Of "a Royal Family" Unbent and With the Little Prince, Became Children.

Christmas Day is usually a joyless holiday for actors, with its two performances and hurried dinner between them. Christmas audiences are always in a happy moode and quickly respon-sive. But the very happiness in the air has a pathetic suggestion for the player who must work while others play.

Still, they have their compensations in the mysterious packages brought up by the stage door man, which one hasn't time to open until after the next scene. Oh, the delight of finishing that scene and opening the nackage.

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A present from the family, who are reunited for the holidays in the old home, and who each send a gift and a word of loving greeting to the absent worker.

Then the telegrams, the flowers, the unexpected gifts from members of the company, or little offering from a poor "stage hand," which touches you deeply, because you know how much the dollar and a half meant to him.

But on this especial Christmas Day last year there was an air of great but suppressed excitement in "A Royal Family." One met the Queen in her long court gown, struggling with her train over one arm and a huge package in the other, groping along a dark passage to the "property room."

Then the Cardinal, in his magnificent scarlet silk robes, guiltily concealing a long boy. Others of the versel feet in the long long boy. Others of the versel feet in the long long boy.

long box. Others of the royal family were seen along the dark passage carrying parcels to the property room, from which they emerged with smiling, eager

As the curtain fell upon the final tableaux of the play, with the entire court assembled, there was not the usual rush for the dressing rooms. Every one remained on the stage, and the Princess, taking the tiny Prince by the hard, explained that she had received a letter from Santa Claus to say that he visit the theatre that day.

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was the explanation ma ated by the property man, drawing in a most wondrous Christmas tree, loaded with gifts and candles and fairy things.

The poor little actor for whom all this joy had been prepared by his grown comrades was too stunned to speak. Even after a formal introduction to Santa Clause and his assurance to the little boy that all the tree was his, the realization come alors were all the contract of the second contract of the s realization came slowly and he gave faint little squeals of joy as the un-dreamed-of toys were shown to him. Oh! the wonderful wagons that went

The wonderful wagons that went half-way across the stage when they were wound up, and the funny animals that jumped about all by themselves.

The child's delight grew and caught the whole company. What a sight it would have been for the audience leaving the theatre could they have seen on the other side of the curtain. There was the entire court of Caron-king queen

the entire court of Caron—king, queen, prince, princess, cardinal, courtiers, ambassadors, ladies in waiting—all in their grogeous raiment, playing like children with the toys. Some were on their hands and knees others running around after a mechanical rabbit. The Cardinal and the Dow

ager Queen were convulsed over the antics of two wooden monkeys having a where was the dignity and the art now! Forgotten in the happiness of a moment of return to that nature which makes the whole world kin to a little

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Bright's Disease is Kidney Disease i its worst form. Dodd's Kidney Pills al-ways cure it. They also easily cure mild-er forms of Kidney Complaint.

THE SOUND OF BATTLE. In the January World's Work is a ourie description of the sounds of battle, written by a correspondent in the Far East:

"Only those who lie in the firing-line ar

hear the constant screch of the shells as they cleave their terrible way through the air above know the true sounds of modern war. The whip-like smack of the bursting sheil the swish of the scattering bullets, are nothing to the macking screech of these damned ing to the macking screech of these damned messengors of death as they pursue each other, and if in competition to complete the awful object of their hideous mission. The whole welkin is discordant with their tumuit; you feel the rush of misplaced air, splintersing in your ears, the earth is in constant tremble with the violence of the discharge; you feel it pulsate against your cheek pressed to the moist mud of the parapet, and then a builet saps the life-bloof of the comrade whose elbow has touched yours day and night for forty hours. There is a limit to human endurance in these straits."

or Russian, as I would say, in their copiousness . some in which every word is a monosyllable, others in which some ngated by agglutination till they ten syllables, like da pa-l-ochonkan-taken-taken-taken-tin-a-c—a Sontali word, meaning: "He who helours to him word, meaning: "He who helours to him word to weneer his opinions with common politeness self be reade to fight." Some of these divers tongues hack verb and noun, others are as conview and systematic there are as conview and systematic the solution of the coop, if six or eight hene would join they are as conview and systematic the solution of the coop, if six or eight hene would join the solution o



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of a large quantity—each Londoner's share being 12 pounds, and just half of it comes from abroad. The Londoner ranks high as a meat-eater—the Metropolis every year receiving about 450,000 tons of meat, alive and dead. A fair quantity of fish also disappears, put down at no less than 574,000 tons.

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ctly" said an oculist. "It affects cer

tain sight muscles.

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ROBT. BOND'S CASE

ROBT. BOND'S CASE these muscles demands of an old man gives him a headache. Hence he adopts glasses, which do his focusing for him—

one pair focusing for reading another pair focusing for long distances.

"Old age glasses don't actually improve the sight. They only take the place of certain muscles that age has stiffened. They don't even do that, though, unless they are cleaned frequently. they are cleaned frequently. Glasses should be kept perfectly clean-should be cleaned when in use, once an hour, with a silk handkerchief, never with a linen one.'

No, Maude, dear; horseplay is no always confined to the races.

# THIS AND THAT.

Save up for Easter. Remember Lent is coming. Exchangeosis raged for a week. Time to lay in thin summer wear. Women with large families start sumer sewing.

We may rejoice that the days are

We may rejoice that the days are getting longer.

We near not fear more than three bad months at the most.

It will be time to take down the Christfas green the last of the week.

With twelfth night we feel that Christmas is really over until next year.

We can at least "get husy" living unit We can at least "get busy" living up the good resolutions we have made. We may be thankful that not all our colidays are celebrated with a noise fair ly rivaling that on the first of July.

### Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

A well-known Englishman constantly wears in a small locket attached to a chain around the neck a portion of the charred skull ot Shelley. Of late years a great many persons have visited the former residence of the late Victor Hugo to see a tooth of the charred skull ot Shelley. Of late years a great many persons have visited the former residence of the late Victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late Victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late victor Hu you feel the rush of misplaced air, splinters sing in your ears, the earth is in constant tremble with the violence of the discharge; you feel it pulsate against your cheek pressed to the moist mud of the parapet, and then a bullet saps the life-bloof of the comrade whose elbow has touched yours day and night for forty hours. There is a limit to human endurance in these straits."

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Specien in British India are some possessing only a few hundred words, others rivaling English. as Dr. Guierson says, or Russian. as I would say, in their single proper in the strain of the favorite chair of Research and permitted the former residence of the late Victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this is kept in a small glass case with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of that celebrate with this is placed with this is kept in a small glass case with this inscription: "Tooth drawn from the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of the late victor Hugo to see a tooth of

### Vast Conceit of the Rooster.

remote from home

Holiday Bank Advertising.

Bank advertising is of comparatively recent development, but it is making rapid strides. Many banking institutions have already learned the value of imparting a seasonable turn to their

imparting a seasonable turn to their "ads," and several in the West are calling attention, through the newspapers, to the desirability of giving young people a newly-started bank account as a Christmas present. The time will come when the bank which fails to advertise will be on the same footing with the

merchant who neglects publicity.

(Minneapolis Journal.)

HANDY FOR POLICE.

the most interesting features of the arrangement is that an operator at the Central Station can establish communication with the policeman on his beat. At certain points signalling boxes are placed, in the centre of which is a tiny round disc, like a miniature bull'e-eye, visible to the passer-by through transparent glass let into the cover of the signal box. The disc is colored red. Should the operator at the Central Station desire to call the attention of the policeman in a particular beat all he has to do is to turn a lever. Instantly the discs of every signal-box in the beat operated by the lever show a conspicuous white. The policeman then understands he is wanted.



Umbrella Cure for Dogs.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows

"I think I got square with a couple of dogs last night," said the suburban resident whose business keeps him out till 2 o'clock every morning, " and that without running foul of the S. P. C. A. "The beasts haunt my street, and the moment they hear my footstep they set up a barking which wakes up all the neighbors and sets them wondering what form of dissipation keeps me out so late. "Well, I was carrying an umbrella unrolled last night and an inspiration struck me. One brute, a cross-grained fox terrier, was standing in the fringe of shadow about twenty feet from a lamp post.

A DEEP DRAUGHT.

Rothenburg espoused the cause of Martin Luther during the Reformation, and in 1631 was besieged by the army of the Catholic League commanded by Tilly. Although assisted by the Swedes under Gustavus Adolphus, the city was eventualy compelled to capitulate, the senate and burgomaster being condemned to death. Before the sentence could be carried out, however, the conquering general, mellowed by copious potations of good Tauber wine, conceived the satanic humor of offering to set free the condemned men if one of their number could finish at a single draught the enormously large mughul of wine, from which he was then drinking. A member of the senate, Nusch by name, essayed the herculean task, and emptied the somewhat more than three quarts of of shadow about twenty feet from a lamp post.

"I walked close up to him, he snarling and yapping to split your cars. At about ten feet range I suddenly opened the umbrella wide, right facing him.

"You know the odd flapping and clicking noise it makes when you do it quickly. Well, sir, I was astonished at the result.

"That dog gave a low growl of alarm and turned a flip flop in haste to get away. He ran clear into the middle of a big vacant plot before he stopped.
"I tried it again a minute later on a

the herculean task, and emptted the somewhat more than three quarts of wine down his seventeenth-century throat, without removing the cup from his lips. They were stout drinkers in those days!—From Rothenburg on the Tauber, by Charles B. Wells, in Four-Track News for January. big nondescript animal that came bellow ing at me in a dark stretch under some trees. As I dashed the umbrella open his note changed to sharp yelps of agony, and I'm sure I don't know where he stopped running, He certainly got clear off the block. I was startled myself at Gentlemen,—Last winter I received great benefit from the use of MIN-ARD'S LINIMENT in a severe attack of the success of my experiment.
"I recommend the umbrella cure for dogs. Try it."—New York Sun.

### ORIGIN OF MACARONI.

La Grippe, and I have frequently proved it to be very effective in cases of in-flammation. A great many stories are in existence A great many stories are in existence about the origin of the word "macaroni" and the invention of the dish so designated. According to one authority, says the Indianapolis Sentinel, a drunken chef employed by one of the Popes was responsible both for the name and the dish. He was preparing a souffle for the Papal soup, and, having taken considerably more than a drop too much, he went on stirring the flour until the souffle was of the consistency of hardtack. The as-NOTHING LEFT OF THE WILD



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OLDEST OF LIVING THINGS.

Huge Cypress Tree Which Has Nu bered 6,260 Years.

The statement recently made that there are yews in England which are the oldest living things on earth is not correct, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

These yews are old, very, very old; there is no doubt about tant; some of them were stalwart trees even before Leesar landed on these shores. There is one now standing in the churchyard at Fortingal, in Perthshire, which Decandele, nearly a century ago, proved to the satisfaction of botanists to be more than twenty-five centuries old, and another at Hedsor, in Bucles, which is \$240 years old. How Decandole arrived at an apparently correct estimate of the enormous age of these living trees, is a simple thing, and the principle is doubtless known to-day to all. The yew, like most trees, adds one line about the tenth of an inch, to its circumference each year. He proved this after an investigation extending over several years, and we know now, a hundred years later, that his deductions were correct. The old yew at Hedsor, has a trunk twenty-seven feet in diameter, proving its great-age, and it is in a flourishing, healthy condition now, like its brother at Fortingal.

cer, mas a trunk twenty-seven feet in diameter, proving its grearage, and it is in a flourishing healthy condition now, like its brother at Fortingal.

Their years are few, though, compared with those of the trees I had in mind when I made my first assertion that the statement printed about them in a scientific journal was incorrect. In one chapter of his writings Humbold refers to a gigantic boabab tree in Central Africa as the "oldest organic manument" in the world. This tree has, a trunk twenty-nine feet in diameter and Adanson, by a series of careful measurements, demonstrated conclusively that it had lived for not less than 5,180 years.

Still, it is not the oldest organic monument in the world, as Humboldt declared, for now Mexican scientists have proved that a huge cypress tree standing in Chepultepec, with a trunk 118 feet and 10 inches in circumference, is older than it-older, too, by more than a thousand years—for it had been shown, as conclusively as these things can be shown, that its age is shout 6,200 years. To become impressed with! wonder over this one has only to dwell on that duration for a little while in thought.

Yet it is not so remember that, given its—orable conditions for its growth, and sustenance, the average tree will never die older younger and, more vigorous treeds Other younger and, more vigorous treeds of their proper mourishment; insects may kill it, floods or winds may sweep it away, or its roots may come in contact with rook and become se gnaried and twisted, because they have not rom to expand in their growth, that they literally throttle the average the sustenance, the these are accidents. If such century after century still robust, still flourishing, sheltering, with its wide-spread branches, the men and women of age after age.

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"Yes, sir," said the butler, with outstretched hand, "silence is golden," you know, att." (Philadelphia Press.)

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COST OF LONDON FOGS.

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(Philadelphia Record.)

In one of the corridors of a New York hospital two physicians met.
"We've got a horrib's case upstairs," said one of the doctors.
"Why, what's the trouble?" asked the other doctor. doctor.

"It's a woman, and she's so cross-eyed that when she cries the tears run down her back, 'exhiained the Irist M. D.

"I don't see anything so horrible about that." was the second doctor's comment. "What are you treating her for?"

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