

An Actress' Message to the Stage-Struck Girl

By JULIA MARLOWE.



There is no other profession more honorable than acting, there is no other art more exalted. The mediaeval prejudice against players has passed away. The young woman sacrifices neither dignity, position nor self-respect when she becomes an actress; to appreciative minds there can be no satisfaction as great as attempting to portray in actual life the characters drawn by great dramatists and poets; the art combines something of all the other arts, and in a way transcends them all, and, lastly, the woman who masters it is greater than a queen.

Now for the means. What is the course that will, with opportunity and ability, lead the budding actress to success? Hard question!

First, I should say, study, study, study! Nothing else will avail; no adventitious aids of good looks or graceful bearings—nothing but incessant toil over her part, plucking out the heart of its mystery.

As we have nothing in this country answering to the Paris Conservatoire, let the beginner, when she has learned the alphabet of her art, seek an engagement with a company playing classical plays. No other means of instruction open to her will be so valuable. She will learn, then, if she is observant and studious, the requirements of acting and wherein she and others fail to meet these requirements.

I suggest the classic drama because therein she is more likely to get a grounding in the rudiments. Mr. Irving said: "If one can play the legitimate one can play anything."

Never imitate any one. Be yourself. Hearing night after night the same persons recite the same lines in the same way, it will require careful watching at times to avoid falling into their peculiarities. Have a method and conviction of your own. Indeed, have a conviction—the method is likely to come of itself.

Never go beyond your feeling. If you would enlarge your action, you must first enlarge your feeling, and to do that, have recourse to the book, always the book.

The opinion we occasionally hear, that "it is only necessary to look well, for that is half the battle," is intrinsically erroneous, except, possibly, from the commercial point of view, which I wish to eliminate entirely from the present consideration of the subject.

Qualities that I should insist upon as necessary for a successful beginner are, first, a power to feel the character represented—an intellectual and moral discernment of the temperament of that character and the feeling and passions which move it, coupled with some appreciation of its proper outward expression, in cast of voice, figure and features.

A second quality I should require would be a measure of literary taste and cultivation; a sympathy with the beauties of language; a power of translating the mind of literature into feeling.

Public Service Hard to Fill

By RICHARD H. DANA, President Massachusetts Civil Service Association.

The salaries in the various government positions have, on the average, remained very nearly stationary for the last 30 years, while in outside employment, and especially recently, salaries and wages have very much increased. The cost of living has also recently increased and these reasons at least suggest why it is becoming more difficult to fill the public service.

The last report of the national civil service commission shows that, in the last year, though they had more positions to fill, they had 25,000 less applicants than the year before. The statistics show that the resignations and the declinations to take government positions on the part of those who have already passed the examinations are greater than ever before.

The person who has already passed an examination uses his high mark as a credential for private employment, and the bright young people who come into the service through the competitive system, after a few years of experience, are found by business men to be extremely valuable persons, and they tempt them out of the government service.

Again, the lower grades of the government service give relatively better pay than the higher, so that there is less future advancement to tempt a man to stay in the government service than there is in private employment. Several prominent members of congress have suggested that the salaries ought to be increased, and a number of eminent heads of departments and experienced government officials believe that there ought to be more permanent heads of bureaus with large salaries thrown open to promotion.

In the first place, our large government departments are remarkably lacking in permanent heads with large experience. Such positions could be filled by competent persons only in case the salaries were made attractive. The postmaster general, for example, has suggested that there should be a high grade, permanent assistant postmaster general.

I think, therefore, the civil service system, far from being responsible for a falling off has more clearly brought out than before the need of inducing the competent kind of persons it produces to accept and stay on in the government service.

Richard H. Dana

The Poorest Man

By DR. EMIL G. HIRSCH.

The poorest man is he who will not place himself under the influence of the larger life, the man who refuses to receive, the man who is self-satisfied at all times, who thinks his knowledge is sufficient and that he has learned all that may be of any possible help to himself. The richest man is he who will mingle with his fellow men, absorb the teachings of the wiser and attempt to understand the world and its people. The more that we people know of each other the richer we are.

Spring.
The Time hath laid his mantle by
Of wind and rain and icy chill,
And dons a rich embroidery
Of sunlight poured on lake and hill.
No beast or bird in earth or sky,
Whose voice doth not with gladness thrill,
For Time hath laid his mantle by
Of wind and rain and icy chill.

Over and fountain, brook and rill,
Bespangled o'er with livery gay
Of silver droplets, wind their way.
All in their new apparel vie,
For Time hath laid his mantle by
Charles of Orleans

HOME OF THE EASTER LILY

Flower Was Introduced Into the Islands of Bermuda by an American.



them about 15 miles long and not wider than a mile and a half—set beneath the bluest of blue skies, and seeming to rest on water whose transparency and brilliancy of color are unequalled anywhere. This is Bermuda, the home of the Easter Lily.

As the incoming boat skirts the shore, the lily fields look from a distance like white summer clouds dropped down from the sky upon the green islands. Lily fragrance fills the air and is blown by the wind far over the water. Coming nearer you see the fields more clearly—rows upon rows of blossoms, tall, stately and snowy white. It is very beautiful.

It was not until the early '80s that the Bermuda Lily became well known in the United States. It is said that a Philadelphia woman, returning from the islands, brought home a plant to bloom. This came to the attention of W. K. Harris, an enterprising florist of the Quaker city, who purchased a lot of the bulbs, from which he succeeded in raising hundreds of plants, introducing them under the name Lillium Harrisii. Thus the Easter Lily industry spread to America, and to other countries as well. But nowhere do the flowers grow so perfect and beautiful as under the quickening warmth of the tropical sun of Bermuda.

Ordinarily only bulbs are exported, but at the rush season whole boat loads of cut buds and of thickly-budded plants are packed and shipped away, carrying the sweet message of the Easter lily to countless homes and churches.

General Hastings is dead. In spite of his long residence in Bermuda, he remained a devoted citizen of his native land and from time to time concerned himself with public affairs, holding various positions of responsibility and honor. The islanders remember him as a friend and benefactor, and that they and those that come after them may not be unmindful of the debt of gratitude they owe, a beautiful monument has been recently erected in Hamilton in his memory.



An Easter Lay.

Behold! What light in yonder sky?
The angels echo in reply:
Let carols sweet ring through the air,
And flowers distill their perfume rare,
This Resurrection morn.

For Christ has risen, as He said,
Blest savior of the sick and dead,
Chant loud the glad refrain,
For angels rolled the stone away,
And Christ arose ere broke the day,
And evermore shall reign.

Chinese Idea of Creation.
By the Chinese it is believed that the world was formed of two parts of a great egg. From the yolk, man came forth; then he waved his hand back the upper half of the shell went upward and became the concave heavens; the lower half reversed, making the convex earth, and the white albumen became the sea.

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Mr. Robert Oberst, a machinist, living at 291 Cameron Street, Detroit, Mich., had a very distressing case of rheumatism for about two years. He makes the following statement: "About the year 1887 I felt the effects of rheumatism which gradually grew worse until I was compelled to give up work for a time. The years of '87 and '88 I was confined to my bed most of the time. I was under doctors' treatment but found no relief. My legs were swollen from the hips downward and red blotches appeared all over them. Frequently they pained me so that I had to bind them tightly with strips of linen. This sometimes relieved the pain but at other times failed to do so. At times I had to crawl to my work, using two crutches. During these periods I suffered greatly from pain around my heart which I attributed to the rheumatism.

At last my mother wrote me and asked me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I did and in a short time I found myself getting better and have had no trouble since. I may here add that I could not perfectly cure myself. I have not had the least sign of the disease since and feel better now than I ever did. For these reasons I recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to any one affected the same as I was."

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BUTTON THEIR OWN WAISTS.

New York Women Have Surmounted Great Obstacle.

Marvelous as it may seem, New York women have lately discovered a way of fastening their waists up the back without calling for assistance. Thought not lacking in generosity, they became so tired of the outstretched palm of the chambermaids that they now feel that it is time to guard their pockets. The Gotham woman discovering that if she put her blouse around her waist before she fastened the hanging free, it could be fastened from top to bottom, with the exception of the hooks at the neck, and slipped into the sleeves without unduly straining the fasteners. So simple! So strange that no one had thought of it before. Or is it possible that other women have used the plan and merely kept it to themselves? Will the waist hat buttons in the back now have a new lease of life?



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