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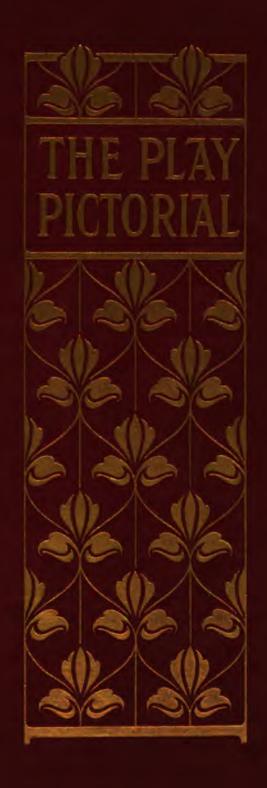
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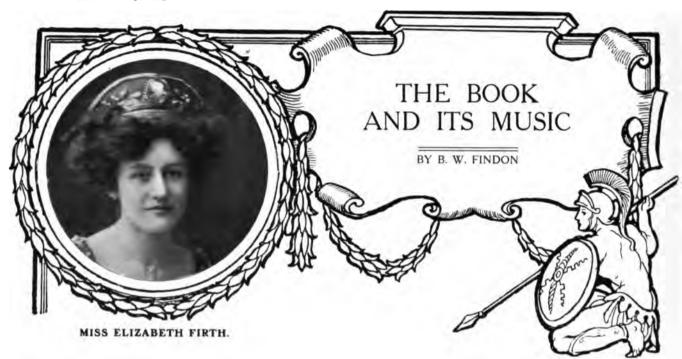
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MISS DENISE ORME.

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EVER has Mr. George Edwardes had a more unanimous greeting than when he was called before the curtain after the last act of "The Merveilleuses." Its success was never in doubt for a moment, and the chorus of congratulations which saluted all concerned was eloquently prophetic of a long and prosperous run. In every sense of the word the new comedy opera affords a refined, a charming, and a mirthful evening's amusement. The period in which the action is set gives scope for tasteful and luxuriant mounting; the colour scheme is a feast for the eye, and the sartorial fashions of the day combined picturesque designs with the most sumptuous material With such valuable elements in his favour it may be taken for granted that Mr. Edwardes has made the most of his opportunities and produced an ensemble of exceptional richness and beauty.

The libretto is by that veteran dramatist, Victorien Sardou, whose well-trained pen of late years has been employed chiefly in providing plays for the English market. He has had an able English collaborateur in Captain Basil Hood, for Captain Hood's work is more than that of a mere adaptor. It is not difficult to recognise many an original touch by the clever hand of Arthur Sullivan's last associate in Savoy opera. That the lyrics are by Mr. Adrian Ross is a sufficient

guarantee of their intrinsic value as verse and their appropriateness for musical treatment. The composer, Dr. Hugo Felix, must consider himself fortunate in having such an accomplished writer to supply him with the necessary foundation for his melodic gift.

There is no question as to Mr. Felix's command of melody and his keen sense for effective orchestration. That he is emphatically original I will scarcely venture to affirm. In that very pretty song, for example, "Cuckoo," most daintily sung by Miss Denise Orme, he was distinctly reminiscent of Micaela's letter song in "Carmen"; there were moments when he gave us sweeping phrases quite in the modern Italian style, and then would come a suggestion of Offenbach and his contemporaries. However, Mr. Felix deftly welded his material together and presented a homogeneous whole that was entirely satisfactory. As a specimen of his technical accomplishment I cannot do better than point to the elaborate finale to the second act, which is worked up to a climax in a way that not only appeals to the average listener, but also proves his worth as a capable and masterly musician.

The "SMART SET" OF 1795.
Mr. George Edwardes found himself in a difficulty when trying to give the English equivalent to M. Sardou's title. "The Women Dandies" scarcely expresses it, and so it was decided eventually

to let the French name stand. On the programme it is stated that "The Merveilleuses" were a number of ladies who set the fashion in Paris, under the Directoire, from 1795 to 1799; they were remarkable for their daring eccentricities of dress and manners; they wore what was believed to be classical costume, and not too much of it, and they were prodigal in entertaining lavishly.

The action of the libretto begins in the Palais Royal, outside a café, when Dorlis, a refugee aristocrat, learns that during his enforced absence with the army in Italy his young wife has been induced to take advantage of the easy divorce laws of the period to unite herself to St. Amour, the secretary to Director Barras. But Illyrine loves her first husband and when they meet and explanations ensue it is not difficult to foresee that the two will come together again before the end of the play. The first scene of the second act presents a wonderful picture of the Stock Market, and in the second scene we see Illyrine's devotion to her old love by the manner in which she shelters him from the police by concealing him in her private apartment. It is here we have a very effective scene. St. Amour, and all those invited to the wedding, are waiting outside her door to trap Dorlis, while Illyrine is singing within.

"THE MERVEILLEUSES."

This makes the climax to the second act, which is as effective musically as it is dramatically. In the third act we are introduced to a Tricolour Fête at the Palace of the Luxembourg, and amid this scene of brilliant gaiety the young and blushing bride has the unique experience of being married and divorced on the same day, and remarried to her first husband.

The love interest and the sentimental music is divided between Mr. Robert Evett and Miss Denise Orme. Mr. Evett takes the rôle of the young aristocrat who was carried away to Italy and returns to find himself a divorced man. One of his best vocal numbers is a dramatic scena, "How I took the Redoubt," which comes quite at the beginning of the play, and in another vein in his melodious song in the second act. The heroine has a charming representative in Miss Orme, and the composer, although he has written a trifle high for her voice, has given her some very expressive music. I have made mention of the "Cuckoo" song, and others that arrest the attention include "I'm sorry," and "The Gay Director," while the two artists are pleasantly associated in the captivating duet, "It might have been."

The head of "Les Merveilleuses" at Daly's, is Miss Evie Greene, and right handsome and stately does she look in beautiful dresses, the soft texture of which clings to her shapely figure in a perfectly irresistible manner. If Miss Greene's part is subservient in its relation to the main idea of the plot, the author has not made her subservient in interest or wasted her vocal and histrionic gifts. She has some of the best numbers to sing in the play, and some of the most effective situations. Her solo in the finale to the first act, "Ringa-Ring-a-Roses," is an ear-haunting melody that will quickly be whistled by the boy in the street, and her "Merveilleuse" song is another number which shows off her voice to good advantage.

As a vis à vis for Miss Evie Greene we have Mr. Louis Bradfield as the Incroyable, and Mr. Bradfield must be congratulated on the finished style in which he portrayed the manner of the day, and the ease with which he wore his costumes. His conception and his realization of the part were excellent in all respects.

He also rendered valuable vocal assistance in solos and the concerted numbers. Miss Mariette Sully is rapidly becoming a Daly favourite, and she has stepped quite naturally into the dainty shoes of poor Juliette Nesville.

In addition to being a piquant comedienne she can give delightful point to a neatly-written ballad, and the way she sang "Our Picnic," quite brought down the house. Miss Elizabeth Firth deserves a word of commendation for the tasteful manner in which she sang a watch-winding song with chorus.

THE COMEDIANS.

On the purely comic side of the piece Mr. Edwardes found himself in difficulties at the last moment. Mr. George Graves caught a severe chill and had to retire, and that led to a rearrangement of the characters and a very quick study on the part of Mr. W. H. Berry and Mr. Fred Emney. Happily they are both experienced actors and equal to sudden emergencies. One would scarcely have imagined that they had not had weeks of rehearsals instead of two or three days. Both are good character parts with possibilities of much humorous developement. The comic element is further strengthened by Mr. Fred Kaye, and roars of laughter-greeted their funny trio, "Not so silly as you look."

greeted their funny trio, "Not so silly as you look."
Mr. Willie Warde and Mr. Scott Russell did all that
was required of them in their respective parts. A
taking dance was contributed by Miss M. Percival.

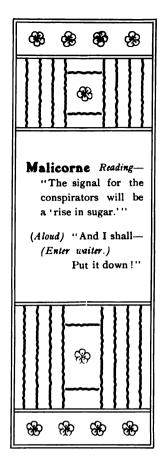
The chorus sang well and showed an exceptional amount of life and animation, and for this and the production generally, Mr. J. A. E. Malone is to be heartily congratulated on the successful accomplishment of an arduous task. Daly's orchestra is a picked band of capable players, and they performed their share of the work in a thoroughly satisfactory manner under the efficient guidance of Mr. Barter Johns.

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MISS EVIE GREENE as Lodoiska.





Malicorne-MR. FRED KAYE.

Alexis— MR. SCOTT

"Mind you don't forget the time."



Entrance of Lagorille-MR. LOUIS BRADFIELD.



Liane—MISS ELIZABETH FIRTH.



Dorlis: -- MR. ROBERT EVETT.



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MISS DENISE ORME.



ILLYRINE:—"The rustling leaves above me, As the wind weigh by Whispered—"Love me, love me, Like a tender sigh."

THE RIVAL POLICE AGENTS ENDEAVOUR TO ARREST EACH OTHER.



Malicorne, Police Agent of Barras: MR. FRED KAYE.

"With both eyes never shut."



"With one eye always open."





Valcourt: Merval: Lagorille: Dorlis: MR. GORDON CLEATHER. MR. O'CONNOR. MR. W. LOUIS BRADFIELD. MR. ROBERT EVETT.

Song: How I took the Redoubt.—" Bonaparte came riding our way."
(Shouts and cheers and rattle of drums).





Amazement of Police Agents and St. Amour to find their bird has flows



St. Amour: "I thought you said 'Coral-Watch-Chain' was here."

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Lodoiska (Miss EVIE GREENE): "How little men understand women."

Tournesol (Mr. FRED EMNEY): "Little ones may, but the big ones don't."

LODOISKA and THE MERVEILLEUSES.



The names, reading from left to right, are—Miss Dunbar, Miss Erskine, Miss Souray, Miss Evie Greene, Miss Sevening, Miss Barker, Miss Firth.



St. Amour (Mr. W. H. BERRY) has to leave his bride after the wedding, much to her delight.

MISS EVIE GREENE AND MR. LOUIS BRADFIELD.



LODOISKA: "I believe you are a conspirator-That is what makes you so fascinating to me."





LAGORILLE, DORLIS, LODOISKA, ILLYRINE.

Dorlis returns from the campaign in Italy only to find his wife Illyrine has divorced him in his absence, to marry St. Amour.



Miss DENISE ORME and Mr. ROBERT EVETT.



Duet : " It might have been." Then we could have wandered happy hearted Down the garden way,
In the Moon of May,
One, as though we never had been parted.
Think what that would mean.
It might have been.



Illyrine conceals Dorlis in her room. St. Amour, suspecting his presence, raises a false alarm of "fire." They fall into the trap and are discovered.

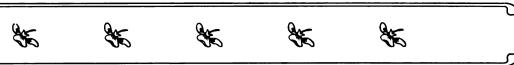
ILLYRINE: "Don't you know we were wed long ago? He's my husband. He alone."

St. Amour: "Well! If I count for nothing at all-arrest that man!"



THE ARREST OF DORLIS AND LAGORILLE.

FINALE, ACT II.





Des Gouttieres (MR. WILLIE WARDE),

Ragot (MR. A. J. EVELYN), Father to Pervenche and Uncle to Illyrine.

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THE CONSPIRATORS ARE BROUGHT UP FOR **EXAMINATION.**

DORLIS: "Where the deuce are we?"

LAGORILLE: "At the ball. The guests of Barras. Arrested at a reception—condemned at a dance Could anything be more delightful? Paris knows how to treat her criminals."



Ragot-MR. A. J. EVELYN.



Illyrine pleads with Barras and obtains her husband's pardon.



ILLYRINE: "I have been with Barras."
DORLIS: "You! Alone with him?"
ILLYRINE: "Yes. For an hour."
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ST. AMOUR— MR. W. H. BERRY.



THE INCROYABLE ("Lagorille)"—
MR. W. LOUIS BRADFIELD.









St. Amour: "What's the meaning of this? It's milk punch! Dutch courage. Remove the milk punch! Now, to begin with—your names and descriptions."

LAGORILLE: "Sit down! In 16 minutes our conspiracy will burst into flames."

ST. AMOUR: "I shall quench it."

LAGORILLE: "Will you? We hardly know ourselves how far it has spread."



St. Amour, to his dismay, finds himself deserted by his supporters.

"Everybody gone! Everybody in the conspiracy except me Can't I have a little share in your business."

MISS DENISE ORME and MR. ROBERT EVETT.





MISS HOWARD.

Pervenche:
MLLE. MARIETTE SULLY.



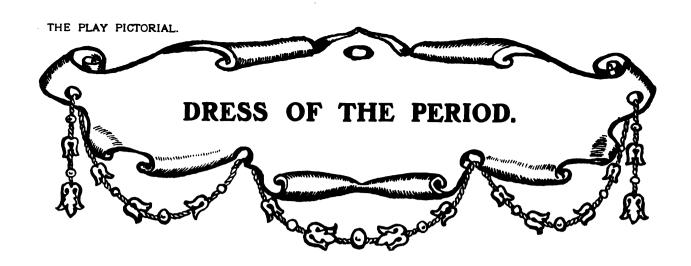
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Miss EVIE GREENE and Mr. LOUIS BRADFIELD.

LODOISKA: "You talk to all women, and not one
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Miss WOOD.

Le Directoire, 1795-1906.

A L'EMPIRE was the cry some months ago sounding throughout the World of Dress. Now it is the turn of Le Directoire, and all the powers that be in matters sartorial are busily conning the traditions of that period and striving their utmost to adapt the modes of the past to the needs of the present.

Quite apropos of the present order of things in Fashion's régime comes "The Merveilleuses," and though one can hardly expect to learn very much from such very scanty costumes as worn by Miss Evie Greene, still, strange as it may seem, even from her diaphanous attire, there is something to be obtained.

For instance, that little coat she wears in the first act, is eminently suitable for the present-day mode, and many models I have seen represent the outlines in a modified degree. Hers is of pale blue satin, with

silver braidings on either side of the front, and silver tassels adorn the points of the coat, while the sharply pointed revers, so distinctive of the period, are of pale blue and white striped satin.

The soft yellows and greens, and the subdued heliotropes and blues which mark the Directoire era are sufficient contrast to the vivid colourings of the Empire period to make them specially adaptable to our present-day

requirements.

A particularly beautiful example of a delicate blue is given in the gown of the little dancer in the last act, Miss Maude Percival, which is of cream silk, embroidered in a bold design in shaded blues, with most exquisite effect.

Miss Denise Orme contributes a very satisfactory quota to modern modes, in her two costumes, which would form ideal tea gowns for the woman of leisure. Her first dress is of heavy cream crêpe de chine, bearing a design in the Greek key carried out in folds of cream silk embroidery. Above this comes an artistic coat arrangement of rich white satin, split up into panels and bordered all round with embroidery in pale green and silver, the sleeves, which are slashed to show the bare arm, being caught together by silver ornaments, and an exquisite lace scarf is draped loosely around her shoulders.

"THE MERVEILLEUSES."

Her second frock is of most beautiful lace and satin. The entire front of the gown, and the long angel sleeves are of finest white Spanish lace, while the over-dress of satin displays pointed revers in front, held on the bust by an elaborate diamond button. The skirt comes high at the back, and the hanging sleeves are confined by tight ones of satin above the elbow. A twist of soft cream lace is threaded through the hair, and tied in a bow in front.

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Another charming mode which we shall see adapted to our immediate use is a fascinating little cape coat of finest black Spanish lace, falling from a capelike pelerine of black satin edged with a ruching of the same; this finishes just below the waist line in a point on either side. The frock which accompanies it is truly Directoire, built of shot mauve and pink silk, high waisted and held by a bow upon the bust, while a flounce of the same edges the full skirt.

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Mademoiselle Sully's first dress marks a delightful mode, a schoolgirl's evening frock. It is built of finely tucked and embroidered white muslin, the sash, which comes high under the arms and falls to the end of the dress at the back, being of exquisite painted silk ribbon in a floral design, the ends being rounded. This gown is crowned by a quaint little bonnet of fine broderic Anglaise, surrounded by a wreath of pink roses, and tied under her chin with pink ribbons; two pale pink ostrich feathers waving gaily at one side.

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Specially noticeable among the Directoire modes are the semiclassical borderings on the gowns, displaying the Greek key designs, interlaced half diamonds, and waved lines of ruchings in alternate colourings. All these adornments are very conspicuous just now upon the present-day dress, so that the modes of the past are adapting themselves most amicably to our requirements to-day.

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Then again the headgear of the

Merveilleuses, modified and adapted to the modes of the moment, gives us some very novel and eminently becoming millinery, while among our coiffure ornaments for evening wear, the floating paradise plume, and the folds and bow of soft gauze represent "le dernier cri" in this respect.

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For children perhaps even more than for their elders is the throwover cape being adopted for evening wear, and among the new models supplied for our delight are many delightful imitations of the voluminous mantles now gracing the boards at "Daly's."

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Even the masculine wardrobe appears to be coming
under the influence of the
Directoire period, since the
West-end windows are displaying quite a large assortment of striped half-hose,
which to our unaccustomed
eye seems a little outré, but
no doubt the present-day
dandies will not fail to
avail themselves of this
particular opportunity of
emulating the Incroyables
of that time.

Another innovation in masculine attire, which has been steadily creeping in and will now no doubt become marked, is the fob, with its attachment of colossal seals. Shall we now see its double on the other side of the waistcoat? We most sincerely hope that the watch of the period as portrayed in this play will not come into vogue, since we have sufficient impedimenta to carry about with us already.

The delicately artistic eyeglass so favoured by the fair ladies and their admirers in "The Merveilleuses" may be recommended as a distinct improvement on the somewhat insolent tortoiseshell lorgnettes which have been

favoured for so long. This indeed, would only be a change for the better.

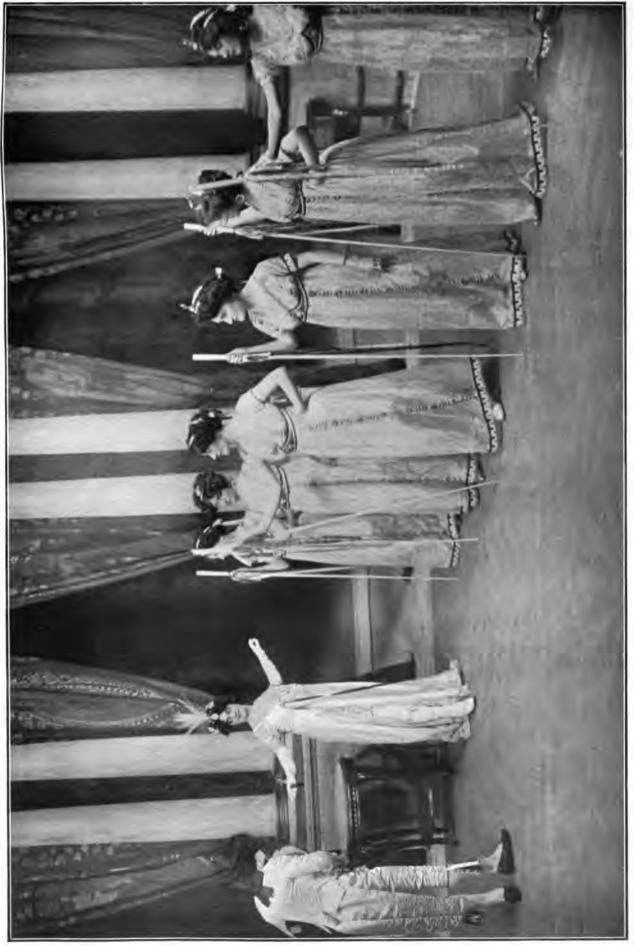
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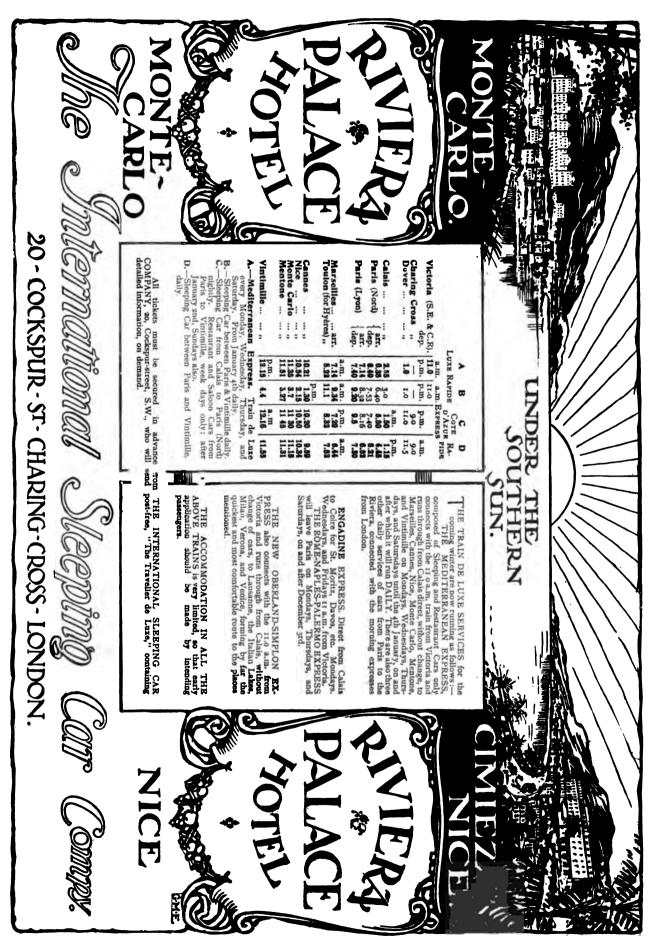
As St. Amour so tentatively remarks "Where there's a frill there's a fray," and we can quite realize that there may be some truth in this statement, when rival belies of the twentieth century strive to emulate the beauties of two centuries ago, and in the emulating, succeed in out-vying each other.

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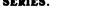
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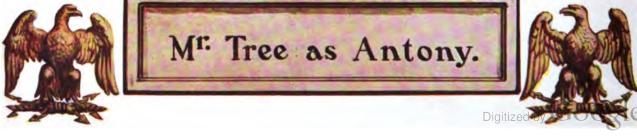
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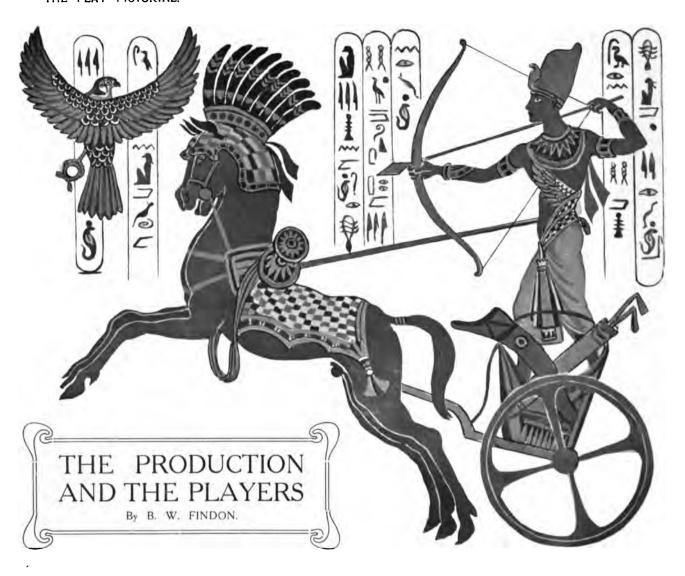
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"ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA."

Vol. IX.



MR. TREE AS ANTONY.



IF Mr. Tree were the worst actor that ever trod the English stage he would still be entitled to our gratitude for the poetical manner in which he treats the works of our greatest poetdramatist. No one but a man of the keenest imagination, the most subtle fancy, can so read the text of such a play as "Antony and Cleopatra" that the vivid mind of the author shall stand forth in all the grandness of its original and fertile power.

It is an easy task for the pedant and the crank to find fault with Mr. Tree's method of treating Shakespeare. The cutting away of a scene here, of a page there, is quite sufficient for the caviller to base his remarks upon, and, however futile his objections are from the practical standpoint, he insists on making his voice heard. However, the British public is not influenced by faddists, and Mr.

Tree's artistic and ambitious endeavours are crowned with the laurels which they deserve.

In the production of "Antony and Cleopatra" he has surpassed himself, and that without going beyond the limits of good taste, or burdening the poet's conception with extravagant details. If there were no other reason for the playgoer to visit His Majesty's he would be justified in paying his money to witness a series of scenes which revive in such a brilliant manner the pageantry and military glory of a far distant age. A very great and a very successful effort has been made to stage this story of Eastern life with the glowing intensity which is characteristic of the Oriental mind, and to environ it with the atmosphere of passion which dominated the existence of the wondrous woman who enslaved Rome's proudest warrior. It was as if one breathed the air of Egypt

and heard the murmuring of the placid waters as the stately vessel brought the lovers to the landing stage of Cleopatra's Palace. A more effective entrance could not have been devised, and here we realized that the keynote of well-calculated splendour has been surely and firmly struck.

In the next act a striking effort has been made to represent a Bacchanalian orgie on Pompey's Galley, and the public have the unique opportunity of seeing four Emperors gloriously drunk; but somehow this particular scene struck me as being a little out of the picture; that Mr. Tree's judgment was at fault in laying stress on this phase of the manners of the time; it threw Cleopatra too far into the background, and she cannot be spared from the stage to make way for the bibulous babbling of potentates in their cups.

But if Mr. Tree erred in this item, he made no mistake in conjuring up the gorgeous tableau which pictures the return of Antony to Alexandria. Here, indeed, was the fancy of the poet's brain put into living and concrete form by the rich imagination of the actor. That Mr. Tree owes much to that distinguished artist Mr. Percy Macquoid, R.I., and the skill of Mr. Joseph Barker, to say nothing of the costumes so splendidly executed by Messrs. B. J. Simmons & Co., detracts nothing from the merit which rightfully belongs to him who took his inspiration from a few words, and on that slight structure erected a glorious monument to Shake-speare's instinct for picturing the luxury of the Orient whilst dwelling amid the prosaic surroundings of London three centuries ago. Beautiful also, but in quite another manner, are the scenes outside and within Cleopatra's Monument.

There were moments in the earlier parts of the play when it appeared to hang loosely together, when it became an effort to concentrate the mind on the action of the drama, but in the final section there was no withstanding the spell of the poet or being sluggishly inclined towards the actors. Mr. Tree, burdened with the cares of production and with the responsibility of management, had not been doing himself justice in some of the amorous scenes with "Cleopatra," but in the great tragic moment of the play the actor and the artist rose superior to all else and took us with him.

Nor must I forget to record the splendid assistance given him by Miss Constance Collier whose Cleopatra is the apex of a career that has been distinguished by singular tenacity of purpose, of a persistent struggling up the mountainous pathway of art, and has more than justified the rich and unexpected promise she showed in Mr. Esmond's pretty comedy "One Summer's Day." Not only in her

death scene did she exhibit the rare quality of a genuine tragedienne, but she stamped her mark on the play in the second act when the messenger brings her tidings of Antony's marriage with Octavia.

In this scene Miss Collier gave a vivid picture of the woman mad with jealous rage, wounded and scorned by the man who represented to her more than Empire and worldly power. And when, with forced smile, she sought to wring from the messenger's lips words of detraction concerning her too successful rival, Miss Collier caught with admirable art the facial expression necessary to convey to the audience the conflicting emotions which, like angry waves, were rushing with torrential violence through her distracted mind.

Miss Collier has something, nay, a great deal, of the grand manner which is so necessary for the delivery of grand thoughts couched in blank verse. She does not deliver poetry as though it were quotations from a newspaper money article; she has a sense of rhythm, an instinct for oral melody, the turning of a phrase into music, and with such natural gifts and the experience born of time, it may be that Miss Collier will develop into the great actress for whom we are so anxiously waiting.

Another artist who delights us with his speaking powers is Mr. Lyn Harding, who gave the fine speech allotted to Enobarbus in a manner which brought forth a spontaneous and very hearty applause. Mr. Norman Forbes gave a finished study of the rôle Mr. Basil Gill's of Lepidus. resonant voice and manly bearing did him good service as Octavius, Mr. Julian L'Estrange, Mr. H. C. Buckler, Mr. Charles Quatermaine as the Messenger, and Mr. J. Fisher White as the Soothsayer were among many others who contributed to an excellent ensem-Crawford Miss Alice ble.

occupied a well-earned position as Charmian by the side of those who worked to such good purpose to make the evening memorable in the annals of His Majesty's Theatre.

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The triple pillar of the world transform'd Into a strumpet's fool.



MR. BASIL GILL as Octavius Cæsar.



MR. NORMAN FORBES as Lepidus.

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Therefore be deaf to my unpitied folly,
And all the gods go with you! upon your sword
Sit laure! victory! and smooth success

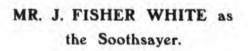
ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA."



MISS CONSTANCE COLLIER as Cleopatra.







Therefore, O Antony, stay not by his side: Thy demon, that's thy spirit which keeps thee, is Noble, courageous, high, unmatchable, Where Cæsar's is not; but, near him, thy angel Becomes a fear, as being o'erpowered; therefore Make space enough between you.





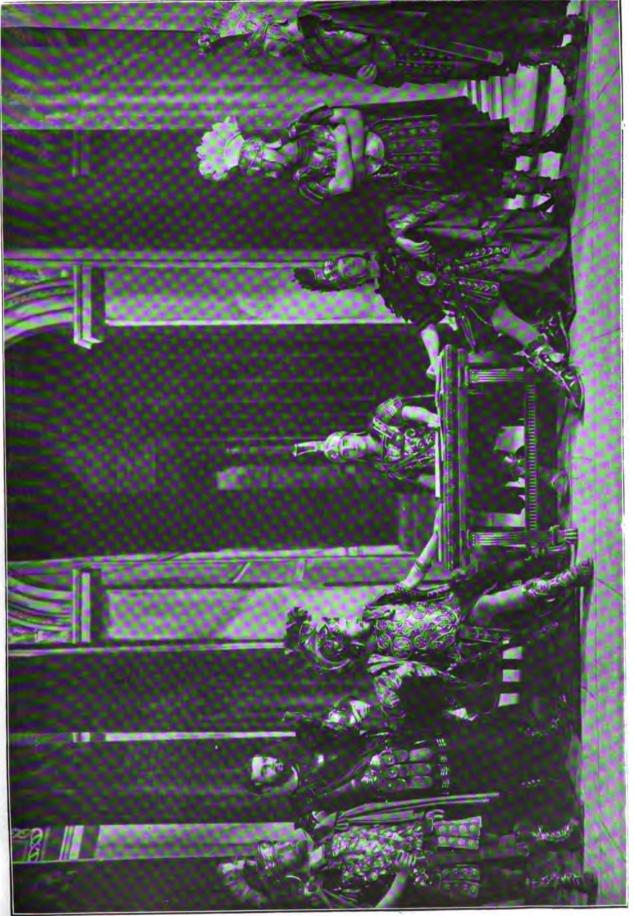
MR. CHARLES QUARTERMAINE

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Mecenas.

Agrippa.

Ventidius.



Ventidius.

Mecenas.

Agrippa.



ENOBARBUS: The barge she sat in like a burnish'd throne, Burn'd on the water.



MR. BASIL GILL as Cæsar.

MISS MAUD CRESSALLY as Octavia.





Cleopatra: "Rogue, thou hast lived too long."



ENOBARBUS.

MECÆNAS.

ANTONY.

LEPIDUS.

POMPEY'S GALLE'



AGRIPPA.

OCTAVIUS.

EROS.

SEXTUS POMPEIUS.

MENAS.

Y-Act 4. Scene 4.
wine hath steep'd our sense le.

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MR. TREE as Antony.

"There's beggary in the love that can be reckon'd."



DANCING GIRLS.





Mr. JULIAN L'ESTRANGE as Sextus Pompeius.

THE CHARACTER OF ANTONY.

SHAKESPEARE ennobled the character of Antony to a certain extent. Plutarch depicts him as a Hercules in stature, and inclined to ape the demigod by certain affectations of dress; a hearty, rough soldier, given to praising himself and making game of others, but capable, too, of enduring banter as well as praise. His inclination to prodigality and luxurious living made him rapacious, but he was ignorant of most of the infamies that were committed in his name. There was no craft in his nature, but he was brutal, recklessly profligate, and devoid of all sense of decency. A popular, light-hearted, free-handed general, who sat far too many hours at table-indifferent whether it were with his own soldiers or with princes—who showed himself drunken on the public street, and would 'sleepe out his drunkennesse' in the light of day, degraded himself by the lowest debauchery, exhausted whole treasuries on his journeys, travelled with priceless gold and silver plate for his table, had chariots drawn by lions, gave away tens of thousands of pounds in a single gift; but in defeat and misfortune rose to his full height as the inspiriting leader who uncomplainingly renounced all his own comforts and kept up the courage of his men. Calamity always raised him above himself-a sufficient proof that, in spite of everything, he was not without a strain of greatness. There was something of the stage-king in

him, something of the Murat, a touch of Skobeloff, and suggestion of the mediæval knight. What could be less antique than his twice challenging Octavius to single combat? And in the end, when misfortune overwhelmed him, and those

on whom he had showered benefits ungratefully forsook him, there was something in him that recalled Timon of Athens nursing his melancholy and his bitterness. He himself recognised the

affinity.

There was a crevice in this antique figure through which Shakespeare's soul could creep in. He had no difficulty in imagining himself into Antony's moods; he was able to play him just as, in his capacity of actor, he could play a part that was quite in his line. Antony possessed that power of metamorphosis which is the essence of the artist nature. He was at one and the same time a master in the art of dissimulation—see his funeral oration in Julius Casar, and in this play the manner in which he takes Octavia to wife—and an open, honest character; he was in a way faithful, felt closely bound to his mistress and to his comradesin-arms, and was yet alarmingly unstable. In other words, his was an artist-nature.

GEORGE BRANDES.



242 MR. LYN HARDING as Enobarbus.

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"Age cannot wither her, nor custom stale Her infinite variety."



MR. JULIAN L'ESTRANGE as Sextus Pompeius, Digitized by Google 244





AGR.: To hold you in perpetual amity, To make you brothers, and to knit your hearts

With an unslipping knot, take Antony Octavia to his wife; whose beauty claims No worse a husband than the best of men; Whose virtue and whose general graces speak

That which none else can atter. By this marriage,

All little jealousies, which now seem

great, And all great fears, which now import their dangers,

Would then be nothing; truths would

be tales.
Where now half tales be troths: ber love to both
Would, each to other and all loves to

both,

Draw after her. Pardon what I have spoke.

MR. BASIL GILL as Cæsar.

C.s.: Why have you stol'n upon us thus? You come not Like C.s.sar's sister: the wife of Antony

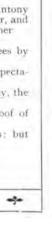
Should have an army for an usher, and The neighs of horse to tell of her approach

Long ere she did appear: the trees by the way Should have borne men; and expecta-

tion fainted, Longing for what it had not; nay, the

dust Should have ascended to the roof of

heaven, Raised by your populous troops; but you are come A market-maid to Rome





MISS MAUD CRESSALL as Octavia.

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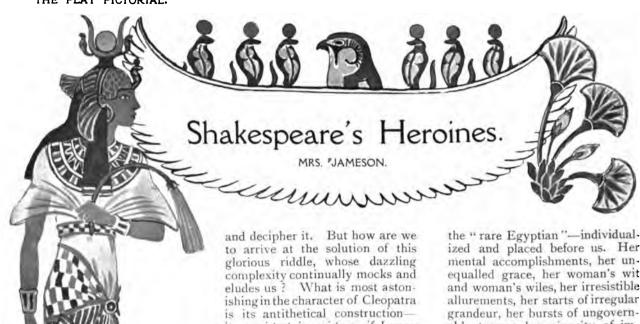
CLEOPATRA.—Here's sport indeed! How heavy weighs my lord!

Our strength is all gone into heaviness,

That makes the weight: had I great Juno's power,

Act 4, Scene 2.

The strong wing'd Mercury should fetch thee up.
And set thee by Jove's side. Yet come a little,—
Wishers were ever fcols,— O, come, come, come;



F all Shakspeare's female characters, Miranda and Cleopatra appear to me the most wonderful. The first, unequalled as a poetic conception: the latter miraculous as a work of art. It we could make a regular classification of his characters, these would form the two extremes of simplicity and complexity; and all his other characters would be found to fill up some shade or gradation between these two.

Cleopatra is a brilliant antithesis, a compound of contradictions, of all that we most hate with what we most admire. The whole character is the triumph of the external over the innate; and yet like one of her country's hieroglyphics, though she present at first view a splendid and perplexing anomaly, there is deep meaning and wondrous skill in the apparent enigma, when we come to analyse

and decipner it. But now are we to arrive at the solution of this glorious riddle, whose dazzling complexity continually mocks and eludes us? What is most astonishing in the character of Cleopatra is its antithetical construction—its consistent inconsistency, if I may use such an expression—which renders it quite impossible to reduce it to any elementary principles. It will, perhaps, be found, on the whole, that vanity and the love of power predominate; but I dare not say it is so, for these qualities and a hundred others mingle into each other, and shift, and change, and glance away, like the colours in a peacock's train.

In some others of Shakspeare's female characters, also remarkable for their complexity (Portia and Juliet, for instance), we are struck with the delightful sense of harmony in the midst of contrast, so that the idea of unity and simplicity of effect is produced in the

midst of variety; but in Cleopatra it is the absence of unity and simplicity which strikes us; the impression is that of perpetual and irreconcilable contrast. The continual approximation of whatever is most opposite in character, in situation, in sentiment, would be fatiguing, were it not so perfectly natural: the woman herself would be distracting, if she were not so enchanting.

I have not the slightest doubt that Shakspeare's Cleopatra is the real historical Cleopatra—

ized and placed before us. Her mental accomplishments, her unequalled grace, her woman's wit and woman's wiles, her irresistible allurements, her starts of irregular grandeur, her bursts of ungovernable temper, her vivacity of imagination, her petulent caprice, her fickleness and her falsehood, her tenderness and her truth, her childish susceptibility to flattery, her magnificent spirit, her royal pride, the gorgeons eastern colouring of the character—all these contradictory elements has Shakspeare seized, mingled them in their extremes, and fused them into one brilliant impersonation of classical elegance, Oriental voluptuousness, and gipsy sorcery.

What better proof can we have of the individual truth of the character than the admission that Shakspeare's Cleopatra produces exactly the same effect on us that is recorded of the real Cleopatra?



"ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA."

She dazzles our faculties, perplexes our judgment, bewilders and bewitches our fancy; from the beginning to the end of the drama, we are conscious of a kind of fascination against which our moral sense rebels, but from which there is no escape. The epithets applied to her perpetually by Antony and others confirm this impression; "enchanting queen!"—" witch"—" spell"—" great fairy "—" cockatrice"—" serpent of old Nile"—"thou grave charm!" are only a few of them: and who does not know by heart the famous quotations in which this Egyptian Circe is described, with all her infinite seductions?—

Fie! wrangling queen!
Whom every thing becomes, to chide, to laugh,
To weep; whose every passion fully strives
To make itself, in thee, fair and admir'd.
Age cannot wither her, nor custom stale
Her infinite variety:
... for vilest things
Become themselves in her.

In representing the mutual passion of Antony and Cleopatra as real and fervent, Shakspeare has adhered to the truth of history as well as to general nature. On Antony's side it is a species of infatuation, a single and engrossing feeling: it is, in short, the love of a man declined in years for a woman very much younger than himself, and who has subjected him by every species of female enchant-In Cleopatra the passion is of a mixed nature, made up of real attachment, combined with the love of pleasure, the love of power, and the love of self. Not only is the character most complicated, but no one sentiment could have existed pure and unvarying in such a mind as hers: her passion in itself is true, fixed to one centre; but, like the pennon streaming from the mast, it flutters and veers with every breath of her variable temper: yet in the midst of all her caprices, follies, and even vices, womanly feeling is still predominant in Cleopatra, and the change which takes place in her deportment towards Antony, when their evil fortune darkens round them, is as beautiful and interesting in itself as it is striking and natural. Instead of the airy caprice and provoking petulance she displays in the first scenes, we have a mixture of tenderness, and artifice, and fear, and submissive blandishment. Her behaviour, for instance, after the battle of Actium, when she quails before the noble and tender rebuke of her lover, is partly female subtlety and partly natural feeling.

History is followed closely in all the details of the catastrophe, and there is something wonderfully grand in the hurried march of events towards the conclusion. As disasters hem her round, Cleopatra gathers up her faculties to meet them, not with the calm fortitude of a great soul, but the haughty, tameless spirit of a wilful woman unused to reverse or contradiction.

Her speech, after Antony has expired in her arms, I have always regarded as one of the most wonderful in Shakspeare. Cleopatra is not a woman to grieve silently. The contrast between the violence of her passions and the weakness of her sex, between her regal grandeur and her excess of misery, her impetuous, unavailing struggles with the fearful destiny which has compassed her, and the mixture of wild impatience and pathos in her agony, are really magnificent. She faints on the body of Antony, and is recalled to life by the cries of her women:

IRAS.— Royal Egypt—empress!
CLEO.—No more, but e'en a woman; and commanded
By such poor passion as the maid that milks
And does the meanest chares.





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Plays of the Month

"WHEN KNIGHTS WERE BOLD."

Farce, in Three Acts, by Charles Marlowe, performed for the first time in London, at Wyndham's Theatre, on Tuesday.

January 29th.

Mr James Welch is such a popular actor and he had such bad luck during his first essay in management at Terry's Theatre at the beginning of last year, that his numerous admirers and friends will share his satisfaction at the enormous success achieved by Mr. Charles Marlowe's merry farce "When Knights were Bold".

The illustrations in this number will show how diverting are the situations in which the hero finds himself through dreaming too vividly of the distant past.

"MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND."

"A Dutch Musical Incident," in Two Acts, libretto
by Paul A. Rubens and Austen Hurgon, music
by Paul A. Rubens; produced at the
Prince of Wales's Theatre on
Thursday, Jan. 31st.

Mr. Hook	Mr. G. P. Huntley
	Mr. Herbert Clayton
Lieutenant De Coop	Mr. B. S Foster
Bandmaster Van Vuyt	Mr. Walter Hyde
Indwig Schnappe	Mr. Harry. Grattan
An Old Policeman	Mr. Morris Harvey
Simon Slinke	Mr. George Barrett
Mic. Voce	Miss Phœbe Mercer
Prede Voc	liss Gwendoline Brogden
Class Wasses	Miss Gladys Ivery
Clara Voos	Miss Gladys Ively
Gretchen	Miss Eva Kelly
An Old Market Woma	nMiss Alice Coleman
Mina	Miss Gracie Leigh
Sally	Miss Isabel Jay

It was our original intention to havegiven "Miss Hook of Holland" in the current number, but it was found impossible to photograph it in time, so Mr. Paul Rubens' delightfully quaint musical play will appear next month.

The piece gained an instantaneous success and the theatre is packed to repletion every night.

Without a doubt it has a long and successful run in front of it.

"THE STRONGER SEX."

Comedy in Three Acts, by John Valentine, produced at the Apollo Theatre, on Tuesday, January 22nd.

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Hon. Warren Barringto	nMr. Leonard Boyne Miss Nina Boucicault
Oliver Thorpe	Mr. Paul Arthur
Robert Forsythe	Mr. Reginald Eyre
Joan Forsythe	.Miss Lilian Braithwaite
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Lady Frampton	Miss Ada Potter
Mrs. Prescott-Lane	Miss Katherine Maude Miss Meta Pelham
loceph Jameson	Mr. Philip Knox

No. viii.

James Josephs......Mr. Gilbert Yorke William......Mr. Heath J. Haviland Jenkins......Mr. Percy A. Goodyer

Mr. Otho Stuart is one of the managers who are afraid of giving the work of untried authors an opportunity, and his judgment has been rewarded as it deserves to be.

His latest venture makes a most entertaining evening's amusement. The author has made it his endeavour to show how a determined little woman can subdue and bring to love her the man who had simply married her for money. Miss Nina Boucicault, Mr. Leonard Boyne and Mr. Paul Arthur are excellent in their respective parts.

"THREE BLIND MICE."

A New Light Comedy, in Three Acts, by Arthur Law, produced, for the first time in London, at the Criterion Theatre, on Thursday, February 14th

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	Mr. Hubert Druce
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Miss Tippings	Miss Annie Hill
Jessop	Miss Dorothy Edwards
Mrs. Joliffe	Miss St. Clair Swanzy
Polly	Miss Sheba Brozel
	Miss Victoria May Harris
	Miss Dorothy Maslin
Marjorie Lovel	

Mr. Arthur Law has a happy facility for writing pieces of a light and agreeable character, and in "Three Blind Mice" he well sustains his reputation. The "mice" of course, are the wooers of pretty Marjorie Lovel who cannot see that in reality she does not care for either of them, and that she does care for her godfather, a middle-aged man who will not acknowledge to himself that he is in love with the girl that he fondled as a baby. The piece has some clever characterization and is full of witty lines.

Miss May Palfrey is delightful as Marjorie, and especial honours go to Mr. Frederick Kerr, Mr. O. B. Clarence, and Mr. Hubert Druce.

"TODDLES."

Transferred from the Duke of York's to The Playhouse, on Monday, January 28th.

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Boolby	Mr. Kenneth Douglas
Freddy Gunner	Mr. Charles Maude
Haslitt	Mr. Allen Thomas
Doctor Baird	Mr. Ivo Dawson
Ioblyn	Mr. Alfred Bishop
Yales	Mr. King Fordham
Change	Mr Onelow
Chauneur	Mr. Onslow
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Second Usher	Mr. C. B. Keston
Lady Dover	. Miss Gertrude Kingston
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Constance Toblyn	Miss Rosalie Toller
Countess de Chambry	Miss Helen Ferrers
Cicely	Miss Madge Titheradge
Mr. Bowler	Miss Nancy Price
Duran	Miss Hester Reeve
Pussy	Wise Pennie Torre
main at the Spring	Miss Beatrice Terry

On this occasion Mr. Cyril Maude entered into possession of his new theatre which he has named The Playhouse, but which for years was known as the Avenue. It is a comfortable and beautifully decorated house, and a worthy addition to the list of metropolitan theatres. A large and distinguished audience gave him and his wife, Miss Winifred Emery, a very enthusiastic greeting.

"THE PHILANDERER."

The Topical Comedy, in Four Acts, by Bernard Shaw, performed at the Court Theatre, on Tuesday afternoon, February 5th.

"The Philanderer" is published among Mr. Shaw's "unpleasant plays," and not without reason. As a "topical comedy" its theme is somewhat out of date, inasmuch as it satirises the "new woman" of Ibsen's plays, and the disciples of the Norwegian dramatist who made such a desperate and ineffective endeavour to make his plays popular in this country. Had it appeared sixteen years ago it might possibly have met with a more cordial reception than it did on the occasion of its production at the Court Theatre.

"MR. GULL'S FORTUNE."

An adaptation by H. Chance Newton of L'Héritage de Monsieur Plumet, a Comedy in Three Acts, by Théodore Barrière. Produced at Terry's Theatre, on Wednesday. February 6th.

Mr. Gull	Mr. Charles Groves
Mr. Clawback	Mr. John Ryder
Croucher	Mr. Frank Collins
	Mr. Harold Weston
	Mr. Henry Armstrong
Redtape Fleecer	Mr. William Dexter
	Mr. Frank Stanniore
Hodge Furrow	Mr. George Bellamy
Giles Dale	Mr. A. P. Phillips
	. Miss Gertrude Robins
	Miss Maud Stamer
	Miss Dora Gray
Lily Mildway	Miss Gladys Archbut

Mr. Nation is making a plucky attempt to woo Dame Fortune, but hitherto she has been somewhat shy of his advances. Nor will "Mr. Gull's Fortune" tempt her from her retirement, inasmuch as it is an old-fashioned French farce and rather confusing to the English mind, by reason of the story being especially French in character, dealing as it does with customs which do not obtain in this country. Otherwise, it is a harmless piece of fooling.

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"Miss Hook of Holland."

A DUTCH MUSICAL INCIDENT, IN TWO ACTS.

Chatter by Paul A. Rubens and Austen Hurgon. Jingles and Tunes by Paul A. Rubens.

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(a Widower, a Wealthy Liqueur Distiller) Mr. G. P. HUNTLEY Captain Adrian Paap) (of the Mounted Artillery, Mr. HERBERT CLAYTON Lieutenant De Coop Bandmaster Van Vuyt) (of the Mounted Artiller quartered at Arndyk) Mr. B. S. FOSTER Mr. WALTER HYDE Ludwig Schnapps (Foreman of Distillery, in love Mr. HARRY GRATTAN Mr. MORRIS HARVEY with Mina) An Old Policeman

Hans Maas (a Cheese Merchant at Arndyk)

Hendrick Draek . . . (a Villager at Arndyk) . .

Van Eck . . . (a very ordinary Dutchman)

Simon Slinks

Miss Voos (really Mrs. Voos, a Widow, but posing as a Spinster)

Freda Voos (Daughters of Mrs. Voos, but sent to (Clara Voos) an Orphan School at Amsterdam) (Gretchen . . (Manageress at the Distillery) Mr. J. B. FRASER Mr. RALPH HOLLAND Mr. A. E. E. EDWARDS Mr. GEORGE BARRETT. Miss PHŒBE MERCER Miss GWENDOLINE BROGDEN
Miss GLADYS IVERY Miss EVA KELLY Miss ALICE COLEMAN An Old Market Woman (Market Girl) . (Maid to the Hooks) Thekla .. Miss MAISIE STATHER . . Mina Miss GRACIE LEIGH (Miss Hook of Holland) Miss ISABEL, JAY Chorus of Market Folk, Soldiers, Cheese Merchants, Villagers, Assistants in the Liqueur Distillety, etc. ACT I. The Cheese Market at Arndyk. On the Borders of the Zuyder Zee (JOSEPH HARKER) The Interior of the Liqueur Distillery, Amsterdam (WALTER HANN) Musical Conductor .. Mr. J. A. de ORELLANA .. M1. EDWARD SHALE Stage Manager Mr. SEYMOUR HODGES **Business Manager**

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Joy Blossom-Miss MARIE STUDHOLME. Hon. Jack Hylton-Mr. HENRY A. LYTTON.



Miss MARIE STUDHOLME.

THE new musical play which Mr. Hicks has concocted with the assistance of Mr. Herbert E. Haines, has a suggestion of farce of the "Pink Dominoes" days, with one touch of sentiment which makes quite an effective appeal to the more unsophisticated section of the audience.

The story of these pieces matters so very little that it is scarcely worth the telling. What there is of it in "My Darling" may be told in a few words.

Sir Henry Heldon is the owner of a newspaper, called the "Daily Butterfly," and Sir Henry is a gay old gentleman with a love of adventure. His wife also has a romantic turn of mind, and as each steals from home to take part in certain festive functions in Paris

we have the beginnings of an amusing imbroglio. Then there is the tenor singer who dines too well, and in consequence is unable to appear at the opera, his place being taken by a well-meaning friend, whose debut leads to results not altogether pleasing or satisfactory to the management.

A love story must find its way into the plot as a matter of course, and so pretty Joy Blossom, fresh from her convent life, is affianced to the Hon. Jack Hylton, who would be perfectly happy but for the fact that a certain notorious lady, a popular favourite at the Folies Bergères, is in possession of a number of compromising letters, which she does not intend to surrender except at a heavy price. It is these letters which bring about

the little pathetic episode to which we have referred. Joy, fresh and innocent, pleads to the demi-mondaine and offers untold gold, and the blasé woman of the world gives them to her for the sake of a pure kiss from the girl who knows nothing of the life led by the smart section of Parisian society.

The story would not carry the piece far on the road to success, but the incidental numbers and the "business" make ample amends. Every device that can appeal to the eye is employed; there are beautiful scenery, gorgeous costumes, pretty faces, shapely figures, and taking musical numbers, and with the assistance of these "My Darling" goes merrily on her way, and fully satisfies the requirements of those in front.

"MY DARLING."

Miss Marie Studholme more than justified the title which had been given the piece. She was daintiness itself, and she sang her songs with a charm that was quite irresistible. Mr. Henry A. Lytton, whose absence from the Savoy is unexplainable, brings his finished art to bear on the part of the lover, and the tenor, whose non-appearance at the opera was so productive of mischief had an admirable representative in Mr. Armand Kalisz, a singer and an actor who will prove a formidable rival to Mr. Maurice Farkoa.

Mr. J. F. McArdle is a comedian who made a reputation for himself in "The Girl Behind the Counter," and his worth being recognised he finds himself in possession of a part which gives him an excellent opportunity for displaying his esspecial bent. Miss Beryll Faber is an accomplished actress and it is not often that one sees a really accomplished actress in musical comedy, and she gives a vast amount of dramatic significance to the rôle of Sylvaine, the Folies Bergères artiste.

Miss Barbara Deane sang the

vocal numbers entrusted to her with admirable art, indeed she is one of the best of our lyric artists.

The bulk of the music is by Mr. Herbert E. Haines, and he has lost no chance of introducing bright and attractive melodies. The lyrics are from the practised pen of Mr. Charles H. Taylor, and Mr. Seymour Hicks is responsible for the production, which, it may be tersely said, was as good as Mr. Hicks could possibly make it; that means, it could not be better.

Sir Arthur Jagg— Mr. WILL BISHOP.





Sir Henry Heldon— Mr. J. F. McARDLE.





Mrs. Pomeroy P. Green—Miss HELEN KINNAIRD.

(an American Widow)

Squib—Mr. ARCHIE McCRAIG.





Mr. Heary A. Lytton.

Miss Helen Kinnaird.

Mr. Tom Graves.

Mr. J. F. McArdis.



Sir Henry Heldon-MR. J. F. Mc'ARDLE.



Jov: "Oh, Jack, my shoe lace is undone." JACK: "Ah! it is a shame to take the money."

A LITTLE UNINTERRUPTED LUNCH AT THE CAFE IMPERIAL.



Joy-MISS MARIE STUDHOLME. Slow-MR. CHARLES CAFFREY. Jack-MR. HENRY A. LYTTON.

JACK: "Joy, are you in love with anyone."

DAPHNE AND Le BLANC HAVE A LITTLE "TIFF."



Maurice le Blanc-MON. ARMAND KALISZ.

Daphne Bell-MISS BARBARA DEANE.

Daphne: "Good-bye." Le Blanc: "For ever?" Daphne: "Yes, for ever." Le Blanc: "Very well then, we shall meet to-morrow."

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Sylvaine (of the Folies Bergeres)-MISS BERYL FABER.



Hon. Jack Hylton-MR. HENRY A. LYTTON.



Joy-Miss MARIE STUDHOLME.



"Zip, Zip, Zip, with a laugh on the lip, to the wine and women of France."



Gabriel Peeve-MISS ALICE HOLLANDER.

"Zip, Zip, Zip, to the women and wine, of the land of the vine and romance."

THE RIVAL QUEENS OF HEARTS.

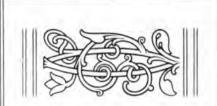




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SYLVAINE ORDERS DINNER.

Mr. J. F. McArdic.



JOY ASKS SYLVAINE FOR THE RETURN OF JACK'S LETTERS

Miss BERYL FABER





Miss Beryl Faben

Miss Marie Studholme.

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Sylvaine returns the letters on the condition that Joy kisses her.

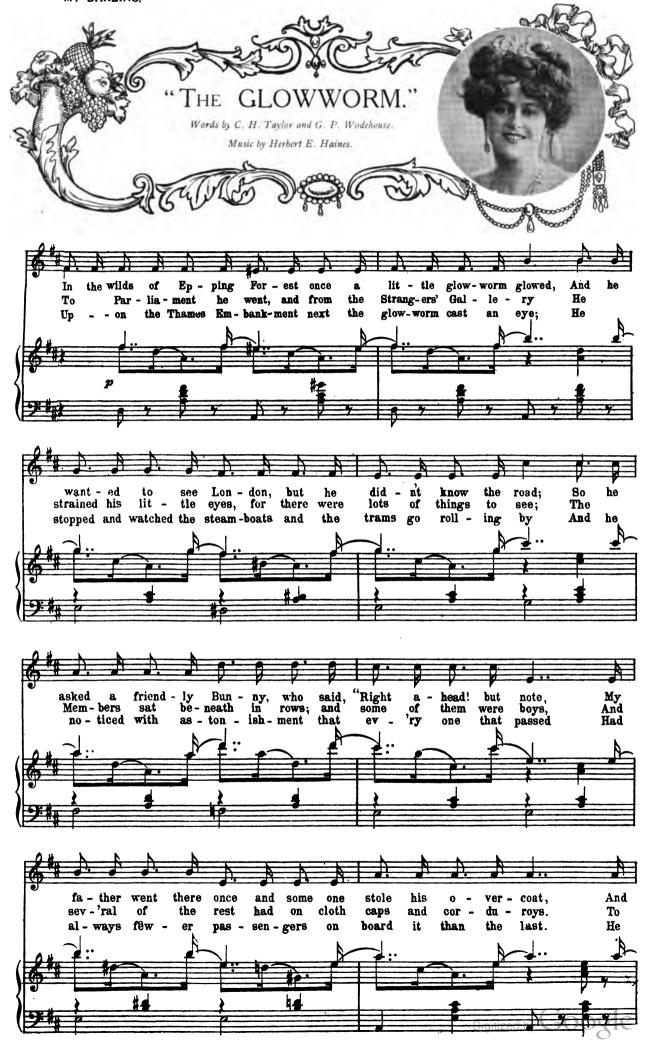


Sylvaine-Miss BERYL FABER.

Joy-Miss MARIE STUDHOLME.

Sylvaine: "Will you kiss me, just once?"

THE SHADY SIDE OF BOND STREET.



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Miss MARIE STUDHOLME as Joy (the Queen of Hearts).

Daphne— Miss BARBARA DEANE.



Joy Blossom—MISS MARIE STUDHOLME.

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MISS MARIE STUDHOLME SINGS, "I'M A FLIRT."

"BABY and I."

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Plays of the Month

"TOM IONES."

Comic Opera, in Three Acts, founded upon Henry Fielding's novel, Book by A. M. Thompson and Robert Courtneidge, Lyrics by Charles H. Taylor, and Music by Edward German, produced for the first time in London at the Apollo Theatre, on Wednesday, April 17.

Tom lones	Mr. C. Havden Coffin
Mr. Allworthy	Mr. John Morley
Blifil	Mr. C. Hayden Coffin Mr. John Morley Mr. Arthur Soames
Benjamin Partridge	Mr. Dan Rolvat
Soure Western	Mr. Ambrose Manning
Gregory	Mr. Jay Laurier
Grizzle	Mr. Walter L. Rignold
Dobbin	Mr. Reginald Crompton
Squire Cloddy	Mr. Harry Cottell
Pimlott	Mr. D. Percival
Tony	Mr. W. Biddlecombe
An Officer	Mr. H. Welchman
HighwaymenMes	srs. Melville and Derrick
	Mr. Woodin
Waiter	Mr. Carr Evans
Colonel Hamstead	Mr. Rupert Mar
Tom Edwardes	Mr. Manners
Colonel Wilcox	Mr. Dalınuir
Honour	Miss Carrie Moore
Miss Western	Miss Marie Daltra
Lady Bellaston	Miss Dora Rignold
Etoff	Miss Dorothy Ward
Hostess of Inn	Miss Dorothy WardMiss Florence Parfrey
Bessie Wiseacre	Miss Minnie Green
Letty Wheatcroft	Miss Annie Heenan
Rosie Lucas	Miss Cicely Courtneidge
Susan	Miss Maude Thornton
Betty	Miss Mabel Newcome
Peggy	Miss Fav Temple
Sophia	Miss Ruth Vincent

In "Tom Jones" we have a return to the strict lines of comic opera, and after a long course of musical comedy we can quite believe that the public will welcome the change. The opera was first introduced at Manchester on Easter Eve and the success it then achieved has been fully confirmed in London.

"Tom Jones" will form the subject of our next number, and a very charming number it should make.

"THE PALACE OF PUCK."

A Fantastic Comedy, in Three Acts, by William J. Locke, Produced at the Haymarket Theatre, on Tuesday, April 2.

Christopher Podmore Nora	Mr. Frederick Kerr Miss Marion Terry
Elsie	
Widgery Blake	Mr. H. V. Esmond
Max Riadore	
Peter Dove	
Gilbert	
Paul	
Yarker	
Rhodanthe	
Myra	
Lalage	Miss Vera Cockburn

Mr. W. J. Locke, the author of "The Morals of Marcus" has broken new ground in "The Palace of Puck" which is a fantastic comedy of much merit, although the fine flavour of its witty and graceful dialogue scarcely makes the mark it should on the audience. "The Palace of Puck" is the name of the Château where Widgery Blake entertains a weird set of artists, and humorous contrast is brought about by introducing into their midst a prosaic Mincing Lane broker and his family. The piece is admirably acted and, as a glance at the cast will show, some of our best-known artistes are engaged in its representation.

"THE TRUTH."

A Comedy, in Four Acts, by Clyde Fitch, played for the first time in London at the Comedy Theatre on Saturday, April 6.

Mr. Allan Aynesworth
Mr. Dawson Milward
Mr. Dion Boucicault
Mr. Horton Couper
Mr. Donald Calthrop
Miss Grace Lane
Miss Sybil Carlisle
ny Miss Rosina Filippi
Miss Marie Tempes

Mr. Clyde Fitch is an American dramatist who has had many good chances in England, but who has never quite succeeded in hitting the mark. In his latest production, however, he has scored a popular success, thanks chiefly to the brilliant acting of Miss Marie Tempest as the flighty wife to whom the art of lying is second nature. The first two acts are much the best, but the interest is well sustained in the two others.

"CLANCARTY."

The Play in Four Acts, by Tom Taylor, revived at the Lyric Theatre on Tuesday, April 16.

at the Lyric Theatre	e on I desday, April 10.
King William III	Mr. W. Mackintosh Mr. A. E. George
The Earl of Portland	Mr. A. E. George
Lord Woodstock	Mr. Owen Roughwood
Lord Spencer	Mr. Franklin Dyall
Sir George Barclay	Mr. H. J. Carvill
Sir John Friend	Mr. S. B. Brereton
" Scum " Goodman	Mr. Herbert Jarman
Charnock	Mr. W. Wilson
Dahamad	Mr. W. L. Schonberg
Rokewood	MI. W. L. Scholberg
vaugnan	Mr. G. Ronald
Knightly	Mr. S. J. Warmington
Officer of the Guard	Mr. A. Caton Woodville
Tremlett	Mr. P. Digan
lames Hunt	Mr. J. H. Irvine
Gille	Mr. Shiel Barry
Clink	Mr. F. W. Troit
Lord Clancarty	Mr. Lewis Waller
The Delancarty	Wise bloomer Man
I ne Princess Anne	Miss Eleanor May
Lady Betty Noel	Miss Adrienne Augarde
Susannah	
Mother Hunt	Miss Leonora Braham
Lady Clancasty	Miss Evelyn Millard
Lauy Clancally	Dreigh billiatu

Mr. Lewis Waller has been well advised in reviving "Clancarty," a romantic play which has held its own for many a long year. It provides him with an excellent part, and that is what his admirers like. It also brings back to town that sterling actor, Mr. W. Mackintosh, who once again gives a notable performance of the character of William III. Miss Evelyn Millard has a charmingly sympathetic part as Lady Clancarty and the other members of the company give adequate support.

"VOTES FOR WOMEN."

A Dramatic Tract, in Three Acts, by Elizabeth Robins, produced at the Court Theatre, on Tuesday afternoon, April 9.

Lord John Wynnstay Geoffrey Stoner	Mr. Athol Forde
St. John Greatorex	Mr. E. Holman Clark
Richard Farnborough	.Mr. P. Clayton Greene
Freddy Tunbridge	Mr. Percy Marmont
Mr. Ailen Trent	Mr. Lewis Casson
Mr. Walker	Mr. Edmund Gwenn
Lady John Wynnstay	Miss Maud Milton
Mrs. Heriot	Miss Frances Ivor
Miss Beatrice Dumbarto	nMiss Jean MacKinlay
Mrs. Freddy Tunbridge	Miss Gertrude Burnett
Miss Ecnestine Blunt	Miss Dorothy Minto
A Working Woman	Miss Agnes Thomas
Miss Vida Levering	. Miss Wynne Matthison

Miss Elizabeth Robins is well known as an actress and novelist, and now she has added to her laurels by writing a play in which she pleads the cause of woman. It is not a satisfactory piece of work if judged by the ordinary rules of dramatic composition; but its second act, representing a Trafalgar Square meeting, is one of the most realistic and well-managed scenes that have ever been put on the stage.

"A BOATSWAIN'S MATE."

Play, in One Act, by W. W. Jacobs and Herbert C. Sargent, adapted from Mr. Jacobs' story with the same title, and produced on Monday, April 15, at Wyndham's Theatre.

Mrs. Waters	Miss Ethel Hollingshead
George Benn	Mr. W. E. Richardson
Ned Travers	Mr. George F. Tully

Mr. W. W. Jacobs is an adept in the art of writing short stories, and not a few of them have lent themselves to stage treatment. "A Boatswain's Mate" is a delicious piece of humour, and those who are intent on seeing the funniest farce in London will do well to be in time for the "curtain raiser."

"THE LIARS."

On Saturday, April 13, the Comedy, in Four Acts, by Henry Arthur Jones, revived at the Criterion.

Edward Falkner	gMr. Charles Wyndham Mr. Thalberg Corbett Mr. Eille Norwood
George Nepean	Mr. Bertram Steer
Freddie Tatton	Mr. Sam Sothern
Archibald Coke	Mr. H. Kemble Mr.Herbert Dansey
Taplin	Mr. Reginald Walter
Gadsby	Mr. L. White
Footman	Mr. John Cabourn
Beatrice Ebernoe	Miss Dorothy Thomas
Dolly Coke	Miss Catherine Dupont
	Miss Frances Vine 1 M.ss Spencer-Brunton
Lady Jessica Nepean	Miss Mary Moore

Good wine needs no bush, and Mr. Henry Arthur Jones' comedy "The Liars' calls for no praise, for the simple reason it has won itself a position in the repertory of the National drama which puts it above contentious criticism. It provides Sir Charles Wyndham with a part after his own heart. Miss Mary Moore is seen again in her old character, and so also is Mr. Thalberg Corbett. It must shortly make way for the new play by Mr. Davies.

"PATIENCE."

On Thursday. April 4, revival at the Savoy of the Æsthetic Opera in Two Acts, written by W. S. Gilbert, composed by Arthur Sullivan.

Colonel Calverly......Mr. Frank Wilson Major Murgatroyd.....Mr. Richard Andean Lieut. The Duke of Dunstable

	Mr. Harold Wilde
Reginald Bunthorne	. Mr. C. H. Workman
Archibald Grosvenor	Mr. John Clulow
Mr. Bunthorne's Solicitor.	Mr. Ronald Greene
The Lady Angela The Lady Saphir	Miss Jessie Rose
The Lady Saphir	Miss Marie Wilson
The Lady Ella	Miss Ruby Gray
The Lady Jane	Miss Louie Reue
Detiones	Mice Clara Dow

The revival of certain of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas at the Savoy has more than justified the predictions of those who pressed Mrs. Carte to give a repertory season. Although the cast of "Patience" is not to be compared to the original, the public find in the music and the libretto sufficient entertainment and accept the artists with equanimity.

"HER LOVE AGAINST THE WORLD."

On Saturday, March 30, at the Lyceum, the Romantic Play, in Four Acts, by Waiter Howard.



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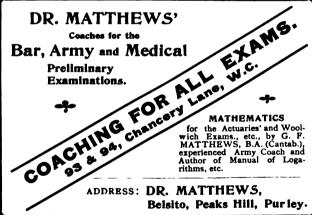
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Plays of the Month

Melodrama has once again "caught at a West end theatre. Enormous on at a West end theatre. Enormous audiences are flocking to the Lyceum, where, by the way, there is a return to the cheap prices of half a century ago. Fashions change in plays as well as dress, but given a good cut in melodrama and success is assured. The cut need not be new or novel; indeed, familiarity is a virtue rather than a defect.

"THE JUDGMENT OF PHARAOH."

A Play, in Four Acts, by Alfred C. Calmour, produced at the Scala Theatre, on Saturday, April 20th, 1907.

Miriam(Betrothed to Jevan)Miss Norah Lancaster Mione(the Concubine of Pharus)

	MISS CECII Cromwell
Cleo (Her Attendants	, Miss Rachel Warre
Amarna (Hei Attendant	o'l Miss Shelley Calton
Rachel (Servant to Miriar	n) Miss Betty Castle
ıst Sybil	Miss Ida Calver
and Sybil	Miss Marjorie Day
and Sybil	Miss Vivian Stafford
ist Egyptian	Miss Kitty Carew
2nd Egyptian	Miss Ethel Verdi
ard Egyptian	

Dr. Distin Maddick has matched his beautiful theatre with an equally beautiful beautiful theatre with an equally beautiful production, but it is doubtful if Mr. Calmour's version of the Prodigal Son will meet with any large amount of appreciation. It contains some very good material, and when the piece is compressed and made to play closer it will gain in strength and interest.

"THE GIPSY GIRL."

A New Musical Play, in Two Acta; Book and
Music by Claude Arundale, Lyrics by Follett
Thorpe, Additional Numbers by Claude
Arundale and Tom Hefferman, produced for the first time in London
at the Waldorf Theatre, on
Friday, March 22.

	Mr. Leonard Russell
	Mr. Aubrey Fitzgerald Mr. Percy Clitton
lack Willoughby	Mr. Gordon Cleather
Augustus Short	Mr. John M. Hay
Pedro	Mr. Laurence Wensley
Policeman	Mr. Joseph Bruce
A Farmer	Mr. George Stone
	Mr. Fred Eastman
Mrs. Willoughby	Miss Annie Esmond Miss Grace Arundale
Evangeline Iosephine S	Short Miss Kittie Davis
Florette	Mlle. Andree Corday
A Waitress	Miss Kitty Mackay
wan ma	Miss Sybil Arundale

"The Gipsy Girl" is a musical hotchpotch intended to show to advantage the acting and singing of Miss Sybil Arundale. It has finished its career at the Waldorf, but no doubt the provinces will see much of it.

"TALES OF HOFFMANN."

Offenbach's Opera, in a Prologue, Epilogue, and Three Acts, played for the first time in England at the Adelphi Theatre on Wednesday, April 17.

HoffmannJean Nadolovitch
Niklaus Ery S. Urban
Lindorf Rudolf Hofbauer
Luther
Andreas Stephen Borodin-Delwary
Nathanael Bernhard Botel
Hermann May Regemenn
Hermann
Cochanilla
Cochenille
Process Stephen Dorodin-Delwary
Cablanil Will Dane
Schlemil Willi Brose Spalanazani Peter Kreuder
Sparanazani Peter Kreuder
Crespel
Coppellus
Coppelius
Mirakel)
A VoiceAnna Willner
Olympia)
Olympia
Antonia

Those who know Offenbach by the merry strains of such operas "The Grand Duchess" will scarcely recognise him in the music of his most ambitious achievement. "The Tales of Hoffmann" was one of his last works and was intended to show what its composer could do as a serious musician. After lying perdu for many years it is now enjoying a wonderful popularity in Germany. Germany.

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