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Herkimer, N. Y., Dec. 3—Never perhaps in the history of Herkimer county justice has the closing scenes of a murder trial been characterized by such bitter attacks of counsel as developed in the summing up of the Gillette case today. Replete as the trial has been with surprises and sensation, none was prepared for the sharp exchange with which the day closed. Judge Devendorf had expected to give the case to the jury today, but after District-Attorney Ward had spoken fifteen minutes court was adjourned until tomorrow.

The prosecutor will conclude, and the judge's charge will be made during tomorrow.

Former Senator A. M. Mills, a close personal and political friend of the prosecutor, made a last appeal to the jury to acquit Chester E. Gillette of the murder of Grace Brown, his sweetheart, at Big Moose Lake July 11. He had occupied nearly the whole of the session and it was late in the day when he dramatically declared that the five physicians who had sworn that there was a blood clot on Grace Brown's brain had sworn to a falsehood; that they had gotten together and agreed upon a common story for the witness stand, and deliberately withheld testimony favorable to his client. Intimating that the physicians were improperly influenced, he added:

"If there is an investigation of graft, some of the five doctors may figure in it. They were paid large fees to give evidence which it was thought was so prepared that it would convict this boy. I charge here and now—and I know personally each of the physicians—that they did not bring in all the facts. They did not report something favorable to this boy. Each of these doctors knew that a fraud was being perpetrated. You can't pick out five reputable physicians in the county who would do such a thing as these doctors did."

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

THE NANNARY VISIT RECALLS OLD TIMES

Patrick Nannary Gave the Last Performance in the Academy of Music the Day Before the Big Fire.

Old time theatre goers have evinced considerable interest during the past week in the visit of the Nannary-Rennie players. Patrick Nannary is an old time favorite here, and although he has forsaken the strenuous life behind the footlights for the more leisurely duties of the man in the front of the house, he has many a time and oft been seen here. It is a notable fact that he was a member of the company which gave the last theatrical performance in the old Academy of Music, on June 19th, 1877, the day before that splendid temple of drama was consumed in the big fire which swept the greater portion of the city of St. John.

For the benefit of the younger generation of theatre goers, whose knowledge of this theatre has been gained largely from the tales handed down to them from their fathers, I will endeavor to give some idea of the building, which for years was the scene of great dramatic triumphs.

The old Academy was situated on Germain street, just about where Dr. Price's office is now. It was owned by a joint stock company, and Dr. George E. Keator, long since deceased, was its first president. On Dr. Keator's death Dr. Allan M. Ring was made president, and he occupied that office when the cosy little theatre was burned. John R. Armstrong was the secretary of the institution, from its foundation to the day it was destroyed.

The Academy was an elaborate structure from the street. The inside dimensions were 190 x 51 feet, and the front, which showed three stories, was 65 feet high. The finish was Italian in its general style, very rich and pleasing, with heavy and elaborate carved work. A large bust of Queen Victoria adorned the summit of the building, while over the main entrance an excellent bust of Shakespeare indicated the uses for which the building was intended. The front doors were massive in style, of solid walnut, and weighed 1,600 pounds.

So much for the exterior. Inside the building, the parquette was reached by a wide entrance; on either side of the entrance were broad and easy stairs leading to the balcony; while above this was the gallery for the "gods," which was approached from a separate entrance. The parquette was furnished with 600 opera chairs, and the seating capacity of the whole building was 1,200, or slightly larger than the present day Opera House.

The scenery, which was ample in supply and excellent in character, was painted by Gaspard Maeder, then a scenic artist of much repute. When finished the building cost the company more than $60,000.

The upper story of the building was occupied by Union and New Brunswick lodges Knights of Pythias as a lodge room.

Some of the greatest actors, orators and singers in the world appeared on the Academy stage. There large audiences listened to the matchless oratory that fell from the lips of Phillips, Beecher and Carpenter. There it was that a few years before the fire that wonderful performance of "Richelieu" was given, which older theatre goers delight to talk of to this day, when the great Couldock enacted the Cardinal Duke and Louis Aldrich was the impetuous De Mauprat. On that stage Carlotta Le Clercq won some of her grandest triumphs and Neil Warner and J. W. Lanergan gave their notable performance of the Moor and Iago in "Othello." There also E. L. Davenport and William J. Le Mayne appeared in famous characterizations. It was there that Charles Koppitz led his great orchestra the day before he died.

The last performance in the Academy was on Tuesday evening, June 19th, 1877, when Louise Pomeroy, an actress of charming genius, sustained the role of Juliet in Shakespeare's play, "Romeo and Juliet." On Wednesday night she was to have performed Rosalind in "As You Like It." The company then playing there was under the management of William Nannary, with Patrick Nannary, of the present Nannary and Rennie Company, as assistant manager, and W. E. Kelly of Halifax as business agent.

George B. Waldron was stage manager and Isabella Waldron, his wife, was the leading lady. The other members were: R. Fulton Russell, F. G. Cotter, G. T. Ulmer, Harry Pierson, Belvin Ryan, Mr. Padget, Mr. Eberle, J. Reddy, Mr. Vanderen, Mr. Donaldson, W. F. Edwards, C. Mason, Lizzie May Ulmer, Pearl Etynge, Little Bell Waldron, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Vanderen, Miss Hill, Mabel Doane and Florence Sutton. The company suffered severely by the fire and some of the members saved their costumes only to have them stolen afterwards.

Many of the members of that company have long ago passed to their reward. Belvin Ryan's body lies in Fernhill cemetery, G. T. Ulmer is an inmate of the actors' home and Little Bell Waldron, the child actress of that day, is now Mrs. J. K. Higgins, wife of J. K. Higgins, who is at present starring in "His Last Dollar," a sensational melodrama.

MUNDAY KNIGHT.

ROB ROY AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

The presentation of Rob Roy by the Nannary-Rennie Company at the Opera House last night was not as satisfactory as had been anticipated. The inclement weather proved a barrier to a large attendance, and the audience was a small one.

The piece was fairly well costumed and the scenic settings were attractive. Mr. Rennie in the title role did excellent work, but his support was lamentably poor. Miss Stone and Mr. Headland sang several selections during the progress of the play, which were well received, their duet being really good.

An amusing incident in connection with the production occurred in the scene where the English soldiers under Captain Mornton, clash with Rob Roy's Highlanders. To the accompaniment of heavy firing (in the wings) the gallant captain staggers across the stage clutching in one hand his faithful sword, and in the other—a Canadian flag. As the action of the play takes place during the Jacobite wars, a couple of centuries before there was any Canada, as such, some of the people in the audience wondered just where he found the flag.

Rob Roy will be repeated tonight.

NEW THEATRE OPENED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3. — The Manhattan Opera House, New York's newest theatre, was dedicated to Grand Opera tonight, when Bellini's "I Puritani" was presented. The audience was one of the largest and showiest that ever gathered at a first night in this city. In opening his handsome house, Oscar Hammerstein introduced to America several noted singers, including Alessandro Bonci, an Italian tenor, who has been heralded as the equal of his famous countryman, Caruso. Others in the cast were Mlle. Pinkert, Mlle. Zaccaria, M. Venturini, M. Ancona, M. Arimondi and M. Mugnos.

There were no vacant seats, but a few boxes were unoccupied when Cleofonte Campanini, leader of the orchestra of 75 pieces, waved his baton and the musicians struck up "The Star Spangled Banner." The entire audience rose, applauding and cheering when the anthem was finished.

"BLACK PATTI" DEAD.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4—Flora Batson, known on the concert stage as the "Black Patti," died suddenly in this city Saturday from uremia, at her home, 124 South Fourth St. Although only 35 years old she had acquired considerable renown as a concert singer, not only in this country, but in Europe, having appeared before nearly all of the monarchs of the old world.

"Black Patti" appeared in concerts in this city some years ago.

TOO SUBTLE FOR THE AUDIENCE.

A company of colored actors was playing Othello. Everything had gone along nicely until they came to the scene where Desdemona's fidelity is to be tested, Iago has secured her handkerchief by cajolery and with the connivance of Othello himself that her continence may be established.

Othello—Desdemona, where am dat handkerchief? (Desdemona remains silent).

Othello—Desdemona, once more I ask you, where 'am dat handkerchief? (Still Desdemona is silent).

Othello—Once more I ask you, Desdemona, where 'am dat handkerchief?

An old negro woman in the back of the audience rises furiously from her seat. "Go way, you fool niggah, wipe youh nose on youh sleeve and let the play go on."

THEY USED CANDLES TO LIGHT OTTAWA THEATRE

Ottawa, Dec. 3—Kyrle Bellew and company presented Brigadier Gerard at the Russell Theatre tonight with candle light. The theatre is lighted by the city electric plant, which failed because of ice in the turbines at the power station. Lord Grey was in the audience.

BIG TIME AT VIC. TONIGHT

This is the final word about the big carnival to be held in Victoria Rink this evening, the farewell to roller skating for this season. At 6.30 o'clock the doors will be thrown open, and all early comers admitted to make ready their costumes. The band programme is booked for eight o'clock sharp. At nine o'clock the judging will commence, and an effort made to find out who the lucky admission ticket holders are. Last carnival there was some delay caused in finding the persons who held the fortunate pasteboards, but this will be obviated tonight. The cash awards will amount to thirty dollars. A night of excellent fun is promised; the rink will be steam-heated and after the masquerade event a dance is going to be held.

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At the last meeting of the General Public Hospital Commissioners it was decided to create a new office in connection with that institution. The duty of the one appointed to fill the new office will be practically to administer the business affairs of the hospital.

At present Dr. D. Malcolm, the resident-physician, performs the additional duties of superintendent. It will be the duty of the new official, who need not be a physician, to buy for the institution, to collect from the pay patients and to carry on the general business in regard to the hospital.

Dr. Thomas Walker, as president, is now ready to receive applications for the position and at the next meeting of the commissioners something definite will likely be arrived at.

Mrs. James Love of South Bay, had her face badly burned on Saturday last. Her husband had been working with gunpowder in the kitchen the night before and spilt some on the floor. The following morning, Mrs. Love swept it up and threw the sweepings into the stove, the result was an explosion which burned off her eyebrows and eyelashes and singed her hair. Dr. McFarlane attended to her injuries.

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