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## Story of an Ink Stain.

Pens and furniture used in the signing of famous treaties and documents recall Archibald Forbes' experience after Sedan. After witnessing Napoleon's interview with Bismarck at a wayside cottage and his subsequent surrender, Forbes and a fellow-war correspondent slept at the chateau which the fallen emperor had occupied the night before. The bedroom was just as Napoleon had left it, and by the bed the open book with which he had read himself to sleep. It was Lytton's "Last of the Barons."

Sitting at the adjoining writing table, Forbes wrote his despatch while his companion gnawed at a ham bone their sole remainder of food. Irrate at the little eating it furnished, he flung it across the room and upon the ink-stained ink which Forbes was dipping. . . . When Forbes revisited the chateau a month or so later the ink stain was pointed out as caused by Napoleon's rage on learning the German terms of peace.

# THINGS THEATRICAL.

## NOTES AND PLAYS, PLAYERS AND PLAYHOUSES.

Actors' Society Reads Plays by Building Dramatists.—Mrs. Pat Campbell in Vandeville—Melodrama in New York.

An old Methodist church in Cincinnati has been turned into a moving picture theatre.

Charles Palmer has been chosen to sing the role of the late Lotta Faust in "The Night Song."

William Schroeder, who has written all of the music, for Lulu Glaser's play, "One of the Boys," is but 21 years of age.

Justina Wayne, who is leading lady in "Beverly of Graustark," was not long ago society editor of the San Francisco Examiner.

Charles Klein denies that he is writing a play for Blanche Walsh. Mr. Klein is under contract to write plays for no one but Henry B. Harris.

In "Mid-channel," Finero's new play, in which Ethel Barrymore is starring, there is tea drinking and a nautical theme.

Melodrama is coming into vogue again. In New York now they have "Madame X," "The Barrier," "The Great Ruby," "The Great Divide," and "The Chastisment."

The Shuberts have finally determined upon a play for Louise Gannett. She has been cast for the leading role in a German opera entitled "Madame Troubadour."

At the first performance of Rostand's new play, "Chanticleer" in Paris, the receipts were \$45,000, and that amount was turned over to the fund for the flood sufferers.

John Slavin has been engaged as the principal comedian for "A Skylark," Henry B. Harris' musical production, which goes into New York at Wallack's theatre on Easter Monday.

Madge Lessing has achieved such a striking success in Berlin that she has been re-engaged there until July, 1911. She is playing in German, which she learned on purpose, just as she acquired French in order to play in Paris.

In "Where There's a Will," adapter Maurice Campbell appears to have found a French farce sufficiently suggestive to appeal to a certain type of mentality, but too stupid to get that portion of the community which will condone vulgarity if it is funny.

Charles Dillingham's next musical comedy production will be "The Echo," by William de Banon and Deema Taylor. Rehearsals will be begun within a few weeks and the play ready for the public about Easter.

The forthcoming production of Rostand's "Chanticleer," in which all the characters are birds and fowl, is no novelty to the stage, for in the sixteenth century "Aesop's Crow" was performed, in which the actors were dressed as birds.

Since the Actors' Society of America undertook to act as intermediaries between budding dramatists and fame over three hundred manuscripts have been read by their Play Readers' Committee. Augustus Thomas is largely responsible for this scheme to give the ambitious playwright a chance.

Mrs. Pat Campbell goes into Vandeville for ten weeks, at the United Booking Office's circuit. She wanted a week to do her Russian play, but is to get only \$2,500. Her demand that "Punk Punky Poo," her dog, travel in the pullman cars with her, almost broke up the contract, as dogs are not allowed in pullmans.

"Ben Hur," the great Biblical play, has been breaking records for attendance at the Forest theatre, Philadelphia. Two weeks were added to the Philadelphia time in order to fill the demand for seats. "Ben Hur" opened at the Boston theatre on St. Valentine's Day.

"The Girl He Couldn't Leave Behind" is the title of the new farce in which Charles Frohman will next present Hattie Williams. It is by Sydney Rosenfeld, adapted from the German, and is said to be execrably funny. William Collier is to be the producer. Miss Williams will begin rehearsals about March 1st.

The advance sale for Maude Adams in "What Every Woman Knows," at the LoLa street theatre, in Boston, was the largest ever recorded at that theatre. At the time of her opening the sale amounted to over \$20,000. Before this record at the Hollis was held by Richard Mansfield, who was a Bostonian.

The Shuberts have just made arrangements whereby all future bookings for their Lyric theatre, New York, have been cancelled in order to allow "The City," Clyde Fitch's last play to remain there, not only for this season but next. "The City" declared to be the most sensational drama produced in this country in years.

E. H. Sothern and Julia Marlowe began an engagement at the Academy of Music, New York, on Monday. They will remain there for four weeks, during which time they will appear in six different Shakespearean plays. This will mark Mr. Sothern's debut in the role of Macbeth and it will also be Miss Marlowe's first appearance as Lady Macbeth.

The Syndicate sheet, the New York "Tribune," glazes over the closing of "The Blue Moon," "Marcelle," "The Wishing Hour," "The Wolf," "The Bachelor," "The Return of Eve," and "The Great John Ganton." The Shubert organ, the Review, rejoices that these plays have been big successes for two seasons, and only close after covering all the Shubert territory.

Wagenhals and Kemper, who "stuck oil with 'Padd in Pull,'" say they will produce no more plays for stars. Says Mr. Wagenhals: "An interesting play is successful without a star. Why, then, surrender the large sum of money which must go to stars' salary and part of the profits, when a young 'over who's rarely promises to wed his lady fair in a den of lions, and then timidly tries every possible avenue of escape—in vain. There's a real idea of

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The fashion of wearing wigs was much in vogue in those days, and every man who indulged in the luxury of powdering his wig was mulct in the tax of \$5 per annum for doing so.

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In still earlier times the poll tax was the favorite method of revenue raising. Each individual paid according to his position in the world, the heaviest tax being paid by those of the most exalted stations.

Thus the amount levied on dukes was about \$30 per head and earls \$20 per head, with a descending scale, which amounted to no more than a modest 50 cents when it touched the squires.

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She Kicked in Vain. A Milwaukee man and his wife recently received a call from an old friend whom they had not seen for years. Just before the three sat down to a little supper in the German style, the wife, seeing a favorable opportunity, whispered to her husband: "We have only three bottles of beer in the house—just enough to go around. Don't ask him to have more. 'Very well,' answered the husband, who chafed to be thinking of something else at the time. Half an hour later the host, to his wife's consternation, asked the guest to take more beer. The invitation was politely declined, and still the host did not desist. A dozen times the caller was urged to take a drink; a dozen times he firmly refused.

When he had departed the wife took her husband to task. "What on earth made you persist so? I don't still the host did not desist. A dozen times the caller was urged to take a drink; a dozen times he firmly refused.

"My dear," he blandly replied to the husband, "you didn't kick me!"

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The Dog and the Doctor. Paris Fiasco. A curious action has been brought by a resident of Vienna against a local doctor. The former lost his dog while out walking and eventually found it in a vivisection institution. The animal greeted him hysterically, barking and gamboling in a manner that showed he had lost none of his good spirits by the separation. Nevertheless, it transpired that while the dog was in the institution the doctor had performed an operation on it and removed the spleen. The owner of the dog has brought an action for damages, which the doctor defends on the ground that the spleen was of no use to the dog, which was in fact, better without it.

President Hadley's Slothfulness. London Argonaut. It is related of President Hadley, of Yale, that at one time he allowed his wife to persuade him of the uselessness of fire insurance on household goods, and he allowed his policy to lapse. But, better judgment asserting itself, he finally renewed his insurance. The same day a fire in his wife's room destroyed some of her dresses, which the professor enjoyed as a good joke. In due time, the president of the insurance company wrote President Hadley this letter: "Dear Mr. Hadley—We enclose check for \$500, paying your fire claim under our policy 169607. I note in passing upon these papers that the policy went into effect at noon, December 10th, and the fire did not occur until 2 p.m. Why the delay?"

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