

MARK TWAIN ON THE PILGRIMS

The Hamorist's Speech at the New England Society Dinner in Philadelphia

Mark Twain attended the banquet of the New England Society of Philadelphia, at Philadelphia Thursday evening, and in the evening, and in the course of a very witty speech said: "I rise to protest. I have kept still for years, but really I think there is no sufficient justification for this sort of thing. What do you want to celebrate those people for?—those ancestors of yours, of 1620—the Mayflower tribe I mean. What do you want to celebrate them for? Four parties, the gentlemen at my left assures me they are not celebrating the Pilgrims themselves, but the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock on the 22d of December. So you are celebrating their landing? Why, the other pretext was thin enough, but this is thinner than ever; the other was tissue, tinfoil, fish-bladder, but this is gold leaf. Celebrating their landing? What was their remarkable about? I should like to know! What can you be thinking of? Why those Pilgrims had been at sea three or four months. It was the very middle of winter; it was cold as death of Cape Cod, there. Why shouldn't they come ashore? If they hadn't landed, there would be some reason in celebrating the fact. It would have been a case of monumental leather-headedness which the world would not willingly let die.

They were born to never part! This little hand I hold to-night. And I, so with a strange delight, I press it to my beating heart. And in the midnight's solemn hush I bless the little hand I hold. In broken whispers he it told, It is the old-time hand of his!

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COLUMBIA'S ENTERPRISE

How the Business of Rubber Gathering is Carried On.

London Times. When the hunter has found a rubber tree he first clears away a space from the roots and then moves on in search of others, returning to commence operations as soon as he has marked all the trees in the vicinity. He first of all digs a hole in the ground hard by, and then cuts in a tree a V shaped incision with a machete, as high as he can reach. The milk is caught as it exudes and flows into the hole. As soon as the flow from the cuts has ceased, the tree is chopped down, and the trunk raised from the ground by means of an improvised derrick. After placing large leaves to catch the sap, gashes are cut throughout the entire length, and the milk carefully collected. When it first exudes the sap is of the whitest color, but as it continues to flow it turns black by exposure to the air. When the hole is filled with rubber it is congealed by adding hard soap or the root of the meebacan, which has a most rapid action and prevents the escape of the water that it always presents in fresh sap. When congealed sufficiently, the rubber is carried off on the backs of the hunters, by bark thongs, to the banks of the river and floated down on rafts. The annual destruction of rubber trees in Columbia is very great, and the industry must soon disappear altogether, unless the government puts in force a law that already exists, which compels the hunters to tap the trees without cutting them down. If this law were strictly carried out there would be a good opening for commercial enterprise, for rubber trees will grow from eight to ten feet in diameter in three or four years seed. The trees require but little attention, and begin to yield returns sooner than the other. Those that yield the greatest amount of rubber flourish on the banks of the Simu and Aslatto rivers. The value of the crude India rubber imported into the states annually is about \$40,000,000.

Bait For Bald-Heads.

Nyn Crinkle's Fucillon. Mrs. Maude Grainger has a card with John A. Stevens to play the principal female part in his new piece, Second Love, which he intends putting on the road next season. The part is a peculiar one, to say the least of it, and a review of the strong situation may not be uninteresting. A rich nobleman marries a poor girl, on whom he ruins himself to gratify her whims. One evening when flushed with wine he makes a heavy wager with a number of his friends that he has the handsomest as well as the most beautifully formed wife in the country. The wager is accepted, and the onus of the proof is thrown on the husband. The next morning he realizes his awkward position. He has either to prove his claims to having the most beautifully formed wife in the country and "show up" or lose his wager. The situation is a delicate one, but in the good old style, he takes his wife into his confidence. She rather naturally objects to assist him in proving his claims. He insists and reproaches her with having caused him to squander all his money. She then agrees, saying, "I will exhibit myself to repay you, then we will be quits, and we part forever." The time and the hour is fixed. The friends arrive, and a curtain at the back of the stage is drawn aside, exhibiting the nude form of the wife—that is to say, nude as far as the law will permit. She is dressed in skin-tights from head to foot, and a line light is thrown on the scene to lend aid to the picture. They then separate.

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MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Edwin Booth is in Boston. Joe Jefferson is in Pittsburgh. Mary Anderson was at Albany this week. McCullough is at the Walnut, Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Florence acted this week at Erie, Titusville and Buffalo. Patti is billed for three concerts at Hayery's theater, Chicago, January 3, 5 and 7. John S. Clarke is playing an engagement of two weeks at the Lyceum Theatre, Philadelphia.

Fanny Davenport played Camille at her farewell engagement at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, New York, Monday. Bijou Heron is in this country again, and with her father, Stoppel, who is an orchestra leader in New York. The Meiningen double orchestra, which Hans von Bulow has drilled to do wonderful things with the Beethoven symphonies, has announced a series of concerts to be given in this city after the New Year.

Miss Carlotta F. Pinner, a cousin of the pianist Max Pinner, announced to make her debut in opera at St. Louis, Italy. Miss Pinner is a New York lady, who went to Europe to study singing three years ago.

A London letter says that "as Rosa Lind, Mrs. Scott-Siddons is a decided success. This will be glad news to the lady's admirers on this side of the water, some of whom doubt whether her legs were talented enough to assume the part.

It is gossiped in London that Mr. Carl Rosa will probably bring out an English version of Berlioz's "Troyen Cycle" in his forthcoming opera season. The opera was a popular feature of the repertoire of the Italian Opera at Covent Garden Theatre last year.

Another scheme for the foundation of an academy for dramatic instruction has been started in London. The list of members of the executive committee furnished to the prospectus includes the names of Hamilton Adams, Wilkie Collins, G. A. Sala, Lewis Wingfield, and Mr. Dubourg.

Handel's "Messiah" was performed by the Jersey City Oratorio Society, Louis C. Adams, conductor, on Thursday night. The chorus numbered 200 voices and the orchestra thirty instruments. The solo parts were sung by Miss Ida Hubbard, Mrs. Florence Knapp, George Simpson and Mrs. Macgrace Cox. Mr. Samuel P. Warren sat the organ.

Mr. Robert Stoppel, the well remembered composer and musician, has returned to New York, after a long absence in England, and has been engaged to direct the musical department of Daly's Theatre. He will enter upon this duty in January, succeeding Mr. Macmahon. Mr. Daly has put the comedy of "Gaiety" in rehearsal, and this piece will shortly succeed "The Passing Regiment."

Cincinnati has a musical club composed of the leading musicians—professional and amateur—in the city. The club, under the name of its social features, cultivates chamber music and arranges celebrations of the birthdays of the masters. About a year ago the club presented to the city its treasury a handsome sum of money to be offered as prizes for the best and second best string quartet composed by a musician resident of Cincinnati or vicinity.

Mrs. Langtry's appearance at the Haymarket as Miss Hardcastle brought together an audience unprecedented at this season. Her performance, in dress, fashion and celebrities of all kinds. Her friends and the public were equally delighted and surprised by the merits of her performance. Her appearance at the Haymarket, after seeing the rehearsal, offered her an engagement on liberal terms. She accepted it, and begins in January. The house of the Haymarket will have conquered some difficulties of art, she hopes certainly to visit America.

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