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THE TORQUOISE RING By KARL VON KRAFT.

began to run, my lord following with equal speed, and I silently after them both keeping always to the shandows. In a moment the wanton had turned the corner into the east wing, and just a fright. Coming slowly along the further end of the long hall were five faint astic shapes. Four of them were carrying something on a litter, swathed in a white sheet. In a moment I saw that they were our serving men, half clad, as though they were just aroused from their beds. Oh, God, what a moment! The other servants that had gathered were huddled in tragic groups some holding lights, some sobblins, some quasking with fear, all far in the background. None came near me, and I seemed powerless to move.

"Now I became conscious of the fifth figure. It was a woman, crazed, or so it seemed, her long black hair willidy streaming and her white robe blotched and stalesed a sickening orinson. Shows were wearing about, now moaning over the prostrate body, and again waving aloft a ring—it was my turquoise. My soul congealed with nameless horror. All my flesh—puckered until fihe creating aloft a ring—it was my turquoise. My soul congealed with nameless horror, all my flesh—puckered will fihe developing chills fairly vibrated my body—flow, and again waving aloft a ring—it was my turquoise. My soul congealed with nameless horror, all my flesh—puckered until fihe creating the developing chills fairly vibrated my body—flow, and again waving aloft a ring—it was my turquoise. My soul congealed with nameless horror, all my flesh—puckered until fihe creating the developing chills fairly vibrated my body—flow, and again waving aloft a ring—it was my turquoise. My soul congealed with nameless horror, all my flesh—puckered until fihe creating the developing chills fairly vibrated my body—flow of the my flow of

stopped my hands; while old Guilletta; who had recovered from her swoon as best she might, drew me away. Ah, my poor Luigi!

"When at length my husband's bodg was laid upon his bed and a surgeon summoned, they said that he still breathed; and later, that he had revived and was asking for me. What joy and fear were mingled for me, then! But only for a short moment was I allowed to kiss his black curls, answer his feeble smile with an adoring look, and steal on tip-toe away. They told me that the stillet thrust—for such it was—had been turned aside by a bone, and he might live.

"Just what had happened no one knew, but from Guilletta I wunst enough to set me guessing.

"The Madonna knows, my lambith, she sobbed, thou dost force—me to speak. I know only what I saw, and would believe not even that. It must be some devillsh night-dream. Ah, if only thou hadst not parted with thy turngoise!" I was she, my dearle, who charmed thy lord away from the—she with thy turkis upon her hand.

"Jocosa Accursed be that daughter of lies! Jocosa! It was she, my dearle, who charmed thy lord away from the—she with thy turkis upon her hand."

"Jocosa saw me she groveled at my bosom at the sound of those words—herve so much as one look from my lord for such as I," and she rolled the sound of those words—herve so much as L." Alas, that I should have doubted him! My heart that had seemed of sone was indeed of fesh.

"Hush, thou sily thing, is not my lorg for such as I," and she rolled to she was not long the unseen." The Contessa pared again. And then—"After all, do you Americans love like were though he waits for me was indeed of fesh.

"Jucosa saw me she groveled at my chair, she had the fell miss of the while, and why what you have fell not have my lord for such as I." Alas, that I should have doubted him? My heart that had seemed of stone was indeed of fesh.

"Jocosa Accursed be that daughter of lies! Jocosa! It was she, my dearle, who charmed my lord away from the—she with the full down of the second of the she had stolen my turquo

"On—on toward my lord's ana - for domo. He was madly in love with ments. Just then thy Count came Jocesa, you see, but she would always alone, and quietly, up the grand stair - flout him. And when he, returning

AMUSEMENTS.

NICKEL'S NEW SHOW TODAY AND SATURDAY.

Christian and Pagan, the leading film feature at the Nickel today and tomorrow, is one of Edison's latest and best productions. It is a dramatic story of the days of the early Christians, and the wealth of scenery, fine acting and special effects, make it a most engrossing item on the new programme. It is entirely different from any film shown at the Nickel for many months, and its fervor and ancient splendor stamp it as unusual. Now I'm Here I'll Stay is a Pathe comedy of a man who refused to vacate for the landlord. His First, Flight is a clever skit on the aeroplane idea and shows some real flights of the American aviator, Wright, in France. Miss Holmes and Mr. Bachanan made distinct hits last evening in their solo numbers, the former in "A Little Girl Like Me," from His Honor the Mayor, and the latter in a lovely German song entitled In the Time of Roses. Mr. Courtnals sang acceptably in picture ballads. On Saturday afterneon The Nickel has a special programme for the children as usual, the matinee starting at 1 o'clock. starting at 1 o'clock.

BRAND NEW PICTURES AND VAUDEVILLE AT THE PRINCESS.

A fairly large crowd braved the storm last night and attended the Princess Theatre, and as several persons expressed themselve, saw one of the finest programmes ever given in St. John. Today there is a new programme of pictures, songs and musical numbers by Mr. Allan, the versatile musician. The pictures for today are: "The Little Chimney Sweep's Christmas," "Young Shepherdess," "The Little Marchioness," "Circumstantial Evidence" and two other subjects. Mrs. Tufts is singing a pretty song, entitled "I Have a Warm Spot in My Heart For Tennessee." Next week the management announce a very high class vaudeville act, Williams and Rose Tony and Ethel in "A Night at the Club," from Keith's fifth Avenue Theatre, New York.

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A GRAND COMEDY BILL AT THE The Greatest UNIQUE FOR FRIDAY AND

SATUDAY.

In anticipation of something more serious on Monday, the better portion of the Unique programme for Friday and Saturday will be comedy. This happens only occasionally and those who enjoy a hearty laugh will have more than the usual number in this rather out of proportion bill of fare. In response to what seemed a very general desire, arrangements have been made to retain the hit of vesterday's programme for two more days. This is the farce comedy, The Curtain Pole, which has been making moving picture patrons talk some lurning the past two days. The last chance to see this splendid feature will be today and tomorrow. The other subjects are Educated Abroad, Hypnotic Influence, and How the Kids Got Even. Mr. Dick is making a hit in his new song with guitar accompaniment, entitled I'm Very Much Obliged to You. Look out for the new singer Monday, this new artist is none other than Mr. Jos. Killcoyne, the basso who in two other places in the provinces, the only points where he has been heard in Canada, made a success altogether without a precedent in picture house extertainment in the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Killcoyne's opening selection will be The Waters Below, by Korman.

Richard Mansfield's great success, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, will be the big headliner at the Cameraphone today and tomorrow. This picture gives the transformation scene exactly as played by Mr. Mansfield. Another good number is an imitation of David Warfield in his most famous role, The Mu-

cesca thought some baseness was meditated toward his love, and so his hot Calabrian blood ran riot—and then the

"Charmed my lord away!" What is out—that was what I saw; and the faithful old towered in a frenzy of wrath as she tole me all.

"Did not I, being as my lady knows a light sleeper, hear thy doors softly chen and close? Well, my hearing has she tole me all.

"One—on—finite tail old to the great corridor, wrapped in thy white garden close, and wearing boldly thy turquoise ring. My well," she finished, "so that in two through the casement. She moved along the corridor as silently as cull-doors will, past the landing of the grand stair-case, and so she went on—oh, my baby, that I should live to see the so dishonared!"

"On—on—on toward my lord's agent—"On—on—on toward my lord's agent—"On—on—toward my lord's ag

Recently the British barque Antiope sailed from Newcastle, Australia, to San Francisco. On the voyage, in latitude twenty degrees south, a great quantity of grease was seen floating on the surface of the ocean. A calm prevailed at the time, and the sailors drew up many bucketfuls. With this grease they anointed the masts, their sea boots and ollekins. They regarded their find as ordinary grease and wasted it as such. As a matter of fact, the grease was ambergris, and the waste was of material worth something like twenty thousand dollars.

Such astounding ignorance on the But for a long time the nature

sic Master. Webb and Monlin (the little people) sing three first class numbers, entitled She Hasn't Done Her Hair Up Yet. I've Taken Quite a Fancy To You, and Bon, Bon Buddie. Another very funny number is entitled Krausmeyer's Birthday, an amusing German dialect sketch containing many hearty laughs and closing with the stein song, Under the Anheuser Bush. Miss MacDonald will sing two new numbers at every performance and has two special numbers for the children on Saturday.

There is some popular confusion of ambergris with amber; in fact, however, there is no relation between them. But for a long time the nature of ambergris was hidden in mystery. In ancient days it was commonly believed that it flowed up from the bottom of the sea. Sinbad the Sailor tells of a spring of ambergris that he found; but it was in a crude state. The fish swallowed it, and then disgorged it in congealed form, and in this condition it floated on the surface of the ition it floated on the surface of the

as the seventeenth century, ambergris was supposed to possess magic powers, and it was highly esteemed as a principal ingredient of love philters.

Ambergris is an animal product, an emanation from the sperm whale. It is usually found floating on the surface of the sea along the coasts of tropical countries. The word itself means gray amber, though from the nature of the substance the final syllable has been often corrupted into "grease." The scientific theory as to its production is that it is the result of some disease in that it is the result of some disease in the sperm whale, analogous to gall-stones. Sometimes it is found in the intestines; but ordinarily it has been expelled by the animal. It floats it mass, and is of a speckled gray ap-

SOFT AND WAXY.

mable, opaque, very light, coarse to the touch. The bulk of that on the market is found along the coasts of the Mahama Islands; but the Moluccas fifty dollars an ounce. furnish a considerable quantity. It is found also in other parts of the Indian Ocean, and a little is gathered at times on the South American coast.

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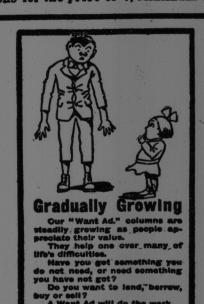
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