

# At the Showhouses

**Cyril Maude and "Grumpy."**

Tomorrow night promises to be most important in the local theatrical calendar, as it will mark the first appearance in this city of Cyril Maude, the noted English actor, who will be seen in his most famous role, that of "Grumpy," in the comedy drama of similar title, at the Academy of Music Monday night, January 22.

To the curiosity which naturally attaches to every appearance of this unique artist, will be added a deep interest in the play which is serving as his vehicle this season, "Cousin Lucy," was written by that famous dramatist, Charles Klein, who went down on the ill-fated Lusitania, and marks the last work from his distinguished pen. It is said to be a wide departure from anything Ettinge has ever offered, although the star is still called upon to appear during the greater part of the entertainment in a feminine attire. Throughout its three acts, Ettinge is called upon to change his costumes more often than during all his other plays combined. There is also a large chorus of beautiful girls to participate in the singing and dancing specialties interpolated throughout the entertainment.

**Julian Eltinge in "Cousin Lucy."**

We are to have the famous Julian Eltinge, impersonator of stunning women, in his latest and greatest success, "Cousin Lucy," at the Academy of Music Monday night, January 22.

The opening feature, "On Dangerous Ground," is based on Burton E. Stevenson's novel, "Little Comrade," first published in the Munsey Magazine. It is a story that is very original and carries a pleasing thrill in every scene. The nucleus of the plot is the secret service of the French and



At the Broadway Wednesday and Thursday.

**"Flora Bella."**

Charlotte playgoers have a rare treat in store for them at the Academy of Music next Saturday afternoon and night when the New York Casino Theater success, "Flora Bella," is presented here. This is the big sensation operatic success of the year, and the company to appear here is headed by Florence Webber, who has delighted local theatergoers when she appeared here in "The Climax," "Naughty Marietta," and "Lady Larkspur."

The Daily Press of Newport News, Va., had the following excellent account of "Flora Bella":

"With the exception of 'Katinka,' 'Flora Bella' headed by Florence Webber, late of 'Naughty Marietta' fame, last night proved one of the most pleasing musical shows seen at the Academy of Music this season. While the audience was comparatively small all seemed highly satisfied and encores were frequent. 'Flora Bella' was announced as a musical comedy but in many respects it appeared entitled to the designation of operetta. At least it was out of the ordinary as musical shows go, having a plot that was admirably handled by its author and one that held the interest of the

German Governments at the beginning of the great war. The delightful romance interwoven in a series of exciting incidents makes the play one of strong appeal. The stars of this picture are Miss Gail Kane and Carlyle Blackwell.

Robert Edeson, the famous legitimate actor, will appear in a Pathe masterpiece, "The Light That Failed," taken from Rudyard Kipling's immortal novel of the same name. It is the first Kipling story to be produced for the screen. The picture is worthy to be called one of the "superfeatures" of the year. In support of Mr. Edeson, three other well known stars appear, Jose Collins, Lillian Tucker and Claude Flemming.

A bill to prevent the slavery of children in the mine and factory was passed by the House February 3, 1916, by the Senate August 8, 1916, and signed by the President September 1, 1916. The system is still, however, largely under the control of the State and "The Price of Silence" produced by the Fox Company is a plea for the "children of tender age (who) must be protected not only against the unprincipled employer but against the greedy or necessitous parent." This impressive production presents William Farnum as the star. "The Price of Silence" is the first superfeature in which Mr. Farnum has appeared for this company. Miss Vivian Rich is presented as his leading lady in the new production, and being her debut in Fox films. Members of her supporting cast include Frank Clark, Brooklyn Kellar, Charles Clary, and little Gordon Griffith.

J. Warren Kerrigan, one of the most popular Bluebird stars, will appear in "The Measure of a Man." It is a big story of how a man overcomes his own weaknesses by helping others to conquer theirs. Mr. Kerrigan's supporting cast is headed by Miss Louise Lovely, who has proven to be a charming leading lady for the noted actor. Katherine Campbell, Harry Carter, and Marc Robbins also have important roles in the play.

The closing attraction of the week will be the second installment of "The Purple Mask," presenting Grace Cunnard and Francis Ford.

**Ethel Barrymore at Ottoway.**

Ethel Barrymore will appear at the Ottoway Wednesday in "The Awakening of Helena Richie." The complete cast is as follows: Helena Richie, Ethel Barrymore; Lloyd Pryor, Robert Cummings; Benjamin Wright, Frank Montgomery; Dr. Lavender, J. A. Furey; Little David, Maury Stewart; Sam Wright, Hassan Mus-sall; Deacon Wright, William Williams; Frederick Richie, Robert Whittier; Dr. King, Charles Goodrich; Mrs. King, Hattie Delano; Mrs. Wright, Macy Asquith.

The forthcoming appearance of Ethel Barrymore in "The Awakening of Helena Richie," marks a new era in motion pictures. It is the era of a great star in a great novel, pictured in a great way.

Margaret Deland's powerful novel, which has been pictured in one of the "six best sellers." It is a story that is brimful of heart interest from beginning to end. This heart interest has been transferred with wonderful force to the picture story.

In the screen adaptation of the book are shown the quaint village of Old Chester and the simple, strong-hearted characters that lived there. First of all is the venerable, sweet-natured doctor Lavender, who would rather help others than help himself. Then there are old Benjamin Wright, crabbled, studious, his son, the deacon, who has not spoken to him for years because of the spanking administered in childhood; Sam's Sam, the poet; Doctor King, the sympathetic healer, and his kind, yet critical, wife.



Cyril Maude and Marjail Martin Harvey. In a scene from "Grumpy," which will be the attraction at the Academy of Music Monday night, Jan. 22.

**HUNTERSVILLE PASTOR HOST TO CLUB MEMBERS**

Special to The Observer.

Huntersville, Jan. 20.—The members of the "every member canvass committee" of the Huntersville A. R. P. Church were entertained Friday night at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Bigham. A delicious three-course dinner was served and every one present enjoyed a delightful time.

The guests present were: J. E. Alexander, W. W. Ranson, Mesdames W. O. Brown, Pat Knox, W. J. Ranson, A. E. Love, Miss Ida Hunter, Mrs. W. E. Alexander, Sr., M. C. Rogers, Miss Mattie C. Hunter, P. O. Covington and R. S. Blythe.

The Ladies Reading Circle met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. W. G. Craven.

The study for the quarter is "South America" and the women are greatly interested in these meetings.

The "Twice-Six" Club held its last meeting with Mrs. J. B. Barnette. Delicious refreshments were served and all the members pronounced it a most delightful meeting.

John McAuley, who has been living in New York, in the vicinity of Buffalo and Lockport, arrived in Huntersville this morning and will spend some time here visiting friends and relatives in the neighborhood.

L. S. Bigham and family, of Milledge Creek, moved to Huntersville recently for the purpose of sending his children to school here.

Mrs. W. J. Dunn, of Gilead, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. B. Blythe.

**S. C. FARMERS TO TALK OVER TORRENS SYSTEM**

Special to The Observer.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 20.—Prominent farmers from every section of the State have been called to meet in the rooms of the State Department of Agriculture, Commerce and Industries here Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock to consider the amendments needed to the present law for the Torrens system of land registration, which is claimed to be so defective that it makes the price for getting deeds for land almost prohibitive.

It will be necessary to have Torrens land deeds to secure loans from the Federal land loan bank, which will be opened in Columbia next month, probably on February 8, according to Commissioner Watson.

**UNION VETERANS ELECT OFFICERS ON LEE DAY**

Special to The Observer.

Monroe, Jan. 20.—The meeting of the old soldiers of the county was largely attended in the court house here yesterday. It was appropriate and fitting on Lee's birthday, and the meeting was one filled with reminiscences and pleasure with the old soldiers. Officers for the succeeding 12 months were elected as follows: B. H. Benton, commander; S. E. Belk, lieutenant commander; W. G. Long, second lieutenant commander; W. M. Perry, adjutant; A. N. McManess, quartermaster; M. W. Griffin, commissary; Dr. J. B. Eubanks, surgeon; Rev. J. A. Bivens, chaplain; Andy Presley, color bearer; A. C. Helms, drummer; M. A. Roundtree, fifer, and B. C. Ashcraft, secretary and treasurer.

Doctor Eubanks and Mr. Ashcraft are not veterans but they have always exemplified a deep interest in the welfare of the veterans and for many years have held the positions accredited to them above. After the meeting adjourned yesterday Mr. Ashcraft entertained the soldiers at dinner.

**UNION D. OF C. SEEKS TO SEND VETERANS TO MEET**

Special to The Observer.

Monroe, Jan. 20.—A meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy was held today at the home of Mrs. George S. Lee, the president, attended by a large number of the members. A resolution adopted was to circulate petitions through the county to obtain signatures to submit to the present session of the State Legislature, asking the passage of an act to authorize the commissioners of Union County to pay the fare of any old soldier that may desire to go to Washington, D. C., on the 28th day of next May, the occasion being the National meeting of the Federal and Confederate veterans.

There will probably be 50 of the old soldiers that will be glad to make this trip from Union County.

**ALLEGED VIOLATOR OF LIQUOR LAWS MISSING**

Special to The Observer.

Fayetteville, Jan. 20.—M. Lytch, a young white man, charged with having too much whiskey in his possession, failed to appear when his case was called for trial in the Superior Court and a capias was ordered issued for him. The court had adjourned on account of the absence of important witnesses in the case. On reconvening it was learned that Lytch could not be located.

The rest of the docket having been cleared, the court adjourned for the week. Lytch was arrested by Sheriff McGeachy some time ago on the road between Baird and Fayetteville with a trunk full of whiskey in his automobile.

**SAYS IT IS STICKY BUT WHO WILL CARE**

Cincinnati man tells how to shrivel up corns so they lift out.

Ouch! ? ? ? This kind of rough talk will be heard less here in town if people troubled with corns will follow the simple advice of this Cincinnati authority, who claims that a few drops of a drug called freezone when applied to a tender, aching corn stops soreness at once, and soon the corn dries up and lifts right out without pain.

He says freezone is a sticky substance which dries immediately and never inflames or even irritates the surrounding tissue or skin. A quarter of an ounce which will cost very little at any drug store, is said to be sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. Millions of American women will welcome this announcement since the inauguration of the high heel.

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Harry Morey  
Marc McDermott  
In Vitagraph's  
**Whom the Gods Destroy**

**TUESDAY**  
Blanche Sweet  
In  
**"The Evil Eye"**  
(Paramount)

**WEDNESDAY**  
Ethel Barrymore  
In  
**"The Awakening of Helena Richie"**  
(Metro)

**THURSDAY**  
Chas. Roy  
In  
**Honorable Algy**  
(Triangle)

**FRIDAY**  
Louise Huff  
And  
Jack Pickford  
In  
**Great Expectations**  
(Paramount)

**SATURDAY**  
Bertha Kalich  
In  
**Love and Hate**  
(Fox)

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GAIL KANE and CARLYLE BLACKWELL  
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LITTLE COMRADE  
8-10 GOOD MUSIC 10-15

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**The Measure of a Man**  
5-10 IT'S A BLUEBIRD

**SATURDAY**  
**The Purple Mask**  
—Also—  
PATHE NEWS AND DRAMA  
To Be Selected  
5-10

**CLEARING HOUSE BANKS AGAIN SHOW INCREASE**

Statement Reveals a Gain of \$21,034,010, Making Total of \$202,472,630 Above Legal Requirements.

New York, Jan. 20.—The statement of the actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows that they held \$202,472,630 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is an increase of \$21,034,010 over last week.

The statement follows:

**Actual Condition.**  
Loans, discounts, etc. \$3,441,422,000; increase \$5,236,900.  
Reserve in own vaults (b) \$566,435,000; increase \$26,552,000.  
Reserve in Federal Reserve bank \$194,875,000; decrease \$2,277,000.  
Reserve in other depositories \$56,731,000; increase \$2,121,000.  
Net demand deposits \$2,561,810,000; increase \$86,184,000.  
Net time deposits \$164,569,000; increase \$1,451,000.  
Circulation \$28,651,000; decrease \$68,000.  
(b) of which \$490,000 is specie.  
Aggregate reserve \$18,044,000.  
Excess reserve \$202,472,630; increase \$21,034,010.  
Summary of State banks and trust companies in Greater New York not included in clearing house statement:  
Loans, discounts, etc. \$748,190,300; decrease \$10,079,000.  
Specie \$63,245,500; increase \$618,300.  
Legal tenders \$10,127,500; decrease \$486,700.  
Total deposits \$968,241,300; increase \$12,151,400.  
Bank's cash reserve in vault \$12,801,720.  
Trust companies' cash reserve in vaults \$59,576,600.

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