

Kiralfy Imre

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obituary:

London Times 1919 April 29  
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obituary: his will June 24 (15c)

NY Times 1919 April 29 15/3

Imre K. died in Brighton,  
England, April 28-1919

E.K. who is probably best remembered in NY for his spectacular production "The Black Crook", at the old Niblo's Garden, was born Budapest 1845, first appearance at age 4 -

studied music in Germany and was profess. dancer.

When 23 yrs old, started organizing pageants. In 1868 in Brussels organized a colossal fete which included operas, pantomimes and sports and a spectacle in which 4000 soldiers

were employed.

Came to US 1869, remaining here for 25 yrs. His great spectacle "The Life of Columbus" run for nearly 2 yrs at the time of Chicago Fair and his "America or 400 yrs of Amer. History" at the Auditorium, Chicago, was one of the biggest money makers of the expo. The show is said to be netted one million dollars in 7<sup>th</sup> months, other productions put on in US included: "The fall of Babylon" "Nero and the burning of Rome,"

Returning to England, H. managed many notable entertainments, including a tremendous expo at Shepherd's Bush, London, and proceeded to show the British what could be done with machinery, water & electricity. The huge building was turned into a miniature Venice.

