

IMPERIAL THEATRE,

GEO. BERRY, - MANAGER.

SUCCESS! SUCCESS!! SUCCESS!!!

Week beginning March 28th.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, "ROSEDALE,"

A Comedy Drama in 5 Acts with the great gypsy scene and chorus.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, AND SATURDAY MATINEE, THE SHAUGHRAUN

A romantic Irish Drama in 3 Acts, by Dion Boucicault, with correct costumes and stage settings. Special feature—St. Bridget's Abbey by Moonlight.

TO THE PUBLIC:

I wish it known that I have taken the management of this cosy little Theatre, that I have complete control, that everything will be carried on in a business like way. Every production will be exactly as I advertise. I shall always endeavor to please the Public, whose servant I am, and I humbly ask its patronage.

GEO. BERRY.

POPULAR PRICES: 25, 35 and 50 cents.

Remember the Present given away at our Saturday Matinee. Prices: 25 and 35 cents. Children, 15 cents.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

"LADY Audley's Secret" was the attraction at the Imperial for the first three nights of the week, and considering the wet weather was fairly well patronized. It is doubtful if Miss Belle Inman has appeared in any piece here this season to greater advantage than this play. She portrayed the woman who would do anything to gratify her ambition, even murder, with intense realism. Mr. George Berry, as Luke Marks, was exactly what the author intended the character should be, while Mr. Bronsen gave a clear and well-defined interpretation of the husband whose confidence had been betrayed. Mr. Morton was as clever as usual, and Fred Summerfield played Sir Michael Audley in a thoroughly artistic manner. Miss Berry and Miss Annie Inman made the most of their parts, and added considerably to the success of the play.

The Private Secretary holds the boards for the last part of this week. The Thursday and Friday night productions were excellent, and drew good houses. Mr. Berry, in the leading role, covered himself with glory, as did also Miss Inman. There was not a weak point in the cast.

The Imperial, next week, will have two grand bills. For the first three nights, Lester Wallack's beautiful drama, Rose-dale, will hold the boards, and the following nights, with Saturday matinee, Dion Boucicault's great Irish comedy drama, The

Shaughraun. Manager Berry will have a detachment of regularly drilled soldiers for the gypsy scene, and for the chorus his own company will be augmented by several amateur singers. This production promises to be one of the finest ever seen in this city. The Shaughraun is a play one never tires witnessing. The humor is of the character that provokes laughter, while the pathos produces exactly the opposite effect. No doubt the Imperial will be crowded every night next week.

Patti Rosa, at The Victoria, Thursday night, drew a crowded house. The company supporting this clever lady are well up in specialties, in fact equal to any seen there this season. It is scarcely necessary to speak of Patti Rosa, as she is so well known, but it might be remarked that she has lost none of the attractions upon which she built her reputation.

Several changes are spoken of in connection with the management of a Victoria house of amusement.

The Belmour-Gray Company opened at the Princess in Winnipeg last Monday night in "Queen's Evidence."

The New York Opera Company have been booked at the Vancouver Opera House for the first week in May, playing Chimes of Normandy, Erminie and Pinafore.

Professor Baldwin's Butterfly Company, who are now on their way to England after two years in Oriental countries, will appear at the Vancouver Opera House next Tuesday evening.

Professor Tyndall, the well-known mind-reader, contemplates a trip to Australia this month.

Maude Granger possesses a phenomenal voice, and is one of the handsomest ladies on the stage to-day.

Darrell Vinton has been engaged for leading business at the new Grove street Theatre, San Francisco, which opened on the 21st inst. as a popular-priced theatre.

Mr. Arthur Forrest will produce "Capt. Swift" at Cordray's Seattle house.

Manager Berry has secured several new people to take part in the production of The Shaughraun, next week.

Charles Craig, opened at Cordray's Theatre, Portland, on the 19th, in Shadows of a Great City.

Frederick Warde is billed for Seattle April 11-13.

Vernona Jarbeau, the star of the "Starlight" company, accused her maid of stealing \$1,500 at Troy, N. Y. The police were sent for, the maid tearfully denied the charge, and the officers found the lost money in Miss Jarbeau's room.

Mr. W. M. Wilkinson, manager for Alex. Salvini, the brilliant, romantic actor, has written to Mr. A. H. P. Goldsmid asking for dates at which he may play in

the Vancouver Opera House in November. Salvini would play either The Guardsman, Don Caesar or Child of Naples.

Nellie McHenry's "One night in a Circus" has been booked for July 5th, at The Victoria, and Sam Jack's "Creoles" for June 15th and 16th.

A MURDER EXPLAINED.

"Jule," remarked Brutus, as he strolled into the great Caesar's tent, "did I ever tell you of the fight I once had among the Allobroges?" (Gets off a long, windy tale, involving the single-handed slaughter of 11 ferocious barbarians.)

"Brute, my boy," remarked Caesar, solemnly, when he had finished, "I admire Gaul, especially Trans-alpine Gaul, but still I must say that you remind me of a harp shattered by the lightning of great Jove."

"How so?" inquired Brutus, unwarily.

"Because you're a blasted lyre," answered Caesar, taking a long pull at a flask of Chian of the 754 vintage.

And from that day forth Brutus began to meditate on the Ides of March.

The Spiritual Society anniversary, social and dance will be held in Harmony Hall on Wednesday, March 30.

There is said to be a split in the Victoria Club, several members having resigned. Another club may be started.

The official return with respect to the important industry of mining has been presented to the Provincial Legislature. In 1874 the total output of coal in British Columbia was 81,000 tons, in 1884 it was 394,070 tons, and in 1887 489,000 tons, but, last year, it grew to the handsome quantity of 1,029,097 tons, of which 806,479 were exported, principally to San Francisco. New fields are continually being discovered, some of which are in prospect of early development.

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