The Life and Work of the Patron Saint of Ireland

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solving it. A cloud of debate sur- were, now one source, now another, ed, but after betaking himself to ford, and disembarked. men of the last generation were in-

time in the sixth century.

knew nothing of Tirechan, and Tire-

chan nothing of Muirchu, The main source of Muirchu's in-

the confession, is not far from the heart unto the Lord, my God."

was converted to Christianity. about himself. All learned men ac- he was born at Bannanem Taburnie. quest he says: "Turn in faith to the to be revenged on him, gathered all lieve." cept this confession as genuine, and it There is some difficulty in locating Lord my God, to whom nothing is im- his substance into his house, and burn- death. Believe ye the resurrction at that training in religion which enabled is from this source much of our in- this place now, Muirchu, as we saw, possible, that he may send food into ed himself to death. His family, how- th day of judgment? Believe ye in the formation about St. Patrick is de- says it is not far from the Irish your path even until you are satis- ever, afterwards received the faith unity of the church?" To all these en piety again in Britain and on the rived. But there is preserved in the Channel. Professor Stokes thinks fied, for it abounds everywhere to and were baptized. Bodleian Library a letter written by is must be Dumbarton on the Clyde, him." "And," he adds, "by God's help St. Patrick's real mission was to baptized. St. Patrick to a Welsh Prince Coro- near Glasgow, others that it is in it happened so; for lo! a herd of Tara. Tara was then the Irish captions, who had been taken captive and France, near Bologne, St. Patrick swine appeared in the way before ital-the seat of Ireland's greatness. slain some Irish Christians. This let- speaks of his home being in the Bri- our eyes, and they killed many of them As Moore says: ter is in the form of a remonstrance tannias-if this means his native and halting there two night, were gives us some information about St. place then it was either in England, much refreshed." Patrick. St. Patrick's "Breastplate," which is Brittannia, Brema, or Wales, St. Patrick does not tell us in his being a hymn written in Irish, and which is Brittannia, Secunda, but of confession where his journey ended, Now hangs as mute on Tara's walls, rick as their apostle as well as the Far back through creeks and inlets translated by Mrs. Alexander, though course, he may only mean by 'home,' He says that after sixty days he made not giving biographical facts, yet is his place of residence, or the place of his escape from this party, but in anuseful as showing us what his creed residence of his parents. Besides be other place he seems to imply that for was. When we add to these two docu- ing a deacon, he says that his father some time he was an inmate of a arrived at Slane, in sight of Tara. as uncertain as the year he began his And not by eastern windows only, ments, the hymn of Secundinus or was also a 'decurio,' which was monastery in France, and as that in King Laoghaire and his courtiers ministry, but A. D. 463 seems to be Sechnall, we have all the contempor- a Roman office of either a civil na- Tours was the most famous, there were celebrating a great pagan feast the most probable date. aneous writings at present available. ture, corresponding to our town seems no improbability in the sup- and had issued an order that no fire No doubt exists as to the genuineness councilor, or a military man. In position that he spent some time should be fit but his. St. Patrick, Patrick was buried at Saul, So says of these works. They are published in either case it is plain that the office there. It was an age of turmoil and however, preparing to celebrate the annals of St. Martin, in thirteenth Dr. Whitley Stokes' Tripartite, vol. I, of the deaconate was not in those bloodshed, and it seemed as if the only Easter, lit his fires. The king seeing century. Dr. Stokes and the Book of

who was consecrated by St. not being a real name but the name those who were similarly disposed as the fire lighted before the royal fire in twelfth century, says, "The prim-Patrick to be Bishop of Sleibte. It is of a rank of nobility. Bearing this himself. After remaining a few years would never be extinguished unless it ary was bestowed on Armagh in however of later date, for the hymn- out he tells us in another place in France, St. Patrick made his way were extinguished that night. The honor of St. Patrick, whose remains writer speaks of St. Patrick, not as that he bartered his noble birth by to Britain, where his parents were king therefore set out with his ma-rest there. personally known to him, but of one coming to Ireland as a missionary. still residing. They received him with gicians in his chariots to punish the He does not tell us much of what who was known to him only through We shall not be far astray if we re- great joy and besought him not to intruders. Certain death seemed to he had to suffer but the little he tells Croaghpatrick banished from Ireland books and stories. As a short sketch gister him as the son of Roman par- leave them again. An irresistible con- threaten St. Patrick and his com- shows us its character. "It would be all snakes and toads. The peasantry of St. Patrick's life, it has much mer- ents, who were Christians, and set- viction was, however, rising in his panions. However they came out un- long," he says, "to relate all my labor are supported in this belief by the it. and its style and reticence shows the in Great Britain, either in Eng- mind that he should return again to armed to meet the king, chanting the in details, or even in part. Briefly, I fact that throughout Ireland these It to be of early date, probably some- land or Wales. The Roman army Ireland as a preacher of the Gospel. Psalm, "Some put their trust in may tell how the omnipotent God of reptiles nowhere exist. The legend is having been withdrawn from Eng-"The Life of St. Patrick," by Muir- attacks and inroads of the Picts and son named Victricus, coming as if The superstition of the people pro- life was imperiled, besides many truth, being an illustration of his chu, and the memoranda of Tirechan, Scots. The Picts, from Scotland, from Ireland with innumerable let- tected him-if he had shown the things which I cannot express in tained. These latter writings belong of these expeditions, St. Patrick tells, and I read the beginning of the let-been sealed. to the latter half of the seventh cen- us he was taken prisoner, being a ters, and he gave me one of them,

Life was of slightly later date than chief occupation being to herd swine heard the voice of those who were They drew back with fear, and rever-Tirechan's, but that the two works on the hill side. He tells us that up near the wood of Focluth, which is ence and awe took the place of anwere independent of each other. They to this time though a nominal Chris- adjoining the Western Sea, and they ger and resentment. St. Patrick de- ly for His name." At the end he looks were copied into the Book of Armagh tian he had given but little thought cried out thus, as it were with one manded to be allowed to preach at back with thankfulness. in the year A. D. 807, but "Muirchu to serious matters, but his occupation voice, 'We entreat thee, hely youth, Tara. The King was afraid to refuse, formation is St. Patrick's confession, dence sent to punish him for his care-offered him every worldly induce-sisting on the great truth of God, the cause I lie not, from the time that "the first three sections and a half less life, and to rouse him to a more ment to remain still with them. But Creator, he led them from their na- I knew Him in my youth, the love are simply an abbrevation of the nar- earnest seeking after God. He says without effect. "Even while I slept ture worship to the worship of na- of God and His fear have increased

culty was so great in St. Fatrick's his selection. He seems to have taken miles, before he found a vessel sailing compensate his master for the loss of

rounded the Saint. Many learned He did not fuse his materials into a prayer, and hearing a voice saying to Here he converted Dichu, the prince, St. Patrick tells us that he was cumstance we may gather that al- barn."

furnished him with this opportunity. to come and walk still among us."

Muirchu indicates this source by the and went to the woods and the hills of the Gael always before me." He he said, must be greater than the God I have kept the faith." reference "ut ipse ait." Muirchu gives to pray. He devoted himself to fast- says, "he did not go to Ireland un- sun. The Druid priests may have Rev. Thomas Olden, M. A., in his There's not a mile in Ireland's isle #\rightary\rightary

Tuesday next is St. Patrick's Day us five facts that are not to be found ing and "the love and the fear of til he was nearly worn out." From had power to bring evil, but they work on "The Church of Ireland," p. in the confession, that Patrick's na- God grew in me and by mortification which many conclude that many years could not take it away. God was the 28, says, "An important element of To Rev. Canon Dann, rector of St. In the confession, that Patricks har dod grew in the alone could do that. the success St. Patrick achieved was to be a success St. Patrick achieved was faith became stronger. Then the elapsed before he undertook his mis-Paul's Cathedral, The Advertiser is born in Britain; that his original Lord brought me," he says, "to a sion. This we can scarcely believe. A His preaching here was very success- the design he constantly kept in name was Sochet; that his mother's sense of my unbelief that I might man whose soul was on fire with mis- ful and he founded the great church view of raising up a native ministry The toads went hop, the frogs went for the following account name was Concessa, and that the vic- even at a late period call my sins to sienary zeal would not put off his de- of Donagh Patrick-Donagh signify- and drawing his followers from the

Irish Channel and is "uentre" (what- After a time he had a dream in the severe mental struggle and anx- but the church's ruin remains. So chief poet of Ireland; and when St. It will be found good reading, for ever this may be). His information on which a voice seemed to come to him lety in the conflict between what he earthly kingdoms wane, but the Patrick consulted him as to the "mathese points, we are given to under- saying, "You have well done in conceived his duty and his affection Church of Christ endures. Canon Dann's lectures upon Ireland stand, depended on a concensus of fasting and you will soon return to for his friends. It is not surprising far and wide, and many authorities (whether oral or written your own country." He received that he would describe such a strugwe are left to conjecture.) Mr. Bury this as a divine intimation that he gle as producing physicial exhaustion. points out that Muirchu is responsible would be delivered from captiv- However, his determination prevailed, for some blunders and indiscretions, ity, and when some few days later he was duly ordained and commissionin some cases seriously misinterpret- he had another vision, telling ed, and set forth on his great entering St. Patrick's words, and in others him that the ship was ready, and the prise. He landed at Wicklow with a questions St. Patrick replied: about them than the patron Saint of making unwarrantable inferences. His port from which it was to sail was few companions, but meeting with Ould Ireland. The difficulty for the method, he says himself, was eclectic mentioned. He hesitated no longer but nothing but opposition there, he did historic student is, therefore, not the (carptim.) He does not set down every fled from his master and made for the not remain long in that neighborhood. lack of material, but the selection of Incident, he selects; but he fails to shore. For a long time he wandered Naturally turning to the part of the stars. that which is trustworthy. This diffi- tell us what principle guided him in over the country, traversing fully 200 island he knew best, and wishing to tains, of lowly villages, the God who is the following centuries was, in a

unity, so we naturally find many in- him, "Come back, those men are call- and several of his tribe. They had He sustaineth all things, He giveth a noble band of missionaries to help clined to deny altogether his very ex- congruities. But apart from these ing you," he again requested a pass- imagined them robbers and set their light to the sun, He hath made convert the world to Christ. istence. But the more modern his- inconsistencies this life of St. Pat- age, with more success this time. He dogs upon them. But St. Patrick springs in a dry ground and dry istoric student is not so easily dis- rick, as well as the Acta of Tirechan, was received on board. The vessel sail- quoted from his Latin Psalter: "De- lands in the sea. He hath appointed ous monastery at Iona, kindling a heartened, and by his labors a sift- are valuable sources for the formation ed, and after three days they reached liver not to the beasts the soul that the stars to serve the greater lights, light in that island which shone like ing process has begun, and the later of a formal blography of the saint. some part of France, described as a confesses to thee," and they were He hath a son co-equal and co-eter- a brilliant star, casting its rays over From these manuscripts the follow- desert. In the course of their journey delivered. Dichu and his companions nal with Himself. The Son is not the dark places of the world, and St. Patrick's time, have been practic- ing information is derived, and from through the desert they were reduced listened to the preaching of the distant heathen lands, fy the dontrine of the Trinity; howally left out of consideration, as them it is certain that St. Patrick to great extremities from hunger and pel, and were the first fruits of St. Father older than the Son. And the was a pupil of St. Patrick's. When the ever this may be, it is certainly a trustworthy information con- was not a visionary personage, but the head of the party appealed to Patrick's mission. Here he built his Holy Ghost are not divided. Inasmuch barbaric hordes overran Europe and very dear little plant in the Irishtained in them is also found in the a real missionary by whom Ire and Patrick, as a Christian, to pray for first church at Saul-or used Dichu's as ye are the daughters of an earthly England, driving the original British man's eyes, and our late Queen deephelp to his God, and from this cir- barn for a church-Saul meaning "a king, I invite you to the heavenly church to the west, and almost ex- ly touched the people's heart when

"The harp that once through Tara's halls the soul of music shed, as if that soul were fled."

It was Easter Eve when St. Patrick death and the place of his burial are days inconsistent with civil or mili- resource for one who wished to live a them in the distance, was greatly an- Armagh say Downpatrick. Mr. Elden Next in authority to these contem- tary duties. His name Patricius holy life was to separate himself from gered, and had his council summon- Calender, of Cashel and Leber Brecc, poraneous documents is the Hymn of points to his Roman nationality-it the world, and commune only with ed. The Druid priests declared that say "Armagh," William of Newbridge, He gives us this description of it: chariots and some in horses, but we ten delivered me from slavery and most probably founded on this fact, and, the country was exposed to the "I saw in a vision of the night a per: will remember the Lord our God." from twelve dungeons, in which my and had its origin in its allegoric

from which some materials are ob- and the Scots, from Ireland. In one letrs, and he gave me one of them, slightest fear his fate would have words, neither would I give trouble tury, and some very interesting in- boy of 16, and carried off to Ireland, and I read the beginning of the let? were about to fall on St. Patrick, I came to the Irish people to preach formation has been gathered from the was sold as a slave to Milchu, a ter running thus, "The voice of the he and his companions began again the gospel and to suffer insults from them by J. B. Bury, and published chief in County Antrim, and for six people of Ireland," and as I was read-chanting, "Let God arise and let his unbelievers, that I should listen to reover his name in The Guardian, Nov. years of his life he toiled as a slave ing the commencement of the letter enemies be scattered, let them also proach about my wandering, endure 20-27, 1901. He shows that Muirchu's in that valley near Ballymena, his I thought at that moment that I that hate Him, flee before Him." and so St. Patrick presented himself have not led a perfect life, as other He looked on the bitter experience of He encountered much opposition to at the great count of the kingdom believers. But I confess to my Lord his exile as a dispensation of Provi- his project from his friends, and they and declared the message of love. In- and I do not blush before Him, be- Then success to bold St. Patrick's rative portion of the confession." that he frequently got up at night it seemed to me that I saw the Island ture's God. He, who made the sun. In me, and until now, by the favor of

The God of the heaven, and the child." It was to a clergy such as earth, of the sea and rivers. The this, possessed of the best education God of the sun, the moon and all then attainable in Ireland that the above heaven, in heaven and under great measure, due. The high standcase that the student of times past his information from whatever from Ireland. When he sought for a his slave, he sailed northward, and heaven. He hath an inhabitation in ard thus set up in the beginning was gave up in despair the hope of ever source was before him, piecemeal as it passage he was at first angrily refus- coasted along till he came to Strang- the sea, and in all that are therein. maintained by their successors.' He inspireth all things. He quick- So, as we would expect, there went King. Believe in Him." Then they tirpating it, Ireland, escaping these she allowed henceforth all Irish regicopied into the Book of Armagh, in the child of Christian parents, ready the missionary spirit was being Anxious to go to the friends of his said: "Teach us how we may believe barbarian inroads, continued undisthe year A. D. 807, and preserved in the son of a deacon in the church, awakened in his heart, and that he had youth he set out thence. Then Mel- in this heavenly King? Then St. turbed in the pursuit of learning, in Patrick's Day, in commemoration of the library of Trinity College, Dublin, Calpornius, and the grandson of a been trying to convert his companions chu, his former master, hearing of Patrick said: "Believe ye in repent- the study of the Scriptures and in the their bravery and valor in South Afprofesses to be written by himself and priest, named Odissus. He adds that to Christianity. In reply to their re- his approach, and thinking he came ance after sin?" They said, "We be- exercise of piety. Here all lovers of rica.

> After this St. Patrick preached in Scotus and many others. Donegal, and Antrim, founded the See of Armagh and Coshel, spending Let us take courage for the future, seven years in Munster, and as some say, having crossed over to Isle of For Man and preached the gospel there, so that the Manx men claimed St. Pat- Seem here no painful inch to gain, Irish). He died after having founded 365 churches. The exact year of his

Trihechan, referred to above, says

to my readers. It was not my grace, When the king and his magicians but God, who conquered in me, so that many persecution, even to fetters, and

"I know," he says, "that in fact I His aunt was an O'Shaughnessy,

more probably these words refer to consecrated. The Tara Palace is gone, converts was Duffack (Dubhthack), terial" for a bishop, that is, a suit- Nine hundred thousand vipers blue, The two daughters of King Laog- able person to consecrate to the ofhaire questioned St. Patrick: "Your fice, he proposed his pupil Fiace. The God is He in heaven, or on earth, in conditions were that he should be "a the sea, in the rivers? How is He freeman of good lineage without deto be seen? How is He to be loved? fect, without blemish, whose wealth How is He to be found? To these is not over-little, and is not overmuch." "I wish a man of one wife, "Our God is the God of all men. unto whom hath been born only one

> The God of the high moun- literary position of the Irish church in The Wicklow Hills are very high, and eneth all things, He is over all things, out from Ireland at this early period

St. Columba, who founded the fam "Believe ye in life after learning found a haven of rest, and they assented and they were then continent. Such Irishmen were: St. Columbanus, St. Aidan, St. Gall, John

learning much from the past, while the tired waves, vainly breaking,

making. Come silent, flooding in the main.

When daylight comes, comes in light

In front the sun climbs slow, now native land: slowly But westward, look, the land bright.

There are many legends and tales among the peasantry of Ireland rean eloquent preacher. Most of them are earnestly believed, and in their veriest literal sense. It is accepted most generally that St. Patrick by his magnificent sermon on the top of success in expelling the spiritual I'm snakes and toads of error and sin by his preaching the Gospel of Truth. Even the most sacred things have a humorous side for the true Irish-

man, as the following verses show: St. Patrick was a gentleman, he came In Dublin town he built a church, and upon it put a steeple. father was a Callaghan,

mother was a Brady. uncle was a Grady.

fist: He was a saint so clever, He gave the snakes and toads a twist

ered. Where'er he put his dear fore foot, he

murdered them in clusters. plop, slap dash into the water, of the life and works of St. Patrick, us Bannavem Taburnie, mentioned in remembrance and turn with all my sire till his enthusiasm cooled. No, ing that on Sunday that ground was educated classes. One of his earliest And the beasts committed suicide to save themselves from slaughter. -Then success, etc.

he charmed with sweet dis-

courses; dined on them at Killaloe in soups and second courses. When blind worms crawling on the grass disgusted all the nation, gave them a rise, and opened their eyes to a sense of their situa-

tion. -Then success, etc.

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so's the hill of Howth, sir, But there's a hill much higher still, ay, higher than them both, sir, Twas on the top of this big hill. St. Patrick preached his sarmint That drove the frogs into the bogs and bothered all the varmint.

Another story says that the Shamrock was taken for Ireland's emblem because St. Patrick used it in his serments to wear the Shamrock on St.

It preaches another Trinity also:

wear a Shamrock in my heart, Three in one, and one in three Truth and love and faith. Tears and pain and death. O, sweet my Shamrock is to me.

Lay me in my hollow bed. Grow the shamrocks over me, Faith and Hope and Charity Peace and rest and silence be With me where you lay my head O, dear the shamrocks are to me.

The following poem expresses the deep-rooted love of the Irish for the shamrock, it has been bred in their very bone with their love for their

A Little Gift From Ireland. Here, Grand'ma, here's a present, it has come a distance, too. Tis a little pot of shamrock, and it

comes addressed to you: All the way from Ireland and the care here mentions more-They were gathered at your birth place, on the banks of Avon-

From Ireland! Do you tell me? O, darling, is it true? Acushia, let me feel them-and ve say 'twas there they grew; Why, I scarcely can believe it; is

really what you say? From my birthplace in old Irel Poor Ireland far away. old and stiff, and feeble, and darkness, God be praised; Katie, how it starts me, how poor old heart is raised.

feel here so near me the soil that gave me birth.

very clay of Ireland; let me kis the holy earth.

These blessed little shamrocks! 1 can't see them, yet I know They bring me back the eyesight of the happy long ago, And gleaming through the darkness.

comes the vision that I love, The dark green fields of Ireland the sunny sky above. see as once I saw them, when a gir like you I stood, Amid the furze and heather; there

the chapel, hill and wood; Continued on Page Five.

Plays, Players, Playgoers--The Weekin London Theaters

western country, and is doing a big liege lord.

York, last Monday in Ibsen's "A Doll's Marie Dressler's musical comedy, in

Laurence Irving, son of Henry Irving, and his wife, Mabel Hackney, are sell in the leading role. now appearing in vaudeville in London, their turn consisting of the performance of a sketch adapted from "Peg

mother with a lot of grown-up daugh-

Otis Skinner may appear in Shakespearen repertory next season.

Woffington."

James Forbes, author of "The Trav eling Salesman," wrote "The Chorus Ladv."

Lent. He will spend most of his vacation in Washington with his family.

Old Kentucky," has received over season she played the role of Esther is creating something of a furore in \$1.300 in royalties from the play.

When "In the Old Kentucky" was pany in St. Paul, August 4, 1892, Louis Theater, New York, makes its appear- bonds to Amelia Bingham, will serve publisher for the book rights to the James took the role of the colonel.

Simpson is starring London, and the favorite rumor these the racing scene, which is marked most playgoers agree with him. Again cluded. Mr. Belasco has received nu-, with County Clerk John B. Woolson. proved a big failure in New York received nu-, with County Clerk John B. Woolson. Cheridah Simpson is Starring Cluded. Mr. Belasco has received nu- with County Clerk John B. Woolson. proved through the west in "The Red Fea- days nominates David Montgomery, of with all the excitement of a real cup Mr. Fitch hit the bull's eye of favor merous offers to sell the book rights She subscribed her full name as Er- cently. She is a big favorite in the Montgomery and Stone, as her future race.

Charles Cherry, who has an import-Madame Vera F. Komisarzhevsky, ant part in the new Clyde Fitch com-from the French farce, "Madame Mon- night "A Modern Magdelen." Madame Vera F. Komisarznevsky, edy, "Girls," was last season leading godin," was given for the first time last Bingham will be supported by Byron in New York, was finally snuffed out Cincinnati in 1905, having been a resi- role. The piece was well received and in America at Daly's Theater, New man for Maxine Elliott.

Among the plays produced in New York last week was "The Easterner," by George Broadhurst, in which Nat Marie Dressler's musical comedy, in Goodwin was the star. It proved un-London, is now completed. In this successful and was withdrawn. piece Miss Dressler will appear as a

substantial success in New Yord Wag- Crosman. enhal & Kemper contemplate sending the piece to London, with Annie Rus-

in "The Virginian" will be seen over hearty welcome. there before the season closes. Charles Frohman has secured the English rights of a French play by Pierre Veber, which is now being re-

Thomas Jefferson is resting during

in "Ben Hur."

The tremendous success of "The ance here at the Grand Opera House to introduce that charming player to successful De Mille drama, "The of special interest. It is said to be the clientele of the Grand Opera Warrens of Virginia," now playing at Broadway seems intent on arranging a marriage for Vesta Victoria, the laborateness of House on Thursday, March 26. Clyde the Belasco Theater. The offer is for Newark, N. J., courthouse last Monday Coban and Harris will be the managers Miss Terry, as Elizabeth of York, detail which marked the New York Fitch, prolific and clever, regards "The last and clever, regards "The last and last a

three acts, adapted by Richard Carle Miss Bingham will offer on Friday

piece was favorably received. to come under the banners of the Harris' other stars are Rose Stahl, Robert Edeson, Edgar Selwyn, Ralph

Tuesday night in her home city, On account of the big success of "The Squaw Man" in London, it is honor of the star the theater was dec-

With such talented and popular players as John L. Kearney, Will H. White, Jesse Caine, George Bogues. Mayhew, Virginia Ware, Jane Griffith, in all probability be a success. Violet Leight, Jack Connor and Car-Ellen Mortimer, who plays the part rie Leonard in the big cast playing of Muriel Mason, the heroine of the "Mayor of Tokio," which appears "Caught in the Rain," made her debut at the Grand at an early date, it is Charles T. Dazey, the author of "In in Augustin Daly's company. For one no wonder that the musical comedy

"The Climbers," which has been as English singer, before she returns to run. Real automobiles are used in Climbers," as his masterpiece, and The arrangements are practically con-

the big cities of the country.

Johnson," which Miss Bingham will stantly declined. "Mary's Lamb," a musical play in present at a special Friday matinee. well-balanced organization, including leaves E. M. Holland at liberty. Jane Wheatley, Jane Gordon, Adelyn Thomas W. Ross is the seventh star, Wesley, Angela McCaull, Gordon Edwards and others.

Society is in a quiver of excitement over the coming of Ruccini's alto-Since "Paid in Full" has scored its Stuart, Florence Roberts and Henrietta gether enchanting grand opera, "Madam Butterfly," which its pathetic story of the poor, little, fluttering For the first time since she became butterfly wife, Cho Cho San, and a star Miss Rose Stahl appeared last everything Japanese-be it story, trinket or bijourette-is early sought.

"Lady Barbarity," as dramatized by more than likely that Dustin Farnum orated and Miss Stahl received a R. C. Carton, was produced in London the other night. The plot of the play is not original, nor is its dialogue remarkable, but it is picturesque and played the title role in her inimitable apropos.

> Owing mainly to ill-health, Arthur the London stake last year by any new man's heavenly hair." work. Two original plays and a revival of "Trelawny of the Wells" are expected in the near future.

Mr. David Belasca last week regood as thousands in Government ceived an offer from a well-known

which for a very brief spell was seen clared she took out first papers in with William H. Crane in the chief Monday night at Columbus, Ohio. The Douglas, and an unusually strong and last week at Norristown, Pa. This dent of the United States since October Mr. Crane given high praise for his

takes singing lessons.

Gladys Unger's new play, "Henry of full-fledged daughter of Uncle Sam." Lancaster." James Carew, in the title role, and Miss Terry, as Elizabeth of York, shared the acting honors.

David Belasco was talking about matinee idols. "Strange," he said, young girls. I overheard the other "The Follies of 1908," and is, of course, thrilling throughout. Marie Tempest day a literary conversation that is on the same lines as its predecessor. and bewitching fashion, Judging from versing. Did you ever read Shakes- Mile. Dazie, Charles Ross and Bickel three weeks ago, to a wealthy Japanese theater. The title means "The Loser Royal Cutter, Ethel Tillson, Jeanette the first night, "Lady Barbarity" will peare's 'Love's Labor Lost' said the and Watson. head, 'but I've taken my best girl to the theater and heard her rave all able business in Boston with "The sell. Wing Pienro was not represented on through the show about the leading Hoyden," the standing room only sign

> London J. M. Barrie's masterpiece, ing comedian. 'The Admirable Crichton," with great success. Its reception suggests that

when he penned "The Frisky Mrs. of "The Music Master," but has con- nestine Funfstiech Schumann-Heink Rapp, born in Lieben, Austria, June 15, 1861; married and mother of seven the Boys" was given its first presenta-

> 15, 1898. Her present residence, she work. said, is at North Caldwell, Essex Truly Shattuck, one of the bright County, N. J. Clerk Woolson told her stars of vaudeville began an engage- to come back June 3 to determine her Man" at the Lyric Theater, London,

> ment last week at the Wintergarten, qualifications and to forswear allegi- last week the King and Queen of Eng-Berlin. At odd moments she also ance to Austria. "America has brought land were in attendance. After the me only luck and fortune ever since I have been here," declared the singer, the company on its fine acting and also At Nottingham last week Ellen "and I only regret I will have to wait praised the play highly. Tery produced with much success three months before I can become

> > Arthur Bourchier and Violet Vanbrugh are considering an offer to make an American tour.

A new musical review which is to "the fascination that they exert upon open in New York in June is called Two bald men were con- Prominent members of the cast will be Russell was married in Philadelphia,

Elsie Janis has been doing a remark- Russell is the daughter of Lillian Rusbeing displayed nightly. Miss Janis has a strong supporting company this ing his recent tour abroad is Minnie Charles Frohman has revived in season with Joe Cawthorn as the lead- Palmer, the famous star of "My Sweet-

During George Ade's visit to New the services of four players. the play may become as immortal as York a fortnight ago he discussed the

The "House of a Thousand Candles" children, with one stepson. She de- tion in New York last Monday night, At a performance of "The Square

George Ade's latest play, "Father and

performance the King congratulated Lillian Russell, it is said, will appear at a London theater before Easter in 'Wildfire," George Broadhurst's racing

comedy. Miss Russell appeared in London a good many years ago at the Lyceum in the comic opera, "The Queer of Brilliants." The New York Telegraph is authority for the statement that Dorothy

The couple will reside in Japan. Miss One of William Morris' captures dur-She will appear in America heart." next fall, presenting a sketch requiring

nerchant by the name of Acha Mura.

Ellen Terry produced with great suc

strong cast and magnificently staged. lyrics and tunes and submitting it to cess Gladys Unger's new play, "Henry the public as a musical play. Such a of Lancaster," in London a week ago Madame Schumann-Heink visited the transformation may take place and James Carew, in the title role, and