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nine, being stage struck, joined with 10-20-30 opera company. I met him oafing and strutting about a hotel in Duluth, Minn.," said the veteran actor to a representative of the New York

"Come over to the opera house and see the show,' said he.

"I went, but I saw no signs of this oung man on the stage, nor was his name on the program. Afterward I chickens. met him in the lobby of the hotel.

part are you playing? "'Why, I am playing the part of Carlos, the Fiddler, anid he.

" 'There was no such part.' "'Oh, yes there was. Didn't you notice how they talked about him? In the first act, in order to get the chorus treasury." off stage, didn't the soubrette put her hands over her eyes, look off L.

E. and say: "Oh, girls, Carlos the Dr. H. H. Hine, Ld., Sil Arch St., Philodelphia, Pa. Fiddler is going to have a dance on the green; let us husten or we wifl miss it?" Then burst into song and skip off? You bet they did.

"Then again, in the second act, Johnny? when the bell is tolled without, don't the prima donna say: "Hark that bell! That bell can stand an awful my? lot harking, for who is pulling the

rope but Carlos the Fiddler?" " "That is true, young man, but they only talk about you. You do not show yourself on the stage during the whole

"'I am aware of that, but you must remember I am as yet a raw recruit, still I feel I am on my way to fame and glory, though the path may be strewn with thorns.'

"Oh, if the hope and optimism of youth could be with us in our later years," sighed the veteran actor.



Fool-I woke up last night with a start. I dreamed that my watch was

An English lecturer on chemistry said, "One drop of poison placed on the tongue of a cat is sufficient to kill "And does your husband still think

you the an angel?" "Oh, yes! At least he seems to think I don't need any new clothes."-Pick-Me-Up. Knicker-Wouldn't you like to wake

up and find yourself famous? Bocker -I'd rather be so famous I wouldn't have to wake up .- New York Sun.

Tom-What was that sentence the tioir repeated so often during the litany? Laura-As near as I could make out it was "We are and miserable sing-

Clara-That man who just passed was an old flame of mine. Kate-Infeed! What happened between you! Clara-Oh, he flared up one day and

"A fool and his money are soon parted," quoted the pessimist. "Yes," rejoined the optimist, "but it's worth while being a fool to have the money to part with."

Loafer the First-I thought this yer unemployed fund was for charity. Loafer the Second-So it is, isn't it? Loafer the First-It ain't. It means

work .- The Sketch. "I can not tell a lie," declared the eminent magnate. "You don't have to," urged his eminent counsel. "Just say

"What are the names of that young couple next door?" "We won't be able to find out for several weeks. They've just been married, and he- calls her Birdle and she calls him Pettie."

Suburbanite (to visitor)-Oh, how are you? Come right in. Don't mind the dog. Visitor-But won't he bite? Suburbanite-That's just what I want to see. I only bought that watch dog this morning.

"So you have named your little girl 'Investigation?" "Yes." "Isn't that a queer name?" "Welt, we rend every day of some rich man courting investigation and we shall want our daughter to marry well."

The Artist's Wife (in a whisper)-There's someone knocking, Jack. Shall I open the door? The Artist-No; it's Jabber's knock. It's a special knock 1 gave him, so I wouldn't let him in by mistake.-Life.

"All writers are not impractical, are they?" "Oh. no. One man will write a joke and sell it for fifty cents. Anoth er will write a comic opera around is and draw \$20,000 in royalties."-Louisville Courier-Journal,

O'Brien-Oh, but me daughter's the shmart girl. She set two min fightin' for her hand. Landers-And she married the winner? O'Brien-Begorry, no! She married the one she corld; lick aisiest.—Boston Transcript.

"Give woman the credit she deserves," the suffragette cried, "and where would man be?" "If she got all the credit she wanted, he'd be in the poorhouse," speered a coarse person in

the rear of the hall.—Stray Stories.

"Pa, will you please tell me what a financial genius is?" "A financial genius of the leading symptom real money that he has never had, and money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he has never had, and the real money that he had not not never had. The real money that he had not never had, and the real money that he had not never had. The real money that he had not never had not never had not never had getting it will never see."-Chicago Record-Hernld.

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She-Do you notice that Lord De Broke calls Miss Milyuns, to whom he's engaged, "My Subby?" He-Yes; I suppose he means "sub

Teacher-Your name is John Tim-

mins, is it? Where are you from, New Pupil-Snohomish, Wash.

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