

A GREAT ILLUSION.

THE BURNING OF HAGGARD'S "SHE" ON THE STAGE.

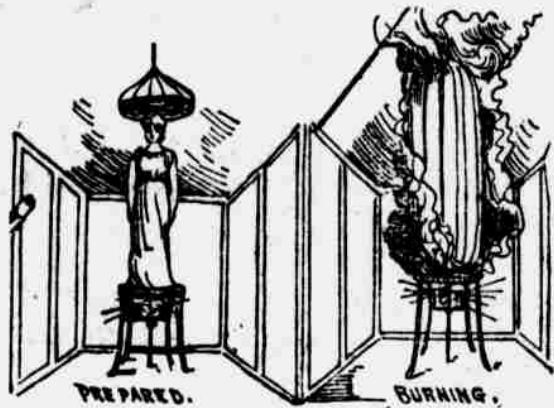
The Mystery Which Has Thrilled Large Audiences Everywhere is Finally Explained—Mirrors Placed at Different Angles Perform the Deception.



THOSE WHO have been thrilled by the spectacle of "She" will probably be glad to receive positive assurance that a young woman is not sacrificed at each performance for the public entertainment.

In this spectacle, which is exhibited by the illusionist Powell, a beautiful young woman mounts a table arranged in an alcove formed of a folding screen. Above the victim is suspended a cylindrical cloth screen. The screen is lowered to the level of the table, completely inclosing the subject.

The table apparently has four legs, and four candles shown beneath it indicate that the space underneath the table is open and clear. The cylindrical



cal screen is shown to be entire, with openings only at the upper and lower ends, and no openings are seen in the folding screen which partly surrounds the table.

Upon the firing of a pistol a fire breaks out under the cover, and smoke and flame bursting forth indicate that the work of destruction is going on within. When the fire is burned out the screen is lifted and nothing remains upon the table but a few smoldering embers and a pile of bones surmounted by a skull. Close observation does not reveal any way of escape for the young woman.

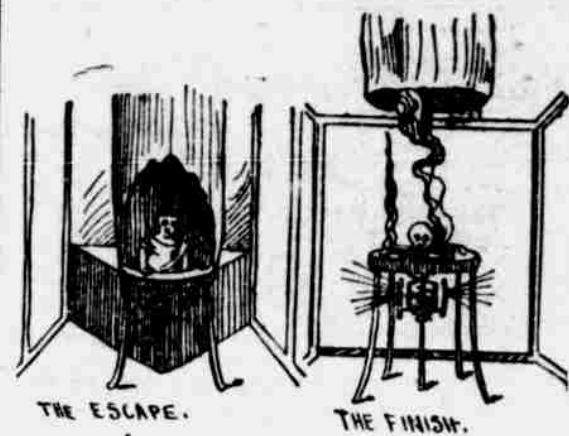
The Scientific American is good enough to furnish an explanation of the mystery. A young woman, it says, is not cremated nightly. The spectacle depends entirely on a trick consisting in the use of plain mirrors. It is essentially the same as the trick of the beheaded lady and many others.

The table has but two legs, the other two which appear being simply reflections. The central standard supports but two candles, the other two being reflections. Underneath the table, and converging at the central standard, are arranged two plane mirrors at an angle of 90 degrees with each other and of 45 degrees with the sidepanels of the screen. By means of this arrangement the side panels, which are of the same color as the central or back panel, are reflected in the mirror and appear as a continuation of the back panel. The triangular box, of which the mirrors form two sides, has a top composed in part of the table top and in part of mirror sections for reflecting the back panel, or with a covering of the same color as the back panel.

The mirrors are shown in the illustration entitled "The Escape," but they are of course invisible to the audience.

The operation of the apparatus is

the table-top, places the bones and the



fireworks upon the table, and at the firing of the pistol ignites the latter and retires, closing the trap-door after her.

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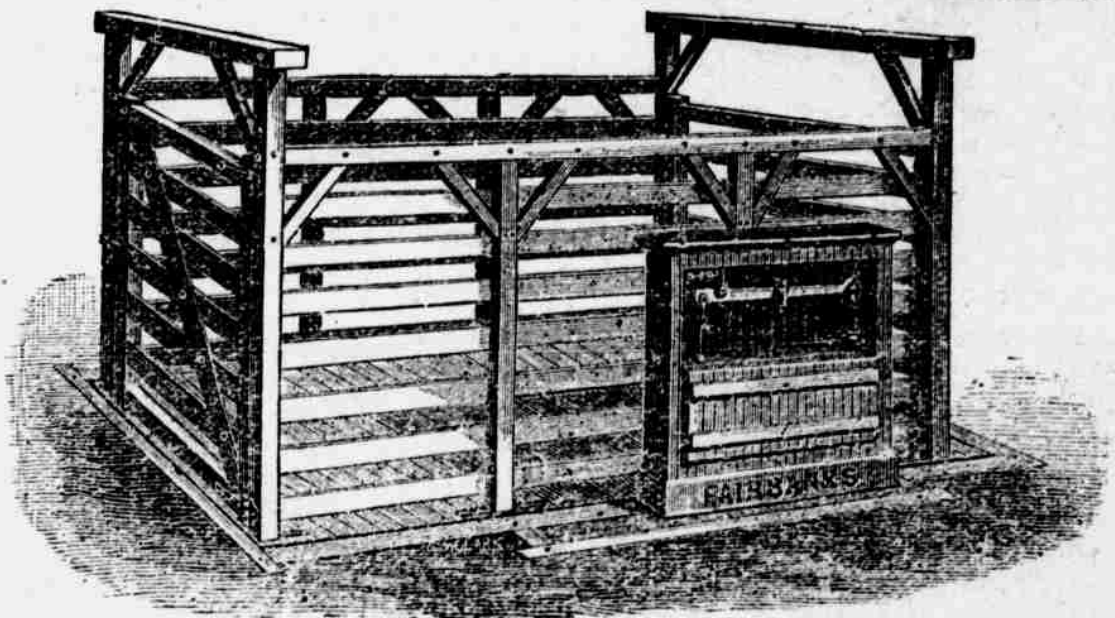
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