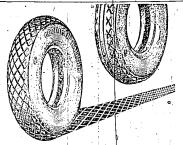
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A Helpful Hint
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sergeant, that I've missed me husband
again for a fortnight.
Desk Sergeant—Well, perhaps if ye
took a few lessons ye'd be able to
throw straighter!—Sydney Bulletin.

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At least our stage is not dependent on the foreign playwigh. The fact is fand facts are inexorable) that of the hundred forces and comedies and dramas of one kind or another which were produced in the playhouses of New York in a recent season 70 had been written on this side of the Atlantic and only 30 had been provided for us by European dramatists. Fifty years ago I doubt if one-fifth of the pleces sated in New York were to be credited to native authors. Today two-librids are drour own manufacture.

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Find Stage Is Not Degrading

By KATE MUNROE

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A S TEE Hights wend down a hush
A off expectancy settled over the
audience at the theater. Most of the
faces were alight with anticipation,
but the old man and woman in the
buck seals of the first balcoay looked
very grave. They were country people, and they had herer been to a theatter before.

"Please God, it isn't true, Mary!"
said the old man.
His witte pressed hils hand gently.
She knew how deeply he felt upon the
subject.

And the present an among getty. She knew how deeply he felt upon the subject.

It was, for those simple minds, a tracic situation. Their daughter Lucy had left the farm three years before. And some imedidesome busybody had clod the old people that she was actually—an actress!

To their simple minds there could have been nothing more degrading. The stage was the acme of all that was rilest in the world. They had came up to town, without announcing their intentions, and were now awaiting the rising of the curtain upon the first act of "The Merchant of Venice."

the third was a second to the curtain upon the first act of "The Merchant of venithe first act of the setting in worder at the magnificace of the setting. More than that, in place of the immorality which they had expected to find inculated, they found a story, so gripping, so patietic that they were spellbound.

But' when Portia appeared they leaned forward with a revival of their load terror. Portia was Lucy!—Miss Margaret Lake, as she was billed. It was true, then!

There was almost an expression of pride, but there was also bewilderment. His value of the first of the fir

"Mother! Thut's our girl! Look at her!"
He's ant now like a man entranced. Staring at her. And when she confounded Shylock with her learning, when after ampealing to his humanity in vain, she ruthlessly ungasked the laws and the start of t He sat now like a man entranced.

ward then, and was chaped in their "Fathen" she cried. "So you have fround me out! And mother, too! Why didn't you let me know, and I would have had a box for you!" "By guth, Lucy, what would we how this a bbx?' elaculated her father. "Why, Lucy, we wanted to be, somewhere where worcould see you. We couldn't have seen you in a box, Lucy. The war you did up that Drylocks fellow was acrumptions. Some dernact dot tabby lold us you were on the stage, and we come down here to save you from cried. "Be, much as we did—a we done nother" in, much as we did—a we done nother." In, much as we did—a And the Lace insisted on introduc-

mind now as much as we did—do we, mother?"

And the Lucy insisted on introducing them to her friends—to Mr. Gros-venor, the "star" and to various sub-ordinate members of the company. Altogether it was a night of surprises for the old people.

Lucy made an excuse to run back for something, and she caught Mr. Gros-venor by the arm.

"I wish we had told them everything!" he whispered. "Shall I. Phillip?"

He nodeed, and she went on.
"Did ybu ever stop to think, my dear, it's just old people like these—old fathers and mothers in faraway villages—that make the stage as good as it is today, and keep so many of us better, than we would be, perhaps?"

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