HOME-MADE THEATER.

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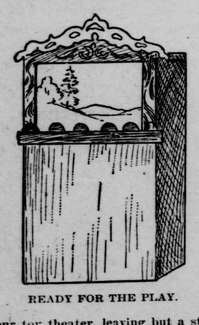
Lots and lots of our readers delight in playing theater. Here is an opportunity to build one at no cost, as everything needed can be found around the house.

Take a large wooden soap box and, after removing the cover, take a crosscut saw and saw through the bottom of the box about 9½ inches carefully and fit it inside of the box, at right angles to the sawed front, to form the floor of the stage. Cut out the end which is now the top of



READY FOR THE PLAY.

your toy theater, leaving but a strip along the front.

Take a strip of this removed piece and tack it to the front of the box, a little bit below the level of the stage.

The next thing is the curtain. Hunt around until you find an old shade roller, some twine and a piece of red or green cloth. Cut the roller the exact width of the box. Then cut the cloth so that half an inch of roller will show on each side, tack one end to the top of the box. Wind the twine around the ends of the roller, leading the twine from each end up and over smooth tacks driven into the top of the theater. These lines should be operated from one side and serve to pull the curtain up and down.

Now comes the making of the footlights and proscenium. Paste drawing paper on stiff cardboard and get father or mother to follow the design in the drawing or carry out their own ideas, using a soft pencil for the outlines and filling in the pattern with water colors or crayon. After this is done tack the cardboard upright to the strip in front of the stage, bending them back and tacking them to the top. Tack the painted footlights to the front strip, high enough to hide any roughness of the stage. After designing and painting the arch, cut out along the outline and fasten it to strips of wood nailed to the top of the stage and jutting out as far as the strip along the footlights.

The scenery for the little theater has now to be made. Get old cardboard boxes, and take the large flat pieces, cutting them to the desired size and cover them with white paper. If you want a wood scene outline the trunks and branches with a heavy pencil, or india ink, filling in the foliage with water colors, permitting each color to dry before applying another.

Interiors, farm houses or sea scenes can be cut out of old magazines and pasted on.

After this is all done, your curtain in good working order and scenery in place, get out your toy soldiers, form them into groups—or, put your tin boats behind the paper waves with their paper and paint scene behind it. One little boy who had this theater built for him had two sets of scenery, one of the woods and one of the sea.

His first tableau was "A Storm at Sea," using a tin ship and his sea scenery. Tableau two was called "At the Station," showing a company of toy soldiers ready to enter an iron train, toy blocks were used to build the station. Tableau three he called "The Holdup in the Woods," the same little train being stopped by a toy man with his gun at his shoulder ready to fire. —Brooklyn Eagle.

Four Thousand Godfathers.

Princess Irene of Prussia is better provided for in the matter of godfathers than is any other woman in the world. She can boast of 4,000 godfathers, and how she came to obtain so many is a pretty story. When she was born the war of 1866 was drawing to an end, and peace being concluded just at the time of her christening, her father, Prince Henry of Hesse, requested all the officers and men of the regiments under his command to stand godfather to his little daughter, whom he named Irene (Peace) in commemoration of the end of the war.

Earliest National Alliance.

The very earliest example of a national alliance is contained in what is the oldest historical document yet known, inscribed on a bowl found at Sungir, in Chaldea—the Shinar of the Bible—and dating from about 7000 B. C.

THE SPIDER'S WAY OUT.

Little Insect Showed So Much Intelligence That Its Captor Restored It to Liberty.

A close observer never has to travel away from home for entertainment and instruction. One bright-eyed young person, who had grown tired of reading, tells in an English paper how he found a spider an interesting playmate.

I took a washbowl and fastened up a stick in it like a vessel's mast, and then poured in water enough to turn the mast into an island for my spider, whom I named Crusoe, and put on the mast. As soon as he was fairly cast away, he anxiously commenced running around to find the mainland. He'd scamper down the mast to the water, stick out a foot, get it wet, shake it, run round the stick and try the other side, and then run back to the top again.

Pretty soon it became a serious matter to Mr. Robinson, and he sat down to think over it. As in a moment, he acted as if he were going to shout for a boat, and as if he were afraid he was going to be hungry. I put molasses on the stick. A fly came, but Crusoe wasn't hungry for flies just then. He was homesick for his web in the corner of the woodshed. He went slowly down the pole to the water and touched it all round, shaking his feet like pussy when she wets her stockings in the grass. Suddenly a thought seemed to strike him. Up he went like a rocket to the top, and commenced playing circus. He held one foot in the air, then another, and turned round two or three times.

He became excited and nearly stood on his head before I found out what he knew, and that was this: that the draught of air made by the fire would carry a line ashore on which he could escape from his desert island. He pushed out a web that went floating in the air until it caught on the table. Then he hauled on the rope until it was tight, struck it several times to see if it were strong enough to hold him, and walked ashore.

I thought he had earned his liberty, so I put him back in the wood shed again.

BOY'S LAND YACHT.

French Youngster Furnishes an Idea Which Our Own Boys May Find Worth Imitating.

While crude in construction, a curious and useful little carriage was recently built by a French boy. He was staying with his mother at a seaside resort and one day, after watching a yacht skim over the water, it occurred to him that a person could travel very comfortably on land by attaching a sail to a carriage.

He got an old box and a set of wheels and in a few hours was riding up and down the beach in a carriage the like

FRENCH BOY'S LAND YACHT.

of which had never before been seen in France.

To the box he simply fastened a mast and a double triangular sail. There happened to be a good wind when his work was done, and it carried him and his carriage for a great distance.

Any boy can make a little land yacht of this kind, all that he needs being four wheels, which he can obtain without much trouble, an old soap box, a strip of canvas or calico and a stout stick, which is to serve as a mast. When there is any wind he will find a land sail decidedly pleasant.—N. Y. Herald.

A California Dog Hero.

From California comes a tale of a heroic rescue by a dog. During a forest fire which raged along the border between Yuba and Butte counties, Bruno, a Great Dane dog, fought his way through the flames bearing in his jaws the living body of 3-year-old Florence Rogers. The parents of the child, when the alarm of fire was given, hastened to assist neighbors, leaving little Florence on the kitchen floor. When the wind shifted Rogers and his wife rushed for their home, but when they reached the clearing it was to see the barn in a blaze. Rogers tried to get to the house, but was restrained. Just then Bruno burst through the kitchen window with the child, her garments knotted in his teeth. The baby's clothes gave way as the dog landed, but in an instant he had her again in grip and reached safety. The child's face and hands were cut and burned, but she recovered.

A Reading.

The lecturer on dramatic art, in his wanderings over the country, was stranded one night in a small western town. Being detained by a snowstorm and low funds, he decided to give his lecture in the town hall.

His audience consisted of six school girls in the front seat and one lank young man at the rear of the hall. The lecture was enlivened by many quotations, which were stolidly received until, with a finger outstretched toward a dimly burning kerosene lamp, the lecturer cried, "Canst see yon light?"

He was about to proceed with his recitation when the young man at the rear rose from his seat.

"I can see it by squintin'," he called, cheerfully, "and I can smell it without more'n half trying! Why don't you blow it out?"—Youth's Companion.

An Avowal.

"I suppose," said the man with the searching eye, "that drink was your downfall."

"It was," answered Meandering Mike, "I took a drink o' water dat had microbes in it, an' dat's what damaged me healt' so I can't work."—Washington Star.

He Knew How to Do It.

Mr. Kidder—People say that it is impossible to find a needle in a haystack—but they're wrong.

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Mr. Kidder—Walk across the stack in my stocking feet.—Denver Republican.

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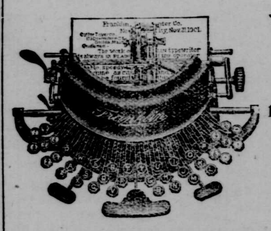

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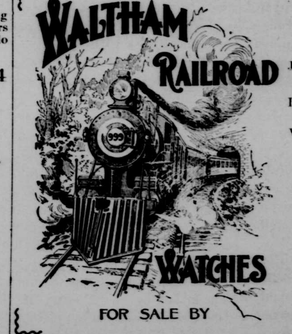

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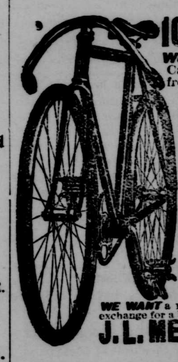

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