THE FATAL SPANISH OPAL

the Duke of Montpensier, and, to the horror of all, she also died before three

The king was so horror stricken and

grieved at these strange occurrences

that he resolved not to give it to any

one else, but to wear it himself. He

also died soon afterward. The queen

regent, broken hearted and afraid of the fatal stone, resolved that no other

its ill luck, and, obtaining a solid gold chain, she fastened the opal ring to it

and hung it around the neck of the

that time none of the royalties can be

Virgin of Almudena of Madrid. Since

persuaded to accept the opal, and

naturally the people, always supersti-tious, have been afraid even to look at

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ment being refused, which, of course sometimes happens, the creditor is promptly apprised of the fact, and val-

uable time is thus frequently saved.-

Silver Bathtubs. At the czar's palace of Tsarskoe-Selo

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feature is described by Miss Egar, the children's governess, as follows: "In

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the use of whatever haby reigns. Each

child's name is engraved upon it, so it forms a historical record. It was ap-

bears his name and those of his fam-

ily. We also find the names of Alex-

ander II. and of Marie, afterward Duchess of Edinburgh. The last name

baby who was born in August, 1904."

In its march to the pole the drama has reached Iceland. It is a recent

graft upon the intellectual life of the

sland, according to the London Globe.

The first theater was founded so re-

the island—at Reikjavik—but it has taken firm root. The dramatic season

opens in October and closes at the end

of April, when the good folk go fishing,

are mostly drawn upon, but during the

last season one or two native poets

have recited their own compositions

which promise well. The municipality

and the diet each subsidize the the-

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ing machine, the British battleship

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arrangement of "lifts," by which off-

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with the hull built around them, each

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#### RICHARD BURBAGE.

He Was a Great Actor and Shah ne Jewel Princess Hna Did Not Got

In reading over the list of the young king of 'n's handsome gifts of jewels to his orde, Princess Ena of Battenberg, said to exceed \$1,000,000 in value, it will be noticed that among actors, Burbage was in every way worthy to head the long roll of Engall the precious stones—diamonds, pearls, brilliants, saphhires, etc.—ne mention is made of an opal. The opal has always been considered an unlucky many of the heroes of the dramatist stone, and many instances have been given of the ill luck attending its acceptance, but the noted Spanish opal has brought so many terrible catastrophes in its wake that it is dreaded by the Spaniards above all symbols of ill luck. in the licenses for acting granted by James I. in 1603 to the company of the

This opal was originally possessed by Alfonso XII. of Spain, and was highly valued by the king. Accordingly, on his wedding day he presented it, among other gifts, to his bride, who was Mercedes, the daughter of the Duke of Montpensier. She died, however, shortly afterward, and the king, not liking to see any of her jewels to remind him of his loss, gave it among the great players of the day, being written as late as the time of Charles II. others to his sister, Maria del Pilar, just before the funeral of his wife. The king's sister died a few days after re-ceiving the opal, and the king then gave it to his sister-in-law, the Princess Christina, the youngest daughter of

career, and it is from the numerou elegies then written that most of the information concerning him must be gathered. Few players have ever had the good fortune to be so well liked by the dramatists of their time, and all praised him, one even lamenting that his death "hath made a visible eclipse

A shrewd, careful man in his busi producing a yearly income of £300. a large sum for a player in those days to bequeath to his heirs. Beloved and respected by all, he survived his great master by only a few years, his grave bearing the simple, expressive epitaph, "Exit Burbage." — London Saturdag

#### CHLOROPHYLL.

ing of Plants. A debt collecting agency which is Chlorophyll is perhaps the most in run as a part of the regular public postal system is the newest "improvement" of the postoffices of Austria. Despite the novelty of the enterprise, the plan has worked admirably, so that many thousands are collected annually by the postmen throughout the Austrian empire. The system is very sim-ple. Suppose a tradesman in Vienna has an account due from a customer in, say, such a distant town as Budatance does not matter in the least. He in the capital, whence it is at once transmitted to the postoffice at Buda-pest. There the postman presents it to the debtor, collects the cash and remits it to the Vienna postoffice, whence it is delivered to the tradeslcohol for an hour.

containing it is held in such a manner that the sunlight is reflected from the blood red, due to its property of fluor as to make them coincide with those of greatest insight into its physical properties may be gained. If such a ray of light is passed through a prism and spread out on a screen, it may be seen that there are several large intervals of dark bands in the spectrum. The rays of light which would have occupied these spaces have been absorbed by the chlorophyll and converted into heat and other forms of energy. This energy is directly available to the protoplasm containing the chlorophyll, and means of it the synthe plex substance may be accomplished.

According to Horsepower. decay of coaching was more than com-pensated for by the spread of metoring as a pastime, exclaimed, as a final ar cently as 1897, and there is only one in gument, that his car was of forty horsepower, "the equal, sir, of ten re-lays of coach horses."

planation.

and the theater is open about three evenings a week. Bjornson and Ibsen

Onions. Onions are almost the best nervine knewn. No medicine is so useful in cases of nervous prostration, and there is nothing else that will so quickly re-lieve and tone a wornout system. Onland to Quebec and back without fillions are useful in all cases of coughs, ing bunkers or tanks. Inasmuch as ing punkers of tanks. Inashuta as insomia, hydrophobia, scurvy, gravel low the armored deck, there will be an and kindred liver complaints. Eaten every other day, they soon have a cers and men may be conveyed over clearing and whitening effect on the the impassable bulkheads. The ship is

> Talent. The world is always ready to receive talent with open arms. Very often it does not know what to do with genius. Talent is a docile creature. It bows its head meekly while the world slips the collar over it. It backs into the shafts like a lamb.—Holmes.

Hamand-Since Walker Tighs inherited \$1,000,000 he is a paradox. Eggbert-What's the answer? Hamand-He is both the richest and poorest

An excess of levity is as impertinent as an excess of gravity.—Haslitt.

actor on the stage.

#### Kitty the Winner

There was a good attendance at the

On Friday evening an event that

reatened a tragic termination oc-

surred at Charleston Lake. A number

of the lake-dwellers and tourists were

tion and witness fireworks that were

set off as a close to the evening's enjoy-

ment. Messrs. W. G. and A. G. Parish, with a party of ladies in their gasoline launch, were thus engaged when they noticed a fire down the lake,

and they put-putted for it without delay, speculating en route as to its nature and origin. On reaching it they were horrified to learn that the

flames were proceeding from the after part of Mr. Hanson's naptha launch,

in the bow of which Mrs. Hanson and

two other ladies were crowded while

the gentlemen of the party were fight-ing the flames. Calling to them that he would land his passengers and go to their assistance, the Belle was headed for Orange Island, only a short distance

away, but before they could return the fire was extinguished. Dr. Lillie had

arrived on the scene by this time with his launch and towed the disabled craft

and its passengers to Long Island, the

It was a most terrifying position in which the party was placed. The fire took place near the Doctor's rock, off

Point Geraldine, but the fierce flames so

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ast Wednesday, and keen interest was manifested in the trial of speed. Under the handicap announced last The first of the great English tragic reek, Mr. Jadson's launch was the first to start, but it came to grief almost immediately, the pilot steering too close to Goose Island and sacrificland's famous players. The son of an actor, the friend and companion of ng the wheel. C. J. Banta's Helene peare, it was through him that and W. G. Parish s Belle got off to-gether at 3.30 and Dr. Lillie's Pastime, first spoke to the eager playgoers who thronged the Globe theater. He was the original of Romeo, Hamlet, Lear, 3.47 and W. H. Hanson's St. Law Othello, Macbeth, Shylock, Richard III. and many other of Shakespeare's ence at  $3.56\frac{1}{2}$ . leading characters, and his name stands next to that of the great poet The distance was three laps of ourse totally about 12 miles. Dr. Lillie ran out of gasoline and was able to complete only two laps. The launches finished in the following or-

His powers as an actor were not his also a successful painter. The fame of theatrical tradition for many years, a poem in his honor, dedicated to one of

His death, which was probably the result of paralysis, caused the poets to

To This Substance Is Due the Color

portant coloring substance in the world, for upon this substance depend the characteristic activity of plants, the synthesis of complex compounds from carbon dioxide and water process, upon which the existence of all living things is ultimately conditioned. Only in a very few unimportant forms devoid of very few unimportant terms devote se-chlorophyll can the synthesis of com-plex from simple compounds or from the elements be accomplished. The function of chlorophyll may only be comprehended when its chief physical operties are understood. These may e best illustrated by placing a gram

dazzled the eyes of the party that they could not see the shore-line, and were altogether uncertain as to their exact in a few cubic centimeters of strong Such a solution will be of a bright, clear green color, and when the vessel location. Shortly before the fire occurred, a journal-box was noticed to heating and this probably started the blaze, Connection with the gasoline surface of the liquid it will appear tank was soon shut off, and the carpet ing torn from the bottom of the craft escence, that of changing the wave was used effectively in controlling and length of the rays of light of the violet finally subduing the flames. and of the spectrum in such a manner It was a very close call and empha the red end. It is by examination of sizes the importance of eternal vigil. light which has passed through a soluance in the running of gasoline motor tion of chlorophyll, however, that the

A young motorist, endeavoring to convince a country innkeeper that the

The next morning he read in his bill, "To feeding and stabling, 80 shillings." He asked the landlord for an ex-

"The charge for 'osses is 2 shillin' s 'ead, sir," was the reply. "That ma-chine of yours is equal to forty 'osses, which is 80 shillin'."—London Hz-

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