Dragging Music Into a Play.

"I once saw a raft scene in an English play," says a noted play actor.

"Suddenly one of the shipwrecked party cried out: "What's that I see floating toward us on the waves?" A grand plano, shouted another. Then the plano was hauled up on to the raft and one of the famishing castaways played a "Rhapsodie Hongroise," by Liszt. That cured me of 'dragging in music by the hate."

# **Was Nervous**

The Oyster.

The sentiment which annually greets the return of the oyster from its summer vacation may not be of an esthetic sort, but certainly it is as remote as possible from mercenary considerations of commerce. And yet the oyster not only stands for a great delicacy, but for a great industry that will in time be wastly greater. It is shown by Government statistics, for instance, that of the 35,000,000 bushels of oysters consumed throughout the world each year 30,000,000 bushels are supplied by the United States, and that the oyster fishery excels any other fishery in importance. Add to this that the industry is especially important in the States of New Jersey and Maryland—the latter alone producing one-third of the world's crop—and it will be seen that there are special reasons why Philadelphia should be cordial to the oyster, and should greet its advent with a degree of effusiveness not extended to any other thing in the edible list with the posstble exception of the Thanksgiving turkey.—Philadelphia Record.

# RELIEF FROM PAIN.

FIRS. T. A. WALDEN, Glbson, Ga., writes:

"DRAN MRS. PINKHAM:—Before taking your medicine, life was a burden to me. I never saw a well day. At my monthly period I suffered untold misery, and a great deal of the time I was troubled with a severe pain in my side. Before finishing the first bottle of your Vegetable Compound I could tell itwas doing me good. I continued its use, also used the Liver Pills and Sanative Wash, and have been greatly helped. I would like to have, you use my letter for the benefit of others."

Rrs. FLORENCE A. WOLFE, 515 Rulberry St., Lancaster, Ohio, writes1
"DEAR Miss. PINKHAM:—For two years I was troubled with what the local physicians told me was inflammation of the womb. Every month I suffered terribly. I had taken enough medicine from the doctors to cure anyone, but obtained relief for a short time only. At last I concluded to write to you in regard to my case, and can say that by following your advice I am now pefectly well."

Eyes Not Necessary.

Eyes are popularly considered to be quite necessary to sight, but this is an error, if we are to believe Dr. Nagel a recent German experimenter. Many creatures without eyes can see; at least they can distinguish perfectly well between light and darkness and even between different degrees of light. This is the lowest degree of seeing, to be sure, but still it is really sight, and differing scarcely more from the vision of some insects that possess eyes than this does from our own clear sight.

Creatures that see without eyes see by means of their skins. All skins, says Dr. Nagel, are potential eyes; that is, they are sensitive to light. In animals been highly localized and greatly increased—so that man, for instance, has a retina very sensitive to light, and an expanse of ordinary skin which possesses a sensitiveness to light so slight that it is hardly conscious of it. Yet his skin is sensitive in some degree, as is proved by the fact that it sunburns—that is, light may cause a disturbance in the pigment of the skin just as it does in that of the eye. In the eye the disturbance is accompanied by a nervous change, which sends a telegraphic message along the optic nerves, and there are messages, also, but their tidings imprint no image on the mind; they simply express discomfort—cry out "sunburn."

But in many eyeless creatures the lack of eyes is in part made up by increased sensitiveness of the whole skin surface to light. Darwin long ago noticed that earth worms, although they have no eyes, will suddenly withdraw into their holes at the approach of a lighted candle. Some creatures seem most sensitive to sudden increase of light; others to sudden increase of light; others to sudden increase of light; others to sudden increase to col

and no place to escape and sound the alarm.

When he grew tired of walking and swinging his arm to keep warm the chunks of ice that were piled around him dld not offer a tempting bed. Hunger gnawed at his vitals and refused to be satisfied with dlet of raw air. Darkness settled down like a six months' Arctic night, and the only sound which broke the profound stillness was the man who wanted to cool off trying to swear.

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The hired man opened the door on Monday morning, and the man who wanted to cool off crawled out more dead than alive.

When his tongue had thawed out he began to abuse the hired man.

"Fool!" retorted the hired man.

"Fool!" retorted the hired man abusing me, your benefactor, but go and write a book of impressions on Alaska."

Then the man who wanted to cool off saw that his fortune was made.—Chicago Record.

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WORDS OF WISDOM.

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The English Walnut.

Possibly few trees in the old world are more profitable than the English walnut, which thrives in England and all over the northern part of the continent of Europe. The wood is especially useful for gunstocks and for many articles of furniture, and is found profitable from trees of ten years of age and upward. There is always a good demand for the nuts, so that there are two distinct lines of profit—by the timber and by the fruit. In our country they thrive in any portion of the Eastern States, although as they progress northwardly the tips of the last year's shoots are destroyed by winter. The living portions push out again, however, and generally bear as abundantly as before.

In the vicinity of Philadelphia there are numerous trees, planted by the early German settlers, which bear every year. Single or isolated trees sometimes fail to bear fruit on account of the pollen-bearing flower maturing and scattering pollen before the nut-bearing flower is in condition to receive it, and for this reason crops are more assured when a number of



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Many horse breeders are led to believe that present low prices will continue almost indefinitely, writes O. J. Vine, of Ohio. To imagine that horse raising will never proveremunerative, or that horses will never again bring good prices, is in my opinion a great mistake. The farmer must have his horses. The mature horse on the farm to-day need have little fear of his being displaced by machinery. No motor of any kind will give the same satisfaction under all circumstances that a good team will, at an equal cost. Steam has been tried as a motive power in plowing on a large scale, but it has never come into general use. Electricity eannot be used on the farm until a perfect storage battery is invented. Electricity will do very well for propelling s reet cars on their smooth, solid tracks, where each successive trip is made over exactly the same route. On the farm it would be quite different. The bicycle has undoubtedly taken the place of many horses, but not to the extent generally supposed. Because horses are cheap now, is no reason why they should remain so. Any other branch of the live stock market fluctuates with the supply and demand. Because the horse market has been away down for several years, is one of the best of reasons for predicting an upward turn before long, and horses will then be as high as they are certainly scarce in our section now. Very few strictly good marketable horses can be found. Farmers quit breeding years ago. It did not pay; horses could be bought for less money than it cost to raise them. The supply has been cut off at both ends. There are several classes of horses that are bringing good prices now, and will so continue in apite of steam, electricity or bicycles. The extra heavy draft horse and the fancy coach or driving horse will continue to be in demand for the next century at least, the supply of horses that will mature and be marketable in 1900 is very small indeed. The farmer who owns a good brood mare or two can very profitably turn his atten