

TALES OF THE TOWN

Tommy pushed his little brother into a pile of coal and the latter began to cry.

"Huh!" exclaimed Tommy, "That didn't hurt you. It's soft coal."

Beatie, who was spending a few weeks in the country, upon hearing a rooster crowing one morning, stamped her little foot angrily and exclaimed: "Oh, you shut up; you don't lay any eggs!"

Ethel, aged six, was temporarily entertaining her sister's beau in the parlor.

"So you think Clara has made up her mind to marry me, do you?" she said.

"Oh, yes," answered Edith, "She made up her mind this morning. She's making up her face now."

By and by, when small Fred had finished sobbing, he said: "Mamma, you told a story."

"Why, Fred, what do you mean?" asked his mother.

"You said you were going to give me a good whipping," explained Fred, "but I didn't see anything good about it."

The little Baltimore girl was talking with a visitor. They discussed many things. The little girl felt that it was really a "grown-up" conversation.

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THE STAGE SEASON

MANY NEW PLAYS OF UNUSUAL MERIT ARE OFFERED.

Interesting Letter Concerning the Latest New York Productions—Promising Outlook for the Winter—Edna May in a New Musical Comedy—Sarah Bernhardt's Intended Visit—The Matinee Idols.

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New York, Sept.—Decidedly interesting, in point of promise at least, are the dramatic offerings scheduled for production this season, and should they turn out one-half as well as they appear in prospect, it would seem that the managers have experienced a change of heart, and are now about to give the American stage something better than the regulation skim milk that has characterized it during the last few years.

Of prime importance at this writing is the offering of Hall Caine's latest play, "The Prodigal Son," which has its premiere in Washington, and has now come into New York for a run.

The peculiar quality of Mr. Caine's writings, which would be stigmatized as melodramatic in any other atmosphere, are always attractive to the theater-going public all over the country, and in this instance they are backed up with a cast that for pure competence can hardly be excelled.

William H. Thompson, marvelous character actor that he is, has been associated in this instance with such competent players as Miss Marie Wainwright, Miss Drina de Wolfe, Aubrey Boucault, who has returned to his kingdom from the wilds of musical comedy; J. E. Dodson, George Boniface and Henry Bergman.

As far as the production itself is concerned, the Lieblers, who have fathered the piece, have spared no expense to make it all it should be. Well over 100 people are employed in the company, and the scenic investment is both brilliant and satisfactory.

In the lighter vein, but of hardly less importance, must be regarded the offering of Miss Edna May, in "The Catch of the Season." This frivolous London offering at Daly's theater has caught New York as few plays have done of recent date, and while some small portion of the credit must be handed to Miss May herself, the story of the play in itself is such a refreshing novelty that one is inclined to grow a trifle enthusiastic over it.

For some occult reason Miss May is interesting to New York, though it must be confessed that New York was unable to discover the interest until London had placed the hall mark of approval upon the Casino chorus girl. Just what peculiar charm she exercises over the public it is hard to say, for outside of a certain pulchritude in expression, her charms are largely of the negative order.

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LOUISIANA HOSPITALITY.

Strangers Were Treated Just the Same as Members of the Family.

A group of drammers were trading yarns on the subject of hospitality, relates Lippincott's Magazine, when one, a little Virginian, with a humorous eye and a delightful drawl, took up his part thus: "I was down in Louisiana last month traveling 'cross country with S. J. Cary (the name being Stonehill Jackson), at your service, and was kinder got lost in a mighty lonesome sort o' road just about dark. We rode along a right good piece after sundown, and when we saw a light ahead I tell you it looked first rate. We drove up to the light, findin' 'twas a house, and when I looked like a lost calf the man came out and we asked him to take us in for the night. He looked at us mighty hard, and then said: 'Well, I reckon I kin stand it if you kin.' So we went in, and he kinder got kinder with children. He had six, four to 11 years old, and as there didn't seem to be no bed, we 'stead of goin' to bed, we went to bed in the kitchen. The minister, who was with us, went to bed in the kitchen, and the old folks went in the other room and told us we could go to bed if we wanted to, and we went in to take us in for the night. Well, sir, the next morning when we woke up we were lying over in the corner with the kids, and the old man and the old woman had the bed."

VERY EFFECTIVE SAMPLE. Minister's Pickles Were Strongly Suggestive of the Everlasting Fire.

A clergyman was very fond of a particular hot brand of pickles, and finding great difficulty in procuring the same sort at hotels when traveling, always carried a supply with him, relating the incident one day when dining at a restaurant with his pickles in front of him a stranger sat down at the same table, and with an American accent, presently asked the minister to pass the pickles.

"I guess," said the latter, "that you are a minister, my friend, I am," replied the minister. "I suppose you preach?" asked the Yankee. "Yes, sir; I preach twice a week, usually," said the minister.

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A woman of wealth, recovering from a serious illness one morning, called for an egg, which she ate with much enjoyment. As she passed back the egg and plate to her nurse, she said: "An egg is a delicious thing." Then, with much melancholy: "What a pity," she added, "it is so common among the poor."

A teacher in a boarding school was giving his pupils a lesson on the circulation of the blood. "If I stand on my head, the blood rushes to my head, doesn't it?" "Nob," he continued, "when I stand on my feet, you don't see the blood rush into my feet?" "Because," answered a daring youth, "your feet ain't empty."

Prof. Bailey, of Yale university, says that in the town in which he spent his childhood there was a society of women who were active man haters. On one occasion the president prepared a paper presenting the strength of women and the weakness of men, entitled: "Woman: Without Her, Man Is Helpless." To strengthen her point she hired a decrepit old man to read the paper before the regular weekly meeting of the club. When the time came the old man stood up, and, reading from the manuscript, loudly announced his title as "Woman Without Her Man Is Helpless."

FLINGS AT THE FAIR. You can nearly always convince a woman, if you try to do so. A discussion must be carried pretty far to move a woman. A woman usually tries to endear herself, by making herself as costly as possible. Few men consider it worth while to be jealous of their wives after they have been married ten years. A woman who has married for love is generally willing to have her daughter marry for all the modern comforts. Unless a man wants to know from whom every letter a woman gets it is hard for her to feel sure she loves her. A woman may never learn anything in a cooking school, but she can turn up her nose at the ones who haven't been.

LONDON'S CEMETERIES. There are 23 cemeteries in the county of London.

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None Too Tainted for Him. "Would you refuse a tip from me if you knew it was tainted money?" asked the customer in the restaurant as he finished his meal. "No, sir," replied the waiter; "I'd not refuse it, sir, even if you had run it through that piece of Camberbert cheese, sir."—Yonkers Statesman.

Just Laughed. Artist—Have you taken my picture to the exhibition? Porter—Yes, sir. It seemed to please the gentlemen very much. "What did they say?" "Oh, they didn't say nothing; but they laughed that hearty."—Stray Stories.

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