

THE MATINEE GIRL

By MARGARET BELL

A Surprise.

ON June 17th, the Lapland steamed out of New York harbour, 'midst shouts and cheers from the gay cortege who assembled to bid the voyagers God speed. Among the number was a little actress, a Canadian, by the way, from Pictou, Nova Scotia. A score of friends came down to see her off, and

her first husband being William Winter Jefferson, fourth son of the late Joseph Jefferson, from whom she obtained a divorce, two years ago.

Miss Macdonald's closing night at the Liberty Theatre, New York, was marked by a great display of enthusiasm on the part of the audience. She received a profusion of floral gifts. After the performance, she entertained the company at a dinner on the stage.

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Pick Ups.

THAT grand old lady, Madame Bernhardt, finished her two hundred and eighty-fifth performance on June 22nd, and two days later, left for her beloved France. She was entertained on June 20th, by the Players' Club, in New York, which is considered quite a distinction for any woman. The only women who had ever been entertained by them were Mojeska, Duse and Ellen Terry. However, one might well say that in this case, the honour was for the Club, in being able to have for a guest the great and only Sarah.

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WHILE Ethel Barrymore was still in the West, finishing her season in "Alice-Sit-By-The-Fire," and "The Twelve Pound Look," her handsome limousine was completely destroyed by fire, while the chauffeur was driving it toward Miss Barrymore's home in Mamaroneck. The fire was caused by the ignition of escaping gasoline.

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ROSE STAHL recently closed a four months' run in "Maggie Pepper," at the Illinois Theatre, Chicago. Which goes to show that a good, wholesome play is appreciated, despite the verdict of the pessimists that there is no use in putting on anything worth while, to-day.

Miss Stahl, who is a Canadian, from Montreal, gave a benefit for the sick babies of the Gad's Hill Camps, Chicago, and added \$2,000 to the funds of that charity.

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RUMOUR, that most contagious of all forces, says that Margaret Anglin is to appear in Henri Bernstein's "The Thief," next season, making a tour of the Pacific Coast. Probably the strongest argument this Madame Rumour has for her statement is the fact that the play has been withdrawn from stock production in the West. At any rate, Miss Anglin's friends, whose number is legion, will be pleased to see her, once more, in a serious role, now that she has shown them that she can appear to equally good advantage in a



MISS CHRISTIE MACDONALD.

just as the steamer pulled out, someone on board handed a note to Mr. Louis F. Werba, her manager. The note read like this: "Forgive me, but I take this means of letting you know that I am on my honeymoon. I have not announced it earlier because I did not want the newspapers to know about it. Christie Macdonald."

Rather unique, wasn't it? It seems quite the thing for our Canadian actresses to spring surprises like that on us. Remember Margaret Anglin, on the eighth of May? All the papers had been spreading broadcast the information that Miss Anglin was going on an extensive motor trip through Normandy, but they did not say that there was going to be a husband, to see that the chauffeur performed his duties all right.

Miss Macdonald's private name now is Mrs. Henry Lloyd Gillespie, her husband being the inevitable son of a wealthy manufacturer of Pittsburg. How many of the actresses' husbands have wealthy fathers in Pittsburg! The marriage is the outcome of a visit of Miss Macdonald and her mother to Mr. Gillispie, last summer, at his home in the Thousand Islands. This is her second embarkation on the ocean of matrimony,



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