



## W. S. VALLANCE, F. S. Sc., LONDON,

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For the past twenty years Professor Vallance has devoted himself to the stage, platform and class-room. During the earlier years of his professional life he was engaged as support to the late Samuel Phelps Charles Kean, Barry Sullivan, Miss Neilson, Miss Faucit, the Kendalls and other leading lights of the dramatic world.

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He had the entire superintendence of the Shakespearian Revivals for which the Glasgow Gaiety became so famous, and for four years was leading actor and manager of that house.

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Eight years ago he abandoned the stage that he might devote himself wholly to the platform ; at that time he was prevailed upon to accept the Professorship of Elocution by the Senatus of Glasgow University, which office he continues to fill with great distinction.

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During these eight years he has appeared **OVER FOURTEEN HUNDRED TIMES**, before large and enthusiastic audiences in the principal halls throughout Great Britain and Ireland and the *elite* of the English and American residents in Paris.

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Professor Vallance is naturally gifted with a capital presence, a voice of great power and range, phenomenal powers of facial expression, and dramatic talent of the highest order. Thus generously endowed with natural gifts he has by untiring devotion to his work achieved, at the early age of forty, the distinction of being the best elocutionist in the kingdom.

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