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THE HIGH THEATER HAT.

A Young Woman Has Discovered Who is to Blame for It.

She was a tawny-haired girl, rather oldish, with dark eyes. She was talk ing with the emphasis characteristic of young women of that type and she was interesting her auditors 'who had evidently been making remarks.

"It's all right," she snapped, "for the men and the newspapers, which is the same thing, to talk about women wearing high hats to the theaters, but the women are not entirely to blame for it. Of course, they oughtn't to do it, and I would like to see only bareheaded women in the theaters, as we see barcheaded men, but I don't think it is quite fair to put all the burden of the offense upon the woman."

"Adam, negan it" suggested a listener.

"Eve never wore a bonnet," bantered another.

"I under-taod" continued the young voman: "but that is neither here nor there. The woman wears high hats to the theater, and they are censured and slandered because they do not stop it. Now, I say they are not wholly to blatter

"Who is?" asked a young man in ovo glasses

"Listen." the gir! went on "Within the last two months I have been to nearly every theater in New York looking up this very thing. I have counted the audiences carefally, and 1 have calculated that in -ach audience every night there are 250 women in high bats, hats that ought to be chopped down with an ax; 100 with hats too bigh, and the balance in low hats or none at all. Taking the 350 as the ones we are taiking about, I found that 90 per cent of them were accompanied by men. Possibly each woman wasn't so fortunate as to have a whole man all to herself, but that percentage of the woman had men to look after them in squads of more or less pro-

portions. "Now I contend that those men were to blame for letting those women go to the theaters with high hats on. if the men are really, as they say, so much against these hats. When the men saw the hats the ladies were going to wear it would have been an easy thing for them to suggest a lower hat. or none at all and the woman would no doubt have been willing to deter that much to their escort's wishes If they hadn't and showed a disposition to be stubborn, the men could have shown that they were consistent in their opposition to the high hats by refusing to go to the theater with them [1] dor the circumstances, the woman is the guest, of the man, and a guest must defer to the host to some extent. The host has a right to make

a just demand and this would be one.

"Let the men take the proper po-

soon in this natter, and the high hat

will disappear forever. All they will

have to do will be to respectfully but

firmly decline to accompany a lady to

the theater either as host or guest, and

my word for it, the women will be

quick enough to see the position they

o cupy, and will get away from it in a

hurry. I know what I am talking

about, and I know what many of them

have said when I talked to them about

it. They know better than to wear

such hats but as long as the men will

periuit it they will wear them, though

for my part 1 think a woman is never

prettier than when she has her hat or

After which the girl became quiet,

and four men in the party looked at

each other, and walked out without

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bonnet off."

moment. "In my theatrical salad days-when

I was much younger than I am now-I was trying to pilot a company of thespian bright lights throughout the western provinces. Business was bad and our treasury was low. At Ottum-

> wa the theater orchestra had some sort of a grievance against the management and demanded pay in advance. The theater refused, and our organization was not financially in a position to discount the future for a single moment. So I started out to find some sort of music, if possible, to tide us over. I finally succeeded in getting the Ottumwa brass band to agree to

play three selections in front of the theater before the performance in return for free admission to the show. "The band showed up on time,

went into the theater. I was on the struck by the fact that the Ottumwa brass band must be one of the most remarkable musical organizations in the country. Every minute or two somebody would come up to the door with a brass horn under his arm, wave it at me and sail on into the theater with out a word After I had passed in fifty or sixty musicians in this way 1 began to grow a triffe suspicious, and stopped an old granger who was carryng a big tuba.

"''Excuse me, sir,' I remarked, "but to you play in the band?'

" 'Nope,' he answered.

"What are you doing with that horn then? I asked.

"The goin' to go in on it if 1 can. he replied, candidly.

"Winnese is it? I inquired.

"'Blamer if I know,' he said. 'A feller outside there gave it to me. and said I could get in with it."

"I left the door and stepped inside the theater just in time to .ee one of the band boys drop another horn out of a window into the hands of some body outside in the alley.

"As nearly as I can calculate, the)ttumwa brass band that night must have had more members than Gilmore or Sousa ever directed at one time."-Chicago Times-Herald.

army of 18,000 men. The news was fire and stood around it to dry their not given out at the Cuban junta. It came from private sources. It is not yet confirmed from official sources, but that is not strange, considering that the death of Bandera is a blow to the Cuban cause which almost offsets the cipture of Santa Clara. The first news of the death of Maceo came in the same way, and it was along time before the truth broke through the trocha of official denial.

The news comes with circumstantial details most convincing. Besides the dispatches from Cuba for some time have forecasted exactly such a stroke. The victory puts the insurgents in a commanding position, and the eyes of the world will be upon Gomez. It can no longer be said that they hold no important town. Santa Clara is carried out its part of the contract, and the fourth largest city on the island. Already hobbing nearly all of Cuba exdoor that night, and by and by I was cepting the seacoast, the capture of Santa Clara puts the insurgents on an entirely different basis at Washington. The commander of the garrison about Santa Clara, Major General Luque halor garrison of 5,000 men, but now he has only 2000. Gomez

Tried For Years.

had 8,000, 6,000 of whom were armed

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steaming clothes, when they saw approaching a small party of Indians, whom they had passed at speed on the prairie. It was a conspicuous fact, and one not to be forgotten, that every Indian was at that time attired simply in his native modesty (which with an Indian is generally an unknown quantity), and futher, that each sat upon a tightly rolled bundle of clothing, thus protecting it in a great measure from the pouring rain. When they passed the whites, the shower had passed, and they were once more duly attired in dry clothing.

The whites, after some hours passed in attempting to dry their dudy, moved on saying among themselves that after all there was something to be learned from an Indian.

COWBOY'S LETTER

Which Revealed a Strange Romance in Rerl Life.

A western doctor had under his care in the ho-pital a cowboy from one of the ranges of northern soutana, who when he became convalescent, one day wasked into the doctor's house to thank hi u for his services and to say good live . As he was about to leave the office the cowboy r marked:

"Doctor, I understand that you are soon to : : off on a trip to the other side of the water, and that before you return you intend to visit Scotland. If such is the case, I should like to give you a letter to some friends of mine."

The doctor replied that he did intend to your Scotland, and that he should be pleased to take charge of the letter

Thereupon the cowboy sat down, wrote a brief letter, sealed it up, and addressed the envelope to-let us saythe "Duke of Craige" at a castle in Scotland. When he handed it to the doctor, that gentleman looked at the address rather dubiously and then asked, in a voice that was possibly a ittle cold.

"Is this gentlemen an acquaintance of yours?" "Well, yes," replied the ranch rider, "I think it quite probable he will remember me. He is my father, and I shall be glad to have you call on him and tell him I'm getting along all right."-Philadelphia Times.

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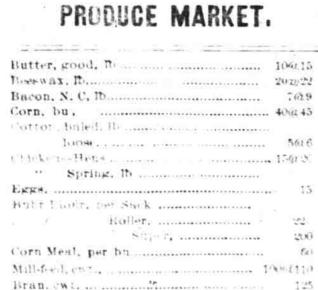
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INSURGENTS TAKE A TOWN.

The Fourth Largest City in Cuba Falls, But Bandera is Slain, Says a Report.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15-A morning paper says: News, which if correct, is more important than any since the death of Maceo, was received in Cuban circles last night. It was that the town of Santa Clara, sometimes called Villa Clara, had fallen to the insur gentarms, but that in the charge, which resulted in victory the intrepid cavalry leader, Quentin Bandera, was slain. Gomez, it was said, is now pushing on towards Havana with an

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first Virginia Low whee baying entered the institution, has failed to be graduated, all of his ancestors in the army not only having completed the course, but having st od high. His grand uncle, Gen Robert F. L.e. was one of the first three of his class and his father also stood high His unche "Rooney" Lee was not a West Pointer, but was in the regular army previous to the war, and took high rank in the Wes-

tern campaigus. It was the desire of the Lees in Viczin a that there should be another of the name to the army. and as Fitz ough Lee's boy was just the age to cater the school, pressure was brought to bear on the Congressman of his district to secure the appointment and young Lee entered West Point last June.

Secretary Lamont has referred this case to the adademy board for reconsideration, it being reported that there were extenuating circumstances The decision of the board is final in such matters.-Washington Dispatch.

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Dry During a Snower

SIMPLE TETHOD

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