

Plays and Players

J. Bannister Howard will come to America next month in search of new plays suitable for London production.

Robert McLaughlin's unusual new play, "The Eternal Magdalene," in which Miss Julia Arthur returned to the stage, after a retirement of several years, and which met with the greatest success at the Forty-Eighth Street Theatre, New York, will be presented in Toronto the week of March 20th.

Henry Arthur Jones, the English playwright, in whose big play "The Lie," Margaret Illington has scored a great and positive success, and who has more than 90 plays to his credit, insists that if the public will read the modern dramas more generally they will be glad to see the present day theatre will be eradicated.

"A widely spread interest in the printed drama is at once the means and the sign of the cause and the effect of a general betterment of the theatre," asserts Mr. Jones.

The present theatrical season in New York City has been so phenomenally prosperous that the year's productions have for the most part remained in the theatres where they were first acted and the "road" is calling for plays and players.

Despite a very flattering offer, said to be the largest ever made an actor, Forbes-Robertson has declined to act in "The Light that Failed" for the "movies." Forbes-Robertson has, however, made one appearance on the screen, his Hamlet having been filmed in England four years ago.

Newest Notes on Science

The United States produces about 88 per cent. of the world's oysters. The importation of docked horses into the Philippines has been prohibited by law.

A rake to be attached to the tines of a pitchfork has been invented by a Minnesota man.

The government of Venezuela will add an institute of modern languages to its school of commerce.

Oculists have found that a peculiar form of eye strain is due to persons reading while lying down.

Electrical apparatus for permanently curling women's hair has been invented by a German scientist.

Nearly 100 of Iowa's 300 dangerous railroad grade crossings will be made safer for travel this year.

A French racing automobile has been given an aerial rudder to assist in steering and prevent skidding.

Oil of wintergreen applied to an adhesive plaster will soften it and permit its removal from flesh painlessly.

A telegraph cable 6,000 miles long and costing \$5,000,000 will be laid under the ocean from Aden to Hong Kong.

The sides, floor and supporting bars of a new wheelbarrow can be tended to double its normal carrying capacity.

For cleansing the tongue a rough rubber pad has been attached to the handle of a tooth brush by an English inventor.

To ensure accuracy a Chicago inventor has electrically connected a revolution counter for machinery and a stop watch.

About 182,000 acres of the Madras presidency of India have been sown in indigo this year, about twice the normal area.

The world's largest electric sign is in New York, being 261 feet long by 100 feet high.

Experts from the United States are investigating the petroleum deposits of Northern China, which may become one of the world's largest oil fields.

A Philadelphia scientist has developed glass for store windows so curved that no reflections from outside interfere with the view of their contents.

Wireless receiving apparatus of Spanish invention in which no head telephones are used has worked successfully over distances in excess of 3,000 miles.

A light metal frame equipped with two mirrors, to convert a pair of field glasses into a powerful periscope has been patented by a New York inventor.

Experiments in the use of peat powder in Swedish locomotives have shown that as heavy trains can be hauled and as good speed made as with anthracite coal.



A comedy scene in "The White Feather," which returns to the Grand on Saturday, March 18th.

more than fifteen feet high and containing 3,316 lamps. As a preventive against fire Austrian laws require dwellings and business houses to be built throughout of solid materials. For oiling automobile springs properly a tool has been invented that spreads the oil and inserts lubricant between them.

BEAUTIFUL HAIR, THICK, WAVY, FREE FROM DANDRUFF

Draw a moist cloth through hair and double its beauty at once. Save your hair! Dandruff disappears and hair stops coming out.

Immediate?—Yes! Certain!—that's the joy of it. Your hair becomes light, wavy, luffy, abundant and beautiful as a young girl's after an application of Danderine.

Imports large quantities of flax waste. A highly nutritious bread has been invented by a German scientist who replaces milk and eggs with beef blood, bleached, sterilized and deodorized with hydrogen peroxide, which itself is a substitute for yeast.

In a new desk telephone set which obviates the necessity of holding the instruments in the hands, the transmitter and receiver are mounted at opposite ends of a rod which is held in any position desired by a ratchet.

Experiments in England with a new bacterized peat fertilizer have resulted in remarkable increases in plant growth and productivity, while plants believed to be dying have been restored to better than normal condition.

So extensive are the precautions taken on the railroads that climb the Andes and link Argentina and Chili, which have the steepest grades in the world, that not a fatal accident has occurred since they were opened in 1910.

Undisturbed by Mine Explosions and Other Experiences. A correspondent at British headquarters in France writes: Some curious structures of concrete, like pepper casters in shape, have been built in trenches along the enemy front.

Recently a colonel informed me with a grim smile that when, many hours after the German mine had exploded, his working party got at a few of his men who were imprisoned, the fellows were grinning when hauled out, and then began to sing an amusing nonsense. Singing, indeed, is common in the trenches, whether or not there is a volcano under foot.

The application of an electric heater to the six tube has made the spraying of varnish on furniture possible, the heat preventing the varnish turning white on the wood as it would if chilled.

Italian canners are now utilizing the skins and seeds of tomatoes, the former for stock food and the latter for oil, in its crude form for soap and illumination when refined for table use.

To warn employees of machine shops of the movements of travelling cranes an Ohio man has invented an automatic signal system, different colored lights showing in which direction they are moving.

The famous Gobelins tapestries, still made in a factory owned by the French Government, are woven from the reverse side, a workman watching the design through the web as it is reflected in a mirror.

While about 1,400,000 tons of flax straw are burned or permitted to go to waste annually on American farms, the United States each year exports 1,000,000 tons.

At one time iron ore was found in considerable quantities in the north-easterly provinces of the Netherlands. In late years apparently less has been found. Recently, however, further deposits of iron ore have been found in the province of Drenthe, where it was discovered previously.

These deposits were revealed by the digging of peat in the bogs of that section. The ore is found in layers just under the peat, and also in collections or heaps six to ten feet high and thirty to fifty feet in circumference.

A frenzied financier in one who provides for his family at the expense of those who are not cognizant of his game.

The average man is willing to get his hands on tainted money for the purpose of removing the taint.

The man who is always telling what a lot of good he would do if he had the money never has any.

Advertisement for Shelley's Tooke Collar. It features an illustration of a man's head and neck wearing a white collar. The text reads: 'SHELLEY A new lightweight, TOOKE COLLAR (in madras-Channing) Tooke Bros., Limited, Montreal.'

Advertisement for Baker's Cocoa. It features an illustration of a woman in a long dress holding a tray. The text reads: 'Grand Prize, Panama-Pacific Exposition, San Francisco, 1915 Grand Prize, Panama-California Exposition, San Diego, 1915 DRINK BAKER'S COCOA For its Delicious Flavor, its Excellent Quality and its High Food Value. ALL OF OUR PRODUCTS SOLD IN CANADA ARE MADE IN CANADA WALTER BAKER & CO. LIMITED MONTREAL, CANADA Established 1780 DORCHESTER, MASS.'

Advertisement for Asaya-Neurali. It features a small illustration of a person. The text reads: 'After Childbirth The depression and nerve fatigue suffered by women blots out interest in everything. You need Asaya-Neurali THE NEW REMEDY FOR Nervous Exhaustion which contains Lecithin (concentrated from eggs), the form of phosphates required for nerve repair.'

Advertisement for Eddy's Matches. It features an illustration of a matchbox. The text reads: 'LITTLE THINGS THAT COUNT Even in a match you should consider the "Little Things." The wood, the composition, the strikeability, the flame. Eddy's Matches Are made of strong, dry pine stems, with a secret perfected composition that guarantees "every match a lighter." Sixty-five years of knowing how—that's the reason. All Eddy products are dependable—always.'

Advertisement for King George's Navy Plug. It features a large illustration of a smiling man's face. The text reads: 'The SMILE of SATISFACTION A good chew is a comfort -- make it a greater comfort still by chewing King George's Navy Plug. Made from pure, rich tobacco, every ounce of which is carefully selected, then blended according to our process, giving it enough elasticity to keep it together instead of granulating in the mouth as most plug tobaccos do. King George's NAVY PLUG Has a delicious, non-irritating sweet taste -- and it is universally recognized that sweetened tobacco is much more healthful than the old fashion "strong", unsweetened plug. It leaves a long, lingering flavor and guards the teeth from the ravages of "acid mouth", the cause of nearly all tooth decay. "Made in Canada by Expert Canadian Workmen" 10c A Plug Everywhere ROCK CITY TOBACCO CO., LIMITED'

Advertisement for Dr. Cassell's Tablets. It features an illustration of a woman's face. The text reads: 'Nervous & Sleepless Take 2 Tablets at Bedtime and you will arise feeling Refreshed, Bright & Vigorous. When you feel gloomy and depressed and cannot sleep, suspect your nerves. When you shrink from company and would rather be alone you are losing confidence in yourself, and that can only mean weak nerves. It is not natural to be solitary and unsocial, it shows clearly that vitality has become reduced, and the nervous system correspondingly weakened. But take Dr. Cassell's Tablets for such a condition and you will be astonished at the results, astonished at the bright new health you will gain, at the splendid vigour and vitality they will give you. Mr. Poole, a business man of 60, Infirmary Road, Sheffield, England, says: "I had lost all confidence in myself, and was actually afraid to meet people. The alertness and activity I had formerly possessed were gone. My digestion was feeble, and sleeplessness was terrible. But when I commenced taking Dr. Cassell's Tablets I soon felt better. Now I am as well and fit as any man of my age." Dr. Cassell's Tablets are Nutritive, Restorative, and Anti-Spasmotic, and of great Therapeutic value in all derangements of the Nervous and Functional Systems in old or young. They are the recognised modern home remedy for Nervous Breakdown, Nerve and Spinal Paralysis, Infantile Paralysis, Rickets, St. Vitus' Dance, Anemia, Sleeplessness, Kidney Disease, Dyspepsia, Stomach Catarrh, Brain Fog, Headache, "Capitation," Wasting Diseases, Vital Exhaustion, Loss of Flesh, and Premature Decay. Specially valuable for Nursing Mothers and during the Critical Periods of Life. Druggists and Dealers throughout Canada sell Dr. Cassell's Tablets. If not procurable in your city send to the sole agents, Harold F. Ritchie & Co., Ltd., 10, McCaul Street, Toronto; one tube 50 cents, six tubes for the price of five. War Tax Extra, 2 cents per tube. Sole Proprietors: Dr. Cassell's Co., Ltd., Manchester, Eng. Dr. Cassell's Tablets GET A FREE SAMPLE Britain's Greatest Remedy'

Advertisement for Cascarets. It features an illustration of a box of Cascarets. The text reads: 'CASCARETS SELL TWENTY MILLION BOXES PER YEAR Best, safest cathartic for liver and bowels, and people know it. They're fine! Don't stay bilious, sick, headachy or constipated. WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP Enjoy life! Keep clean inside with Cascarets. Take one or two at night and enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. Wake up feeling grand. Your head will be clear, your tongue clean, breath right, stomach sweet and your liver and thirty feet of bowels active. Get a box at any drug store and straighten up. Stop the headaches, bilious spells, bad colds and bad days—Brighten up, Cheer up, Clean up! Mothers should give a whole Cascaret to children when cross, bilious, feverish or if tongue is coated—they are harmless—never gripe or sicken.'