

VICTORIA THEATRE

VICTORIA, B. C.

Thursday Evening, April 27, '99

at 8 o'clock

MAJOR JAMES B. POND has the honor to announce the only appearance in this city of REV. JOHN WATSON, D.D.

"IAN MACLAREN,"

AUTHOR OF

"Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush," "Auld Lang Syne," "A Doctor of the Old School," "The Mind of the Master," "Kate Carnegie," "Afterwards" and Other Stories.

SUBJECT:

Readings from the Annals of Drumtochty With Notes

(a) Margaret Howe. (b) Jamie Soutar. (c) Dr. McClure.

Reserved Seats, \$1.50, \$1.00. General Admission, 50c.

For further information see newspapers.

In the Autumn of 1896, Dr. Watson made a tour of twelve weeks beginning in Springfield, Mass., Oct. 2, visiting all the Eastern Cities, seven times in New York, four times in Boston, three times in Philadelphia and Chicago, closing in Englewood, N. J., on the evening of Dec. 12th.

During that time he gave one hundred and twelve readings, four sermons and nine "Yale Lectures on Preaching" in the Lyman Beecher course in Yale College.

Crowded houses greeted Ian Maclaren everywhere, and so great was the demand that he was obliged to give two entertainments a day most of the time, and during the last two weeks of his stay he spoke fifteen times a week. Invariably the receipts were the full capacity of the auditoriums where he appeared.

Major Pond declares that during the period of the above tour he saw more happy faces than any other man was ever privileged to see in that length of time. Great throngs sitting in breathless suspense; in laughter and tears during the hour and a half of each performance; not tears of sorrow, but like sunshine making the rain radiant.

"I never use manuscript either in sermons or lectures," he said, "unless it is to read something there is no use in committing to memory. I find it easier and more effective to get along without it."—*Ian Maclaren in an interview in the New York World, Sept. 26, '96.*