### Gossip About Plays, Players and Playhouses

gentle art of acting. Manager Monaghan peers cautiously into the future, and suggests that the close of the season is to be, as in other years, one of incidental brilliance. While the Woodward stock company will be installed in about four weeks, its career is likely to be interrupted several times to accommodate important traveling parties who will favor Omaha with their the theater will be kept open steadily until warm weather has so far progressed that the parks will have all the advantage, even with the lid securely fitted on. An interesting announcement was made in this connection during the week, in the promise of a visit from Mrs. Fiske to the Burwood theater during May. The date has not been exactly determined as yet, but the Omaha admirers of this wonderful woman will be very glad that they will not be asked to go all the way to Council Bluffs to see her this season.

"Brown of Harvard" is one of those plays that makes us pause. It simply defies analysis, for when it is put to the test it falls to piaces, almost to impalpable dust, it has so little substance. And yet it has been a reigning success for more than two seasons, and Mr. Henry Woodruff has been halled as a great actor because of his impersonation of the leading role. Maybe it is the subtle effect of a college boy's room, with its pennants and pipes, and plano covers and sofa pillows, and general external evidence of enthusiastic devotion to everything under the sun except study. It is admitted that somebody must study at college, else where do our wise men come from? But, what college play do you recall in which anything like respectful reference is made to the occasion of the school's existence? Unless it be to jeer at somebody for being a "grind," or to make a hero of someone who is especially dull, no attention is paid to the honorable pursuit of learning. But this is part of the young lordling, who makes Terry's, was published some time ago as aside from the mark. Study is all right epigrams and has his head ducked in in its place, but it has no part in the college play, which is built on the rollicking, jovial, human side of the young men who gather at our universities to spend the morning hours of their youth in having such a good time as they will never know otherwise, interspersed with occasional long and invigorating draughts at the anxious to have answered. Pierian spring. It is accepted as a matter of course that the college boys who are shown us on the stage study, for under the rules they cannot take part in athletics unless they have a good standing in their studies, and what sort of . here would it Music and Musical Notes be who did not lead the team or the crew or the elevan? So the study is taken for

But what good is a college course that doesn't teach a man more than Tom Brown seemed to know of some things? No need to specify; all who watched him along his career from the first of April till the first, of May must have had much the same thought. Take the matter of the forged check, just as an example. He felt morally certain on the 1st of April that Wilfred Kenyon had stolen a blank check from his book; but he let the matter drift along until the last day of the month, when he was confronted by the document. Let's see how that came about: Marion Thorne had the check made payable to referred to was De Pachmann.) There are bearer for \$300, an odd way to draw a check for that sum, even at Boston. She class described admiringly by the Germans was going on a railway journey, not very as formidable. In this class are to be found women who in private are gentle, women Kenyon to Her brother dashed out from the boat house, and ran some place in search of the sister, but couldn't find her. When he left the boat house he didn't have the planists, who have pondered deeply the price of a postage stamp, but in a few minutes he came back with the \$300 his sister had cashed to buy a few cents worth of railroad transportation. Does it seem at all reasonable that the ticket agent, or whoever had obligingly cashed the check for the foolish girl, would calmiy turn it over to an impecunious student, simply because he said he was her brother? Or, did Therne by some miracle become possessed are mighty few planists nowadays who of \$300 during his flight from the boat house to the railway station, or wherever cise he went? And, a mere matter of detall, wasn't Tom Brown pretty well rattled that he did not know the check was forged? he said this, because I have been intend-It took the keen eves of his rival in love for Evelyn Kenyon to find out that the place about the neglect of the many very signature was spurious, and this only after a night had been spent in cogitation and favor of the very "big" things. consumption of tobacco and other things by the best crew Harvard ever had. This episode of the check is fairly indicative of the simplicity of the whole affair. Its internal workings are continually in view of the public, and it at no time makes an effort to deceive. Therefore, it must be the college "atmosphere" that gives it its vogue. aplaode of the check is fairly indicative

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My advice to them is keep off the stage.
For thousands of them meet with disaptively speaking, though, the American striperorides excellent acting material. Site is intelligent, the knows more of life than does the saverage still of other countries, and this remarkable?

And again you have heard these wordership of the visite of the striperorides excellent acting material. Site is intelligent, the knows more of life than does the average still of other countries, and the saverage still of other countries, and see in support the requisite healthy constitution, and she is capable of genuine feeling. Temperature the same of the common sense. She likes work and has a good supply of enthusiasm to aumort her efforts when needed.

When a girl wishes to succeed the maximum the support is the common sense. She likes work and has a good supply of enthusiasm to aumort her efforts when needed.

When a girl wishes to succeed the maximum the common causes of the chances. She must literally so into training and keeps on training as long as size ventage, on the stage.

Technique for technique's sake is simply clean and the read. Idintess and long of interest are the most common causes of deterioration. Walls a woman keeps the same of the s

thing else, he broke the spell at Little Minister," and as often has the anthe Boyd, and the next few ticipation thus aroused been disappointed wasks will very likely be well But the latest announcement was so defilled with what Old Man finite that one concluded that it was offi-Greenhut would refer to as cial this time, and that "The Admirable fiddings" at Omaha's chief temple of the Chichton," "Quality Street," "Alice Sitby-the-Fire," "Peter Pan" and the other Barrie triumphs really were to have a successor at last. For not only did this announcement, which was printed in several of the Lonodon papers, state that the Scotch playwright had completed a "new and fantastic play" for Charles Frohman, but it was added that a pair of well known illusionists had been engaged to appresence for short engagements, and thus pear in it, which, you will all agree, looked like business.

> Alack, however, it isn't so! At Charles Frohman's Lor ion offices extreme reticence is preserved regarding what Barrie may do in the future, but also on the puzzling topic of why it is that he has remained silent for so long, but I was told positively that there was no new piece in sight from his pen and that the widely published announcement was entirely unauthorized. All of which is a pity and tends to confirm the general theory that Barrie either is discouraged or "written out," or that, as has been hinted, he really was dependent on the late Addison Bright for his stage craft.

Meanwhile, following the immensely suc

cessful fourth revival of his "Peter Pan" at the Duke of York's, Barrie's "Admirable Crichton" has been put on by Charles Frohman, and, Judging by the rapturous greeting it had on the first night, will taken by Lyn Harding, a former member of the Tree forces, who is highly satisfactory. Other changes from the memorable original cast are Eric Lewis in the part of the earl of Loam, which was created by the late Heary Kemble, and Miriam Clements in that of Lady Mary, whose original representative was Irene Vanbrugh, now playing the heroine of "The Thief" at the gone far since those days, has his original pails of water by the Admirable Crichton. As for the piece itself, its wit and the astonishing fertility of imagination which it displays on the part of its author make one regret the more that he persists in Barrie doesn't produce further plays is a question that theatergoers over here are

"Henry of Lancaster," the romantic on the subject, has explained that the novel

both and the neglect of neither.

Philip Hale of the Boston Herald:

the plane.

Lest it should be said that I was one

sided I hasten to quote something which

has been said along the same lines about

of affections. There is the class of wonder

workers, predigious fellows who perform

incredible feats. There are "intellectual"

music they are unable to interpret. The

planists who play the plane are now very

Had the musical critic of The Bee pre-

sumed to allude to any famous planist as

one who "pondered deeply the music he

was unable to interpret," there would have

been murmurings of dissent and disap-

proval. Had he dared to say that there

really "play the plano," he would have

been told that he was talking unlearnedly.

no doubt. But when Philip Hale speaks

it is good form to listen. I am glad that

ing to present a few suggestions in this

It is true that the audience will applaud

when a man or woman puts one hand back

doubtless come in time.) But I always con-

"beautiful" things of piano composition

Royal, Nottingham, on Friday last. The cerned with the love of Harry of Richmond for the Princess Elizabeth, and the checkmating of Richard III, and a Nottingham reviewer describes the scenes as "full of in an attractive framework." It looks as if the San Francisco girl were to be congratulated on a real bit, and if the piece hould succeed when produced "in town" her position in the playwriting world will be established beyond immediate question.

Although it was understood here that 'The Morals of Marcus' was by no means as successful in the United States as it proved at the London "Garrick," the anouncement comes from Charles Frohman that its author, William J. Locks, is at work on a new play for Marle Doro. This dramatist has been a busy man, of late. for it now develops that besides turning his successful novel, "The Beloved Vagabond," into a successful play for Beerbohm Tree, Locke has taken his unsuccessful comedy, "The Palace of Puck," in hand, and made it over into a musical piece. It its new form the play is called "Butterflies" and it has found a producer in the person of Ada Reeve, who is a warm favorite with the patrons of musical plays in this country. "Butterflies" is due at draw for many weeks to come. This time, the London Apollo on May 12, and it is the part of the resourceful butler, which likely to be tried later in America, if aporiginally was played by H. B. Irving, is proved by audiences here. The name of the author of the score is a secret for the present.

Is there, or is there not, a "Jane Wardle?" This question has been puzzling the theatrical world here for the past fortnight or since the production at Terry's of "The Lord of Latimer Street," and the solution of the mystery seems as far off St. James. Gerald du Maurier, who has is the fact that, as Americans know, a novel with the same title as the plece at the work of Jane Wardle, who also was credited with "The Artistic Temperahit in the United States. Now, the plece at Terry's tells precisely the same story as was told in "Miss Wardle's" latest declining to give us something new. Why novel, but the dramatist's name is given as Oliver Madox Hueffer, and no mention whatever is made of "Jane Wardle" or of the play's being a dramatization of her book. How is this? Hueffer, interviewed

local critics praise it highly, in fact, its Curiously enough, however, no one scens reception was so encouraging that Miss to have met "Jane Wardle," not even the Halver pretty and lively-late of "Babes Terry has definitely decided to bring it out inclusive editor of "Who's Who," so in Toyland," will regale with song, dance in London in September. The story, already the inference is being drawn that, like and fun making. A mixture of juggling. outlined in this correspondence, is con- Mrs. Harris, "there ain't no sich person." Or, in other words, that she and Oliver Madox Hueffer are one and the same, and that the latter wrote "The Artistic Temperament." As for the play at Terry's it picturesque detail and replete with varied is one of the few stage versions of works action—the melodramatic intrigue being set of fiction to make even a partial success on the London boards this season. Nina Boucleoult has made a hit in the part of its slum heroine and the production seems to be prospering, though the "House Full" signs has not yet been displayed. next attraction at this playhouse, by the way, is to be Fanny Ward, who also will appear in "adaptations"-first in that of Egerton Castle's "Secret Orchard," which made a success in America, and later in the stage version of 'The Marriage of William Ashe," which has been made by the author herself, with the assistance of Ma garet Mayo. HAYDEN CHURCH.

Coming Events. "A Knight for a Day," under the manage ment of Mr. H. H. Frazee, comes to the Boyd theater for three performances, start ing tonight. With Eddie Redway and Elsie Herbert in the leading comedy roles. and a cast that has ben selected with the greatest care, it is promised that the play will be given a delightful, presentment. The American Beauty chorus is a handsome feature of the performance and contributes much vivacity and charm. It is well worth anybody's while to witness this highly creditable attraction. The book and lyrics are by Robert B. Smith, and the music by Raymond Hubbell. The airs are all tuneful and are being hummed and whistled by everybody everywhere they are heard, and their refrain lingers softly in the memory. Besides Eddle Redway and Elsie Herbert some or those who have been entrusted with the principal roles are Thomas Cameron, Robert O'Connor, Harry Mack, James MacCormack, Gertrude Hutcheson, Elsie Baird and Grace De Mar.

The popularity of "The Lion and the Mouse," which Henry B. Harris is sending for a brief engagement at Boyd's ment," a novel that made something of a theater beginning Thursday night, seems to increase each day and the indications are that the Charles Klein drama is destined to live long in the minds of playpatrons who have seen it, as the first and best of those great American plays which reflected, and truthfully, the spirit of the time which they portrayed. Possibly this is due to the theme, the power of money in our social, business, political and financial life, and the possibilities for evil when in the hands of the unscrupulous. Dorothy Donnelly, who never played Shirley outside of New York before this season, will play the distinguished part here, and Paul Everton, remembered for his characterization of Ryder here last season, will be cast in his unual part of the money king.

"Through Death Valley," Joseph La Brandt's meiodrama, will be seen here at the Krug for two days, starting matinee today. The play tells a story of awful persecution of a noble girl who has dared to refuse the advances of Noah Claypole, the beautifully persuasive tone which he an Morman elder with a rather formidable collection of wives. Preferring death to dishonor, she continues to defy the elder, and when a young miner espouses her cause,

"Pickings from Puck" will be at the great "American Pony Ballet."

"His Horrible Secret," or "The Man Monkey," the attraction at the Krug Thursday, Friday and Saturday, is Charles E. Blaney's latest success, with William H. Turner and an excellent supporting company, in a striking and original story of the jungles of Africa.

tempted by a stock company will be the production of "Quo Vadis," which is to be staged at the Burwood theater the coming week. For this production the company has been enlarged to fifty people and rehearsals have been in progress for over two weeks. The scenic embellishment will particularly elaborate. One of the talked about features of the performance will be the execution of the dance of the seven vells to be given before Emperor Nero. This is the dance that constituted most potent drawing feature of "Salome" when produced in New York some months ago. It is said to be an optical delight of surpassing charm as given by the specially billed coterie of dancing girls engaged. Mr. Ingram will be seen as Marcus Vinicus in "Quo Vadis" and Miss Lessing as Lygia. There will be matinees on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday | the and Sunday. The last two performances of "Tennessee's Pardner" will be given

For the first time in the history of the Orpheum a feature will be held over for the second week in response to papular what they want is only to be made to feel." the second week, in response to popular demand. This distinction has fallen to Miss night, and for the ensuing week will be night, and for the ensuing week will be Several gamblers have written William new. Miss Gertrude Mansfield, "the girl Morris of "The Witching Hour" to know if with the red kimone," who was a Weber. It is possible to ascertain the cards in an-Fieldian for a while, and her company will be seen in a lively sketch that has to do they seen big profit in it.

KATHERYN M. SHARY.

drama by Gladys Unger, which Ellen really was indebted to the play, not the with the stage dressing room. Miss Mans-Terry, accepted some time ago, was play to the novel; that Miss Wardle read field will introduce several some. In a produced for the first time at the Theater the piece in manuscript and asked to be sketch called "Sign that Book" Orth and allowed to write the story in novel form. Fern will show their versatile musical accomplishments. Barry and Halver-Miss gymnastics and comedy will be contributed by Cole and Rags. Herbert's troupe of onnines do all sorts of stunts calculated to please old and young, including the sensational loop-the-loop. New kinodrome ptotures will conclude

> Max Figman and his company in "The Man on the Box," will be at the Boyd for a single performance next Sunday evening Mr. Figman is well remembered here for The the delightful performance he gave last year of this pleasing comedy.

> > Gossip from Stageland.

Madame Komisarshevsky made the mistake of her career, it seems, in undertaking to treat the patrons of the New York theaters as intellectual beings. Being a country, she was lionized by society, but society id not attend the theater. Madame defined the assistance of the American pressigent, and would not be advertised as a reak; she further persisted in playing modern plays that appeal to the mind rather han to the emotions, and played them in he sprit intended by their authors. She delighted the rational critics of the metropolis, but the public resolutely staid away from the theater, so her engagement was cancelled in midflight, and she is set down as a failure.

Criticism in New York is a wonderful thing. Mr. Sothern as Rodion in "The Fool Hath Said in His Heart There is No God," did such work as to win enthusiastic praise from Walter P. Eaton of the Sun and William Winter of the Tribune; but only moved Alan Dale of the Journal to remark: "Rodion makes up like a piece of Rocquefort cheese."

Hianche Walsh's managers send out word hat she is rapidly recovering from her ill-iess, and she will surely appear in Omaha n "The Kreutzer Sonata."

Clyde Fitch's latest comedy, "Girls," deals with the fortunes of four young women who go to New York with the determina-tion to fight their own way in the world without any male assistance. Three of them start in business, but quickly yield to the temptations of marrimony and retire. The fourth tries the stage and becomes fan

"Do you really want to play Shylock?" the interviewer of the Globe in New York asked David Warfield. "O, yes, I must play Shylock-if only to get rid of him. And Lear-Lear!—"
He smiled again-Warfield's smile is more expressive than the talking that darkens understanding-but this time not with "Lear! Think of that poor fellow in the storm, and his children—his children!—dead against him—defying the universe!—bat-tered, broken—but still a king!"

Henry W. Harris decided to withdraw Dustin Farnum in "The Rector's Garden." which played just one week at the Bijou theater, New York.

In the new comedy, "The Traveling Salesman," which is to be produced by Thomas W. Ross and company in Washington tomorrow night, the action is laid in a country depot, a drummer's hotel room and a general store.

Ethel Roosevelt, daughter of the president, was for a brief period of time a "press agent" for "The Man of the Hour," George Broadhurst's piay. Miss Roosevelt saw the play during its two years' run in New York. When it was presented in Washington six weeks ago she insisted on her father going to see it. He consented and sat in a box Monday night—an unusual proceeding, as the president and his family usually go to the theater late in the week to prevent the "the Destroying Angels" start forth to kill
him. After a series of remarkable adventures, during which the young miner and the girl come face to face with death,
a number of times, the villains finally are seen. He made an appointment with Robert Affect, the Horrigan, and Harold Ruscaptured and receive the awful punishment which they have so justly merited.

A. Fischer, the Horrigan, and Harold Russell, the Phelan, of the cast and gave them half an hour of his much taken up time.

"O, I'm coming along," declared Yorick Hamm. "Just now I am billed with an eminent star and sixty others."
"You are one of the others?"
"I'm five of 'em!"—Washington Herald.

Billie Burke of the John Drew company has formally accepted by cablegram Charles Frohman's offer to take her under his management for an indefinite number of seasons in America. London theatrical journals lament the action as another sign of the Frohman invasion.

Bert Williams anent the prospect for real colored drama: "We've got 350 years of suffering in back of us. There's nothing very inspiring in that. The negro race, you'll notice, has no songs of triumph. We never licked anybody. But we've got simplicity and sorrow and love for one another. That's what colored drama must be made of—if we could only learn to write it."

"Stock companies. I fear," says Lillian Mortimer, "are almost a thing of the past. The love of chapge and the desire to see new faces, will finally finish most of them, I believe. While many people will remain loyal to one actor or actress, the majority seem to demand frequent changes of attractions—hence the road company is rising in the scale and the stock company passing from the view." from the view."

Does education, or at least the education of the schools, mean success? Augustus Thomas, who is credited with more stage triumphs than any other American author, is said not to have attended school after his 12th year.

Pearls of observation from the string of Thomas E. Shea, actor: Thomas E. Shea, actor:
"No actor was ever great enough to copy."
"In the last analysis, man is a clean animal and prefers clean plays."
"Every player must please three things: the eye, the ear and the intellect."
"The man who panders to low tastes will, in the end, receive only low rewards."
"The secret of dramatic writing is construction; the secret of dramatic interpretation is sincerity."

The sale of the art collection left by

Anna Eva Fay. Miss Fay during the week and Mansfield brought \$15.72. Miss Mary received many letters daily, most of them requesting confidential treatment. Interest gave \$30 for an old Gothic table and \$40 for in Miss Fay Increases every day the sinys, a Hepplewhite settee, and 42 for a mar-All the other features today, matinee and quetry table in the style of Louis XV.



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David Belasco's stars are feminine. Only tend against my planistic friends that the one of the masculine gender shines in his place for such endeavor is the "advanced galaxy. Therefore, David's advice to the vaudeville" theater. I have seen people young woman about to enter upon a stage play musical things and heard them too. career may be worth something. Mr. Fred- when they threw the instruments to and eric Edward McKay of the New York Mall from each other through the air, never encountered Mr. Belasco one day during the

missing a note or causing an interruption week, and asked him his message to young Now, I submit, this took time and the woman who had made up her mind to act. atudy of the legato was wonderful, for the air sustained the air of the piece as

of it before I intrust an actress with a leading part—but I care little where I find it.

BARRIE REMAINS UNPRODUCTIVE

Associated of a New Play from His Pea Without Foundation.

IONDON, March II.—(Special Correspondence.) Has performers, and who has been for some spondence.)—Once more, it appears, has "wolf!" been cried in connection with J.

M. Barrie. Over and over again it has been reported that at last we were to be supported that at last we were to the sonata into a veritable tons! whirlwind in which there was no program.

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C. Vorspiel—Parsifal

(A. Berenade. (b) Musette. (c) Solitude.

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(c) Berenade. (d) Musette. (e) Songe.

(d) Arcadian idyil (New).

(e) Berenade. (b) Musette. (c) Solitude.

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AST week this column contained | rhyme nor reason. \* \* \* In Berlin his an article which took up the name will soon be synonymous with rush questions of Tone and Interpre- and rattle, heaven storming and fire-eattation, mostly in connection ing proclivities." Mark you this criticism with singing. A plea was then which I quote is not a wholesale attack on made for the development of the planist, for the person who wrote it says at the beginning "he has all the qualities which make for greatness. . . . But I wish he would speak to us oftener in can adopt at will, and not always thunder in our ears."

It is from the pen of the noted critic, You see, gentle people who read this col-"It was a great pleasure to hear again umn, that the music-lovers are crying out a planist who plays the pinno (the planist for the Beautiful, for Music, just Music. Happy are they who hear the call and few of them in these days. There is the

> The people are hungering and thirsting for music, as never before; they are calling which they have so justly merited. pristesses of the Art, but the priests and pristesses are so busy decorating the altars of Technique, making broad the phylacteries of Intellectual and Profound Tonal Verbosity, and chanting the pacans of plane manufacturies by powerful and peristent presentments of percussion in all its branches that the people cry in vain, until -until once there comes a "pianist who plays the piano." But, says Philip Hale of Boston, the veteran critic, "There are few

of them in these days." Oh, for one plano recital of Beautiful things with the technique in the background. Just one! Who will try it, and give us bliss?

Miss Bella Robinson, the well known local pianiste, sends a card from Vienna, where he is studying with the eminent master, Leschetitzky. She is in great fortune to be with him sersonally, as he gives only four easons a day himself, and his assistants each the other scores of students who

me to him from everywhere. Miss Robinson has received a very high ompliment for her own work and musicianship in this very fact-namely, that Leschetitzky would give her his personal atention when so many fail to get anywhere near him. I am not surprised at it, however. The compliment is most deserved. While on the subject of foreign study-Miss Lomax writes a card from Berlin telling of a tea for Madame Marchesi, at the Mme. Gerster, with whom Miss

Lomax is studying. Miss Marie Mohier is

studying with Madame Marchesi in Paris

and is receiving much encouragement. Mrs. Gahm writes that she has heard that Miss Lomax's teacher has great hopes for her. The many friends of Miss May Caldwell, today.

Krug theater two days, starting Tuesday night, March 24. The performance is not only filled with thrilling dramatic scenes ready fun and tuneful music, but is adorned as well with scenery and costumes that are bright and glittering. Also, a handsome bunch of pretty girls, including the

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Omaha's well known singer, will be heard in concert at The Lyric theater, Monday