

"AT BAY" THRILLS ITS AUDIENCE

An Effective Melodrama at Thirty-ninth Street Theatre.

Credit to Author Even if Another Hand Put On Finish.

The theatre managers have undoubtedly decided with the Clowen in "twelfth night" that the drama this year must, like ginger, "be hot in the mouth." There was renewed evidence of this artistic creed of 1918 last night at the Thirty-ninth Street Theatre, so lately dedicated to the harmless gaiety of "Beau Me Xantippe." There was, to be sure, more fighting than luring in the play, which throws it rather into the category of melodrama than of those powerful plays with a purpose and if possible a punch.

"At Bay" is in fact a more or less reasonable comedy, but the nature of the ancient absurdities of that kind of stage diversion. The action of the play passes in Washington. George Scarborough, who is so generously pouring out all the vast wealth of his fortune, is a secret service of the United States, whether it be in one quest or another, is its avowed author. So there ought to be all the necessary realism about the proceedings, the interest, the excitement, the moments were extremely interesting, so it is not necessary in order to enjoy Mr. Scarborough's thrills to be convinced that they are produced by absolutely correct means.

Heroine Kills Her Persecutor. Guy Standing last night made his reappearance in the role of the Irish hero of this play. The girl he loved was Chrysalis Herne, married a few years before to a journalist, who had deserted her. There was at least a little of the old romance in the play, which wanted to make her his wife. It was a physical obstacle because the facts of this alliance were known to a blackmailing lawyer, who wanted the girl to pay for his silence. It was in his office that the lawyer demands a thousand dollars for the letter which is the source of his power. But the girl can produce no such wealth. The lawyer, however, offers a compromise in place of the money. There is a struggle, on a table lies a sharp letter. This ends the luring for the girl, and she is left behind sufficient evidence of her presence at the scene of the crime to make it important for her lover to struggle to clear her of any complicity in the murder, for she has killed her persecutor in their struggle. It is with his efforts to save his sweetheart and himself from the charge of murder that the action of the play is concerned. It subsequently appears that all his trouble was not necessary. It is the decision of his physician and the coroner that the lawyer had something the matter with his heart, and that he died of a heart attack. The minute he began to bargain with the heroine. But he also had something else, so it was not alone the letter file that punctured him toward eternity. Thus was the heroine cleansed of the smirch which had been incident of "At Bay."

Evidences of Another's Work. Mr. Scarborough's play is an unusual achievement in view of his learned appearance. It is said to have been rewritten by a well known and experienced playwright. There was external evidence of another hand the minute the curtain rose on the first act. On the walls of the lawyer's office, the play was written by Ernest and views of the Coliseum, Notre Dame in Paris and Windsor Castle from the Thames. Over this cultured exhibit loomed the serene bust of Ralph Waldo Emerson. The external evidence of the playwright's hand came in the short, graphic dialogue and in some of the wit of the later scenes.

Audacious Hero Well Acted. Guy Standing has greatly improved in technical resource since his last appearance here and he acted the audacious hero with a delightful humor and a degree of authority that made him easily the dominating figure in the play. Chrysalis Herne, not only in her voice, which took a melodramatic color at any time, but in her deportment throughout the play, seemed strangely detached and remote from the spirit of the scenes. She remained cold whatever the passions of the characters about her happened to be. The general performance was excellent, but it was the preponderating importance of Mr. Standing that survives always in the memory.

Hetch Hetchy Bill Put On to Deck. WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—By unanimous consent the Senate today agreed to make the unfinished business of December 1 the Hetch Hetchy bill, recently passed by the House. The agreement further provided that a vote on the measure would be taken on the first day of the legislative day of December 1.

WOMEN CENSOR "THE FIGHT."

Head of Suffrage Party Thinks Play Unobjectionable. Twenty-four clubwomen and suffragists attended last night's performance of "The Fight" at the Hudson Theatre as an official board of censorship to pass upon the play. The committee was chosen by the movement from lists submitted by more than a hundred women's clubs.

DANCE AT GEDNEY FARM HOTEL. Given by Mr. Willets and Mr. Murchison at Informal Opening. The informal opening of the new Gedney Farm Hotel on the old estate in White Plains took place last night with a dance given by Howard Willets and Kenneth M. Murchison.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Donn Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett B. Kip, Mr. and Mrs. Ashbel Green, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Hazard, Mr. and Mrs. Stowe Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. David Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Mayhew Wainwright, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hazard, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Gilbert, the Rev. and Mrs. Herbert L. Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. George Palmer, Dr. and Mrs. John A. Hartwell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steers, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Alker, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rich Steers, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Howard Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. Mortimer Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cunnock, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Greenleaf, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Loomis, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Chappell, Miss Josephine Johnson, Miss Vera Bloodgood, Miss Helen Riordan, Miss Katherine Moore, W. Russell Grace, Harry S. Kip, Robert G. Grosvenor Artberry and William C. Cannon.

BUSY WEEK AT HOT SPRINGS.

Golf Tournament and Many Dances and Dinners Arranged. HOT SPRINGS, Va., Oct. 7.—With the annual fall golf tournament beginning tomorrow and the annual autumn regatta under way, the Hot Springs Club at Passapatan Farm Saturday the week promises to be a lively one at Hot Springs. Between these events will be several large dinners and dances. Monday the autumn tennis tournament will begin.

Wanamaker Party on Jump. Dr. Dixon and Companions Will Make 26,000 Mile Trip. VALENTINE, Neb., Oct. 7.—Dr. Joseph K. Dixon of Philadelphia, accompanied by his son, Robert Dixon, and Major James McLaughlin, who is the leader of the Rodman Wanamaker exposition of citizenship to the North American Indians, arrived in Valentine in a special car today.

WEDDINGS.

Davies-Cowan. SUMMIT, N. J., Oct. 7.—Miss Evelyn Rhea Cowan, daughter of the Rev. Percy Dickinson Cowan and Miss Davies, son of W. Sanders Davies of 131 Riverside Drive, New York, were married to-night in the Central Presbyterian Church by the bride's father, assisted by the Rev. Minot C. Morgan, pastor of the church. The bride was given away by her brother, James Dickinson Cowan. Miss Julia Todd, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Pamela Lyall, Mrs. James Dickinson Cowan, a sister-in-law, Mrs. Norman L. Swartout of Summit and Miss Margaret Cowan. Thomas of Tenn., a cousin of the bride. Miss Gilbert Nield of Hackensack was best man. The ushers were William Owen Davy of Philadelphia, Robert Smith of Wewickville, Pa.; William H. Zinsner and Rudolph Zinsner of New York, and Louis K. Perry of East Orange.

Salisbury-Coleman. Miss Gertrude Coleman, daughter of George S. Coleman, general counsel for the Public Service Commission, and Albert is not a well known name. CHARLES JARNO, who died on September 16 last, left \$5,000 to his housekeeper, Louisa Erdt of 55 West 113th street, and gave the rest of the estate to his children, Charles and Irene Jarbo.

Colton-Gustafson. PLAINFIELD, N. J., Oct. 7.—Mrs. Katharine Nelson Gustafson, daughter of the Rev. Dr. William H. Nelson of this city, and Walter Wadsworth Colton of New York were married at noon today in Grace Church chantry, New York. The Rev. E. Vearse Stevenson of Grace Episcopal Church and the Rev. Dr. C. L. Slattery of New York assisted the bride's father in performing the ceremony. Miss Beatrix Crawford of Baltimore was the maid of honor. The best man was Julian S. Myrick of New York, and the ushers were Seymour Perkins and George S. Clay of this city. Mrs. Gustafson was the widow of Bernhard Gustafson, an inventor.

Meyer-August. The wedding of Miss Evelyn August, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abe S. August, to Morris A. Meyer of this city, took place yesterday afternoon in the ballroom of the St. Regis. The Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman of Temple Emanu-El officiating. The bride had Miss Luby Meyer, a sister of the bridegroom, as her only attendant. Dr. Leo Strauss of Philadelphia was best man. After the ceremony there was a reception. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer will live in this city after their wedding trip.



Sulzer: "Ryan, introduce me to your friend."

MRS. LILLA B. GILBERT TO WED.

Announcement of Her Engagement to Capt. Dugmore of England. Announcement has been made at Great Neck, L. I., of the engagement of Mrs. Lilla B. Gilbert, widow of H. Bramhall Gilbert of this city, to Capt. Cecil Patrick Dugmore of the British Army Service Corps and now on the Reserve of Officers of the British Army.

WILKINSON-WEISSLER. NEW BRUNSWICK, Oct. 7.—Miss Mildred Walden Weissler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Weissler, was married to George J. Wilkinson, son of David C. Wilkinson of York Pa., this evening. The bride is a graduate of Princeton and a member of the firm of L. M. Meeker & Co. of East Orange. The bride is a graduate of Miss Seymour's school at Overbrook, Pa.

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"FANS" AT WHITE SULPHUR.

Little Wall Street Gets the Play—Recent Arrivals. WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, Va., Oct. 7.—Interest in the world's series games was keen here today, and late this afternoon there was quite a gathering in Little Wall Street, where the plays were being sent by private wires from New York. Harry S. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Day, Dr. Guy Fairfax Whiting, Samuel Price Westchell, Frederick W. Hartwood, John D. Potts, G. B. Lester, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Masury and Col. Willis Seaver Payne were numbered with the fans.

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Donnan-Slover. AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Oct. 7.—Walter H. Donnan, Miss Wanda Slover, of Amsterdam were married yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, the Rev. Dr. Henry L. McEwen officiating. The bride is a daughter of former Supreme Court Justice, Charles D. Slosser. The bridegroom is connected with the General Electric works in Schenectady.

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REV. DR. JACOB MOMBERT DEAD.

Noted Episcopal Clergyman Passes Away in Eighty-fourth Year. PATERSON, N. J., Oct. 7.—The Rev. Dr. Jacob Isidor Mombert, one of the foremost Episcopal clergymen in the East, died today at his home, 313 Fifteenth avenue. He was 84 years old. Death was due to infirmities of old age. He had been in poor health for some time. Dr. Mombert was born in Cappel, Germany, November 6, 1828, and received his education in German theological institutions. In 1877 he became rector of Christ Church, Jersey City, but two years later accepted a call to St. John's Church, Passaic, one of the richest Episcopal churches in the East. He remained as its rector until 1892, when he retired to his home in Paterson. He was one of the contributing editors to the Churchman. Among his works were translations of "Thorluc's Psalms," "The Catholic Epistles" and the "Fifth Book of Moses." He is survived by four daughters and two sons.

MAXWELL EVARTS.

Son of Late United States Senator and Counsel to Southern Pacific. WINDSOR, Vt., Oct. 7.—Maxwell Evarts, New York lawyer and counsel to the Southern Pacific Railroad, died here today after an illness of three years. He was 61 years old.

Mr. Evarts was a son of the late United States Senator William M. Evarts, who was born in Windsor. He was educated at Yale, getting his degree of A. B. in 1884. Shortly after being graduated from there he began to study law and entered the legal department of the Southern Pacific. He was advanced rapidly. When the road passed into the control of the Union Pacific, he served under Judge Lovett. With the selection of Judge Lovett as the successor to E. H. Harriman in 1910 Mr. Evarts was made general counsel of the Southern Pacific. He was also general counsel of the Oregon Short Line and the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company.

Sophia P. Robinson Bradley.

YONKERS, N. Y., Oct. 7.—Mrs. Sophia P. Robinson Bradley, 66 years old, wife of John H. Bradley, president of the American Express Company, died yesterday at the Great Northern Hotel in New York. Her death was hastened by the hotel two weeks ago. Mrs. Bradley was a descendant of the Rev. John Robinson, one of the Mayflower pilgrims. She is survived by her husband and two sons and two daughters. Funeral services will be held at the Bradley home, 333 North Broadway, Yonkers, to-morrow.

Mrs. Ellen Thompson.

Mrs. Ellen Thompson, widow of John Thompson of the English customs service, is dead at her home, 301 West Ninety-first street, in her seventy-first year. Mrs. Thompson was born in London, coming to New York about twenty-five years ago. She is survived by three sons and two daughters. Funeral services will be held at St. Gregory's Roman Catholic Church, on West Ninetieth street, Friday morning.

Thomas T. Evans.

THOMAS T. EVANS, who died on Sunday at his home, 11 Gates avenue, Brooklyn, in his seventy-first year, was a prominent lawyer. He was a member of the Society of Old Brooklynites, Clinton Lodge, F. R. A. His wife and a daughter survive him.

Mrs. Almira M. Wendell.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Oct. 7.—Mrs. Almira Mosher Wendell, widow of Harmon Wendell, died today of apoplexy in her seventy-eighth year. She was born in New York City, and was a member of the First Methodist Church. She was one of the managers of the Children's Home. She is survived by her son, Willis Wendell, who is chairman of the Republican committee of Montgomery county.

Albert S. Hutchinson.

BOSTON, Oct. 7.—Albert S. Hutchinson, a lawyer with offices in the Ames Building, died this morning at the Newton Hospital of pneumonia. Mr. Hutchinson was born on October 27, 1875, in Auburn, Me., and was the son of Liberty H. Hutchinson, a prominent lawyer. The younger Hutchinson was graduated from Bowdoin College in 1893 and entered Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated in 1895.

G. Touff.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 7.—G. Touff, one of the most prominent Hebrew scholars in this part of the country, died at his home here today from hemorrhage of the brain. He had been ill for some time. He was a veteran of the civil war and served as member of the City Council, Board of Education and Police Commission. He is survived by his wife and four children.

CENTURY LOHENGRIN RECEIVES APPLAUSE

First Wagner Performance of Season Has Musical Merit to Commend It.

ENGLISH TEXT IS CLEAR

Lois Ewell as Elsa and Morgan Kingston as Lohengrin Win Praise.

There was a time when "Lohengrin" was the most popular opera in all the world, but that time seems to have passed. It is by no means improbable that if the work could be given to-day with a new Jean de Reszke as the Knight of the Grail and the new Emma Eames or Milla as Elsa, the old favor might be restored. Had it not been for the "Elijah" were sent to the top of the bill to look out over the world of music for these people he would sing as he does in the oratorio, "There is nothing, the heavens are as brass above me."

Since no really great improvisators of the characters in this old opera are in sight it would be foolish to expect audibly to discover them in a company singing under a low price as workers in a new and entirely praiseworthy experiment. It will be gathered from these prefatory comments that the performance of the Century Lohengrin at the Century Opera House last evening was not only a most satisfactory feature of the fall season.

It should be added that in bringing forward so many works a heavy burden is laid upon the singers of the Century company and it is to be hoped that the institution that public comments must follow productions which cannot have in the nature of things numerous rehearsals. In spite of its defects, the English text of "Lohengrin" quite as often as habitual operagoers.

MARRIED.

ABBY MERIDITH—Miss Louise Abbott to Miss Burlington Meredith, Saturday, October 4, at the Church of Our Saviour, Syracuse, N. Y.

DIED.

ALTMAN—On Tuesday, October 7, Benjamin Altman, at his residence, 625 Fifth Avenue, New York.

CHRISTIAN.

CHRISTIAN—At Chestnut Hill, on Sunday, October 6, 1918, the Rev. George M. Christian, D. D., formerly rector of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York City.

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