

MONTY BREWSTER HERE WEDNESDAY

Noted Spendthrift Will Show How He Spent \$1,000,000 in One Year in Order to Get Larger Fortune.

Frederic Thompson's big production of "Brewster's Millions," the breezy and delightful comedy which has enjoyed such a remarkable career of prosperity since its first production, will be presented here Wednesday, January 26, at the Medford theater by the Cohan & Harris Comedians, with Royal Tracy. This comedy, adapted from George Barr McCutcheon's famous story of the same title, by Winchell Smith and Byron Ongley, is now being presented by two companies in America, two in England and one in Europe. The story is a satire on frenetic finance. It is full of originality, life and action and contains no dull moments. Marvelous and unusual stage effects are promised. Frederic Thompson, the wizard of tremendous effects, whose Luna Park at Coney Island is the wonder of the world, has invented some scenic surprises for this production that has made all other producers sit up and take notice. In the third act there is a remarkable effect of a yacht in a storm at sea, wherein the illusion is so perfect that a spectator feels he is witnessing the reality. The scenic investment of this act is particularly beautiful.

In their dramatization of Mr. McCutcheon's book, Messrs. Smith and Ongley have taken certain dramatic liberties, but the main theme is not destroyed. Related briefly, the story tells of the efforts of Montgomery Brewster to spend in one year one million dollars, an inheritance from his grandfather, to obtain a bequest of seven millions willed under certain conditions to him by an uncle.

The conditions stipulate that while every penny of the million must be dissipated, the young man is restricted from expending it in reckless gambling, endowments or the erection of memorials. Furthermore, he must preserve absolute secrecy in regard to the whole affair. The difficulties which confront "Monty" Brewster in spending the million are better described in the play than in the book, appealing more strongly to the spectator than the reader. Seats on sale Monday, January 23.

BIDS FOR STAR ROUTE WILL BE ASKED FOR

Bids for carrying the mail on the star route between Medford and Eagle Point for the four years from July 1, 1910, to June 30, 1914, inclusive, will be asked by the postoffice department.

The service is to be a seven-day one, once a day each way. The present contract price is \$975 per year.

SIS HOPKINS SOON TO BE HERE AGAIN

Rose Melville Will Renew Old Acquaintances and Greet Medford Friends on Friday, January 28.

"Sis Hopkins," that delightful, fragrant play of country life in the Hoosier state, which is now on its eleventh tour, has been booked for an engagement at the Medford theater on Friday, January 28. Miss Rose Melville, who originated the peculiarly fascinating type of stage character represented by "Sis Hopkins," is playing the title role again and is supported by a company, the equal of any she has had yet. Miss Melville originated the quaint, droll character of Sis Hopkins, for which the play is named, that odd country girl of Posey county, Indiana, whose complexity of character, gentleness of spirit and honesty of purpose have made her one of the most lovable figures on the stage today.

The character of "Sis" as played by Miss Melville brings out strongly all the sweet simplicity of the girl's life and adds the touches of pathos with a gentle hand. The exquisite subtlety of Miss Melville's acting lifts the character from the glare of the footlights and enshrouds it with a genuineness which makes it seem a living, breathing creature who is really living her life before the audience.

We sympathize with the simplicity and confidence of the girl and her faith in human nature; we fear for her when she cannot see the wickedness of the workaday world which is being slyly unfolded before her eyes, and we mingle our tears with hers when the rude awakening comes; yet in a moment we applaud her bravery and her strength of spirit when she will not be cast down by her sorrows, and when she at last comes into her own and the rosy path of human happiness lies before her unobstructed, we rejoice in her good fortune.

And when it is all done, and the finale, intense and thrilling, has come to pass, and the curtain has been rung down, there is a sense of having listened to a story worth while, and we carry home and remember the homely philosophy of the oddly dressed country girl. Seats on sale Tuesday, January 25.

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD BOY KILLS LARGE EAGLE

REDLANDS, Cal., Jan. 22.—Jarrett Cornelsen, an 8-year-old nimrod, today possesses the plumage of a large bald eagle which swooped down and attacked his younger brother, Mart, 6 years old. Jarrett ran to his brother's rescue and struck the eagle on the head with a stone, bringing it to the ground. Both boys then killed the bird.

BRAKE INVENTED FOR MEN-OF-WAR

By Means of New Invention It Is Thought That Ships Under Full Speed Can Stop in Own Length.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—A new phase of battleship fighting may be brought about before the end of the present year through the introduction into the navy of the ship brake, a Canadian invention just about to be tested by Uncle Sam.

The battleship Indiana is being equipped with the appliance at the League Island yard, and the inventors, basing their assumption on the success of previous trials with smaller vessels, anticipate that the big ships of war will be able to go through maneuvers now impossible for even the smallest tugs.

The invention consists of a comparatively simple arrangement of steel wings which lie close to the side of the vessel. To bring them into play they are simply unfolded. The shock that might be expected is taken up by water cylinders, which act as a cushion, absorbing the strain gradually. It is expected that the ships will be brought to a standstill, under ordinary speed, within the distance of their own length. If this is found to be the case, the possibility of collision in tactical maneuvers will be reduced to a minimum. Moreover, by using one of the wings, the ships will be able to turn within a much smaller radius than is now possible.

The game of war will be made more complex if the arrangement proves practicable for the new Dreadnoughts. Vessels which can stop and turn around with so little difficulty will prove themselves more elusive targets—particularly for submarines and torpedo boats, which count for the effectiveness largely upon the unswiftness of the big ships, and the difficulty they experience in deviating from their course when under way.

In the merchant marine also the invention will be of great value. The greatest difficulty with which ordinary liners have to contend arises from fog, which necessitates slowing down to prevent collisions with icebergs, or other vessels, as happened in the case of the Republic. With the ship brake the liners could proceed under full speed, even during a fog, as they could stop within sight of the obstacle.

The test is to be made with the Indiana next month. If it proves successful the appliance will probably be adopted by the navy department.

Man Injured in Wreck

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 22.—Six persons were injured today in a wreck of the Chicago express on the Big Four road near Riverside. Among the injured are three trainmen, who may die.

FINDS NEW NAME FOR INDOLENCE

Seattle Laborer Says Reason He Cannot Work Is Because Someone Projects Psychic Waves His Way.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 22.—Psychic waves which stiffened Martin Hannon so that he was obliged to eschew all manual labor resulted in his commitment to Stellacoom insane asylum, and he was taken to the sanitarium today to be treated for his peculiar malady.

Hannon was haled into Judge Frater's court yesterday on the charge of failing to support his family. It developed from the court's questioning that active exertion had a very depressing effect upon Hannon, which was gravitated by the psychic waves which various unknown persons had projected toward him.

Mrs. Hannon was in court and she told Judge Frater that she took no stock in the psychological phenomena business, though it was undeniable that her husband became strangely stiff every time the subject of work came up.

"What I want him to do is to go to work," she said, "and quit talking so much. His tongue never gets so stiff he cannot use it."

"What is the cause of your trouble?" asked the court of Hannon. "I don't know," replied the recalcitrant husband. "I have been hypnotized by persons in this country and Canada for 25 years, and if I work a day I am fastened to the straw the next morning. Once I worked two days and I thought I never would wake up."

The lunacy commission then was summoned and decided to give him the rest cure at Stellacoom.

New Cases in Circuit Court

E. B. O'Hair vs. C. B. Cone—To recover money.

FIRE!

A little word—but many are the lives it has destroyed, and many the homes it has devastated. The appalling loss of life and property each year caused by conflagration is almost beyond belief.

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Friday, January 28

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A Play That Appeals To All Mankind

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