Public Amusements

Richard Golden at the Grand.
Richard Golden as "Old Jed Prouty" is a play depicting life in a country village in Maine. The mere statement as a matter of publication carries as much interest as any other play. But to become a witness of a genuine reproduction of a life history, embodying the lights and shades of sorrow and mirth, and always conscious that it is there, we have before us a history, and the actors are simply a reproduction of men and women who really exist. While we laugh heartly at the quaint sayings of Old Jed Prouty, we are conscious that we are moved by the sim

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plicity of the story, and for a time forget that it is a stage picture, in the absorbing interest of the various characters. Many of the characters outside of the composite type of "Old Jed Prouty" are accurate reproductions of living people. The humor, quaint in expression and blended with a serious vein, enhances the value of the action and becomes of absorbing interest to the end. Mr. Golden will appear at the Grand Opera House next week, with mathemes on Wednesday and Saturday. The Grand's new scale of prices has been approved of by all theatre-goers.

Down Mobile.

The famous "Sunnyside Mansion" is shown in the first act of Lincoln J. Carter's new comedy drama, "Down Mobile." It is a place that really exists on the Mobile River, some 20 miles above the old city of Mobile. When writing the play, Mr. Carter spent lil weeks at Sunnyside absorbing the surroundings and studying actual occurrences there, which he has worked into the production with splendid effect and striking realism. Each scene in the play has been painted from photographs taken by Mr. Carter himself, and every character has been drawn from life. Mother Gubarre, the voodoe, who dwells near a dismal swamp, is a living personage to be met with there at the present time. She retires at certain stages of the moon to the mouth of the bayou, there to work the witcherles and voodoo charms which she applies to the superstitions negroes, as well as to some of the credulous whites. At this time old Mother Gubarre is between 60 and 70 years of age. She has been plying her vocation of witch for many years past. A well-known actress and dramatic star has been specially engaged to portray the awesome part. "Down Mobile" will be seen at the Toronto Opera House next week, with matinees daily, except Wednesday. The reduction in prices at the Toronto Is making the theatre more popular than ever.

Operatic Principals. in the performance of Stange and Edwards, new commic opera, "Dolly Varden," which will be produced at the Princess Theatre during the week opening on the 23rd Inst.
Mr. Van Rensselaer Wheeler is well
known to local opera-goers. Last season he
was leading man for Francis Wilson, and was leading man for Francis Wilson, and the two seasons before was with Jefferson de Angelis and "The Runaway Girl," respectively, in a like capacity.

Mr. Richie Ling made the principal part of his reputation as a tenor singer in this country during the years that he was with Lillian Russell's organizations. For the past three seasons Mr. Ling was the solo tenor singer of the Alice Nielsen Opera Company.

ny. Tom Daniel, the basso of the com-Mr. Tom Daniel, the basso of the company, has long been identified with opera and oratorio in Europe. He comes from the very best school. In his youth he studied under Myron W. Whitney, and his voice is said to resemble Whitney's in a remarkable degree. Mr. Daniel was also a pupil of Vannuccini, in Florence, for years. In inducing him to enter comic opera in this country, Mr. F. C. Whitney considers that he has made a valuable accession to his ranks.

Miss Estelle Wentworth, the prima donna of the Lulu Glaser Opera Company, was last year the prima donna of The Bostonians, and is an artist of large experience with the best organizations.

Mr. Mark Smith has probably seen longer service on the comic opera stage than any



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