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The vocational school, under Capt. Fairful, the principal, is divided into commercial, educational, drafting, telegraphy, machine and pattern making, woodwork, and motor mechanics. There are several other smaller branches.

In the woodwork department, some examples of cabinet making and upholstering show the efficiency of the course. In the pattern making department, some work done for the university shows the high standard attained.

In the commercial department the men undergo a complete training in business and in bank routine and a few take up higher accountancy.

The new class started by this school for physically unfit men is turning out a splendid line of toys, substantial, practical and beautifully colored. These toys are not easily broken, and a visit to this department would gladden the children's heart. The government, by starting this class, are giving men who are unable (because of physical injuries) to find employment, a chance to make good.

The work at the military hospital is conducted along similar lines, with additional classes for bed patients. Many soldiers are learning trades with various firms in the city, all of this work being supervised by the vocational school.

People are invited to the school to observe for themselves the excellent work being done there. Much criticism has been hurled at vocational work, but a trip through the school shows anyone the benefit this institution is to the returned men.

The school may be visited within a year's time, and an opportunity thus presents itself to the City Council to secure the nucleus for a public technical school which is badly needed at present in Kingston.

Letters to the Editor

The Grocers' Half-Holiday.

Kingston, May 22, (To the Editor)—I want to say a word in behalf of the Wednesday afternoon holiday for the grocery clerks during June, July, August and September. The hours are long throughout the year and the demands often exacting, reasons of themselves sufficient to justify the boon of a half-holiday of freedom each week during the summer. But these are not the only reasons. The mass of working men get Saturday afternoon off, and many people of all occupations take the evening of Saturday for rest or recreation. On the other hand the grocery clerk has his hardest day on Saturday and adds to it from three to five hours on Saturday night. I am sure the Wednesday afternoon holiday is of little or no inconvenience to the public.

At best, at worst, it is but a few hours in the middle of the week. The grocers, with a few exceptions, are willing to grant this boon and the people can aid the clerks by a word of appreciation of the arrangement, and by refusing to buy on Wednesday afternoon. The grocer who persists in keeping open cannot convince any thinking person that he is doing it because he is a philanthropist and certainly he leaves himself open to the suspicion that it is done to try to steal a little trade from his competitors who treat their employees more mercifully. Public opinion is one of the most effective weapons to use against such men and hence this appeal to the public. Thanking you again on behalf of the grocery clerks.

Yours,
—J. MARSHALL.

CONSTIPATION or COSTIVENESS

Constipation, although generally described as a disease, can never exist unless some of the organs are deranged, which is generally found to be the liver.

There is nothing more productive of general ill health than constipation of the bowels, and a regular action is absolutely essential to general health. One of the most common, painful and troublesome troubles caused by constipation is piles, and unless the bowels are kept open by the use of a good laxative such as Milburn's Laxative Pills the whole system will be poisoned and many different complications of disease arise, so if you would be well, keep your bowels regular.

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Theatrical

Return of Tyrone Power. Tyrone Power, the Eminent English actor, and his excellent company of English actors, will play a return engagement at the Grand Opera House on Tuesday evening, May 25th.

Few more dramatic stories have been seen on the stage of today that that which will be presented when Mr. Tyrone Power, the famous eminent English actor is seen for a second time in "The Little Brother" the second of the initial productions to be made by Trans-Canada Theatres Limited.

This powerful drama, from the joint pen of Milton Goldfield and Benedict James, preaches a double lesson of religious tolerance and of the power of love to overcome the limitations of every creed. The story is that of two brothers, separated in childhood through a Program in a Polish town. One educated by his kinsman, becomes a Jewish Rabbi, the other brought up by Christians, is educated as a priest of the Russian church. The two meet many years later, when the daughter of the Rabbi and the ward of the priest have fallen in love. Both Rabbi and priest are equally vehement in their opposition to such a mixed marriage.

Mr. Power's portrayal of the priest is one which has been praised highly by the leading dramatic critics of the day for its tremendous strength and its vital human appeal. He is supported by the same excellent company which has seen here a few weeks ago, including two new members, Robert Taber, and Miss Edna Holland, daughter of the late E. M. Holland. Harvey Hays who appeared as the Servant in "The Servant in the House" will in "The Little Brother" appear as the Rabbi-Advt.

"The Passion Flower." North America's ever changing literary and artistic taste is at a point where wide vistas of opportunity are opening for Spanish and Latin-American authors and playwrights.

The immediate success of Jacinto Benavente's "La Malquerida," produced by Richard O. Herndon under the direction of the Grand Opera House, in which Nance O'Neill secured the greatest personal triumph of a long career, has been pointed out in theatrical circles and by the literary sharps of the metropolitan press, as the latest and most startling indication of this trend. Still other Spanish productions are said to be in the offing in answer to a popular and growing demand which seems to have had its inception in the vogue of Ibsen.

"The Passion Flower" has at least opened a controversy. While South American and Spanish in New York maintain that the play is remarkable in that it has been produced so true to the life of Castilla, in contradistinction to all preceding conceptions of that hitherto little known people, some of the dramatic critics have seemed to find in it something "aerial," but are unanimous in their candid admissions in the next breath that it is a dramatic gem of the first water.

An interesting view of this situation, wherein the critics are unable to appreciate the advertised realities of the Latin viewpoint as appearing in Benavente's drama, is given by Luis Enriquez Osoario, editor of the Spanish department of the "Pictorial Review," who has seen the Spanish rendition of the piece both in Spain and in South America. "There is an intensity of feeling which the United States actors bring out which has been lost in many of the Spanish productions," according to Osoario. "It appears to North American eyes more tragic than it does to us—the grimness and austerity of the tragic elements are more intensely shown here than in the Spanish way. Personally, I like the American way the better." Describing his impressions of the acting of Nance O'Neill as Raimunda, Osoario said: "Her portrayal of the role was much different from that with which I have been accustomed but it was much more effective and vivid."

It is understood that Benavente himself is most pleased with the reports of the manner in which his play was produced and handled. His representatives, who witnessed the premier, cabled a flattering resume of both the production and its reception by press and public and the distinguished playwright immediately cabled his felicitations and congratulations to Miss O'Neill. This is expected, will create a willingness on the part of Benavente and other Latin authors to have more of their works produced here, an item in line of an small moment as Benavente had an unhappy experience some time ago when he charged a North American producer with having stolen an idea from one of his plays, and it was with the utmost difficulty that he could be persuaded to allow "The Passion Flower" to be produced in America. In the meantime, those who closely follow the activities of the world behind the footlights profess to see further indications of the demand for Spanish drama in the now widespread knowledge that while arrangements were being made for the production of the play with Nance O'Neill in the stellar role, two other famous American actresses were just a little too late to obtain the part. Each, it is said, felt confident that she, and she alone, had the precedence to discover the great power of the lady, but in

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