

The Opening of the Valentine Theatre BRILLIANT SOCIAL AFFAIR

And a Great Dramatic Event—All the Culture and Fashion of Toledo Assembled in Honor of Geo. H. Ketcham—Mr. Jefferson's Matchless Rip Van Winkle—Description of the Handsomest Theatre in America—The Play and the Players—A New Era in the History of Toledo.

Everybody had an itching desire to see the Valentine last night. By 8.30 P. M. the street in front of the main entrance was jammed by a crowd of curious, expectant people, who awaited the moment when the doors would be thrown open, and from that time until the curtain rang up there was a constant hubbub, taking the form of the engine and fire-drill, and a general desire to get into the theatre as soon as possible.

The festive character of the event is enhanced by the fact that the theatre is now in the hands of a new management, and the opening of the theatre is a social affair of the first order. The play to be presented is a matchless rip van winkle, and the cast of the play is one of the most brilliant ever assembled in Toledo.



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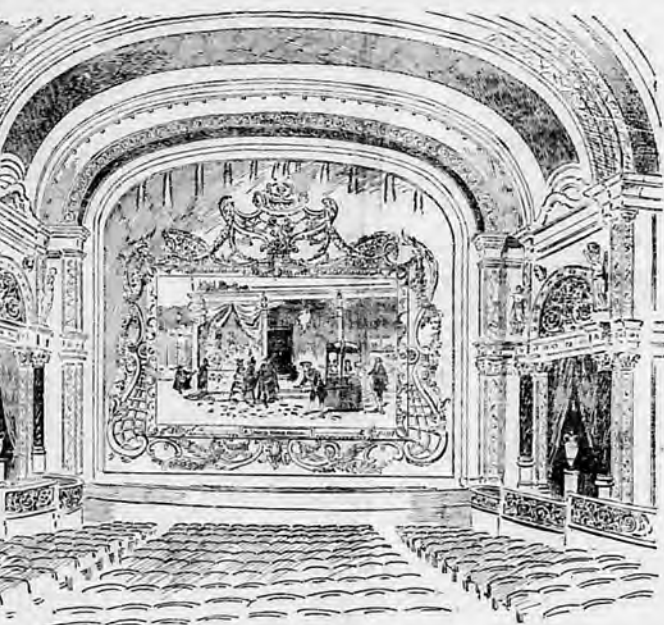
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The opening of the season. Never before have we seen such a grand display of pianos and organs. We have a new line of upright pianos, and a new line of organs, and a new line of music boxes.

THE ORIGIN OF THE PLAY. The story of the play is a very interesting one. It is a story of a man who has been married to a woman who is not his wife, and who has to live with her until she dies.

When George H. Ketcham came from his home in the new Valentine Theatre last night, in response to reports that the play was a success, he was met by a crowd of admirers who were waiting to see him.



THE SCENES AND ACT GROUP OF VALENTINE TOGETHER.

And adding still further to the enjoyment of the audience present. Mr. Ketcham's speech was a most interesting one, and was well received by the audience.

DESCRIPTION OF THE THEATRE AND AUDITORIUM. The theatre is a most beautiful one, and the auditorium is one of the most comfortable and well arranged in the city.

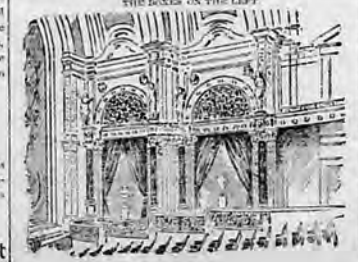
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