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The Bee Hive.

DAMAGED BY FIRE

Blaze Brings Disaster to Gotham Play House.

CARPENTER LOSES HIS LIFE

Chorus Girls Were Close to Annihilation When a Burst of Flames Drove Them Back--No Spectators Were in the House.

New York, Feb. 11.—The Casino theater, one of the most historic of the New York playhouses, was damaged by fire today with a loss of \$50,000. The blaze began in the dressing room on the third floor over the stage, while the rehearsal of the chorus girls was in progress. Though thrown in a panic the members of the company escaped uninjured with the exception of one chorus girl, who fell while going down stairs to the stage entrance and was painfully hurt. The stage carpenter who lingered too long in an effort to save one of the scenes was overcome by smoke, but he was revived on reaching the street. About 40 chorus girls were crowding up the narrow stairway when a burst of flames from the dressing room drove them back. In her frantic haste one girl was thrown down and had to be carried out of the theater. No spectators were in the theater when the fire broke out.

SIGNS OF POISON

What a Sudden Flow of Mouth Water May Indicate.

Dr. Trail mentions the bewilderment of a family that was attacked with a "water rage." Incomprehensible until investigation revealed the fact that a lot of horseradish in their kitchen garden had got mixed with some aconite herbs. The sudden flow of saliva betrays the effect of some metallic poison—lead perhaps or verdigris (oxide of copper)—and suggests the examination of copper cooking utensils. Old fashioned silver spoons were often lined with plated copper and in course of time furnished a clue to their bottom facets by turning black, then black with greenish tints, but only after their secret had been intimated by a spitting epidemic. It is the same with lead. Chewing a leaden bullet for a couple of seconds makes the "mouth water"—not as a hint as a desire for additional supplies, but to rinse out the palate and remove saliva that might cause mischief by finding its way into the stomach. A decorative painter who never touched such things as Paris green or cinnabar without disinfecting his hands and mouth was greatly puzzled by the morbid activity of his salivary glands. He had to spit like a tobacco fiend and finally traced his trouble to a substance known as "bronze dust" that had settled on his lips and nostrils and, under the influence of moisture, had been developing copper poisons. Paris green not rarely gets blown like dust all over the fields it is supposed to protect from insect plagues; then, moistened by dew or drizzling rains, forms a paste and clings to vegetable substances, where its presence is never suspected, till their consumers complain of colic and mouth water.—What To Eat.

The Dangers of Orchid Hunting.

The most beautiful region the orchid collector meets in his travels is along the Orinoco, the Rio Negro and the Amazon, in South America. The scenery at times passes beyond the beautiful and becomes so grand as to be almost terrible. Everything is on such a

great scale. The rivers are the largest in the world, veritable seas at high water, the vegetation luxuriant beyond comparison and the animal and fish life startlingly strange. There we find the Cattleya schroederiae, a magnificent orchid with white flowers, which blooms about Easter time. But the dangers and vexations of a trip on the Orinoco, for instance, would hardly be believed. Miles and miles back from the coast in the district where the orchids are found the Indians are in a wild state and are foes to all white men. They lurk in the bushes along the banks of the river and shoot poisoned arrows at you if you happen to venture within range of their blow guns. The center of the stream is the only safe place. During the rainy season the mosquitoes swarm on the Orinoco in clouds, and sleep is next to impossible. Even the grass when you venture ashore is your enemy.—Harper's Weekly.

The Spoiled Children of the World.

Burmese children are the spoiled children of the world, according to V. C. Scott O'Connor. In his book, "The Silken East," he says that they are never punished by their parents, who universally adore them. They grow up in the open air with all the grace of young, unchecked life. "The sheer joy of life abides in them," says he, "and they seem to live perpetually at play in the village street, where they play a game of ninepins with the great seeds of a jungle creeper; in the monastery, where they lie upon the floor and scream out their lessons with lusty delight; in the river, in which they splash and plunge before they can walk; at the play, where they crawl about among the feet of the prima donna and the posing kings, and at the pagoda, where they hold flowers before them with faces screwed up to gravity, with laughter pent up behind it. And if there be any dispute about the good looks of their elders there can be none as to the prettiness of Burmese children."

Creatures of the Unfathomed Deep.

Such fierce carnivorous fishes as exist in the depths of the ocean are unknown at the surface. There is the "black swallower," which devours other finny creatures ten times as big as itself, literally climbing over its victim, first with one jaw and then with the other. Another species is nearly all mouth, and, having no power of locomotion, it lies buried in the soft ooze at the bottom, its head alone protruding, ready to engulf any prey that may wander into its cavernous jaws. There is a ferocious kind of shark resembling a huge eel. All of these monsters are as black as ink. Some of them are perfectly blind, while others have enormous goggling eyes. No ray of sunlight ever pierces the dark, unfathomed ooze in which they dwell. Each species is gobbled by the species next bigger, for there is no vegetable life to feed on.

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was marvelous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Chas. Rogers, druggist."

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NOTICE FOR BIDS—ASTORIA, OR., Feb. 10th, 1905.—Bids will be received until 12 o'clock m. on Feb. 29th for the construction of a two-story frame building; plans and specifications for which can be seen at my office No. 523 Commercial street. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. T. L. BALL.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE OR rent near Young's Bay bridge. Inquire of A. E. Beard, 269 Grand avenue.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Notice! All persons are hereby notified to not trust my wife Nancy C. Libke, for any goods, wares, merchandise or money for me, or on my account, as I will not from this date, February 4, A. D. 1905, be responsible for any debt of her contracting. E. F. LIBKE.

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Commencing Wednesday, February 8, at 9 o'clock a. m. and continuing until Saturday, February 11, at 4 o'clock p. m.
Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, school law.
Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, bookkeeping, physics, civil government.
Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, physical geography.
Saturday—Botany, plane geometry.

general history, English literature, psychology.
Commencing Wednesday, February 8, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, February 10, at 4 o'clock p. m.:
First, Second and Third Grade Certificates.
Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.
Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, physiology.
Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, school law, civil government.
Primary Certificates.
Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography, arithmetic, reading.
Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, physiology.
EMMA C. WARREN,
School Superintendent, Clatsop County.