## HEREDITY'S INFLUENCE IN MAKING ACTORS IS OPEN TO OUESTION

Children Often Follow in Footsteps of Parents in Going on Stage.

JUST DEVELOPED

Considerable Per Cent of Stars Ar Persons Who Boast No Histrionic Ancestors Whatever.

By Louella O. Parsons. "I wash," said Clara Kimbali Young "people would forget that I was car ried on the stage when I was only 3 months old and that I learned to be an actress at the time most children are saying 'Old Mother Hubbard.' I am always being reminded of the fact that my parents are responsible for my ability as an actress. Of course, it's pleasant to have a histrionic line-

age, but don't you think I deserve a little credit on my own account?"

Here is where Clara Kimbali Young and heredity come to blows. The Kimball family formerly found favor in the eyes of English audiences under the name Kemble, and so Clara was given a talent for acting as her birth-

Whether heredity counts for more or less on the stage than in other walks of life has not been satisfactorily settled. It is a known fact that children often follow in the footsteps of their parents and that the stage has sometimes seen three generations of one family.

Drew Pamily Is Mumerous, Take the Drew family. Ethel Barrymore's mother and grandmother were

noted actresses. Her uncle, John Drew; her brothers, Jack and Liquel, all have followed the lure of the footlights. Jack and Lionel have both been prominent in the movies, and their sister has been seen on the screen in several Metro productions.

Will the three Colt children, Ethel Barrymore's babies, follow the forfootlights or the screen? They are all now, too young to take any pride in the family name of Drew. It they do decide that heredity is to guide their destinies, they will have big reputations to live up to. Sidney Drew, the director and actor of film comelies, is another player member of the

The Gish girls, with their mother, were in Chauncey Olcott's company until Lillian made good in pictures and was able to assist Dorothy and to give crepe de chine blouses is offered here. her mother a home.
Griffith's Mother Abhorred Stage. -In the new Roman stripes and fancy candy

if heredity is necessary for ristri-onic success, then David W. Griffith has missed something in his brilliant career. He told me of his mother, a plous woman, who thought the stage a wicked place. David, with his britliant imagination and love of the makebelieve world, never received any en-couragement at home. His mother tried lest to keep him away from the

Some people put a lot of faith in eredity. Some snap their fingers at it, and others are indifferent toward its power.

"I know I can be an actress," writes a 16-year-old girl, "My father was an actor at the time I was born, and I have always realized I was destined to become a famous star."

A lot of faith to pin to heredity. That child probably thinks her inherited talent will land her right into the middle of a picture studio. Heredity never landed anyone anywhere without effort. Probably her father carried a spear in a Shakespearest drama or entered the room and said: "Your carriage awaits, milord." Might Show No Talent.

"Even if he had a speaking jirt, and carried off the honors of the evening, the little daughter might no: show any traces of father's talent. In the picture business 10 players out of every 60, like Topsy, just "growed." They have no family tree, no long line of starring ancestors. They have made good because they had the right stuff in them.

Betty Brown, Beverly Bayne, Ruth Stonehouse, Marguerite Clark, Lillian Walker and scores of other movie stars entered the profession alone and unaided. Other leading women who had the assistance of their family are Anita Stewart, whose sister, Lucile Stewart, is the wife of Ralph Ince. Miss Stewart has reached a point in her career where she wishes to paddle her own canoe. She has entered a protest against this family influence business, and, quite independent of Raiph, is being directed by another Vitagraph

### English Theatres Affected by War

Problem Plays and Emotional Drams Does Not Go at All; Shakespeare Presented With Good Returns,

The war is having a disastrous effeet on the theatrical business in England, according to the Theatre maga-

If it weren't for Tommy Atkins, re lieved from duty at the front for week-end visits back home, it is said that the London theatres could not

keep going.

And this accounts for the fact that it is extremely perilous to produce anything but the light drama or musical comedy. The problem play and the emotional drama are having a hard time of it. time of it.

Strange to say, however, the English metropolis this season has had lots of Shakespeare and it has been presented too with substantial returns.

With the Germans the trip back to Berlin is not so easy, but the drama is

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