

# BIG AUDIENCE WILL SEE OLD PLAY

Last Performance of "Our American Cousin," Famous for Many Decades, to Be Given at The Moore Tonight.

Otho Galgey, Who Has Appeared in Theatricals in Many Countries, Plays Lord Dundreary, the Leading Role

Rev. Father J. E. O'Brien, pastor of the Church of Our Lady of Good Help, expects a big audience at The Moore Theatre tonight to see the local revival of the famous old play, "Our American Cousin," given for the benefit of the church. The first performance was given this afternoon.

"Our American Cousin" is one of the oldest and best known comedy dramas now played. Through it E. A. Sothern, Joseph Jefferson, Miles Levick, Ed Varrey, Laura Keane and others first came into prominence as footlight stars. E. H. Sothern revived it in New York this season and it proved as popular as it did several decades ago when the elder Sothern was playing it. It was the same piece that the martyred President, Abraham Lincoln, was witnessing in Washington City in 1865 when he was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth and that incident in American history has made the name of the play one that will always be remembered by those who interest themselves in theatrical and historical events.

The Seattle revival of the play is under the direction of Percy Hunting, one of the best known of the old-time actors of the Northwest. In Hunting's younger days he played the crippled boy for three seasons with Kate Claxton who made "The Two Orphans" famous. As a director Hunting has few equals in Seattle and he has given the production of "Our American Cousin" special attention.

The members of the cast have been picked from the ablest of local performers. The leading role, Lord Dundreary, is in the hands of Otho Galgey, who has appeared in theatricals in America, England, Ireland and the West Indies. In Jamaica he held a commission in the Jamaican militia. While there he took the part of Guiseppe in "The Gondollers," a Gilbert & Sullivan opera. While at college in England Mr. Gal-

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gey won many honors in oratory. He recently appeared in Seattle as Shylock in a production of "The Merchant of Venice" and made an instant hit in the difficult role.

The full cast for "Our American Cousin" is as follows:

Lord Dundreary, Otho Galgey; Ash Trenchard, Elmer Friend; Sir Edward Trenchard, G. F. Vradenburg; Capt. De Bonts, Harold Koherg; Harry Vernon, Stanley Nevins; Abel Marcott, J. Fred Braid; Mr. Coyle, Emil Skiel; Mr. Kinney, Walter A. McKay; Mrs. Mountchessington, Miss Pettjohn; Florence Trenchard, Miss Theo. Balcom-Power; Mary, Miss Helen McNally; Augusta, Miss Margaret Toughill; Georgina, Miss Flo Kidder.

Fred Braid and Elmer Friend belong to the "old guard" in Seattle—those who several years ago were leaders in all local theatricals. Both are cast in good parts. A full orchestra will be used and as a number between acts, Baby Patsy, a clever little performer, will sing and dance.