

THE UNDERSTUDY.

SUBACTORS WHO MUST BE READY TO TAKE PRINCIPALS' PLACES.

Delays and Uncertainties They Find in Getting to the Front—They May Go Through an Entire Season With No Chance to Show Their Powers.

After two years of patient waiting and study a young actress, who was an understudy in one of the principal stock companies in town, gave up her position the other day because during all that time she never got an opportunity to display her talents before the public.

All the big stock companies are well supplied in the matter of understudies, and while they are required to keep a certain number of professionals on hand they have innumerable applications from amateur aspirants for histrionic honors.

Manager Charles Frohman's company is probably one of the best equipped organizations in the country in the way of understudies. Eight of these are employed as regular members of the company the year round, and while they are probably not seen more than once or twice during a season they are always ready for any emergency that may arise.

Every big traveling organization generally carries two understudies while on the road. Some companies dispense with their services, however, by requiring the members of the company to make themselves proficient in two or more parts.

Although many of the stars now conspicuous in the theatrical firmament began their dramatic career as understudies, it is not often nowadays that the stars themselves are understudied. It is generally assumed by the managers that the star is the attraction for the public, and to substitute somebody else is to practice a deception which is injurious to the show.

Billy Crane was an understudy in the beginning, and Manager Joe Brooks tells an amusing anecdote of the actor's first experience as an understudy. He served in that capacity with a company that produced "The Daughter of the Regiment" in this city some years ago.

"I s'pose," he said slowly, "that you could give 'em all points?" "No, I don't think I could." "Do you mean to say that you couldn't tell the editor how to run his paper?" exclaimed the kicker in a tone that had absolute dismay in it.

"This idea of taxing cigarettes is a great one," said the man who is always in earnest. "They are pernicious and health destroying. Why, I knew a man who was killed by cigarettes."

AN ANIMATED NEWSPAPER. An Old Man Reads the News and Tells It to His Customers.

He then reads them exhaustively, and by the time business men get down town he has thoroughly mastered all branches of the news of the day. He is well educated and bright and has a keen perception.

"He enters a bank where everybody is busy. He knows the likes and dislikes of every one of his customers, and he entertains each for a few moments with the news of his choice, and then with a few passing remarks about the general news of the day passes on to the next.

"If you want to talk to him about the happenings of the day, you must pay a week's fee in advance. Then he will see you every day for a week. If you are at your office regularly, he will come to you daily, but if you fail to be on hand there that is your loss.

"He is strictly business and does not regard himself as an excrescence on the face of business, nor is he so regarded by his customers. He is a kindly old fellow who has a smile for everybody, and for whom everybody has a pleasant word.

"It seems incredible," said George Marsh to the corridor man at the Laclede, "that there should be such a thing as a growing hand in the planting of flowers and other plants, but it is recognized even by florists, and it has grown to have a regular name.

"I saw a little girl bring back what appeared to be worthless sticks of some plants which she had found in the woods. Her mother wanted them to live, and selecting the best she planted and tended them with the greatest care.

"It makes me tired to see the manner in which these newspapers are run," said the man in the smoking car as he took off his glasses and let his paper drop across his knees.

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The hottest region in Africa is in the Nubian desert, where food may be cooked by being buried in the sand. The Arabs say of it, "The soil is like fire and the wind like a flame."

Miss Charlotte Robinson of London, who designed and applied the decorations of the ceilings and panels in the cabins of the steamships Lucania and Campania, bears the title of "decorator to the queen."

Moisten paper with a solution of 50 grams of glycerin, 20 grams of distilled water, 3 grams of potassium nitrate and 0.05 gram of phenol-phthalein.

TRAGEDY AND COMEDY.

What a New York Reporter Found Out on His Strange Assignment. It was Sunday evening, about 9 by the clock, and the usual calm of that one night in the week brooded over The Press office.

"Are you a professional jo—ah—humorist?" asked a reporter. "Yes, sir," said the stranger. "At any rate, I was a month ago. Now I don't know what I am."

"I have perhaps been allowed to add that through all the intervening years I have retained a most vivid impression of the enthusiasm with which Professor Tyndall dwelt on the wilder beauties of nature. He assured me that he lived on Hindhead not for the sake of the exquisite summer days, but for the wild evenings of spring and autumn, when storms and mists and rainclouds sweep across the open hillside.

"That couple," the burly landlady was meanwhile saying. "Why, they're the most worthless lot around. They haven't paid for a month, and tonight I just put their things out in the street. The wife? Oh, she was taken sick or something, and they carried her to the hospital in an ambulance."

"To the hospital the reporter rushed, leaving the husband still sitting in a chair on the walk. The house surgeon came to the door. "This case from 35 D—street?" he asked. "Dead; died 10 minutes ago. Cause—malnutrition and lack of care, together with exposure. In plain English," cheerfully explained the doctor, "that is starvation. Look at the book if you like."

"Then the reporter broke the news to the bereaved husband and returned to the office.—New York Press.

A well known member of the beekeeping fraternity has been lecturing in Northumberland on that particular form of small industry to which he has devoted himself, and in the course of his address he dwelt not merely on the financial but the hygienic advantages of bee culture. He informed his audience that he was the father of twelve children, all living, and ascribed this fact to the liberal use of honey as an article of diet, adding that he gets a good deal more money from the local doctor for honey than the doctor gets from him for medicine.

More than that, he has derived another personal advantage from keeping bees in his complete freedom from rheumatism, from which he previously suffered, and has no doubt that this pleasing immunity is entirely due to the beneficial influence of bee stings. We have heard of people flagellating themselves with nettles, but the beauty of the bee cure is that there is no necessity for any exertion on the part of the patient.—Western (England) Gazette.

On one occasion at Bournemouth Princess Maud went into a shoe store and purchased a pair of rubbers, or, as the English call them, "galoches." The storekeeper was a little abrupt, and as the rubbers were inexpensive he declined to send them home. The princess accordingly carried the parcel herself.

Certain society girls have carried with them constantly this season pretty little ivory covered notebooks with gold pencils attached by means of fine gold chains. At any of the fashionable gatherings of the winter they would be occasionally discovered in all sorts of out of the way places hurriedly jotting down items that excited much curiosity as to their nature. Such secrecy was observed, however, that only recently have the true facts leaked out. Each book contains 865 pages—one for every day in the year—and under the proper date is neatly recorded every complimentary speech from the opposite sex received by the owner.

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Where Tyndall Wanted to Rest. "Whatever the late Professor Tyndall's final wishes may have been, it was not," writes a correspondent, "his desire at one time of his life that his remains should rest in the little graveyard at Haslemere. I remember some 10 years ago sitting next him at a dinner party at the late Earl of Dalhousie's and his expatiating with much zest and eloquence on his horror of being interred in a damp spot. His final resting place, the professor declared, was already prepared for him near his favorite Alpine retreat—a shelf cut in the hard rock, high up in the pure, dry mountain air, where the natural process of disintegration might be accomplished with as few of the painful adjuncts of decay as might be. He laughingly volunteered to provide congenious rocky shelves for any like minded friends.

Roswell P. Flower is a funny fellow when he eats. He has always been used to good things, and he knows them now when he sees them. He is a big eater and a fair drinker. But his peculiarity is that he always wants a whole canvasback duck to himself. If there are 20 at dinner or only 2, a duck is placed before the governor, with a big carving knife, and he helps himself to the slices as he wants them. He does not want his duck carved for him, nor does he want to share it. But he will pay the bill for as many ducks as may be necessary to supply the whole party, even if all want separate ducks. All the hotels know his peculiarity and look out for him.—New York Herald.

On one occasion, arriving at Carlisle on horseback, Bobby Burns is said to have turned his steed out to grass for a while, and the animal strayed on to a meadow belonging to the corporation an got impounded. Although the horse was given up to him, the poet retaliated upon the mayor, whose tenure of office was to expire on the very morrow of the incident, as follows: Was 'er pur poet sae beffited? The maister drunk—the horse committed; Puir harmless beast! Tak' the nae care; Thout't be a horse when he's nae mair (mayor).—Dundee News.

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