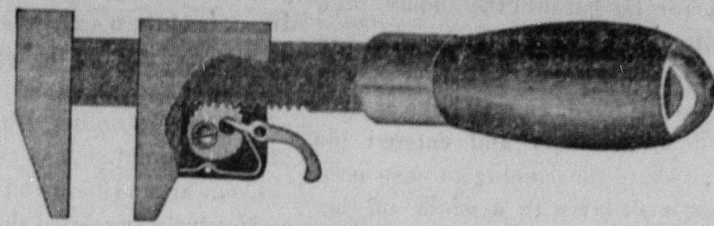


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BILL NYE'S NEW OPERETTA.

I have just returned, says Bill Nye, in the New York World, from a private rehearsal of a new operetta of which I am the author, and hasten to write a fair, honest criticism of it for the press.

The operetta itself is called "The Singed Cat," because it is really so much better than it seems to be. The music was composed partly by myself and partly by a count who plays upon the ferry-boats in summer and has his winter to himself.

The orchestra opens the performance with a selection from the "Flying Dutchman." Difficult as it may appear, the orchestra makes a good selection from this gentleman, and it is played well after everything is ready. It takes some little time for an orchestra to get ready, however. The man who bites off the first joint of the clarinet breathes a few liquid notes, the first violin sounds "A" and the gentleman with the bassoon looks up into its dark recesses to see if any cayenne or kittens have been deposited there since he played last.

When the applause has died away Felix comes in with a baritone voice and diminished triad. He thinks of the first verse while the piccolo makes a few desultory remarks and then he explains how he couldn't get there when he agreed to, because the jury disagreed, or something of that kind. He swallows an imaginary clam with the shell on it, and begins in a low passe roundelay which develops into a duodecimo run. He is accompanied by a running mate, consisting of a flute with a large red mustache over the main entrance.

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some artistic gargling which suggests a warble in the upper register.

As she gets more confidence in herself and becomes more irritated because Felix did not get there at time he said he would she starts on the second added line below, and with a crescendo and vox populi that starts the gathers in her new dress and makes the man in the box-office turn pale, she attains her greatest attitude, while the head fiddler becomes so excited that he plays mostly on the bridge of his instrument or the coat-sleeve of the man who sits next to him.

The prima donna of "The Singed Cat" has a pleasant voice, full of timbre and fine allegro movement, bordering on the andante. Mr. Riley, who has heard her, says that when she pulls out the last joint on her crescendo and opens her upper register her mouth looks not unlike a slab in the dark. She sings with the whole arm movement, and her action is good as she goes by the judges' stand. She has a selection in the second act called, "Back to Our Mountains," in which she starts off with a ritard, in which she emits a ch-st note which tests the acoustics of the hall, that she is tickled to get back to the mountains, such as they are, and is pleased with the altitude. She has assisted in "The Damnation of Faust," but otherwise her conduct has been good. She is a widow, her husband being deceased. He was listening to the song of a buzz-saw near Stillwater, Minn., in '75, and he got the idea that the saw had something confidential to communicate and desired to take him apart for that purpose. Anyway, he was in that condition when they found him. For that reason her music is frequently tearful and often solfeggio in spots. Her repertoire is very large and has a lid on it. The only criticism that I feel warranted in making, and I hate to do that, is that she has slightly ruptured her voice by trying several years ago to sing a duet with herself, and thus draw two salaries.

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Company No. 1, consisting of a fire organization numbering over one hundred and fifty members, banded together for the purpose of rescuing beautiful but frightened girls from burning seminaries at a moment's notice. Each fireman wears a lawn-tenis shirt with full-dress pantaloons had patent-leather pumps. He carries a Babcock fire extinguisher bound in Russia leather and a small hand-bag containing a package of visiting cards. When a fire breaks out in a young ladies' seminary at night he dresses himself and goes to it. He finds the janitor and sends up his card to one of the students asking if he may have the pleasure of rescuing her from the fire fiend. If he comes well recommended she tells the janitor to show him up. She then festoons herself over his shoulder in her simple white gown, with Valenciennes lace around the throat, and her warm tears of gratitude trickle down and tickle the back of his neck as he tenderly conveys her into the adjoining county, where her parents live on a farm.

This is a good part of the operetta, making it spectacular and yet respectable. He must indeed be a creature dead to all the finer instincts of our lost and undone race who will not pay to see a chorus of beautiful girls rescued from a burning seminary at night. How much more lifelike is it than a militia company of beautiful women who come on the stage with as brief address a parliamentary rules will allow, and after making a few terse remarks with both feet go away.

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Viewing the Promised Land. GREAT FALLS, Mont. News of the opening of the Black Feet Reservation is awaited impatiently here and throughout Northern Montana. A large number of persons have gone to the reservation to locate ranches, mines and town sites. The desirable valleys are fairly covered with tents the greatest rush apparently being to the Big Sandy, the famous hay grounds. Soldiers as well as civilians are on the grounds, and when news comes that the bill is signed there is likely to be a rush. Bullhook Valley, beyond Fort Assiniboine, is all staked off, and the tents of the squatter may be seen all along the valley of the Milk River. There is a silver lode in the Bear Paw Mountains that was located several years ago. It is understood that several parties are on hand watching to locate this mine as well as to prospect for others.

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Interstate Plonic Exhibition at Williams' Grove, Pa.

Opens Monday, August 27, 1888, and continues the entire week. Those desiring either exhibitors' space or tents should apply early, as the demand is greater than ever before. Over 150,000 farmers will be present during the week. Applications for tents and space are received by every mail. For further information, address R. H. THOMAS, General Manager, Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pa.

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The "abolitionists" of Patterson, N. J. have run up the price of beer to the point that a glass of beer is sold for 15 cents in that town.

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