



MUSIC AND THE DRAMA

tonity vaudeville patrons will have of hearing Jesse Laskey's Imperial Musicians, who have been making a big hit this week.

TWILIGHT RECITAL.

The following programme will be played by Mr. W. H. Hewlett at his monthly twilight recital to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon: Concerto in F (Handel); Large (Handel); Novelletten (Schubert); overture to "The Merry Wives of Windsor" (Nicola); reverie (Lemare); and March, Pomp and Circumstance (Elgar). Mrs. Frank MacKlean, contralto, will also sing several selections.

"SEPTIMUS."

George Ariiss, one of the greatest of living English-speaking character actors, will be seen in "Septimus" at the Grand on Wednesday. Those who are familiar with the character in Locke's novel will look forward to one of the most important impersonations of the recent stage. Harrison Grey Fiske, who has spent a portion of the summer going over the manuscript with the author in England, is said to have staged it with

great fidelity to its original atmosphere. In the strong cast which has been chosen for Mr. Ariiss's support are Emily Stevens, cousin and protégée of Mrs. Fiske, who will play the important part of Emmy. The Toronto press declares "Septimus" to be the most charming and unique comedy of recent years.

"CASH GIRL."

May Ward, the comedienne, will be at the Grand next Thursday evening at the head of the musical success, "The Cash Girl." Miss Ward is said to be a bright and talented little woman and associated with her in the musical scenes are her frisky Rag Doll Ponies, a name given the chorus of vivacious soubrettes who sing, dance and look pretty, and represent a superb ensemble of fetching show girls. There are a number of catchy song hits in the show.

"THE WOLF."

"The Wolf," a play of the Canadian Northwest, which was seen here last season, is to return to the Grand on Friday and Saturday next week. The company is under the management of the Shuberts, which is a guarantee that an artistic performance will be given. "The Wolf" is a story of intense dramatic interest, and along unusual lines. It deals with the lives of those sturdy frontiersmen, who are conquering the vast forests of the Hudson Bay District. The Shuberts are said to have given the production a lavish series of settings.

THE COLONIAL.

The show at the Colonial for to-day and to-morrow is one of exceptional strength. The leading film deals with an exciting Boer-British romance, in which many of the principal battles of the South African War are pictured. Intertwoven in war scenes is a pretty story of the lives of a Boer maiden and a Britisher, which distinctly enhances the attractiveness of the offering. Another special film is that called "The Last Confession," and is a strong religious episode treated in a reverent manner and posed for by many of the leading actors and actresses in New York. The musical end of the programme is supplied by Miss La Viere, George Drennan and Little Baby Gamble, the last-named being heard in imitations of Harry Lauder's famous songs. Levi's orchestra will supply appropriate incidental music to the films and contribute a number of other tuneful selections.

A PATRIOTIC FLAG SONG.

The latest product of the "patriotic" song-writers is by Katherine Hall (Miss A. B. Warnock), of the Mail and Empire, and is published by The Primrose Music & Book Concern, Toronto. The song is pitched in a lofty and fervidly patriotic and imperial key and will be sure to meet with a favorable reception by the Canadian public. It has been given a worthy musical setting by Mr. J. W. Garvin, which comports admirably with the words and spirit of the song, and the effect produced is in a high degree pleasing. "The Canadian Flag Song" deserves well of our singers.

Look Ahead.

If there is anything that will induce men to look ahead and supply their winter needs in men's underwear, now is the time. The second delivery of this underwear goes on sale at Treble's two stores to-morrow, and next week, and it is advisable to be on hand early, as such unapproachable values as these are soon picked up.

Men ought to pat themselves on their backs at the good fortune of being able to buy such reliable underwear right at the beginning of the season at such immense savings. Read Treble's advertisement on back page of this paper, and learn the amount you save.



FLORENCE ROCKWELL. Charming and clever actress who will be seen in "The Barrier" at the Grand to-night and to-morrow.

"THE BARRIER" TO-NIGHT.

"The Barrier," Eugene W. Presbrey's dramatization of Rex Beach's Alaskan story, will be offered at the Grand to-night and to-morrow matinee and evening by Klaw & Erlanger. The scenes of this play are laid at a trading post called Flambau-on-the-Yukon, and they are said to be realistically produced. It is full of dramatic incident, and the vein of romance dominates the entire play. The chief characters are men of adventurous spirit, wanderers in search of wealth or excitement. The characters are lifelike and of absorbing interest from the author's familiarity with the rude types of men and women which he depicts, and with the rough, cruel country of the far Northwest. The cast is a remarkable one. Theodore Roberts, who will be remembered last season as Jo Portugal in "The Right of Way," is the John Gale of the story, an old trader. His daughter, Neena, is portrayed by Miss Florence Rockwell, an actress who last season made such a hit in "The Round-Up." Another familiar name is that of W. S. Hart, who was seen here last season as "The Virginian"; in fact, the entire cast is made up of prominent people, and theatre goers are assured of a most perfect performance.

"BEVERLY OF GRAUSTARK."

The dramatized version of George Barr McCutcheon's novel, "Beverly," was seen by a fair-sized audience at the Grand Opera House last evening. The presentation seemed to please, the only exception that could be taken being to the absurd, bonafide Americanism prevalent in some of the scenes. The principal characters were looked after by clever actresses and actors, and but for the one objectionable feature, the show is one to please Canadian audiences. Justina Wayne, as Beverly (Chom), acquitted herself with credit, and the show showed considerable dramatic feeling. The role of the Princess Yevide did not suffer in the hands of Gertrude Fowler, whose gestures and actions were certainly majestic enough. Lawrence Ewart, as the hero, Baldo, enacted his part with all its possibilities. His voice, manner and demeanor well fitted so bold a prince, and the audience was in sympathy with his cause from the start. Mortimer Martin as Col. Marlax was hardly equal to the part. Indeed, the most obscure state would hardly boast over such a royal adviser. The remaining members of the cast were not remarkable for talent, and on the whole the performance was but mediocre.

ROYAL WELSH LADIES.

The world renowned Royal Welsh Ladies' Choir has achieved many notable distinctions. His Majesty King Edward and royal suite heard them at Cardiff, and the King thus expressed himself: "Well, you Welsh people are passionately fond of music, and have beautiful voices. I have certainly enjoyed your choir immensely. I must congratulate you, Madame Thomas, and your magnificent choir on your excellent performance."

The spinning chorus, which the King specially asked for, so delighted the company that one of the party asked for "Where the Bee Sucks," which was rendered, and quite spontaneously asked for the third time, "The Spanish Gypsy Girl." The choir sang with rich effect, each item being accorded the heartiest applause, which in each instance was led off personally by the King.

These magnificent singers and their talented conductor have scored a veritable triumph in Montreal and Ottawa. Dressed in the typical costume of the Welsh countryside, the girls, numbering 25, make a charming picture on the platform, whilst the quality and volume of song which they pour forth delights and captivates the audience from the beginning to the end of the programme.

Next Monday evening at the Grand Opera House this celebrated choir will make its debut before the Hamilton public. The plan is now open.

COMEDY AT BENNETT'S.

Comedy is to be the predominating feature of the Bennett bill next week, although the chief attraction will be Hessian Ben Ali's troupe of Arabians in a sensational exhibition of gymnastic work. This offering is described by the American press as the greatest act of its kind introduced on the vaudeville stage. It is full of thrilling feats, and the entire routine is said to be original. The little sketch, "A Corner in Hair," which will serve to introduce Howard Truesdale and company to local theatre-goers, is a screaming farce. The absurd situations and eccentric actions of Truesdale are said to be irresistibly funny. Peter Donald and Meta Carson, the Scotch team who scored heavily here last season in their attractive little sketch, are always assured a warm welcome in Hamilton. The balance of the bill contains a number of interesting attractions.

To-morrow will be the last oppor-

THE Canadian Co-Operative COMPANY Limited

Gents' Furnishing Stock

Bought at a Low Rate on the Dollar

A big tailoring establishment decided to go into the gents' furnishing business, but found after two months that the two lines didn't work out together. As the stock was entirely new, we snapped it up when it was offered to us at a rate on the dollar. Saturday will be the first day of the sale. We will make an entire clearance.

Half-Price of Fleece-Lined Underwear

A limited quantity of Fleece-lined Underwear, shirts and drawers, broken sizes, heavy fleece, regular 50c, Saturday half price . . . 25c
Big lot of Fleece-lined Underwear, in all sizes, Saturday . . . 39c
Ribbed Wool and Fancy Striped Underwear, 75c values, . . . 49c
Sovereign Natural Wool and Penman's Ribbed Wool, unshrinkable, 75c
Odd lots and incomplete sizes in Shirts and Drawers, half price.

Perfectly New Linen Collars 4 for 25

All shapes and sizes in Men's Linen Collars, including wing, turn down, stand up turn down, etc. Regular prices 15 and 20c each, clearing Saturday, 4 collars . . . 25c
50c Neckwear, all the new shapes for fall, 1909, Saturday . . . 25c
25c Neckwear, four-in-hand, string, bows, hook-on, etc., Saturday . . . 17c
100 Men's Mufflers, assorted colors, style, half price . . . 50c
\$1.00 Men's Lined Mocha Gloves, all sizes, Saturday . . . 75c

Men's Negligee Shirts 25c

Negligee Shirts in various patterns, some of them slightly soiled, but most of them perfect, neat patterns, regular 50c and 75c, Saturday . . . 25c
Negligee Shirts, all sizes extra good patterns, regular \$1, Saturday 75c
Drill Shirts, black and white stripes, etc., regular 50c and 75c, Saturday . . . 43c
Sweater Coats, navy, grey, and various color combinations . . . 95c
Men's Black Cashmere and Worsteds Hose, 25c value, Saturday . . . 19c

51 and 53 King Street West

BIBLE CLASS. NEED SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's Church Organization Had a Social.

The first monthly meeting of the Union Bible class of St. Andrew's Church held last evening in the school-room for the purpose of promoting sociability and getting the members better acquainted with one another, proved a big success. A surprisingly large crowd was in attendance, including a few old students. Messrs. John Jameson, Lyman Lee and W. R. Leckie, and others from different societies. The school-room was the scene of much enjoyment. All present seem to possess a sunny smile, and to show the effects of the good feeling existing. Mr. Leckie acted as chairman, and several W. R. Leckie made timely remarks to make about the Bible class, especially referring to the work of Messrs. Jamieson and Lee. Mr. Leckie was in jocular mood, and kept the audience in continual laughter by his funny sayings. Rev. Mr. Wilson also spoke a few words. A special feature was the promulgating during the intermission. The following was the programme: Hymn and prayer; chairman's remarks; piano duet; solo, Mrs. Taylor; solo, Mr. Wright; solo, Mr. Dalrymple; address, Mr. Lee; intermission; orchestra; address, Rev. Mr. Wilson; selection, orchestra.

Other men spoke briefly.

Brantford Public Schools Are All Overcrowded.

Horse Killed—Vote on By-Law—Labor Candidates.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

Brantford, Ont., Nov. 5.—Trustee Ryerson at the School Board meeting last night brought up the matter of increased school accommodation, and urged the building of two new schools and large additions to two others. Every building in the city is overcrowded, and despite the fact that the ratepayers voted large sums within the past five years for new schools the situation will have to be met again. There is an average of 50 pupils per room in the schools, while the department calls for only 35. A special committee was appointed to go into the matter.

William Brabbs, corporation teamster, while crossing the Oak street crossing of the T. H. & B. Railway here yesterday had a narrow escape from being killed. One of his horses was killed outright by a west-bound train, the approach of which he did not see or hear. Brabbs states neither bell nor whistle sounded, and is suing the company for loss of his horse.

Brantford ratepayers are to vote on two by-laws at a referendum on Nov. 10, one to remove the market to a new site on Colborne street, opposite the Kerby House, and the other to put the John H. Stratford Hospital under municipal control.

The Trades and Labor Council has decided to put labor candidates in the field for municipal honors at the next election.

THE COMMITTEE'S THANKS.

To the Editor of the Times:

Sir:—The canvass for funds for the completion and payment of the Young Women's Christian Association building on Main street will, I hope, be completed in a day or two; pledges for over eleven thousand of the fifteen thousand asked for has been subscribed; many have subscribed, but not everyone. Let no one be misled by the list of subscribers to this great work. Telephone 1690 or 1575. The special campaign telephones will now be discontinued.

The thanks of the canvassers are due to the ladies who have furnished them with refreshments and waited upon them themselves, encouraging them by their presence, and doing everything within their power to make things pleasant.

Many thanks are due to the city newspapers for generously encouraging the work by freely allowing the use of their columns.

Thanks also to Miss Palm and to Messrs. G. G. Carscallen, H. L. Frost, E. M. Faulkner, S. O. Greening, Dr. Kelly, S. F. Lazier, K. C. Geo. W. Robinson and W. J. Southam for the use of automobiles.

Many hearty thanks to the citizens who have encouraged the good work, and those who have not yet, but will do so.

To all who have assisted and are assisting us we tender thanks; it is a good work well worth doing, and all will be glad who have helped it. On behalf of the Business Men's Committee,

Alfred Powis, chairman.
Hamilton, November 8, 1909.

THE LIBRARY.

Board Has Completed Purchase of the New Site.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Public Library Board, held yesterday afternoon, it was decided to lay over the business in connection with the new library. The Building Committee had sent communications to various librarians and architects for plans and particulars for the building and furnishing of the new library, but a special meeting of the Board, held last night, had not been received. A meeting of the Building Committee will be called as soon as they are all heard from. The chairman reported that the purchase of the property on the corner of Main and Charles streets had been satisfactorily arranged, although the deed was not delivered yet to the committee. The Building and Finance Committee passed various accounts amounting to \$1,643.72, including \$70.78 of the Barton street branch. The committee also decided to increase the Librarian's salary, to take effect from January, 1909, and to raise it again in January, 1910.

Librarian Hunter reported that 269 books had been added during October, by purchase, and two by donation, and that the number of books issued during the month was 14,532, an increase of 32 over the corresponding month of last year. On account of Thanksgiving Day falling in October this year, the increase was not as large as in former years.

The Barton street branch reported 1,772 books issued during the month, an increase of 604 over October of last year.

2,000 ENTRIES.

Birds of Highest Class at the Poultry Show.

Last night a special meeting of the Hamilton and Wentworth Poultry and Pigeon Association was held in Green's hall for the purpose of receiving the entries of the local fanciers for the twentieth annual exhibition to be held at 193 King street east next week, Nov. 9 to 12. It is predicted that upwards of two thousand birds will be penned, and the quality in most classes is such that competition will be unusually keen. President George Henderson is of the opinion that the entry list will be a record breaker, hardly a numerical and meritorious standpoint.

On Tuesday evening next a free illustrated lecture will be given in the Public Library building by Prof. W. R. Graham, of Guelph Agricultural College, on "Practical Poultry Keeping," and at the conclusion of this the members of the association and their friends will hold a banquet at the Franklin House.

trial flight with Baddeck No. 2 at the Bentinck farm, near Baddeck, making a distance of fifteen miles. Both the start and landing were easily effected. A height of eighty feet was reached, and the river crossed four times during each flight.

"How is your boy Fritz getting along in der college?" "Ahl! He is half-back in der football team and all der way back in his studies."—Boston Globe.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 1909

A Slashing Sacrifice in Women's Suits

Absolutely nothing held in reserve. Not one Suit in stock of this season's make will be saved from this special price-reducing sale. The highest priced suit as well as the less expensive, they will all go at great reductions in this sale.

Further, every suit in the Ready-to-Wear Department is of this season's style and finish — to quote the manager, "You can say what you please in regard to our stock, make your descriptions as extravagant as you wish, and remember we can back you up in what you say both as to quality and price."

Rather sweeping, but convincing statement that you would do well to heed. Every suit is strictly man tailored, in the latest and approved cuts. Coats 40 to 45 inches long, semi and tight-fitting styles, mannish collar and new sleeves; lined with satin, silk or Venetian. Skirts in the new pleated effects; the shades are black, navy, brown, green, taupe, smoke, Burgundy, catawba, ashes of roses, amethyst and wistaria, and the materials are Broadcloths, Venetians, Cheviots, Ottoman Cord and Worsteds. And here are the prices for Saturday:

\$12.95 \$14.95 \$19.95 \$25.95

Here Are Two Coat Specials in Caracul and Ponyette Cloths

These lines of cloth are very scarce at present, so profit by our warning.

Nobby styles in Caracul Cloth Coats, 7/8 length, semi-fitting with deep vents at sides; back seams trimmed with large jet buttons; patch pockets; coat collar and lapels; on sale . . . \$16.50

Stylish Top Coats of Black Ponyette Cloth, made in semi-fitting, 7/8 length, double-breasted military collar, new sleeve with turn cuff; sleeves, front and collar trimmed with jet buttons; on sale . . . \$22.00

Women's Flannelette Gowns

These are some 8.30 specials that will surely interest you.

Gowns of fine Flannelette, in plain colors of white or pink, in many attractive styles to choose from. Gowns are 56, 58 and 60 inches in length, and will sell Saturday at . . . \$1.25; one price.

Gowns of splendid quality Flannelette, in plain white, with square yoke of fine embroidery insertion, finished with ruffles, in all sizes, on Saturday . . . \$1.50

Gowns of Heavy English Flannelette, in assorted stripes, with double yokes, well made, in a generous size, on sale Saturday, each . . . \$1.00

Gowns which are neat, yet inexpensive, made of flannelette, neatly tucked with rows of embroidery insertion, length of gowns 56, 58 and 60 inches, on each . . . 75c

Dress Goods Gossip

Five 8.30 specials for Saturday morning.

TARTAN PLAIDS, all wool, 42 inches, in a variety of popular clan designs, per yard . . . 40c

CREAM SERGE, 44 inches, nice even weave, regular 65c, on sale, per yard . . . 50c

CHIFFON TAFFETA, all shades, in a beautiful sheen, worth \$1 yard, on sale, per yard . . . 50c

WOOL DELAINES, 32 inches, stripe and Persian designs, three shades only, regular 50c yard, on sale Saturday, per yard . . . 39c

EXTRA SPECIAL

SUITING CLOTH, 54 inches wide, modish shades, worth \$1.75 yard, special for Saturday morning, per yard . . . \$1.19

Those New Gloves

You have been waiting for are in and they are the pick of the market. For Saturday at 8.30 these specials will prevail.

Women's Fancy Ringwood Gloves, in black, brown, cardinal and green, made of fine soft wool, neat fitting cuffs, priced for Saturday's selling . . . 25c

Children's Fancy Ringwood Gloves, in plain or mixed colors, neat fitting, price for Saturday per pair . . . 25c

Women's Heavy Walking Gloves, blown fingers, one dome fastener, 3 to 5 inches wide blind and open-work designs, special value Saturday at . . . 12c

Embroidery Skirting, 27 inches wide, open work designs, regularly 35 and 39c yard, special Saturday, per yard . . . 29c

Women's Fancy Belts, in dainty Dresden shades, touches of gold, finished with gilt buckles, regularly 25c, special for Saturday, each . . . 19c

The Newest in Millinery

Individuality is the keynote of Stanley Mills & Co. Millinery. It is the right hat for the right woman. Equal variety among the Hats here, no two exactly alike in the whole collection.

These are Children's Soft Felt Hats, trimmed, at \$1.25 and \$1.75, and Colored Felt Hats at \$4.98; stylish Velvet Toques at \$6.50; Dainty Winter Flowers, in all shades, regular \$2.00, for 50c; a smart Black Fur Turban at \$5.00 is dainty, and we could keep on mentioning several more shapes and styles.

Dainty Ribbons and Laces

More good things at 8.30 sharp.

Fancy Dotted Net, 40 inches wide, for making dainty waists, in white, black, brown and navy, regularly 50 and 75c yard, Saturday's special, yard . . . 39c

Embroideries, 3 to 5 inches wide, blind and open-work designs, special value Saturday at . . . 12c

Embroidery Skirting, 27 inches wide, open work designs, regularly 35 and 39c yard, special Saturday, per yard . . . 29c

Women's Fancy Belts, in dainty Dresden shades, touches of gold, finished with gilt buckles, regularly 25c, special for Saturday, each . . . 19c

Three Notion Specials

For Saturday. These are good ones.

Hose Supporters, with four straps, one inch wide, elastic rubber button fasteners, large pad and belt, regularly 25c, for . . . 17c

Pearl Buttons, in 24, 30 and 36 line, for blouses or children's coats, regularly up to 40c dozen, on sale Saturday, per card . . . 10c

Mending Wool, in black, one darning needle with each card, on Saturday, 4 cards for . . . 5c

Stanley Mills & Co., Limited

GOOD SHORT STORIES

A NATURAL QUERY.

(Zion's Herald.)

"Father," asked the small boy of an editor, "is Jupiter inhabited?"

"I don't know, my son," was the truthful answer.

Presently he was interrupted again. "Father, are there any sea serpents?"

"I don't know, my son."

The little fellow was manifestly cast down, but presently rallied and again approached the great source of information.

"Father, what does the North Pole look like?"

But alas! again the answer, "I don't know, my son."

At last, in desperation, he enquired, with withering emphasis: "Father, how did you get to be an editor?"

"And now, father," said Shem, "there's one thing you mustn't forget."

"And what's that?" inquired the grand old skipper.

"You mustn't forget to leave your records on the top of the mountain."

The ancient mariner glared at him. "In proof of what?" he demanded.

"Proof that will satisfy the doubters that you really reached the summit of Ararat."

The old man laughed hysterically. "My boy," he said, "the very existence of man and beast of all time to come will be good enough proof that I was here."

Consequently the fashion of leaving documentary evidence on mountain tops was postponed for a large number of centuries.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

SCRAP BOOK POETRY

THE ORGAN AND THE FIDDLE.

O' course I don't p'fend t' say there's easy en' o' choice
in fiddles or in organs, but the thing I was a-sayin'
The thing I was a-sayin' when I rated my
Plaintive voice—
Was death's more pertinckler with the dif-
ference in layin'—
For instance, if there's any time that I have
ever found more handy-like an'
Life is less a riddle,
It's airy in the evenin' when the family
gather round
An' Emmy plays the organ an' the hired
man the fiddle!

It ain't the blamed mazaruky an' cadenzers,
such as like
The black-futtin' fiddlers play an' fairly
bust their britches!
It's more a simple music of the brand that
years 't strike
A sort o' jittime music, such as lodges in
your toe
Unwell that pedal member fairly twists
around the others
In playful sort o' manner, an' I swan you'd
like t' show
A little fancy dancin' if they'd let 'er
have her
It's good ol' fashioned music such as "Turkey
In The Straw."
An' "Wainin' For The Wagon" an' "The
Hummin' Bee" an' "Whoa!"
An' "Saylor's On The Ocean" an' "O' Sour-
mash" an' "Law."
A lot of others outlawed much as fifty years
ago—
Or I suppose they're outlawed, an' away up-
on the shelf!
But lawey, hearin' of 'em seems t' put me
back in clover
It takes me back t' somewhere when I used
t' dance myself
Before I got lumbago an' my dancin' days
was over!

An' ma allows that Emmy's wastin' too much
time by far
In playin' on the organ, when she'd orter
be a-stillin'
Her cap fer gittin' married, an' the coo-
quines are
She's m'ch o' maid, an' mother keeps a-
stewin' an' a-frettin'!
But back of all the music an' their combi-
nation songs
It 'pears t' me that I kin see an answer
to the riddle
She is o' maid t' reckon, but I 'low it aint
fer long
'F she keeps on playin' on the hired
man t' fiddle!

JOHN L. WELLS.

The Siemon company, Limited, has been incorporated to take over and operate a number of valuable manufacturing plants and timber limits.

Their prospectus invites the careful consideration of conservative investors.

The properties taken over include saw-mills, veneer plant and hardwood flooring mills, besides valuable timber limits.

All the industries have a natural connection so that the consolidation will make for cheaper management and more economic operation.

The buyers of preferred stock will share with holders of common stock after the preferred dividend is paid.

None of the natural resources of Canada are more assured of a great increase in value than timber and no product is at present in greater demand than manufactured lumber.

The head office of the company is in Toronto and its plants in Wainor, Lakefield and Parry Sound.

Mrs. Buggins—I ordered lamb from the butcher, but I am sure this is mutton. Mr. Buggins—Well, even a butcher may realize that it's tough to be young.

The miniature Cissie Loftus had come down to dessert.

"She is so clever!" enthused the mother to the assembled company. "She can imitate almost anyone!"

"Quite true, my dear," echoed her husband proudly. "Now, then, Millie, before you tackle that banana, show us what you can do. Pretend to be the housemaid."

The miniature Cissie Loftus bowed to one of the guests.

"Will you take any more chicken, marm, or a little more beef?" she asked politely. "Shall I put the screen behind your chair, marm?" she inquired of another. "The fire is very fierce."

"Go on, my dear—go on!" chuckled her proud father. "Show 'em what you can do!"

The miniature Cissie Loftus assumed a terrified expression, and backed quickly away from her father's chair.

"Sir, let me go!" she cried. "Give you a kiss, indeed! Don't touch me. Suppose the missus was to hear you?"

A strike of the pupils of the West High School, Cleveland, O., against the recent revival of forenoon and afternoon sessions, and the high price of lunches, is in progress. When school convened there was not more than 100 scholars in the building. The remaining 400 pupils held a meeting in a vacant lot near the school and adopted resolutions to prolong the fight.