED BY PORTER

AMERICAN COMPANY GETS A CONCESSION IN MEXICO.

Railway to be Called the Mexican and Guatemala is Projected—Four Hundred and Five Miles in the States of Oaxaca and Chiapas, Extending to the Guatemalan Frontier—Government Subsidy of Five Million Dollars—Senator Chandler's Bill to Increase the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—The Mexican government has granted to an American syndicate the concession to build a railroad from Tonola to Tuxtla and from St. Geronimo to the frontier of Guatemala, with a branch from Tapachulla to St. Benito. The distance is 405 English miles, passing through the states of Oaxaca and Chiapas.

According to Attorney Charles Barry, of this city, the governments, federal and state, have granted a subsidy of $5,000,000, and construction will begin in April, 186. The American syndicate is backed by eastern and western capitalists, and the company will be incorporated under the name of the Mexican and Guatemala Railroad company with a capital of $10,000,000. The syndicate will be represented by the following officers: President, Hon. Robert P. Porter of Cleveland, Ohio, ex-superintendent of the United States census; treasurer, Hon. S. W. Allerton, the well known Chicago millionaire; vice president and general manager, H. M. B. Barry of Philadelphia; general secretary, E. B. Barry of Boston. The main offices will be in Chicago and in the City of Mexico.

E. B. Barry, who has just returned from the City of Mexico with the documents, left for the east tonight to arrange the details and the organization will be perfected in two weeks in Chicago.

ONE MEMBER FROM EACH STATE

Chandler has a Bill to Enlarge the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Washington, Dec. 30.—A bill introduced in the senate today by Senator Chandler has for its purpose the enlargement of the interstate commerce commission. The bill provides that the commission shall be composed of one member from each state, and that the commission shall meet quarterly. The details of the work of the commission are to be left to a committee of five which shall be in constant session. These members of the committee are to receive the same remuneration now given the members of the commission while the other members of the enlarged commission are to be paid only for the time actually spent in the government service.

THEY WELCOME THE BIG FOUR

Citizens of Louisville Entertain Officers of That and Other Systems.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 30.—President M. E. Ingalls of the Big Four railroad, and a number of officials of that road, and of the Cincinnatti and Ohio were entertained informally on change at noon today in the exchange hall of the board of trade. Conspicuous among those in attendance was ex-Governor Buckner The meeting had been called to tender President Ingalls an informal reception in celebration of the entrance of the Big Four into this city.

President Ingalls was accompanied to this city by C. E. Schaff, traffic manager of the Big Four; W. H. Walker, Jr., freight traffic manager of the Cincinnatti and Ohio; H. Frazier, chief engineer of the Cincinnatti and Ohio, and C. A. Ryan, assistant general passenger agent of the Cincinnatti and Ohio.

President Belknap of the board of trade, in calling the meeting to order extended a hearty welcome to the Big Four upon the entrance into Louisville, on behalf of its citizens.

President Ingalls will be given a taste of true Kentucky hospitality at dinner which is to be given in his honor by the committee of 100 citizens at the Galt house next Monday evening.

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ASKS FOR AN INJUNCTION

St. Joseph, Mo., Man Has a Word to Say About a Big Corporation Bill.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 30.—William A. Michael of St. Joseph, Mo., has obtained an injunction from Judge Horton restraining the Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, the Western Union Telegraph company and the Gold and Stock Telegraph company from cutting the wires which give general market information to the complainant at his business house in Missouri, or from removing "ticker" instrument or appliance. The complainant says that he does business in Kansas City and St. Joseph, Mo., Topeka, Lawrence, Atchison, Leavenworth and Kansas City, Kan. He says that the Board of Trade and the two telegraph companies are about to enter into an agreement by which the latter shall collect information as to the state of the markets and connect their telegraph instruments only with such circuits as the Board of Trade shall designate. By this agreement, it is charged, a confederation would be made by which the three defendants would establish a monopoly in the traffic of grain throughout the United States and that it is endeavoring to make the arrangement so that the Board of Trade can decide who shall be merchants in grain at Chicago and other points

Chicago Beer War Settled.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 30.—The beer war which was waged for a year has been settled. All the local brewing companies have perfected a mutual agreement by which the prices of beer will be advanced Jan. 1 to $5 a barrel, the present price being $4 or less. It is estimated that this will result in closing 2,000 saloons.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The treasury day lost $714,800 in gold by redemptions, leaving the true amount of the reserve $63,132,351.

"I BEGAN life without a cent in my pocket," said the purse-proud man to an acquaintance. "I didn't even have a pocket," replied the latter, meekly.

Bobby—"Papa, Jack Mason said his father gave him 50 cents, and—" Papa—"Well?" Bobby—"I'd like to say the same of you." —Harper's Bazar.

A CRISIS COMING.

Trouble in the Air When the Worm Turns at Last.

"I called," said the farmer-looking man at the Ninth avenue police station, "I called to say that I'm afraid my son Jake will turn loose some day and hurt somebody in this town dreadfully bad."

"What's the matter with Jake?" asked the sergeant.

"Wall, Jake comes to town three or four times a week. When he gits along to about 20th street a feller is waitin' to call him names and abuse him. Jake gits down off'n the wagon to lick him, but his grit peters out and the feller runs him around fur half an hour and makes him eat dirt."

"How long has this been going on?"

"Purty nigh a year, I guess."

"And Jake can't get up the courage to fight?"

"He hasn't so fur, and that's what I called to see you about. You know the worm will turn."

"Yes."

"Jake is the worm. He's been licked about 200 times, but the day is comin' when he'll turn. Yes, sir, he'll turn, and when he does—"

"Look out!"

"That's it. When he turns he'll light into that feller and make him wish that he'd never bin born. Shouldn't wonder if he killed him outright."

"Yes, and what do you want us to do?" asked the sergeant.

"Nuthin' except to put the feller on his guard and save his life. Better go up and tell him that his time his short, and that the worm is getting ready to turn, and that if he is hammered to death the jury will bring in a verdict of: 'Slayed by a worm, and gaul darn his pictur' we are glad on't.'"—Detroit Free Press.

First Poet—Did you get a check for your poem that you read to me awhile ago?

Second Poet—No; my aspirations got a check.—Somerville Journal.

Unappreciative.

Mrs. Newage—A California girl is learning blacksmithing. What do you think of that?

Woman-Hater—I presume she has pretty arms.—N. Y. Weekly.

Very Genuine Concern.

"I thought he showed a good deal of concern when I told him you were ill."

"No doubt; I owe him $50."—Chicago Record.

Hard on Him.

Mrs. Newlywed—How your mother hates me!

Mr. Newlywed—Why so?

"She thinks I'm good enough for you."—Bay City Chat.

A BRIDAL SUPERSTITION.

Sewing Girls Stitch Single Hairs Into Wedding Gowns.

One superstition that exists among sewing girls and their associates of Paris and New York is that if the head dressmakers will stitch into wedding garments a single hair from the head of each they will become brides in a very short time after the maiden who wears the bridal outfit then in preparation. A young woman of experience and with a quick eye for what would interest the Sun's readers said to a Sun reporter the other evening:

"Let me tell of this strange and yet pretty superstition which exists among some of the sewing girls in Paris and New York. I am more familiar with the superstition as it exists among the girls of some of the bigger dry goods shops in New York city, and so in this instance I will confine my story to them. When the sewing girls in the different apartments and the girls behind the counters learn that the house has received an order for a big trousseau, they besiege the head dresmakers and ask them to stitch into the wedding gown especially a single hair from their heads. This hair is so fine that it is easily concealed and cannot in any way mar the beautiful wedding gown. The head dressmakers very often humor the girls.

"I know positively that this superstition exists, and I know also that in many wedding gowns, could they be picked to pieces, would be found many hairs stitched in. The girls, when they go home at night, tell their girl friends that a hair from their heads has been stitched into the wedding gown of Miss So-and-So, and the lucky one is immediately envied. She will be married very soon, her associates say.

"Many of the girls in the big shops secure bits of the wedding gowns of fashionable brides. They take them home and treasure them up. They make collections of them, and they point them out to their friends in the neighborhood, saying: 'That was Miss So-and-So's wedding gown,' and so they go through the list. The sewing girl who possesses the greatest collection of these bits is a very important young woman in the eyes of her young woman friends. She is considered to be almost fashionable herself, because she is so near the throne. But by far the prettiest superstition that I have yet heard of is the one where a single hair from so many of these shop girls is stitched into these very expensive wedding gowns."—N. Y. Sun.

CIVILIZATION A FAILURE.

Dr. Petrie's Sensation Before the British Scientists.

The most important address made at the recent session of the British Association of Scientists was that of Prof. W. M. Flinders Petrie, D. C. L., LL. D., Edwards professor of Egyptology at University college, London. Dr. Petrie is one of the most celebrated of British anthropologists. His address was on "Race and Civilization" and in the course of it he said:

"The foremost principle which should be always in view is that the civilization of any race is not a system which can be changed at will. Every civilization is the growing product of a very complex set of conditions, depending on race and character, on climate, on trade and every minutia of the circumstances. To attempt to alter such a system apart from its conditions is impossible. No charge is legitimate or beneficial to the real character of a people except what flows from conviction and the natural growth of the mind. And if the imposition of a foreign system is injurious how miserable is the forcing of a system such as ours, which is the most complex, unnatural and artificial that has been known, a system developed in a cold country amid one of the hardest, least sympathetic and most self-denying and calculating of all people of the world The result is death; we make a dead house and call it civilization. Scarcely a single race can bear the contact and the burden. And then we talk complacently about the mysterious decay of savages before white men.

"Let us now turn to our attempts on a higher race, the degenerated and Arabianized descendants of a great people, the Egyptians. Here there is much ability to work on and also a good standard of comfort and morality, conformable to our notions. Yet the planting of another civilization is scarcely to be borne by them. The Europeanized Egyptian is in most cases the mere blotting-paper of civilization, absorbing what is most superficial and undesirable. Yet some will say: Why not plant all we can? What can be the harm of raising the intellect in some cases, if we cannot do it in all? The harm is that you manufacture idiots. Some of the peasantry are taught to read and write, and the result of this burden which their fathers bore not is that they become fools. I cannot say this too plainly; an Egyptian who has had reading and writing thrust on him is, in every case that I have met, half-witted, silly or incapable of taking care of himself. His intellect and his health have been undermined and crippled by the forcing of education.

"Our bigoted belief in reading and writing is not in the least justified when we look at the mass of mankind. The exquisite art and noble architecture of Mykenae, the undying song of Homer, the extensive trade of the bronze age, all belonged to people who never read or wrote. The great essentials of a valuable character—moderation, justice, sympathy, politeness and consideration, quick observation, shrewdness, ability to plan and prearrange, a keen sense of the uses and properties of things—all these are the qualities on which I value my Egyptian friends, and such qualities are what should be evolved by any education worth the name. The greatest educational influence, however, is example. This is obvious when we see how rapidly the curses of our civilization spread among those unhappily subjected to it.

"The contact of Europeans with lower races is almost always a detriment, and it is the severest reflection on ourselves that such should be the case."—N. Y. World.

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HOUSEHOLD BREVITIES.

—Excellent Sponge Cake.—Four eggs well beaten, two cupfuls of sugar, two cupfuls a little more than level full (about 2½ cupfuls) of flour, two teaspoonfuls baking powder; lastly, add one cupful of hot milk. Flavor as you wish.—Good Housekeeping.

—Pop Corn Pudding.—Pop some corn nicely, then roll it as fine as you can. One pint of the corn to one quart of sweet milk; add a small piece of butter, one teaspoonful of salt, beat two eggs with enough sugar to sweeten the milk; mix all together. Bake 20 minutes.—Boston Budget.

—Potato Cakes.—Save from dinner a soup plate of mashed potatoes, add to it half a teaspoonful of pepper, the same of nutmeg, a little salt and the yolk of an egg; form into small cakes, put in a buttered baking-pan, brush the top with white of an egg and brown in a quick oven.—Farm and Field and Fireside.

—Spice Cake.—One cup each of molasses, sugar, butter and sour milk, three and one-half cups flour, one teaspoon soda, one teaspoon cloves, one teaspoon cinnamon and one egg if you choose. For frosting use one large oblong of chocolate, grated or scraped and dissolved by placing over kettle of hot water, add one tablespoon each of water and milk, one teacup sugar and let steam few minutes. No egg in frosting.—Farm and Fireside.

—Chocolate Marble Cake.—Whites of four eggs beaten stiff, two cups of white sugar, one cup of butter, one cup of sweet milk, three cups of sifted flour, two teaspoonfuls of cream tartar, one teaspoonful of soda. When these are all well mixed, take out one cupful of the batter and mix with it 1½ bars of chocolate grated fine and moistened with two tablespoonfuls of sweet cream. When this is well mixed put in a buttered cakepan, first one spoonful of the light batter, then a spoonful of the dark or chocolate batter, which will make a large loaf of delicious cake. Frost the top. —Ohio Farmer.

Cranberry Sauce.

A reliable way of making cranberry sauce is to use half as much granulated sugar as cranberries, and half as much water as sugar. Cover the fruit after it is washed and sorted with sugar and cold water. Cover the fruit and cook it ten minutes without stirring. Do not boil rapidly, and turn the pan half way round frequently, with a jarring motion. After ten minutes, take off the cover, remove the thickest part of the scum and turn out to cool. Cooked in this way the skins are soft and tender. Always cook the fruit in porcelain or granite ware, use a silver or wooden spoon, and if jelly is made strain through a porcelain colander or a hair sieve if you wish to avoid the "tinny" taste that so often spoils cranberry sauce.—St. Louis Republic.

Her Point of View.

Mistress (who had given her maid a ticket for the theater)—Well, how did you like the performance, Alma?

Alma—Oh, it was splendid, ma'am. You should have heard how a servant girl sauced her missis!—Buntes Alleriei.

A Matter of Transportation.

Aspirant—Now, would you not advise me to go on the stage?

Manager—No; take the limited; it will get you home quicker.—Texas Siftings.

JOKERS BEHIND THE SCENES.

Property Men Make Things Lively by Having Fun with Green Hands.

When the auditorium of the theater is deserted and dark and dreary the space behind the curtain is full of life. It is then that the property men get in their work and anybody who has ever come in contact with them knows that they are the greatest jokers living. They play jokes on the first victim that comes along and afterward appease his anger by taking him out for a drink.

In a theater not far from here a young carpenter, who proved to be a green hand behind the scenes, was employed to assist on some woodwork recently. The property men immediately snapped him up as an easy victim. There being a lull in work, they sent him to the manager of a downtown theater for a bag of wrinkles. That dignified and portentous gentleman was rather nonplussed for a moment, but he soon saw into the joke and gave the young carpenter a bag filled with iron and scraps that was enough for any man to carry. The property men roared when they saw him coming with the bag on his back. The young man was as mad as a March hare when he saw through the scheme, but the property men took him out and filled him with exhilarating drinks, so much so that he roared himself with laughter.

The particular mark of these jokes is the would-be actor, who constantly haunts the stage entrance. One of the property men plays the role of manager and requests the would-be Thespian to step on the stage and recite some extracts from Hamlet. This he is only too glad to do and the "manager" places him on the stage immediately above a trap door. The property men conceal themselves behind the scenes and await the fun. Just as the poor aspirant to histrionic honors reaches a point in his dialogue that is extremely tragic and touching the property men turn out the lights, produce thunder and lightning and open the trap door, precipitating the would-be actor into depths that give him the impression that he has landed in the infernal regions. The distance he falls is not more than two feet and the property men see to it that he is not hurt and that his feelings are atoned for subsequently.

Their jokes are numerous and versatile. One of their favorites is to send a green hand to the billposter's room for a key to the curtains. There he is given an iron bar that requires all his strength to carry. Sometimes the victims get real angry and there is indication of trouble, but the jokers always manage to smooth things over and eventually make the victims themselves laugh.—N. Y. Herald.

HARD ON THE PURSE.

Trimmings for Gowns Nowadays Cost a Pretty Penny.

One can hardly tell from the looks of trimming, these days, how much it is going to cost, but in nine cases out of ten it is safe to guess that if it is attractive it is expensive. In many cases the trimming costs more than a whole dress ought to. Feather trimming, combined with fur and jet, comes as high as eight dollars a yard, and sells, too, yet we are told that such trimming is made of the odds and ends of a factory, swept up by the thrifty makers. Even though this sounds almost too big to be true, it is pleasant to believe such things about desirable accessories that are unattainable. In trimmings that glitter, jewels are at a discount; all that is wanted is sparkle, and spangles and rhinestones glow almost as warmly as do gems, and at a lot less money, though not as much less as one might expect. Even in jewelry, magnificent pieces are made of rhinestones arranged in such choice design and set in gold that few can tell whether the jewels are real or not. The brilliancy of the properly-cut rhinestone rivals that of a gem, and there is left nothing but the exercise of good taste in the selection of design and color to differentiate the wearer of cultivation from the tawdry user of cheap brilliants. In trimmings the imitation gem sails under false colors to a less extent, for therein real gems are not expected.—Albany Argus.

FRUIT BONBONS.

How to Make Some Delicious Sweets for Christmas.

Take candied pineapple, cut into cubes and dip it in fondant once or twice, as may be necessary, cover well, then harden. Still another is to cut the pineapple in pieces pointed at one end in fondant, leaving the other end uncovered. Cream cherries are candied cherries used in the same way as the pineapple. Do not use a whole cherry for the top of the candy, as a half or even a quarter is enough. Stuffed cherries are made by taking candied cherries and cutting them so that there will be four or eight points to stick up; fill the inside of each cherry quite full of fondant so that the points will lie against the fondant, thus making a pretty candy which will look like a flower. To make pecan creams, take a ball of fondant, flavor to taste, dip in melted fondant and lay a pecan nut meat on top and let it harden. Cream almonds, same as pecan creams. Almonds may be dipped in melted fondant if desired. English walnuts may be used in the same way. To make raspberry creams, add to a dessertspoonful of raspberry jam enough XXXX or confectioners' powdered sugar to make a paste; if not acid enough to taste like the fruit add a speck of tartaric acid. Make into balls, melt some of the hardest fondant you have and add a few drops of red coloring; dip the balls twice if necessary, as it sometimes will be.—Ladies' Home Journal.

A Necessary Order.

Mrs. Bunting—I wonder why St. Paul ordered women to keep silence in the churches?

Mr. Bunting—He knew they wouldn't unless they were commanded to.—To Date.

—The shape of the fish hook was doubtless suggested by that of various thorns, or by the claws of the cat lion or tiger.

A Misunderstanding.

Judge—Defendant, can you advance anything more toward you defense?

Defendant—No, your honor. I had only one dollar and I have already given that to my lawyer.—Das Echo.

Its Principal Danger.

Miss Ricketts—Some scientists say that kissing is dangerous. Do you think so?

Miss Kittish—It is likely to produce palpitation of the heart.—Puck.

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HUMOROUS.

—A Matter of Principle.—"Tommy, do you love your teacher?" "I would if she wasn't my teacher," said Tommy. "She's awful nice."—Indianapolis Journal.

—In the Crowded Car.—"Excuse me, madam, but is my foot so small you don't know you are standing on it?" "A thousand pardons, sir! No, it's as large I thought it was my husband's."—Chicago Tribune.

—Wayworn Watson—"W'y, w'at yo' runnin' fer? Did she set the dog on ye?" Perry Patetic—"Naw. But she set me out a whole half chicken, bread, butter'n jelly an' a pack o' cigareets. I bet she wants to marry me!"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

—Wanted to Please.—Guest—"Waiter, take away this full cup and bring me a cup with just a little coffee in it." Waiter—"Mighty little coffee in that sir; couldn't be less."—Detroit Free Press.

—"The man I marry must be both brave and clever," said the sweet girl. "When we were out sailing," returned the adoring youth, "and upset, I saved you from a watery grave." "That was brave, I admit, but it was not clever." "Yes, it was; I upset the boat on purpose." "You darling!"—Tit-Bits.

—"Bliggins is a fine fellow," remarked the promiscuous eulogizer. "I believe he would share his last dollar with a friend." "Well," replied the chronic debtor, "maybe he would. I guess I have never been so fortunate as to run across him when he was down to his last dollar."—Washington Star.

—Professional Jealousy.—"It seems to me," said the member of congress from the far west, "that some of the eastern men are not exactly considerate in their references to our state." "Don't you pay any attention to them," replied his friend. "They're envious because they don't collect as much mileage as we do." —Washington Star.

DADO OF PHOTOGRAPHS.

Ways to Make the Most of Your Collection of Small Prints.

Picture framing is always expensive. One frame is not such an item, but when it comes to a dozen photographs, water colors or engravings one stands aghast at the total cost. In many new houses frames go in with the rent, so to speak.

In rooms which are wainscoted lengths of glass are placed so that the upper moulding forms the base of the frame and another moulding is placed at the top to hold the glass. How dear to the heart are the hundred photographs collected abroad! What more calculated to give a constant joy than these "all in a row" around the library or over a bookshelf in one's own den! These may be slipped behind the glass, as the moulding is easily removed, and thus a dado is made for all to admire. If a separation is desired a narrow moulding to match is easily obtainable. A firm hand with a penknife and a few tacks only are needed, and a room is transformed.

Another way is one moulding placed half way between floor and ceiling, with the photographs set upon it, and a long ribbon in the tone of the room is stretched above and holds them in place.

A charming effect is obtained in forming a background of velvet, its own width, and fastening pictures, simply framed in passepartout, upon it, with large headed brass tacks.

In a young girl's room, recently "done" by a well-known decorator, the only color was yellow. A few fine engravings were framed in white and gold, but the wires by which they were suspended were covered with yellow ribbons and the hooks were hidden by a huge rosette.—N. Y. Herald.

He Wanted Rest.

She (intensely musical)—Oh! You can't think how I love this song; listen, now he's coming to the refrain.

He (intensely bored)—Refrain? How I wish to goodness he would.—Half-Holiday.

—"Why, I always thought that if was paresis that caused a person to dye his hair," said Wilkins.—Harper's Bazar.

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