



Gertie Cochran, the diminutive miss who entertained Sacramento audiences last week at the Clunie, is one of the most original and odd little creatures I ever met.

"Did you see me work?" she asked, after placing her tiny baby hand in mine and shaking it cordially.

"Yes," I answered. "I did."

"What did you think of it?" she inquired.

"I thought it was certainly very wonderful," I replied. "I don't see how you do it."

She smiled in a pleased fashion at this. "Did you see me do the Vassar College girl?" she asked again.

"Yes, indeed," I answered; "it was very entertaining, and I enjoyed it extremely. How would you like to do that?" nodding my head toward the stage when the second act of "The Crushed Tragedian" was just drawing to a close.

"What?" she asked.

"Why, act, you know," I answered.

"I do act," she was the prompt reply, whereupon I saw I had made a mistake and changed my tactics. "I mean, of course, to act a part in a play like this with others, you know."

"Oh! well, I'll do that some time, too," she answered sagely.

"How do you manage to remember so much?" I asked. Whereupon Miss Gertie promptly changed the subject, and recognizing the "chic" I did not press the matter further. Indeed, she is a most wonderful bit of humanity, and although she is just a baby in years, a delicate, fragile little being to support so wonderfully developed a brain as she possesses, she is as wise in her ordinary conversation as she appears before the footlights.

When her manner appeared to take her away, a veritable "Red Ridinghood" in her little red hood and cape, which covered her from "top to toe," she bade me "good-by" with another cordial shake of her little hand, and tripped away as happy, seemingly, as any other child of her age.

Mrs. N. Greene Curtis is said to be lying very ill with pneumonia at her residence on the corner of Sixteenth and H streets in this city.

Through the generosity of one of the prominent members of the English Lutheran Church, who has contributed \$2,000 toward the completion of the upper part of the building, measures have been set on foot to finish the work at once. Other members have contributed according to their means, the young people's society has given \$100 toward the good work, and the contract, it is said, has been let. The trustees say they expect to occupy the upper part, which is the church proper, about the 1st of March. The room now being occupied for regular service was originally intended for Sunday-school and weekly prayer service only. The little congregation, which during the past years has steadily been growing, has done remarkably well in the face of many difficulties, and deserves all the encouragement possible for the manner in which it has obtained and held a footing in our midst, bidding fair at the present to become one of our most prosperous congregations. The Rev. Mr. Hoskinson, who is pastor of the little flock, is a most incorrigible, and an enthusiastic worker in the cause for which he is enlisted, and the parish under his charge could not fail under these conditions to flourish, and become successful.

Within a month two of the oldest rectors of the Episcopal Church in Sacramento have passed away. The Rev. William H. Hill, beloved rector of dear Little Grace Church, the old brick Gothic with diamond paneled stained glass windows in purple and red—that were dear and familiar objects to the children of those days—and which stood upon the site of the present edifice, and during the past week the Rev. J. H. C. Bonte, first rector of the new Grace Church, which was under the new administration rechristened St. Paul's. Mr. Bonte was a man of strong, vigorous intellect, clever in many things, and holding a high position among the bright men of our State. For the past few years he has been a resident of Berkeley, and departed this life finally after a period of delicate health at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dr. James H. Parkinson. And so they pass away—men who have been set in days gone by to guide us in the paths of right, passed on to that land whither we are all journeying, where, as the immortal Longfellow expresses it—

There are simpler realms and spaces,  
Where no foot has left its traces,  
Where "we shall know as we are known" and every mystery be cleared away.

Clouds of fear assuaged and lifted,  
Truth from falsehood cleansed and sifted,  
Lives like days in summer lengthened.

Among our citizens there is one for-

lunate family whose hopes, raised by a "suit in chancery about to be concluded," have not been dashed to the ground, as has so often been the case in other instances. The estate which has been in contest for so long a time valued at many millions of dollars. The heir apparent to the Sacramento branch of the ancient line informs me that the first installment has been received on this immense property, and the family are already in the possession and enjoyment of it. I suppose it will not be long before the matter is made public, and congratulations become the order of the day.

"Did you have souffe potatoes?" a certain gentleman was asked by a friend when he mentioned quite casually and indifferently, very much indeed as it were in an everyday sort of manner, that he had dined "dozens of times" at a famous French restaurant then under discussion.

"What in blazes are souffe potatoes?" he asked, forgetting himself. The other looked at him compassionately. "My dear fellow," was his pitying reply, "where on earth have you been not to have heard of souffe potatoes? It is positively the latest and smartest way to serve this most useful of vegetables. You must have had them served to you dozens of times at—"

The other fellow looked crushed, but would not acknowledge defeat by word of mouth, and changed the subject as soon as possible to one in nowise connected with ambiguous edibles.

To any who may not understand the modus operandi of the souffe potato I will explain the vegetable is in some artificial manner inflated, blown up as it were, somewhat after the style of a toy balloon. They are of course cooked in the process of "blowing up," and are afterward served in a nest made of potatoes cut in macaroni-like strips and browned to a turn. Nothing more appetizing can be imagined, and to cap the climax of the foregoing incident the secret is as yet the sole property of the chef of the particular restaurant of which the bragart gentleman (conflicting terms, but you understand) was so more than willing to be thought a frequent patron.

A very enjoyable card party was given at the McKune residence on H street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth, on Monday last. There were a large number of invited guests, the greater part of whom came in hacks, as the day was so wet and disagreeable. The street in front of the house was for a time alive with vehicles, giving the impression to passers-by that a wedding was in progress. The affair was a most successful one in every detail, and the guests departed declaring they had never enjoyed an occasion of the kind more.

Since the advent of the "airship" that is making such a stir in scientific circles everywhere, and particularly in this part of the State, I have noticed some of our church steeples, which were threatened to be dismantled, with an anticipation by the strange bird on its trial trip, have been wisely cut down to a height that will be less likely to interfere with the future maneuvers of the already famous stranger.

A certain prominent millinery store received some time since the following mail order from a patron who wrote that she lived "where millinery is not of a high order." I can well imagine it! Following are her explicit directions for the "high order" of head gear she wished mailed to her at once—I imagine it could not have been designed for a theater bonnet:

"Measure of head from ear to ear over top of my head, 12 inches; from ear to ear under my chin, 9 1/2 inches; from forehead to back here, 7 inches. I want a black lace bonnet with streamers and rosetts of red or yellow satin ribbon, and a blue plume behind with a black jet buckle. If artificial is still all the go, I want a bunch of grapes or a bird's tail somewhere. I do not desire anything too fancy, but if you think you can put one on, I have some good pink ribbon here at home so you need not put on strings."

On second consideration and comparing the above with the prevalent fashions, one has the privilege of beholding in the theaters in our city. I think it surely must have been intended for a theater bonnet after all.

Since the late shoot of our boys in blue held at Woodland, many have been the queries and surmises as to the reason Lieutenant Zittinger did not come home as he went, in company with the boys. The Lieutenant is a large, well-built young man, who takes a certain amount of truly commendable pride in his personal appearance. He is particularly careful as to the fit of his clothes, and always looks as if he had, as the saying goes, "just stepped from a hand-box." His military outfit is no exception to general rule, and his appearance is one well calculated to impress the susceptible hearts of fair maids who turn to look after him when he makes his entrance in a military. The exercises at Woodland were exceedingly interesting, the work being given with vigor and zest, and as the day was rather warm, many a brow was "wet with honest sweat." Not an exception to the rule was the Lieutenant, and before the day was over his already neatly fitting clothes had become nearly a size too small for him.

The shooting was done in squads at varying distances from the targets, sometimes standing, kneeling and even lying down. It was when his squad assumed a kneeling position and were about to take aim at the targets before them that the Lieutenant was discovered to be exhibiting signs of great agitation and shortly hurried from the field, evidently much overcome.

Inquiries were set afoot as to the cause of the Lieutenant's agitation, but all to no purpose. Later when the militia departed for the Sacramento train the Lieutenant was not on it. It was afterward learned that he had returned to the Capital in a buggy. Whether the true cause of his sudden indisposition has since been learned I am unable to say. If he was ill it was not serious, as he has been seen since enjoying to all appearances his usual robust health. However, an inquiry was put to the gentleman himself would probably clear the mystery that has been troubling the minds of his friends ever since the excursion.

Before Thanksgiving it was suggested by some one that the airship "seen" hovering so frequently above our town was the direct result of a scheme put into operation by some benevolent-minded person who desired incog to drop charity "Like the gentle dew from heaven upon the place beneath." In the shape of good fat turkeys, "the place beneath" being the kitchen doors of deserving persons. Since Thanksgiving has passed and the scheme failed to materialize, the wag has concluded that it must have been the shade of old Diogenes returning to earth with an electric lantern on a continued search for that "honest man." It is greatly to be hoped, if such be the case, that Diog. may be more successful in his search than some of us have been.

POLLY OLIVER.

A SUCCESSFUL TEST.

The Camera Club Becomes a Member of the American Interchange.

The Camera Club and Sacramento are to be congratulated on the news received from New York regarding the views submitted by it for admission to membership into the American Interchange.

They were pronounced technically perfect, of general interest and having the unusually high percentage of 76 per cent. This action places the Camera Club in the front rank of amateur clubs of the United States and means that Sacramento will have an opportunity during the coming year to see exhibitions of the finest amateur work done in this country, as it will be able to present views taken in various parts of the United States by other clubs.

As most of the views and slides taken by the club that were sent East were taken in and about this city it means widespread advertisement through the country east of the Rockies of the beauties and resources of our country and thousands of people will have the opportunity of seeing what a beautiful and desirable section of the State we have. Among the views are those of the various phases of the grand electrical transmission of power from the Folsom dam to this city, the residences here, our parks and business houses, and industries, as well as views showing the stages of transformation from the products and climate of our beautiful valley to the fruit orchards of the Sierras and the snowy peaks of the Sierras.

MRS. HENRY SOLOMON,  
President of the National Council of Jewish Women.

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Deck-Hand Drowned.

It was reported yesterday that a deck hand on one of the river steamers was drowned above Knight's Landing yesterday morning. It seems that the boat had grounded and an attempt was being made to float her when the unfortunate man, who was an Italian, fell overboard and was drowned. It is understood that the body was not recovered.

The Seniors Won.

A football game was played yesterday afternoon at the grounds, Fifteenth and F streets, between the Senior and Junior teams of the Sacramento High School. The character of the grounds precluded the kicking of goals by either side, but three touch downs were won by the Seniors, while the Juniors gained but two.

Petition for Letters.

Edward J. Regan has filed in the Superior Court his petition for letters of administration of the estate of Ellen Regan, deceased, which consists of lots 3 and 6, in the block bounded by Fourth and Fifth, R and S streets, and some household furniture. The hearing is set for December 11th.

To Collect Pasture.

John F. Chalmers has commenced suit in the Superior Court against J. R. Hudson to recover the amount of a pasture bill on ten head of horses, which he alleges amounts to \$449.40.

Taken Under Adversement.

The matter of the guardianship of Julia Kehoe, alleged to be incompetent, was heard by Judge Johnson yesterday and taken under adversement.

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