THE STAGE

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It may be of interest to our readers to know that an actual incident furnished the author of "A Royal Slave" with the initial idea out of which this great play was evolved. The little item of news appeared in the daily papers at that time. It is as follows:

"A wealthy Mexican gentleman who was known to possess a vast hidden estate, suddenly disappeared and was finally given up by his family. Several years latter a gang of celebrated bandits was surprised and captured in their stronghold and a poor, insane man rescued. He was taken to a hospital in the city of Mexico, where an operation of trepanning the skull was performed on him, his reason returning. He proved to be the long-lost gentleman who had been captured by the bandits, who, in trying to force him to tell the hiding place of his fortune, had struck ham a severe blow on the head which dented the skull and rendered him insane. He had been a captive for years, the bandits hoping that he might remember, in his half lucid moments, the much coveted secret hiding place, and reveal it."

Knowing this actual incident, it

The Public School Board are taking time by the forelock and have decided to commence the alterations and improvements in the city schools at once. Contractor Oldershaw commenced the brick work at McKeough yesterday and a staff of workmen are tearing out the old furnaces at the Central school. Chairman Paxton is setting an example to the other municipal boards of the city in the line of civic hustling and is determined to have all work completed before the school reopening.

********* The Planet Patterns

DESIGNED BY MARTHA DEAN. *



Nowing this actual incident, it will be all the more interesting to the public to follow the play itself, and to observe how much of this charmingly dramatic story is due also to the splendid imaginative and creative powers of the author.

Of the plays that one sees in a life time, he can count on his fingers the ones that combine high literary merit with great dramatic value. "A Royal Slave" is one of these few and it also adds deep heart interests and the most beautiful scenic surroundings with which a play could be embellished, as the scenes are laid in Mexico, proverbially the land of sunshine and flowers, of palms and fountains. No play has appeared in this country for years of which the press speaks in such unstinted and fountains. No play has appeared in this country for years of which the press speaks in such unstinted and unqualified praise. This is one of the surest hand best tests of a really great play, and "A Royal Slave" is a great play in every sense of the word.

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Fine full fashioned quality, seam-less feet, double heels and toes, fast black, regular 17c. a pair, Sale Price

10c. Embroideries 5c Yard

3 pieces heavy unbleached Linen 28c. Yard

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Children's White Underwear
Lot children's white Skirts and Drawers, assorted styles and sizes, slightly soiled, regular 50e, Sale Price

51 and \$1.25 Covers at 49c

Fine Nainsook covers, Marguerite style, trimmed with Val. insertion and lace, also Swiss embroidery and insertion, regular 75c. to specific each, but slightly soiled, clearing at Sale Price

Fine Cambric, lace or embroidery rimmed deep full flounce finished

\$6.00 Trimmed Hats, Sale Price

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2 doz. stylish trimmed Hats, clearing at Sale Prices, \$2.89, \$3.68 and

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CHILDREN'S CAPS, Bonnets and Tams at Special Sale Prices.

Hosiery Specials

40 doz. Ladies' Black Cotton Hose, full fashioned, seamless feet, sizes 8 1-2, 9, 9 1-2, at a pair, Sale Price

Handsome styles in rich black mercerized sateen and colored morgens, regular \$1.50 to \$2.00 each, Sale Price

50c. Cambric Drawers 39c.

Fine Cambric, trimmed with wide lawn, 3 rows insertion and torchon lace, regular 50c, a pair, Sale Price

120c.

Fine maco cotton seamless feet, double soles, fast black, in all sizes, also leather shades, a regular 20c. hose, Sale Price hose, Sale Price

150c.

12½c Embroideries 7c. Yard 495 yards Swiss embroideries a insertions, 2 1-2 to 6 inch wide, resulting the price hose, Sale Price 10c. to 19 1.92

60 Doz. Boys' and Girls' Fib 400 Yards Swiss Embroidery

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25c Wash Belts 15c 11 doz. fancy embroidered white terns, Wash Belts, assorted styles, reg- a yard,

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8 doz. Ladies' fine Irish Linen and Swiss Lawn Handserchiefs, trimmed with lace, embroidered and hemstitching, regular 15c, 20c, and 25c each, Sale Price

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\$200 Black Underskirts 98c

Made with all-over lace yoke, finished with hemstitched tucks and
frill, with lace insertion and beading,
regular \$1.10, Sale Price

Occ. to 25c. a pair, Sale Price

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And insertions up to 6 in. wide, in
choice range patterns, regular 15c.

\$1.50 Lace Curtains for \$1.00

50 pairs fine Nottingham Lace Curtains for \$1.00

Ladies' Lisle Hose 25c Pair

Fine fast black, also leather shades, full fashioned seamless feet, at a pr, Sale Price

300 yards fine white Swiss spot Muslins, wide widths, assorted spots, regular 25c. yard, Sale Price

1,500 yards fine imported Muslins and Dimities, in wide range patterns, fast colors, regular 12 1-2c. a yard, Sale Price 12 1-2c Muslins at 8 1-2c Yard

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Spring and summer styles, fine cloths, trimmed with silk pleating, jets and ruching, clearing at, Sale Price, \$4.90, \$3.95 and

This season's best styles, regular steel frame and rod, choice handles, a good \$1.50 parasol. Sala Price

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4 1-2 inch wide rich pure silk taf-feta ribbons in full range colors,reg-ular 15c, to 18c, yard, Sale Price

25c. Bureau Covers 18c

Fine quality, in fancy woven decolors, signs, pure white, also red or blue signs, pure white, also red or blue pearl grey, champagne, reseda, nile borders, size 16 by 45 inch, reg. borders, size 16 by 45 inch, reg. 25c. each, Sale Price

35c. Table Linen 28c. Yard

495 yards Swiss embroideries and insertions, 2 1-2 to 6 inch wide, reg. 10c. to 12 1-2c. yard, Sale Price

3 pieces extra fine pure grass bleached double Damask Table Linenfull 2 yards wide, rich satin finish, choice patterns, our best \$1.00 quality, Sale Price

25c Swiss Spot Muslios 15cYd tains, 3 1-2 yards long, 54 in. wide, in handsome designs, regular \$1.50 a

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200 yards rich silky finish mercerized taffetas, fast colors, in black white, greys, etc., regular 25c.yard Sale Price

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During the meeting of the Farmers Institute, which took place in the County Council Chambers yes terday afternoon, several of members remarked on the dirty state of the desks in the room.

Both on the tables, chairs and desks there was a thick layer of dust and, as no dusters were available, the clothing of the assembled farmers and others suffered considerably. As no member remarked, "It would surely be but little trouble for the caretaker to clean a place up, if not regularly, at least before you meeting takes place. It isn't avery good advertisement for the city to have visitors from outside places find the meeting place in a dirty condition."

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50 acres of land, part lot 17, concession 5, Dover Township, ewned by Albert Laprise; 75 acres, concession 13, Dover, owned by Ed.
C. Wemp; 40 acres, River Road,
Dover, owned by John David; 50
acres, concession 5, Dover, owned
by Julius Bechard, I have money
to loan at very lowest rate of interest on land mortgages, Henry
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FOR SALE—100 acre farm in Raleigh, the John L. Doyle homestead, being the northwest half lot 15, concession 9, Township of Raleigh, containing 100 acres more or less, is offered for sale at private sale; two storep frame house, frame barn, stable, granary and other outbuildings, about 25 acres of bush pasture, four acres orchard, remainder under cultivation. Good soil, good neighborhood. Will sell either together, or in halves. Apply to Owen Doyle, care C. P. R. Hotel, Chatham.

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