

ON THE Stage

The Crystal played to a number of good houses this week, some splendid pictures being shown. The Overland Four, a local comedy company preparing to go on the professional stage, have not been seen at the Crystal for several weeks.

"The Isle of Spice," was put on by the Lyric comedy company this week and was adjudged the best comedy sketch ever put on at the Lyric where a number of full houses warmly applauded Ben Wille, in the role of the stranded showman, who, left by his companions in charge of a cannibal on the island, sang "Give My Regards to Broadway," as the steamer in the distance, all port holes aglow with the lights, whistled away. The scenery was good.

The famous play, "Rosedale," the authorship of which was credited to Lester Wallace, was written by Fitz James O'Brien, who was killed in the war of the rebellion, and who was paid \$100 by Wallace to write it. It is a dramatization of the novel, "Lady Lee's Widowhood," which appeared in Blackwood's Magazine. It had its first presentation on any stage at Wallace's theater, New York, September 20, 1863.

The late Joseph Jefferson played an engagement at Tripler hall, New York, in repertoire, beginning December 21, 1860, opening in "Rip Van Winkle." He followed this on January 1 by playing Newman Noegs in "Nicholas Nickleby," Lullaby in "A Conjugal Lesson," and Diggeroy in "The Spectre Bridegroom." On January 7 he was seen in a burlesque of "Mezeppa," which was called "The Fiery, Untamed Rocking-Horse," Jefferson playing Mezeppa. This was followed by his performance of "Golgithy" in "Lend Me Five Shillings," and Tobias Shortcut in "The Spiffire."

"Charlotte Corday," or "The Reign of Terror," was seen for the first time in New York May 2, 1859, at Tripler hall.

The present version of "Camille" was given for the first time on any stage March 17, 1856, at Tripler hall, Camille being played by Laura Keane, and Armand by George Jordan.

Kennedy Stock Company Tonight. Tonight at the Auditorium the Kennedy Stock company will be seen in the first of their series of Saturday night performances at the Auditorium. Tonight's play will be Nat Goodwin's and Maxine Elliott's famous comedy-success, "When We Were Twenty-one."

The Kennedy company is composed of clever people and it is believed that Norfolk will like them. Popular prices—25c, 35c and 50c—will prevail. The management of the company gives out the following statement regarding a number of the players: "By extreme good luck, it has been possible to obtain the services of Mr. George Fitch, who is without exaggeration one of the most capable and popular stock juvenile men in America. He has played with the largest and best stocks in existence, among them being the famous Alcazar Stock of San Francisco, where he succeeded Albert Morrison as juvenile man when Mr. Morrison came as leading man to Woodward. Mr. Fitch will be seen in his old part, that of Imp in "When We Were Twenty-one," which many actors consider the best juvenile ever written.

"Miss Gwendoline Pates, who plays the ingenue role, is an exceedingly attractive young lady of great personal charm and ability. You will hear of her some day among the top-notchers of her profession. In fact, she has already signed contracts for her appearance this winter over the Orpheum and eastern vaudeville circuits. "As quickly as her engagement with the William Grew company terminates Miss Edith Spencer will be seen with this company in a number of strong parts. Miss Spencer needs no introduction to patrons of amusements in this territory. For versatile, power, and intelligence she has but few equals in the entire profession.

"Frank Hetterick joins from the east; Charles Withers from the Lyric of Lincoln; Miss Mona Lee from the Hillman company; Graydon Fox from the Grew players; Billy Martin and Miss Bernice Beverly complete this remarkably strong organization. "Positively nothing but the best, cleanest and most entertaining plays will be presented. Later, if the attendance warrants the payment of heavy royalties, such pieces as "The Christian," "The Little Minister" and "When Knighthood Was in Flower," will be given. All, however, will be of the highest type, mostly society comedies and farces."

ACTORS ARE SUPERSTITIOUS. Peculiar Eccentricities that Break Out in First Night Plays.

Actors as a class are superstitious more or less—especially so just before they make their first entrance on the opening night of a new play. Robert Edson who is starring in "A Man's Man," will never go on unless he has in his pocket a little piece of grease paint broken from the stick used when he made his debut on the stage. Hedwig Reicher carries with her a German pennig that was given to her in her first week's salary that she earned as an actress.

Helen Ware carries on her person the letter sent her while she was at dramatic school, notifying her that she should report as a "super" with Maude Adams in "The Little Minister." Elsie Ferguson would not dare go on the stage unless she had the play bill on which her name was printed,

for the first time in her career as an actress. Rose Stahl is no exception. Her mascot is a piece of ribbon she wore in her hair the first time she ever went on the stage in an amateur performance.

Edmund Bresse, who will be starred by Henry B. Harris next season in a new play, carries as a pocket-piece a coyote's ear, a souvenir of his ranching days out in the Dakotas. Frank J. McIntyre would as soon court death as to go on the stage without carrying in his pocket the draw string from the football suit he wore in "Strongheart" with Robert Edson, in which play he scored his first big success.

If all the actors in America would contribute their lucky pieces it would represent a collection of odds and ends such as no curiosity shop has ever equalled.

Theatrical Notes. "Rip Van Winkle" was first acted in New York, April 22, 1830, by James H. Hackett at the Park theater.

In the early Indian drama, the male characters of the two highest castes (priests and warriors) talked Sanscrit, while all the women, children and the lower class of people, talked Prakrit. The latter tongue was subdivided into eight different dialects, the higher quality of which was given to the more important women, while the menials spoke a dialect that corresponded with what would be called today "the patois of the slums."

One of the earliest German play bills dated 1702, runs as follows: "Today, Saturday, on the fifteenth of July, the Venetian 'Band' as Royal Polish and Electoral Saxon Court-Comedians, will perform on their stage an uncommonly pleasing scripture play which by its magnificent theatrical scenery, but also particularly as an emotional subject, can scarcely be improved and cannot displease anybody."

In the early days of the drama in Germany, one of the traveling troupes that played in the provinces, boasted as its manager, one Johann Carl Eckenberg, who styled himself Samson, the invincible, "who could lift with one hand a cannon with a drummer and his drum on top of it, and hold it there as long as it would take the drummer to empty a glass of wine comfortably."

Ann Oldfield, who was one of the first actresses to be honored with burial in Westminster Abbey, before going on the stage was a barmaid in a tavern called the Mitre in St. James market, and through the influence of Colly Cibber became an actress. She was born in 1663, made her debut in 1699, and died in 1730.

The following note appeared in the New York Advertiser, in the issue of December 4, 1851: "The fourth annual benefit of the American Dramatic fund took place yesterday at Niblo's garden. Among those who appeared was a very remarkable child 8 years of age, named Adellina Patti. Her voice and execution astonished the audience."

ALICE NEILSEN GOING ABROAD. Many Actors and Actresses Sailed Yesterday From New York.

New York, May 14.—The waning of the theatrical season accounts for the departure of many actors and actresses for Europe today. The American liner Philadelphia was practically monopolized by theatrical folk, and several tables in the saloon of the Arabic will be taken up by performers on the voyage to Liverpool.

Alice Neilsen, the prima donna, sailed on the Arabic. She will fill concert dates in London, Manchester and Birmingham. Miss Neilsen said that she did not think the retirement of Oscar Hammerstein from the operatic field would reduce the salaries of star singers, because every artist can demand a salary in proportion to the drawing power he or she represents in the box office receipts.

A WIFE BOTHERS THIS TENOR. Karl Jorn, Who Was Willing to Give Her Up, Can't Escape Her.

New York, May 14.—Karl Jorn, the Metropolitan opera tenor, who consented last winter to give his wife freedom to marry the man she loved, \$25,000 in cash and an annuity of \$4,000 for herself and three children, sailed for Europe last week, disguised, and with little left of his season's earnings. When he reaches the other side he will endeavor to find some spot to live where he will not be found by his wife, who, he declares, is making him unfit to carry on his profession. For several days prior to Jorn's leaving, letters and cables were received from his wife, urging him to hasten to her in Venice.

MRS. MORSE SEES CONGRESSMEN. Senators and Representatives Asked to Sign Petition for Banker.

Washington, May 14.—In her fight for her husband's pardon, Mrs. C. W. Morse, wife of the New York banker, serving a sentence in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, has appealed to members of congress for support. Mrs. Morse and her daughter, accompanied by Cotter T. Bride of this city, went to the capitol this afternoon. Each had a petition asking for Morse's pardon. The petitions were submitted to senators and representatives with a request for their signatures. About fifty members complied.

"Tillie's Nightmare" Reaches Here. New York, May 14.—Marie Dressler returned to New York last night after a brief period of eclipse so far as the metropolis is concerned and met in "Tillie's Nightmare," with a degree of success that exceeded all of her previous triumphs before this public.

SOCIETY

Pleasures of Week. The Norfolk Woman's club entertained the Ladies' Literary club of Stanton Monday afternoon. A program on civil service reform was given in which Mrs. Meredith gave a talk on institutional work and Mrs. W. N. Orris of Stanton gave a paper on the educational side of civil service reform. Mrs. Stokoes, who is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. D. K. Tindall, gave two vocal numbers which were very good. The new president of the club, Mrs. Oxnam, was called to the chair at the close of the program and appointed her committee for the coming year. Light refreshments were served to the guests by the club. They returned on the evening train.

TELLS GRAND OPERA SECRETS. Arthur Hammerstein Says Season Cost Father \$1,100,000.

New York, May 14.—"Will I tell you the salaries we actually paid our principal singers last season? Sure," said Arthur Hammerstein at the Manhattan opera house. "Opera is an expensive pastime," Hammerstein continued. "None but millionaires, unmindful of the cost, should dally with it, except in such rare instances as that of my father, who has a genius for it. "Roughly it cost him \$55,000 a week to keep open the doors of the Manhattan opera house and the Philadelphia opera house last year. That, for a season of twenty weeks, means an expenditure of \$1,100,000, a tidy sum for an ordinary man to expend in the hope that an appreciative public will reimburse him for enjoyment he provides. "If the salaries of the principal singers in opera have been exaggerated by the personal vanity and by assiduous press agents, by the newspapers and by public credulity, they are big enough, in plain truth, to be imposing. "Tetrazzini, for instance, was paid last season \$1,500 a night, with guarantee of forty performances; Mary Garden's contract called for \$1,400 a night, with twenty performances assured her. She sang, of course, many more times than her contract called for and profited accordingly. "Renaud got \$1,000 a night for forty performances. So did Sammarco. For every time he sang Dalmore got \$600. Gerville-Reache was paid \$435.50 a performance. "Cavalleri got \$1,000 a week for three performances; Gilbert, \$750 a week; Dussanne, \$700 a week, and Crabbe, \$360 a week. "Of the other artists in my father's company, of whom there were many worthy, by the standard of singers, of higher pay than they got, I prefer not to speak individually. I simply will tell you that outside of the persons named my father paid to his principal singers last season \$245,000."

Ben Skolowsky was surprised Saturday evening by about thirty friends when he arrived home. The event was in honor of Mr. Skolowsky's birthday. The evening's entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed with music, games and light refreshments.

The ladies aid society of the Methodist church were royally entertained at the church parlors Thursday afternoon by Mrs. John Finney, Mrs. Porter and Mrs. McCune.

A miscellaneous shower was given in honor of Miss Edna Loucks by about thirty-five young ladies who surprised her Saturday evening.

Washington, D. C., news dispatches say that Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hays of Norfolk are at the national capital.

Coming Events. "Does the Country Get Any Benefit From the Labor Unions," is the topic on which the debating club of the Woodmen of the World will argue next Thursday night, May 19. Among the debaters will be Ex-Councilman Dan Craven, George R. Desmond, George B. Christoph and several others who are said to have arranged for an exciting debate.

PERSONALS. Dr. P. H. Salter, retiring president of the state medical society, was elected delegate to the American Medical society's meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Reynolds have written Norfolk friends that they are enjoying their sojourn at Excelsior Springs.

Mrs. N. A. Huse is enjoying a visit from her two sisters, Mrs. Arthur L. Tucker and Mrs. H. A. Twitchell.

Mrs. C. E. Burnham has returned from a visit at Ponca with Mrs. J. M. O'Connell.

The Misses Hazel and Fionnie Barnett of Stanton are visiting with Miss Lella Scott.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Mackay attended the state medical society.

S. M. Braden returned from Chicago.

HOP TO EASE THEIR NERVES. Forty Business Men Forget the Office Cares in the Y. M. C. A. "Gym."

Kansas City Star: Forty business men were rolling on the floor when a visitor entered the Young Men's Christian association gymnasium soon after noon yesterday. "A—ten—shun!" sounded the voice of F. B. Barnes, physical director. Forty men ranging in age from 30 to 60 years, arrayed in brief track suits, began to form in line. Human types of all dimensions were represented. They were all there, from the lean, gray haired "five-foot two incher" to the fat, bald headed man who weighs 220 pounds. "Forward, hop!" said the director. And, picking up his left foot, he began to follow it across a 50-foot mat by the single pedal transportation process. The class started—only started—to follow. One would-be gymnast did follow twenty steps, but that was the record. "Come on! Come on!" called the director. "You won't cure indigestion and office nervousness by standing there looking at me."

"I bet I can do that," exploded the heavy weight. "Watch me now." The class watched. He fell trying to get his left toes near his left hand. Then a real estate dealer of perpendicular build tried. Up went the left foot to meet the extended left hand. They clinched. The real estate hop the foot and hand separated on the floor. "Jump ten steps and roll over," was the next command. The director gave a demonstration. The class looked on—and on and on. No volunteers. "Get in the game; get in the game," called the director. They could all jump, that was easy. But the somersault, was too much. "We'll try this one again," chuckled the director, allowing a smile to play hide-and-seek with his official dignity. "Hands under knees," was the next card dealt. Forty, rights clasped forty lefts below forty knees. "Forward, hop!" The director hopped, the class ambled. Many fell by the wayside; only four remained to say "I did it."

A musician had been playing dashing marches on the piano during the exercises, which were intended to inspire the "athletes" with rhythmic action. Some of them seemed quite fond of the piano. Two members of the class slipped behind the instrument when the director was putting the others through the "knee-hop" game and remained until he called: "Fall in. Take down dumb-bells."

Wayne Normal Notes. Prof. John Power gave the Saturday 1 o'clock talk last week. His subject, "University Life," was very ably handled. It helped to entice the students in a desire for a university education. Mrs. Pile will give the Saturday talk this week. Her subject will be "Some Things in English History." Mrs. Pile in her trip abroad was privileged to see the late king of England, as well as the present king. Among new students to enter this week are Miss Mary Conway and Miss

Alice McGrath of Newcastle; Miss Mary Wood of Page; Miss Esther Bengston of Wausa; Miss Rebecca Moore of Elk Spring, Missouri. We have had calls for teachers which we find we are unable to fill owing to the fact that many expect to continue in school another year or will enter the university. The music to the college song has been published and can now be secured by sending fifty cents to the president of the Young Women's Christian association, Miss Minnie Goodsell, care of the college; or to the college office. This is a very attractive piece of music. The proceeds will aid the young ladies of the Christian association.

The delegates to the state conference which was held in Lincoln last week by the different Young Women's Christian associations of the state returned Monday of last week. Last Sunday they gave a most interesting account of their very enjoyable trip. The delegates from here were Misses Mabel Gannon, of Pender; Belle McGee, of Farley, Ia.; Lydia Cutkowsky of Battle Creek.

The summer term which opens on June 20 promises to be one of the largest in the history of the school. No effort or expenses will be spared in making this a banner term. All credits will become the property of the state, and the students' records may be of much value in later years.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS. C. Nelson of Pierce was in the city. Fred Alstad of Madison was in the city. H. F. Barnhart returned from Neigh. Miss Helen Schemel of Hoskins was in the city. Mrs. A. J. Huebner of Hadar called on friends here. Miss Emma Klug went to Creighton for a short visit.

F. A. Redline of Omaha is in the city on business. S. J. Alexander of Lincoln was in the city on business.

Miss Emma Braasch returned from a visit at Argonia, Kan. E. C. Raasch returned from a business trip in Colorado. G. D. Butterfield is expected to return from Chicago Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Finney returned from a short visit at Hadar. Mrs. Arthur Heckman and Miss Emma Wichman of Hadar were here. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wagner returned from a visit with relatives in Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Becker went to Allen, Neb., to spend Sunday with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. William Raabe and son of Hadar were in the city visiting with friends.

Miss Ella Schermer and Mrs. Martin Haase of Hoskins were in the city calling on friends.

Mrs. Carl Wilde has gone to Fremont for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Keller.

Mrs. Thomas Freeman and son of Omaha are in the city visiting with the H. H. Tracy family.

Miss Loretta Dougherty of Slou City arrived in the city to spend Sunday with Miss Nona O'Brien.

Glenn Graham of Syracuse, N. Y., is visiting a few days with Mrs. Nethaway on his way to Chadron.

Miss Nellie Flynn, who has charge of a school at Foster, is in the city for a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Flynn.

Louis Yamenman, formerly a prominent business man of Ewing but now a homesteader of Witten, S. D., was in the city on business.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bacon, a son. Since the dog catcher has been appointed dog tags have been in demand.

Miss Anna Pahn, who has been ill for several days, is again able to be about.

A complete set of new fixtures is being installed in the Star clothing store. The fixtures are modern cases for holding hats and clothing.

Thomas Harter, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harter, is suffering from a bad attack of measles.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. A. D. Cole on South Eleventh street Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

William Hirsch, Jr., member of the Hirsch Bros. bottling works firm, is confined to his bed, threatened with an attack of typhoid fever.

The Jenny Wren club will meet at the home of Altagena Chambers, 313 North Ninth street, Wednesday, May 18, at 4:30, Irma Spear assisting.

Ross Tindall has resigned his position with the Omaha electric light company and has accepted the position of bookkeeper with Coleman & McGinnis.

The Moyone Tea company of Fremont will open a branch store in the room formerly occupied by the Winter harness shop on Norfolk avenue, near Fifth street.

The Jenny Wren club met at the home of Mary Hardy May 4 at 4:30 p. m. Vera Lewis assisted. Sixteen members were present. Light refreshments were served.

The first workout of the firemen's baseball team will take place on the race track diamond tomorrow afternoon when the clerks will pick up a scrub team for an afternoon's practice.

A Plainville citizen who stored a large number of apples in his cellar last year and then departed for the south, returned recently and found his apples in an excellent state of preservation.

N. M. Gilbert of Omaha has been appointed local agent of the Hartford Life Insurance company, and will make Norfolk his headquarters. Mr. Gilbert expects to move his family to Norfolk in a few days.

The baseball game between the Neigh high school and the Norfolk high school was called at 2:30 this afternoon. It looked like a record breaking

attendance of the season before the teams arrived at the grounds. The state baseball league opened their season today with a game at Columbus between the Hastings and Columbus teams. Boyce, Norfolk's former pitcher, and several last year's Norfolk players are playing with the Columbus team.

The horse attached to the runabout of Manager Martin of the Chicago Lumber company made things exciting on Norfolk avenue yesterday when it ran away from its owner. No damage was done, however, and it was stopped on North Fourth street.

The chautauqua programs which are being prepared by the association are expected by the local committee in a few weeks. The programs which come in a booklet form, are handsomely illustrated. Five thousand of these will be distributed in this territory by the association.

According to a statement by Frank Carrick to the fire department, there is not enough volume of water in the city today and the city should have another standpipe, owing to the fact that the city's storage of water today is only in the wells. The standpipe, which he says is filled usually with about thirty-five feet of water, can be emptied, in case of a steady stream on a large fire, in two hours. This leaves all the storage in the wells. Norfolk, he says, is approaching the time when it must run its pump continuously or arrange to store more water. On direct pressure, he says, the present pump in use can be killed in five minutes. Many of the firemen, including ex-Fire Chief Ed Mullen, agreed with Mr. Carrick. This question was taken up after a discussion about the city council ordering the city's pump rebuilt. This, it was said, will not help matters in the question of water storage.

And Nobody Hurt. Ainsworth Democrat: Saturday was a day of runaways in Ainsworth, no less than three of them taking place in a few hours. None of them resulted seriously. The last one was rather exciting, and but for the nerve of the driver might have proven disastrous. Miss Lizzie Shaner had driven up Main street with her spirited team, and had them standing still, when suddenly one of the animals became frightened and a runaway was in progress down Main street. Miss Shaner held to the reins and guided the frantic animals past teams and vehicles. In front of Mrs. Hart's store, a tire came off of one of the front wheels. After that every turn of the wheel broke off spokes, until there was little left but the hub. The team was stopped in front of the Excelsior lumber office by Walter Finney. Miss Shaner was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. John Shaner, in her fast and furious ride. Neither of the ladies was injured.

Battle Creek. George Fuerst has taken a position in the Morris drug store. Miss Lizzie Brecheisen has quit as deputy postmistress.

As there is only one inmate at the county farm some of our citizens are considering to petition the county commissioners to convert the institution into a county Keeley institute. The plan looks very favorable.

G. W. Bell, who purchased the Charles Kurgervelt north of the Elkhorn river recently, was here Saturday on business from Gross.

Next Sunday is Pentecost (Pflingsten). W. A. Barnes was a Norfolk visitor Monday.

The Hansen blacksmith and machine shop on corner Main and 5th streets is treated to a new coat of paint this week. They did not change the color—it's "red."

Mrs. A. D. Willberger was here the fore part of the week from Anoka visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Barnes were here Sunday from Norfolk visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Pratt.

The Lutherans had no meeting here last Sunday on account of the absence of Rev. J. Hoffman, and consequently a lot of them went to Meadow Grove in the afternoon, where Rev. Mr. Bornhoef of Tilden was preaching.

C. E. Burnham was here Tuesday from Norfolk attending a meeting of stockholders at the Citizen bank, of which he is president.

Charles Brink, who was visiting here with his parents, returned Thursday to Hastings, where he is manager of the National Refining Co.

Frank Flood returned Tuesday from a visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. George Connelly, in Antelope county, four miles west of Tilden.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wichman and baby of Pierce were visiting here the middle of the week with Mrs. Wichman's sisters, Mrs. John Aldag and Mrs. Robert Schinkus, and their respective families. Mr. Wichman is running a barber business at Pierce.

County commissioners Taft, Sanderman and Malone were here Tuesday inspecting the county poor farm. They were accompanied by county clerk S. R. McFarland. A large ditching outfit is working at the poor farm at present.

H. Barnes bought the Craig property on North Third street and sold the house to Charles Martin who will move it onto his lots on corner Second and Hale streets. Mr. Barnes is going to have a new and modern dwelling built.

A large party of town people gathered last Sunday for a visit at the commodious mansion of Mr. and Mrs.

Fred Tegeler at Blakeley. The latter is the so-called mayor of that inlet.

Mike Ambrose and Charles Niles were here Wednesday on business from Tilden.

Wednesday morning at about 2 o'clock this part of the country was visited by a nice little shower of rain again with light unending and lightning.

ALL RIGHT TO SAY "AMEN." Bishop Hughes Can't Do it Spontaneously, but Perhaps Others Can.

Chicago, May 14.—Speaking before the convention of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church here today, Bishop Edwin Hughes of San Francisco, said there is plenty of room in the church for the "amen" members, the members who in the religious fervor spontaneously give burst to their approval of sermon or prayer.

"I never said 'amen' spontaneously in my life," stated Bishop Hughes. "I never could do it. But just because I can't do those things I am not going to deny another man the right to express his sentiments in the manner that he deems best."

"LOVE NOT OUT OF STYLE." "Women Now Demand Intellectual Respect," Mrs. Grant Says.

New York, May 14.—Is love going out of fashion? Will the triumph of woman suffrage sound the knell of feminine sentiment? Mrs. Gertrude Atherton, the author, discussed this question in a current magazine. Today Mrs. Ethel Watts Mumford Grant, author, playwright and contributor to the "Cynics" calendar, expressed her views on the subject.

"Love will never go out of fashion," she commented, "though I agree with Mrs. Atherton to the extent of admitting that it will certainly be improved by common sense." Women will marry later, and, consequently, more wisely and happily. They will have fewer and therefore better children. No woman who has a large number of children can be an ideal mother. She hasn't time to be.

"I knew an old lady in the west who had about seventy sons, who used to say to them: 'When you were little I hoped that John would become president of the United States; Charles would be an admiral, James a general, and so on, but now I'm satisfied to know that you all keep out of jail.' That's all the mothers of so large a brood can hope for. The old-fashioned mother knew that if two fell off the roof, three died of scarlet fever and a couple were drowned while in swimming she had a fair-sized family left. The younger children, born of mature parents, have been proved to be the best."

"At present the very young girl is apt to mistake a general interest in life for a special interest in man, the urge of youth for the urge of sex. All her training encourages her to do so. The public schools teach her a great deal which is useless to her instead of preparing her, as I think they should, for a definite occupation. The woman with a profession or trade marries later and better than the girl who has to look to wifehood for a living."

"If women were educated less for matrimony and more for general usefulness and men on the contrary gave their fitness for marriage more attention, I believe men and women would be much happier. "A certain amount of antagonism is necessary to keep the interest alive between a man and a woman. One of the essentials of happy marriage is to be able to quarrel comfortably. A husband and wife who agree in everything bore each other to death. "I think women demand the intellectual respect of men more than they ever have. They still want love—they will always want it, but no longer at any price. We can't say that love has gone out of a fashion."

LAWS OUT OF DATE. Dr. J. B. Greene, Formerly of Norfolk, Before State Medics.

Lincoln, May 14.—In an address to the State Medical association Dr. J. B. Greene, formerly superintendent of the Lincoln asylum, but now of Illinois, said the Nebraska laws for the administration of charitable institutions were the most antiquated in the country. Dr. Greene urged a board of control to be secured by an amendment to the state constitution. Civil service rules should then govern the employes of the different institutions. The afternoon was given over principally to a discussion of spinal meningitis, which affected certain portions of the state last year.

Bryan Going to London. Lincoln, May 14.—W. J. Bryan and Governor Shallenberger added their requests to that of the Lincoln Commercial club in a cablegram to former President Roosevelt asking him to visit Lincoln and make an address the coming summer. Mr. Bryan will sail for Europe May 21, and may see Mr. Roosevelt in person in London.

To Arbitrate Freight War. Washington, May 14.—A conference between the Interstate commerce commission and representatives of the eastern trunk line railways and commercial bodies in Boston, New York, Baltimore and Philadelphia, the commission agreed to act as arbitrator on the import traffic question which has resulted in a rate war among these roads.

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