

HAVE STAGE FRIGHT WITH NEW PLAYS

Author and Producer Tell of Their "First Night" Sensations.

AND BOTH ARE VETERANS

Oliver Morosco and Miss Maude Fulton Give Glimpses of Stage.

If anyone at the Belasco Theater on Monday night saw a very young looking man with black hair, parted far over to one side, leaning forward and clutching the seat of his chair with one hand and otherwise trying to conceal agitation, this is to let them know that the young man was Oliver Morosco, the producer of the play.

BOOK REVIEWS

Latest Publications Issued by American Houses.

A DIAGNOSIS. By William Pegrum. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

A VOYAGE TO SOUTH AMERICA. By Ida M. Chappan. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

CATS CRADLE. By H. Stanley Hawkins. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

THE FAITH OF ROBERT BROWNING. By Edward A. Sherman. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

NEIGHBORS OF YESTERDAY. By Jeanne Robert Foster. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

A HIDDEN WELL. By Louis How. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

SOMETHING SINGING. By Margaret Perry. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

GERAINT OF DEVON. By Marion Lee Reynolds. Boston: Sherman, French & Co.

A POCKET IDEA. Instead of putting your square patch pockets on your new satin frock at perfectly symmetrical right angles, try applying them in diamond shape.

Standard for Future. The conversation then slid easily along, turned only when the viewer desired. Miss Fulton's real

name is Maude Fulton. This is her first play, but not her first literary effort. It is, however, to be the type of work she will do in the future. Mr. Morosco was just paying Miss Fulton a most sincere compliment about her work in the role of "The Brat," when the young woman announced that she would begin to take her medicine for conceit.

"I have gone up so quickly," she explained, "and in New York I got what I wanted so easily that I used to be afraid that I would become egotistical and conceited. So whenever I felt too full of appreciation of my own work overcame me, I used to take my medicine down to earth."

POPULAR MEDICINE

BY DR. HIRSHBERG

Intelligent Observation of Rules of Hygiene Will Decrease Illness.

By DR. LEONARD K. HIRSHBERG. Open letters reach me worded in this way: "Doctor, I'm afflicted with blood pressure."

The blood cannot flow without blood pressure. It is not the presence of "blood pressure," but the degree of the "hyper-tension" or raised pressure, that is pathological.

Fail in Sleep. The ancient method of the Sangrados and other medical Motocks to bleed apopleptic individuals was an unconscious attempt to lower blood pressure.

COMMITTEE PAYS TRIBUTE. Appropriation Members Pass Resolution Over Death of Clerk.

As it prepared to report the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill to the House today, the Appropriations Committee adopted a resolution over the recent death of James C. Courie.

PARTRIDGE COSTS \$500. A plump, tender young partridge, riddled with revolver bullets, was the evidence which cost five young men \$500 in police court in Gregorytown, N. Y., yesterday.

TO PROTECT U. S. FLAG. Representatives of patriotic societies will meet at the Willard Hotel on Tuesday evening, December 19, to form a permanent organization and work for a law against desecration of the American flag.

PREDICTS \$12 SHOES

Head of Retail Dealers Blames Exports for Leather Shortage.

LYNN, Mass., Dec. 12.—E. W. Burt, president of the National Retail Shoe Dealers' Association, predicts that January 1 will see the price of ordinary black shoes at \$12 a pair and as a general rule selling at \$15 a pair, with the price still rising.

Did you know that you could do Christmas shopping at the Public Library?

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The Minute You Strike a Match. The passing chills of fall days are gone before you can get the slow, expensive furnace-fire going. The Perfection Heater is quick enough to catch them. Starts thawing out chills the minute you strike a match. Gives you an abundance of extra heat wherever you want it for half the cost of a coal fire. Clean, durable, dependable, good-looking. You can carry it anywhere. Ask any of the 2,000,000 users, or your hardware, furniture or department store.

B. F. KEITH'S TWICE EVERY DAY. The Swiftest and Sausy EMMA CARUS. LARRY COMER and "Bean" Brummel. Beatrice Herford, the Horton. Morton Moore, Jeanne Adams & Co. Four Others as Fine. Next Week—Nan Halperin, de. Seats Ready—Xmas and N. Y. Day—4 Shows, 2, 5 and 8:15 P. M.