

**[Newspaper cutting (The Globe, 26 August 1887) about the "Death of the Austrian giant" "Winkelmeyer" (Franz Winkelmeier) in Vienna from tuberculosis].**

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## DEATH OF THE AUSTRIAN GIANT.

The Austrian giant Winkelmeyer, who was so recently the wonder of London, is dead. A telegram to that effect from Vienna states that he died among his own people, after his brief career of glory at the London music halls. The cause of his death was tuberculosis, though, says the *Daily News*, "it might perhaps be more graphically described as general running to seed. Those who had the misfortune to see him at the Children's Fête in Hyde Park must have read his doom in his face. His plumed Tyrolean hat towered above everything in the prospect, but the features beneath it were hideously wasted. The huge shambling body had no better principle of cohesion than a clothes horse. The legs seemed to be protesting against the weight of the trunk, and to be painfully divided against themselves as to their angles of junction in the upper and the lower portions. Poor Winkelmeyer, in fact, was physically a kind of human weed, and his sole distinction was in being a weed nine feet high." He was only 20 years of age.

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