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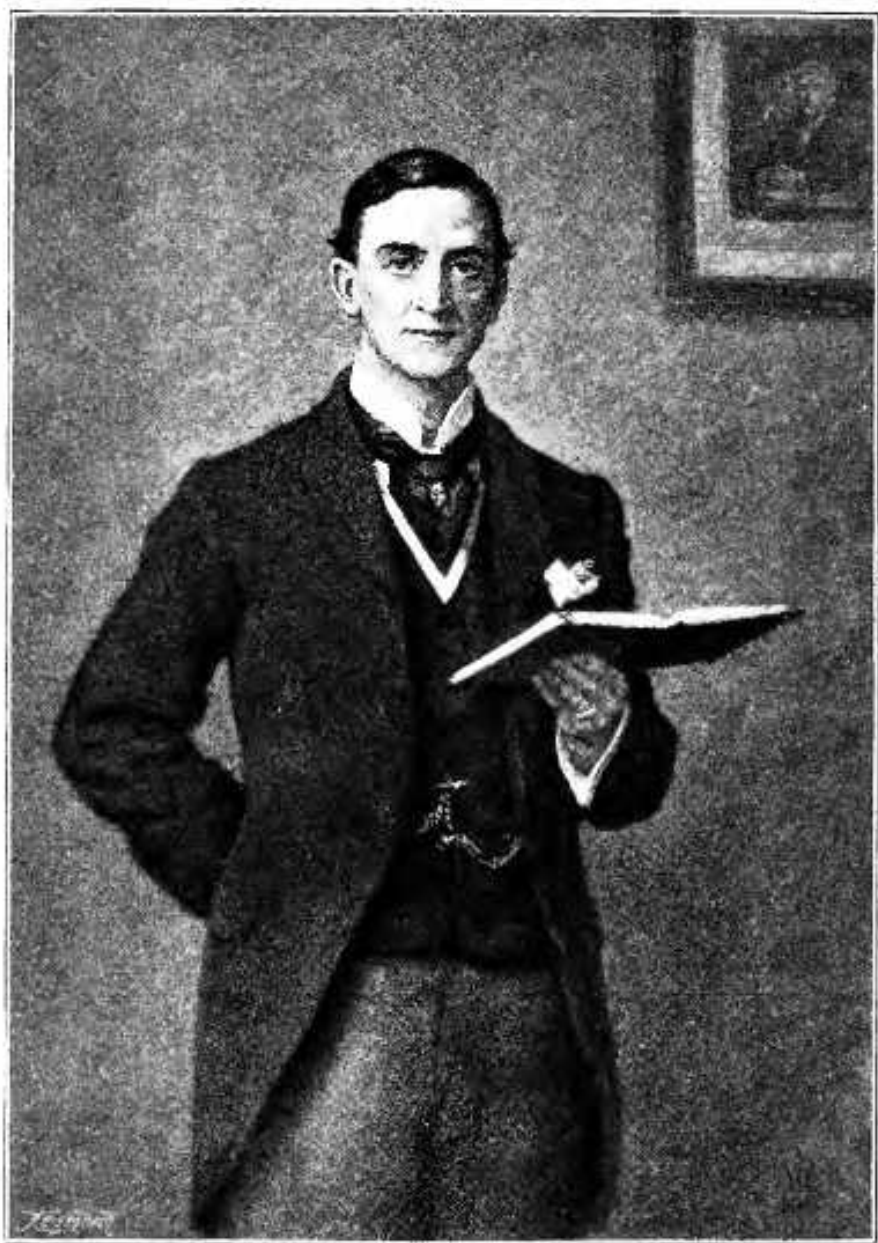
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Now that the inevitable has happened, and following the example of his famous brother and sister artists, Mr. John Hare has determined to cross the Atlantic and give American audiences a taste of his quality, the time has surely come when some record should be made of his thirty years' invaluable service to English dramatic art. Writing in the fast shortening days of 1895, my mind goes back to that memorable eleventh of November, 1865, when T. W. Robertson's often rejected comedy "Society" was, by those who believed in him,