

'Hick,' Drama Critic, Gives Account of Fight Matinee

Carpentier's Role Too Heavy for Great Actor
—Compares Gentlemanly Qualities of Great Tragedians.

By WALTER D. HICKMAN.

There is one actor in this world who couldn't take a "curtain call" after a matinee, although an audience of more than 20,000 did.

George Carpenter is the actor.

After Georges had finished his part during the fourth "act" of the matinee at Jersey City, he was in no shape to take a curtain call. Jack Dempsey took his "call," although it made one of those forced affairs which is so often wished upon an audience.

Well, it was a dandy show, although I was scheduled to go down "acts."

Carpentier might call the show "A Little Adventure in Forgetfulness," and Dempsey might term it "The Surprise Party."

The more I think of what I saw at this fight, the more convinced I am that the Frenchman handed Dempsey his surprise in the second round. There is still a bunch of discussion as to whether Dempsey was a man or a Carpenter, the blow in the second round. Al-

though I am just one of a jury of 90,000 and then some who saw the fight, I saw Dempsey sway in the second round when Carpenter landed the surprise punch.

If Carpenter could have followed up his terrific drive in the second round with an upper cut, which he sent at Dempsey but which just scraped his chin, the matinee might have ended there.

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Sight Restored by Grafting Eyes

VIENNA, July 6—Successful eye grafting was described today by Dr. Koppayi, in letters before the Biological Society here.

He said that he had transplanted new eyes in blind fish and rats, successfully joining the optic nerves so that subjects regained sight.

Dr. Koppayi sketched a method by

which he said it would be possible to restore partial sight to blinded soldiers if others could be found willing to sacrifice an eye for the purpose.

vaudeville people, who entertained all of their theater managers and a representative from the papers in all cities where their houses were located. C. R. Eggleston, manager of Keith's of Indianapolis, planned a party of fun to the big fight. Eggleston returned late yesterday with his party in great style after spending the Fourth at Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

Nearly forgot to tell you that I saw a bunch of film and screen stars at the fight, but Tom Mix and his big hat seemed to grab off most of the attention. Tom looks like he is a real fellow.

Again I repeat that the program was all wrong in announcing that the matinee was for "twelve acts."

All wrong I say. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

FORMER SCHOOL TEACHER DIES

Miss Fidelia Anderson, 82, Invalid Four Years.

Following an illness of one week, Miss Fidelia Anderson, 82, a resident of Indianapolis for more than fifty years and formerly a member of the Shortridge high school faculty, died Tuesday afternoon at 6 o'clock at her home, 607 N. Delaware street. Miss Anderson had been an invalid for four years and had been in poor health since suffering a paralytic stroke about twenty years ago.

Miss Anderson was the last surviving member of her immediate family. Relations who survive her are A. B. Anderson, judge of the United States District Court, a nephew, and three nieces, Miss Ada Duzan, Miss Jessie Duzan and Miss Anna Duzan, all teachers in the city schools.

Miss Anderson was a member of the Second Presbyterian church, and always took an active interest in church affairs. When it was impossible for her to attend church, she was provided with a program of the church service, and a manuscript of the pastor's sermon.

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Cop and 5 Firemen Get Promotions

Patrolman William Martin was promoted to traffic officer, the first of the year.

At its weekly meeting Tuesday afternoon, Firemen Notra Trulock, Albert Ray, Charles Lesser, Edward McNamara and William Fairhead were promoted to the rank of chauffeur. The resignations of Patrolman John Weible and Fireman Frank L. Kirkhoff were accepted. Harry Smith, patrolman, will be tried by the board on July 10 for failure to report for duty last Sunday and Fireman Henry O. McMann on charges of reporting under the influence of liquor.

THREE SUITS FILED.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., July 6—Three

complaints have been filed in the Shelby

Circuit Court against Otto Coyle, Shelby County farmer, in which are demanded payment of notes, foreclosure of mortgages and sale and partition of real estate held by the defendant. One of the complaints was filed by Mrs. Jessie A. Coyle, mother of the defendant, who requests the sale of the real estate. The other complaints filed are for payment of notes and the foreclosure of a mortgage.

DEMPSEY IS RAPID THINKER.

All of that talk that Dempsey is not a quick thinker is just plain bunk. Dempsey not only thinks rapidly, but he has so much self-control that he can overcome any element of surprise.

Just as interesting as the fight was the audience. It looked like a Speedway race crowd dumped into a big bowl. There were numerous Indianapolis people present, but the biggest and the best party was given by the B. F. Keith

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In every lovely bright color and attractive little styles; regularly up to \$4.95.

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Georgette Crepe Blouses, \$2.49

In light and dark colors, trimmings in various ways; many clever models; formerly valued at \$3.95 and \$4.95.

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Men's Socks, 16c

Men's Sample Cotton Socks; reinforced heel and toe; broken in sizes and colors, but still many of the wanted sizes in the lot. Limit four pairs to a customer.

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Silk Jersey Petticoats, \$2.98

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Heavy silk jersey with self or taffeta ruffles; plain and fancy colors; regularly \$3.95 and \$4.95.

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Napkins, Dozen, \$1.35

Hemmed and all ready for use; the regular \$1.85 value.

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Auto Robes, \$1.98

Olive drab, twilled cravatets cloth; light summer weight. \$5.00 value.

—Fifth floor.

Silk Pillows, \$1.65

Tussah Silk Pillows that were formerly \$2.00. Lovely workmanship and material; \$1.65 value.

—Fifth floor.

Tablecloths, \$1.68

Square Cloths, with circular patterns and borders. The 64x64-inch size; formerly \$2.35.

—Street floor.

White Canvas Oxford, \$1.35

Hemmed and all ready for use; the regular \$1.85 value.

—Street floor.

Women's House Slip-pers, \$1.45

Of black canvas with one strap; cool and comfortable for housewear; leather sole and heel.

—Street floor.

Silk Ribbon, Yard, 21c

Plain taffeta, moire, crepe, prints, 4 to 5 1/2 inches wide; lovely patterns in light and dark colors.

—Street floor.

Valenciennes Lace, 12 Yards, 33c

Round and square mesh, edges and insertions in many patterns and widths.

—Street floor.

Margot Flouncing, Yard, 39c

27-inch, in natural color, heavily embroidered, good grade of net.

—Street floor.

Children's Sandals, \$1.25

Tan Calfskin Barefoot Sandals in sizes 5 to 8 and S to 11. So ideal for vacation wear.

—Street floor.

Men's Handkerchiefs, 4c

Full Size Cambric Handkerchiefs of excellent quality, 1/4 inch hem.

—Street floor.

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