

PAY FOR ACTING BY YARD.

Public Demand Regulates Prices in Film Productions as in Other Things.

Bernhardt's acting is worth a cent a yard, Coquelin's costs 5 cents and Eva La Valliere can and does draw 10 cents for every three feet of her posing.

That posing ought to be paid for by the yard is no new idea, although it is not generally stated with such brutal frankness.

GETS NOTED ENGLISH CASTLE

Deal for Countess of Warwick's Home Is Said to Have Been Completed by Wealthy American.

London.—The Pall Mall Gazette states that one outcome of the countess of Warwick's recent visit to the United States is the report that Warwick castle will be let on a long lease to a wealthy American.

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NOTED OLD RANCHES

San Joaquin Valley Acres Now in Business Hands.

Tajon Ranches, With More Than 276,000 Acres of Land, Constitutes One of the Very Few Great Tracts Left.

Los Angeles, Cal.—One by one the great ranches of old California, the immense grants of early days, the lordly domains of wheat and barley magnates, have melted away before the relentless sweep of progress.

Between Los Angeles and San Francisco, here and there in the mighty reaches of the San Joaquin valley, and interspersed like exaggerated white squares on the curious checkerboard whose black squares, representing acres of something that perchance may be called "intensive" agricultural development, greatly predominate, may still be found a few of the oldest ranches of old days.

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WHERE BRAINS ARE CHEAP.

Low Range of Salaries Paid to Higher Class of Educators in the United States.

New York.—The range of salaries for the heads and faculties of state aided institutions of higher learning in this country is given in a bulletin issued by the United States bureau of education.

According to this authority one can see that Bert Williams, the negro comedian, can make a great deal more money than even the highest type of college president.

From these figures the presidents' salaries run down as low as \$2,400. The salaries of the faculty members range from \$50 a year for the least paid tutor to \$6,000 a year for the best paid full professor, both extremes being touched at Cornell.

The bureau of education's bulletin shows that the United States now contains exactly 100 universities and other institutions of higher education which depend in considerable measure on the state or federal government for their support.

Of these, sixteen are agricultural and mechanical colleges for negroes. Four of these state aided institutions have more than 400 members on their faculties—namely, the University of California, with a faculty of 421; the University of Illinois, with 530; Cornell university, with 652, and the University of Wisconsin, with 486.

SPIRIT MESSAGE FROM FUNK

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SOCIAL SIDE OF TRIP

When Ships Were Smaller People Were Acquainted.

Attitude of the Captain of Modern Ocean Liners Toward Passengers Entrusted to His Care—Old Privileges Gone.

New York.—Ever since the Titanic disaster there has been much discussion relative to the extent to which the officers of a big liner mingle socially with the passengers.

Persons who have been crossing the ocean ever since the days a 5,000 ton ship was called a "leviathan" say that the amount of general sociability on a ship has steadily diminished with the increase in the size of vessels.

When marine architects began superposing deck upon deck and the first cabin accommodation of a ship stretched to 200 and 300, and then to 600, and accommodations became so luxurious that one could pay \$1,000 or more for a trip across the Atlantic—the figure has now grown to something like \$5,000—it became impracticable to know everybody.

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GERMAN APACHE PLANS FAIL

German Police Quickly Kill Three Terrorists When They Attempt to Escape.

Berlin.—German stoicism as far as officialdom is concerned put a quick end to what threatened to be the transfer of French apache methods to this city.

Shortly after midnight a shopkeeper reported to a policeman on duty in the suburbs that three robbers were looting stores in the vicinity and threatening all who opposed them with death.

For a time it seemed that the third man would escape, but he was finally cornered in a patch of woods and shot to death by the policeman, who then calmly reported to the station the "necessity of killing three robbers who had resisted arrest."

HAS 1,400 ODD SCARF PINS

New York Traveling Man's Collection Displayed in Indianapolis Jewelry Store.

New York.—J. H. Reed, jeweler, recently had on display part of a collection of 1,400 odd scarf pins collected and owned by A. M. Brinkley, a New York traveling man.

Brinkley has been collecting scarf pins for many years and has invested from \$28,000 to \$30,000 in them. He carried between 200 and 250 pins with him on each trip, and wears at least half a dozen different pins each day.

One result of the increased size of the ship and of her passenger list is that nowadays you can cross the ocean without making a single acquaintance, and there are really some who consider this an advantage.

PERILS LIFE; SAVES CHUM.

Coney Island Lad Hit by Car, Has Narrow Escape—Passengers Are Panic Stricken.

New York.—In trying to save his little four-year-old chum, Milton Ecard, from being killed today by a Smith street car, at Coney Island, four-year-old William Moore nearly lost his own life.

The boys, crossing the street, were in the middle of the tracks, with the car almost upon them, before they realized their peril.

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HEAD BROKEN; EGGS SAFE.

Connecticut Man's Fatal Fall Is Mysterious to the Coroner—Hill Deep Cut in Head.

Winsted, Conn.—A question puzzling Coroner Heriman is how could a man fall to his death with a bag of twelve eggs in one hand and not break a single egg.

George Wilcox, 66 years old was found sitting beside the highway in Sharon at the base of a wall, dead, with two deep cuts in the back of his head.

JUMPS FROM HORSE AT CLIFF.

Los Angeles.—Ascending a mountain trail on her handsome black mount, Chancelor, Miss Marjorie Moon of Pasadena met a pack train, on a narrow ledge.

U. S. GIRL IS ENGLISH BELLE.

London.—Miss Alice Chauncey, the daughter of Mrs. Cecil Bingham (formerly Mrs. S. S. Chauncey of New York), is one of the gayest, most popular debutantes of the season in London.

U. S. IS MINUS CAP

England Only European Nation Without Headgear.

Headress Worn by Breton Women—Every Town in Brittany Has Its Special Variety—Pretty Dutch Designs.

London.—There is no such thing as a national headress in America. Even the millions of immigrants and descendants of immigrants from countries possessing a characteristic headgear promptly discard any such distinguishing mark during their first week in the new world.

In Scotland there survive the Tam o' Shanter and the Glengarry, the last by the way, an importation from Sweden, where it still flourishes. In Ireland the colleen is not complete without her head shawl or handkerchief and in Wales the maiden clings to her frilled cap and conical beaver.

The cult of the cap is generally strongest where the cult of dress is weakest. In Brittany, where the sequined and embroidered gala dresses are heirlooms, a woman of the lower middle class seldom buys a whole new dress, and, indeed, wears the same heavy black gown all the year through.

Another pin is set with a tiny Chinese idol that has been covered with pearl. In China there is a custom of placing tiny idols in an oyster shell; where the idol becomes covered with pearl. As long as the idol is in the shell the person who placed it there is presumed to have good luck.

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