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PLAYS, PICTURES AND MUSIC

AUDIENCE SHRIEKED AT ROYAL ALEXANDRA FARCE

"The Night Before" Returns to the Grand and Receives Warm Welcome.

"A Pair of Slices" has enough vitality to preserve it alive for several seasons, and last night's reappearance at the Royal Alexandra brought out an audience that fairly shrieked over the comedy presented in the situation where two partners try to settle their disputes by a poker bet. The three acts of the farce are a real gem, and it is difficult to say which causes most amusement. The comedy is presented by a new one, and is very good, the giving a rather different reading to most of the situations. The comedy is presented by Walter Fenner and Harry Stubbs, who have a number of good scenes. The comedy is presented by Walter Fenner and Harry Stubbs, who have a number of good scenes. The comedy is presented by Walter Fenner and Harry Stubbs, who have a number of good scenes.

GLORIES PLEASE STAR PATRONS

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Official War Statements

British
The British official communication, issued last night, says:
"Last night we repulsed a small German attack southeast of Albert. During the night the enemy sprang a mine south of La Bassée Canal, causing some damage to our trenches."
"Today there has been some artillery activity about Aubers and the Ypres-Comines Canal."

French
The French war office reports:
"In Belgium our batteries have bombarded German organizations located opposite Steenstraete."
"In Champagne, in the region of the Navarin farm, to the north of Soissons, the enemy was successful in launching an attack in occupying certain trenches of our advance line; they also took a supporting trench."
"In the region to the north of Verdun the bombardment has continued with intensity, particularly in the central sector and on our right. There has been no further attack on the Cote du Poivre."
"Yesterday evening German forces made several attempts to occupy the Village of Douaumont. These efforts were broken by the resistance of our troops, who withstood the most furious assaults."
"There is no change in the situation at the fort of Douaumont, which still remains closely encircled. The fighting is less spirited on the plateau to the north of the Village of Vaux."
"In the Woëvre district, the enemy yesterday evening and last night assumed an attitude of greater activity. The railway station at Elx, captured and recaptured several times by the attacks and counter-attacks of the two opposing forces, now remains in our possession."
"All the attacks against Hill No. 265, to the southeast of Elx, were futile, failing to dislodge our troops. Further to the south a German attack against Manheulles resulted in complete failure."
"Our artillery is combating with energy the bombardment of the enemy along all this front."
"In the Vosges we have bombarded several German barracks in the region of Ban de Sapt."

Russian
The Russian official statement issued last night says:
"On the western front there has been heavy artillery, machine gun and rifle firing south of Friedrichestadt, near the mouth of the Laitz and toward Houcker. In Galtich an enemy attempt to approach our trenches in the middle Stripa was repulsed by our fire."
"In the Caucasus we continued our pursuit of the enemy."

German
The German War Office reports:
"There have been exceedingly violent artillery engagements at several places. On the front north of Arras there has been intermittent mining activity. The Germans blew up about forty metres of an enemy position."
"In the Champagne, the Germans, after efficient artillery preparation, began an attack on both sides of the road from Somme-Py to Soisson. They captured the Navarin farm and French positions on both sides, about 1600 metres long, and took prisoner 28 officers and 1000 men and captured nine machine guns and one mine thrower."
"In the Verdun district, new masses concentrated by the enemy were exhausted in unsuccessful attempts to capture German positions in and near the fortresses of Douaumont and Hartmannsburg. The Germans have cleared the Meuse Peninsula of enemy forces, and have advanced their lines further in the direction of Vacheriville and Bras."
"In the Woëvre, the foot of the Lorraine Heights was reached from the east at several places."

Austrian
The following Austrian official statement was issued yesterday:
"Austro-Hungarian troops have occupied Durazzo. During the forenoon one column, under the fire of the Italians, advanced across the northern salient to Foros, six kilometres from Durazzo. Our troops advanced across the southern isthmus, but were hindered at the beginning by the Italian artillery. Towards night, however, numerous detachments, by wading, swimming and floating, reached the bridge east of Durazzo and drove back the Italian rear guards."
"On the Isonzo front there has been lively artillery fire, and an occasional unimportant infantry engagement. A dawn Austro-Hungarian detachment from the Gorizia bridgehead garrison attacked by surprise the sleeping enemy near Peuma, filled in their trench, and brought back 45 prisoners."

Officers Dine Well
The mid-day luncheon of the Hotel Teck, served from 11:30 to 2:30, at 50c, is well patronized by officers as well as prominent downtown business men. In evening superior a la carte service at moderate prices.

WOMEN WILL GET FEDERAL FRANCHISE

At Least, So Premier Borden Hinted in Debate Last Night.

PUGSLEY RAISED ISSUE
His Resolution Opposed by Government as Not Going Far Enough.

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impressed upon my honorable friend (Mr. Pugsley), in presenting his motion. The Pugsley resolution was then declared lost on division. The yeas and nays were not demanded. The afternoon was taken up with a discussion of Dr. Steele's resolution to establish a department of public health. This resolution, after a brief discussion, was sidetracked by an adjournment of the debate, and a similar fate overtook a resolution offered by Mr. Boulay of Rimouski to require all civil servants getting \$200 a year or over to be versed in both official languages.

No Action on Report.
A number of questions on the order paper stood over. Among those answered was one propounded by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, as to what action had been taken by the government upon the letter addressed to its commissioner, Arthur Hawkes, in 1912 by Right Hon. John Burns, proposing co-operation by the Imperial and Dominion Governments upon the subject of British immigration to Canada. Hon. Dr. Robt. minister of interior, said in effect that nothing had been done. The Dominion Government, he said, only encouraged immigration of farm laborers and domestic servants. The British Government, on the other hand, did not favor the immigration of farm laborers to Canada.

Public Health Department.
Dr. Steele then addressed the house in support of his resolution calling for the organization of a department of public health. He pointed out that the world had such a department. In the United States the great discoveries in medicine, Dr. Steele said, justified governments in bestirring themselves.

What Sanitation Does.
Pasteur, Koch, Lister and other leaders of science had taught civilized nations how to alleviate suffering and prolong human life. Smallpox had been largely stamped out, diphtheria had lost much of its terrors and a successful fight was being made against tuberculosis. Cuba, Porto Rico and the Panama Canal zone were shining examples of the wonders that could be accomplished by a government which earnestly addressed itself to the problems of sanitation.

In the present great conflict there were no epidemics and the mortality from disease was no higher among the soldiers than it would be in times of peace. The war had forced many governments to do many things which would probably teach them to properly conserve the health of the people. Infant mortality in this country was a public

scandal and there was a startling economic waste through preventable disease. "The first requisite for success in this life," said the member for Perth, in conclusion, "is to be a healthy animal, and what is true of individuals is no less true of nations."

Must Consult Provinces.
Hon. J. D. Hazen, who is acting as minister of agriculture during the indisposition of Mr. Burrell, discussed the resolution from the standpoint of the government. He said there were probably no constitutional obstacles in the way of creating a department of public health under a responsible minister. Generally speaking, however, the Dominion and provincial governments had jurisdiction jointly. By common consent the provinces and municipalities had taken general charge of sanitation. No federal legislation should be undertaken without first consulting the provincial governments. He promised that the subject would receive careful consideration.

Mr. Hazen admitted that jurisdiction over subjects relating to public health was divided between the Dominion Government as at present distributed among a number of departments, instead of being centralized under one control. Mr. Boulay (Rimouski) then addressed the house at considerable length in the French language in support of a resolution declaring that in the opinion of this house, Canadians in the French language should hold positions in the employ of the Intercolonial Railway and in the public service of Canada in proportion to their number in the country, and that it is urgent and in the public interest that all civil servants holding higher offices and drawing salaries of \$200 and over should understand the two official languages of this country, and that no official waste through preventable disease should be admitted to the civil service in this unless he can fulfil such conditions.

Pugsley Ardent Suffragist.
At the request of the government the debate upon the Boulay resolution was adjourned and Mr. Pugsley then addressed the house upon his resolution respecting votes for women. He pointed out the present anomaly in the Dominion Elections Act, which requires a voter, if challenged, to swear that he is a British subject and of the male sex. The result is that, although the province may adopt female suffrage, the women of that province are still debarred from voting at federal elections.

Mr. Proulx: Why not amend the law so as to give women seats in this house?
Dr. Pugsley replied there was no amending.
Kyle Violently Opposed.
Mr. Kyle (Richmond, N.S.) declared himself vigorously against the proposal for women. He declared the right to vote would transform "tender, loving, affectionate friends and sweet, giggles and beardless Amazons." If women voted, he said, they must be permitted to serve on the police force and in the militia, and to take their places in the trenches. Women, he said, did not need the suffrage, and the majority of them did not want it. Dr. Thompson (Yukon Territory) adjourned the debate.

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WAR SUMMARY: Today's Events Reviewed

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is illustrated the folly of prophecy in war. But as the reputation of the Hohenzollern family is at stake, and as the crown prince sorely needs rehabilitation in reputation at home, Germans chafing over his many past failures, the kaiser will be tempted to pile on more men and store up more munitions to feed his big guns, and attempt once more to press onward every inch of the way, and that the French will put up a brilliant defence if the German chariot is rolled further along down the banks of the Meuse.

The British official statement of last night on the fighting in France tells of the repulsing of a German attack against the British lines, which the exploding of a German mine against the British parapets south of La Bassée Canal, doing damage to the trenches. Some artillery firing is reported about Aubers and the Ypres-Comines Canal.

From Mesopotamia comes the news that the Tigris River is rising again, and that it will soon be at high flood. Gen. Aymer carried out the Turks to disclose their dispositions. Two aeroplanes have flown from Bagdad to join Gen. Aymer. A punitive expedition, which the British sent to fight, the British suffering no casualties.

Good news also comes out of Egypt, the victory of the South African troops against the Senusi tribesmen under Turkish officers on Sunday being greater than was first supposed. Nuri Bey, brother of Enver Pasha, the principal subordinate officer, being captured, over 200 killed and wounded of the enemy numbered the ground. A machine gun, which the Turks and Germans had smuggled into Egypt, was captured.

The Austrians announced yesterday that their troops have occupied Durazzo, which the Italians had announced that they had evacuated on Saturday. The Italians kept the Austrians under fire every foot of the way into the town, and when an Austrian battalion entered it, it was burning. Trench fighting is reported from the Italian front.

Good Bill at Shea's.
Heading an all-round good bill at Shea's this week, are Anna Wheaton and Harry Carroll who at the machine performance yesterday had to respond to several enthusiastic certain calls at the close of their combined vocal and instrumental musical act. Mr. Carroll has bright and original piano offerings and Miss Wheaton's interpretation of songs is both artistic and attractive. The one-act sketch of "The Meanest Man in the World" has the human touch, which never loses its charm. John, as the country sport, and Winkle Hennings, in the "Kill Kare Koupie" supply a continuous round of mirth in their laughable dialogue.

Out of the ordinary are the voices of Eugene Emmett and Lucy Longe, the former having a very pleasing voice, which he uses pleasingly, and his partner possessing deep tones which are able to take selections out of the range of the average singer. That the Alexander Brothers are the world's greatest ball bouncers, no one doubts who sees the wonderful act Maurice Burkhardt. In "The Thief" presents a clever comedy musical act, in which several of their wonderful sketches are graphically introduced.

"Adonia" is a beautiful setting and with the assistance of a clever dog, does a series of graceful and wonderfully skilful gymnastic feats. Sally Fowler and Bert Gaspman are an agile and amusing team of singing and dancing comedians.

At the Hippodrome, in a fascinating film version of Frances Hodgson Burnett's story, "That Lass O' Lowries," which has been given to the fans of oldtime under the title of "Secret Love," delightful Helen Ware is starred this week at Shea's Hippodrome. The atmosphere of the entire picture is realistic and gripping, being set in the colliery districts of England, where the original story of the love and work of these rugged people is vividly told. Miss Ware, as the honest little pit girl and daughter of a simple and crude miner, lends color and pathos to the character.

Quite an unusual and particularly effective offering heads the vaudeville part of this week's bill, in the form of a musical turn, entitled "Thru the Looking Glass," presented by Doris Wilson and company. Amid most attractive scenic appointments, is presented a playlet, in which Miss Wilson is introduced as a successful star. Her voice is particularly pleasing, as is the finish of the act, in which the two girls give forth two living images of the attractive little leading lady. Hattie Blaney was immensely popular, singing a generous program of catchy songs, which were well applauded. The "Le Franc Trio" are chieftains of no small merit, performing during the evening a number of popular songs. Robinson and Nichols open the performance with a black-face comic dialog and song act that was responsible for many a hearty laugh. Will H. Fox has an unusual pianist that is original and amusing. Alice Cole, heralded as the greatest of the Best hawlians singing acts ever seen on No. 2 wheel of the Columbia circuit, is also a little playlet with a difference, and made a good impression. Halley and Noble have a good act replete with fun and laughter. A fine selection of feature films complete a pleasing bill.

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