

DRAMATIC NOTES.

Chicago Opera House.—The essential of Mr. Zangwells "One Melting Pot" is that America is God's crucible wherein are fused the great cosmopolitan elements of humanity evolving the superman "American." The structure of the play reminds one strongly of the great Greek drama "The Music Master." The story of the play is told in a natural manner with just enough to relieve the most dramatic situations. Touching Tuesday's performance save for the first act, uniform praise must be accorded all the company. For some reason the first act moved in a slow, tedious fashion, the indication of the players being uniformly poor. After this bad beginning the actors seemed to gather enthusiasm and the last three acts were wonderful. Particular mention should be made of Whiteside's long speech in the third act, painting the awful character of the massacre. The play will continue indefinitely.

Return engagement for an indefinite period of an interesting play (The Melting Pot) (valuable for its theme, which is humane, and often eloquent in the exposition of that theme), by Israel Zangwill. The acting of Walker Whiteside in the leading role, a high-spirited young Jewish composer from Russia, is both vigorous and tender, while a massive portrayal of a Russian aristocrat by John Blair rewards that act attention which such strongly conceived and firmly executed studies deserve but do not always receive. This play was seen on Tuesday. Further comment is deferred.

Colonial.
Lively song and dance show by George M. Cohan, but, in spite of its authorship, nothing more than that. Perhaps it didn't start out to be.

As a result of the hit made by George Cohan's song, "Sullivan," in "The American Idea," one performance is to be set apart at the Colonial for the entertainment of the Chicago Sullivans. This gladsome occasion will be known as Sullivan night.

Orden.
Beautiful and novel playhouse that pays a visit. The piece improves and being improved. There is a "general admission" fee of 50 cents after 9 o'clock nightly.

Safe.
A snappy song show with Cecil Lean providing the element of clean, good-natured antic. Fifth month now beginning.

Whitney.
One hundred and fiftieth performance Monday night and the "Broken Idol" still going well.

Wadebaker.
A musical play you can take your mind and self-respect to and come away with both intact. It is brightly enacted and sung with much spirit by Missie Janis and an exceptionally clever company.

Winess.
You have yet to hear and see as pretty thing as musical comedy of late years as contained if you haven't heard and seen the Cinderella song-story-minuet in its piece. It has passed its 250th performance.

McVicker's.
"In Old Kentucky" will play its annual holiday engagement in McVicker's theater beginning Sunday, Dec. 20, the period of its stay covering both Christmas and New Year's days, when special matinees will be given.

Auditorium.
"The Mimic World," a lavish production of the Shuberts, will be the Christmas attraction at the Auditorium theater. It will be disclosed to Chicagoans for the first time on the afternoon of Dec. 20, following a week in which the playhouse will be devoted to public and impromptu entertainments.

His Feeble Remarks.
The "Independent" tells of the layman of a prayer meeting in a Vermont town who wished a visitor to speak. At the proper time he asked, "Will not Mr. A—, of New York, favor us with a few remarks?" When the stranger sat down, the leader again spoke, "Will not Mr. A—, of New York, ask God's blessing on his feeble remarks?"

Not a Sunday School Excursion.
While teaching a class in Sunday school recently the teacher asked: "What was Noah supposed to be doing when the animals were going into the ark?" She received several answers. At last a little girl put up her hand. "Well," she asked, "what do you say?" "Taking the tickets, Miss," she said. "Tid Bits."

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CHARLES WHITNEY IN AN OPEN LETTER.

TO THE VOTERS OF LAKE COUNTY:

Three Circuit Judges will be elected in June, 1909, in this judicial district, which is composed of the counties of Winnebago, Boone, McHenry and Lake.

Lake County is justified in asking for a resident Circuit Judge, because of its large and growing law business, which is equal at least to that of Winnebago County, and because of its large population, it being second only to Winnebago County in that respect.

I shall be a candidate for one of these positions at the Republican primaries to be held on April 13th, 1909, at which the three Republican candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the entire district will be declared the nominees of the party.

With about 23,500 Republican voters in the district, it will be impossible for me to call on all of them, as I should like to do, to personally submit my candidacy; but in Lake County, where I know so many, and so many know me, I feel that you will be willing to excuse me if I am not able to see you all.

Therefore, I write this open letter respectfully soliciting your support during my campaign this winter, and at the primaries next April.

Ever remembering that I am under obligations to the good people of Lake County for past favors manifested in so many friendly ways, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE HIGHLAND PARK STATE BANK

at Highland Park, State of Illinois, before the commencement of business on the 28th day of November, 1908, as made to the Auditor of Public Accounts, for the State of Illinois, pursuant to law.

RESOURCES.			
Loans and Discounts.....	\$130,384 63		
Overdrafts.....	1902 35	\$132,286 98	
Bonds and Securities.....	104,150 05	104,150 05	
Real Estate owned by the Bank.....	4,561 67	4,561 67	
Due from National Banks.....	19,105 20	19,105 20	
Checks and other Cash Items.....	2,849 00	2,849 00	
Cash on hand.....			
a. Gold Coin.....	35 00		
" Treasury Certificates.....	3,940 00		
b. Silver Coin.....	1,428 55		
" Treasury Certificates.....	4,160 00		
c. National Bank Currency.....	2,120 00		
d. Legal Tender and Treasury Notes.....	1,405 00		
e. Fractional Currency, Nickels and Cents.....	154 86	13,243 41	
Total.....		\$276,196 31	
LIABILITIES			
Capital Stock paid in.....	30,000 00		
Surplus Fund.....	10,000 00		
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	5,952 26	45,952 26	
Time Deposits, Savings.....	83,852 85	83,852 85	
Demand Deposits, Individual.....	141,612 64		
Demand Deposits, Certificates.....	3,270 49		
Certified Checks.....	1,508 07	146,391 20	
Total.....		\$276,196 31	

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
County of Lake,
I, Frederick W. Cushing, Pres. of the Highland Park State Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
FREDERICK W. CUSHING, President,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of December, 1908.
(SEAL.) WILLIAM M. DOOLEY,
Notary Public.

Matrimonial Catechism.

What is marriage?
Marriage is an institution for the blind.

Why do some people never marry?
Because they do not believe in divorce.

When a man thinks seriously of marriage, what happens?
He remains single.

Should a man marry a girl for her money?
No. But he should not let her be an old maid because she's rich.

When a girl refers to a "sad courtship," what does she mean?
She means that the man got away.

Is an engagement as good as a marriage?
It's better.

In selecting a husband, why does a girl prefer a fat man?
Because a fat man finds it hard to stoop to anything low.

When asking papa, how should a young man act?
He should face papa manfully and never give him a chance at his back.

When the minister says, "Do you take this woman for better or for worse?" what does he mean?
The bridegroom's people construe it one way, and the bride's family interpret it another. It is very sad.

When a man says he can manage his wife, what does he mean?
He means he can make her do anything she wants to.

When a child is smart and good, to whose family is it due?
To its mother's.

When a child is bad and stupid, to whose family is it due?
We refuse to answer.

Is it possible for a married man to be a fool without knowing it?
Not if his wife is alive—United Presbyterian.

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