

AMUSEMENTS

AT THE ACADEMY

Fritz Scheff, in "The Duchess," "Dante's Inferno."

Fritz Scheff—Coming.

Fritz Scheff's new comic opera "The Duchess" which is to be seen here at the Academy of Music Wednesday night was written for her by the two Herberts—Victor and Joseph, and it sets the question once and for all as to whether or not Victor Herbert, the composer, is perhaps the better known of the two, although Joseph Herbert with his versatility covering the field of actor, author and stage director, is an important figure in present day theatricals.

Victor Herbert is known only as a composer and conductor of his own orchestra, but his fame as a composer is so great that it is to be doubted if there is an American theatre goer who does not know his name, and his works are almost equally well known abroad as at home. His scores are invariably musically and a proof of their tunefulness is that the songs are whistled and sung from one end of the nation to the other. He is not, however, a writer of so-called popular music. To him more than to any other living composer is due credit for elevating the musical taste of the American public, at least that public which is flocking to the standard of musical comedy. Mr. Herbert has written all the light operas in which Madame Scheff has appeared, the revivals of which have been exceptional. The list includes "Mlle. Modiste," "Babette," and

Heinemann Tonight

Alexander Heinemann the famous leader singer, famous throughout Europe and America, will be heard in concert at the Academy tonight. He comes to Charlotte on this return visit under the personal guarantee of his former and most brilliant pupil, Mrs. Minnie Wriston Smith, teacher of voice at the Presbyterian college.

For a decade and a half, Heinemann has been the favorite of the Berlin public. He is heard often in Berlin than any other singer now before the public; his appearances in concerts, recitals and oratorios, numbering at least thirty-five each season. His rare vocal art and his remarkable powers of interpretation have won friends and admirers wherever he has sung. Budapest went wild over him at his first appearance; in London he received a royal welcome, and at his first song recital in Copenhagen he created a furore. Heinemann's appearances in his native city, Berlin, are always looked upon as among the most important of the many brilliant musical events of the German capital and his interpretation of lieder and ballads never fail to call forth unstinted praise.

His appearances in London, Berlin, Copenhagen, Hamburg, Vienna, Prague, Dessau, etc., marked him as a favorite of the people, his wealth of temperament and warmth of feeling a strong appeal to their ready sympathies. Accustomed to swaying his audiences by the irresistible magnetism of his voice and delivery, even among more reserved and less spontaneous peoples, his success everywhere was instantaneous and pronounced, and his recurring visits to the different towns have never failed to arouse glowing enthusiasm. Unlike many concertizing artists he has not had to win his way into public

WOMEN TO DECIDE BETTER MUNICIPAL FIGHT

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 4.—Tomorrow the women of this city will decide a bitterly contested municipal fight between the socialists and the good government forces at the polls. Party lines have been swept aside. Both the good government and socialist parties look to the women voters for election and both admit that the women hold the balance of the power.

Job Harriman leads the socialist ticket and George Alexander, the present mayor, leads the good government forces. The total male registration is 107,000. The suffrage registration is 87,000. The male vote is conceded by both parties to be about evenly divided, but what the women's sentiments are is a matter of conjecture. At the Harriman headquarters it was stated that the Socialist cohorts will sail into office with a safe majority of 10,000. They base their calculations on the large registration from the poorer quarters of the city and the fact that the October primaries showed a polled majority in the socialist favor.

The good government supporters are equally sure of victory and claim the election of their ticket by 20,000, basing their predictions on the past performances of the party supporters and the bitter campaign made against socialism by their speakers and the portion of the press devoted to their party.

"Men men" has been wedged to the wall by the importance of the suffrage vote. The socialists were the first to take advantage of the amendment giving women the ballot. They started a campaign urging registration among the wives of their supporters that brought the registration up by leaps and bounds. The good government forces were not far behind and every kind of a speculator scheme was employed to interest the women and secure their enrollment.

Special election officers were appointed, with power to secure the registration of the women at their homes. Schools were inaugurated by both parties to teach the women how to mark and fold the ballots incidentally inculcating the precepts of the party they favored.

The women entered into the spirit of the contest and many prominent society leaders as well as women from the poorer quarters of the city took the stump in advocacy of their candidates. Fireworks and cigars were supplemented by light refreshments, and the male electorate was almost forgotten in the scramble to secure the women's vote. It is believed that 75 per cent of the registered electorate will go to the polls and the campaign predictions of both parties are based entirely on the probable vote of the women. The socialist fight has been against the "Goo Goos" or good government party principles. They claim that antagonists have evolved a party that is similar in some respects to the Abe Reuf regime in San Francisco, and have made their fight along these lines, with an attempt to draw a "class distinction" between "capital and labor."

The good government forces have waged a bitter war on socialist principles and their papers have been full of glowing headlines, stating: "The triumph of Socialism means business stagnation and idleness!" Their propaganda has been an direct appeal to the prosperity of the community. Both parties carry a full ticket to the polls. The respective candidates have been endorsed by the partisans aligned against each other. On the socialist council ticket a negro is running and two women have been endorsed by the Harriman supporters for the board of education.

The socialist campaign began several months ago, shortly after the arrest of the two McNamara brothers, who are charged with dynamiting the Times building here. Alexander Irving was the first organizer sent here and through him the city precincts were organized.

The good government supporters rallied behind Mayor Alexander and composed some of the most influential citizens in Los Angeles and have made the same episode a prominent feature of their fight against the socialist forces.

The campaign closed today with both parties predicting success, though the betting was comparatively light and what money was wagered went up at even odds.

SURVIVES WHIRLING RIDE.

Mahoney City, Pa., Dec. 4.—Caught by the overcoat in the hub of a wagon being rapidly driven down a paved street here, Charles McGill, 10 years old, who tried to steal a ride, was whirled around for more than a square.

With every revolution of the wheel young McGill's head was thumped against the bricks. He was released, unconscious, and very badly hurt.

Congress Convenes

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Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—The most important session since the Civil war is the prediction made by many democratic leaders for the first regular session of the 62nd congress which opened today.

"Stirring days ahead," are forecast by republican members, and on both sides of the big party line members in the house and senate are drawn up to fight out weighty problems of legislation in a session that will lead up to the presidential campaign of 1912.

Of importance as to the bearing it will have on the approaching political contest in the nation; of particular interest because of party differences—regulars and insurgents on the republican side; reactionaries and progressives among the democrats—and, of unusual significance because of the heavy legislative program, it is at least certain that this will be one of the liveliest sessions of congress in many years.

Tariff and Trusts. With the gavel falling in the house and senate at noon, the tariff and the trusts stood out as the most important subjects for legislation with a big fight assured in both houses. Many other great questions confronting the congress, all of them to be approached vigorously, including tariff reform, ratification of arbitration treaties with Great Britain and France, and the loan treaties with Nicaragua and Honduras; Alaskan legislation, the election of senators by direct vote of the people, pension bills and the regular and permanent annual appropriations, to be under the direction this time in the house by a democratic committee.

While the legislative struggles are in progress, notice is certain not to be overshadowed with sanguine hope for triumph at the polls next November, and insurgent republicans striking out in earnest to capture their party convention, if possible; every move made in either branch of congress from now until adjournment will be thoroughly considered from political as well as legislative viewpoints. The political pot in Washington will soon heat to boil, with the republican national committee meeting here December 12th, to be followed January 8th by the democratic national committee. Selection of convention cities, choosing of committee chairmen who will manage the big campaigns and plans for the approaching party conventions and the subsequent battle of the ballots will attract as much attention from the nation's legislators as will the making of the nation's laws.

To enliven the political interest in both houses there are candidates for the presidency casting their shadows across the horizon.

Cham Clark, the speaker of the house, already considered among the democratic possibilities, may at any time make presidential pronouncement to his colleagues; and Representative Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama, the democratic floor leader, also is talked of throughout the country as a presidential candidate.

In the senate, Mr. La Follette already has been proclaimed by progressive republicans as their choice to wrest the nomination from Mr. Taft.

In the house the political interest will be further complicated by the attitude of Mr. Bryan, who has quarrelled with Mr. Underwood and branded him as a reactionary and now criticizes Speaker Clark in what many democrats declare is an effort to cause a breach between the speaker and the majority leader of the house.

Report of Tariff Board. The tariff legislative program will follow the long awaited report of the tariff board which is expected to submit the result of its investigations and recommendations to congress, the subject will be treated in a special message.

Meantime, however, the ways and means committee will begin preparation of revised schedules to include wool, cotton, iron and steel products, sugar and other foodstuffs. An important schedule to come up is the sugar schedule and in dealing with this the house and the ways and means committee of congress, the American Sugar Refining Company, which is expected to report early in the session.

Fight on Sherman Law. Conspicuous in the records of the congress will be the coming vigorous trust debates. The fight to amend the Sherman anti-trust law already is on in the house the question will be first considered by the committee on judiciary. This committee has determined also to report bills amending the injunction statutes and the contempt statutes, the latter to include provision for trial by jury in cases of indirect contempt. These will be pressed for passage before adjournment.

The committee has in hand a half-dozen bills providing amendments to the Sherman anti-trust law. The most recent bill was drafted by Representative Henry, of Texas, providing for penitentiary terms for violators of the Trust laws and designed to eliminate from the Sherman law the "rule of reason" as interpreted by the supreme court. Some sort of bill is certain to come from the committee bearing on this problem. In the senate the trust question is under consideration in the hearings before that committee on interstate commerce which will continue for some time.

In line with the trust question will be the determination of the fate of the house special committee of inquiry into the United States Steel Corporation. The Steel Corporation has protested against continuation of the hearing in view of the ruling of the government against it. The question is certain to be brought up in the house for settlement within a few days and it will provoke a lively controversy.

As a part of the trust legislative plan President Taft has suggested a federal incorporation act. He has stated his belief that a statute might be drawn—not as an amendment to the anti-trust law—to furnish protection which would induce companies engaged chiefly in interstate trade to agree to government supervision of their transactions.

National Monetary Commission. The national monetary commission will submit the report of its long and exhaustive inquiry by January 8th. The central reserve bank plan advocated by former Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, has been practically unanimously endorsed by the American Bankers' Association. Currency reform, however, probably will develop many differing opinions before any legislation is enacted.

Of unusual interest in the senate will be the continuance of the inquiry into the right of Senator Lorimer, of Illinois, to retain his seat. Hearings in the case which have been going on in Chicago since October will be resumed here tomorrow.

Conservation policies are to be urged on congress. Included in this are water power, coal, phosphate, oil and gas and other resources. Early in the session the national waterways commission will report recommendations fully examined for traces of the mill and a report also will be made by the securities commission relating to railroads and bonds and the special postal commission which has held sessions in Washington, New York and St. Louis, also will report. The employers' liability commission has formulated a report to submit to congress.

What Her Friend Asked

Mrs. Casey was Sick in Bed, but Her Friend's Request Resulted in Prompt Cure.

Toyah, Tex.—"For about eight years," says Mrs. R. A. Casey of this place, "I suffered with womanly troubles. I had about given up, and thought I would always have to suffer. I had pains all over, and was so nervous at times I could hardly stand to live. I had spells when I would be in bed several days at a time.

A friend asked me to try Cardui, and I did. I have taken nine bottles, and it cured me. I feel well and strong, and have not been sick at all for nearly a year.

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Economy it is said also will guide the appropriations committee, the first democratic committee in many years to get a "whack" at the big appropriation supply bills including the so-called "pork barrels." Representative Fitzgerald, of New York, is the chairman of the committee which will undertake the task of paring down the appropriations which for the year of 1911-1912 amounted to \$1,026,287,505.81.

Out of the Wrong Mouth. The young dentist had a caller. She was a stylish young woman and towed by a stout chain the ugliest of ugly bulldogs.

"Poor Jim," she said, soothingly, "you must suffer."

The young dentist gazed at the brute and smiled.

"This way, miss," he said. "Just a minute! Is there a mirror in the building? My hair is wild from the wind."

"You will find one at the end of the hallway, miss."

While she stood before the mirror he surveyed Jim.

"I am not in the habit of extracting teeth, but the chances are I suppose I can do the job. It would be a good idea to start in now. If she stands near I may get the least bit nervous and the chances are in favor of the dog making trouble for some one."

He thought he knew the bad tooth. "Come here, pup," he said, trying to get around the dog. Then he reached for the forceps and got a good grip on his patient. When Jim opened his mouth the steel closed down on the supposed bad molar. Man and dog struggled, and the man was the victor. The tooth came out. Just then the young woman reentered. It was an exciting scene. Gore, deep crimson, was everywhere. The young dentist was in a corner warding off the vicious attacks with a chair.

"What does this mean?" she gasped. "I got it out, Miss."

"Got it out?" "The brute's tooth; but it was a hard job."

"Do you mean to say that you extracted one of Jim's teeth?" "Certainly. Isn't that what you brought him up here for? I found the bad tooth without any trouble."

"But he had no bad teeth."

"No, I came to have my own teeth extracted."

"But I heard you say the dog was suffering."

"From fleas."

"Then I will—"

"No, you won't. I'll go to some dentist that knows his business."

Then she took Jim by the chain and dragged him out of the office.

Nothing to Hinder. A native of Germany was visiting an American friend in New York. The latter betthought himself to take his guest on a visit to Niagara Falls. The American, accustomed to bursts of wonderment and enthusiasm, was not a little astonished to see his Teutonic friend stand and gaze stolidly minute after minute upon that roaring cataract, without evincing the faintest sign of emotion.

Finally, unable to longer conceal his chagrin and disappointment, the American turned to his companion and asked: "Don't you think that's a wonderful sight?"

"Vot?" asked the Dutchman.

"Why, that gigantic body of water pouring over that lofty precipice."

The German stood, for a few seconds longer, until he got that idea digested, then he looked up blankly and asked:

"Vell, vot's to hinder it?"—Every body's.

Does the farmer require a book on etiquette to study haughty culture?



Scene From the \$100,000 Moving Picture, Dante's Inferno, Academy Next Week.

The Two Roses, and lastly "Mlle. Rosita."

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Dante's Inferno.

The marvellous creation of Dante's, known as the "Divine Comedy," has for six centuries been familiar to the world at large only in a very general way. Its exquisite charms and beauties were accessible only to a handful of scholars. The latest invention for the benefit and improvement of mankind, that is to say, the moving picture, has now become the instrument of making these charms and beauties common property to all. A noted band of Italian artists have reproduced in 100 splendid scenes the "Inferno" of Dante. As most readers no doubt will know, Dante starts with the poet Virgil on a journey through the Inferno, and witnesses the various scenes where sin and wrong doing meet their punishment. The scenic arrangements, the settings, the colors, the acting and every detail in this production are as perfect as human skill could make them, and have won the admiration of all who have seen them in Europe.

This splendid attraction will be exhibited at the Academy of Music for three days beginning Thursday of this week with a matinee every day.

Lovers enjoy a moonlight night almost as much as a night when there is no moon at all.

A manunk girl who used to have bleached hair used the comic weeklies as curl papers. Now it has turned to chestnut.

Did What She Hoped.

It is a real pleasure to find that something you have bought is just as good as you hoped it would be, and Mrs. Charles Proper of West Scranton, Pa., writes a letter to tell others her experience. She says: "I was all run down and very weak, and had been so for three years. I am sure that Vinol has helped me very much, for four bottles of it have brought back my strength, which is just what I was told it would do."

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