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INDECENT PLAY

Considerable of a moral question has been raised concerning the value of plays which depict the doings of the underworld in all their sordid and indecent detail.

It is taken for granted that the spectator at an upholding play has installed in him a desire to emulate the characters simulated by the leading man or woman. The question is this: Does a play depicting the lives of the adulterers, the prostitutes and their associates have the same effect?

The plea made by those who profit financially from such plays that they are a part of a great uplift movement, can have little weight. Even if it is possible that the result is a beneficial one, that is merely incidental to the theatre owners. If such plays did not produce the largest box receipts, that uplift movement would lose momentum with solemnity, if such a statement may be permitted.

That people go to such plays to be uplifted is hardly probable. Some may go for the educational feature, to learn of the life of the other half without taking part therein, but we believe that number to be small compared with the number attracted for the purpose of being shocked.

These of fine moral perceptions and with a tendency to decency probably are shocked, but they are not helped, already being above such things. These afflicted with moral surpluses are not likely to be disagreeably shocked, and if not shocked what good is to come of it to them?

It appears to us much like a play to get the money, and the only really commendable thing to be said of this new order of dramatic tragedy is that picturing the life of shame as it really is, is better than glossing it over and giving it a sort of dangle that may make it appear attractive to those of a certain temperament.

SEEVING ON THE JURY

The following thoughts were suggested by a service of two weeks on the municipal jury a few years ago, deciding matters of great moment, in most of which the cause of action was a sum of money ranging from \$7.50 to \$50, one of which required two days' time and another kept the jury out all night.

What peculiar emotions and feelings of importance and patriotism swell your chest when waited upon by a reception committee, when informed you that because of your scholarly attainments and judicial temperament you have been, by a unanimous vote, selected to the office of jurymen for one term of the municipal court, and informed that you will be expected to report the following Monday to receive instructions relative to the duties of your office.

With becoming and due dignity you take your place with twenty-three other supposedly intelligent men, and after awhile your name is called and you are told to take a place in the jury box, in which have been placed twelve chairs, especially designed to make sitting in them as uncomfortable as possible.

When the box is full of sober men, the attorney for the defense arises and creates something about as follows: "This is a case wherein and whereby plaintiff sues for the recovery of certain and diverse sums of money loaned to the defendant at different times, which said defendant wilfully, wrongfully and unlawfully withholds from said plaintiff, which said diverse and various sums so loaned amount in the aggregate to one dollar and thirty-three cents, all of which or no part of which has yet been paid and payment has been frequently demanded. The defendant in his answer, claims that there is a discrepancy in bookkeeping and that he does not owe the total sum of \$1.33 as stated in complaint, having made a payment of fifteen cents, for which plaintiff has not given credit."

After this statement of the case, delivered in a grandiloquent and oratorical manner, he proceeds to examine the jury as follows: "Mr. —, are you a single man, or do you consider yourself 'quite a number'?"

"Did you ever have a father or mother? If so, which?"
"Have you ever been married? If so, have you so fully recovered as to be able to give this case the close attention it deserves?"
"Have you any children? If so, would this in any way prevent you from rendering a fair, impartial and unbiased verdict in this case?"

"How old are you? If of age, who did you vote for as a successor to W. J. Bryan?"
"Where do you reside? and, if so, what does your wife do to support the family?"

All questions having been answered in the affirmative and jury accepted, the attorney for the plaintiff states his case and says he will prove by competent and intelligent witnesses that if the famous Kilkenney case hadn't stopped fighting when they did there wouldn't have been enough taxmen to have impeded this jury. All of which appearing logical and to the point, the attorney for the other side objects to it as incompetent, irrelevant, immoral and immaterial, and is sustained by the court.

The offense produces his competent witnesses and gets testimony to the effect that the plaintiff had in his possession during the time aforesaid, various pieces of currency, silver and gold, aggregating ensemble the sum of \$1.33, which said sum or sums were his to loan or dispose of as he saw fit, which he did, etc.

The defense then puts on seven witnesses to prove the payment of the fifteen cents referred to in the answer and to further prove that the lawyer for the offense is an ignoramus, to which the attorney for the offense objects as improper cross-examination and is sustained by the court, who holds that it is not proper legal procedure to attempt to prove something which might enlighten the jury.

Both lawyers then say they rest, but the lawyer for the defense believes his own words by getting up and speaking to the jury for an hour and a half, partly as follows:

"Gentlemen of the jury, it gives me great pleasure to be able to address you upon this memorable and auspicious occasion. It is a great privilege and pleasure to me to talk to an audience that has been paid to come here to listen to me, and I assure you that I appreciate it. We are gathered here today to honor not only my client, but through him, those great patriots who gave their all, their very lives on the battlefields of the Revolution, that all men might be created equal, and, in the original articles of the constitution, laid the cornerstone of this great democratic government, that the republicans might hold office thereunder, and make it impossible for such scheming liars as the learned counsel for the plaintiff to come into court and filch from the pockets of honest men that which does not belong to them.

"It is not a question, gentlemen, whether this witness lies, or that witness lies. You have seen them and know that these for the plaintiff have, but that is not the question. It is not a question of whether I lie, or whether the other lawyer lies. The question is, whether I can make you believe that counsel for the plaintiff has lied. That's all there is to it.

"You, gentlemen of the jury, intelligent and honest men as I believe you to be, can not sit here—

At this point every member of the jury was found to be asleep and the court dismissed the case.

Spray's Column

John McElroy has good pointing bill for sale.

Second hand light wagon cheap at Spray's.

When you want bacon, ham or lard, call for home cured. You will get it as cheap and of as good a quality as any you can buy. If your grocer hasn't got them, come to the hole in the wall. We sell no other kind. If everyone would buy home made bacon and lard it would be a big boost for the hog business and would keep thousands of dollars at home.

Clover seed at Spray's. Now is a good time to sow it.

Curtis Veatch has for sale two Cornsack and sheep and two hilly goats.

Feed Wright has for sale two registered Cornsack hucks.

L. E. McCay has a bargain in a small cow mill.

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Ernest Miller has for sale a three quarter Jersey cow, aged 4 years. Phone 22731.

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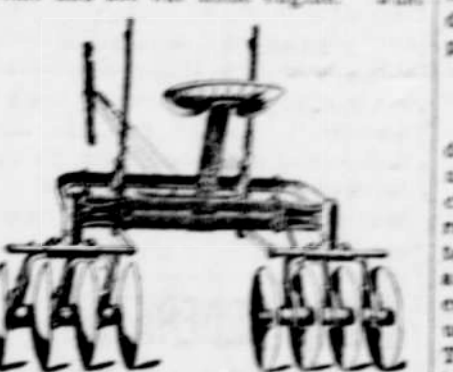
Now we come to the time of year when every farmer needs a disk harrow. Try disk your field now, before the fall rains come, you will make the weeds come up so when you plow they will be turned under. You will also find the plow will run lighter and do better work.

Spring wagon for sale. Inquire of H. E. Cochran or J. F. Spray.

Farmers! Raise more clover, cows and hogs.

Dry Goods at cost at the hole in the wall.

What is the use of using so much kerosene when gasoline is so cheap? Come and see our little engine. Just



the thing to run your separator, washing machine, chum or pump. This boy doesn't wear out any clothes, uses about as much gasoline as the average boy would burn.

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If you need an engine, see ours and get our prices before you buy.

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Two and Four Tined Forks.

A writer in the Washington Post tells of an old lady who remembered dining at the White House with Mr. and Mrs. John Quincy Adams. Mr. Adams ate with his fork, and Mrs. Adams apologized for it, saying that he had acquired the habit during his sojourn in France. Mrs. Adams and the other guests used their knives. All this is a comment on changing manners. But it should be noted that Mr. Adams ate with a four tined silver fork, while the other guests had only two tined forks, which then were the common kind. Without the development of the four tined fork the habit of eating with one's knife would not have been so rapidly discarded. As between a four tined fork and a knife the fork is to be chosen for convenience's sake, but as between a two tined fork and a knife on many occasions the latter would be actually the more convenient—Springfield Republican.

Power of Lightning.

It is hardly possible to use instruments for the purpose of figuring the force of lightning, yet there are many other ways of calculating familiar to every mathematician. The amount of light given by a single lightning flash is enough to illuminate an area two miles square. The bolt itself would be visible several miles farther off, but the remotest part of the region mentioned would have as much light as would be given by a candle—quite enough to read by. To produce such a light it would be necessary to expend 11,000 horsepower for a second. These figures appear very large, but the time is short. The flash might be for only one-thousandth part of a second, but the impression on the eye would continue for a tenth of a second anyway. Figured down to an exact hour this amount of force would mean only about four horsepower.—Electric News.

An Effective Rebuke.

Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria is not one of the most conventional of monarchs and sometimes rebukes his officials in a fashion which causes perfunctory practical jokes. On one occasion the emperor sent a message to the official who was responsible for keeping his roads in order, stating that in a couple of days a royal carriage would be sent to convey him to the castle of Lahn. On the day appointed the emperor's coachman drove the official at full gallop over the worst roads in the district, splashing him from head to foot in mud. When he eventually arrived at the castle he began profuse apologies for the state of his clothes to the grand duke, but was met with the prearranged reply: "Oh, that's nothing! The emperor comes home like that every time he goes out for a drive." The official's roads were soon put in perfect order.

Cameo Carving.

Cameo carving is by no means a dead art and is being taken up by many young men and women of this city as a fascinating recreation. It is rather an expensive fad, and it is interesting to watch one of these skilled amateur craftsmen at his bench executing a difficult model. All the tools used by the carver are but a handful. The worker sits before a wheel turned by a pedal and the little, pointed instruments, resembling those used by dentists, are placed in the corner of the small table on which the worker's hand rests while he holds the shaped stone or shell beneath the needle-like drills. The drills vary in thickness according to the portion of the design to be executed. On account of the high nervous tension the amateur carver works but a short time each day.—New York Sun.

Talking to the Wrong Man.

While Judge Dooly was holding court in Washington county, Ga., a certain General Hanson, who was famed as a blowhard, came in and sat down at the side of the judge and began to tell him about the vast amounts of property he owned. "Stop just a moment, general," said Judge Dooly. "Mr. Sheriff, call in Jones, the receiver of tax returns." In a few moments that worthy appeared. "Mr. Receiver," said the judge, "come up here and make an inventory of General Hanson's property. He has mistaken me for you."

Deserved the Most.

Departing Guest—Out of this sum give each of the waiters 10 cents and Henri 5 francs. Head Porter—But Henri has just now entered our employment. He has not yet served you. Guest—And therefore he is the only one who hasn't annoyed me.—Helter Skelter.

Remote Connection.

Scottish Elder (to laird)—Well, Mr. McDonald, what church do ye belong to? McDonald—It's like this, Mr. McPherson. I canna rightly be said the gang tae any kirk, but it's the said kirk I stay awa' frae.—London Express.

Portugal.

Portugal was formerly known as Lothania. The present name is derived from Port Callo, the ancient name of the town now known to us as Oporto.

Ebony.

Ebony is always soaked in water for from six to eighteen months as soon as cut. It comes chiefly from Mauritius and the East Indies.

Followed Suit.

"The prima donna fell down in the opening to that aria."
"Laudy days! So did our cook."—Baltimore American.

No Substitutes

RETURN to the grocer all substitutes sent you for Royal Baking Powder. There is no substitute for ROYAL. Royal is a pure, cream of tartar baking powder, and healthful. Powders offered as substitutes are made from alum.

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