

The Balcony Scene in Act IV of "Beverly" at the NORTH THEATRE, Wednesday, March 2nd Prices 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50

#### The Vital Test.

"....y eyes seem to be all wrong," explained Mr. Pinchpenny to the expensive oculist. "They're weak and tire easily. After a bit everything seems to swim before them. Bright lights make me dizzy. Can you assist me?" The expensive oculist nodded.

"Your case is a common one," he re plied, "but I fear it will necessitate a treatment extending over several months. However, I can guarantee an absolute and enduring cure."

Biweekly for several months Mr. Pinchpenny was treated, and day by at all, for his cook had not returned. day his sight waxed stronger and About dark the man came back, saymore strong. "Do you think I'm all right now?" ing wives, and I have been all day

be inquired at last. "Mr. Pinchpenny," replied the ocu-

list, beaming, "I think I can assure pretty, but you can have her cheap. I have promised \$40 for her." you that your eves are now cured. But there is one more test it would be as well to apply." Here he held up a little sheet of paper. "See," he cald suavely, "if you can read this little bill of mine at twelve inches without blinking."-London Answers.

When Children Smoked. Jorevin de Rochefort, who published in Paris in 1671 an account of his travels in England, tells the following:

"While we were walking about the town (Wor ester) he asked me if it was the custom in France as in England that when the children went to school they carried in their satchel with their books a pipe of tobacco, which their mothers took care to fill early in the morning, it serving them instead of breakfast, and that at the accustomed hour every one laid aside his book to light his pipe, the master smoking with them and teaching them how to hold their pipes and draw in the tobacco."

In England at the time of the great plague it was reported that no one living in a tobacconist's house fell sick of the discase. This caused a great demand for tobacco. Hearne says in his diary, "I remember that I heard formerly Tom Rogers, who was yeoman beadle, say that when he was a schoolboy at liten that year when the plague raged all the boys of that school were obliged to smoke every morning and that he was never whipped so much in his life as he was one morning for not smoking."

A Quick Witted Doctor. A French surgeon who was once attending a sultan resorted to an expedient which, although efficacious, might have resulted in his own death. He had been commissioned to bleed the grand seignlor and either through timidity or nervousness had met with an awkward accident. The point of the lancet broke off in the vein, and the blood would not flow. That point must be got out somehow. Without stopping to consider the consequences to himself, the surgeon gave his highness a violent slap in the face. This produced the desired effect, for surprise and indignation on the part of his august patient put the blood into violent circulation. The vein bled freely, and the lancet point came out.

hands on the surgeon when he said, "First let me finish the operation and bandage the wound." This done, he threw himself at the feet of the sultan The sultan not only pardoned him. but gave him a handsome reward for keeping his wits about him in a crit-

# **Gas Engine** FOR SALE at a Bargain

One new 2 H. P. Foos Engine, with pump jack, all complete.

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# A "Hoodoo" Buddha.

Lady Dorothy Nevill in he. "Remi niscences" records an example of the so called "malevolent influence" of an inanimate object upon the fortunes of its possessors similar to that said to have been exerted by the Hope diamond, now sunk beneath the waves. From the day a miniature Baddha from Burma of charming workmanship entered her house everything went amiss. Its installation in the drawing room "was followed by a perfect avalanche of catastrophes." Within a week a son failed in business. Household pets came to tragic

ends. A favorite pony was suddenly paralyzed, "and this on the very eve of an election in which it was to assist by conveying Conservative voters to the poll," from which it is inferred that the Buddha was not favorable to the Tory party. A few days later a neighboring chimney crashed down upon a wing of Lady Dorothy's house, doing much damage. Shortly afterward the Buddha was sent on loan to the Indian museum, where, after some minor disturbances, it settled quietly down and has since remained.

# Postponed Her Bath.

Miss Flora Shaw as correspondent of the London Times was once traveling through Africa in a bullock wagon. The sun was blazing; the bullocks were slow; the dust was indescribable. She was making for a frontier town, where she anticipated the comforts of a bath. At the entrance to the place Miss Shaw, dead beat, dusty and irritable, found herself confronted with the ordeal of a public reception. The officials read her a welcome. She was as civil as she could be. Then she bolted for the hotel. She gave but one order-"Hot water, quick!"

She sat on the edge of the bed and waited. Some minutes passed. At last a black servant entered with a tin vessel, in which there was something steaming. Seizing it, Miss Shaw poured out a milky, odoriferous liquid. She turned to the servant for an explanation.

The hotel was very short of water. As a distinguished guest a point had been stretched for her. They had sent her the water in which the fish had just been boiled!

Four and its Multiple of Ten. The number four was anciently esteemed the most perfect of all, being the arithmetical mean between one and seven. Omah, the second caliph, said. "Four things come not backthe spoken word, the sped arrow, the past life, the neglected opportunity." In nature there are four seasons and the four points of the compass. Forty, a multiple of four by ten, is

one of the sacred numbers. The probation of our first parents in the garden of Eden is supposed to have been forty years. The rain fell at the deluge forty days and nights, and the water remained on the earth forty days. The days of embalming the dead were forty. Solomon's temple was forty cubits long. In it were ten lavers, each four cubits long and containing forty baths.

Moses was forty years old when he fied into the land of Midian, where he dwelt forty years. He was on Mount Siual forty days and forty nights. The Israelites wandered in the wilderness forty years. The Saviour fasted forty days and nights before entering upon public life. The same time elapsed between the resurrection and the ascension.-Exchange.

A Far Look.

Three visitors traveling in the Isle of Man thought they would visit Snaefell, the king of Many mountains. When walking up toward the mountain they espied an old shepherd coming toward them. They thought they would take a rise out of him, so one accosted him, saying:

"They tell me, old man, you can see England, Scotland, Ireland and even as far as America from the top of this mountain."

"Oh, yes!" said the old man. "If you will come with me I will show you much farther than America."

So, chuckling to themselves, they decided to follow him. After trudging for about half an hour up the mountain side in a boiling sun they began to feel rather fagged and kept asking the shepherd how much farther they had to go.

He kept urging them on a little far ther until at last the three visitors lay down on the grass and said they would go no farther for any sight.

"Now," said the old man, "if you will sit here long enough you will see the and then ceased to moan or writhe. moon." In a never to be forgotten moment of

How Roberts Won the Victoria Cross. Roberts noted that a sowar of the d'un Vieux Libraire." squadron with which he rode was in great danger from a sepoy with a fixed bayonet. The contest of sword against bayonet would have ended disastrously had not Roberts intervened and disposed of the bayonet. That was barely done when he noticed in the distance

Victoria cross. - Cobban's "Life of

The Cows of Muscat.

which is probably why the Arab likes

it. He also claims it is richer and

makes more butter, but most ridicu-

lous of all is the deception practiced

on cows when the calves are "wean-

Roberts."



Tragic Joking.

lookout for some ruse. He care noti-

fied them that on New Year's day he

should get the best of them all in some

joke, and New Year's morning each

As they were leaving a house where

they had breakfasted Oswaid slipped

on the steps and fell on his back on

the sidewalk. His friends rushed to

his assistance, but paused before they

"This is his ruse," some one said.

Clearly the man who was so proud

of his talent for mimicry was bent on

deceiving them all into thinking him

a dying man, for he lay there moan-

ing pitifully, his face drawn and twist-

His friends stood around and made

jokes and puns and hummed lines of

comic songs, assuring him all the

Caught the Old Sailor.

It was a clever lawyer in a Boston

court who took advantage of the nau-

ed as if with terrible pain.

received this notice, "Remember."

They were on their guard.

reached him.

Oswald's friends were always on the

Paderewski's Distinction.

There was a day when Paderewski's English was not fluent. One evening before a choice company in his elegant apartments in New York he was showing a few highly flattered callers how to do this, that and t'other on the keys of his grand piano, explaining in bad English as he went. Of course the man was present who is ever ready to supply a word when a speaker hesitates. The famous artist, landing with both hands as if he had just dropped from the ceiling, exclaimed, "Harmony!" All applauded the perfect concord. He shot down again like a tripbammer and would have exclaimed again, but the word refused to come. "What you call-er-er"- "Discord." put in the supplier of words. Paderewski's hair stood straight out, and his face was white and red with anger. Jumping up from the stool, he sputtered: "Deescort! No! With me a while that they were not deceived by deescort iss compossible!" He would his acting. At last he gave a hoarse, not be persuaded to touch the instrumournful cry, looked at them sadly ment again that night. The unintentional insult struck deep.

No Sense of Humor.

horror and sorrow his friends realized "Fog Eye" Smith of northwest Wyothat Oswald was dead .- "Souvenirs ming bore an appalling facade. His style of beauty was a blight. Depending upon his horrific exterior, he was in the habit of trying to awe newcomers. On one occasion, affecting some tical knowledge he possessed to work displeasure at the manner in which upon the mind of a juryman who did a pallid stranger watered his liquor.

The Order Pleased the Cook. The following story is told on a missionary of the China inland mission, a bachelor keeping house for himself in the southern part of China: One morning in ordering his dinner he wished to tell his cook to buy a chicken. Instead of saying "ye" for chicken he aspirated the word, saying. "Buy me a

'che.'" His cook thought that was an eminently proper command and went about his marketing in high good humor. At noon the missionary found no chicken cooked-in fact, no dinner ing: "This was not a good day for buy-

looking for one, but at last I found one for you. She is rather old and not

The bystanders were about to lay

and explained his action. ical moment.

# Buried on His Horse.

Lord Dacre, who died fighting for the Lancastrians at Towton, England, in 1461, directed that if he were killed in the battle his favorite war horse should be buried in the same grave with him. According to his wishes, when his in-

yard after the battle a tremendous

found almost at the very spot under

which the body of Lord Dacre was

said to lie it was accepted as confirma-

Queer Creatures.

#### **Recipes For Invisible Ink.**

The following are the ingredient: of the most common invisible inks Sulphate of copper and sal ammoniac equal parts, dissolved in water; writes colorless, but turns yellow when heated. Onion juice, like the last. A weak infusion of galls; turns black when moistened with weak copperas water. A weak solution of sulphate of iron; turns blue when moistened with a weak solution of prussiate of potash and black with infusion of galls. The diluted solutions of nitrate of silver and terchloride of gold; darken when exposed to the sunlight. Aqua fortis, spirits of salt, oil of vitriol, common salt or saltpeter, dissolved in a large quantity of water; turns yellow or brown when heated. Solution of nitromuriate of cobalt; turns green when heated and disappears on cooling. Solution of acetate of cobalt to which a little niter has been added; becomes rose colored when heated and disapmeers on cooling.

# meeting the poet, the lord chief justice said to him: "What I could understand I heartily admired, and parts ought to be immortal. But as to much of it I really could not tell whether I

of me I could not understand it." Browning replied, "If a reader of your caliber understands 10 per cent of what I write I think I ought to be content."

#### Exchange of Courtesies.

tion of the tradition, particularly as the One of the keenest of journalists and skull was found to be standing vertiwits, Moritz Gottlieb Saphir, had the better of the irate stranger against whom he ran by accident at the corner of a street in Munich. "Beast!" cried the offended person without waiting for an apology. "Thank you," said the

bears and wheel animalculae. If al-Caller-How pleased you must be to find that your new cook is a stayer! Hostess-My dear, don't mention it. She's a stayer, all right, but unfortunately she's not a cook .- Boston Tran-

# Lenten Delicacies

During the Lenten season we will be prepared to cater particularly to the trade which desires table foods out of the ordidinary. Look over the list:

# Smoked, Spiced, Salted FISH

Codfish Mackerel **Finnan Haddies Russian Sardines** 

# Halibut **Pickled Herring** Holland Herring

**French Endive** 

Cauliflower

**Choice Canned Fish** 



Satsumas	
Tomatoes	

# Browning. Browning lent Lord Coleridge one

grave was dug, and in it the warrior of his works to read, and afterward. was buried, seated upright on his horse. For centuries reflections were cast upon the accuracy of this tradition, but some years ago while excavations were being made close by the reputed burial place of Lord Dacre the pick of a digger struck into a great admired it or not, because for the life bone, and upon further search being made the skull of a big horse was brought to the surface. As this was

cally in the soil. The skull was replaced carefully in its original position and the excavation filled up. There are microscopic creatures journalist, "and mine is Saphir." which live in roof gutters and on the bark of trees and are known as water

# The Thorn.

lowed to dry up under the microscope they can be seen to shrivel into shapeless masses, which may be kept for years uninjured in the dried state. On being placed, after this long interval, in water they gradually plump up, resume their proper shape and move about in search of food just as if noth-

> ing had happened. Much the same is true for the minute worms which, from the substances in which they live, are known as paste and vinegar eels. Well known is the famous case of the desert snail which, retracted into its shell, was fastened to a tablet in the British museum and showed no sign of life for seven years, when one morning it was found crawling hungrily about the glass case that formed its prison.-Westminster Gazette.

> > Saluting With the Hat. Before the invention of wigs the hat was rarely removed except to salute others, especially royal personages. It was worn at table when ladies or persons of rank were present. Except when saluting royalty it was the custom merely to raise the hand to the hat somewhat after the manner of a military salute. When it became the

the hat was less needed as a protection for the head and was carried under the arm. A Retiary.

gladiator armed in a peculiar way. He was furnished with a trident and net,

stories of some "kindergarten" classes

# The Victorious One.

An Indianapolis business man was marooned on election night in 1904 in an Illinois village, says the Saturday Evening Post. Naturally he was interested in the election. He wanted to find out whether Mr. Roosevelt or Mr. Parker had won. He began investigating and discovered that the telephone girl quit at G o'clock and that the telegraph agent at the station knocked off work after the evening train went through, which was rarely later than 6 p.m.

At 8 o'clock the landlord shut up the hotel, telling his guest to take the room at the head of the stairs when he was ready to go to bed. No news was to be had, and the business man of the British patrol. But to the writwent to bed, that being all he could do. er, reared on a Missouri farm, the odd Next morning he was awakened by antics of the cows of Muscat seemed the heavy tread of boots on the plank nothing short of freakish. They actusidewalk. He threw up the window ally eat fish. No grass grows, so the and asked the passerby, "Say, who wily Arab teaches his family cow to was elected?" subsist on dates and dried fish. The milk tastes queer to a foreigner.

"I was, by heck," replied the man proudly. "Third term for constable."

#### He "Dassent."

The selection of the right word to convey one's meaning is sometimes more important than the rules of gramed." A calfskin or sometimes a goatmar. So it appeared to the bridge poskin is stuffed with rags and tied not liceman, who is an alert sociological student. An east side resident of foreign birth was taken before the magistrate in one of the police courts charged with a trivial offense. "Tell him he must not do it again.

He is discharged," the magistrate said to the policeman on the bridge. "The judge says you dassent do it.

Understand?" almost shouted the policeman to the prisoner.

"Hold on, officer; I didn't dare him to break the law again. I said 'must not."

understands what I said better'n he would what you said." explained the policeman. And the prisoner seemed to think so too .- New York Sun.

Riding Away With the Bride.

In many of the border counties of England the quaint old bridal customs of hundreds of years ago are still in vogue. The parents carefully abstain from appearing at the marriage ceremony, clinging to the idea that the bridegroom still rides away on a foaming steed with his bride behind him as in the good old days. The brides prefer the custom to the modern method of being given away at the altar in the orthodox fashion.

#### Wanted the Preof.

"You look sweet enough to kiss," says the impressed man. "So many gentlemen tell me that," coviv answers the fair girl.

"But they merely say that," she replies. "They merely tell me the facts | ised to send it on the next day and did

two seboys fleeing with a standard He galloped after the rebels and overof a case of suing a street railway for took them, and then he had a close damages.

The dull member was an old sailor. fight for the possession of the standwho, though doubtiess very keen of ard. He cut down its chief bearer. perception along some lines, was nev-While wrenching the staff from the man's grasp with both his hands the ertheless rather slow in his understanding of the points involved in the other sepoy turned his musket on him case being tried, says the New York and fired. The muzzle was within a few inches of Roberts' person, and Journal. The lawyer noticed this and made his strike with this particular there would certainly have been an end of him had not the musket refused man. Approaching the jury box, he addressed himself to this one juryman to go off. As it was, he rode away unhurt with the standard, and for and said:

"Mr. Juryman, 1 will tell you how it those two courageous and gallant acts happened. The plaintiff was in comin close succession Roberts got the mand of the outward bound open car and stood in her starboard channels. Along came the inward bound closed car, and just as their bows met she

jumped the track, sheered to port and Muscat is famed as the hotbed of knocked the plaintiff off and ran over smugglers in the Persian gulf, the nearby desert tribes being regularly him." supplied with arms despite the efforts

The sailor was all attention after this version of the affair and joined in a \$5,000 verdict for the injured man.

### The Clinching Argument.

A young man representing a well known make of motorcar had called. discussed intelligently the points of the automobile he was endeavoring to sell, had given a flawless demonstra tion-

But the prospective amateur motorist before mortgaging his house still wanted to be thoroughly convinced. and so he said: "What you say about your car may be all right. The engine runs very nicely, and it looks good to me, but tell me one thinghave you ever sold any of these cars to your own personal friends?" The salesman smiled. "Have 1? Why, three months ago I was engaged

# to a girl, and I sold one of these identical cars to my prospective father-in-

law!" "Did you marry the girl?" "Yes, indeed! I've now got the girl, a contented father-in-law and an enthusiastic customer as well." He made the sale.-Life.

#### Mules and Kindness.

"In the fifteen years that I have been connected with societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals in this and other cities I never have received a complaint alleging crueity to a mule," said the humane looking man. "That immunity of mules from harsh treatment is an interesting question. Why are they immune? There are plenty of mules, even in New York. Does nobody beat them? Does nobody underfeed them? If not, why not? Does a mule show such a decided ability for taking care of himself that his owner is afraid to abuse him, or do men beat mules and escape punishment because the persons who witness the beating think it is only a mule and not worth bothering about? What is the explanation of that phase of the mule question anyhow?"-New

unless he detected immediate amendment he would send the neophyte home in a market basket. "Which I'll sure tear you up a whole lot," said Fog Eye. Half an hour later Mr. Fog Eye was found groping about on the floor under the poker table hunting for his glass eye and muttering to him self. The stranger asked with some evidence of impatience what new line of sentiments Mr. Smith was now harboring. That injured resident, glaring malevolently from beneath the furniture, replied, "Which I sure do hate a man with no sense of humor."-Argonaut.

# Origin of "Watered Stock."

The expression "watered stock." which describes so well the expansion of the stock of a company beyond the value of the property, originated, it is said, in connection with Daniel Drew. who was once the wealthiest and most unique manipulator in Wall street Drew had been a drover in his younget days, and it was said of him that before selling his cattle in the market he would first give them large quantitles of salt to make them thirsty and then provide them with all the water they could drink. In this way their weight was greatly increased, and the purchaser was buying "watered stock."

# Hypocrites.

"I despise a hypocrite," says Boggs. "So do I," says Cloggs. "Now, take Knoggs, for example. He's the biggest hypocrite on earth. I despise that man."

"But you appear to be his best friend."

"Ob. yes. I try to appear friendly toward him. It pays better in the end."

## The Final Transaction. "Father," said little Rollo, "what is the ultimate consumer?"

"He is the last person, my son, that an article reaches in its commercial existence."

"I know what you mean. He's a man who goes into a hotel and orders chicken hash."-Washington Star.

# Queer Men.

"Some men are so queer!" "And you are going to tell me of one particularly queer one."

"Yes. It's Mr. Barberton. His wife used to beg him for nickels and dimes and now he's cheerfully paying her a hundred a week for alimony."--Cleve land Plain Dealer.

#### Fearless.

"Whitcomb is an independent think er."

#### "He is?"

"Yes; he even dares to say the clock in the railroad station is wrong."-Buffalo Express.

Troubles must come to all men, but those who are always looking for them will have the largest share.

armed with a helmet, a shield and a

Improving on Euclid.

A retiary was the name of a Roman

with no more covering than a short tunic, and with these implements he endeavored to entangle and dispatch his adversary, who was called a secutor (from sequi, to follow) and was

sword. The name of the first is pronounced as if spelled re-shi-a-ry, the accent on the first syllable.

The Pioneer of Allahabad tells

mode to wear a profusion of false hair

"Ah! That should make you happy."

"That's all right, your honor. He content to believe that God was all powerful. One night they left the edge of the ladder projecting beyond

the end of the staging. A hungry man eater on the prowl observed this and, thinking he could not find a meal more conveniently elsewhere, determined to try how a carpenter tasted.

Calculating his spring, he leaped lightly on to the projecting ladder, which, unfortunately for him, instantly tipped

up and toppled over, both falling heavily to the ground. The lion bolted; so did all the men, making for the nearest trees.-From "In the Grip of the Nyika," by Colonel J. H. P. Patterson.

A Test of Friendship.

A gentleman tried the following peculiar way of probing the ties of friendship. He sent letters to twentyfour intimate friends asking for a loan Vork Press. of a pound. Thirteen of the two dozen friends did not reply at all, five declined to lend the money, two prom-

and on this they fixed their sleeping tent. Each night they ascended by means of a ladder, which they drew up after them. They were warned that it was not high enough, but were

far from where the mother cow is anchored. This effigy of her late lamented offspring soothes her nerves and keeps her from "going dry." according to Arabic tradition. - San Francisco Chronicle. A Surprised Lion. The man eating lions did not always get their own way. Five Sikh carpenters made a staging eight feet high,

