

Augustus Thomas Garden, Back From Makes Debut as Opera Tour, Gets Actor in 'Nemesis' Kisses in Chicago

Plays Leading Role in His Melodrama When Emmett McCormick and His Daughter First to Greet Returning Song Birds.

Augustus Thomas, noted American dramatist and author of "Nemesis" at the Hudson Theatre, was about to leave his home in New Rochelle last night to come into New York with Mrs. Thomas and her friends for dinner when his telephone rang. The voice at the other end said: "Mr. Thomas, this is the Hudson Theatre. Emmett McCormick is to appear to-night. We have had George C. Cohan on the long distance in Boston, and he says if you cannot appear for Mr. McCormick to dismiss the audience."

"All right, I'll appear. It's a good thing I'm dressed for the first act," replied Mr. Thomas. He grabbed the manuscript of "Nemesis" from his desk, stuffed it into his pocket and with Mrs. Thomas caught the 6:22 from New Rochelle. On the ride in he ran over the play refreshing his mind with details which he had gone over many times at rehearsals. Mrs. Thomas went on to the dinner with apologies from her husband and he was in the theatre soon after 7 o'clock.

"I can't go through that scene in the sculptor's studio, I will get along all right," said Mr. Thomas to the stage manager. "But how about the murder scene? That's the big act," observed the manager. "Oh, that don't worry me much," he said. "I'm used to forensic outbursts, but I'm afraid of that quiet business with my wife. I'll get through that. That calls for some real acting."

The regular members of the cast did not disguise their nervousness. "I'm afraid I can't go through with it," said Miss Olive. "You play the leading woman's part. I am so nervous. Think of playing next to the author!"

There was a half hour rehearsal of a few scenes of the play, a modern, modern social life with an extra ten minutes given to the murder. Then the playwright said he was ready for the real business of the play. "An announcement was made from the stage before the first curtain that because of the illness of Mr. Corriegan Mr. Thomas would take the actor's part. The playwright received a hearty reception when he took his place in the play in the first act. He appeared to be much more at ease than the other members of the cast, to whom their various parts have begun to take on the aspects of second nature. In the murder scene he was excellent, giving the picture of a man who had coolly arranged to kill his wife and yet appeared to be shocked at the ghastly deed he had done.

In this appearing in one of his own plays, Mr. Thomas duplicated a similar emergency that occurred thirty-three years ago when he was assigned to Maurice Barrymore was appearing in the leading part in "A Man of the World," one of the playwright's early successes that had a long run in Madison Square Theatre. Mr. Barrymore was taken ill. The understudy was called upon to fill the gap for four successive performances.

The joke was made public that time. Physically Mr. Thomas and Mr. Barrymore then were much alike, and that advantage, together with the disguise of making up, permitted the author to appear for the start without the public seeing any the wiser.

Mr. Corriegan is in a private hospital. His collapse followed an attack of grip from which he has not yet recovered. Mr. Thomas will continue to play until Mr. Corriegan is better.

SOCIAL NOTES. Mrs. J. C. Mallory, who has been for some time at Cedar Lodge, Aken, S. C. has returned to New York and is at the Vanderbilt.

Col. and Mrs. George Perkins Lawton and Mr. Daniel Leitch, who have closed their apartments at 14 East 82nd street this week and open Lawton villa, their house at Saratoga Springs.

Mrs. Hakan M. Bjornstrom-Steffanson opened her house yesterday afternoon for the benefit of the Service Club for Disabled ex-Servicemen. Miss Janet Richards gave a lecture on "The New Map of Europe."

St. Gabriel's Alumnae Association will hold its annual breakfast Saturday in the McAlbin Hotel. The chief guest will be Mr. William Livingston.

Mr. and Mrs. James Blaine Walker have returned from their wedding trip and are at Syosset, L. I., where they have taken a house. Mrs. Walker was Miss Elizabeth Harrison, a daughter of the late President Benjamin Harrison.

TO-MORROW (WED.) AFTERNOON AT 2:30 & TO-MORROW (WED.) NIGHT AT 8.

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"As a tribute to the memory of Napoleon Bonaparte, the hundredth anniversary of whose death occurs Thursday, Sidney G. Relly, of New York and London, has arranged to have his famous collection of art, documents and literature relating to the life of the great Emperor placed on exhibition and sale this week."

"The Relly collection, comprising more than a thousand historic items, valued in the neighborhood of \$200,000 and said to be the finest assemblage of objects on the subjects in the hands of a private collector, may be seen at the American Art Galleries. Aside from his personal interest in the sale, which commences Wednesday, it is said to be Mr. Relly's desire to see his collection dispersed in an artistic and patriotic manner, and to cement relations, artistic and otherwise, between France and America. The vast amount of historical matter is featured by the fine display of Napoleonic portraits in painting, aquatint, mezzotint and black and white engraving, manuscripts and letters in the Consul's hand, others by his marshals and the Empress Josephine, broadsides, documents and elaborately bound volumes with color plates. Besides the purely personal notes there are many that relate to the events of the times and to the associates of Bonaparte."

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PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

NEW YORK. Mr. and Mrs. Julian W. Robbins have taken a house at Southampton for the summer.

Mrs. Laurence Perin of Baltimore is stopping for the present at the Vanderbilt.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Sufferer Tallier will go to Newport on June 3.

Mrs. Edward de Rose is passing a few days at her house in Southampton, L. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Osborn have gone to their country house at Garrison, N. Y.

Mr. Francis K. Pondleton has sold his place at Manhasset, L. I., to Mr. Edward S. Harkness.

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Mrs. William Everard Strong, who has lived for some time at 5 East Sixty-fifth street, has taken a large apartment at 910 Fifth avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Baker, whose home is at 30 East Sixtieth street, will move soon into an apartment at 320 Park avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Freilingshagen, who were at Palm Beach for the winter, have come to the St. Regis for a stay of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll L. Wainwright, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome N. Bonaparte and William B. Dimeaux entertained at luncheon at Delmonico's yesterday.

Mr. Frederick Hobbs Allen will start for Europe to-day for the Aquitania, en route to Paris, where he will join Mrs. Allen, who has been in the French capital since the early winter.

Mrs. William Watts Sherman will start for England to-day. She will visit her son-in-law and daughter, Lord and Lady Camoys, and pass the summer abroad.

William A. Rockefeller, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Rockefeller, has rented for the summer the house of Mrs. William B. Dimeaux at Brookside Drive, Greenwich, Conn.

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Another Wierd

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Morris Wittman's Daughter Plays Leading Role in His Revolutionary Drama.

Barnum's museum is gone, but there is still the Greenwich Village Theatre. Last night the latest dramatic oddity was presented there in "The Sacrifice," a play of the American Revolution, for which the author, Morris Wittman, appeared to have studied the period so hard that he had gone back to the playwrighting methods of 1776.

The piece was full of acides, soliloquies, highfalutin language, bombast, spiced and authentic scenery. Benedict Arnold appeared in it, and he was not only a bad traitor, he was worse—he was a bad traitor who betrayed the daughter of a rich Jew—almost, but not quite, for evidently this play must have been designed for public school consumption, and everything had to be kept up to Grade 8 A purity. The girl, after having given up father, friends and sweetheart for him, is so revolted by his treatment that she seeks revenge on his behalf.

She catches him with Major Andre, who appears adorned with "rustic whisks," but did not, strangely enough, do a hair's breadth of anything to her. She revenges herself on him—almost, but takes care to let him escape, for the sake of the school text books.

About that time the school text books, if they have any sense, determined to spend a night in the village.

Miss Yolanda Wittman, daughter of the author, played the daughter in this brief forerunner of the sacrifice. Her husband's offenses were to wear badly fitting trousers in the third act. The author's pleas for the Jews—being an echo of the Fourth of July—were in the form of a sermon, and the cast mumbled them as though they were qualifying for the Fourth of July, and Mrs. Ralph L. Perry on Brookside Drive, Greenwich, Conn.

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'Tyranny of Love'

Is Reproduced as Full Fledged Play

Cast Has Been Greatly Strengthened Since Its Presentation at Matinees.

The way of the special matinee is hard, but sometimes it leads to a regular run at a theatre. "The Tyranny of Love," the play by Georges de Porto-Riche, which may be said to have hung in the balance at afternoon performances a short time ago, was presented last night by Henry Baron at the Cort Theatre as a full fledged Broadway attraction.

The cast has been considerably strengthened since its last evocation. Charles Cherry and Brandon Tynan played the principal male roles last night in this version of "L'Amoureux" with French and Miss Estelle Wilford wood acquitted herself with her customary finesse.

The play tells the story of Dr. Ferriand, a middle aged scientist, whose ambitions are held in check by the personal demands of his adoring young wife. To the scientist life is an opportunity for accomplishing things, but to the sentimentality which is only an excuse for tired of playing the lover. He wants to get away and meet his fellow scientists at the international congress.

But the wife scored a decade ago to leave her, and employs feminine tricks and wiles until the trip is forgotten. Her triumph, however, is short lived, and there follows a scene between the two, in which the husband returns and everything ends as it should end—happily.

WALTER HAMPDEN IN 'SERVANT IN THE HOUSE' Shows Spiritual Qualities in the Part of 'Manson.'

Walter Hampden repeated the success which he scored a decade ago at the Broadhurst Theatre last night by adding "The Servant in the House" to his repertoire of revivals. He played his original role of Manson in this semi-comic human drama by Charles Ramo Kennedy, and just as his Shakespearean portrayals showed a deepening of his power, so his spiritual qualities in this almost Messianic character stood out as never before.

He read his lines clearly and with a fine feeling for their inner beauty. His company supported him adequately. He will repeat "Machbeth" to-morrow night, "Hamlet" on Wednesday and Saturday nights and Thursday matinee, and "The Servant" again on Friday night and Saturday matinee.

VOICES IN "DREAM STREET" Public Sees "Talkie" Pictures at Town Hall.

"Dream Street" was transferred from the Central Theatre to the Town Hall last night, where pictures are to be the summer attraction. The occasion was especially interesting, as it marked the public debut of the new talking picture.

Several scenes of David Wark Griffith's photo play had been done over to introduce the voices, perfectly synchronized with the movements of the lips on the screen. The audience enjoyed the novelty, and expressed appreciation with frequent applause.

BARRYMORE TO PLAY BYRON. Will Be Seen in New Drama Early in Autumn.

John Barrymore announced yesterday that he will be seen early in the autumn in the first production of the season. The author is Melanle A. W. Kroll of Chicago.

This news followed the announcement yesterday morning by Brock Pemberton that he will produce next season a play called "The Pilgrim of Eternity," which has Lord Byron as its central character. The latter play is by Kai Kuehrod Ardasschir.

MR. ZIEGFELD IN PICTURES. Miss Billie Burke will be seen again on the spoken stage early next season, according to Florenz Ziegfeld, Jr., who also has announced that he has completed arrangements to present his wife in motion pictures. This will be the first excursion into the realm of the silent drama by the producer of the "Follies" and the "Midnight Frolic."

Miss Clara Kummer is making a musical comedy, "The Pilgrim of Eternity," with Mr. Ziegfeld, but he has not decided who will play in it. Miss Burke's vehicle has not been decided upon.

NOTES OF THE THEATRES. At the Lyric Theatre in Philadelphia last night the Messrs. Shubert presented a modernized version of "The City of New York," which is to be the next attraction at the Winter Garden. Carole Thomas plays the leading role in "MURDER WALKS," cast are Thomas W. Ross, Miss Lella Bennett, Miss Florence Bright and Charles Laite.

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DIES OF WAR STRAIN

Head of Nickel Company Was Colonel in U. S. Air Forces in France.

Ambrose Monell, for fifteen years president of the International Nickel Company and during the war a Colonel in the aviation section of the A. E. F., died yesterday at Beacon, N. Y., where he was taking a rest cure.

Col. Monell was born in this city forty-seven years ago and was graduated from Columbia University with the class of 1896. His work in the university was in the School of Mines. After leaving Columbia he went to the Carnegie Steel Company of Pittsburgh as a metallurgical engineer. For six years he was employed in this company in various capacities, finally becoming assistant to the president. Later Mr. Monell became president of the International Nickel Company and returned to this city. His knowledge of metallurgy and his training as an engineer were of great value to him in the Nickel company and in others with which he became connected.

Shortly after this country entered the war Mr. Monell was designated Colonel in the aviation section and went abroad to aid in the work of organizing the flying forces in France. For fifteen months he worked at high tension. Atone of the organizations he commanded during this time were day and night bombing groups. The strain told upon him after the war and he was not able to resume in any great degree his active business career until his return to this country. His death was due in no small part to his hard work abroad.

Among the companies with which Mr. Monell was connected as officer or director were the Air Reduction Company, the American International Corporation, the Coronet Phosphate Company, Haskell & Barker Car Company, International Motor Truck Company and the International Nickel Company.

Mr. Monell's town house was at 16 East Sixty-second street, but he and his family were domiciled in a country residence in Tuxedo. He was a member of the Union, University, Metropolitan, Tuxedo, City Midway, Downtown and Racquet and Tennis Clubs.

Mr. Monell was survived by his wife, Mrs. Maude M. Monell, and two daughters, the Misses Margaret and Barbara, and two sons, Ambrose 3d and Edmund Converse Monell.

FRANK HOWARD DAVIS, FINANCIER, IS DEAD Was Officer and Director in Many Companies.

Frank Howard Davis, father of Pierpont Davis, vice-president of the National City Company, director and officer in many railroad companies and industrial corporations, died yesterday in his home at 140 West 107th street, Elizabeth, N. J., following a long illness. He leaves a widow, who was Miss Mary Halsey Vandover, and three sons, Edward, Howard C. and Everett D. Davis.

Mr. Davis was born in Brooklyn on August 18, 1859, and began his business career in 1880, when he entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the office of Collis P. Huntington. Later Mr. Davis took charge of the company's financial work in this city.

Following Mr. Davis' death, Mr. Davis left the Southern Pacific Company, and with the late Edwin Hawley founded the brokerage firm of Hawley & Davis, which was later merged with the firm of the Chesapeake and Ohio and Hudson Valley railroads, treasurer and director of the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railroad, and a director in the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, the Erie, the Erie and Western; the Pittsburgh and Shawmut railroads, the Western Safe Deposit Company, the New York News building and Drydock Company.

HUSBAND DEAD; WIFE DIES IN A FEW HOURS Funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Van Dine to Be Held To-night.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore P. Van Dine are dead in their home on Lynwood avenue, Cedarhurst. Mr. Van Dine following an illness of almost five years and Mrs. Van Dine following an illness of less than twenty-four hours after the death of her husband. Both were 53 years old.

Born in Cedarhurst, Mr. Van Dine was well known there as a dry goods merchant, and his wife was prominently identified with various religious activities. They had two sons, Dr. Elmer Van Dine, and Merle Van Dine. Funeral services will be held to-morrow and burial will take place to-night morning in Elmont Cemetery, Elmont, L. I.

MISS ETHEL R. POWERS. Miss Ethel R. Powers, daughter of Mr. Miss Powers and the late John M. Powers of Paterson, N. J., died yesterday in her mother's home at 413 Central Park West. The funeral will be held to-morrow morning from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, in 118th street. Interment will follow in the Cemetery of the Holy Sepulchre, Paterson, N. J.

During the war Miss Powers was engaged in relief work with the Knights of Columbus, serving at both the Officers' Club and the City Hall. She leaves besides her mother, Mrs. Van Dine, Augustin J. Powers, formerly assistant district attorney; Frank T. Powers and John M. Powers of the Powers Photo-Engraving Company.

DR. JOHN A. SCHAFFMEISTER. Dr. John A. Schaffmeister, Health Officer of Oseining and formerly Health Officer of Westchester county, died yesterday at his home, Maple street, Oseining. He was born in Glastonbury, Conn., sixty-three years ago, and was graduated from the New York Homeopathic College in 1888. He was prominent in Republican politics in Westchester county.

REAR ADMIRAL DOUGHTY. LONDON, May 2.—Rear Admiral Henry Montagu Doughty died Sunday.

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