

COMEDIAN SCANLAN.

More About the Sad Fate of the Popular Actor.

HISTORY OF HIS AFFLICTION.

After Showing Signs of Mental Illness for Some Weeks he Breaks Down and will Probably Never Appear Again on the Stage.



New York, Dec. 28.—William J. Scanlan, the bright eyed, handsome young Irish comedian, turtledove singer and nimble dancer, known to the theatrical profession as a good fellow socially, and a warm favorite with thousands of theatregoers all over the country, is a victim of paresis.

For several weeks rumors have been about that the comedian was losing his senses, and it was hinted that he would share the fate of John McCullough, Charles Thorne, Tony Hart, Bartley Campbell and several other lights of the dramatic world. His manager, however, denied that there was anything the matter with him, saying that he had a slight stomach trouble which caused insomnia, but that there was nothing wrong with his head.

When the announcement was made Saturday afternoon that Mr. Scanlan was violently insane and that all his engagements had been canceled it startled the profession, which did not expect the denouement so soon, and saddened his personal friends.

WHEN HIS ILLNESS BECAME NOTICEABLE.

While the people in the theatres and cafes were talking about the action he was confined in his rooms in the Imperial hotel shouting that the people were branding him with irons and that he must get out. Once he succeeded in cunningly escaping the vigilance of his attendants and rushed down into the hotel lobby. Before he could create a scene, however, he was brought back to his rooms and a closer watch kept on him.

The comedian's illness has lasted for some time, but it was not until about six weeks ago that it began to be noticeable and alarm his wife and Mr. Augustus Pitou, his manager. Mr. Scanlan spent his vacation at Mount Clemens and at the Oriental hotel, Coney Island. He was given his part in his new play, "Mourner's," to study before he went away, but he had such a good time that he neglected to look at it until it was almost time to open his tour. The three songs in the play he wrote a year ago.

When his season opened on September 7, in Springfield, Mass., the city in which he was born, by the way, he knew his part and played it all right. He remained three weeks on the road and came into New York and opened his season at the Fourteenth Street Theatre on September 28. He gave a very good performance the first night and next day he seemed delighted with the press notices given him, but he became more and more reckless in his way of living. He would frequently stay out all night and turn up at the matinee next day and try to go through his part.

HAD TO HAVE A PROMPTER.

About six weeks ago the people in Scanlan's company began to notice that he was acting very queerly. He had a strange glitter in his eyes and seemed to be suffering with nervous prostration. His stomach then began to bother him and his head pained. One night he forgot his lines almost entirely and the members of the company had to prompt him. Manager Pitou then found it necessary to employ a prompter for the comedian.

Mr. Pitou thought it well to go and see Dr. Hamilton and explain to him the actor's condition. The doctor called the actor and had a long talk with him, after which he witnessed his performance. As a result of this Dr. Hamilton notified Mr. Pitou that the comedian had incipient paresis. He said that Scanlan might not show any more signs of the disease for a year or two, provided he followed out his instructions and lived a regular life.

From the first signs of his trouble Mrs. Scanlan was indefatigable in her attentions to her husband. She never left him out of her sight. She heard the stories about his condition and allowed no one near him and used to dress him for the stage. He carried out the doctor's instructions and he quickly began to feel strong again and act and look so well that nobody but an expert could tell that his head was affected. His speech was all right and he did not stammer and lose his voice—both early signs of the trouble.

HIS FIRST OUTBREAK.

It was not until last Tuesday night that Mr. Scanlan showed positive signs of paresis. He began to have hallucinations and used to imagine that people in the audience were conspiring to ruin his engagement.

Mr. Pitou was in Boston with his stock company and came on at once. He saw Scanlan's performance on Wednesday night and although the audience liked it he saw things in it he didn't like. He visited the comedian as soon as the curtain fell and found him irrational. He had great schemes in which he wanted to interest his manager, spoke about the people who were in the audience annoying him and wanted detectives to put them out.

The one hundredth performance of the play was given on Thursday night. Toward the end of the performance a large harp was brought to the actor and he stopped to the footlights and made a speech. He seemed rational. He said people were saying he was out of his head, but that it was not so. It was not his head or his heart that was affected, he said, but his stomach. Then he spoke about Harrigan and Joe Murphy as representative Irish comedians and seemed about to cry. Mr. Pitou seeing

him grow maudlin called to him to stop, which he did.

UNEARTHLY GOING TO AN ASYLUM.

On Christmas afternoon Mr. Scanlan gave a performance with but a few defects, and his performance at night was excellent. Mr. Pitou called on Dr. Smith, Dr. Hamilton's assistant, on Friday and explained how the comedian was and mentioned his speech. The doctor advised that a nurse be procured at once. He asked the doctor if he should allow the actor to continue to appear, and the latter said it would be best to keep his mind occupied. When Mr. Scanlan got home Friday night the nurse was introduced to him as a man who was to massage him. He was somewhat lucid and went to his wife.

"Maggie," said he, "don't let them put me in an asylum, for if you do I will surely go mad. It is my stomach and not my head that bothers me."

After that he got violent and it took several persons to hold him. He managed to rush down into the lobby with his dressing gown on and said they were trying to murder him in his rooms and he was going to stay there all night.

ALL HIS ENGAGEMENTS CANCELLED.

When Mr. Pitou heard of the trouble in the hotel he said he would not allow the comedian to play again and cancelled his engagements. He notified Manager Rosenquest he could not continue the play next week. The comedian's tour for 1892 and 1893 had already been booked and was also cancelled.

FEARFUL TIDAL WAVE.

Great Loss of Life and Property on the Gilbert Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Advices from the South Seas give startling news of the Gilbert Islands in the Pacific by the mission bark John Williams, now at Samoa. It seems that just before the bark visited the group very severe weather prevailed, during which there were several tidal upheavals, the result doubtless of submarine disturbances. Tidal waves broke high over some of the islands of the group, causing great loss of life and completely demolishing houses. At one island alone, Rev. J. W. Hills, of the London missionary society, writes no fewer than eighty natives perished. The track of the tidal waves is not known, but as the Gilbert group has suffered so severely it is scarcely probable that other islands have escaped devastation, and further information is anxiously looked for.

VICTIMS OF SAVAGES.

Natives of South Sea Islands Butchering White People.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Advices from the South Seas state that the natives of the New Hebrides group have become singularly notorious of late, owing to numerous atrocities perpetrated by them on white inhabitants. French as well as British subjects have fallen victims to the butchery of the savages, and following closely on the murder of Peter Sawyers, a British settler, by natives of Santos, comes news of another crime, the victims in this case being M. Parent and M. Boto. Mallicote island was the scene of the murders. The natives concerned belonged to the Bush tribe.

FROM MEXICO.

Everything Quiet at Pueblo—The Report of a Battle With Garza Denied.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 28.—A despatch from Pueblo says: Everything here is quiet. A majority of the priests recently arrested have been released on bail. In an interview a priest denied that there were any Carlist priests among those arrested, although there are many in Pueblo.

The government denies the truth of the report that a battle was fought with Garza on the frontier. The district attorney seized the originals of the telegrams published by some papers.

A Mad Dog Bites Several Persons.

TEXARKANA, Ark., Dec. 28.—A dog belonging to Con Dorian, a saloon man on the west side, went suddenly mad yesterday and created a deal of excitement. It started first down Broad street and just over the state line in Arkansas bit Mr. James Yost. Thence it went to Walnut street and bit a little son of George Scherer, and a little later on bit Mike Kelly. The dog was pursued by Marshal Grenshaw, who, after a long chase and half a dozen shots, succeeded in killing it. All the persons bitten are greatly alarmed, as there is no doubt the dog was suffering with rabies.

The Insane Asylum Fire.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 28.—The loss caused by the fire at the Eastern Michigan asylum for the insane is not so heavy as at first estimated. The north wing, instead of being entirely gutted, is in a fair condition below the second floor and will save the state a big sum when rebuilding commences. There is absolutely no clew of even intelligent conjecture as to the cause of the fire. The officers of the asylum declare \$150,000 will rebuild the burned portions, and even a less amount, if all the walls are proven to have suffered little real damage.

Bismarck's Close Call.

BERLIN, Dec. 27.—Prince Bismarck had a narrow escape from a railroad accident yesterday, which might have proved disastrous. He was crossing the track in his carriage in front of the Friedrichstrasse. The keeper was absent, the barriers were not lowered and no warning of the approaching train was given. When half over the rails the coachman heard a train coming. He whipped up his horses and cleared the track just as the train dashed by. Half a minute later and the carriage would have been a wreck.

Horace Greeley's Brother-in-law Missing.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Dec. 27.—Silas E. Cheney, a large property owner in Asbury Park and Litchfield, Conn., and also a heavy stockholder in the New York Tribune, has been missing for over a month and his relatives are alarmed. The missing man was a brother-in-law of Horace Greeley.

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The Commotion Caused by a Most Remarkable Incident, Every Word of Which is Found to be True.

A few days since we published one of the most wonderful statements that has ever appeared in print. It was made by Miss Bertha Shorr, a young lady of Sidney, Ohio, who has passed through an experience probably never before known in history. It was so unusual, so remarkable, that a complete investigation of its truth or falsity became an absolute necessity. That investigation has been made, and the surprising truths are given herewith:

A representative of this paper made a personal call upon some of the relatives of the young lady, and also upon many prominent professional people in Sidney. What they said is simply remarkable.

Dr. J. G. Geyer said: "When I was first called to see Miss Shorr I saw at once that her case was a critical one, and I called in consultation several of our best physicians. We were unable to cure her. The pleural sack filled with water and forced the lungs up out of place. Then terrible inflammation set in and we battled with it long and hard, but were unable to help her. Nobody thought she would ever recover, but she did, and I have recently examined her lungs and found them to be in a healthy condition."

Mr. C. F. Hickox, a prominent merchant of Sidney, located at the corner of Ohio and Poplar streets, stated that he knew the "Shorr" family well, and that during the time Miss Bertha was so sick, his wife was a frequent caller at their home. The poor girl was in a most pitiable condition, and his wife prevailed upon him at one time to go with her and take a look at the sufferer. "I will never forget the sight," he said, "as long as I live. I can best describe her appearance by saying that she reminded me of the pictures we used to see during the war, of our poor, half-starved soldiers, with that deathly look about the face, and with their long, bony fingers. It is simply wonderful that she ever walked again. I will remember the ride she took about the court house square. We all thought, as we watched her, that it was her last ride on this earth, but she rallied, and came out all right, and is as well as ever."

Rev. A. H. Minneman, pastor of the Western Avenue Lutheran Church, said he knew Miss Shorr's family very well, and that they attended his church. He well remembered the terrible suffering that Miss Bertha endured for many months. Her trouble was consumption, and two of the best physicians of the town had told him she was incurable. He considered her recovery little short of a miracle, but she has fully recovered, and is now in blooming health.

Dr. H. K. Beebe said: "Yes, I treated Miss Bertha Shorr for a long time, and her complete recovery is one of the most remarkable things I have seen during my long experience as a physician. She was positively nothing but skin and bones, a mere skeleton, and we were compelled to carry her in sheets. Her lungs were completely filled, and I was positive that she would die. But she has recovered, as she has told you, and I consider it simply marvelous."

Mr. G. Steiny, brother-in-law of Miss Shorr, said that his sister-in-law had been confined to her bed for more than eighteen months. "Recovery was the last thing we thought of, and we only sought to make her last hours as pleasant as possible. I have never known anyone to be so sick as my sister-in-law and recover. Physicians did not do it, but Dr. Acker's English Remedy for Consumption cured her, and she is now the picture of health. It seems almost too wonderful to believe, and I should not be surprised at anyone's doubting it, but it is every word true, and I am willing to confirm its truth at any time."

Dr. A. W. Reddish said that he was in consultation with Drs. Beebe and Geyer, and that Miss Shorr had consumption, beyond the shadow of a doubt. There were cavities in her lungs and abscesses would form and break. He did not see how she could possibly live, but she has fully recovered and is strong and well. "The case baffled us all, and I have many times referred to her cure when in consultation with other physicians."

A daughter of the late Senator Robertson said that herself and several girl friends were doing missionary work and learned of Miss Shorr's sickness. They went at once to her home and found the family completely worn out from watching and care. They at once sought to assist, never for a moment thinking she could recover. They watched over her, took her delicacies, and when the change for the better took place she recovered rapidly. In conclusion she said: "I think it is one of the most wonderful cures ever recorded."

Mr. H. C. Ayers, the popular druggist of Sidney, said: "I sold the first bottle of the remedy to the parents of Miss Shorr, and it is simply wonderful what it did for her. Dr. Acker's English Remedy is wonderfully popular in this town, and deservedly so. No such recovery from almost certain death has ever come to my notice. It is almost past belief."

The above are most wonderful statements, but they prove the marvelous nature of this case beyond question. They also show how important such an experience may be in the case of others, perhaps your own, who may be traveling the same dangerous road, but who can yet be saved if you will but consider and act in time.

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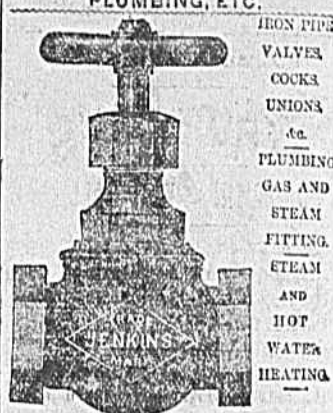
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