

1854 Busch joined the Club and was soon an enthusiastic participant in performances of plays of the operetta type in which weird horror figured largely. These plays had a vogue at the time. Busch wrote the books of words—incidentally poor stuff—for a couple of them including "Liebestreue und Grausamkeit" (Faithful Love and Cruelty) and drew a vignette for the play-bill. Wilhelm Busch also designed amusing poster-like play-bills for three more plays, "Das gebackene Herz" (The Baked Heart), "Heinz von Höllenstein" and "Das verräterische Frühstück" (The Treacherous Breakfast). Original as this work was, it did not as yet betray the masterly skill of

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