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BY

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The program asked by the lecturers for Universities and Colleges includes which includes travelling and all other expenses.



120 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, October 1, 1903.

DEAR SIR:

I take pleasure in informing you that the distinguished Irish poet, orator and dramatist, Mr. William Butler Yeats, will visit the United States this Autumn upon the invitation of The Irish Literary Society of New York, under whose auspices he will lecture in the City of New York. Mr. Yeats will also lecture in other cities and at such Universities and Colleges as may desire to hear him.

Mr. Yeats is President of The Irish National Theatre Society which is doing the same work in Ireland that Antoine has done with the *Théâtre Libre* in Paris. Mr. Yeats was one of the founders of The Irish Literary Society of London and also of The National Literary Society of Dublin. As a lecturer on poetry, on the theatre and drama, on the heroic literature of Ireland, and on the Irish literary revival, he is in constant demand. No one is better fitted than he to speak on the intellectual life of Ireland. He is universally recognized as the chief representative of the remarkable renaissance of Irish thought and letters of the last decade. His lectures before student bodies at the University of Oxford, at Trinity College, Dublin, at the National University of Wales, and before learned societies in Ireland and in London, Manchester, and other cities, have met with great favor.

As an orator Mr. Yeats has not confined himself to literary themes. Sir Horace Plunkett said in a recent address that one of the two best speeches he had ever heard on behalf of the Irish Agricultural Organization Society was made by Mr. Yeats. On behalf of the Gaelic League, the organization that has done so much to revive the Irish language, he has spoken on the same platform with the eminent President of the League, Dr. Douglas Hyde. Those who attend Mr. Yeats' lectures will hear an eloquent and fascinating account by a brilliant orator of the intellectual and literary revival in Ireland.

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The honorarium asked by the lecturer for University and College lectures is \$75, which includes traveling and all other expenses.

Mr. Yeats will arrive in this country about November 10, 1903. His time here will be limited. In order to facilitate the arrangements for his tour, will you kindly inform the undersigned at your earliest convenience whether you desire one or more dates to be reserved between November 15th and the end of the year. Please state the date or dates preferred and the hour or portion of the day. It will give me pleasure to make arrangements best suited to your convenience if possible.

Special terms will be given to such colleges as may desire the entire course.

With this I send you a few critical notices of Mr. Yeats' lectures and appreciations of his work as poet and dramatist by the leading critics of Great Britain.

*All correspondence relative to the above lectures should be addressed to the undersigned at 120 Broadway, New York.*

Respectfully yours,

JOHN QUINN,

*Secretary.*



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Very truly yours,  
JOHN QUINN  
Secretary

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