CURTAIN RAISERS.

"The Three Little Malds" will run a year in London

Blanche Walsh opened her season in "The Daughter of Hamilton" at Wheel-

Liebler & Co. are arranging to star Vesta Tilley, the vaudeville artist, in legitlmate work.

Marie Casmere, a clever and vivaclous young actress, is playing Fitt Orlzanski in "All the Comforts of Home." Advices from Argentina are to the effect that the French actress Rejane has made a tremendous hit in that

Mary Conwell, the daughter of a well known Washington official, is a member of the chorus in "The Rogers Brothers In Harvard."

Charles Frohman has received a cablegram from Sir Henry Irving saying that he will produce Sardon's "Dante" in New York next season.

For a long time Mr. Beerbohm Tree has contemplated revivals of both "Richard II." and "Othello." The former of these will follow "The Eternal

PINFEATHERS.

Overcrowding, bad ventilation and uncleanliness are the three evils in poultry keeping.

When the pullets begin laying, they require more food than hens, as they are still growing.

If the eggshells are fed to the poultry, care should always be taken to crush them thoroughly before feeding. A hen pays in proportion to the number of eggs she lays. Therefore it is an item to feed so as to secure plenty

In dressing fowls for market they can be made to look nicer by plunging in hot water and then in cold as soon as picked.

One advantage with the Pekin duck is that it can be raised with only enough water as is necessary to quench thirst.

COLLEGE AND SCHOOL.

Professor M. I. Pupin of Columbia university, who invented the ocean telephone, started his career in America as a Turkish bath attendant.

Dr. Frank Strong, who has just been installed chancellor of the University of Kansas, is the author of an excellent biography of Benjamin Franklin.

Buenos Ayres already bears the proud name of "the city of school palaces," yet a recent grant provides for the construction of twenty-one more handsome public school buildings.

Miss Louise Holman Richardson has been elected associate dean at Monett hall, Wesleyan university, Delaware, O. Miss Richardson is a Massachusetts woman and a graduate of Boston unl-

THE ROAD TO WEALTH.

Let your ad be your salesman. Let It first attract the reader, then interest him, then convince him, and finally

sell him your goods.-Boyce's Hustler. Continuous advertising creates confidence. The prevailing opinion is that one cannot be constantly before the public without being found out and known for what he is. The people believe in a man who can stand trial by the public.-Printers' Ink.

RAILROAD TIES.

The railroads of the state of Nebraska employ 18 500 men.

Of travelers on the French railways only 5.4 per cent go first class, 30.4 per cent take second and 64.2 third.

Spanish trains so seldom leave stations on time that the time tables in many cases merely indicate the hour of departure, say 8 and "minutos"-that is, an indefinite number of minutes after 8.



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A Danger Period Through Which Every Woman Must Pass.

Owing to modern methods of living, not one woman in a thousand approaches this perfectly natural change without experiencing a train of very annoying and sometimes painful symptoms. At this period a

woman indicates a tendency towards obesity or tumorous growths.

Those dreadful hot flashes, sending the blood surging to the heart until it seems ready to burst, and the faint feeling that follows, sometimes with chills, as if the heart were going to stop forever, are only a few of the symptoms of a dangerous nervous trouble. The nerves are crying out for assistance. The cry should be heeded in time. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was prepared to meet the needs of woman's system at this trying period of her life, and all women who use it pass through this trying period with comfort and safety.

TWO COLUMNS OF PROOF.

It was Change of Life with me and falling of the womb. I had severe pains all through my body. I had a a terrible cough and people thought I had consumption.
"I took six bottles of Lydia E.

Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and two of Blood Purifier, and two boxes Liver Pills, and I am now stouter than I have been for a long time. I can do all my work now, thanks to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. any one wishes to write me, to

verify these statements, I will gladly answer their letters."

MRS. CLARA CHEZEM, Jewett, Ill. "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: - For sever years I had been suffering, was passing through the Change of Life, and my womb had fallent menses were so profuse that at times I was obliged to lie on my back for six weeks at a time, could not rise my head from pillow. I had been treated by several physicisms, but not no relief.

sicians, but got no relief.
"I was advised by friends to try Lydia E. Piakham's Vegetable Compound, which I did and after taking it six weeks I was alde to be

Would lake summies.

No reason exists, says a foreign jour

nal, why persons should not keep their

beloved ones with them after death,

since their hodies can very easily be

quammified. The ancient Egyptians, it

continues, were experts at this art, and

The body is placed in a boiler which

contains chloride of calcium and which

is heated to 125 degrees and after re-

maining there for a certain time is tak-

en out and steeped for twenty-four

hours in a cold solution of sulphate of

sodium. By that time it is transformed

into a perfect mummy, and the mourn-

ing relatives or friends can safely take

't home and lustail it in a place of

Women in New Zealand.

ashamed in New Zealand. He's a po-

litical power, a big man in the district

in which he resides. All women over

twenty-one years of age can vote, so

the man with many daughters often

decides a closely contested election.

Then, again women are much sought

after matrimonially, for they are out-

numbered by the men two to one.

There is no need for a woman becom-

ing an old maid. The women are good

dressers, and the styles are as nearly

up to date as those of London and

Sen Talle.

Bobby-You have always shown a

predilection for our tales, haven't you?

know you always used to be reading

much as ever. By the wey, on that sea

royage I to a last year I was much

astonished to find how unfamiliar the

sailors were with set language. They

fidn't talk a lift like the sailor the

pools tell about. Weston Transcript.

Plenty of Thought.

"Auntle," said the judge to the bat-

tered lady of color, "did your histand

"'Deed he didn't, jedge," was the in-

dignant reply. "He didn't hit me wid

that mailet afore he thought. He'd

lieen figgerin' on dat er long time,

ledge; 'deed he had."-Baltimore News.

Frike you with malice aforethought?"

hem when we were in colleges Dicky-Yes; and I . 4: The them as

A man with daughters need not feel

honor.

New York.

a close study of some of their mum-

mies shows how they did the work.

"Dear Mrs Pinkham: —I was sick work. I know your medicine saved and nothing seemed to do me any good until I began taking Mrs. Pinkham's Mrs. Lizzie Roecar. 519 Smith St., Millville, N.J.

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"At that time I saw Lydia E.

Pinkham's Vegetable Compound advertised and began its use. I I found it to be just what I needed.

"I wish every woman suffering from female trouble would try it. I recommend it to all my friends." Mns. WM. Danky, Millbank, S.D. " DEAR MID. PINGUAR: - I feel It a duty I owe you and every suffering weman in the land to tell of the wonderful results I have found in

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"Passing through the Change of
Life, some of the physicians consulted said nothing but an operation would

save me. But your medicine alone eured me. "-Mus. Magnorda Dean, 1441 First Avenue, Evansville, Ind.

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American.

THE MAD MOLLAH.

The Mad Molinb keeps right along Hving up to his name. - Atlanta Jour-

The Mad Mollah seems to have borrowed the fighting pattern lately used by the Boers. Baltimore American. Between the angry Irish members and the Mad Mollah England is having troubles of her own-Baltimore

an Easy Problem. The beggar had a notice up, "Deaf and Dumb," and the passing philanthropist stopped in front of him.

"I'd like to give this man something," be said to his companion. "but how am I to know that he is deaf and dumb?" "Rend the notice, s.r." whispered the beggar cautiously.-Chums.

Rubbing It In. He--If you wefuse me, I shall put a builet thwough my bwain. She-The iden! How could you?

He-I suppose you think I'm talking like a ewazy man? She-Oh, no, like a sharpshooter. Phindelphia Press.

Great After Dinner Speech. Spunger-The best after dinner speech I ever heard was once when I was out with Goodley.

Winks-And who made the speech? Spunger-Goodley. He said, "Let me have the check, please, waiter."-Phiadelphia Record.



People Who Enjoy Being Miserable. How can anybody enjoy being mis-

Men do and so do women. They spreamd themselves with an atmospaere of gloom. They him trouble to their locasts. They make mountains out of molecules, and there are team and grastes when there should by

Perhaps you have a cyule in your empley. You can pick him out with your eyes shut. He has the blues from Monday morning till Saturday night. He will tell you that he atways gets the worst of it from everybody; that his talent isn't recognized; that his genius is wasted; that he isn't getting enough money; that there is no V future for him, and a lot of tommyrot

like that. After that comes the brooding stage. Any man who broods over real or fancied wrongs is dangerous. He is not sane, and he is also a mighty poor workman, whether he is making hoe handles or counting money in a bank He deliberately destroys his own efficlency and chance for success, and all for the perilous and questionable happluess of being miserable. Cleveland Press.

This Sounds Right.

Sometimes it happens that a severe shock restores health to persons who are suffering from nervous prostration, and this is how the phenomenon is explained in a foreign medical journal:

"Every external stimulus impresses the afferent centripetal fibers, or, rather, excites the molecular waves of change. The latter in turn decompose the unstable molecules of a flexus, and, through the intervention of other fibers, this decomposition, being the source of new molecular movements, gives an impulse to a certain mass of connected flexus.

"The new vibratory modification thus obtained forms a new pervous fluid. A portion of the current flows over the afferent fibers to the contractile muscles of the periphery, while the other portion is prepagated by the reverberation of indistinct waves to the most ramified centers of the organic economy, and thus a complete and natural nervous diffusion takes place."

what this means, but how many laymen can interpret it?

Chinese is an ideographic language. It conveys the idea and not the word for a thing, as the figure 8 represents the idea and not the word. The Chinese have invented more than 40,000 marks for their writing, but it requires only about 3,000 marks for mercantile correspondence, and it is said to be easier to learn them than the words of an ordinary foreign language. Russian benefaction. For if the world at large is more difficult for Americans than is more difficult for Americans than Chinese. It takes much longer to learn the spoken language because of the variety of dialects, but any one can learn enough of the writings to answer ordinary purposes in a few months and a great many lives have his knowledge perfected by a inguist within about a year. Exact instruction in one of the Chinese inn pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures linguist within about a year. Exact guages can only be given by a Chinsman.-Detroit Free Press.

To Bring Him to Terms. "Yes," said young Mrs. Solo, "Henry and I had some words this morning, and I can't deay that he got the best

"That will never do," returned the experienced neighbor. "You can't afford to start in married life that way." "I know it," answered the young wife. "I've thought it all over, and when he comes home tonight I'm going to bring him to terms so quick that he'll hardly know what's happened."

"That's right, my dear. Show some spirit. What are you going to do?" "I'm going to bring up the subject again and then cry."

No Dispute.

Good stories come from Scotland as well as porridge and bagpipes. The last is quite admirable in its way. A traveler observing an ancient couple arguing and gesticulating in the road, in order to avert bloodshed, asked the cause of the dispute.

"We're no deesputin' at a'," answered the man; "we're baith o' the same mind. I hae got a half crown in ma pooch, an' she thinks she's no gaun to get it, an' I think the same!"-London Globe.

Great Men and Large Families. A careful study of the circumstances of birth and childhood of what were considered to be the fifty greatest men of modern times disclosed the fact, in teresting in comparison, that the average great man was born in a family of six children, not including half brothers or half sisters. It was figured from the data that the chances for greatness in a child are two to one in favor of the older half of the family.

Improving on Enclid.

The Pioneer of Ahalabad tells stories of some "kindergarten" classes in the English army. Among the definitions given in an examination is one of a circle peculiarly happy, which gives a freshness to Euclid. It is, "A straight line which starts at a certain point and gets back to the same point as quickly as possible."

Unfair.

"Don't you sometimes feel that wenith is unfairly distributed?" asked the social reformer. "I do," answered Senator Sorghum.

"Many is the dollar I have given away in a campaign that didn't do me a cent's worth of good."-Washington Sinr.

As Others See Him. "Ah, he'll never be able to fill his fa-

ther's shoes."

"No. But he thinks his hat would come down over the old man's ears all right."-Chlosgo Record-Herald.

Modern Preachers.

ARE THEY TO BE TRUSTED AND BELIEVED?

The only value of the question in the headline is to bring home the fact that of all classes of testimony, that offered by the clergy would be most promptly accepted without doubt or cavil, clergy stand for truth and right, thousands follow them living up to the



same precepts of rectitude. lowers are no whit less truthful than their leaders. Yet because the preacher is a leader it is natural to give weight to Physicians, of course, understand what this means, but how many laynen can interpret it?

The Chinese Language.

Chinese is an ideographic language.

If a pastor says to one of his congre-gation who is coughing, "I cured a very bad cough once in the use of Dr. bad cough once by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery," he could offer no stronger endorsement as to the value of that well-known medicine as a cure for coughs, and if such a pastor makes for the time the world his ful curative powers of "Golden Medical Discovery" in cases of diseases of the respiratory organs, it would mean a great increase in the general health and comfort, not to say a probable saving of

"AS TRUE AS GOSPEL."

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wreck restored to rugged health by the use of the "Discovery," it is impossible to shut the door of hope on any one however weak he may be. It is the record of such cures which has given Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery a pre-eminence among all preparations for the cure of diseases of the organs of resujration.

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"I desire to send you this brief, unsolicited testimonial," writes Rev. Joseph H. Fesperman, of Barium Springs, Iredell Co., N. C. "In 1898, one of my daughters was suffering on account of a severe cough, hectic fever, wasting of flesh and other symptoms of diseased lungs. I promptly gave her Dr. R. V. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery with gratifying success, and she now

ing success, and she now enjoys excellent health. This experience caused me to recommend Dr. Pierce's medicines to my neighbors, who, without excep-tion, used them with favorable results. This being true, I hereby heartily en-

dorse your medicines."

It can be truly said of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery that it always helps and almost always cures. Ninety-eight per cent of all who use "Golden Medical Dis-covery" are perfectly and permanently cured. The remaining two per cent, though not cured acknowledge appreciable benefit. They cough less, eat better, sleep better and feel better for the use of the * Discovery "

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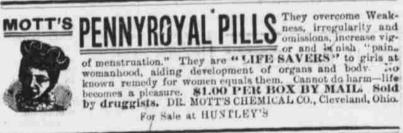
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