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Help that Comes Too Late.

'Tis a wearisome world, this world of ours,
With its tangles small and great,
Its weeds that smother the springing flowers,
And its hapless strifes with fate,
But the darkest day of its desolate days
Sees the help that comes too late.

Ah! woe for the word that is never said
Till the ear is deaf to hear,
And woe for the lack to the fainting head
Of the ringing shout of cheer;
Ah! woe for the laggard feet that tread
In the mournful wake of the bier.

What booteth help when the heart is numb?
What booteth a broken spar
Of love thrown out when the lips are dumb,
And life's bark drifteth far?
O! far and fast from the alien past,
Over the moaning bar?

A pitiful thing the gift to-day
That is dross and nothing worth,
Though if it had come but yesterday
It had brimmed with sweet the earth.
A fading rose in a death-cold hand
That perished in want and dearth.

Who fain would help in this world of ours,
Where sorrowful steps must fall,
Bring help in time to the waning powers
Ere the bier is spread with the pall;
Nor send reserves when the flags are furled,
And the dead beyond your call.

For baffling most in this weary world,
With its tangles small and great,
Its lonesome nights and its weary days,
And its struggles forlorn with fate,
Is that bitterest grief, too deep for tears,
Of the help that comes too late.

-Harper's Bazar.

A Piano Drummer's Hard Luck.

"Speaking of hard luck," said the agent for a piano firm, "I believe I can give you a story that's just a little bit worse than any you've heard this season," says the Chicago "Press."

Of course, no one believed him, but it was known that he had a good imagination, so he was told to go ahead.

"Some one who was fond of a joke seezed me against a morose old farmer," he explained, "and I undertook to sell him a piano. I had got pretty well warmed up to my subject before I learned that he was a bachelor, who lived all alone on his farm, and that the whole thing was intended as a joke on me. I would have given up then if he had not held out a little hope.

"'Stranger,' he said, 'the trouble with me is that I ain't got no one to play a piano. If you'll git me some one to play it—'

"' A wife, for instance,' I suggested.

"He intimated pretty strongly in answer to that suggestion that any self-respecting man with a wife ought to have a piano, and that he would get one mighty quick under those circumstances."

"I know the story," broke in one of the listeners. "I've heard it before. Just to show the practical jokers what you could do you went out and found a wife for him."

"That's what I did," admitted the agent.

"Well, you'd better get a new story. Every sewing machine agent in the country is telling this one, just to show what a cracking fine salesman he is."

"I guess they're not telling this one," retorted the agent.

"I guess they are; I've heard it."

"Then finish it."

"Why, you got him the wife and sold him the piano."

"Not on your life. I got him a wife, and found out too late that she already had a

piano, and on the strength of that he declined to buy another. That's why I speak of it as hard luck."

The Scientific American has reached the mature age of fifty years. It is therefore with commendable pride that its editors and proprietors prepared a special Anniversary Number, with four times the usual number of pages, to celebrate the occasion. This number contains reviews of the progress made in the last fifty years in the sciences and the arts, gives historical sketches of some of the most notable inventions made during this period, and is filled with interesting illustrations. Among the subjects treated are: The Transatlantic Steamship, Naval and Coast Defense, Railroads and Bridges, The Sewing Machine, Photography, The Phonograph, Telegraph, Telephone, Iron and Steel, Physics and Chemistry, Progress of Printing, The Bicycle, Electric Engineering, Telescopes, Ocean Telegraphy Distinguished Living Inventors (Portraits), Shipyards of the United States; a large group of distinguished inventors, reproduced from an old steel engraving, is presented. The Anniversary Number is provided with a characteristic cover, and is printed in a style fully up to the regular issues of the paper. It will doubtless be generally preserved for future reference. A very large edition of this interesting number is being issued. All articles have been contributed by specialists, and are of great value as a work of reference. In size, this issue is equivalent to an ordinary sized book of 442 pages. Subscription price, \$3 per year, or for the special, 10c. a copy. Munn & Co., Publishers, New York.

HOBART PUTS THE MONEY QUESTION IN A NUTSHELL.

Gold is the one standard of value among all enlightened commercial nations. All financial transactions of whatever character, all business enterprises, all individual or corporate investments are adjusted to it. An honest dollar worth 100 cents everywhere can not be coined out of 53 cents' worth of silver plus a legislative fiat.

GARRET A. HOBART,
Republican Vice-Presidential Candidate.

A noisy piece of crockery—the cup that cheers.

Humorous.

THE SORRY HORSE.

Yes, things are shifting all about, and horses, to their sorrow,

Aren't sure when they lie down at night they'll have a job to-morrow.

With cycles coming, more and more, and everywhere the trolley,

It's quite enough to make a horse feel rather melancholy.

The outlook for the noble beast is growing gloomy, very;

It's true he still is hauling folks out to the cemetery;

But when he views the drift of things it won't be long, he feels,

Till the hearse is a "motocycle," and the mourners all ride wheels.

-L. A. W. Bulletin.

Not long ago, the following advertisement appeared in one of the leading journals of Montevideo, Argentine Republic:,

"A very rich young woman would like to marry a young man of good family. If necessary she will pay the debts of her future husband. Send answer, with photograph, to I. P., at the office of this journal."

The inserter of this announcement was no other than one Isaac Meierstein, a merchant tailor, who had just set up an establishment in Montevideo. By this plan he procured photographs of many undesirable customers.

There is one thing that a woman can do better than anybody else in the world. She can iron a worn-out handle confet so that every one of its ragged holes will be hidden from sight, and will only appear to riew when her husband, who is a minister, rakes that identical handkerchief out of his packet when half way through the sermon and call by unfolds it to the eyes of the whole congregation.

Australia has a post-office named "Talking Rock." The origin of the name is thus stated: Someone discovered in the vicinity a large stone upon which had been painted the words: "Turn me over." It required considerable strength to accomplish this, and when it was done the command: "Now turn me back, and let me fool someone else," was found painted on the underside of the stone.

This world of ours is not as drear
As we would often take it,
Nor is it half as lonely here
As many people make it.
If skies are sometimes overcast
And all seems dark before us,
The sunshine always comes at last
And throws its splendor o'er us!

- "What have you named the baby?"
- "We shan't name her at all."
- "That's very odd."
- "Well, you see, we named the oldest girl Mary and the boy William. Now one signs herself 'Marie' and the other 'W. Leonard.' We're going to let our last one fix up her front name entirely unhampered."

Bridget is an excellent cook, but, like most women of her profession, she is opinionative, and insists upon making all her dishes strictly according to her own recipes. Her mistress gives her very full liberty, not only as to cooking, but as to the purchase of supplies.

The other day her mistress said to her:

- "Bridget, the coffee you are giving us is very good. What kind is it?"
- "It's no koind at all, mum," said Bridget. "It's a mixter."
 - "How do you mix it?"
- "I make it one-quarter Mocha, and onequarter Java, and one-quarter Rio."

"But that's only three-quarters. What do you put in for the other quarter?"

"I put in no other quarter at all, mum. That's where so many sphiles the coffee, mum—by putting in a fourth quarter!"

A young poet worked three hours, and then produced these fine lines:

It was a cold and wintry night,
A man stood in the street;
His aged eyes were full of tears,
His boots were full of feet.

A witness in court who had been cautioned to give a precise answer to every question and not to talk about what he might think the question meant, was interrogated as follows:

- "You drive a wagon?"
- "No, sir, I do not."
- "Why, sir, did you not tell my learned friend so this moment?"
 - "No, sir, I did not."
- "Now, sir, I put it to you on your oath, do you drive a wagon?"
- Mo sir."
- What is your occupation then?"
- · I drive a horse."

Semetimes it pays a man to keep his wife fully posted as to his business. It appears that during the summer one of our suburban citizens advertised that he would like to buy a good second-hand lawn-mower, giving the initials "X. Y." He received an answer which struck him favorably, and after corresponding some time through the newspaper office, found out that his wife was trying to sell him their old mower.

Lawyer (to witness)—"Did you say that an incompetent man could keep a hotel just as well as anybody?"

Witness—"No, I said that an inn-experienced man could."

A Piece of Idiocy.—Professor—" Why does the earth move?"

Student (absently)—" Can't pay the rent, I suppose."

Old Gentleman (to boy on twelfth birthday)—
"I hope you will improve in wisdom, knowledge, and virtue."

Boy (politely returning compliment, totally unconscious of sarcasm)—" The same to you, sir"

She—"I know I'm cross at times, John; but, if I had my life to live over again, I should marry you just the same." He—"I have my doubts about that, my dear."

BEFORE AND AFTER TAKING.

Our courtships are such sweet affairs, Life might seem much more clever, Since wedded life brings many cares,

Were we to court forever.

Hymen has many hearts made glad And scores of others saddened:

So many singles wish they had And doubles wish they hadn't.

-L. A. W. Bulletin.

"Now look here," said the professor to the infuriated bull, "you are my superior in strength, I am your superior in mind. Let us arbitrate this matter and see which should by right have the better of our controversy."

"Oh, no," replied the bull; "let's toss up for it."

Later—The professor lost.

Amateur Poet (loftily)—"Aw! Here is a little thing I wrote in five minutes last evening."

Editor (astonished)—" You did? Why man alive! any one who can write that in five minutes ought to make his living by his pen."

Poet (much flattered)—" Oh, thanks."
Editor—" Yes. You can get a dollar a thousand for addressing envelopes."

Little Mrs. Newbride (tearfully)—" Oh, dear me! I wonder what can be the matter with this cake?"

Husband (cautiously)—" It is a trifle heavy, that is a fact."

Little Mrs. Newbride (sobbingly)—"It is as heavy as le-le-lead, and I pu-put in plenty of ruh-ruh-raisins to raise it, tut-too!"

Mystified—"Excuse me," he said, "if I seem to be a little impertinent, but my curiosity has gotten so much the best of me that I must venture a question."

"What is it?"

"Are you a gentleman going golfing or a lady going bicycling?"

Heard at Covent Garden recently, when "Don Giovanni" was given with Patti: "What a fine opera. Whom is it by?"—"Mozart."—"I do not know the name. Is he still composing?"—"No, madam, he is decomposing."

"Mary," said the sick man to his wife when the doctor pronounced it a case of small-pox, "if any of my creditors call, tell them that I am at last in a condition to give them something."

Traveller (taking out a well-filled cigarcase): "Pardon me, but have you a match?" Seedy Individual (suggestively): "Yes; but I have nothing to smoke."

Traveller: "Then you won't need the match. Thanks."

The pretty girl was lavishing a wealth of affection on her mastiff and the very soft young man was watching her.

"I wish I were a dog," he said, languishingly.

"Don't worry," she replied, "you'll grow."

BETTER AS IT IS.

If streets were clean and skies were bright;
If men and politics were right;
If everything beneath the sun
Exactly suited every one;
Say, wouldn' that bring deep distress
To makers of the daily press!
They couldn't get a paper out
With nothing left to kick about.

-L. A. W. Bulletin.

They had been discussing the pronunciation of "oleomargarine," and finally agreed to leave it to the waiter; but he hedged. "Sure," said he. "I have to pronounce it butter' or lose my post!"

Dings (visiting his afflicted friend)—"Too bad you broke your leg, Tings. How do you pass your time while it is knitting?"

Tings—" Darning most of the time."— The North Star.

Tramp (at dentist's door)—"I'd like my teeth filled."

Dentist—"What with—gold or silver?"

Tramp (eagerly)—"Oh! just plain bread will do!"

Mrs. Caller—"What is the name of your new servant!"

Mrs. Wifey-"We call her Bliss."

" Why?"

"Because ignorance is bliss!"

With a woman it is a struggle to provide something for the inner man, and with a man it is an effort to provide something for the outer woman.

"Johnny, are you teaching that parrot to use bad language?"

"No'm. I'm just telling it what it mustn't say."

Lady—"How is this insect powder to be applied?"

Assistant (absent mindedly)—" Give 'em a teaspoonful after each meal, madam."

According to Dr. Darwin and others it takes a monkey thousands of years to make a man of himself, but a man can make a monkey of himself in a minute.

Local Slop—"Hi! you young rascal! what do you mean by fishing here, eh?"

Yokel—" Please, I wurn't fishin'; I were only a-teachin' this yere wurrum to swim!"

She—I hope you can come next Thursday. We're having some music, and a supper after. He—Oh, yes! I'll come; but—er—I may be late.—Sketch.

Butcher-Will you have a round steak, miss?

Young Housekeeper—Oh, I don't care what shape it is so it's tender.

"Where was Magna Charta signed?" asked a teacher in a South of London boarding school. "Please, sir, at the bottom." Old Lady (to motorman on trolley car)—
"Ain't you afraid of the electricity, Mr. motorman?" Motorman—"No, ma'am, I ain't got no call to be afraid. I ain't a conductor."

Always getting into hot water-tea-leaves.

Musić Buyer's Guide.

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Behold these graces three, Faith, Hope and Charity; To us God-given; A glorious Trinity, Combined in unity, With true fidelity, They lead to heaven.

Faith, as a rock, stands fast,
When swept by earth-born blast
On Time's rough sea;
It clings to God's own hand,
And thus can firmly stand,
On a foundation grand,
Exultingly.

Hope, as an anchor cast,
Within the vale steadfast,
Now holds the soul.
It fills us with good cheer,
It banishes all fear
As we to heaven draw near.
Our final goal.

But loving Charity.
Is greatest of the three—
Supernal Love.
Faith, Hope and Charity,
These wondrous graces three
Abide eternally
With God above.

-Voice of Masonry.

What is Masonicy?

The question may be asked in the negative. What is not Masonry? Everything ober pure and upright is in harmony with Masonic teaching. Whatever is vicious of the Lodge room. The emphasis of every Masonic ceremony is purity. The foundation of every ritualistic lesson is the Holy Word of God. Masonry, then, is everything good.

Under the broad and comprehensive term Masonry may be included every avenue of human life. Masonry is interested in every branch of the human family. It would reach down and raise the polluted from the mire and degradation that unfits them for the society of good people. It would plant into the heart of the infidel a faith in one true and living God. It would reverence the almighty, invisible power that sustains the universe. From the starry-decked heaven to the clod of the valley; from the gentle rivulet, meandering through the solitude of primeval forests, to the rush of the mighty Niagara; from the snow-capped peaks of the Rocky mountains to the torrid sun of the equator, it points to the works of the Great Architect of the Universe. Masonry reads sermons in the rocks, and profound lessons in the lily of the valley. It is universal in its efforts to better the condition of mankind. All may rest in the shade of its temples. It binds up the wounds of those who are afflicted, feeds the hungry, clothes the naked, because they are children of one Father.

Masonry has no creed but the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. would bridge over and heal differences existing between various beliefs in order to unite the family of man in the service of one God. Masonry is not religion, but it is religious. It bows in humble recognition of the homage due from the creature to the Creator. Masonry is the world's religion, in that it contains the foundation of all faith and practice; for Jew and Christian, Mohammedan and Parsee, Roman and Protestant, may enjoy the privileges it affords. One thing all must believethere is a God. After that, the manner of serving God, the form of doctrine, is left to each individual. He reads the message from his Father, and obeys it according to his understanding and agreeably to the dictates of his conscience.

Outwardly the Mason must act uprightly, deal justly, and be a moral man. He is to solace his Brothers in their afflictions; soothe, comfort and aid them in distress; to sympathize with them in their hour of trial; to join in tempered congratulation in their prosperity; to give them the hand of brotherhood, the foot of support, the bended knee in supplications for their welfare; to offer the breast of fidelity as a depository of their just and lawful secrets; and to afford them defense and protection when absent.

Masonry teaches peace and unity. There are no enemies in Masonry, at least there should be none. Men may differ in politics, may not agree on questions of capital and labor, but their differences are not known in the Lodge room. The principles of the Fraternity would bring together employer and employee and strikes and riots would be unknown. The rights of both would be recognized and a spirit of fairness on both sides would won lead to harmony and agreement. Man is an impetuous being. He needs some restraining influence. Masonry seeks to be to oppression by the rich and unjust demands of the poor. All have rights and each man His is an unsafe standard. The needed arbitrator is found in Masonry, which stands with ews his rights from the standard he sets up. the scales at equipoise and renders to all men their just due. Its judgments are with-out prejudice, are calm and just. Masonry would to-day pour oil upon the troubled waters of discontented labor, and bring about an understanding between the workman and It would discountenance his employer. bloodshed and riot, and appeal only to peaceful measures. This is Masonry.-New York

The Presiding Genius at a Banquet.

Among the ancient Mexicans, Mr. Dorman tells us, in his "Origin of Primitive Superstitions," Omacate was the god of mirth. His image, which was that of a man, was brought in and presided at the banquets. If this was neglected, the gods could mix hairs with the food of the guests, which was a great disgrace, as well as a great discomfort to the participants.

Every Freemason has been present, now and then, at Masonic banquets which have had, as it were, hairs mixed with the food. The fault was not with the caterer but with the Master. The hairs were not literal hairs, not filaments growing from the skin of an animal, but metaphorical hairs, which how-

ever were as unpleasant mentally as the real hairs would have been physically.

Some Masters do not know how to act as the presiding genius of a banquet, and so far as they are concerned they might as well be absent. The proper presiding genius certainly is absent, and as a result figurative hairs are mixed with the food.

A Master who takes his Lodge, or High Priest his Chapter, down to the banquet hall at or near eleven o'clock at night, has at the outset provided hairs, which will run through every course. It is impossible for the large majority of members to enjoy a late banquet. They cannot and will not give the necessary time to make it enjoyable. They can only eat and run. Now there is nothing Masonic about that. A Masonic banquet is not simply a contribution of solids and fluids to a stomach that possibly is already full, and that only requires at the time rest, and the entire body and mind sleep; but it is a tickling of the palate with toothsome viands in order that the social propensities may be awakened and enlivened, the hearts of all present beat in unison throughout the entire assemblage, the tongues be loosed so as to break forth in pleasant speech, story and song, and the mind prepared for the reception of all that is said and done for the benefit of Freemasonry and the healthful pleasure of all the participants. The proper genius, therefore, does not preside at a banquet unless the Brethren or Companions sit down to enjoy it at a timely, early hour in the evening.

The presiding genius, in the person of a Master who is Master, being present, he must see to it that the entertainment is general and common, that it is not confined to a section here and a section there, but is universal around the tables. To secure this he must have arranged some general programme in advance, he must have selected, in his mind at least, and better still by communicating with the Brethren themselves, those upon whom he will call to contribute to the pleasures of the intellectual feast.

Of course the waiters must be sent out of the room, of course order must be maintained, of course there must be a Master who is the director of whatever occurs, and who selects all of those who share in entertaining the Brethren. Never should the entire table, nor any one present at it, be permitted to run the feast. Only the Master can properly govern it, and make its enjoyment what Masonry intended it should be.

It is a good rule never to call upon any one out of mere compliment whom you know cannot satisfy either himself or others. It is another good rule to call upon visiting Brethren of ability, because their voices will be new to the company, and on that account alone will attract attention. Besides it is a proper courtesy which is always appreciated.

At a Masonic banquet every Brother should be ready and willing to do his best to contribute to the general entertainment. He should be gratifying himself while he is gratifying others. He should have some good contribution ready, in case he is called upon. He should study to please. His Brethren and himself are one, and all should be ready to throw something into the common fund for the common benefit.

If every Brother, from the Master down,

If every Brother, from the Master down, were faithful in following these suggestions, the presiding genius and many other geniuses would always be present at a Masonic banquet, and there would be no hairs mixed with the food.—Krythere

the food.—Keystone.

CONCEIT.





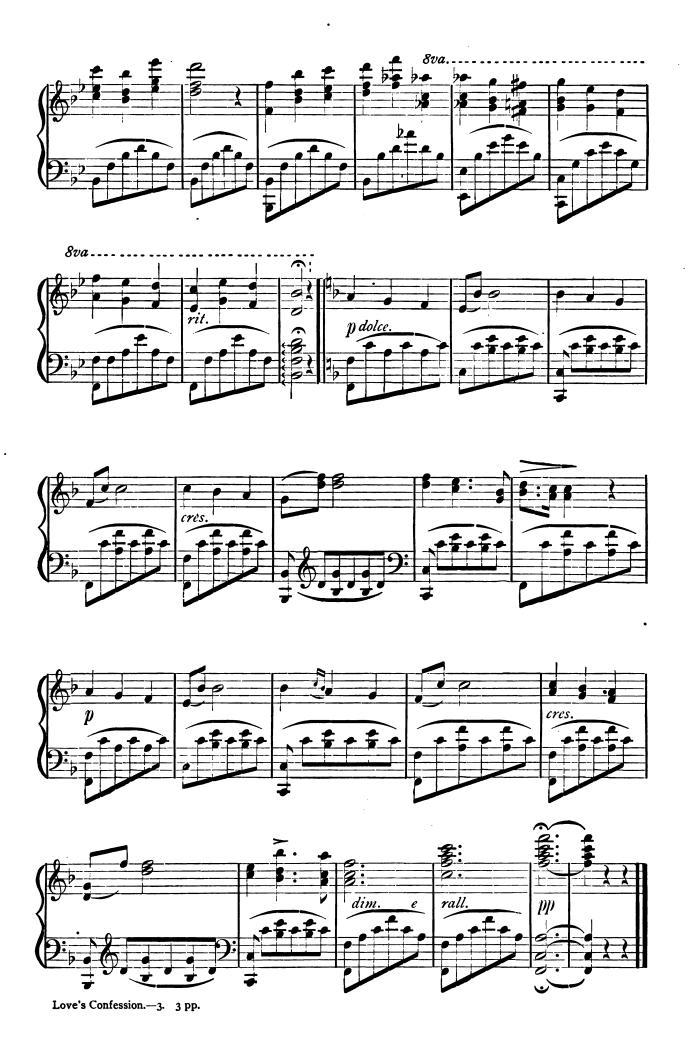
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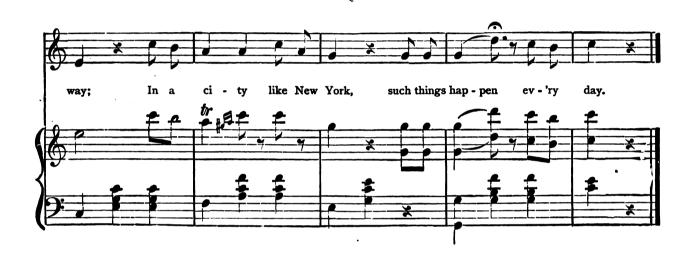
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STREET CAR.







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Or a very stately matron will get on at a side street, And remark to some one near her: "In that corner there's a seat." Or a woman with a baby will do all that she can do To draw from you loudest praises, while it wipes its feet on you.

Chorus-This is real, &c.

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Or a lovely elder maiden, clutching at a hanging strap,
Is somehow precip'tated in your unoffending lap;
Or a (hic) fellow, razzle-dazzle, will get (hic) on to the same car.
And insist (hic) that you shall listen to a (hic) member of the basis

Chorus-This is real, &c.

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So that you will dream of future, hoping for some kind of car With compartments that are private, place to smoke a good cigar. Rack, to hold your paper handy, place to put your feet upon But, you bet, you'll never get it till your work on earth is done.

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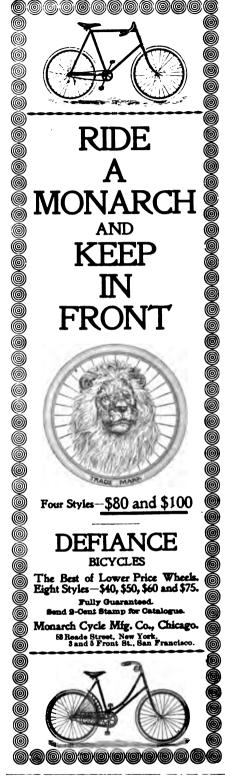
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As pure as the flush in the sea shell's

As sweet as the wood bird's wooing note, So tender and sweet they seem.

One after another we see them pass Down the dim-lighted stair;

We hear the sound of their steady tread In the steps of centuries long since dead, As beautiful and as fair.

There are only a few years yet to love; Shall we waste them in idle strife?

Shall we trample under our ruthless feet These beautiful blossoms, rare and sweet, By the dusty ways of life?

There are only a few swift years. Oh, let No envious taunts be heard.

> Make life's fair pattern of rare design, And fill up the measure with love's sweet wine.

But never an angry word.

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To Make the Study of Musić

A PLEASURE TO CHILDREN.

(Written for Loomis' Musical and Masonic Journal.)

It is a pleasure to teach children when you arouse their interests and keep them animated. The music teacher must first diagnose the disease and then map out the treatment. I have had quite a little experience with children, and find that I have to continually change their routine. Each lesson should contain fresh material. Great care should be taken to make the advance of the pupil easy. This little patient is discouraged by the amount of labor he has spent on a certain exercise and his slow progress. By taking up an entirely different etude and then going back to the discouraging exercise again he experiences no difficulty. And another little one with the same exercise and the same amount of labor, and his progress even slower, must not put aside the exercise until perfect, for if he drops a thing he drops it for good, for you can not arouse his interest again. His remedy is three Ps, Practice, Perseverance and Practice. I carefully select in the way of variety, fourhand music for some particular point to overcome this difficulty. This little patient likes music, but dislikes practice. She is very fond of melody. Two-finger exercise seems of no use whatever, except to give mamma a nervous headache. That is what she told me. I gave her little melodies that required more or less technic, and I saved her mother from the nerve destroyer by having her practice her technical exercises at my studio. This patient is now convalescent, so much so that she now practices at home. Another little one likes music but does not like to practice. She has a sweet little voice. I get her to play, as if singing with her fingers, to play music rather than notes. She has rhythmic feeling not at all discouraged. She dislikes work of any sort. We have our private recitals every week, three or four pupils at a time. Pupils must play at least one piece well. I get my little ones to be very severe with themselves. This little one found that she must do some amount of practice before she could play at our recitals. Patients who lack time I demand counting aloud from the first. Then piano duets, playing finger exercises with

them in regular and contrary motion. Scales in groups of three, four, etc. I use the metronome to a certain extent. We give a public recital at the end of each quarter. Some of my pupils have little friends who play on orchestral instruments and they learn to accompany them. This brings their rhythmic feeling into practice. Then I have my vocal friends who are always willing to assist. Landon's writing book has been of great advantage to dull pupils. One who works out his exercises will be a correct and rapid reader of music. The game allegrando gives a good deal of pleasure to beginners, and musical dominoes; we have had considerable enjoyment from this ingenious game. The old maxim "Learn to do by doing," "Learn to do by knowing." Children are not shy of asking questions. Every child should be at liberty to ask questions regarding their needs, doubts and wants. They should fully understand the matter taught. Before the child leaves the teacher he must give a correct idea of the subject under consideration. How and when to practice. Brainless practice is a waste of time. Teach them to listen to every note. To fully feel the content. To play musical thought with expression and feeling, and not notes with brainless mechanism. To teach children how to play with expression, begin early to develop sentiment. You must have the child's attention, be careful that they have the correct impression of the subject. For the little darlings get things dreadfully mixed up, and if they get the wrong idea it is quite difficult to correct it. There is more or less tendency of imitation in children. teacher must make careful use of imitation. In explaining be sure the language never rises above childish comprehension. child should feel that in his teacher he has a friend who takes a personal interest in him and will be honest. If the child is not doing as well as he is capable of doing, kindly tell him so. Show him how to change his practice and what to do. If he has done work worthy of comment, tell him so. Let him see you are pleased and not afraid to say so. good plan to have a pencil and tablet on the piano and write down questions to be answered at the next lesson, also the work divided in parts. The little exercises first, scales, and then the little piece. They also have their tablet and write down the amount of time spent on each exercise; also questions for me to answer. We have a few minutes' chat at the beginning of the lesson. this way I find out what they have been doing. It is then easier to instruct. The truth is, these little ones instruct me.

FLORINA W. BICHARDS.

VALUE OF A GOOD EAR.-In the management of rapidly moving machinery, a musical ear which quickly detects variations of pitch, and therefore of speed,-for the pitch of the sound depends on the speed,-is of considerable use. A farmer with a good ear can detect at once if the threshing machine is improperly "fed;" for its speed increases, and the sound it emits is of higher pitch, when an insufficient amount of corn is supplied. And in the same way the electrician can tell if an electric motor is running at its due speed. With a musical ear the physician more readily interprets the sounds elicited by percussing the chest; and the potter more easily separates the sound from the unsound. It is a mooted point whether the musical are naturally the better readers and speakers; but there is no doubt that they improve more quickly when taught elocution, for they can appreciate the pitch of their own voices, and so correct their errors. A good ear includes an acute appreciation of time or rhythm.

He was a delicate young man in a pink shirt and duck trousers, both of which he wore in a pompous and conceited manner. He was seated in the train dangling his tennis racquet, and busily amusing a number of bright young ladies and gentlemen of his party.

"Ah, how good! Here's the conductor. Watch me astonish him."

"Ticket, sir," said the conductor.

"My dear man," said the young man, "my —er—face is my ticket."

The conductor smiled and looked around at the young man's friends, and then, in a polite and apologetic manner, said, "I beg your pardon, ladies and gentlemen, but my orders are to punch all tickets, and I'm afraid I might destroy this ticket so much that I can't turn it in at the end of the run."

Here the young man colored redder than his shirt, and hastily produced his ticket amid shouts of laughter from his friends.—
Harper's Round Table.

A visitor had been invited to address the Sunday-school.

"I am reminded, children," he said, "of the career of a boy who was once no larger than some of the little fellows I see before me. He played truant when he was sent to school, went fishing every Sunday, ran away from home when he was ten years old, learned to drink, smoke tobacco and play cards. He went into bad company, frequented stables and low tap-rooms; finally, became a pick-pocket, then a forger, and one day, in a fit of drunkenness, he committed a cowardly murder. Children," he continued impressively, "where do you think that boy is now?"

"He stands before us!" cried the children, as with one voice.

"The Past is the Fate of the Present;
Is a realm no change that knows;
Is the Lawgiver of the future,
The Source of its joys and woes;
The dead years are diadem's monarchs,
Whom the years that come after obey;
And yesterday is as remote from us
As the Stars are far away."

-Albert Pike in Fraternal News.

Hàrmony.

One night in brightest dream there came to me.

On suddenness of wings, a spirit fair,
With eyes serene, and star-entwined hair
Aflame with strangely pure and holy fire;
Within her fingers pale, a golden lyre
All quivering, as from it swept a strain
Ecstatic—Heaven's joy and mortal pain
In grandly calm and perfect unison,
Divinely blended by a tender tone
Ineffable. And when I pond'ring, strove
To comprehend: "It is eternal love,"
She whispered low, "And I am Harmonie."

M. L.

A novel and interesting application of the phonograph has been devised for telephone central offices. It consists of a phonograph for the notification of subscribers that their calls cannot be answered because the number called is "busy." Whenever a subscriber calls a number that is "busy," as soon as the operator learns this, she inserts the caller's plug in the "busy" springjack connected to the phonograph, which throws out the words, "The wire is busy; please call off; the wire is busy; please call off," in a most industrious and exemplary manner. This ingenious device turns the tables on those persistent people who continue to call after they are informed the wire is busy, and illustrates how aggravating such calling must be to the telephone operator. Besides, it greatly relieves the operators, as subscribers soon learn that the phonograph is not in the least impressed with "back talk," but quietly continues in its monotonous tones, "The wire is busy; please call off."

LAFAYETTE'S GRAVE .- "While in Paris a short time ago," said a traveler recently, according to the Washington Post, "it occurred to me that it was a fitting act to make a pilgrimage to the tomb of that illustrious Frenchman, dear to the hearts of all American patriots, Marquis de la Fayette. I asked a number of people before I could find any one to enlighten me as to the spot, but after repeated inquiries ascertained its location. The grave is situated in old Paris, within the grounds of a convent that the ancestors of Lafayette founded, and where repose the remains of many of the French nobility. The first thing that attracted attention in connection with the hero's tomb was that above it floated a silken flag bearing the Stars and Stripes.

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Humorous.

First Artist—"I received a magnificent tribute to my skill the other day at the exhibition."

Second Artist-" What was it?"

First Artist—"You know my picture, 'A Storm at Sea?' Well, a man and his wife were looking at it, and I heard the man say, 'Come on, my dear, that picture makes me sick!"

Jigley—"You said you would never go and see your girl again until she sent for you. And now I hear you sent to her."

Wigley—"I don't care a cent who sent. I sent to see if she'd sent, and she sent to say she had not sent, but would have sent to see if I'd sent if I'd not sent to see if she'd sent first."

While pouring over a receipt book the other day, my attention was attracted by a receipt which ended something like this: "Then sit on the front of the stove, and stir constantly."

Imagine sitting on a stove without stirring constantly.

Cobwigger—"You seemed rather amused over the idea of your wife's wearing bloomers."

Smith—"You'd be amused yourself if you could see her when she tried to find something in her work basket and emptied it into her lap."

Small Boy-My sister likes you.

Young Man (calling)—That's very nice. I like her, too, very much.

Small Boy—Yes, she said she liked you because you never came often and didn't stay long.

Old Boarder—"What's for breakfast? Hope not ham and eggs again."

Waiter Girl—"No, sir, not ham and eggs this morning."

"Thank the stars! What is it?"

"Only ham."

Tommy Bingo—" Sister had her young man call to see her last night, and I was peeping through the keyhole, looking at them, when ma came along and stopped me."

Willie Slimson—" What did she do?"
Tommy Bingo—" She took a look."

As a Boston street car was blocked a woman was heard confiding her domestic cares to a neighbor. "Yes, I keep a girl a while to rest my body; then I go without for a while to rest my mind."

Lady—Does your brother work?
Little Tom—Nope.

Lady—He doesn't work? What does he

Little Tom-Just talks. He's a lawyer.

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the wind out of a horse.

Musić on Wheels.

One of the recent novelties among bicyclists is an Æolian harp, made of elastic strings, stretched from the top bar of the frame to the lower bar. The rush of air through the strings when the wheel is in motion makes a musical buzzing, which is sure to attract attention to the rider and his wheel. There are several wheelmen here who have these strings on their wheels, and they produce a sound loud enough to frighten any person who might happen to be crossing the street as the cyclist passes. There will be no need of bicycle bells if these bicycle harps become general among riders of the silent steed.

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"That's all right," said the man cheerfully; "live and let live is my motto. I'll take the room and move in to-morrow, and the little things you mentioned will never disturb me a particle. Good-bye."

And it was not until he was moved in and was settled that they learned his occupation. He played the trombone in an orchestra.—

The Detroit Free Press.

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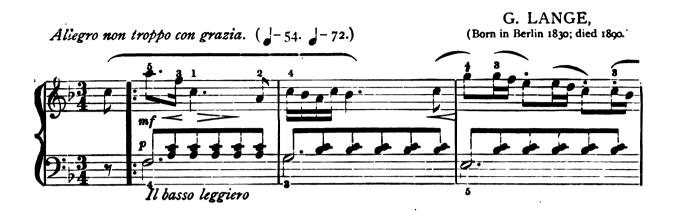


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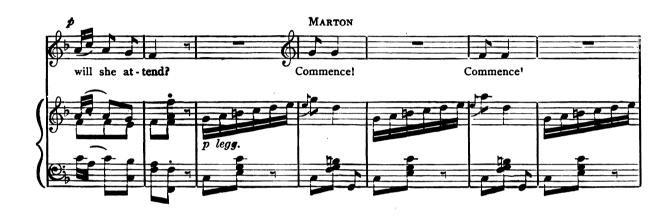
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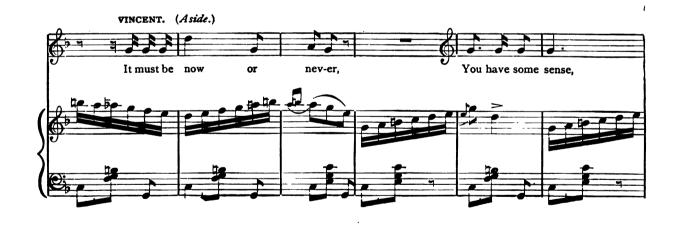
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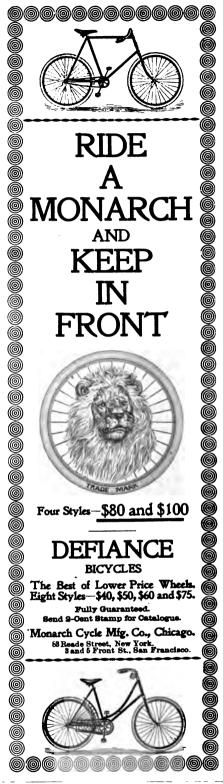
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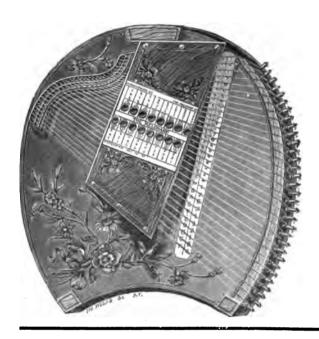


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With her finger tips!

When she quits her palace
All the slaves are dumb—
Dumb with dolour till the Queen
Back to Court is come;
Dumb the throats of thunder,
Dumb the dulcet lips,
Lacking all the sovereignty
Of her finger tips!

Dusky slaves and pallid,
Ebon slaves and white,
When the Queen was on her throne
How you sang to-night!
Ah, the throats of thunder!
Ah, the dulcet lips!
Ah, the gracious tyrannies
Of her finger tips!

Silent, silent, silent,
All your voices now;
Was it then her life alone
Did your life endow?
Waken, throats of thunder!
Waken, dulcet lips!
Touched to immortality
By her finger tips.

—American Art Journal.



Miss Myrta French, American Prima Donna.

Miss Myrta French, the young American prima donna, who won success on a tour of the country last season as the prima donna of Sousa's Band, is a native of Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Like most young vocal aspirants, she came to New York, where she studied singing for several years under well accredited masters, after which she went to Paris to finish under Sbriglia, with whom she remained for two years. She then made a brilliant debut in Paris, with the assistance of M. Pol Plancon. "Le Figaro," in reviewing her debut, said:

"Her voice is a fine soprano, with wonderful purity and timbre. She distinguished herself by an infinite grace and charming manner

Miss Myrta French, the young American in rendering the Aria from "Semiramis." She ima donna, who won success on a tour of excited the sincerest admiration by her majese country last season as the prima donna of tic singing."

Miss French followed up her Paris success by a short tour in opera, after which she returned to America and made her debut in New York at the Madison Square Garden, under the baton of Anton Seidl, and was pronouncedly successful. She is petite, a brunette, and is possessed of great charm of manner. Her colorature singing is delightful. She handles her high soprano voice excellently. Its tones are as clear as a bell, her intonation perfect and her attack true. She merits her success.

Miss French has since appeared success-

fully at the Damrosch Concerts at Carnegie Hall, and at the Seidl Concerts, Brighton Beach. She has also appeared in oratorios and prominent concerts throughout the country.

Her next engagement was for two years as prima donna with Hinrich's Grand Opera Co, when she delighted the connoisseurs of Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia, and won critical praise for her romantic interpretations as a singing actress in Ambroise Thomas' "Mignon" and Gounod's "Romeo and Juliet," several of the critics speaking of her as an ideal interpreter of the Shakespearean-Gounod heroine.

Miss French has been universally praised for her sound musicianship, irreproachable style and captivating stage presence, and is one of the most successful of the younger American singers who have appealed to the public for recognition during the past ten years.—American Art Journal.

Allegretto Club.

The members of the Allegretto Club, comprising about 40 of the piano pupils of Mrs. F. D. Meigs, were the guests of honor at a delightful musicale given recently in the banquet hall of the Hotel Majestic, by Mrs. Meigs. This club meets every two weeks for special instruction, with an occasional meet like that at the Majestic. During the afternoon Mrs. Meigs read most interestingly from "Anecdotes of Great Musicians." She also played several duets with her pupils and there were also piano solos by some of the more advanced scholars. Miss Ella Whitten, a pupil, explained, by an informal talk and piano illustrations, the Zwintscher method, a method which Mrs. Meigs learned while in Europe last year, and which she uses almost exclusively in her teaching. It is a natural method of music teaching, and does away with ninetenths of the drudgery of piano practice. It involves an easy use of hands, wrists, and arms, adding much to the grace as well as skill of the pianist. Miss Whitten in her illustrations was criticised by the others in the class, who have been taught as much about the method as has she herself. Light refreshments were served, and the remainder of the time was devoted to musical games. Among the members of the club who were present were: Miss Bessie Welch, Miss Mary Shepard, Miss Edna Higby, Miss Mabel Tucker, Miss Mildred Main, Misses Flora and Orlo Parker, Miss Nellie Taylor, Miss Grace Brown, Miss Myra Fullerton, Miss Nettie Marsh, Masters Sanford Hotchkiss, Edward Endee, William Powning, Samuel Hardy and Minot Parker.

American Art Journal.

We are under obligations to the American Art Journal for the use of the cut and article on Miss Myrta French, which appears in this issue. The American Art Journal is one of the oldest and best periodicals devoted to music and the music trade published in the United States. It has been a welcome visitor to our editorial table for over thirty years.

Van Vredenburgh's Famous Painting.

An exquisite reproduction in 14 colors of Van Vredenburgh's oil painting, "Our Bench Show," representing a yard of playful puppies (size, 10 x 36 ins.), is given to every subscriber with the December issue of Demorest's Magasine (published November 15). This issue is enlarged and bound in a beautifully printed cover, and is replete with illustrations and reading matter pertaining to the X-mas holidays. It is sold for 20 cents a copy. The Van Vredenburgh alone in this one number is worth more than the price of a year's subscription. It is the cutest picture we have seen and appeals to every lover of art and to everyone who is fond of dogs. Any of our readers who wish this beautiful picture can, by cutting out this notice and sending it to the Demorest's Magazine, 110 Fifth Avenue, New York, with 20 cents in stamps, receive it by mail, carefully packed, and at the same time a copy of the X-mas Demorest. The magazine, by the way, has been phenomenally successful during the past year, having increased its subscription list to 180,000 namesa clear gain of 100,000. There must be something in a magazine that can do that.

It Wasn't Him.

At a village near Accrington, Lancashire, there is a certain Wesleyan chapel where a base viol has been introduced to assist the choir. On a recent Sunday, while the parson was in the middle of the sermon, a big bull got out of his pasture and came swaggering down the road, growling as he came. The minister heard the loud bellow and, looking up toward the singers' seats with a grave face, said: "I would thank the musicians not to tune during service time; it annoys me." The choir was surprised, but nothing was said. Pretty soon the bull gave another grumble and then the parson became frantic. He stopped short and, looking directly at the base viol player, said: "I now particularly request Mr. L. that he will not tune his instrument while I am preaching." This was more than the fiddler could stand. Popping up in his seat he snapped out: "It isn't me, parson —it isn't me! It's the old town bull."

Gibson to Illustrate Dickens.

- C. D. Gibson and Edward W. Bok were chatting together in the former's studio one day, when the editor of *The Ladies' Home Journal* said:
- "Why don't you drop the American girl, Gibson, and try something entirely new?"
- "What is there new?" asked Gibson.
- "Illustrate Dickens," laconically answered the editor.
- "Illustrate Dickens!" repeated Gibson.
 "Why, man alive ——" Just then the artist's mother came into the studio. "Mother," he said, "what have I always told you I would rather do in the way of illustration than anything else?"

"Well, I don't know, Dana, unless it is to illustrate Dickens."

"Exactly, and Bok walks in just now and asks me to do it."

Gibson went to Europe on his wedding trip and remained in London for six months. There he worked away at his Dickens sketches. Upon his return a few weeks ago he delivered the first drawings of the series to The Ladies' Home Journal, and the initial one will be printed in the Christmas issue. The finished drawings are said to be remarkable portrayals. The characters chosen are Pickwick; Pecksniff and his two daughters: David Copperfield; Dick Swiveller and The Marchioness; Old Scrooge, from "A Christmas Carol;" Caleb Plummer and his blind daughters, and other characters from Dickens. The Journal will present the entire series during 1897.

Musić Buyer's Guide.

New Music published by the Bonanza Music Publishing Co., 914 Samson st., Philadelphia. The Dearest Girl of All, popular ballad by Albert E. Jacobs, . . . My Pretty Little Playmate That Went to School With Me, words by Jas. Shields, music by Jas. C. Beckel, . . 40 cts. The Baker's Song, parody on the scale of Do(Dough), words by H. S. Bott, music by Jas. Beckel. Specially adapted to kindergarten schools, . . . 40 cts. Old Glory, words and music by Frank Drayton, The Lass Wi' the Bonnie Blue Een, a Scotch ballad, by Mrs. R. I. M. Ross. . 40 cts. The Naughty Squire, a funny ballad, words by Geo. M. Vickers, music by Jas. C. Beckel,

My Wheel Napoleon, words by Howard S.
Bott, music by Jas. Beckel, . 40 cts.
Sweet Little Blue Eyed Mary, composed by
James Shields, arranged by Jas. Beckel,
40 cts.
The New Trolley Way, a humorous ballad,

As the time again approaches when "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" is annually heralded, organists and choirmasters begin to search for suitable selections for their festival and service programs. One of the many recent compositions in this line deserves especial mention—"The Son of God So High, So Great," written by one of our most popular local composers and musicians, Mr. J. Haydn Waud, and published by Wm. A. Pond & Co., of New York. It is written for contralto or bass, and the happy fitness of the music to the text makes it a most valuable addition to sacred musical literature.

New Music published by George W. Day, 73 West 38th st., New York.

Dolly's Mama, words by Geo. W. Day, music by Wm. H. Nelson, . . . 40 cts. He Told Her Fairy Stories, words by Geo. W. Day, music by Wm. H. Nelson, 50 cts.

New Music published by the White-Smith Music Publishing Co.

INSTRUMENTAL.

The Amateur Guitar Soloist, especially designed for beginners, with second guitar part and mandolin obligato, introducing the major and minor harmonies in the six principal keys, all in the first position, by George Barker. Marie Waltz, Kittie Polka, Frances Gavotte, May Mazurka, Alma March, and Maud Schottische, each, 30 cts. Two Pire Organ Piece, by George F. Hamer. Schurzo in A Minor, and Allegro in C: Echo of the Woods, Idyl for the piano, by Paul Keller, . . . 35 cts. La Cinquantaine, by Gabriel-Marie, for piano. Joys of Minstrelsy, overture, by H. Walton, for piano, 60 cts. The "Tech" Two Step, for piano, by L. Mauran-Bloodgood, . . . 40 cts.

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and choral societies, by Finley Lyon,

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The latest songs published by the Zeno Mauvais Music Co., of San Francisco.

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New Music published by the Brooks & Denton Co., New York City.

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Timely Warning.

BRO. ROB. MORRIS.

Where is thy Brother, Crastsman, say, Where is the erring one to-day? We look around the sestive band—What cheerful smiles on every hand! The voice of laughter swells amain—Where is the brightest of the train? The ready wit, the generous word, The glee of music's best accord, The bounteous gists—oh, where is he, The prince of Mason's revelry? Not left unwarned in death to fall, To lapse without one friendly call!

Alas, the grave has closed above
So many objects of our love!
There is so many a vacant chair
In every group where Masons are!
Of some the drunkard's cup doth tell;
Tempted, yet sorrowing, they fell;
Day after day they saw the light
Recede, till day was turned to night;
Yet yearned and strove to pause, and stay
Their feet upon the slippery way;
They fell, and none so bright are left
As those of whom we are bereit.

A voice from out the grave demands—
"Where is thy Brother? are thy hands
Quite guiltless of his priceless blood?
How often have ye kindly stood,
And whispered loving words and prayer
Within the erring Brother's ear?
How often counseled, plead, and warned
And from approaching danger turned?"
The thoughtful tear, the heavy sigh,
Must speak for conscience a reply;
Quick, then, oh Craftsman, up and save
The living from untimely grave!

The guild of commercial travelers, numbering in the United States around 500,000, includes a vast number of Blue Lodge Masons, and a great number who proudly boast the possession of more degrees than three. Many among the great lights of Freemasonry are included in the honorary committee, and personally interested in the success of the big Commercial Travelers' Fair to be held December 15-28, at Madison Square Garden, New York City.

The officers of the Fair are: Chairman, Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, LL.D.; Vice-Presidents, Hon. William L. Strong, and Hon. Roswell P. Flower; Secretary, R. G. Dun, Esq., and Treasurer, Hon. George E Green, Mayor of the city of Binghamton, N. Y., and President of the Commercial Travelers' Home A-sociation of America. The Director General of the fair is Col. A. B. de Frece. Mr. Alfred Chasseaud is Assistant Manager, and Allen S. Williams is chairman of the Press and Commercial Travelers' Day Committee.

The object of the fair is to raise \$150,000, the sum requisite to complete the National Home for indigent American Commercial Travelers, their dependent wives or widows, and their children.

A few among the many well known Masons interested are; Messrs. Frank Lawrence, F. A. Burnham, H. H. Brockway, C. Lantner, C. P. Wildey and Charles Millar.

A well qualified reception committee of Masons will be duly prepared to welcome in due form all the worthy western brethren who will doubtless travel toward the East about fair time, and who, if qualified, will receive all the hospitable refreshment to which their rank may entitle them. The Commercial Travelers' Fair will prove almost as much of a reunion for the Knights and Shriners as would a Conclave or a Pilgrimage.

True Friendship.

Freemasonry is like a true and loving bride. When we are young we are captivated by a glance, and attracted by the white raiment of purity and the blue mantle of charity which enwraps her lovely figure. When she speaks to us her language of symbolism is music in our ears. The more we study her character the brighter shines forth her virtues. As we go toiling up the hill of life, in prosperity and in the strength of manhood, she walks by our side directing us by her precepts and principles, and guarding us by her wisdom. When we reach the summit of our achievements, she stands by our side, rejoicing with us and delighting to do us honor. As we turn to go down the western decline, she still goes with us, cheering us on our way. Should sickness attack us and trouble and bereavement enter our homes, Freemasonry, ever faithful, watches at the bedside, and comforts and consoles the aching heart. Should some great misfortune come upon us, should the glorious light of the sun at high twelve go out of your eyes forever, and the midnight darkness of low twelve settle down upon you, then you will feel het arms clinging about you, and when you meet on every side the strong grasp of a Brother's grip, then, my Brother, you know and appreciate what Freemasonry is to you and to the world.-Keystone.

It is frequently asserted that Masonry ought to be more progressive. If by progressive is meant that novelties, spectacular demonstrations, public installations, an adaptation to passing fancies, to the forms which futile, though glittering superficialities assume, to supersede the real and the true, then Masonry would be false to its character and origin. It is the glory of the Fraternity that it is steadfast and established. It resists innovations with a power which has never been overcome. Its landmarks are the towers of its strength. They may be assaulted but cannot be destroyed. Freemasonry is a citadel in which its mysteries are guarded by its usages and customs. They never slumber or sleep. The watchful eye of these guardians are never closed. By the Masonic light which is unextinguishable, the approach by force or stealth of hostile aims is detected. Progress may assume to be a virtue, but progress not based on the severest application of admitted truths cannot enter the temple gates. The advancement, admitted and commended, is proficiency necessary for further advancement. This all should seek, and all be interested in imparting, and all reject the seductive influences of that progressive spirit which seeks to build, by destroying the foundation.—Keystone.

A Brotherly Hand.

BY D. G. RICKERS.

'Twas only a grasp in the hurry—
The bustle and business of life.
The strong, friendly grip of a Brother,
As the crowd jostled on in its strife;
But that grasp left a lingering feeling
Of friendship, encouragement, cheer,
And you felt all refreshed and light-hearted,
Like the world wasn't all dark and drear;
'Twas only a hearty, warm hand-shake,
A grasp with its grectings so bland,
Yet somehow all day seemed the brighter
For that grasp of a brotherly hand,

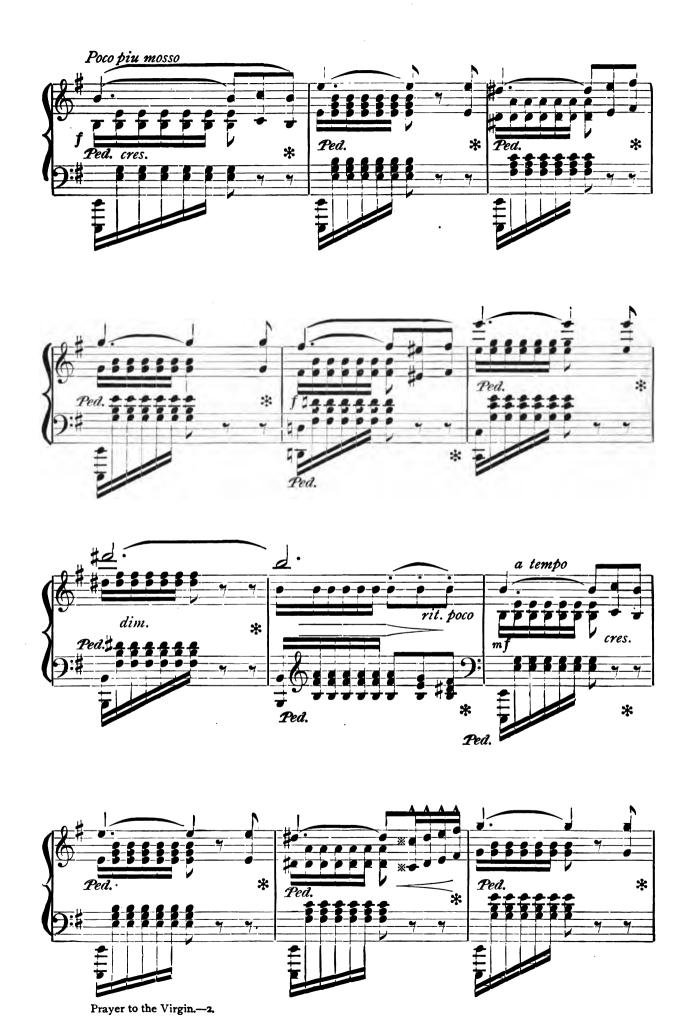
'Twas only a touch in the darkness,
When trials and danger were rife,
A warning, a guide, a protection,
An omen of good 'mid the strife;
'Twas only a hand stretching outward,
To beckon, or caution, or cheer,
A monitor, piloting upward,
A counselor, faithful and near;
'Twas only a touch in the darkness—
That touch had a meaning demand—
No signal is true and unfailing,
Like the touch of a brotherly hand.

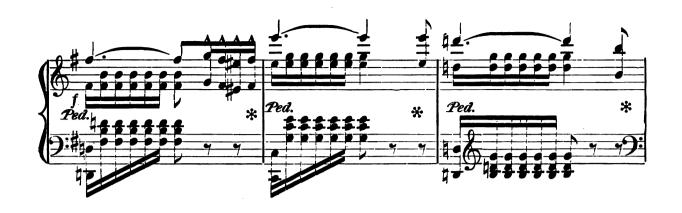
THE groundwork of Freemasonry rests on a solid and lasting foundation, which, in all ages, has defied the attacks of time as well as the opposition of the world, actuated by invincible ignorance, or malicious and vindictive animosities. The moral grandeur as well as the wonderful power of the Masonic Fraternity, consists in its unity, harmony, fraternity and the virtues it inculcates, and its practices and precepts. To maintain this character, it is the duty of its votaries to so enlighten the mind and purify the hearts of its members, that no inroads can be made into the temple which contains its ancient and honorable mysteries. The surest and truest means to effect this paramount obligation will be found in so teaching those who unite with the Craft, as they proceed in gaining light and knowledge, that proficiency is thoroughly obtained as they progress. When so taught, so impressed, so enlightened, each carries with him as he advances those great truths, which, when all are received, constitute him a perfect component of the great moral temple of the Fraternity, whose walls are thus made of living stones, and its battlements of the purest and most indestructible virtues .- Keystone.

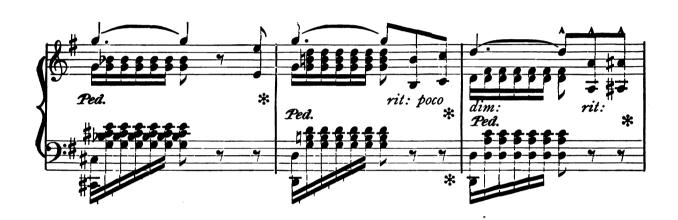
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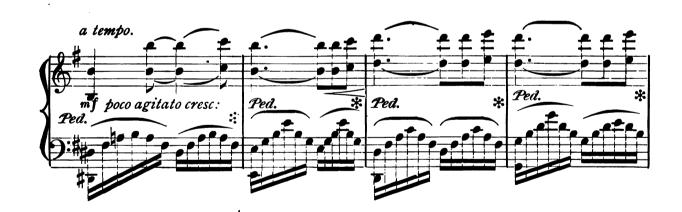
PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN.





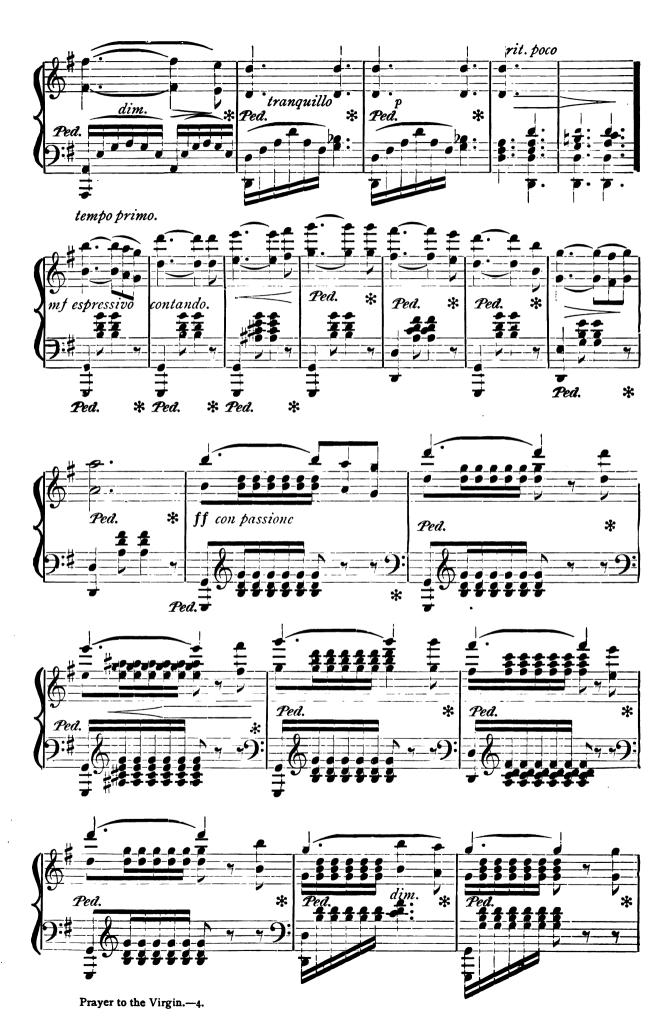








Prayer to the Virgin.—3.





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THIS IS MY DREAM.





LITTLE BABY, GO TO SLEEP.

CRADLE SONG.

Words and Music by FREDERICK 8. HALL, Author of "At Heaven's Door," "In the Bainbow After the Shower," "The N. E. O. P. March," etc., etc.







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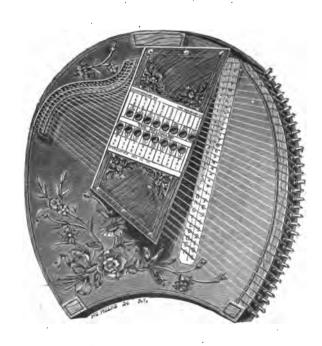


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And hurried landward, far away, Crying, "Awake! it is the day!"

It said unto the forest, "Shout! Hang all your leafy banners out!"

It touched the wood-bird's folded wing, And said, "O, bird, awake and sing!"

And o'er the farms, "O chanticleer, Your clarion blow; the day is near!"

It whispered to the fields of corn, "Bow down and hail the coming morn!"

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Miss Smith is teacher of guitar at the Melrose School of Music, and of guitar and mandolin at Mrs. Potter's Home School, Everett. With her trips as teacher to suburban towns and her scholars in the city proper, at their homes, and also at her residence, 756 Huntington avenue, she is well employed. Her appearance with the Melodia Quartet and as a soloist, has been favorably commented upon by the local press.—Gâtcombs Musical Gazette.

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Claud C. Rowden.

The portrait of Claud C. Rowden, of Chicago, Ill. which appears in this issue, is not only an excellent likeness, but will serve to help those who study the banjo and find it difficult to place the hands in proper position. The curves of the wrist as shown in making a barre chord places the hand in such a manner that each finger may be moved independently of the other.

Mr. Rowden was born at Hartford City, Ind., Sept. 23rd, 1869. At eleven years of age he started out in the world for himself, journeying westward to the Rocky Mountains. In 1887 he returned East to visit his mother and was presented with his first banjo. Not being able to procure a teacher he began playing by ear, but soon discovered there was very little to be gained by that method. He then purchased a banjo instructor containing the rudiments of music, from which he gained his first knowledge.

In the fall of 1888 he went to Pittsburg, Pa. where he began to study under the instruction of Mr. Alfred A. Farland. In 1890 Mr. Rowden went to Omaha, Neb., where he was leader of the Omaha Banjo Club until he removed to Chicago in 1892.

In the meantime he took up the study of the guitar and mandolin, playing at concerts, entertainments, etc. He appeared with concert, minstrel and vaudeville companies traveling through the West and South. In the spring of 1894, after closing a successful season on the road, he returned to Chicago, where he opened a school for the banjo, guitar and mandolin. He then conceived the idea of giving a grand banjo festival, which took place in that city at Central Music Hall, Nov. 17th, 1894, having under his direction an orchestra of over one hundred banjos and guitars. The concert was said to be one of the largest and most successful banjo concerts ever given.

He is organizer and instructor of many banjo and mandolin clubs in Chicago, both amateur and professional. He has at present under his direction a ladies' banjo club of sixteen members. Mr. Rowden has several of his compositions published. He is a banjoist of extraordinary ability, bringing forth a beautiful musical tone. His technique, execution, phrasing and expression are wonderful. He plays the works of the old masters as well as the new with grace and ease.

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There's room enough for all.

If a lagging brother falls behind,
And drops from the toiling band,
If fear and doubt puts his soul to rout,
Then lend him a helping hand;
Cheer up his heart with words of hope,
Nor season the speech with gall;
In the great highway, on the busiest day.
There's room enough for all.

If a man with the tread of a pioneer
Steps on your track ahead,
Don't grudge his start with an envious heart,
For the mightiest once was led,
But gird your loins for the coming day—
Let nothing your heart appall—
Catch up, if you can, with the forward man,
There's room enough for all.

And if by doing your duty well,
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But come out an honest man.
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Your soul should go, from the world below,
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—Indiana Masonic Review.

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"No man shall ever write the epitaph of Freemasonry, no stone shall ever speak for its honor, no tablet shall tell of its fame. With its remote beginning Masonry was created for a never-ending life, to be always of the existing present, never of the forgotten past. But of the sterling men who have guided its counsels, shaped its judgments and directed its thought, their epitaphs are a part of the history of their own times; are the recollections of how the great men of every generation have been great men in the Brotherhood of Freemasonry. In war they were ofttimes men of genius, always soldiers of valor. In peace they were statesmen of high repute, jurists of vast attainments, scholars of much renown. Through them the pulpit has contributed to morality, law to justice, science to wisdom, art to culture, literature to taste. And then, what of the silent, unobtrusive many, of whom no history writes and of whom poesy rarely sings, the men who crowd the walks in the great struggle of life, who fill the ranks in the great battles of war; they are the good men and true, the strength and body of Freemasonry, without whom the forceful epitaphs of the other men would never have been written.

Masonić Records.

Whoever essays to be a Mason should aim to have a Masonic record of which he may be justly proud. We do not now refer to those engraved certificates, mammoth marks, or blank books of forms for recording the dates when the several degrees in Freemasonry were taken and the fact and time of holding Masonic office. The record we refer to is made daily in the life of a Mason. Some of it is committed to writing, whether he of whom it is written would have it or not. Some of it is cherished in the hearts of friends and relatives. Some in the unwilling memories of wrongs committed or injuries done.

At the beginning of a Masonic career the page is unsullied. There is nothing on the records against the would-be Mason. But no sooner does he take the first step than, with even pace, his record accompanies him. Even before he takes his first degree he subscribes to certain solemn declarations, not the least important of which is a statement of his belief in and dependence upon a Supreme Being. These declarations, to which his signature is attached, are filed as a part of the written record of every Mason. His life, as he hereafter lives it, will confirm or disprove his sincerity. Those who recommended him and those who were appointed as a committee to examine into his character and fitness for Masonic honors go with him upon the records, their signatures reposing with his upon the petition, and all are made a part of the minutes for which the Secretary is responsible - Key-

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The Masonic institution existed in Judea at the time of Christ. And it is a notable fact that while Christ denounced, in the severest terms, the two sects-Pharisees and Sadducees-He said not a word in condemnation of the Essenes, who were the Freemasons, if we may so say, of that age-the faithful depositories of the ancient Cabirian rite. That our Saviour was familiar with this Order is certain; because it cannot be supposed that a mind like that of Christ could pass over, without due consideration, a society like that of the Essenes, admired for the amiability and gentleness of its manners. and dignified with so many virtues. Besides, the moral sentiments, the social maxims, the ideas of liberty, fraternity, and equality, which distinguished the Essenian Order, differ in no respect from the Christian teachings regarding the same things .- Voice of Masonry,

The Chances of Life.

Should the chances of life e'er compel me to roam.

In the Lodge of Freemasons I'd still find a home,

Where the kind smile of friendship still welcomes each guest.

And brotherly love gives each welcome a zest.

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Where the peasant unites with the king on his throne;

There the rich and the poor on a level can meet,

And as Brother each other most cordially greet.

When absent from Lodge pleasure courts me in vain.

And I sigh for the moments of meeting again, For friendship and harmony only are there,

Where we meet on the Level and part on the Square.

On the quicksands of life should a Mason be thrown,

'Tis then that the kindness of Brothers is shown,

The heart prompts the hand his distress to remove,

For our motto is "Friendship and brotherly love."

When the Master of all from His star-studded

His great mandate shall issue to summon us home,

May each Brother be found to be duly prepared,

In the Grand Lodge above to receive his Reward.

"Freemasonry, as we receive it to-day, is inextricably interwoven with the principles and the practices associated with the Temple of Solomon. It is not necessary at this time to enter into the details of this relationship; suffice it to say that they exist in vast profusion, bearing an inexhaustible wealth of instruction, through the sacred science of symbolism, by means of which the Masonic student may ascend to ever higher and higher levels of light, of love and of life.

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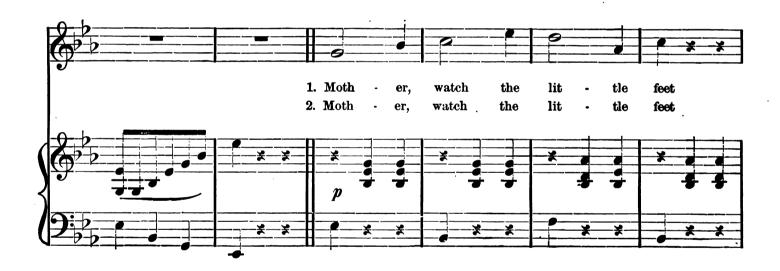


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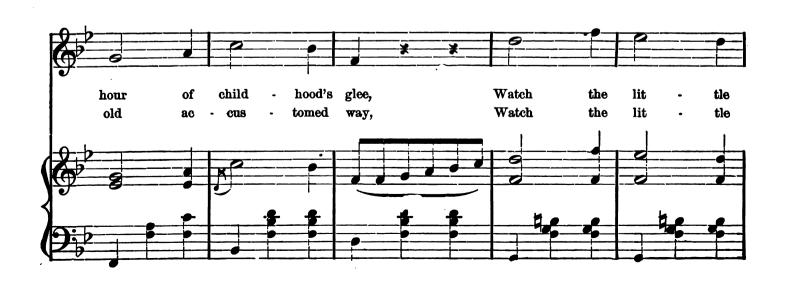




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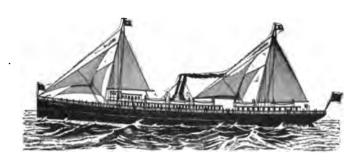
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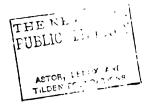
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Snip, snip, snap,
We are always up and ready
With our "Snip, snip, snap!"

We cut the pretty patches
To piece the pretty quilt;
Each square the next one matches
Their posies never wilt,
We trim the edges neatly,
With never a mishap.
And what music sounds so sweetly
As our "Snip, snip, snap!"

We cut the dolly's mantle.

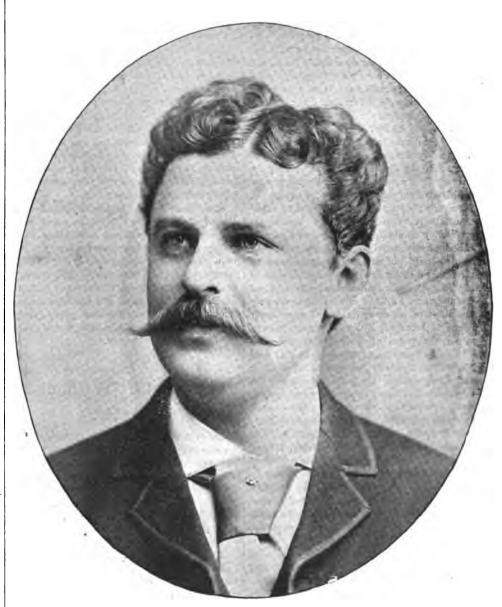
We shape the dolly's dress.

Oh, half the clever things we do
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But are ready, night and daytime,
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Chorus.—Snip, snip, snap,
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—Laura E. Richards in St. Nicholas.



William H. Rieger.

In the ranks of America's singers no name stands forth with more distinguished prominence and favor than that of the tenor, William H. Rieger. An artist of superb voice, rare musical intelligence, abundant feeling and dramatic power, William H.

Rieger was from the very date of his début greeted and widely acknowledged as a leading tenor of his period in concert and oratorio in America. He was exactly the singer of whom the public stood in need, rich-voiced, commanding a large repertory, and—always

reliable. For these valuable reasons, extremely difficult to meet combined, Mr. Rieger has succeeded in holding with prominent success his position of concert and oratorio tenor in America longer than any other tenor who can be remembered.

To enter minutely into a description of the great beauty and value of Mr. Rieger's voice as an instrument, aside altogether from his finished development in the art of song, would be to repeat a tale made familiar to musicians and a music-loving public all over the States of America. Unlike many other successful artists, Mr. Rieger was not called upon to make any slow climbing at the start. The splendid vigor and musical beauty of his voice, its immense range and apparently inexhaustible resources, to which were added a supreme ease and sympathetic intelligence in delivery, at once won for him from critics and public an unqualified praise on the highest plane. Mr. Rieger's work having always maintained its original remarkable standard, nothing but high commendation in criticism has since been associated with his name, and the fair, judicious analysis of the public press has made his reputation as a tenor a familiarly recognized household fact among the musical people of America.

The quality of Mr. Rieger's voice is silvery and vibrant, the range is unusually wide, and the quality throughout absolutely pure and even. In the abundance of its volume the impression is produced that the tenor's powers could never by any possibility be overtaxed. After the obvious strain displayed by many tenors to reach a certain spot in the upper register, a strain in which the audience is called on to participate, and which it well knows could not directly be compassed by the singer a second time, the superb ease of Mr. Rieger's delivery is a genuine delight and rest to hear. Full and musical up to the very top limit of its compass, Mr. Rieger never needs to force his voice, but uses it even under the stress of powerful climax with admirable reserve and repose. In this way his dramatic effects are particularly telling and always purely musical, the color of the tone never becoming impaired by the pushing and forcing which so many tenors feel obliged to resort to in order to be heard as prominently as they desire.

A very busy season lies before Mr. Rieger, as usual. Engagements are already booked according to custom with the leading oratorio societies all over the country. In addition Mr. Rieger will be heard a good deal in concert work, his art as a purely lyric tenor being quite as great as in the singing of oratorio, with which the public is accustomed to associate him

The fact that Mr. Rieger has filled leading tenor rôles in oratorio with the leading oratorio societies of America since his début, has given basis to the idea that he is first and above all things, if not solely, an oratorio tenor. He most certainly is an oratorio tenor, and he is also a lyric tenor, and as an artist in concert or a singer of complete recitals is as delightfully satisfying and successful as he has ever proved in oratorio. His repertory is extensive, the songs of all schools in all the prevailing languages being included.

German Lieder, however, are his special preference, and these he sings with an intellectual sympathy and understanding not often encountered. Schubert, Schumann, Franz, Lassen and the rest of the lyric kindred have been faithfully studied by Mr. Rieger, and their full artistic import been well absorbed. Hearing Mr. Rieger sing these German Lieder this year will be a satisfying pleasure to lovers of pure song both in New York and the provinces.

During his visit to Europe with the Arion Society a few years ago very attractive offers for opera were made Mr. Rieger, but engagements so important and so many awaited his return to America that he declined. Incidentally he has rejected various offers for opera since, always falling back on the fact that he enjoyed his concert work, and having the best and most of it there was to be had did not possess the same incentive for making experiments in new fields which influenced other artists.

Abbey, Schoeffel & Grau made Mr. Rieger the last proposition for opera, which he took under serious consideration. It was for opera for this season, but Mr. Rieger, after weighing matters, decided to adhere to his old plans, oratorio, concert and song recitals. The tenor's genial, refined and unaffected address wins him many friends, and the live intelligence of his manner shows plainly the musician to be trusted and the artist who could more quickly acquire a rôle than the average of his brethren when necessary.

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Loomis' Temple of Music, 833 Chapel street, the well-known music house which has been doing a very large share of the music business in Connecticut for the last thirty years, has never known any hard times. A large stock of Emerson and other high grade pianos is always carried there, and as these instruments are sold at very low prices, people are ready to take advantage of such choice opportunities. At the Temple of Music now are three splendid bargains in upright pianos but slightly used.

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A well-known joker, being one night at a theatre, fancied he saw a friend some three seats in front of him. Turning to his next neighbor, he said:

"Would you be kind enough to touch that gentleman with your stick?"

"Certainly," was the reply, and the thing was done.

But when the individual thus assaulted turned around, the wag saw that he was not the man he took him for, and became at once absorbed in the play, leaving his neighbor with the stick to settle matters with the gentleman in front, which, as he had no excuse ready, was not done without considerable trouble. When the hubbub was over the victim said:

"Didn't you ask me, sir, to tap that man with my stick?"

"Yes."

"What did you want?"

"Oh," said the joker, with imperturbable gravity, "I wanted to see whether you would."

A man who had just finished a comfortable meal at a restaurant the other evening suddenly rose from his chair, caught up his hat and an umbrella that stood against the wall, and rushed out of the building.

"Stop him!" exclaimed the proprietor. "That fellow went out without paying!"

"I'll stop him!" said a determined-looking man, who rose up hastily from a table near where the other had sat. "He took my goldheaded umbrella! I'll stop him, and I'll bring him back in charge of a police officer, the scoundre!!"

Without a moment's pause he dashed out of the house in hot pursuit of the conscience-less villain. And the proprietor, a cold, hard, unsympathetic kind of man, has somehow begun to suspect that neither of them will ever come back.

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Musić Buyer's Guide.

New music from Fillmore Brothers, 40 Bible House, New York City.

Three songs by Chas. H. Gabriel: Chip-a-dee; The Dream-Fairy; Bye-lo-Boat; each 35 cts.

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Mrs. M. E. Wetmore, 6½ Lester st., Ansonia, Conn., has just composed some very effective and novel variations on the time-honored favorite, "Araby's Daughter," or "The Old Oaken Bucket," for the piano. The composition is published by George Willig, of Baltimore; price 40 cts.

A dainty song is "The Sweetest Flower That Grows," words and music by Myra Augur Chisholm, dedicated to and sung by Lulu Glaser, whose portrait adorns the title page, and published by the Bedford Music Company, 24 East Adams st., Chicago, 40 cts.

"Between Two Worlds" is the title of "a romance and not a romance." by Mrs. Calvin Kryder Reifsnider. The key note of the whole book is struck in the motto on the title page cover: "By this mysterious thing called Death I am constrained to live Between Two Worlds." The author appeals to reason, and the book is a plain helpful presentation of the relation and connection between this world of matter and that of spirit. It illustrates clearly what the spirit body is, where and how it lives, and how it "returns" and works through those left behind, whether that work be good or bad. 300 pages, strikingly illustrated, handsomely bound in cloth and silver. Price \$1.25. Published by the Anna C. Reifsnider Book Co., St. Louis, Mo.

"The Vocalists' Companion" is the title of a little volume consisting of a dictionary of musical terms most in use, unique ideas in sight reading, whereby young or old may learn to read notes easily and quickly; hints and ideas for vocalists, with a biographical dictionary of famous musicians. composers, etc. It is not only for vocalists, but for the daily and hourly use of all who are interested in music. It condenses an amount of musical information which, if collected together in other forms, would cost many times the price of this little book, which is 25 cents in cloth, or 50 cents in leather. Published by Alfred T. Goodsell, Bridgeport, Conn.



Mlle. Alice Verlet.

It was while singing at the residence of the American Ambassador in Belgium that Mile. Alice Verlet was persuaded to visit the United States. This gifted young songstress had just completed a season at the Opera Comique, Paris, where she made her first appearance before the Parisian public, and never before was a debutante more enthusiastically received. The audience was veritably fascinated, and enacted some scenes of warm applause.

Mile. Alice Verlet is a native of Brussels, Belgium, where her father holds an official position. From both father and mother she inherits fine musical tastes, and in the earlier of childhood's years manifested undoubted predilections and intense love for music in all its forms. When but eight years old, Mile. Verlet began the study of the piano and harmony, guided by the best masters in her native city. Rare intelligence and her extraordinary sense of sound made her study of harmony a mere pastime.

At the age of about sixteen it was discovered that there were great possibilities in the wonderfully sweet voice, and she was immediately placed in the hands of the celebrated Mme. Moriani, under whose judicious care and guidance such marked progress was made that Mlle. Verlet's friends urged her to devote herself to a professional career.

In 1893 she made her professional debut at Louvain, Belgium. The most grateful success was the result, her singing carrying everything by storm. Immediately after she appeared at Brussels before Her Majesty the Queen of Belgium and other members of the nobility, and after this concert a successful future was assured, and a series of triumphs

awaited her in all the principal cities of Europe.

The success of this lovely cantatrice is sure to be immense, for added to her gifts of song are charms of manner. She possesses a sweet personality and magnetism that win and hold those who have been fortunate enough to meet her.

She was the honored guest at Newport during the past summer in the homes of its most cultured residents, and the favored few for whom she sang unanimously unite in praise of the rare voice of the beautiful girl. French to her finger tips she is, with the chic manner and gaiete de caur which make the French women so irresistible. Mlle. Verlet's voice is a fine soprano, very clear and even, and admirably trained; not a trace of the objectionable tremolo is perceptible, but all the tones are firm and true. It is evident that she possesses undoubted dramatic talent and musical grace of attitude and gesture. She understands thoroughly twenty-five operas. and is a linguist of fine attainments, singing in French, Italian and German; English she speaks with the prettiest accent imaginable, and promises to sing it "some time," she adds with winsome naivete.

Her first public appearance in New York will be in Carnegie Hall at the Damrosch concert on the evening of November 1st, and she has been engaged as soloist for several Thomas concerts. Mlle. Verlet has signed a four year's contract with Mr. Victor Thrane, 33 W. Union Sq., New York, for concerts and the operatic stage in this country and Europe. We are indebted to Mr. Thrane for the use of the cut.



Tubal Cain.

Old Tubal Cain was a man of might,
In the days when the earth was young.
By the fierce red light of his furnace fire,
The strokes of his hammer rung;
And he lifted his brawny hand
On the iron, glowing clear,
Till the sparks rushed out in scarlet showers,
As he fashioned the sword and spear,
And he sang, "Hurrah for my handiwork!
The bright spear and the sword;
Hurrah for the hand that wields them well,
For he shall be king and lord?"

To Tubal Cain came many a one,
As he wrought by his roaring fire,
And each one prayed for a strong steel blade,
As the crown of his desire.
And he made them weapons sharp and strong,
Till they shouted loud for glee,
And gave him gifts of pearls and gold,
And spoils of the forest tree.
And they sang, "Hurrah for Tubal Cain!
Who has given us strength anew
Hurrah for the smith, and hurrah for the fire,
And hurrah for the metal true!"

But a sudden change came o'er his heart,
Ere the setting of the sun,
And Tubal Cain was filled with pain,
For the evil he had done.
He saw that men, with rage and hate,
Made war upon their kind—
That the land was fed by the blood they shed,
And their lust for carnage blind;
And he said, "Alas! That I ever had made,
Or that skill of mine should plan,
The spear and sword for men, whose joy
Is to slay their fellow-man!"

And for many a day old Tubal Cain
Sat brooding o'er his woe—
And his hand forbore to smite the ore,
And his furnace smouldered low;
But he rose at last with a cheerful face,
And a bright, courageous eye,
And bared his strong arm for the work,
While the quick flames mounted high;
And he said, "Hurrah for my handiwork;"
And the fire sparks lit the air;
"Not alone for the blade was the bright steel
made."

And he fashioned the first ploughshare.

And men, taught wisdom from the past,
In friendship joined their hands;
Hung the sword in the hall, and the spear on
the wall,

And ploughed with willing hands:
And sang, "Hurrah for Tubal Cain!
Our staunch good friend is he;
And for the ploughshare and the plough,
To him our praise shalt be.
And while oppression lifts its hand,
Or a tyrant would be lord,
Though we may thank him for the plough,
We'll not forget the sword!"

-Charles Mackay.

Masonry's Humanity.

We search for light and truth. In form and ceremony we display the emblem and symbol. We do not forsake the active ways of life. We journey with the human kind. Justice, equality, temperance, prudence, fortitude, fraternity, are the tenets of Masonry. I want the environment of the body, the appetites, passions, desires of the world, its pleasures and burdens, its labors, its defeats and triumphs. Over me I want no mantle of Masonic charity, broad or narrow, in the sense sometimes expressed, to hide wrong and injustice, hideous deformity or unmanly act. But I do want that mantle that shields me from wrong, that teaches me right and justice to my fellows, that charity not quick to evil report that sees in me a man and a Brother. Take not from me appetite and passion and desire, and bid me be good-too useless to live, too insipid to die. Take not from me strength and vigor of mind or body that I may not harm my fellows in the activities of the world, but let the Mason's square and level, plumb line and trowel, fashion and mould and set the ashlars that from quarries of Zarthan I bring and place in the Temple of Life. Teach me not the ways of the sluggard that I may my Brother's charity know, but let me feel the grasp of his fraternal hand, the blood tingling in his veins, leaping, jumping from throbbing heart, that in the struggle of life helps me in its pathway—the sympathy, the kindness, the fraternity that gives the cloud its silver lining and robes the valley and mountain with grateful sheen. That's Masonry's humanity. - Alfred Taylor in the Kevstone.

The Pyramids.

A personal inspection of the pyramids of Egypt, made by a quarry owner, who spent some time recently on the Nile, has led him to the conclusion that the old Egyptians were better builders than those of the present day. He states that there are blocks of the stone in the pyramids which weigh three or four times as much as the obelisk on the Embankment. He saw a stone whose estimated weight was eight hundred and eighty tons. But then the builders of the pyramids counted human labor lightly. They had great masses of subjects upon whom to draw, and most of their work was done by sheer manual labor and force. There are stones in the pyramids, thirty feet in length, which fit so closely together that a pen-knife may be run over the surface without discovering the break between them. They are not laid with mortar, either. There is no machinery so perfect that it will make two surfaces thirty feet in length which will meet together in unison as these stones in the pyramids meet. It is supposed that they were rubbed backward and forward upon each other until the surfaces were assimilated.-London Iron.

A Lodge in Australia was recently reported as closed in peace, love and discord, the organist having substituted a new tune to the closing hymn, one which the Brethren were not familiar with,—Ex.

Let All Strive to do Their Duty.

In the first degree of Masonry there is unfolded to the neophite, just starting on his mystic journey, an important revelation regarding the design and purpose of the institution into which he is then entering. He is first told that the obligations he will be required to take will in no way interfere with the duties he owes to God, his country, his neighbor or himself. With this assurance he willingly advances and receives the more important lessons that follow. The beautiful symbols and emblems of Masonry are explained to him in a manner never to be forgotten, and the sublime beauties of Brotherly love, relief and truth are supplemented by those grand cardinal virtues, temperance, fortltude, prudence and justice. He is instructed in his duties to God, his neighbor and himself, and charged to be a quiet and peaceful subject, true to his government and just to his country, all of which was wisely designed to make him a better citizen and a better man. And so it is all along his mystic journey through the several degrees in Masonry. Each step has its beautiful symbols and instructive lessons so well calculated to make him wiser, better and consequently happier. He finds himself at all times surrounded by good men and true, moral and upright before God and of good repute before the world. In such company there is helpful influence for good in his life and a restraining influence against all that tends to evil. Under these benign influences many of the temptations Under these that lead men to destruction are removed from the pathway of life; the dangerous pitfalls are safely bridged, and it is no fault but his own if a Brother goes astray. writing from a general standpoint view. is said there is no rule without an exception, and we are forced to admit that this is true, in a general way, in Masonry. With all its noble features it is only a human institution, and perfection on earth has never been attained. Making a man a Mason does not take all of the old Adam out of him. He still has a hankering for a golden pippin. Even Lodges, as well as individual members, have sometimes fallen from their high estate, and cast a shadow on Masonry. Such instances, however, have been such exceedingly rare exceptions that but little injury was sustained, and with proper treatment no scars were left to exist.

It is a great privilege to be a Mason, and thus a member of this world-wide, time-honored institution. It furnishes a Brother with a letter of introduction that will always be recognized in his travels, even to the uttermost parts of the world. Should misfortune befall him, he has but to make his wants known to receive the needed assistance. Should he fall a victim to disease, his Brethren will be there to close his eyes, and with hopeful, heaven-pointing rites, give his body to the repose of the tomb. They will throw the protecting arm around the fatherless children, and extend to the weeping wife the tender consolation of Brotherly sympathy. Mythic story tells us that the ancient gods invisibly and secretly followed their favorites in all their wanderings, and when these were exposed to danger, or threatened with destruction, would unveil themselves in their awful beauty and power, and stand forth to preserve them from harm, or to avenge their wrongs. So Freemasonry surrounds all her children with her loving presence, revealing herself in the hour of peril, sickness or danger.

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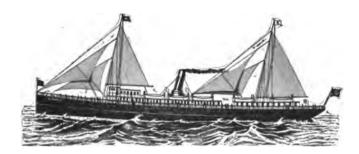
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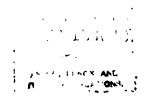
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Mother's Girl.

Sleeves to the dimpled elbow,
Fun in the sweet blue eyes,
To and fro upon errands
The little maiden flies.
Now she is washing dishes,
Now she is feeding the chicks,
Now she is playing with pussy,
Or teaching Rover tricks.

Wrapped in a big white apron,
Pinned in a checkered shawl,
Hanging clothes in the garden.—
Oh, were she tall!
Hushing the fretful baby,
Coaxing his hair to curl;
Stepping around so briskly,
Because she is mother's girl.

Hunting for eggs in the haymow,
Petting old Brindle's calf,
Riding Don to the pasture,
With many a ringing laugh;
Coming whene'er you call her,
Running wherever sent.
Mother's girl is a blessing
And mother is well content.
—Central Christian Advocate.

A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR.—"That's a curious typographical error," said Mrs. Partridge. "The title of this new book is printed 'The Viking Age.'" "Well, why not?" asked Partridge. "What ought it to be?" "Why—Biking, oughtn't it?"



Esther Hirsch.

Last season, when Miss Esther Hirsch, the young American contralto, made her professional début in a concert of her own in Mendelssohn Glee Club Hall, musicians, critics and the general public present predicted for the talented artist a successful career. A number of engagements speedily followed, and offers for further ones were rapidly pouring in when Miss Hirsch's mother was attacked by an illness which resulted fatally. Her bereavement

put a stop to further public appearance on the part of Miss Hirsch for the season. This season, however, she has resumed work, and in the meantime has not been idle, the time of her retirement having been given to close and earnest study.

Aside from her art Miss Hirsch has in her favor an attractive and interesting personality, a graceful, refined bearing and polished manners, all of which tell strongly in her work. She has a charm-

ing stage presence, and her treatment of her art betrays a complete general cultivation as well as the special education received in vocal music itself.

The young artist is a pupil of Oscar Saenger, and although she has been several times to Europe she gives the entire credit of her vocal development to Oscar Saenger and New York. The voice is round, pure and even, a contralto inasmuch as it has the full contralto richness of volume, but with a mezzo soprano range. The production is absolutely pure. Of naturally musical temperament, everything Miss Hirsch sings is imbued with the truest taste and feeling and an invariably just dramatic expression. Her art is thoroughly finished and refined.

While Miss Hirsch, because of her dramatic instinct, has a decided talent for opera and has also a gift for oratorio, she regards lyric music at the present juncture as her particular forte. She sings songs of the various schools, English, French, German and Italian, with delightful charm and finish, and her poetic feeling, united to a graceful and magnetic delivery, makes her a most desirable artist for musicales and social entertainments of good tone wherever they may have place. Purely as a singer of songs Miss Hirsch has singular charm and merits a distinguished success.

In the opera class of Mr. Oscar Saenger the young artist has already studied several important operatic rôles, of which she has already mastered the dramatic as well as well as vocal side. The rôle of Carmen, which she has memorized, lies well in her voice, and she has acquired also Leonora in Favorita, Delilah in Samson and Delilah, with numerous other contralto and mezzo rôles of minor importance.

In oratorio Miss Hirsch knows thoroughly The Messiah and Elijah. She is at present persistently engaged in the study of further operatic and oratorio works, in which, with her native talent, refinement, attraction and earnestness, she will eventually be sure to make a success.

This young artist is particularly modest, doing the work she knows with quiet, reposeful confidence, but without any assumption or any estimate of herself which might retard earnest study and hard work in the future. Miss Hirsch is highly intelligent, educated and accomplished, and knows accurately the standard which she intends to reach. It is a high one, and her sincerity and dignified modesty will enable her to reach it, while gaining much honor and success by the way.

As a singer at musicales and fashionable social affairs of all kinds, Miss Hirsch should be much in demand, her perfect control of her voice to sympathetic effect within any limit of space and the graceful poise of her bearing being rarely adapted to recherche quarters and cultivated surroundings. Miss Hirsch may be addressed at 327 Amsterdam ave., N. Y.—Musical Courier.

On June 4th the pupils of the public schools of Seymour gave an exhibition in the Methodist Church, before their parents and the public in general, to show the advancement they had made in the study of music during the preceding school term. The church was full of interested spectators. President Stiles presided and made an address, in which he referred to the beginning of the instruction of music in the public schools, and the progress that had been made since the system was inaugurated.

Thomas L. James, the acting school visitor, had offered a five-dollar gold piece to the scholar in each room who made the greatest individual advancement during the year, and at the conclusion of the exercises Mr. James presented nine five-dollar gold pieces to the following successful aspirants:

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Room 2—May Moshier.
Room 3—Timothy Lyons.
Room 4—Daisy Knapp.
Room 5—Jennie Andrew.
Room 6—Florence Wyant.
Room 7—Fannie Belle Conine.
Room 8—Alice M. French.
Room 9—Florence Buckingham.

The awards were made entirely upon merit, no partiality or favoritism having been shown in any case; and the daughter of Henry L. Wyant, who took the prize in Room 6, showed an especial aptitude for music, her advancement having been exceedingly rapid, and gives promise of a bright musical future.

BOOK OF THE DOG.—We have received from the Associated Fanciers, 237 South Eighth Street, Philadelphia, a copy of their Dog Buyers' Guide. It contains a finely executed colored frontispiece, well drawn engravings of nearly every breed of dog, and all kinds of dog furnishing goods. We should judge that the book cost to produce a great deal more than the price asked—15 cents—and would advise all our readers who are interested in dogs to send for the book.

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The Brokaw Music Pub. Co., of St. Joseph, Mo., have just published the "Nordica Schottische," by H. O. Wheeler, respectfully inscribed to Mme. Nordica by special permission. The title page displays a most handsome and life-like portrait of this famous artist, and the music is particularly pleasing and satisfactory. Price for piano 60 cts.

Dear Heart, I Love You So, is the name of the Boston Traveller Prize Song, words by Walter G. Davis, music by Frank O. Mason, published by the Bendix Music Pub. Co., 134 Austin st., Cambridge, Mass. It is a very effective love song. Price 40 cts.

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Aside from her rare gifts as musician and actor, Madame d'Arona has the added faculty of being able to impart her knowledge, and a pleasure in doing it that amounts to a passion. By reason of this she was as a mere child chosen to teach his pupils by Lamperti, and frequently did so in his absence.

In no other way can one gain an insight into the knowledge and philosophy that govern her cultivation of voice than by reading some of her own ideas as expressed from time to time in public print, for Madame d'Arona is also a forceful and intelligent writer. She believes that

would-be teacher of the Italian method of singing must speak the Italian language purely and fluently, and that it is essential that all vocal teachers should be good musicians. She has made a thorough study of individuality of fault and merit. and so analyzed difficulties that to her mind none exist that cannot be overcome.

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During the past summer Madame d'Arona made a long and charming trip through Europe, meeting with friends, old and new, and making artistic triumphs in Denmark, Germany, London and Paris. where she sang en passant. Many tempting offers were made her to return to the old art centres, but heart and home are for the present too firmly planted on American soil, and the prospects are that many more good singers and teachers will pass from her hands at home before any Incical Courie

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At the Grand Master's Grave.

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When the spent life its soul sends out
To seek the land of endless day,
In what poor phrase we question doubt,
Or cheer the voyager on his wav.

But when a Brother's hand grows cold, And he sinks down by death o'ercome; We lay our heart on his of mold, And feel indeed our lips are dumb.

The gifts of words are little worth
To praise a tenant of the bier;
So we but give this dust to earth,
Shrined silent in love's conscious tear.

Nor sculptured urn, nor marble bust Needs here to rise for great deeds done: Fame, tearful o'er his prostrate dust, Points to the fields his manhood won.

Like some tall oak that long withstood The tooth of time, the midnight blast; When God's sweet peace was on the wood Slow sank and silent fell at last:

So he, though great and good and strong. And ever quick at duty's call, Left the great world's endearing throng Resign'dly as the shadows fall.

No more by Joppa's tumbling seas
He harks to hear the dripping oar:
He knows the temple's mysteries—
The sunken clefts along the shore.

He views at last Moriah's height
That nearer looms as years wax on:
His once dark homenow blooms with light,
And bursts with songs from Lebanon.

Once more within the tylered hall
He stood against the darkened west;
He heard the Master's gavel fall,
And went from labor unto rest.

Sleep. Brother, sleep; thou art not dead.

Though thine be now the common lot:

Lest men forget thy narrow bed,

Hope's green Acacia guards the spot.

—l'oice of Masonry.

The Alphabet of Masonry.

Every form of learning has its alphabet. What the Corner-stone is to the material edifice, what the architect's plans are to the completed structure raised in accordance with them, that the alphabet of an art or science is to the art or science itself. It is the beginning of wisdom. It is the

chaos which is capable of being organized into a cosmos. It betokens an infinite possibility.

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Every Master Mason ought to be so intimately acquainted with the alphabet of the Craft as to be able, with a little practice, to skillfully render the work. Wherever a Lodge performs its duty to its initiates, and in accordance with the recommendation of the Ahimon Rezon, and the edict of the R.W. Grand Master, requires a candidate to prove in open Lodge his proficiency in the preceding degree before he is advanced—there the alphabet will be learned, there the Mason will be educated, there the light of Masonry will illuminate the initiate, and qualify him for learning all the secrets of the Crast-a part of which are never disclosed to him who is ignorant of Masonic work, that is the secret ritual.

The ritual embodies the mystery. It is the flesh and blood, in which resides the soul and spirit of Freemasonry. Without the spirit the letter is dead. The letter is matter, while the spirit is mind. The one shall perish, the other endure forever. The principles of Freemasonry are eternal.

Brethren, first master the alphabetlearn the work of Masonry-then earnestly seek to comprehend the meaning of the symbols, the significance of the traditions, the lessons of the lives of the three ancient Grand Masters, so that you may be not merely nominal Masons, or even Masons working by rote, but true Masons, accomplished Masons, knowing the alphabet of Masonry perfectly, able to understand the work of Masonry, as contained in its symbols, allegories, traditions and legends, and therefore cultured Masons in the largest sense of the phrase, worthy successors of King Solomon and the two Hirams, and an honor to the Masonic Fraternity-which in the highest sense is itself ancient and honorable.—The Keystone.

We have received from T. S. Parvin, the indefatigable Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, the proceedings of the Fifty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. This is one of the most concise and systematically compiled Grand Lodge reports that we have ever seen. The Masons of Iowa are wide-awake, energetic, and enthusiastic members of the Grand Brotherhood, many of them being prominent in the social and political life of the State, and all are especially interested in furthering the interests of all Masonic work.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, June 8, 1897.

Loomis' Musical and Masonic Journal:

It is my pleasure as well as duty to notify through your periodical the Masons who read the same that the Grand Lodge of Iowa at its recent session, June 1-3, by an almost unanimous vote, recognized the Gran Dieta of Mexico in the following resolution, which I furnish you for publication.

"Resolved:—That the grand Lodge of Iowa hereby recognizes the Gran Dieta Simbolica of Mexico as an independent, sovereign Grand Masonic body, exercising sole jurisdiction over the three degrees of ancient craft Masonry in Mexico, and will exchange fraternal courtesies therewith, and, further, that all Masons in Mexico hailing from Lodges or Grand Lodges not in affiliation with said Gran Dieta Simbolica be denied admission to our Lodges."

Fraternally yours,

T. S. PARVIN,

Grand Secretary.

FAULT FINDING.—One of the easiest things in the world is to find fault with other people. The least thing they do which seems contrary to our way, we are ready to get after them. But how difficult it is to see our own faults; to understand our weak points and to remember that as we see faults in others, they see faults as bad and perhaps worse in us. Let us be charitable and do as the great artist who painted a picture of his monarch, upon whose brow there was a scar. He placed his king with elbow resting on a table and his head supported by his hand, but with finger covering the scar. Let us endeavor to place the finger of charity over the scars of God's children.—The Baptist Enquirer.

When you can say a good word to a Brother, say it. It helps him in his work and encourages him to better effort. A Brother may be despondent because he fears his labors are not appreciated, and he may be ready to give up the contest, when a word from you would dispel the clouds of discouragement and send a sun ray of hope into his soul. Do not fail to speak a good word when you can.

Enjoy the blessings of this day, if God sends them; and the evils of it bear patiently and sweetly; for this day only is ours; we are dead to yesterday, and we are not yet born to the morrow.—Jeremy Taylor.

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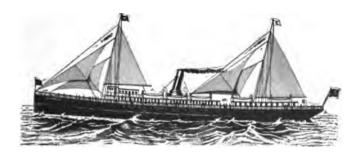
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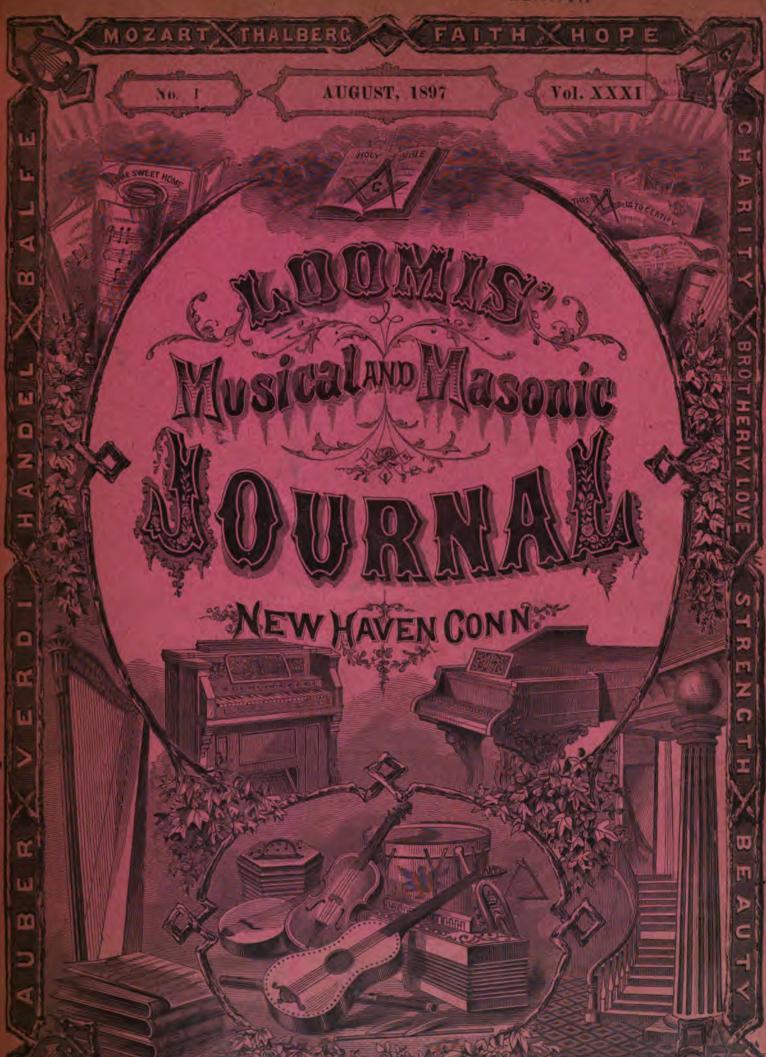
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Only a Song.

It was only a song that the maiden sang. With a thoughtless tone, yet the echo rang

In the heart of the lad. Like a pure white

It guided him over sea and land.

Only an old, old-fashioned hymn, Sung in the twilight, gray and dim, By mother's side or on father's knee; Yet time cannot blot it from memory.

Only a song from the lips of one Whose mission is past, whose brief life is

A simple song; and yet, after all, I never can sing it but tears will fall.

Only a song from a feeble pen, And a faltering heart and hand; but then, Who knows? Perhaps some life once sad In sin was made to rejoice and be glad.

Brief as a song is this life of ours, Fleeting as sunshine and frail as the flowers:

Then sing, my heart, oh, sing and be strong!

Thou shalt one day join in the "new, new song."

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Mary H. Mansfield.

Miss Mary H. Mansfield is a young soprano who has already achieved an enviable position in New York, and whose ability and energy are bound to lead to more prominent distinction in the future.

Miss Mansfield is well known as the solo soprano of the First Presbyterian Church, Fifth Avenue, New York, and also of Temple Emanu-El. Her work as a concert artist is equally well known, and she has the deserved reputation of being one of the most reliable singers before the public. She is a native of the fruitful vocal soil of New England, the land which gave us Eames and Nordica, having been born in New Haven and here educated. Before adopting music as a profession, Miss Mansfield became a well-grounded musician, studied harmony, was

well qualified as a pianist, and was one of the most rapid and unerring of readers at sight. She comes of a musical family, and was naturally endowed with the musical gift and temperament, but Miss Mansfield was determined to make herself a musician as much as an artist of feeling and taste, and in doing so she has forged numerous paces ahead of her average singing sisters.

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With this musical education, Miss Mansfield is singularly independent. She can study any new work in her own studio without the aid of a coach or accompanist, and can sit down at any moment and accompany herself throughout her extensive repertory with the utmost intelligence and finish. Benjamin Jepson, supervisor of music in the New Haven schools, early pronounced her the best

sight reader who had ever graduated there. By reason of this rarely developed gift, Miss Mansfield is unusually quick in studies, and, aided by her superior musical intelligence, can grasp with unusual rapidity the true gist and sentiment of a composer.

The singer began her career in Hartford, Conn., where she sang in N. H. Allen's choir at the Centre Church, the leading church, musically and socially, in Hartford. During her period here, Miss Mansfield did more than sustain the high solo prestige of the choir, and, simultaneously, did a good deal of concert work and taught a large vocal class. Her efforts in every line were successful, and, knowing herself fitted to make her mark in a wider field, in the spring of 1893 Miss Mansfield went to New York.

For two years she sang in the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, New York, with R. T. Percy, organist, but in the spring of 1895 left there to take the position of solo soprano at the First Presbyterian Church, with William C. Carl, organist, where she still continues. In her present choir Miss Mansfield seems to have found her fitting place. She speaks in the most enthusiastic manner of Mr. Carl as director and accompanist, finding him in her experience the best and most inspiring in his direction and support of any organist with whom she has ever sung.

In October, 1894, after the Temple Emanu-El had spent a year testing sopranos without any satisfactory results, Miss Mansfield was promptly selected upon application and has continued to remain. Her work there, in conjunction with the contralto, Mrs. Josephine S. Jacoby, has become significant in the annals of choir music in New York. Both rich voices blend beautifully, so much so that Mr. A. J. Davis, who has been for twenty-five years organist at the Temple. has been incited to write special musical works with vocal duets embodied, as also separate duets, with the voices of these two particular singers in view. Friday and Saturday are Miss Mansfield's days at the Temple, and the vocal music heard on those days is worth going a distance to enjoy. On last Thanksgiving morning the duet from Mendelssohn's Lobgesang, "I Waited for the Lord," as sung by Miss Mansfield and Mrs. Jacoby, was an exquisite and finished piece of vocal work which will long linger in the memory of those who had the good fortune to be present.

Miss Mansfield's voice is a high mezzo soprano, dramatic in quality, but under such free and flexible control that she can adapt herself successfully to the various forms of lighter music. She has two clean, firm octaves from C to C, in which each tone is mellow, vibrant and whole. Her delivery is broad and authoritative in music of the dramatic school, while at the same time she is a sympathetic and graceful interpreter of lyrics, either tender or gay. Her versatility in this regard is remarka-

ble, as she is one of the few songstresses capable of standing up with an orchestra and singing with success a large dramatic aria or turning to the piano and singing to her own accompaniment with admirable delicacy and finesse a light song of the French, Italian, German or English school. Her lyric repertory in the four languages is extremely large, and she is thoroughly familiar with the principal standard oratorios. She has the dramatic voice, and with it the native dramatic temperament.

Personally Miss Mansfield is a young woman with what character-readers would call a very strong but a very sympathetic face. It is alive with intelligence, shows firm grit of purpose and a persistent determination in energy.

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OCTAVO.

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Of course if you look at the reflection of the nose or any other part of your face your eye must move to see it. But the strange thing is that the moment you endeavor to perceive the motion the eye is fixed. This is one of the reasons why a person's expression as seen by himself in a glass is quite different from what is seen by others.—New York Herald.

Mistress of the House (taking her girl to task): "Bridget, I am afraid you have broken your word."

Bridget (absent-mindedly): "Shure, ma'm, it must have been the cat."

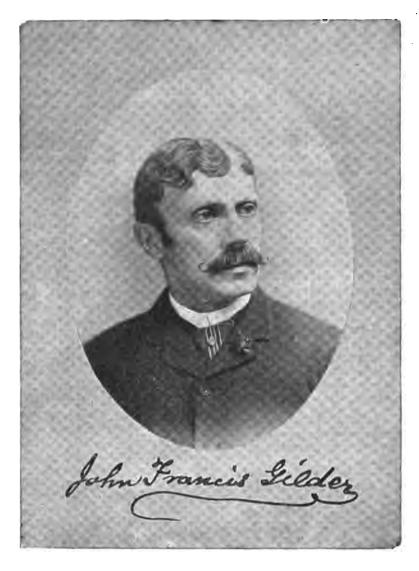
Prof. E. A. Parsons.

This well known New Haven pianist and composer gave a delightful concert and dramatic entertainment on Monday evening, August 2, at his summer home "Innisfail," Oklahoma Springs, Martha's Vineyard. Among the excellent selections which made up the program were some of the compositions of Mr. Parsons' which were highly appreciated by the cultured audience. His "Ave Maria" was sung by the well known artist, Mr. Tom Karl. The program included recitations by Miss Fannie Fern Falk, which were given in a most effective manner.

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The Indianapolis Journal prints this interesting story concerning ex-President Harrison's forthcoming book: General Harrison has just completed the revision of his articles which have appeared in The Ladies' Home Journal, making extended notes and additions to them. There is a little story in connection with both articles and publication. When the arrangement for the articles was made with General Harrison by Edward W. Bok, editor of The Ladies' Home Journal, the General was paid for them, with the understanding that when they were put into book form the magazine was to share the royalties accruing therefrom. Mr. Bok, however, of his own accord, generously released General Harrison from paying him any royalty, for the reason, as he states, that by the publication of the articles by General Harrison the subscription list of his magazine was enlarged many thousands. The profits to The Ladies' Home Journal were more than the publishers anticipated, and in view of this Mr. Bok asks nothing further. General Harrison placed the disposition of his book in Mr. Bok's hands. The best offer came to the editor from Scribners, and to them Mr. Bok gave the book for his distinguished contributor. book for his distinguished contributor. General Harrison's revision of the book has just been completed, and the volume



John Francis Gilder.

John Francis Gilder, the well known pianist and composer, has been before the public, probably, for more years than any other artist, in his line, at present in this country. When Thalberg and Gottschalk were giving their concerts in New York Mr. Gilder was also performing in public. Although not a pupil of Gottschalk, he was greatly influenced in his style of execution by the latter charming performer.

As an exponent of Gottschalk's music Mr. Gilder has attained a wide reputation. His brilliant touch and peculiarly orginal method of playing the piano possesses so much individuality, however, that it cannot be said to be in the style of any other performer. His execution is remarkably facile and correct. Mr. Gilder does not confine himself to what is called severely "classical" music. Like Gottschalk, he performs principally his own compositions, although in his recitals he also plays Liszt, Mendelssohn, Henselt, Grieg, Chopin and the works of various other composers.

Mr. Gilder is a native of Philadelphia, though principally a resident of New York City. For a number of years he travelled and Canada. In 1873 he travelled with Madame Anna Bishop on her farewell tour from New York to San Francisco. In the latter city he gave forty-three concerts, besides appearing at many others in that city and at most of the California towns.

At present Mr. Gilder does not teach but confines himself to concert work and composing. He has written, and had published, many piano-forte compositions and also a number of vocal pieces. They are noted for their originality and brilliancy. A number of his piano compositions have been arranged for both band and orchestra. Sousa's and Gilmore's Bands, as well as other noted musical organizations, perform several of his compositions.

Mr. Gilder has never visited Europe, but his entire musical career, both as pupil and performer, has been confined to this country. He has had numerous offers to perform in Europe, but has always declined, principally on account of his great distaste for ocean travelling.

His address is 867 Broadway, New York.



Day Dreams.

The children played, in the cool morn air, At what they would like to be: They posed as lords and as ladies fair, And folks of a high degree, For life looks fair at the break of day, With little of work and much of play, And all is possible—so they say,

When the heart, when the heart is young.

The morning changed to the heat of noon, And then to the twilight chill;

The children wearied of high life soon, And quarreled as children will.

But they ran away home in the fading light.

To sob out their wrongs ere they said good-night,

And the mother, the mother made all things right,

For their hearts, oh, their hearts were voung.

And we need not sorrow, as years roll on, If the hopes that have ceased to be But bring us, when passion and youth are gone,

To the truth at the Father's knee; Who husheth us up, when our prayers are said,

Forgetful of sorrow, in restful bed, To awaken again when the night has fled, Where the heart will be always young. -Keystone.

AND WHY IS IT NOT SO?-In every Masonic Lodge in the world, no matter in what clime or country, the greatest principle sought to be impressed, from the first to the nine hundred and ninety-ninth degree, is that of harmony. The beautiful example of the harmony of creation. the return of the seasons, the rising and setting of the sun, the regular and unalterable succession of seedtime and harvest, the certainty of birth and certain subsequent death to all created human beings. are used as symbols to impress upon the mind that the Great First Cause considered harmony the first law of all creation. In the governments of the world, the greatest need is harmony. A cabinet divided in opinion, a parliament at variance, a Reichstag at dagger's points with each other, will threaten the very continuity of the nation. The examples are abundant, even in our own day; but somehow men will not learn, no, not even from bitter experience.

The point we desire to make is the necessity of harmony in the accomplishment of Masonic work, and indeed any good work.

The teaching of the Lodge is harmony. There is never a Lodge opened on earth,

if properly opened, that does not impress upon every one present that one fundamental principle of the Fraternity.

A man should never sacrifice a principle. He should stand by the right as he conceives it. He is not to be criticised for performing his duty or displaying his fidelity. The greatest example in all Masonry is that of the Master builder, who was ready to yield up his life rather than forfeit his integrity. But we must be sure that the cause we advocate is not mixed up with our own ambition and personal interest. No matter how difficult it may be to divorce our own personal desires from the good of the Craft, still as true Masons we are bound to do so. The Fraternity stands first, and personal ambitions must be subservient thereto.

It is not an easy matter to stand alone, but better stand alone on the right side than "go with the multitude who keep holiday." In standing alone, however, we must be certain it is not contrary to the spirit that should control our actions.

-Keystone.

Washington's Oath as a Free Mason.

An interesting feature in connection with New Bedford's (Mass.) celebration of its incorporation as a city, which will occur on Oct. 10-14, will be a reproduction, with as large a measure of historical accuracy as is possible, of the British invasion of 1778.

On the fifth day of September in that year a hostile English fleet landed, destroyed the shipping and burned the town. Among the several dwelling houses destroyed, of none of which the British commander makes mention, was the habitation of Bartholomew West and his two sons, whose domestic affairs were managed by Hannah Sogg. All the time of the invasion the old man was feeble, helpless and unable to leave his bed, and thus the Britishers found him. On entering the dwelling the soldiers treated the inmates with great rudeness, because of the patriotism of the old man, who was an enthusiastic supporter of the American cause. While looting the house they informed the Wests that they intended to burn it and refused the request of Miss Sogg to remove the old man to a place of safety. She, like a true heroine, carried him out herself and placed him on a feather bed against a wall in the orchard, from which he watched the house burn to the ground.

Among the many articles carried away from the old man's home by the invaders was a Bible which was destined to have a history. It is to this day in the possession of the 46th regiment, now known as the Duke of Cornwall's regiment, light infantry, through whose chaplain, Rev. R. Stewart Patterson, its history was finally traced.

The family traditions regarding this famous Bible have been well preserved.

for down through the successive generations the story has been told that the old man Bartholomew held the book in great veneration, and to his death spoke of its loss with great regret. He supposed that it was burned with the other household goods; and so during the long century intervening, the family of Wests had no knowledge of the sacred volume's exist-

Upon this Bible, as chaplain Patterson has discovered during his long search for facts in regard to it, Washington took one of the degrees of Masonry.

The 46th regiment was originally numbered the 57th, and was raised in 1741. Six years later, by the disbandment of eleven regiments it became the 46th Foot. by which name it was known until 1881. In 1752, when quartered in Ireland, a Masonic charter was obtained from the grand lodge of that country. The regiment lodge was numbered 227 and was also known as the Lodge of Social and Military Virtue, its motto being "Libens Solvit Merito Votum." Both name and motto, it is to be remarked, have the same initials, "L. S. V. M."

The regiment formed a part of General Grey's expedition to New Bedford and it was soldiers belonging to its ranks who carried away the West family Bible. It is stated that the volume was once retaken by the Americans, but they, not knowing its value as a keepsake of their own commander-in-chief, returned it to the 46th before that corps sailed for Eng-

land in 1782.

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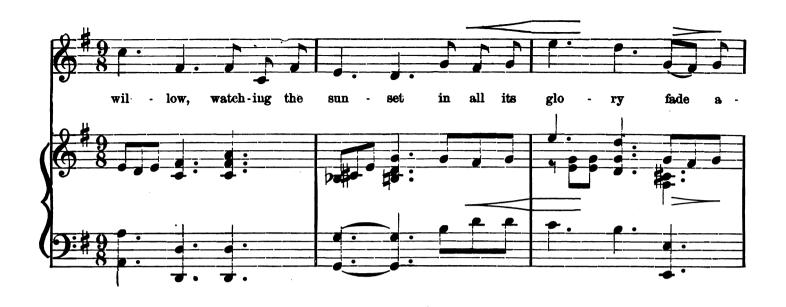
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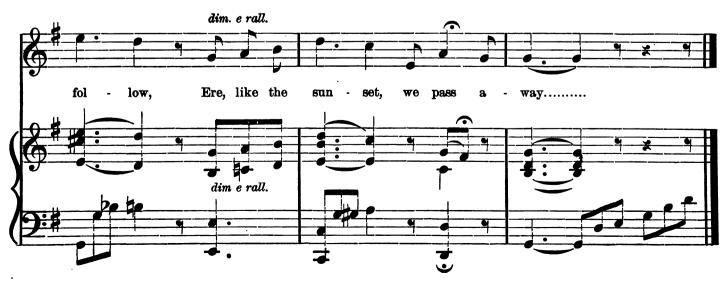
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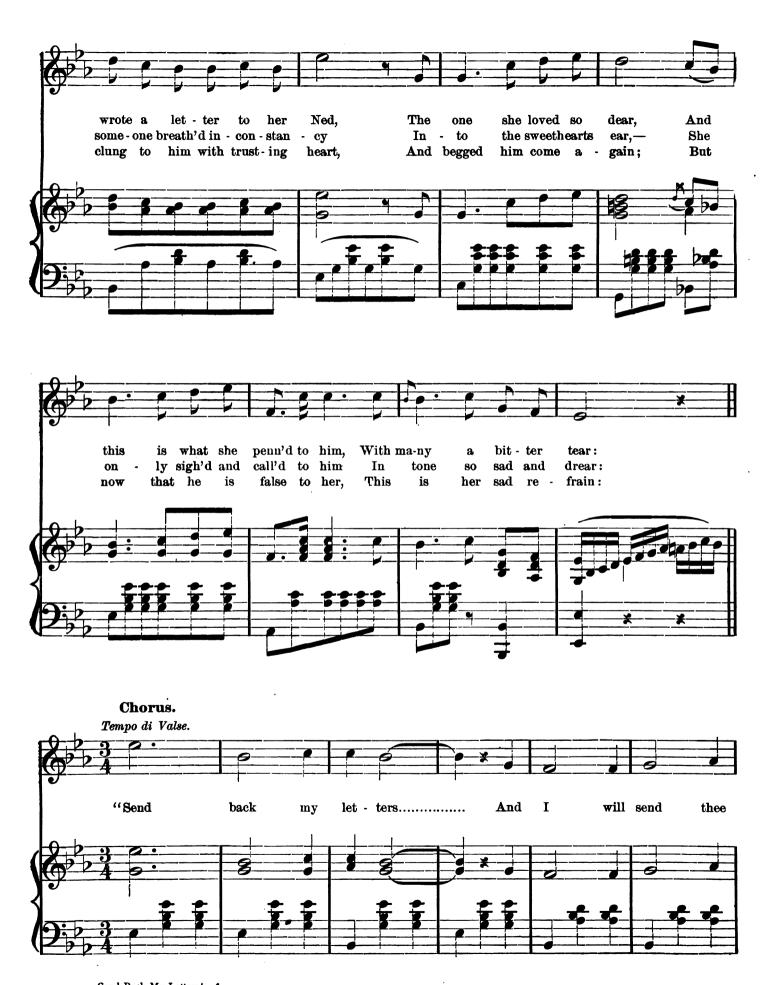
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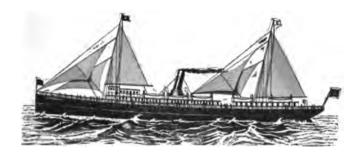
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Chas. K. Harris, the well-known western composer, has just penned and published two of the biggest hits of the season. "I've Been Faithful to You," displays a striking likeness of Meta Stanley, the favorite American dramatic soprano, who has sung this song with immense success. It is in waltz time, and is bound to be in the music racks of all who wish to be up-to-date in good music.

The other composition is a touching song, "The Organ Grinder's Serenade," the purple and white title page lavishly illustrated with half tones depicting the sentiment of the verses, which are set to music singularly appropriate and affecting. These songs are each 50c., and large orders are pouring in to the publisher, Chas. K. Harris, Milwaukee, Wis.

Louis J. K. Heil, 1404 Third ave., New York, has just published the latest and greatest comic song, "Klondike," words and music by James Madison. Price 50c.

Hobo on the Hog is a new song and dance by Ben Chadwick, published by the Chadwick Music Publishing Co., Westfield. Mass.

Lent and Moore, publishers, No. 22
North Aurora street, Ithaca, N. Y., in
compliment to Charles E. Courtney, the
famous coach of the Cornell University
crews, have named their new march American Stroke, and have dedicated the composition to him. The march is by Adolf
Dalım-Petersen, the well-known Norwegian baritone. Its rhythm and melody
are good, especially in the trio. On the
title page of the march is a half-tone portrait of Mr. Courtney, which has been
pronounced the best likeness of him ever
taken. American Stroke March should
sell well. 50c.

Thy Gift.

BY HARRIET FRANCENE CROCKER.

What is thy gift, oh, friend—is it to sing? Is it to upward bear on tuneful wing Thy pure voice with its thrilling notes that lift

Earth-hampered souls to Heaven? Is that thy gift?

If that is what thy God hath given thee Oh use it, dear one, use it faithfully!

Sing for the poor and old—for those whose

Has naught of music in its toil and strife; For little children whose adoring eyes Shall follow thine from earth to Paradise; For sick and weak ones on their bed of pain

Thy simple song shall seem an angel's strain.

Is it thy gift to write? Then trim thy pen And carefully and prayerfully indite Thy highest, holiest thoughts till busy men Are glad that 'tis thy gracious gift to write, And glad that in the world's great rushing throng

Thy silent pen moves gloriously along. Write then, oh, friend, write for the good and true.

Speed thy swift pen—there's work for thee to do!

Is it thy gift to simply keep the home?
Thine just to live in quiet atmosphere
And daily toil with hands that all alone
Must keep the hearthstone bright and
full of cheer?

Is it thy gift to hold a little hand
And lead it through childhood's happy

What is thy gift? Search well thy heart and find

That one thing thou canst do the best of all,

And do it—do it! Joy shall then be thine And Heaven's happiness on thee shall fall.

Thy gift—it is a sacred trust to thee A gift from God! O, use it faithfully!

THE USE OF A MUSICAL LIBRARY.—I possess a musical library of my own, says August Geiger, to which I steadily add; it consists of musical histories, biographies, dictionaries, classical and standard music, and miscellaneous musical matters. The books I give to my pupils for private reading. After finishing a book, I catechise them regarding the contents, and so impress upon their minds the most important factors. I have a class in musical history as a part of my regular work, and they always enjoy it.

TRUE MUSICAL INSTINCT.—Reilly—"Couplings is a fireman with a true musical instinct."

McCarthy—"I didn't know he had any talent in that line."

Reilly—"Well, he has. When the music store burned yesterday Couplings played on six pianos at once."—Judge.

THE IDEAL TEACHER.—The ideal teacher should possess a thorough musical education and wide general knowledge. He must be ever ready to receive new, useful ideas, and versatile in adapting his methods to the needs of each pupil; he must have a personality more or less magnetic; he should be regular, letting nothing interfere with the faithful, punctual discharge of all his duties: he should know when to blame and when to praise; he should be kind, patient, watchful, helpful, strict, and firm, fired with enthusiasm and a devoted love for his work,-not only for music, but for teaching. He will then surely awaken an answering ardor in his pupils, and secure from them diligent, careful study, which will develop to the utmost all the capacity they possess; for if each scholar feels that his teacher has an interest in him as an individual, and really cares personally whether he succeeds or fails, it will arouse him to put forth his best efforts. Does this paragon exist? Let us hope so; or, if not, let us each strive to develop into such a teacher, that the picture may become less and less an ideal vision, and more and more a living, working reality.-Nellie Strong in The Etude.

Mendelssohn's Piano PLAYING .-Clara Schumann gives the following views upon the pianoforte playing of Mendelssohn, who was equally an artist upon that instrument as he was great as an organist: My recollections of his playing are among the most delightful things of my artistic life. It was to me a shining ideal, full of genius and life, united with technical perfection. He would sometimes take the tempo very quick, but never to the prejudice of the music. It never occurred to me to compare him to virtuosi. Of mere effects of performance he knew nothinghe was always the great musician-and in hearing him one forgot the player, and only revelled in the full enjoyment of the music. He could carry one with him in the most incredible manner, and his playing was always stamped with beauty and nobility. In his early days he had acquired perfection of technic; but latterly, as he often told me, he hardly ever practiced, and yet he surpassed everyone. I have heard him play in Bach and Beethoven, and in his own compositions, and shall never forget the impression he made

"Madame," said the tramp, "I hate to ask for charity, but I am starving. Not a mouthful has passed my lips for forty-eight hours. I am so hungry I could eat a raw dog."

"Poor man," said the lady of the house in soft, sympathetic tones, "you must indeed be nearly famished, and I am glad to have it in my power to relieve your suffering. We serve raw dog at all hours. Here, Tige!"

A deep-toned growl from within indicated that his dinner was ready, but the tramp did not wait.

VERDI ON HIS BIKE.—On Oct. 10 last, Giuseppe Verdi was eighty-three years old; and on that fitting occasion, one of his relatives, says the New York Journal, gave him a most fitting present for a man so robust and hearty as the celebrated Italian composer,—a bicycle of American manufacture, exhibiting all the latest wrinkles with regard to pneumatic saddle, wooden handle-bars, etc.

Verdi was delighted with the idea, and wondered why he had not thought of it himself. He has a new opera under way that must be ready by the time he celebrates his eighty-fifth birthday. Exercise on the wheel was just the thing he needed to rest his brain, and fill his lungs with plenty of fresh air after a morning's work. The instructor came, and found a most enthusiastic pupil, who quickly mastered the "technique," and in respect to endurance outdid many of the younger and most of the middle-aged devotees of the wheel.

To-day Verdi is one of the crack riders of Florence, and never tires of advising his compatriots, old and young alike, to take to the wheel, the "great health preserver."

That shows Verdi's good sense and his ever-ready enthusiasm, of course; but it is, nevertheless, a fact that the maestro has been a most healthy specimen of humanity all his life. He was reared in that excellent school of great men,—frugality,—and has never abused himself by the luxuries of life.

THE EAR FOR MUSIC.-It was once thought that the ear for music differed in some way from the ordinary ear, and was a special dispensation of Providence: but it is now claimed that, given a normal ear and no deficiency in the brain, there will be the ear for music. Sometimes, indeed, the sense may be dormant for years, because it has not been wakened and developed by hearing music: but in most cases it exists. and should be cultivated for the future happiness of the child. But a music-loving, singing child usually implies a musicloving, singing mother; and so that matter obstinately dates back, as every other kind of education finally does, to your greatgrandmother, who could sing lullabies or other little songs sweetly and correctly. "A child that grows up where there is no singing, no more gets his right than a young robin that is hatched out in an incubator," says a recent writer. "The robin is pretty sure to sing when he grows up and is turned loose in the sunshine, whether his ear got any early cultivation or not, for the habit has been strong in the robin family for generations; but if the child does not get singing instincts developed while he is a child, they may stay asleep permanently."-N. Y. Post.

Visitor. "Does mamma give you anything for being a good boy?"

Tommy. "Nome. She gives it to me when I ain't."



The Five Points of Fellowship.

BY DR. BOB MORRIS.

Brothers, hearken, while I tell you
What we Masons pledge to do,
When, prepared at yonder altar,
We assumed the Mason's vow!
Foot and knee, breast, hand and cheek—
Hearken, while I make them speak!

Foot to foot, on mercy's errand,
When we hear a brother's cry,
Hungry, thirsty, barefoot, naked,
With God's mercy let us fly!
This of all our thoughts the chief,
How to give him quick relief!

Knee to knee! in earnest praying,
None but God to hear or heed,
All our woes and sins confessing,
Let us for each other plead;
By the spirit of our call,
Let us pray for brothers all.

Breast to breast! in sacred casket, At life's center let us scal Every truth to us entrusted. Nor one holy thing to reveal! What a Mason vows to shield, Let him die, but never yield!

Hand to back! a brother's falling—
Look, his burdens are too great!

Stretch the generous hand and hold him
Up before it is too late!

This right arm's a friendly prop
Made to hold a brother up.

Check to check! in timely whisper,
When the tempter strives to win.
Urge the brother's bounden duty,
Show him the approaching sin!
Point him to the deadly snare!
Save him with a brother's care!

Brothers, let us often ponder
What we Masons pledged to do,
When, prepared at yonder altar,
We assumed the Mason's vow;
Foot and knee, breast, hand and cheek,
Let these oft our duties speak.

CHARACTER BUILDING.—It is by various contributing influences that a man's character is formed. What is called the environment of life has much to do with the development and shaping of the individual nature. Daily associations furnish helps or hindrances, as the case may be, to the right moulding of human character. There are ministries of home life, of friendship and institutions, which cannot be left out of account where an estimate is made of the forces which have contributed to the production of a manly character.

In this work of moulding and building character. Freemasonry furnishes some potent helps. As a system of moral teaching and suggestion it has value in the directions noted.—Canadian Craftsman.

The Masonic Hospital.

Plans for New Building at the Masonic Home.

W. H. Cadwell of New Britain, the architect, has drawn plans for a Masonic Hospital at the Masonic Home in Wallingford, Conn. The lower floor shows a very conveniently arranged suite of rooms. In these plans the front of the building has a veranda running across it, which is twelve feet in width. The entrance to the building will be eight feet wide, opening into a reception room; on the right of this is the doctor's room and in the rear is the matron's room; on the left is a consulting room and the superintendent's office. An elevator opens out of the reception rooms which carries the patients to the operating room on the second floor. Passing through the main entrance one enters a corridor, which runs both to the right and left. Out of and adjoining the corridor to the right is the wing or two-story cottage, containing the woman's ward, with a ten-foot veranda in front. In the front and off this veranda are two large well-lighted rooms for the nurses.

In the rear is a large ward containing twelve cots. The second floor has the same arrangement. The cottage at the opposite end of the main corridor for male patients is a duplicate of the woman's ward. The living apartments of the employees, dining room, etc., are directly in the rear of the main entrance, with a driveway for the ambulance separating the

Particular attention has been paid to having every room open to the air on all sides, thus insuring good light and fresh air at all times. All of the partition walls are fireproof, being constructed of hollow brick. The areas are to be of tile and so arranged that it will be easy to flush them. The building, as has been stated, will doubtless be of brick and terra cotta and of colonial style, to match the other buildings at the home. All of the money needed for this institution is ready just as soon as the work is completed.

Fraternity! The nature of man, the longings of his soul, his happiness and the evolution of his powers demand it. Man's whole being grows not by what it takes to itself from the world, but by what it scatters abroad into the world of love, of service and of aspiration. In the words of the Blessed Master, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Solitude was never meant to be the abiding place of man. He was made to dwell among his fellows. Therefore, laws have been enacted for his guidance in social relationship, and institutions have been established for his aid. As brothers we meet in our lodge-rooms; there we love, honor and respect true, honest, open, frank and genuine manhood; there we enlarge the circle of our friendship; there for the time are we separated from the strife and the competitions of life.—Voice of Masonry.

Remembered.

The story of the Red Cross Knight. Knight of St. John, Hospitaller and Templar, is always of interest. The pathway of their history is broad, well-marked and has ofttimes been traveled. How, to alleviate the dangers and distresses to which devout worshippers and pilgrims to Jerusalem were exposed, "nine noble gentlemen," who had distinguished themselves at siege and capture, formed a holy Brotherhood in arms, and entered into a most holy compact to aid each other in clearing the highways and protecting the pilgrims through the passes and defiles of the mountains to the Holy City: how these "Poor Fellow-soldiers of Jesus Christ," as their good deeds became known, were patronized, and how they increased in numbers; how they were assigned a place in one of the temples of the city of Jerusalem, and on that account were known as "Knights of the Temple," and how by reason of their warlike deeds and their "desirable adherence" they eventually became entrusted with the defense of the Christian Church of the East and Jerusalem, the Holy City, the Mecca of the weary pilgrim traveling from afar.

Since then unnumbered millions of men have lived and died and their very existence is forgotten. The dry leaves that fell last autumn and were whirled away by the winter's blast are not more utterly lost than are they. And yet the world is not unthankful. To every one that serves it it returns some token of gratitude; but on those who have given to it new store of high and ennobling thought, purpose and illustrious example, who have touched the fountain of generous emotions that lie deep in men's hearts, who have helped to make life brighter, more joyous, more forgiving, more loving and more Godlike; upon those, its best and truest benefactors. mankind, from the fullness of its great heart of hearts, pours out the richest treasure of its love. They are never forgotten: empires may fall, dynasties perish, great cities crumble into ruin and not a trace of their existence remains; wealth and all the splendid forms of civilization it creates and destroys may pass, as the wind, away, but the great lords of the empire of thought, purpose and example; the chieftains who have led the march of minds onward and upward into realms of purer happiness, never wholly die. Time itself becomes the guardian of their fame, and unharmed amid the wreck of ages, untouched by stain or decay, their memory lasts forever fresh and fair in the souls of men .-Keystone.

"Masons should never forget that while they have two ears and only one tongue, therefore they should hear twice as much as they speak, particularly out of the Lodge and in public places. He who has learned to obey and possesses a teachable spirit is a proper person to advance to the highest honors in Masonry. He sees everything, hears everything, enjoys everything, and betrays nothing."





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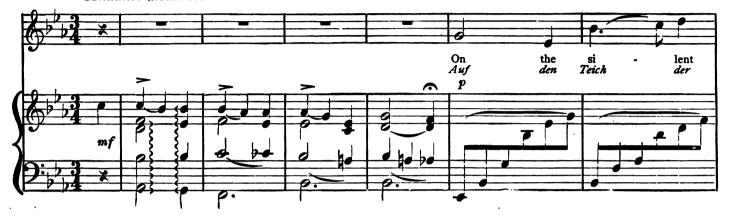
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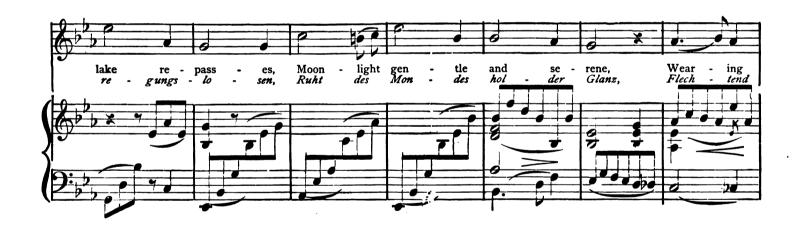
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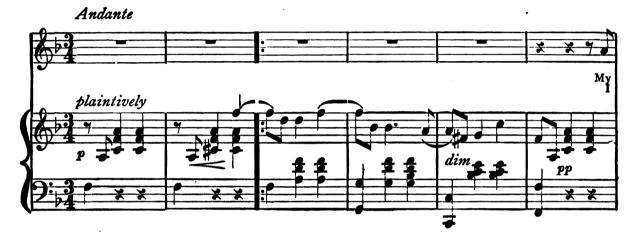


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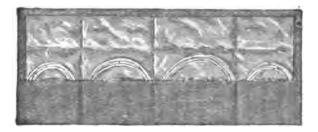
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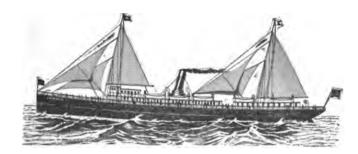
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How bright and fair the world might be
Were men more often known
To try to mend—not others' faults—
But, better far, their own;
Did we but try mankind to teach
A nobler, better way,
Not merely by a formal speech,
But actions day by day.

How bright and fair this life might be,
No more a troubled dream,
If men would live for what they are,
And not for what they seem;
Did we but garner less of wealth,
Which leads so oft astray,
And more of mind and soul delights,
That cannot pass away.

How bright and fair this world might be,
What marvels 'twould unfold,
If men would do one-half for love
That now they do for gold;
If we to truer, simpler ways
Were only more inclined,
We then should learn life's choicest gifts

Are health and peace of mind.

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Miss Eliza Aurelius.

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his experience he had never heard the celebrated aria given in a more finished manner nor in better voice. Signor Jannotta fully appreciates the wonders of this young lady's voice and is giving special care to her training—developing the best in the voice and arousing the necessary enthusiasm that carries success with it. Miss Aurelius adds to her marvelous voice and musical appreciation a very charming presence—easy, graceful and entirely natural. There is but one voice regarding her future: she will make an honored name in her chosen profession.

Miss Aurelius was specially honored by the World's Columbian Exposition with a medal. The fitness of the bestowal can be attested by the thousands who have listened to her magnificent voice and admirable method.

BALLADS OF YANKEE LAND.

By William Edward Penney. 301 pp., 12mo., cloth, gilt top. \$1.50.

Sooner will the flowers cease blooming on the New England hills than the homely romance of country life be exhausted by the poets. Mr. Penney strikes the keynote of his volume in his first poem, "That Dear Old-fashioned Kitchen." He pictures the "farmhouse standing on a grassy hill, with its sloping roof and chimney built of stone," the roomy barnyard, the mossy bucket "hanging dripping from its sweep," "the bench upon the porch by the back door"; but soon he leads us into the kitchen where sat "mother by the table, mending stockings for her boys"; the home-made tallow dips send out a mellow radiance, the iron kettle murmurs, and its shadows from the glowing embers dance grotesquely on the wall. He gives the scene the master-stroke of vividness in the mixture of pathos and humor, in the personal element which goes to the heart. He paints the simple country life with its often grotesque and ludicrous elements of romance: country courtings, country rivalries. But he takes these same rude and uncultivated children of the soil and puts them into a larger environment when he shows them engaged in the defense of the Union, with heroic coolness facing death and helping to fight the nation's battles. There are about seventy titles and many of them are surprisingly good examples of dialect verse.

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Some years ago there lived in England a certain bishop who was extremely pompous, and very fond of impressing upon the minds of the poorer people the evil of doing wrong. As they never seemed to do aught but wrong in the worthy man's opinion, it sometimes became irksome to these people to hear him constantly admonishing them to do right. One of the bishon's habits was to visit the miners a short distance from his city, and his presence grew familiar to these toilers. During one of his calls he found a group of them talking together, and after a few preliminary words on his customary subject of doing right, he asked what they were talking of.

"You see," said one of the men, "we found a kettle, and us has been er-trying who can tell the biggest loi to own the kettle."

The bishop was duly surprised, and read the men a lecture in which he spoke of how strongly the offence of lying had been impressed upon him when he was young, and how he had never told a lie in the whole course of his life. He had hardly finished when one of the men cried out, "Gi'e him the kettle, Jim! Gi'e him the

"Gi'e him the kettle, Jim! Gi'e him the kettle."

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OCTAVO.

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BLUNDERS.—Most of us are blunderers at some time or other. Fortunately a single mistake is seldom remembered against one, if it is not of malicious origin. A lawyer of the middle-west, however, still hears one of his youthful slips quoted occasionally. "Gentlemen of the jury," he remarked impressively, "there were thirty-six hogs in that lot, thirty-six. I want you to remember that number, thirty-six hogs; just three times the number there are in the jury box." He lost the case and he has won many a more important one since without effacing the memory of that unthinking speech.—Ex.

TIT FOR TAT.—A British sailor, being a witness in a murder case, was called to the stand, and was asked by the counsel for the Crown whether he was for the plaintiff or defendant.

"Plaintiff or defendant?" said the sailor, scratching his head. "Why, I don't know what you mean by plaintiff or defendant. I come to speak for me friend," pointing to the prisoner.

"You're a pretty fellow for a witness," said the counsel, "not to know what plaintiff or defendant means."

Later in the trial the counsel asked the sailor what part of the ship he was in at the time of the murder.

"Abaft the binnacle, me lord," said the sailor.

"Abaft the binnacle?" replied the barrister. "What part of the ship is that?"

"Ain't you a pretty feller for a counsellor," said the sailor, grinning at the counsel, "not to know what abaft the binnacle is!"

The court laughed.

EASILY SATISFIED.—There was once a mandarin who was excessively fond of jewels, and always walked abroad with his robe covered with the sparkling gems. One day he was accosted by an old bonze, who, following him through the street, bowed himself often to the ground and thanked the mandarin for his jewels.

"What does the man mean?" cried the mandarin, in great alarm. Then addressing the bonze, he said, "I never gave you any jewels, man!"

"No," replied the bonze, "but you have let me look at them, and that is all the use you can make of them yourself, so there is no difference between us, except that you have the trouble of guarding them, a task I should not care for."

Willie had swallowed a penny and his mother was in a state of much alarm,

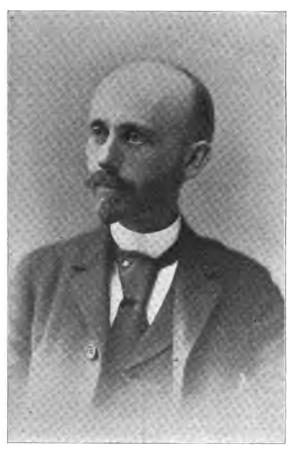
"Helen," she called to her sister in the next room, "send for a doctor; Willie has swallowed a penny!"

The terrified and frightened boy looked up imploringly.

"No, mamma," he interposed, "send for the minister."

"The minister?" asked his mother, incredulously. "Did you say the minis-

"Yes. Because papa says our minister



E. A. Parsons.

We herewith present to our readers an excellent portrait of Mr. E. A. Parsons, one of the most widely known teachers of the piano in New England. Students of music as well as the profession in all parts of the state will no doubt at once recognize the picture, as Mr. Parsons has had a wide and extended career as pianist, teacher and composer. He has played in concert, chamber music and in solo programmes

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An Englishman, touring through America, went on board a steamer late one night, and on the following morning, after walking on deck and looking round him, he stepped up to the captain and asked, "I beg your pardon, but would you kindly tell me what lake I'm on?"

"The Lake Huron," replied the captain and turned away.

The Englishman looked puzzled for a moment, and then, following the captain, began again, "I beg your pardon, you said—"

"It's the Lake Huron," roared the captain, thinking the man was deaf.

"Yes, I know," persisted the passenger, "but what's the name of the lake that I'm on?"

"The Lake Huron!" shouted the captain, incensed at what he thought gross stupidity, and he turned away to relieve himself by railing at one of the hands. The Englishman looked more puzzled than ever.

"The lake you're on is the lake you're on. Of course it is! The lake I'm on can't help being the lake I'm on. What impertinence! Let me look in my guidebook; perhaps that will tell me."

It did tell him; and then the humor of the situation suddenly dawned upon him.

A man strolled into a fashionable church just before the service began. The sexton followed him up, and tapping him on the shoulder and pointing to a small cur that had followed him into the sacred edifice, said: "Dogs are not admitted."

"That's not my dog," replied the visitor.

"But he follows you."
"Well, so do you."

The sexton growled, and immediately removed the dog with unnecessary vio-

"Well, Pat, have you learned to ride

your bicycle yet?"
"Sorra a bit, sor. Sure, Oi can't aven
balance mesilf standin' still, let alone



The Mason's Prayer.

BY LEE O. HARRIS. Great Architect of earth and skies, Fill Thou my heart with purity, And let its love, like incense, rise, A grateful offering unto Thee. Teach me to labor for the right, Since labor is Thy highest trust, To Seraph clothed with heaven's light, Or lowest reptile of the dust. Nor let me idly sit and see A stricken Brother fainting go, But fill my soul with charity To lift his heavy weight of woe. Teach me to guard with watchful care The treasures of Thy altar place, Nor let unhallowed hands impair Thy temple's beauty nor its grace. Oh, let this thought my will control-There is an Eye whose searching light Pervades the chambers of the soul. And reads its every thought aright. Oh, when the storms are fierce and dark, Let down the Anchor of Thy Love, That Peace may smile within the Ark To welcome her returning dove. So, let me solve life's problem well, That when the working time is past, The voice of after years shall tell. "He found its answer at the last." Let brave Endeavor's golden sand Run through the glass of life, till Time

Then shall I go without regret,
Confiding in Thy power to save,
Nor fear to lie where Hope has set
Her green acacia at the grave.

Shall wield his scythe to cut the strand

That holds me from a happier clime.

-Masonic Advocate.

In every organization there is a measure of loss that is inevitable. The wear and tear of time is manifest everywhere; some of it is avoidable, much of it unavoidable. Time is irresistibly bearing our membership on to "the country from whose bourne no traveler returns."

The rivers that empty into the sea would run dry in their course thither were they not fed by the rainfalls and the melting snows and glaciers in the mountains. The fruit tree yields up each season much of its life in broken twigs and torn branches. but every season it is repairing the loss by putting forth new shoots. Day by day the men who toil with brain and hand impair their vigor, but day and night they recreate the waste by food and rest. So the order suffers by the suspensions, sickness, disability and death that time is ever bringing; but the order gains all that is lost and more from the young generation that time brings in ever-increasing numbers to replace the old, and the order will continue prospering while humanity lasts.

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been under the impression that the lecture, like the ceremony that preceded it, is given for his benefit. The moment his ears are assailed with applause the solemnity of the occasion is rudely dispelled. and he awakes to the idea, and you cannot blame him, brethren, that the lecture has been delivered with some other object than to convey instruction to himself."

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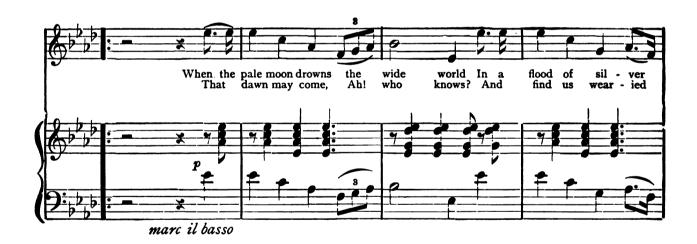
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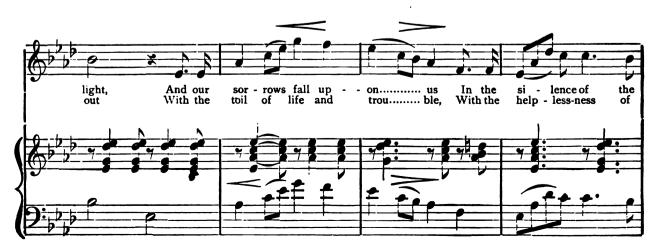
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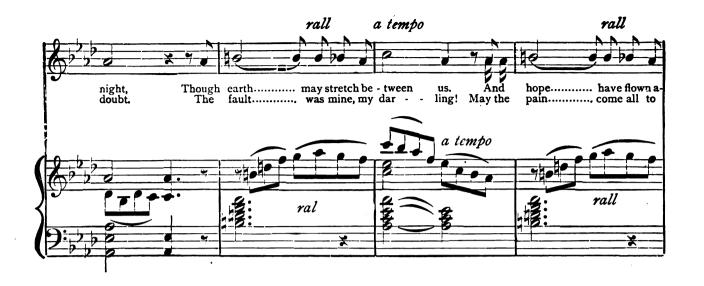
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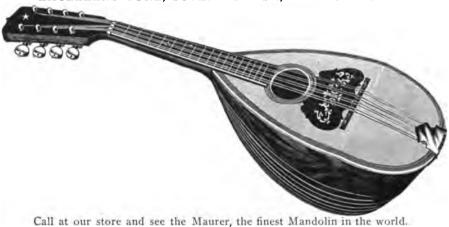
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"Our key shall be a little flat, A finely furnished one at that; There we shall live on minor scale In style to make the Major quail.

"Be natural, admit my plea, Discard the Major, marry me, Let us duet life's measure through, Enchanted singer, what say you

Said she, "I sing too sharp for that. You never catch me in a flat; I choose the notes of higher pitch, The Major has them—he is rich.' -Rambler.

Fame.

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James V. Becvar.

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He gave his first lesson thirteen years ago as assistant to M. De Garmo Brooks, his former instructor. During the past eight years he has taught in New Haven and surrounding cities and towns, among them Hartford, Bristol, Farmington, Plainville, New Britain, Plantsville, Southington, Milford. Naugatuck, Saybrook, New London, Rectory School at Centerville, etc., etc. His patrons in these places have been of the highest order of social standing, quick to appreciate the



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One moment's self denial;
But oh; it is so much
That heavy hearts grow lighter,
And life is robbed of pain,
And somewhere in the world
Yours is the greatest gain.

Be ye, then, Jew or Gentile,
Ask not the other's creed:
For if the flower be spotless,
Care ye where grew the seed?
Live for the one true purpose
That honest hearts may rise,
Work through the noon of manhood;
And when the evening dies
There will be no forebodings—
Angels will close thine eyes.

-Canadian Craftsman.

Practical Masonry cultivates the memory of its working Crastsmen. Now, memory is no mean faculty. It is a feeder of thought, the parent of reasoning, the foundation of the whole intellectual superstructure, which, when properly erected, is pronounced to be genius. Memory is an attribute of divinity-the book of remembrance is the one out of which we shall hereafter be examined and judged, before we can gain admittance to the Grand Lodge above. It becomes us, therefore, to educate it to its highest point; to impress upon it lessons of sublime morality, which, when exemplified in the life, shall stand the test of that last great examination when the builders of time shall meet the Architect of eternity.-Keystone.

President McKinley à Free Mason.

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"His entrance into Masonry was an incident of the war, and unique. McKinley was going through the hospitals with one of the regimental surgeons. He noticed that the surgeon and some of the Confederate wounded were very friendly to each other, and in several instances the surgeon gave money to the prisoners.

"There was an unmistakable bond of sympathy between them. Young McKinley asked the surgeon if he knew these prisoners. The surgeon told him they were brother Masons. Young McKinley was so impressed by the friendly feeling existing between Confederate and Union Masons that he expressed a desire to join the order. He was made a Mason in Hiram Lodge, Winchester, Va., May 1, 1865, receiving his degree at the hands of a Confederate Master of the Lodge."

-Canadian Craftsman.

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-The Masonic Herald.

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—Philip N. Matlock.

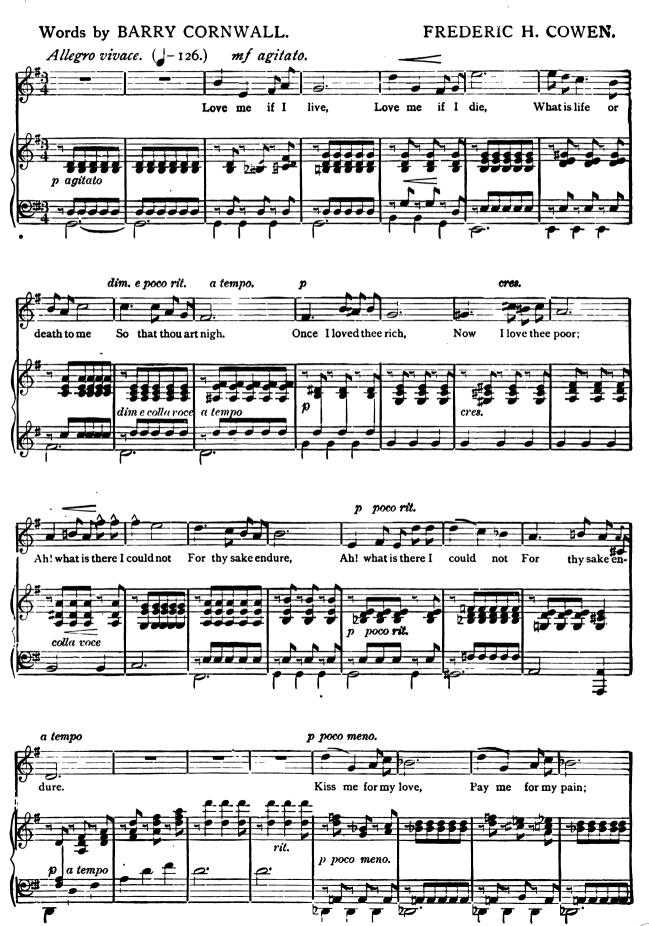
What Masonry Teaches.

Masonry teaches us to regard our brother's welfare as our own. That command is imperative, and the injunction must be lived up to. There is no way by which we can shift the responsibility. The duty is ours and must be performed-lovingly, fully, and in a fraternal spirit. We must keep in mind what will promote the welfare of our brother, and do for him that which will advance his interests. The measure of his duty is "as our own," and this measurement applies to every department of life, and here is a very safe rule to follow: "As ye would that others do to you, do ye even so to them." The man who lives thus, keeping this statute in the spirit as well as the letter, fulfills the law of love, and reaps the reward of him who is faithful in that which is another's. Every Mason is, to a good degree, his brother's keeper. This is the trust committed. His obligation binds him to surrender, by his own deed, the tie which binds him to the Fraternity, and which he should ever keep sacred and inviolable. The relation which we sustain to each other, as Masons, is of a most sacred character, and the way to keep this relation intact is for each one to do his whole duty toward perpetuating its existence. In this matter our interests are common ones, and we must therefore do what we can to build up, strengthen and support this common cause. There can be no division here. There must be unity of purpose, unity of effort, and these must be supported by a oneness of mind and heart. "Two cannot walk together unless they be agreed," and therefore we must be actuated by one and the same spirit, and hence this injunction covers the entire ground, "Let the same mind be in you." There must be no strife or contention, but we must be actuated by that noble sirit of emulation, "as to who can best work and best agree," preferring one another.-Masonic Advocate.

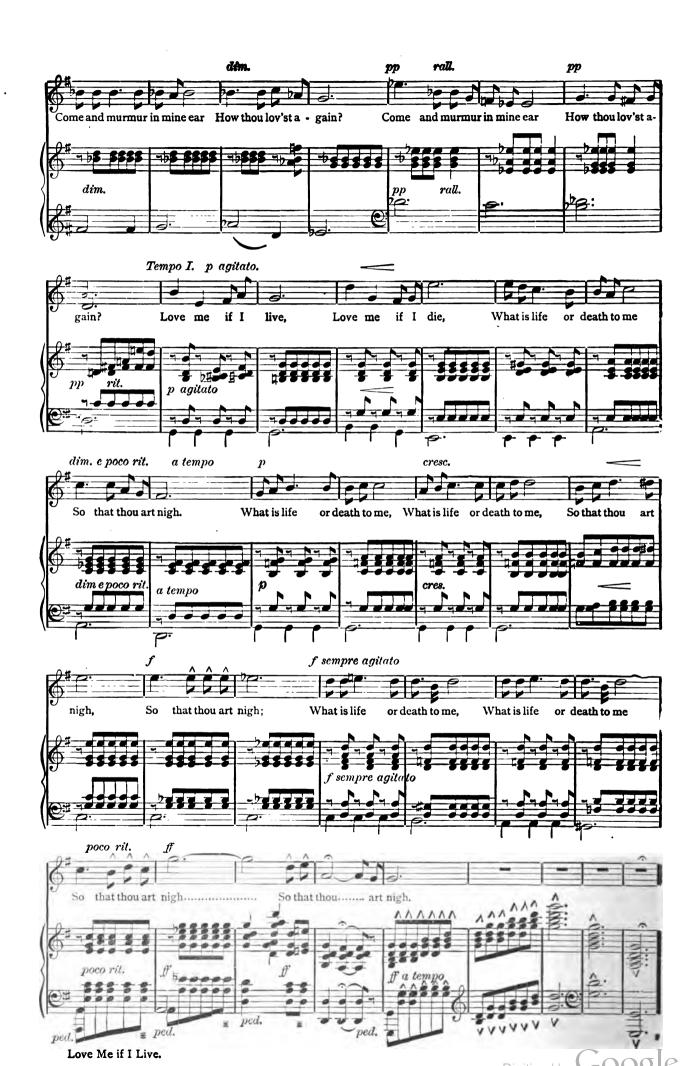
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The intellectual side of Freemasonry is one which is seldom separately considered; but it is distinct from the moral side, and merits recognition and cultivation from every lover of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity. The two sides are distinct, and yet the same, there being a correlation between the two, so that whatever elevates one elevates the other; hence, whatever benefits the intellect of a Freemason, benefits also in some degree his higher or spiritual nature.—Keystone.

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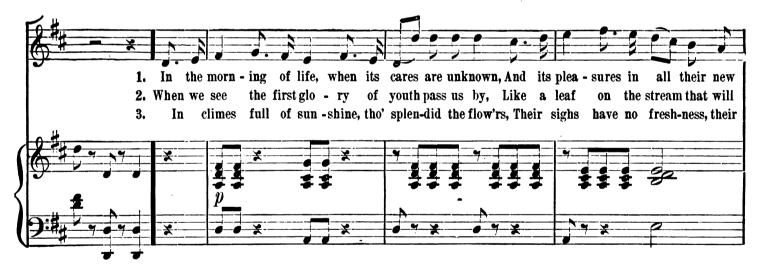
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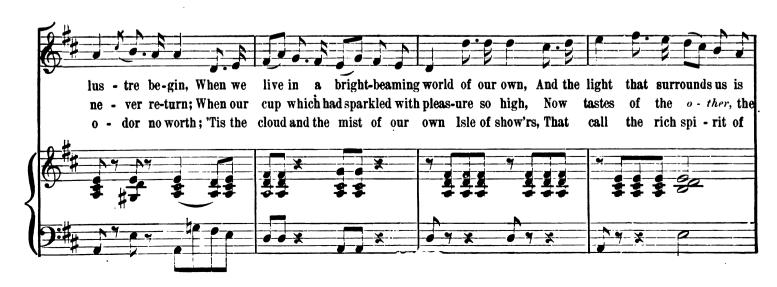


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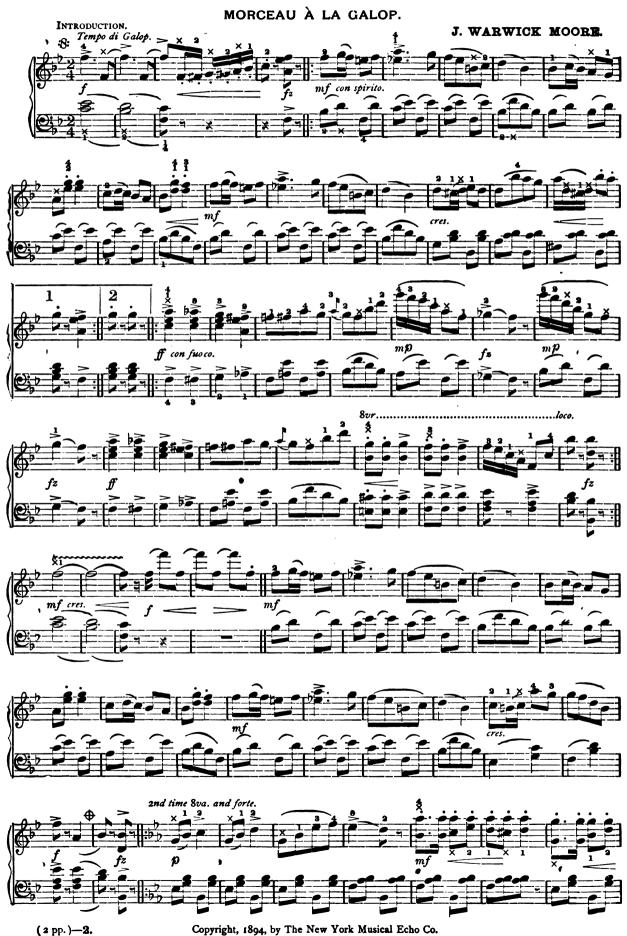


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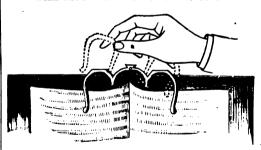
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And the green and bending grasses felt the fall of crimson dew;

And we talked the whole thing over, where the flag was waving free;

How he had marched with Sherman, and I had served with Lee.

The drums had ceased their beating, we saw no sabres shine;

The hair about his forehead fell as snowy white as mine,

And voices seemed to call us o'er the far, eternal sea,

Where the men who marched with Sherman are in camp with those of Lec.

We parted; eyes grew misty for we knew that nevermore

We'd meet until the roll-call on the other peaceful shore;

But both shook hands in friendship, as hearty as could be,

Though he had marched with Sherman, and I had fought with Lee.

-Frank L. Stanton



Loretto O'Connell.



Loretto O'Connell.

We present herewith another portrait of this little genius, showing her one year older than the portrait we published a few months ago. She is now seven years old, and this time she is seated at the piano, and the reader will notice that she holds her arms and hands in perfect position: this was one of her natural gifts. She is now studying in the Music department of Yale University, which is something for her to be proud of, as she is the only child taken in the institution. In an interview with Professor Sanford of the Musical Department of the University, in the New Haven Register, Sunday, Oct. 17, is the following:

"Turning to matters musical, Prof. Sanford talked interestingly of Loretto O'Connell, the 7-year-old child, who has just been admitted to the University Department of Music, and whose unusual talent has been set forth in the Register.

"Why, the child has absolute pitch," he exclaimed, "and the ability to write everything she hears. You can't fool her on pitch, and in spite of the fact that she is à mere child, she never answers a question without first thinking it out."

Mr. Stanley Knight, Prof. Sanford's assistant, has her as a pupil, and he declares that the child is one of his most delightful charges.

"I am greatly interested in her studies," said Prof. Sanford, "and am usually present at her lessons. I want to watch the child, as I consider her remarkably gifted. I have put her in charge of Mr. Jepson for harmony, as she is far too young to enter Prof. Parker's class in theory."

Mr. Jepson is equally interested in the tot, and he, too, pronounces her a "delightful pupil." In writing the scales, she works with little difficulty, scarcely balking at some of the most catchy places in harmonic minors. Her teacher said that she rode triumphantly the other day over the difficult E sharp and F double sharp passage in the D sharp minor melodic scale; a passage that always puzzles young students in harmony even after they have many lessons.

The child explained afterwards, too, why she wrote as she did, explained naively and cleverly as she does everything.

"We are all charmed with her pretty little unconscious ways, too," said the

"She gets her lessons usually after school hours. When we came into the studio one day last week, she sprang from behind the curtain with a loud 'boo,' laughing heartily afterwards, as we pretended to have been greatly startled."

"Prof. Parker is as much interested in the little girl as I am. He is also watching her progress, and as soon as possible she will be taken into his class."

To Loretto's mother is due her musical talent and early instruction.

Mrs. O'Connell was a very successful music teacher in New Haven before her marriage. The New York Sunday World. Nov. 14, said:

Loretto is the daughter of Michael O'Connell, proprietor of the O'Connell House, at Savin Rock, and inherits from her mother a natural taste for music. Mrs. O'Connell is a skilled musician, and began her little girl's education when the child was but three years old. At the age of four little Loretto had learned to play the piano, and before she reached the age of six her performances delighted her friends.

At six she began to play in public at children's gatherings, and in the local entertainments given by the West Haven townspeople.

When six years old she arranged and had published her first musical composition. The early draft of the piece was made on odd bits of smooth board that she found around the house. One day her mother ran across one of these chips on which the child had arranged her musical score, and was struck with the evidence of melody revealed by the crude characters. When she asked the child about them. Loretto replied that it was some music she had "thought out" at odd moments. In order not to lose the "jingle" she had set it to music on her "chip notes." The piece was published and called "Loretto Polka."

Since then Loretto has written another musical composition called Loretto Galop, which has also been published.

The head of Yale University School of Music was so impressed with the talent shown by the little girl that she was taken into the Music School. Little Loretto is fitting herself with all the polish one of her age can be expected to acquire with such advantages.

Musical critics are predicting a brilliant future for the clever young artist.

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TO MUSIC.

Thou lovely Art! how often in sad, grey When life's horizon seemed all dark to be. Hast thou sustained me with thy mighty

And op'ed a purer, better world to me.

Oft has a sigh from thy great harp immortal,

Smoothed out the wrinkles from my troubled brow, Unlocked for me of heaven the lofty portal, Thou holy art, I thank thee for it now.

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"Of very thin cedar, pine, or other soft wood, make a box five or six inches deep, seven or eight inches wide, and of a length just equal to the width of the window in which it is to be placed. Across the top, near each end, glue a strip of wood half an inch high and a quarter of an inch thick, for bridges. Into the ends of the box insert wooden pins like those of a violin, to wind the strings around—two pins at each end. Make a round hole in the middle of the top, and string the box with small catgut or blue first fiddle-strings. Fastening one end of each string to a metallic pin in one end of the box, and carrying it over the bridges, wind it around the turningpin in the opposite end of the box. The ends of the box should be increased in thickness where the wooden pins enter, by a piece of wood glued upon the inside. Tune the strings in unison, and place the box in the window. It is better to have four strings, as described; but a harp with a single string produces exceedingly sweet notes, which vary with the force of the wind."



Florence Buckingham Joyce.

Among the many people in New York who are identified with music, there is a woman who is somewhat remarkable for having achieved a pronounced success as an artist accompanist. This is probably due to her determination to do one thing in music so well that she should stand at the head in that particular line.

When Florence Buckingham Joyce went to New York some three years ago from Utica, she studied the situation carefully and decided that there were too many real and would-be solo pianists already in the field. Having been quite successful in Utica as accompanist for some of the leading musicians who visited her home, Mrs. Joyce decided to devote all her time and study to the rendering of artistic accompaniments for both vocal and instrumental music.

To accomplish this she declined all apportunities of doing solo work, and devoted all her energies to the proper interpretation of accompaniments. That there is crying need of competent accompanists every musician is well aware. Alas, how often are the best efforts of a singer, and a composer too, spoiled by the inadequate and inartistic accompaniment of some well-meaning pianist. Time and again would many a singer be carried through some difficult passage by the quick sustaining tone from the piano, were the presiding genius at that instrument properly equipped for the task.

The qualifications for solo work are entirely different from those required for the playing of accompaniments, and very few soloists can do this work well. Perhaps

the best epitome of these qualifications is contained in the following extract from *The Musical Courier* about Mrs. Joyce:

"Transposing anything at sight, and possessing that subtle 'sixth' sense which only the heaven-made accompanist knows anything about, but which is the crowning joy of the singer being accompanied."

Florence Buckingham Joyce is without doubt the best known and most successful woman accompanist in her line of work in New York, and this is attested by the fact that she has played for such singers as Antonia H. Sawyer, Katherine Bloodgood, Kate Percy Douglas, Emma Thursby, Marie Parcello, George Ferguson, Charles Herbert Clarke, James Metcalfe and for Louis Blumenberg, the well-known 'cellist. Her playing is notable for fine style, artistic expression and a marked sympathy with both singer and composer. It has, too, a masculine firmness and strength, doubtless due to her proficiency on the organ, as she studied that instrument under William C. Carl, whose substitute she was for a time.

There is a refreshing naturalness about Mrs. Joyce and a grace and charm of manner that has won her a host of friends, both musical and social. On Monday afternoons Mrs. Joyce receives at her delightful studio on Madison Square, where tea and good music are served with lavish hand. Here, too, are often heard the Florence Buckingham Joyce Trio, of which she is the leader.

As a composer, Mrs. Joyce is making a name, her "Little Boy Blue" having already been a success, and several other compositions are under way. New Yorkers are to be congratulated upon having such an artist in their midst.

—John Allyn.



The Voice of the Builder.

First Wisdom spake: "I have contrived The plan on which to build A temple grand, with whose renown The ages shall be filled; Through whose bright halls your willing feet

To walk shall never cease; For all my ways are pleasantness, And all my paths are peace!"

Then Strength gave voice: "It shall be mine

Its pillars to support,

To glorify its heaven-built walls From porch to inner court; Mine to uphold its lofty roof With emphasis sublime, While temples built by man alone Yield to the touch of time."

Then Beauty: "Tis my sphere to adorn Your walls with living light;
To prophesy of coming days
Whose dawn shall be more bright
Than rose of morning, noonday's gold,
Than light of sun or star;
Behold upon the eastern hills
Your king's triumphal car!

"He comes in His imperial robe
And glittering diadem;
The stars are but seed-pearls upon
His garment's purple hem;
We serve Him where He entereth in,—
Our plans but shadow His;
Lo, Earth and Air and Sea give praise
For all that in them is!

"He holdeth all things by His might,
Appoints each star its track;
From the beginning God hath looked:
We turn the pages back.
Our God is WISDOM, He is STRENGTH,
And BEAUTY, three in one;
He gives us being and controls
The work that we have done."

—Keystone.

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It is the opinion of all those whose good opinion is really worth having, that he who clings to the sacredness of lodge vows and the obligations of lodge loyalty, is ever a far nobler and truer man than is he who wears these things as he wears

his coat—to be taken off at pleasure.

Masonry asks of its members obedience to certain defined principles and well established lines of action that comport with honor, justice and humanity; but it requires no blind allegiance to itself, nor any performance of service contrary to the individual conscience, or in conflict with the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship.

Nothing can be demanded of any member of the Craft that is in violation of those fundamental obligations; indeed, his personal independence is recognized in many ways, and all along the line of his Masonic advancement he is told that his primal duties consist in being faithful to himself, his country and his God.

He finds laws and principles clearly laid down, definite courses of social and moral obligation marked out, and he promises an obedience thereto. He promises to obey the moral law, to be a loyal citizen and an honest, upright man and Mason.

Masonry demands obedience to its laws, edicts and regulations, and not only of its own but also demands honest obedience to the laws of the state, and excludes no one from its benign influence, nor dictates to its votaries to what other orders or societies he may or may not belong.

Masonry enforces obedience, but it is an obedience with a freer conscience—the obedience of a free man. Masonry stands for law and order, stands above all for universal tolerance ond universal charity.

-Canadian Craftsman.

Social Pleasures of Freemasonry.

Among the manifold enjoyments which are incident to a connection with the Masonic Fraternity, there is none which is more apparent, or pleasurable, than that which flows out of the fraternal intercourse of Craftsmen, both in and out of the Lodge. When we meet a Freemason we meet a Brother, in all that the name implies. In him we may repose confidence, with him we may journey safely, from him we may expect sympathy in our grief, congratulation in our joy and aid in our distress. He is our other self. Wherever we may be, in the Lodge or in the world, we find in him a friend that sticketh as close as a brother in blood. This principle of kinship constitutes the strength of the Mystic Tie which binds members of the Craft together into one family. There is no other family in the world, social or religious, which is so widespread, or so closely knit together, as the Masonic family, and hence the peculiarity of the social tie which unites its members.

Every time a Brother enters his own Lodge, he realizes the pleasure of socially meeting his fellow-members "on the Level." There is a heartiness, a sincerity in Masonic greetings which is rarely matched elsewhere. The place contributes to this. We are within the tyled Lodge. We are for the time being separated from the world, and from all anxiety concerning its strifes and disappointments. are in the house of our friends. There is nothing to make us afraid, and everything to assure us. No hand is withheld from us, no eye is averted and no heart refuses us a welcome. Where else can you find such perfect sympathy, or minds and hearts more perfectly attuned to your own? There is genuineness in every word spoken. We appreciate mutually witnessing or sharing in the performance of Masonic work. We enjoy the sociability which precedes and follows the labors of the evening. And then when the Lodge is closed, and actual refreshment follows labor, who can measure the enjoyment | initiates.-Keystone.

which is connected with the fraternal board?

Mankind does not need to be instructed concerning the pleasures of the table. Whether it be in the privacy of the family board, or around the social board in the world, or the banquet board of the Craft, partaking of the creature comforts of the table always brings with it a peculiarly fascinating enjoyment. But probably nowhere is that enjoyment so great as in Freemasonry. Nowhere else does one associate with a company composed exclusively of his Masonic Brethren. Cheerful words, beaming eyes, clasped hands, jovial remarks, entertaining addresses. beautiful recitations, charming music, humorous songs-the entire play of the occasion contributes to lift the burden from the overworked body, to exhilarate the weary mind, to dissipate the cloud that overshadows the aching heart. There is food for body, mind and spirit-instruction, entertainment, amusement. The bodily appetite is appeased and the mental appetite satisfied. There is the completest social pleasure imaginable.

Another social pleasure in the Craft of the most enjoyable character is that which is incident to Masonic visiting. In Freemasonry there is no place like home, except away from home. But we can never get away from home so long as we keep within the circumference of the Craft. In every Lodge we are among our Brethren. But they are different Brethren, unknown Brethren it may be, until we make their acquaintance. How exquisite is the enjoyment of extending our acquaintance among the members of other Lodges, whether of our own city or county, our own jurisdiction, or those of another jurisdiction. It is only by so doing that we fully realize the cosmopolitan character of Freemasonry-that it is not composed of rival families, but all members constitute one family; that an abundant entrance into any Lodge is given every avouched or skillful Brother; that the same cordial greeting and friendly handgrasp await us in every Lodge of the Craft around the globe which we may choose to visit.

Perhaps on no occasion more than on that of a Grand Visitation are the social pleasures of the Craft more readily perceived or fully enjoyed. Then the largest number of Craftsmen are apt to be gathered together, the most widely separated Lodges are represented. Grand Officers, officers of constituent Lodges and members all "meet upon the level," observe the work, share in various social enjoyments, form new acquaintances, and learn to value more than ever the multiform and manifold advantages which are the gift of Freemasonry.

With a knowledge of these facts, who would become a careless or absentee member of his Lodge, who would abandon Masonic membership and be a non-affiliate, who renounce Freemasonry and live exclusively in the company of the profane? He only who has failed to appreciate all that Freemasonry is and has, for the culture of the mind, the purification of the heart and the brightening of the life of its

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The Callous Music Clerk.

I watched him in his dapper way, The maiden sweetly said: "O, Promise Me;" he never smiled, He only bowed his head.

Again she asked him, this time: "Will You Love Me When I'm Old?" And if the trouble you don't mind Just, please. "Take Back Your Gold!"

"One Miss Sweet Rosie O'Grady,"
And if you'll be so kind,
"Just Tell Them That You Saw Me"
And a "Safety Pin Behind."

That music clerk made no reply,
His face remained the same,
E'en when she softly murmured this:
"Whisper Your Mother's Name."

He never smiled one little smile, As far as I could see. When she made this remark that "All Coons Look Alike to Me!"

"Why!" said I, in politeness he Assuredly is slack; He didn't stir when she affirmed "I Want Dem Presents Back!"

Alas! he never brightened up,
Nor showed the least delight,
E'en when she asked. "Can you give me
Hot Time—Old Town—To-night?"
—Monroe H. Rosenfelt, in New York Evening Journal.



Agnes Mathilde Pressler.

When a young woman has grown up surrounded by a musical atmosphere it is not surprising that she should easily become an excellent musician herself. Agnes Mathilde Dressler has become known as a charming violoncellist and has played before some of the most fashionable people of New York.

Her father, William Dressler, has been well known among prominent musical people for years as one of the most cultivated musical scholars in the metropolis. Louis R. Dressler, the well known composer, is a brother of Miss Dressler, and has given her the benefit of his advice in many ways.

After leaving school Miss Dressler decided to study designing, and for three years studied diligently in sketching, modelling in clay, oil and water-color painting. Thus she obtained a complete art education which has doubtless been of value to her in music. Later Miss Dress-

ler decided to take up the 'cello and studied for three years with Otto Langey, who is a master of the instrument. Her playing is broad and sympathetic, winning the applause and appreciation of all her hearers. She is bright and winsome, quick in repartee and a great favorite. It is easy to predict a successful career for her with her chosen instrument. She is also a member of the Florence Buckingham Joyce Trio.

"What did the lawyer say to you, Brid-

"He axed me did I know there was brass enough in me face to make a good sized kittle, and I tould him, shure, thin there was sauce enough in his tongue to fill it, the old haythen."

Adam (to Eve)—"Well, we've got to leave Eden right away. Come on!"

Eve—"Wait a minute! Is my hat on straight?"

·HE KISSED HER.—A lady of fashion had been loitering for nearly an hour in a fashionable music shop at Sheffield, Eng., recently. She had purchased a copy of nearly every piece of music that had a sentimental title, and had sent out to her carriage a whole portmanteau full of "love"—going through every mood of the feeling, past, present or future—and was following their example when she paused upon the step as if meditating whether she should take it or some other step that was evidently turning itself over in her mind.

The shopman, who had been somewhat moved by the tender tone of voice in which she had asked him, "Wilt thou love me then as now?" watched her with an anxiety that betrayed itself too plainly in the adjustment of his shirt collar and the arrangement of his hair. Suddenly the lady seemed resolved, as with one bound she cleared the pavement and, breathless, pale, her auburn ringlets fluttering in the wind, stood once more before the admiring shopman.

"I had nearly forgotten," she said, in a voice that seemed to veil her blushing words; "dear! dear! I cannot tell where my head is to-day! I come back to ask you if by chance"—here she paused, as if to take new courage, while the trembling shopman posted his two thumbs elegantly on the mahogany counter and leaned his body inquiringly forward—"to ask you to be kind enough to give me one kiss before parting."

"M-a-a-a-d-a-m!" exclaimed the astonished shopman.

"I want you," repeated the marchioness, "to let me have one kiss before parting—one will do if you please."

She raised her beautiful blue eyes full upon his, and met them boldly and unblushingly. She then, without betraying any emotion, repeated her question, adding as calmly as possible, "If you cannot give it to me now, I will call some other time."

He could doubt no longer. Springing over the counter, he seized hold of the lady's fair form and then and there gave the kiss she so earnestly begged for previous to departure. To his great astonishment, the only return the lady gave was a box on the ears. This was followed by a volley of blows dealt by her parasol over his head, which was accompanied by an equal number of shrieks, that never terminated till the police came into the shop.

The affair was carried to the nearest police court, but was soon dismissed upon its being explained that "One Kiss Before Parting" was the name of a song which the unsophisticated shopman, blissfully green from his native fields, had never heard of before.

Mrs. Mix—"Charles, that piano they had next door has gone to-day."

Mr. Mix—"Well, I'am glad, if it's finally got away. It's been going every day for the last six months."—Puck.

An Explanation Needed.—"See here, sir!" she said, as she entered a piano manufacturer's office the other day, "your agent has imposed upon me."

"Is it possible, ma'am? In what respect?"

"Yes, sir, he has lied to me, and I don't want your piano."

"How has he deceived you?"

"Why, he came into my house and told me that your piano was the best in the world; told it right before witnesses, and I can prove every word of it."

"But that was not deceiving you, ma'am."

"Yes, it was! I hadn't the piano two days before another agent called and said his was the best, and he had a circular to back it up. He had hardly got out of doors when another called and said his piano had taken ten medals."

"But we have taken fifteen, ma'am."

"O, have you?"

"And are sure to get the premium at the next world's fair."

"Indeed!"

"And we have issued a challenge for a public trial which no other manufacturer will accept."

"Is that so? Then your piano is the best after all?"

"Certainly."

"Then you'll please excuse me. I thought I had been imposed upon, and I guess I was a little hasty. The other agents must have been the liars."—Detroit Free Press.

Mrs. Blotter, of a literary turn: "And, John, order a gallon of mid-night oil. All our best writers, I am told, burn it."

Timely Advice.—He—"I feel completely prostrated. I wish I were dead!"

She—"Well, why don't you let me send for a doctor?"

City Parson—"I have been appointed missionary to the heathen and"—

Chorus of Parishioners—"You are not going to leave us, are you?"

City Parson—"No; they told me to stay just where I was."

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BY MARY MAPES DODGE.

We know not what it is, dear,
This sleep so deep and still—
The folded hands, the awful calm,
The cheeks so pale and chill;
The lids that will not lift again,
Though we may call and call;
The strange white solitude of peace
That settles over all.

We know not what it means, dear,
This desolate heart pain,
The dread to take our daily way
And walk in it again.
We know not to what sphere
The loved who leave us go,
Nor why we're left to wander still,
Nor why we do not know.

But this we know—our loved and lost, If they should come this day,
Should come and ask us, What is life?
Not one of us could say.
Life is a mystery as deep
As death can ever be;
Yet oh, how sweet it is to us,
This life we live and see:

Then might they say, those vanished ones,
And blessed is the thought—
So death is sweet to us, beloved,
Though we may tell you naught.
We may not tell it to the quick,
This mystery of death;
Ye may not tell it if ye would,
The mystery of breath.

The child that enters life comes not With knowledge or intent;
So, those who enter death must go As little children sent.
Nothing is known, but I believe That God is overhead;
And as life is to the living,
So death is to the dead.

The first you'll find in love,
The second and third in moon.
The fourth in music you will find,
The fifth is not in June.
But with the sixth somewhere in this
It can be found, also in kiss.

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The second in Over,
The third in Our,
The fourth in Musical,
The fifth in Instruments,
The sixth is in Soon.

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Proprietor—"Tell him he cannot have one. He gets change of scenery enough to suit any one."

PIANO CASE WOODS.—One of the most important uses for soft elm in a limited way is for piano cases. It is used for the heavy frame in the back of which the action is fastened. This frame must be firm and solid and of good material. piano case factories buy the soft elm log run, mills culls out, of course, and two inches thick. Strange as it may seem, considering the slow improvement in business, the piano-case makers report the business fairly lively, much better than it has been for nearly two years. It is a fact that the majority of piano cases made in Chicago are made of native wood, black walnut and white oak taking the lead. Red birch with mahogany finish, and cherry are used somewhat. Nearly all the black or so-called ebony cases are made of good solid Michigan hard maple, colored to resemble ebony. There is an occasional real ebony case made, but the real wood is hard to work and keep in place. Some rosewood is also used, but it is not as popular as it once was. Next to black walnut and white oak the wood most used is ma-

This, as well as all other foreign woods, is used mostly in the shape of veneer with solid native wood, poplar being the favorite. Occasionally a costly case is made of solid mahogany or some other choice foreign fancy wood. Some use is made of prima vera, or white mahogany, and there are a number of native woods, which are rather rare, used, such as white holly and myrtle. Curly birch, curly and bird's eye maple, burls of various native and foreign woods, and all sorts of attractive accidental growths of wood are sought by the casemakers and are used for panels and ornamentation, if not for the entire case. The pin boards of pianos, for holding the pins over which the wires are strung, are generally made of quarter-sawed wood, less liable to split from the powerful pull of the wires. One hardwood lumber firm in Chicago makes a specialty of furnishing quarter-sawed maple by the cargo, nearly monopolizing the trade in the West.

Railroad Official (breaking the news gently to wife of New York drummer)—
"Ahem! Madam, be calm! Your husband has met with a slight—that is to say, one of the drivingwheels of a passenger locomotive struck him on the cheek, and"—

Wife—"Well, sir, you needn't come around here trying to collect damages. You won't get a cent from me. If your company can't keep its property out of danger, it'll have to take the consequences. You should have your engines insured."

An electrical appliance has been invented by which one girl can play ten pianos at once. Ten girls can thump 100 pianos! One hundred girls can bang 1,000 pianos! One th—O, go away!

Sanso—"There is one thing that every woman likes to have a finger in."

Rodd—"What's that?"

Sanso-"An engagement ring."

Play Us à Tune.

"Play us a tune," cried the children,
"Something merry and sweet,
On your beautiful Emerson upright—
It inspires our little feet;
And fain would we dance with sweethearts,
Fain would we frolic and run—
Our hearts aglow with the music
Of that exquisite Emerson."

"Play us a tune," cried the mother,
"Something soothing and low;
That Emerson tone is so pleasing
That tender thoughts o'erflow,
And I hear my children prattle
Through the music's melting strain—
Leading me back to my youthful days
Before I knew sorrow or pain."

And the dear little artist's fingers
Drew forth such thrilling strains,
Now gladsome and gay, now sobbing,
Through soothing, though sad refrains,
That we found it difficult to tell
Whose pleasure appeared most keen—
The children's, the mother's, the maid's
who played

On the Emerson-Style Fourteen.
-Goggan, of Texas.

The humorist of the Terre Haute Express has this seasonable word about flies. "So you want to know where the flies come from, do you, Lucullus? Well, the cyclone makes the house fly, the blacksmith makes the fire fly, the carpenter makes the saw fly, the driver makes the horse fly, the grocer makes the sand fly, the boarder makes the butter fly, and if that is not enough for you, you will have to pursue your future studies in entomology alone."

MANY BARS REST.

Daughter-"Paw, this piano is horribly out of tune."

Nervous Parent—"Yes, my dear, it is. I guess you'd better not play on it any more until it has been tuned."

"Well, I won't. When will you have it fixed?"

"Oh, in a year or so."—New York Weekly.

Priest—"Well, Dennis, you're married, I hear. I'm very glad of it. How do you and your wife get along together!"

Dennis—"Well, yer reverence, Oi t'ink we get along besth together when we're apart."

A Business Secret.—Mr. Isaacs—"I sells you dot coat at a gread sacrifice."

Customer—"But you say that of all your goods. How do you make a living?"

Mr. Isaacs—"Mein frient, I makes a schmall profit on de paper and string."

"Hello," said the citizen; as he watched a cloud of dust arising, "I see real estate is going up again."



Art Thou a Mason?

Art thou a Mason? Ask thyself the truth, And search for answer in thy inmost heart.

Are all thy footsteps such that faltering vouth

Might follow? Does thy walk impart By its uprightness that which Masons love? Hast thou, indeed, full trust in that dear Lord

Of all, who from His throne above Marks thy design upon life's trestle

board?

Art thou a Mason? Has thy Brother's

Or summons passed thee all unheeded by, When sorrow swept him all along life's line,

And all the world forgot him? Did'st thou try

To cheer him then, with all a Brother's love,

And holding out thy hand bade him Godspeed.

And to the carping world thus show and

The truth and beauty of a Mason's creed?

Art thou a Mason? Has the widow's sigh

Fell on thine ear without responsive thrill

Of pity? Hast thou never heard the cry Of orphaned children but thy soul would

Itself with recollections of a solemn charge That deep within its chambers fell.

And, thinking thus, did not thine heart enlarge

With generous action all thy feelings tell?

Art thou a Mason? Has thy selfish greed Made thee forget the brother's "Heart of Grace,

And has thy tongue forgotten all its need Of charity thro' life's mad rushing race? If so, forbear! All things ye must not know;

And it is written in earth's history

Some sorrow must 'neath every bosom

And God alone can the heart's secret see.

Art thou a Mason-not alone in name-In deed? This will the Master's record

His answer will be praise, or else eternal shame.

Be thine when "time shall sound its parting knell

To summon thee to "stand before the bar:" Thy trembling soul shall then rejoice

If He but say: Thou Craftsman! from afar Thy deeds have saved thee, enter Para-

-J. H. Adams, in Masonic Journal.

Masonić Relić.

A MEDAL WORN BY GEORGE WASHINGTON.

There in on view at present in the window of Messrs. Cochenthaler and Co., jewellers, St. James street, a very interesting Masonic jewel to which more than usual interest is attached, from the fact of its having been worn by the great General George Washington, first President of the United States, and called the Father of his country. This relic of ye olden time is the property of Bro. Wm. W. Snaith, of Harrington Lodge, No. 49. Quebec Register, to whom it was presented some years ago by the late lamented and respected brother, Mr. John J. Reeves, merchant tailor, of this city, who during a sojourn of some years in the United States was Master of a Masonic Lodge there, and in which, many years previously, this interesting relic had been worn by Washington, a great and good Mason.

The jewel bears traces of much usage, being worn out at the ring hole at top, otherwise it is in very good condition. It is of silver, oval in shape, and so cut that the square and compass and other emblems of the fraternity appear separately. The reading matter is fairly distinct. On one side—on the raised margin is engraved Sola Concordia Fratrum, and on the square in the center, We Live Upon the Square. On the other side, on the margin, is engraved, Amor, Honor, et Justitia, Virtue et Silentio.

It has been suggested by some of the fraternity that this gem should be presented to the Grand Lodge of Quebec .-Montreal Daily Star, Aug. 6, 1897.

Masonry has made men better. It has led them to aim at a higher and purer life. It has made them appreciate a nobler manhood. It has permeated the whole world with its pure principles. It has raised the fallen and rescued the depraved. It has clothed the naked and fed the hungry. It has built homes for the homeless and asylums for the sick. It has educated the ignorant and sheltered the fatherless. It has helped the church to ameliorate the condition of unhappy humanity. Its influence has benefited government, in establishing justice and destroying despotism. Its silent work has been felt in the very pulsation of a better morality in the community. Its history is illustrious .-N. Y. Dispatch.

There are two features in Masonry that go side by side. First, there is the fraternal feature that enables one to take a companion by the hand and say, "You are my brother;" to do him a favor "without hope of fee or reward;" to ask a favor of him without being humiliated in doing so. Second, there is the field of truth, the wide open door of Masonic knowledge. that invites the aspirant onward and upward to the end of time, with other worlds of truth and knowledge before him still | of their duty.-Keystone.

unexplored. These two features of Masonry are every Mason's privilege, and though the Mason may forfeit his rights to the benefits of fraternal relationship. he may go right on if he chooses, and add to his stock of Masonic knowledge as long as he lives.—J. W. Wells.—The Freemason.

Reading Masons.

The Masonic Brotherhood ought to be made up of reading people, and Masons are supposed to be a select people, chosen with much care from the common mass of mankind-sound in mind and body-who have a desire for knowledge, that they may be serviceable to their fellow men. And our art is calculated to stimulate rather than stultify a growth of intellect, and foster a love for learning. Now, in order to acquire knowledge study is requisite; hence it might be readily inferred that Masons would be students-not only readers of books but students of them, and of that class of books which affords food for the intellectual faculties. That they would devote at least some time to those works of science which are calculated to reveal the hidden truths of nature, and lead the mind up through nature into communion with the Great First Cause-the God who dwelleth in secret, and yet He is not far from him who searcheth after Him.

Now, we do not intend to insinuate that there are no reading Masons-far from it. There are not a few who are students, indeed. They are often found among the most busy of men-those who retire early. rise early and eat not the bread of idleness. But they rightly divide their time and sacredly set aside a portion for mental and moral culture, and thus they find time for business or society, for the study and reading needful in order to their keeping pace with the intelligence and progress of the age; also to find time to read a Masonic journal, so as to know something of what is transpiring in the fraternity. If Worshipful Masters would bring before their lodges the advisability of every Brother subscribing for a Masonic magazine they would do more to make bright intelligent Masons than any number of official visits. Only make reading Masons and you may have no fears for the future of the Order. It is surprising the number of aspirants for office in Grand Lodge who have never subscribed for a Masonic paper, and know nothing about Masonry but the parts of the ritual they have learned simply by rote.—Chronicle.

True it is that Masonry, as well as Christianity, has too much cause to blush for the errors of some of her votaries; but this is not owing to any defect in the system, but to the weakness and frailty of human nature; and it would be unjust to visit a whole society with opprobrium because a few of its members have proved themselves unworthy and been unmindful

MY LITTLE BRUNETTE.



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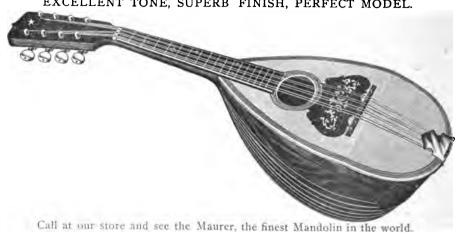
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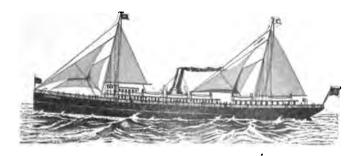
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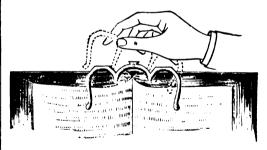
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And a page from a volume of steam.
A wink from the eye of a needle,
A nail from the finger of fate,
A plume from the wing of an army,
And a drink at the bar of a grate.

A hair from the head of a hammer,
A bite from the teeth of a saw,
A race on a course of study,
And a joint from a limb of the law.
A check that is drawn on a sand-bank,
Some fruit from the jam of a door,
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"Oh, no! I write to the old gentleman twice a month to send me some more money."

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"No."

"And yet how many times have the aisles been used as bridal paths."



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The Des Moines Review tells the experience of a deputy sheriff who attempted to serve a writ on a handsome widow, as follows:

"Madam, I have an attachment for you."

"Oh, this is so sudden!" exclaimed the blushing widow.

"I beg your pardon; I don't think you understand me. You must proceed to court." continued the deputy, as his face colored like a ripe peach.

"Of course; so I must! I had really forgotten about this being leap year. Well, how must I begin?" and with these words she cast such a look upon the discomfited deputy as would have melted an iceberg in December. He, thinking of his official dignity and his good wife, stammered:

"Come, now, this is no time for trifling, and the justice is waiting.

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Sousa "The March King."

John Philip Sousa, who has gained for himself the sobriquet of the "March King" by the virile military quality which he puts into his music, has composed a new march wnich awakens a spirit of rampant American enthusiasm wherever it is heard.

The new march is called "The Stars and Stripes Forever." Nightly when played at Manhattan Beach it brought the audience to their feet at its close, men cheering and women waving their handkerchiefs in a delirium of enthusiastic patriotism.

At the grand climax of the march thirteen members of the band with their instruments march to the front of the stage and play a repetition of the last part, and an onlooker observing the faces of the audience, instead of watching the men who are supposed to represent the thirteen original States, will be struck with the manner in which the feeling of patriotism irradiates the faces of both the young and the old.

"The march was written," said Mr. Sousa, "when I was in Europe last summer, and finished on board ship coming One never feels so patriotic as home. when under a foreign flag, you know. I have often heard people say that when in a foreign country the sight of the Stars and Stripes seems the most glorious in the

"My idea was to climax the march with three themes-one representing the North, a broad, sweeping theme; the South, with its languorous beauty and romance, and the West, a strong, pushing melody carrying all before it. These themes were to blend harmoniously, but were to be used independently if necessary.

"I am of the opinion that military music, that which has the drum and the military swagger in it, is the kind that wakes patriotism in the soul. You see that if there were patriotism in music the 'Star-Spangled Banner,' which serves us for a national song, would possess it. But that melody was originally a drinking song, and was written by Samuel Arnold in 1750, to an ode to 'Anacreon in Heaven.'

"The best national anthem is undoubtedly the French, the Austrian is second in merit, and the Russian Hymn is a good third. England comes forth with its 'God Save the Queen,' and the rest come trailing along in the rear. 'God Save the Queen,' by the way, is the national anthem of several nations, the melody being used with special words composed for it.

"A composition in march tempo, which I have largely leaned to, must have the military quality if it is to make a mark; it must have the absolute military instinct. That is one reason why so few of the great composers have written successful marches. They lived in an atmosphere of peace, away from the barbaric splendor of war and the clash of swords. The roll of musketry had no meaning for them, and so that quality is entirely absent from thei

"Patriotism is not in the music but in the feeling it conveys. The military spirit is necessary. I have lived all my life in the atmosphere of the army. I might say that even while a baby I was near camp, and I understand just the effect of all the pomp and splendor of war when it is introduced in a musical composition. 'The Stars and Stripes Forever' has this quality perhaps in a more marked degree than my former compositions."

-Music Trade Review. .

Music in the Home.

ESTELLE MENDELL.

In my father's family, my sister and I were given piano lessons at an early age. We showed no very marked ability or special fondness for the art; but under the wise guidance of our teachers and parents we did not come to "just hate it," and in time made fair performers.

But the pleasure our music seemed to give to the home and our friends is what surprises me as I think back upon it.

My mother could not sing a note; but she was very susceptible to rich or delicate strains and as we came to play a finer grade of music her pleasure knew no bounds.

In our earlier stages she was always by to hear us practice if possible, to encourage us to do our best and put in full time.

Father also was passionately fond of music, and very cognizant and appreciative of our every advancement. Often before he went to his business in the morning, again at noon, and always in the evening, we were liable to be called on for music,-duets, songs, or something.

How often when my father would come home in the evening, tired and worried from his business, he would say, "Come, Sis, give us some music; something lively now;" and I would play an hour or more, until the nerves were relaxed or he would dance a lively shuffle.

Music in our home, whatever the quality, was always as free and almost as constant as a perennial spring or flowing well.

The pleasure of music in the home does not depend so much upon the talent of the child as upon the handling of that talent. From the very first let teachers and parents veto "excuses;" accustom the child to do his then best without this foolish talk, which is really but a weak way of begging compliments.

Make music part of your home-life, by keeping the piano or organ open, and calling on Mary or Fred for a tune "at any or all hours," when you are sad and when

you are glad. Let them see that you are noting their every improvement and make them feel the pleasure they are giving you. And from their first "piece," if not "exercise, accustom them to play before others; this is invaluable in acquiring "confidence" or

steady nerves.

In deciding, then, whether you will give Kate and John a musical education or not, don't think so much about their talent as about your ability to so handle that talent, if you expect it to bring pleasure to your home.—Extract from Musical Messenger.

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Liszt's First Concert.

A curious thing happened to Franz Liszt at the age of seven. A strange illness overtook him, defying all treatment; and he wasted away for weeks till he lay at the point of death. Positively the village carpenter was at work on his coffin when the singular lethargy relaxed its hold, and he began to recover. Ten years later he had an exactly similar attack; and the Paris papers were all printing his obituary notices, when he again recovered, and never had another illness of any gravity for fifty-five years.

At nine years of age he made his first public appearance—characteristically—at a charitable concert given for a blind musician who was in need of help. Franz played a concerto by Ries with the orchestra, and then extemporized—to the amazement of the audience. From that moment his career knew no obstacles. Prince Esterhazy and all the Hungarian magnates petted him, and subscribed to pay for his education; and so impressed was the worthy father that he resolved to give up his stewardship, thus reducing himself and his wife to penury, that he might devote himself to his son's interests.

Unselfishness was clearly a family trait with the Liszts. The best teacher he could think of was his old friend Hummel. then considered the greatest of pianists. But Hummel declared that, though willing to aid so remarkable a taient, he really could not lower his terms, which were a guinea a lesson-a prohibitive price. Sixty years later the people of Presburg wanted to build a monument to Hummel, but could not raise the money. Liszt was then nearly seventy, and had long retired; but out of honor to a once famous man he came forward, and giving one single concert, earned all the money required.

The honor of educating the marvelous boy belongs to Charles Czerny, of all people in the world. But when Adam Liszt, after the twelfth lesson, offered to pay the modest bill, the good fellow laughed at him, and refused to take a penny, poor though he was. The account we read of the fiery boy's resentment at having to plod through Clementi's gradus is amusing, but Czerny soon felt like a hen who has hatched a young eagle. In two years Franz was an accomplished musician, able to read the most difficult scores at sight. The notices of his performances at this time-11 years old-show the critics to have been absolutely unable to find words strong enough to express their wonder.-Presto.

Mother—"Freddy, to-morrow is your father's birthday and I must make him a present. Can't you suggest something he would appreciate?"

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"Yes, ma, give him a comb. He will never part with it."



A Brotherly Hand.

'T was only a grasp in the hurry—
The bustle and business of life,
The strong, friendly grip of a brother,
As the crowd jostled on in its strife;
But that grasp left a lingering feeling
Of friendship, encouragement, cheer,
And you felt all refreshed and light-hearted,
Like the world wasn't all dark and drear,
'T was only a hearty, warm hand-shake,
A grasp with its greeting so bland,
Yet somehow all day seemed the brighter
For that grasp of a brotherly hand.

'T was only a touch in the darkness,
When trials and dangers were rife,
A warning, a guide, a protection,
An omen of good in the strife;
'T was only a hand stretching outward,
To beckon, or caution, or cheer,
A monitor, piloting upward,
A counselor, faithful and near;
'T was only a touch in the darkness—
That touch had a meaning demand—
No signal is true and unfailing
Like the touch of a brotherly hand.

—The Masonic Herald.

A Masonić War Incident.

Among the prisoners taken by the Union troops at the time Pickett made his great charge at Gettysburg was a Virginia sergeant. He was a Mason. Captain John A. Kellogg, of the Sixth Wisconsin, gave him a drink of something reviving from his canteen and put some rations in his empty haversack. Their parting was that of brothers.

In December, 1864, when Kellogg was a colonel commanding his regiment, I accompanied him on a ride along the picket line a few miles to the left of Petersburg. By some means, and without knowing it, we got between the picket lines. We were brought to a halt suddenly by the following unmilitary salute: "Is that you, Captain Kellogg?"

Looking up and about two rods to the right we saw a lieutenant and a dozen men in gray who had apparently just taken their arms in preparation for serious business.

"That's my name, sir," answered the

"Beg pardon—Colonel Kellogg. You were a captain at Gettysburg. Allow me to extend congratulations upon your promotion."

It was becoming interesting, and both of us were making plans for a shooting match between a dozen Johnny pickets with guns in their hands and two officers who had only revolvers, and they not at hand. "Guess you don't remember me, colonel."

"I guess that is so," said Kellogg; and he was more nervous than I ever saw him in battle.

"I'm the sergeant you gave a nip from your canteen and whose haversack you filled at Gettysburg. They have made me a lieutenant since then. I'd like to have a visit with you, but the officer of the day is due here. Guess you had better get back to your lines."

"Thank you, lieutenant," said the Colonel, saluting; and as we turned to leave, the Confederate gave the command: "Shoulder arms! Right dress! Present arms!" Then both of us lifted our hats. There was fraternity for you.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Masonry's Influence.

The lesson of Brotherhood and dependence comes to us with force; no man can live solely for himself; each individual is an integral part of the community in which he resides; as the influence of the family widens, it touches others more remote, and finally reaches the precincts of the State, the nation. The pulsations of joy and of gladness, or of sorrow and distress, that throb through one class of people, will vibrate throughout the entire social circuit of human hearts, until every part of the great body of the nation shall feel the sensations that gladden or the bitterness that brings despair.

The Masonic Fraternity is made up of these units of society, and as, by reason of man's social nature, he touches some above and some below, so the Mason must bear his portion of the burden of distress that overtakes the community, the state, the nation, as he shares in their happiness and prosperity.

In the hour of adversity how beautiful is Masonry! Through all the clouds of uncertainty and gloom it shines with a brighter effulgence. In its ancient landmarks the Mason sees the foundations which form the supports of social life and give to it its durability, while the principles of Masonry unfold to him the philosophy of life itself. As the arts, the sciences, and mechanics have widened their boundaries, he obtains a clearer view of nature and of her manifestations; as morals and religion have grown, and are growing, to fit more naturally the social and spiritual needs of humanity, so is made visible to him the beautiful philosophy of Masonry that has always kept pace with man's diviner needs and with his moral and intellectual growth-has unfolded for his deeper insight the simple but sublime truths that teach practical lessons more in consonance with the demands of the present and the growing needs of the future.

The progress that has been made in the last half-century in art, in science, in mechanics, in inventions, in reforms, has

been so grand, so far reaching as to border on the marvelous. In the early part of this century intercourse was very restricted between communities, however contiguous. Knowledge traveled slowly, and, consequently, changes in modes of thought and action were correspondingly slow. To-day, communication between the peoples of the earth travels with the speed of the lightning. A discovery in science, in art or in mechanics, made in one part of the globe, is heralded the following morning in every other part.

But in all this material improvement it must not be overlooked that a great moral force has been no less a factor in the progressive steps towards a higher civilization. This is the field wherein the Mason labors and where his real work is performed.

Man must be prepared for receiving and accepting the progress made in morals and in religion—where can he be better prepared than in the Lodge Room? Each step there taken is in the line of the purest morals. It is conceded every Mason does not attain to true moral excellence; but it must be admitted by every unprejudiced mind that Masonry teaches love to God and love to man; that discord is evil; that every act that disturbs or mars the happiness of the family or the community is injurious to man's peace, the peace of the home, the peace of the neighbor.

The moral lessons taught in the Lodge Room reach the home, the community, and inspire the heart to better things.

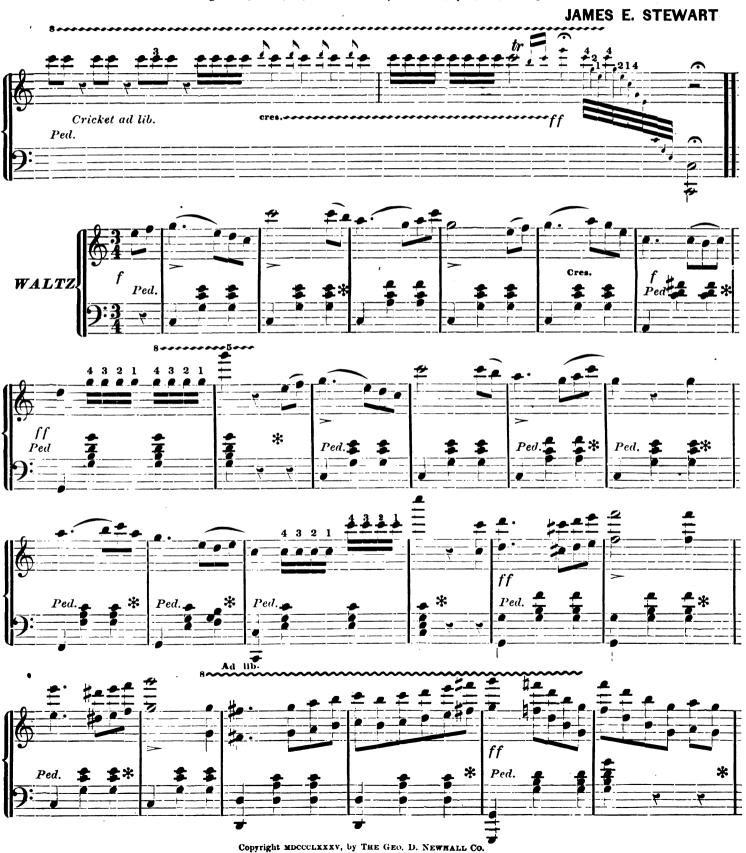
-Kevstone.

I want to say something that I hope you will believe and never forget. It is this: Masonry is a helping hand to every woman that is akin, by any close relationship, to any of its members. It is a flaming sword of protection around any woman who has a right to call upon its help. Holy motherhood, helpless widowhood, devoted wifehood, loving sisterhood, and dependent childhood, are the special wards of our Order. Every strong right arm in this room to-night is sworn to be raised in defence of every woman in this presence. Let other women say aught they please against Masonry, but let every Mason's wife, mother, widow, daughter or sister, entertain for the Order the highest respect and profoundest reverence; for the Order has the highest respect and profoundest reverence for you; counting no task too heavy, nor any sacrifice too great, to relieve your burden and defend your unspotted name. Masonry is woman's fair angel, protecting her virtue, and granting her aid .- Rev. Dr. Charles R. Mitchell in Canadian Craftsman.

Death is the brother of love, only more austere to behold. With a kiss upon lips that are fading he takes the soul and departs to the habitation of God, that city not made with hands, eternal in Heaven.

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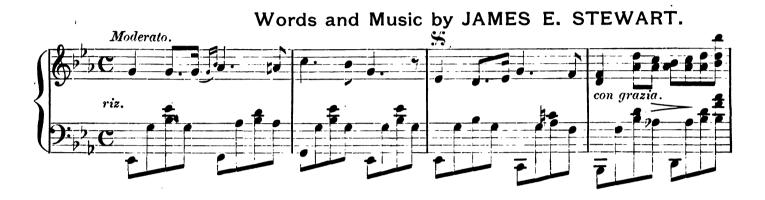
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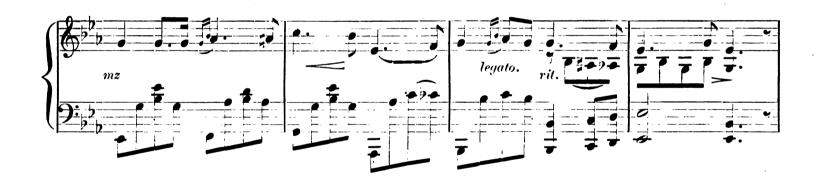






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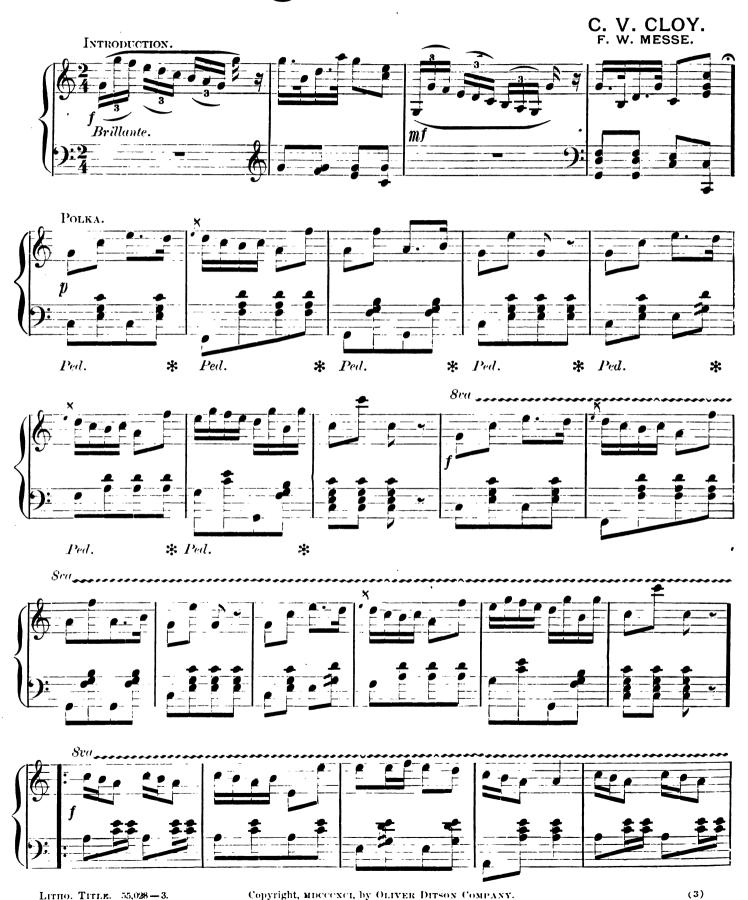




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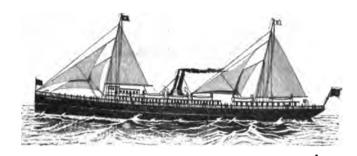
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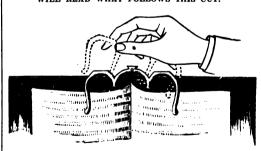
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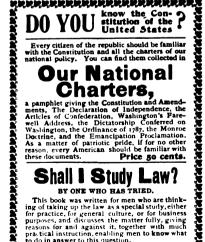
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††—*!!—†*— when

He steps upon a tack.

A lady who is going out

Has callers come and stay:

She tries to lightly chat, but this

† + - *!!* - † *!*
Is what she'd like to say.

Upon a smooth banana peel
A deacon chanced to tread,
And here's a brief, shorthand report—
!-!†***†--†**-!
Of what the deacon said.

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A passer's optic caught.
He said: "Pray do not mention it,"
But here!!!***—††
!†!*—is what he thought.

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Gradus Ad Parnassum.

BY A TEACHER.

It is the despair of many an earnest teacher of the pianoforte that week after week his pupils come to him with so little to show of improvement for their week's practice. It is not that he expects his pupil to make great strides forward in a' week; he knows too well that "Art is long" and requires time and the utmost patience for satisfactory results. But the few lines of that sonata, the fingering and notes of that scale or arpeggio, the proper use of the wrist in that staccato passagesurely in a week's time something ought to have been done to improve these, and to make both teacher and pupil enthusiastic in the delight of progress. Instead, the conscientious teacher feels that the old lesson must be repeated, an irksome task when the good seed falls on such barren soil: or perhaps he is irritable and the pupil dreads his lesson and soon begins to "hate" music; or he may be indifferent, and content to waste both his own and the pupil's time, so long as he receives his fee from equally indifferent parents. Is there no remedy for this state of things? To indulge in despair is to bar the road to progress; to look the difficulty in the face is often its best solution. Lay down for your pupils three golden rules for practising. The first is Practise regularly. Our fingers like our bodies need regular, not occasional exercise. Work and rest, waste and repair is a law of our being and indispensable to our growth; and it is the only satisfactory way of ensuring that elasticity and strength of muscle which are so necessary to the aspiring pianist now-a-days. It is an excellent plan also to practise, if possible, at the same time every day; for this the co-operation of the parents should be sought, as their influence and interest is such a help to the teacher. Even a regular half-hour will do wonders, but, especially when the time for practising is so short, must the pupil observe the second rule, Practise methodically. Without some arrangement of his time the pupil will often err in giving so much time to one section of his studies that he finds he must neglect

another equally important. The teacher also, taking into consideration how long a time should be spent on this or that, will be careful not to give him more work than he can prepare in that time. Methodical practice will always prove itself to be so much more engrossing than the promiscuous playing through of pieces and studies that satisfies so many pupils. The third rule is most important, and it rests entirely with the pupil, Practise intelligently. Not with mind wandering, or thoughts distracted; that is often worse than waste of time. There is a right way of fingering for this passage, a correct way of phrasing that group of notes. See that it is done in the right way, not once, by chance, but always; at first slowly and with thought, then gradually increasing the speed as the fingers fall naturally upon the right notes and in the right manner. Let the pupil feel it his aim to avoid the faults and improve upon the performances of yesterday. Impress upon him that good work only produces good results, and to let his work be the best he is capable of. Then he will never leave the piano with the miserable feeling that he has done no good, or come to his lesson so wholly unfit for any fresh instruction. It is so often the case that a pupil has no idea of the way to set about his work, though he is anxious to do well. It is worth considering, therefore, that a teacher should set aside a lesson now and then to practise with his pupil, showing him how he wishes the time of his preparation to be spent. A teacher may do much by wise encouragement to stimulate the ambition of his pupil: let his praise, however, be always a prize worth the winning.

It is often encouraging to look back at pieces learnt a year ago; see how much easier they seem now. So will these difficulties, now so formidable, lose their power of troubling, as week by week the pupil earnestly faces his task of overcoming them. Until at last, like Alexander, he may weep because he has no more worlds to conquer. Very few attain to such perfection of piano playing that this may be said of them, and if one were questioned on the subject, he would probably confess that heights lay revealed to him still, that he fain would climb. Of art, as of learning, there is no end

Beethoven's Last Improvisations.

.The following incident connected with the last days of Beethoven, which as the world knows were days of disappointment and deprivation, is full of pathos:

He had been deaf for twenty-five years, nearly half of his life, when, in 1827, a letter reached him at Baden from his nephew, the being dearest to him on earth. The young man wrote from Vienna, where he had got into a scrape from which he looked to his uncle to extricate him. Beethoven set out at once: but his funds were so low that he was obliged to make the greater part of the journey on foot. He had gone most of the way, and was only a few leagues from the capital, when his strength failed. He was forced to beg hospitality at a poor and mean-looking house one evening. The inhabitants received the exhausted, ill-tempered looking, dark, gruff-voiced stranger with the utmost cordiality, shared their meager supper with him, and then gave him a comfortable seat near the fire. The meal was hardly cleared away before the head of the family opened an old piano, while the sons each brought forth some instrument, the women meantime beginning to mend the linen. There was a general tuning-up, and then the music began. As it proceeded the players, the women, all alike, were more and more deeply moved. Tears stole down the old man's cheek. His wife watched him with moist eyes and a pathetic, far-away smile on her lips. She dropped her needlework and her managing daughter forgot to find fault. She was listening too. The sweet sounds left only one person in the room unmoved. The deaf ouest looked on at this scene with yearning melancholy. When the concert was over he stretched out his hands for a sheet of the music they had used. "I could not hear, friends," he exclaimed in hoarse tones of apology, "but I would like to know who wrote this piece which has so moved you all." The pianoplayer put before him the "Allegretto" in Beethoven's symphony in A. Tears now stole down the visitor's cheeks. "Ah," he exclaimed, "I wrote it; I am Beethoven! Come and let us finish the piece." He went himself to the piano, and the evening passed in a true delirium of pleasure and pride for the dwellers in that humble musical home. When the concerted music was over he improvised lovely songs and sacred hymns for the delighted family, who remained up far into the night listening to his playing.

It was the last time he ever touched an instrument. When he took possession of the humble room and couch allotted to him he could not sleep or rest. His pulse beat with fever. He stole outdoors in search of refreshment, and returned to bed in the early morning chilled to the heart. He was too ill to continue his journey. His friends in Vienna were communicated with, and a physician was sum-

moned, but his end was at hand. Hummel stood disconsolate beside his dying bed. Beethoven was, or seemed to be, unconscious. Just before the end, however, he raised himself and caught the watcher's hand closely in both his own. "After all, Hummel, I must have had some talent," he murmured, and then he died.

-Music Trade Review.

To Composer's.

PRIZE COMPETITION.

The North American Saenger Bund will celebrate its Golden Jubilee in the city of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, U. S. A., in the year 1899.

Mr. Fred. H. Alms, of this city, has offered a prize of \$1,000 for the best composition, to be sung at the Opening Concert of the Festival by the United Singers of Cincinnati.

All composers are invited to compete for the prize under the following conditions, agreed upon by the Music Committee of the Festival.

CONDITIONS.

- I. The composition is intended for a mixed chorus, solos and orchestra, the rendition of same to occupy not less than forty and not more than sixty minutes.
- 2. The character of the composition is to be a glorification of the fine arts in general, more especially of music.
- 3. The text is to be written in the German or English language.
- 4. Since the composition is to be rendered by a mass chorus of about 1500 voices, it shall contain no extraordinary difficulties.
- 5. The orchestra score must also be accompanied by a complete piano score.
- 6. Composers competing for the prize must have their work in the hands of the Music Committee on or before August 1, 1898.
- 7. The prize judges will be selected from the most competent and best known musicians of this country.
- 8. The composition receiving the award shall be the sole property of the Festival Board. All other compositions will be held at the disposal of the Authors.
- 9. The Music Committee will cause the result of the competition to be published and the prize to be paid immediately after the judges have announced their decision.
- 10. The composition without the name of the composer, but accompanied by some suitable motto, is to be sent to Mr. Ed. Berghausen, No. 307 E. 2d Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. At the same time an envelope containing this motto, and the name and residence of the composer is to be sent to the Chairman of the Committee, Rev. Hugo G. Eisenlohr, 1213 Elm Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

All further information will be cheerfully furnished by the Committee on Music for the Golden Jubilee Saengerfest of the North American Saenger Bund.

REV. HUGO G. EISENLOHR, Chairman.

ARTISTIC PIANO CASES OF TO-DAY.—
It is interesting to observe how the piano has been obliged to adapt itself to modern ideas. From being an intractable piece of individuality it is now a piece of furniture, and treated accordingly. It must submit to styles, and adapt itself to its surroundings as if it was a mere chair or table.

The old-time piano was a square, on legs of curved pattern, but with a case of little ornamentation. The one thing required was that the scale should be even throughout, pure in tone, and a register musical and sweet. Excellent for beginners, it fills all the needs for a family requiring a musical education. These squares now are used in lecture rooms, church Sunday schools, or places where a less expensive grade will answer as means of entertainment.

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Mr. Bennett, a music-writer, and Mr. Webster were intimate friends. The latter was subject to melancholy. Bennett came in where his friend Webster was at business one day, while in a depression of spirits. "What is the matter now," asked Bennett, noticing his sad countenance. "No matter," said Webster. "It will be all right by and by."—"Yes; that sweet by and by," said Bennett. "Would not that sentiment make a good hymn, Webster?"-"Maybe it would," replied Webster indifferently. Turning to his desk, Bennett wrote the three verses of the hymn, and handed them to Webster. When he read them, his whole demeanor changed. Stepping to his desk, he began to write the notes. Having finished them, he requested his violin and played the melody. In a few minutes more he had the four parts of the chorus jotted down. It was not over thirty minutes from the first thought of the hymn before the two friends, and two others who had come in in the meantime, were singing all the parts together. A bystander, who had been attracted by the music, and had listened in silence, remarked, "That hymn is immortal." It is now sung in every land under the sun.-Presto.

Visitor—"I presume your daughter plays the piano?"

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THE STREET CAR ADS.

Time was, when truths they wished all men to heed

Were written so that "he who runs may read."

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The Wanderer.

Oh weary soul from Babylon,
Thy journey's almost done.

Afar the New Jerusalem,
Refulgent in the sun,

Awaits the pressure of thy feet—
Those feet no more to roam—

And Brothers throng its golden streets
To bid thee welcome home.

Palmyra's groves of waving palms
And ever-gushing springs
Were like a glimpse of paradise
To cheer thy wanderings.
Though rough and rugged was the way
Thy weary feet have trod,
The desert blossomed like a rose
'Neath prayerful trust in God.

Now, standing on fair Jordan's bank,
Behold the Temple rise,
Its marble white as driven snow
Against the purple skies,
Bathed in the light of noonday's sun,
It glitters like a gem,
And crowns Moriah's hoary brow
A worthy diadem.

"Put off thy shoes from off thy feet,
For this is holy ground,"
And let thy voice in praise to God
Ascend in joyful sound,
No more to tread the desert waste,
Nor raging torrents breast,
Behold across Judea's plains
Jerusalem the blest.

Build in thine heart a temple fair,
That God may there abide,
Build on the love of One whose love
Takes in all else beside.
And when thine eyes the splendors see
Of His eternal throne,
May angels wing through jasper gates
To bid thee welcome home.

-James North.

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Symbolism is at once the most ancient and the most modern method of imparting knowledge. Searchers after truth have ever found it necessary to guard the

results of their labors by occult signs and formulas. And this for diverse reasons: Perhaps in one age it has been necessary to avoid persecution, in another to prevent distortion by the ignorant, the careless or the wicked; and still another to preserve from harmful innovation or indiscriminate iconoclasm. It is to-day as unprofitable as ever to "cast pearls before swine," and modern scientific terminology, which can be mastered only after long and arduous study, differ only in degree from the cabalistic formulas with which earlier philosophers and teachers veiled their cherished systems from profane gaze.

Preserving from time immemorial a copious symbolism, Masonry has ever added new truths to ancient meanings. The philosophy of its initiates and adepts has broadened with the widened knowledge of the race, yet retaining unchanged, in a world of change, those immutable truths transmitted from the far-off fathers of the craft. Later wisdom discredits not but rather corroborates its teachings.

For near two centuries, in its present form, this great fraternity has borne no small share in the wonderful advancement of men. In all this time its mighty influences have been constantly felt, spreading ideas of benevolence, broad-mindedness and true brotherhood. In the change of society and brotherhood within that period-from absolutism and slavery to broadened liberty and equality-it has borne conspicuous part. In that noble work that taught men of all classes to "meet upon the level;" which established a brotherhood above the narrow distinctions of caste and creed and conventional restrictions, it was sowing the seed of which modern freedom, social and political, is the fruitage.

Parent of all the liberal and beneficial brotherhoods of Christendom, still Masonry stand alone; its superiority acknowledged even by those which approach it most nearly. It quietly performs as a labor of love that which other valued societies, less wise, parade as charity. Like them it, too, has its mission of aid; to smooth the rough pathway of life for the unfortunate; to stay a brother's stumbling steps; to encourage the downhearted and relieve the distressed; to soften the sad couch of sickness with tender ministrations; to pass with the departing one to the hither side of the dark river, whispering words of faith and hope, and to guard with brotherly watchfulness the home and helpless ones bereft by death. All these are essentially Masonic works, yet many other societies perform, no less lovingly, a similar mission among their brotherhoods.

But where all these others stop, it has a further work, a higher lesson still to teach. He who has taken the solemn vows, who has received in earnest spirit the instructions given, well knows that the very problem of human destiny is hidden beneath the mystical meaning of its symbolism. It strengthens the falling

abiding trust in the All-Father, casts light along the darkened pathway to the grave and adds to hope of after-existence more full and more complete than this.

Though pre-eminently religious in its teachings it is in no sense sectarian. It offers no substitute for the creed of its followers; places no restrictions upon their faith; exacts no obedience to dogmas. It requires subscription by the application to but one fundamental truth—belief in a supreme, all-ruling Power. As a necessary concomitant of this and of the very essence of its teachings is a trust in existence after death. Beyond these points it assumes no authority. Deriving its lessons at once from nature and from revelation, Masonry has devised a system of ethics which supplements the teachings of every creed.

Upon its altars, reared in whatever land, rests the Book of Divine Law, upon whose sacred pages lie the emblems of the craft, the one teaching God's fatherhood, the others human brotherhood. "Religion is the golden cord which holds man to his God; Masonry the silver tie which binds him to his fellows." So both have worked and are working together in harmony and accord.

"Pure religion and undefiled," saith the holy book itself, "before God and the Father is this: to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world." With this definition, given of inspiration, let the

works and teachings of this great fraternity be measured.

Of all the powers that be for good its place is but slightly withdrawn from that sacred precinct where pure Faith with uplifted finger points out the path revealed by the Great Light. Here it opposes firm front to the tide of gross materialism and unbelief. Thus persisting, generation after generation, it has served the cause of humanity with freedom, fervency and zeal. With the whole world for its field; with men of every race as its votaries, with universal brotherhood as its basis; knowing no division on lines of sect or creed, no cleavage on distinctions

sect or creed, no cleavage on distinctions of party or nation, it stands alone among purely human associations, foremost of the forces that operate for righteousness, peace and equity.

peace and equity.

The object of Masonry, as its principles are first explained to the neophyte seeking light within its precincts, "is to make its votaries wiser, better and consequently happier." This is accomplished by a This is accomplished by a course of deeply significant instructions, illustrated and explained by means of emblems and allegories. But here, as elsewhere the nature of the impression made will vary with the character of the initiate To the careless and the indifferent it will convey little more that an explanation of symbols which were before matter of idle curiosity, it will give a mode of recognition which may be of value, and the right to proclaim with pride his membership in the fraternity. But to him who is duly prepared in heart, who seeks the mystic meaning of the parable, comes deeper and more profound meanings. To such a Mason there is a grander conception of the fraternity's mission. To him the ritualistic allegory is but the shadow of the Truth beyond, that deeper and more sublime esotery which he must seek for him-For him the emblems are pregnant with meaning; mementoes of valuable inever-present incentives higher thoughts and nobler deeds.— Report of Oration delivered at the lay-ing of the Corner Stone of the New Masonic Temple.

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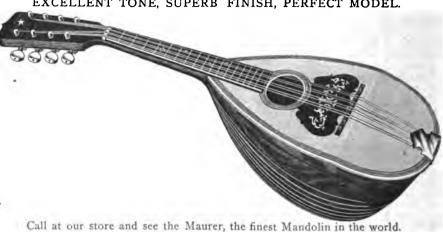
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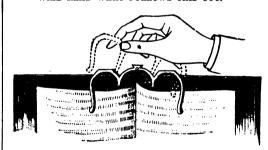
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And both in time will turn to mold.
With shoes the last is first; with men
The first shall be the last; and when
The shoes wear out they're mended new.
When men wear out they're men dead,
too!

They both are trod upon, and both Will tread on others, nothing loath; Both have their ties, and both incline, When polished, in the world to shine; And both peg out. Now, would you choose

To be a man or be his shoes?

-Old Rhyme.

To answer this can be no feat. Since both need mates to be complete, Since both peg out; and turn to mold, And since for use both get too old: I'd be a man, and e'er too late I'd think of age—and seek a mate.

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Marie Decca.

"THE AMERICAN JENNY LIND."



[This Bar of Music, the notes of which spell d, e, c, c, a, is a reproduction of an exquisite brooch of diamond musical notes on a gold staff, presented to Marie Decca in Paris.]

Marie Decca is one of the greatest of lyric sopranos, and has sung in all the leading cities of the world. She is called by the best American and European musical critics "The American Jenny Lind." Not only has her voice the remarkable range of three octaves, reaching to the phenomenal pitch of A natural in alt., but her magnetism and wonderful influence over her audience in rousing them to a high pitch of enthusiasm, suggest the personality of the "Swedish Nightingale."

Mlle. Decca was born in Georgetown, Ohio, and is the granddaughter of General Thomas L. Hamer, the great soldier and statesman, who, when a Congressman, appointed General U. S. Grant, then an unknown lad, to West Point as a cadet. She received her musical training in Paris, having studied for four years under Mme. Marchesi.

Mile. Decca made her debut in London at the Covent Garden Threater, and her success was instantaneous. She was at once engaged by Colonel Mapleson to sing the "Queen of Night" in Mozart's "Magic Flute," and scored a great success. She subsequently sang for two seasons with Her Majesty's Italian Opera Company throughout Great Britain and Ireland. Her Italian, French and English repertoire consists of thirty-four operas, which include "Lucia," "Sonnambula," "Dinorah," "Lakme," "Hamlet," "Linda," "Rigoletto," "Faust," "Fra Diavolo," "Il

Barbiere," "Don Pasquale," "Daughter of the Regiment," "Marriage of Figaro," (Cherubini), "Mignon" (Felina), "Masked Ball" (Oscar), "Magic Flute." She has been also very successful in concerts and festivals in England and France. Since her debut in America in concert Mlle. Decca's career has been a series of successes, and her first appearance in Boston, on February 5th, 1891, at the Operatic Festival in Music Hall, was a great tri-

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Mile. Decca scored a remarkable success

Assembly in 1891, at the great Chautauqua Assembly in 1891, receiving the beautiful "Chautauqua Salute" from ten thousand people. Since then she has been engaged by the leading Chautaugua assemblies all over the coun-

Mile. Decca accompanied the famous United States Marine Band on its concert tour through the country in 1891, and the press in the leading cities spoke in high terms of her phenomenal singing. She accompanied them again in 1892 on their Western tour, and created the greatest furore in every city. Her reception on the Pacific Coast was a continuous ova-

The Legislatures of two different States,

The Legislatures of two different States, Ohio and Kentucky, adjourned for the purpose of listening to Mlle. Decca's wonderful singing; and Verdi, the great composer, when he heard Mlle. Decca sing in Paris, enthusiastically exclaimed: "It is a voice beyond all compare."

Mlle. Decca's press notices all over the world are something wonderful, as the following, only a few of many, will show. Marie Decca, she of the wonderful, clarion voice and queenly carriage, was more charming and tuneful than ever, if such were possible. She sang an aria from Bellini's "La Sonnambula" and "Donizetti's famous "Cavatina." Of course encores were demanded and one of those given was "Robin Adair." It is as easy for Mlle. Decca to sing as for any of the feathered songsters, and the peculiar feature of her singing is that when one is just ready to conclude that she has trilled her highest note, she tosses her head and disappoints by going two or three higher.

—Chicago Globe.

The event of the evening at the concert -Chicago Globe.

The event of the evening at the concert of the Philharmonic Orchestra Association was, of course, Marie Decca's singing, and before she had sung a half dozen bars her bird-like voice had its effect, and the audience sat entranced. It was Miss Decca's evening from that time on, and her Paris and London successes are not to be wondered at. She is remarkable, and the clearness and purity of her high notes, the intelligence of her phrasing and the deep heavily of expression made an imthe deep beauty of expression made an impression on her auditors long to be remem-She is fair and graceful, and has a beautiful stage presence.

After her faultless rendering of "Le Pearl du Brezil" she received a tremendous encore. In responding with a bow her eyes caught sight of about half a dozen floral tributes held up to the stage by ushers. She made a rush behind the scenes for assistance in handling them, and Prof. Reinhardt, for the next few minutes, struggled with the flowers. They were placed on the grand piano and Miss Decca then sang Eckert's Swiss "Echo Song" as an encore. This composition was written for Jenny Lind, and last night it received a beautiful and artistic rendi-

Miss Decca's second number was "Gli Augui d'Inferno," from Mozart's "Magic Flute." This piece has a range to high F, and is full of the staccato movements. It was superbly rendered and gave ample scope to the very high range of Miss Decca's voice. She was again the recipient of beautiful floral tributes and sung

an encore, that dear old song, "Way Down Upon the Swanee River." In the singing of the composition she used the negro dialect, and the plaintive melody was never better rendered. It had a touch-ing effect on many, as in the singing Miss Decca brought into play the sympathetic qualities of her voice. It was an artistic effort artistically executed.—The Richmond Times.

Over six thousand people were in attendance at yesterday's Popular Concert, every seat and available inch of standing room being occupied. Several hundred, to whom doubtful standing room could not be assured, were turned away. The reserved seats were all sold before the concert commenced. The star that drew the immense audience was Marie Decca, the American successor of Jenny Lind. Unlike any other artist, the Decca, in both like any other artist, the Decca, in both her singing and personality, has a magnetism that enchants her auditors and creates a craving for more that seems never satisfied. With a flute-like voice that rivals the nightingale in purity and sweetness, and a marvelous technique to which nothing seems impossible, the Decca is to day without a peer as a lyric soprano.—The Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette.

One of the prettiest compliments ever received by Marie Decca was paid by a little girl in Paris. She had heard the singer at her mother's house, and the next day she made this remark: "Mamma, when are you going to have the big bird come again? She sings sweeter than my canary."—Exchange.

ODE TO MARIE DECCA.

God speed thee! gentle songstress-with regret

We say it; 'tis a sigh thy carols earn. We're loath to have thee spread thy wings, and yet

There is the hopeful promise of return. ike thee in song, may we in living learn To strike the chords of being—full and clear-

With scorn, all life's ignoble discords spurn.

And let its sweetest music strike the ear.

Miss Decca can be addressed at "The Fanwood," 112 East 17th st., New York.

THE "CABINET MEMBER'S WIFE."-The authorship of the much-discussed "Inner Experiences of a Cabinet Member's Wife," printed in The Ladies' Home Journal, will be revealed in the June issue of that magazine, when the name of Anna Farquhar will appear as the author. It is surmised that the domestic experiences described in these letters were those of Mrs. W. H. H. Miller, wife of the Attorney General in President Harrison's Cabinet,since Miss Farquhar is known to be a personal friend of the Miller family, and to have spent considerable time with them in Washington during their official residence there. The author of these letters was born and raised in Indianapolis, in neighborly re-lations with the Harrison and Miller families, but for ten years past she has lived a studious professional life in New York, a studious professional life in New York, London and Boston. She is now connected with the editorial staff of the Boston Transcript. In addition to her "Cabinet Member's Wife" letters she has published one novel—"A Singer's Heart"—and another one is about to be issued. She is a young woman, exceedingly clever, and only her closest friends have known her connection with the Washington letters which have attracted such wide attention.

If I Should Die To-Night.

If I should die to-night, My friends would look upon my quiet face Before they laid it in its final resting place, And deem that death had left it almost fair; And laying snow-white flowers against my hair.

Would smooth it down with careful tenderness,

And fold my hands with lingering caress, Poor hands, so empty and so cold to-night.

If I should die to-night, My friends would call to mind with loving

Some kindly deed the icy hands had wrought

Some gentle word the frozen lips had said, Errands on which the willing feet had

The memory of my selfishness and pride, My hasty words, would all be cast aside, And so I should be loved and mourned to-night.

If I should die to-night, Even hearts estranged would turn once more to me

Recalling other days remorsefully; The eyes that chill me with averted glance Would look upon me as of yore, perchance,

And soften, in the old familiar way,
For who could war with dumb, unconscious clay? So I might rest, forgiven of all to-night.

Oh! friends, I pray to-night, Keep not your kisses for my dead, cold brow-

The way is lonely, let me feel them now. Think gently of me; I am travel-worn; My faltering feet are pierced with many a

Forgive, oh! hearts estranged; forgive, I plead!

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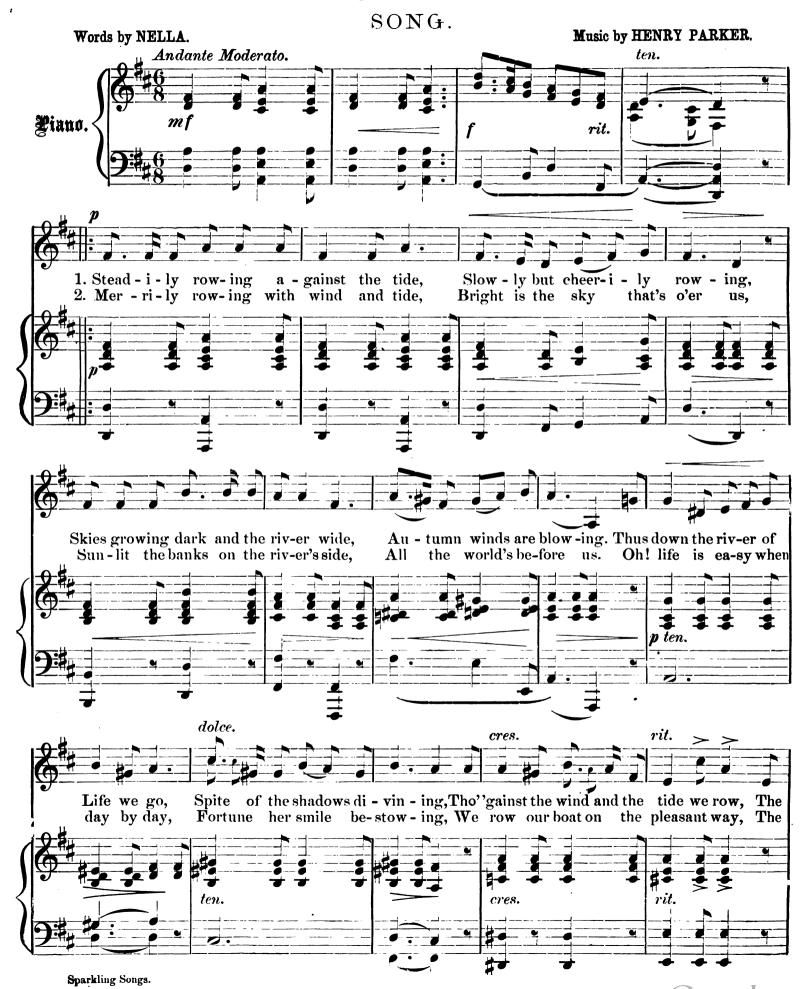
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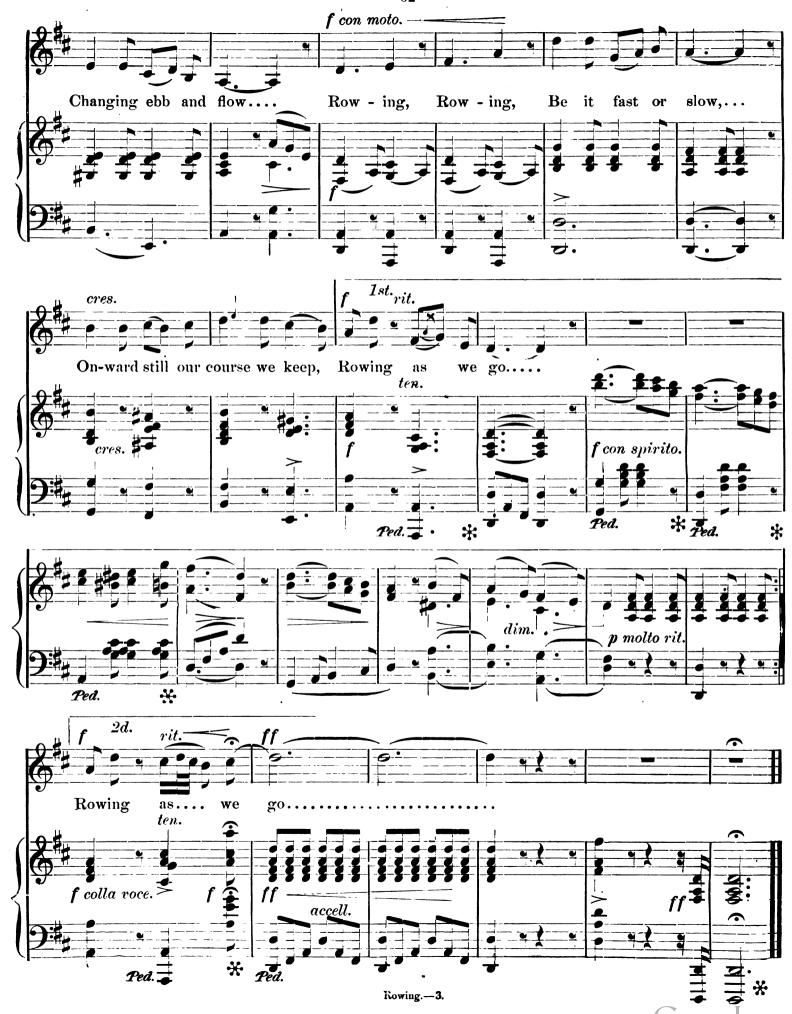
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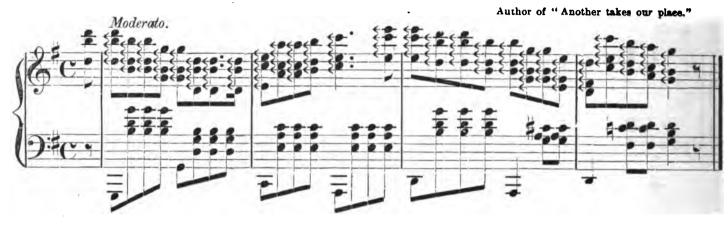


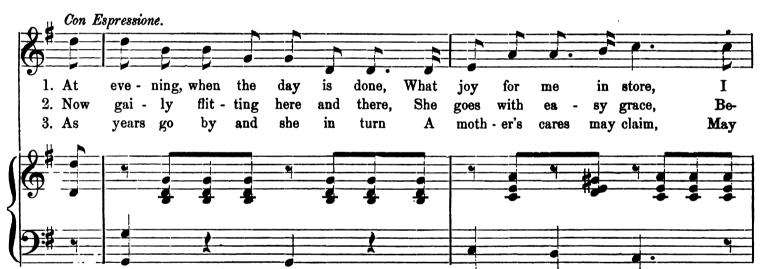


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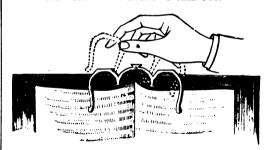
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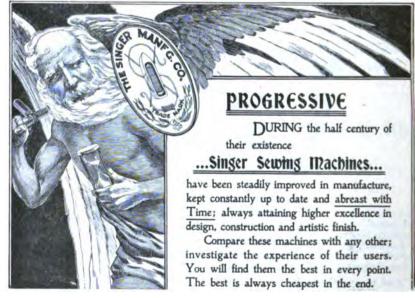
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Mothers first to guide the streamlet,
From them souls unresting grow.
Growing on for good or evil,
Sunshine streamed or darkness hurled;
For the hand that rocks the cradle.
Is the hand that rules the world.

Women, how divine your mission
Here upon our natal sod;
Keep, O keep the young heart open
Always to the breath of God!
All true trophies of the ages
Are from mother love impearled;
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Blessings on the hand of women!
Fathers, sons and daughters cry,
And the sacred song is mingled
With the worship of the sky—
Mingled where no tempest darkens,
Rainbows evermore are curled!
For the hand that rocks the cradle
Is the hand that rules the world.
—William Ross Wallace.



Clarence L. Partee,

OF KANSAS CITY, Mo.

Mr. Clarence L. Partee of Kansas City, Mo., the subject of this sketch, is one of the most prominent figures of the day in the banjo, mandolin and guitar world, and has, moreover, risen from obscurity to a

position of eminence in his field of work attained by few, if any. His advancement has been due entirely to his own efforts, combined with study and natural ability.

Mr. Partee was born in Concord, N. C.,

of a wealthy Southern family, January 20th, 1864, and is therefore a little more than thirty-four years of age. His parents suffered severe financial reverses during the Civil War, losing practically all their property; and being left an orphan before he was fourteen years of age, he was thrown entirely upon his own resources.

Having studied music since childhood, he decided to take up the study of the banjo with a view of becoming a professional, and shortly afterwards he removed to Chicago, where he enjoyed every facility for pursuing his studies. For several years he was connected with the banjo manufactory of J. B. Schall, (at that time the most celebrated factory in the country,) in the capacity of instructor, and while there he was constantly thrown in contact with, and enjoyed the friendship of all the great banjo artists of the time, including E. M. Hall and many others. This practical schooling was of great benefit to him and furnished the foundation for his future development. It was at this time that he began also the study of the guitar, and later the mandolin, when it was first introduced in this country.

After severing his connection with the factory he traveled for a considerable time as a concert soloist, but has devoted nearly all his time to teaching the stringed instruments, composing and publishing music for more than sixteen years in Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Omaha and Kansas City, where he finally located eight years ago. Many teachers and stage favorites of the day received their instruction from him.

Mr. Partee has composed and arranged a large number of selections for the banjo, mandolin and guitar, all of which have been successful, and is the author of several books of unusual merit; among these may be mentioned the "American Conservatory Banjo Method" and "Practical Hints" on Modern Banjo and Mandolin Playing, which have sold largely. His latest works, "American Conservatory" Mandolin and Guitar Methods are now in press and will no doubt be in demand by progressive teachers everywhere.

Mr. Partee's greatest achievement, however, was the establishment, four years ago, of The Cadenza, the first legitimate, high class magazine devoted to the interests of the profession he represents and players at large of the banjo, mandolin and guitar. This music magazine is subscribed for by players in all English-speaking countries, including England, Australia and the South African colonies. Previous to the appearance of The Cadenza the literary standard of publications of this character was not commendable, said publications being used principally to advertise the proprietor's merchandise to the exclusion of everything else, or to vilify his competitors. Mr. Partee has earned the lasting gratitude of the profession by changing all this. The Cadenza is a journal of pure, clean, literary tone and great educathe others have been obliged to follow or lose their patronage entirely; by this means he has not only improved the moral standard of such publications, but has earned a greater respect for his profession than it formerly possessed.

Mr. Partee has devoted his life to the advancement of the banjo, mandolin and guitar as legitimate musical instruments (particularly the banjo) and has certainly done more for those instruments than any man in the Western country. The educational value of his publication can not be overestimated.

Thus it will be seen that with Mr. Partee's long experience and varied accomplishments as teacher, performer, composer, author, editor and publisher, it is small wonder that his efforts have been recognized and that his name and works are known throughout two continents.



Miss Jennie Dutton.

There are many sopranos of varying degrees of worth, yet Miss Jennie Dutton is one of the few whose vocal attainments and pleasing personality place her among the foremost singers in America. She possesses a splendid voice of considerable range and power, but the chief beauty of her singing is the artistic graduation of light and shade which invests every note she utters, while that always-to-be-desired distinct enunciation is particularly evident in all her work, be it French, German or

Miss Dutton is an American, having first seen the light of day in the old Bay State. Her father was a violinist of considerable skill and her mother was a choir singer of local fame, thus it was quite natural their daughter should be well instructed musically. For two years Miss Dutton was trained by Mme. Rudersdorf, at the end of which time she went abroad, where she studied with Vanuccini, Wm. Shakespeare, and later studied Schumann and Rubenstein songs with Georg Henschel. She sang in many concerts and recitals in London, Paris and Berlin, with great success, so that upon returning to this country it was quite in the natural order of events tional value, and has set a standard which that she should appear as soloist with such

organizations as the Chicago Beethoven Society under Carl Wolfsohn, the Milwaukee Musical Society and the Brooklyn Philharmonic. While in Chicago, Miss Dutton was the soprano soloist of Grace Church, and later of Trinity Episcopal Church. When she went to New York a few years ago, she was at once made the soloist at the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, where she remained five years, and later held the same position at the Brick Church. A short time ago Miss Dutton decided to give up church work and devote herself to concert work. for which she is in demand. In April, at the Waldorf-Astoria, Miss Dutton gave a delightful and very successful Musicale, assisted by Miss Littlehales, 'cellist, Mr. Lavin, tenor, and Mr. Reinhold Herman, piano. Miss Dutton has sung with Walter Damrosch's orchestra and toured the West with the late Edouard Remenyi. At the World's Fair she sang with Theodore Thomas' orchestra with great success. Some idea of her ability may be gained from the following partial list of works she has sung frequently: "The Loreley," Mendelssohn; "Stabat Mater," Rossini; "The Pilgrimage of the Rose," Schumann; "Elijah," "Messiah," "Creation," Paul," "The Lay of the Bell," Bruch; "Odysseus," Bruch; "St. Ursula," "Rose Maiden," and "Sleeping Beauty," Cowen; "The Light of Asia," "Eve," Massenet; "The Holy City," Gaul; "Der Raut der Sabinerinnen," "Constantin," "Paradise Lost," Rubenstein; Judas Maccabeus," Handel; "Daughter of Jairus," "Spectre's Bride," Dvorak; "The Lyre and The Harp," St. Saens; "Hymn of Praise," Mendelssohn.

Miss Dutton has a delightful apartment overlooking Central Park and the view from her windows is particularly lovely. There is an atmosphere of artistic refinement surrounding this talented woman which assures one of her broad-minded reasoning on all subjects connected with her art. Her circle of friends is very large and includes the best people both socially and among musicians. Mary Knight Wood has just dedicated a new song to Miss Dutton, called "At Dawn," the words of which are by Celia Thaxter. Whereever this has been sung it has received warm praise for both singer and composer.

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For I believe it's right.
First. They promise to be faithful
To a Brother in distress— Even go to watch beside him And their sympathies express; And if he's cold or hungry, To feed him then and there-Yes, furnish him with clothing, If he hasn't much to wear. Then, to make the matter darker, He'll on his wife impose, By bringing home a "stranger" That he intimates he knows. Now, things like that are awful, And ought to be suppressed, But the Masons often do them, Though of course they're unconfessed. You know I've been among them And have seen this with my eyes; Seen 'em weep among the children-Just because their father dies. Do you blame me for disclosing Such foolish acts as this-Given ragged beggars quarters And stooping down to kiss Some little pleading baby-Just because it's left to cry?
Of course you don't! It's awful, But they do it very sly, So that none around will know it— As though they were in fear. Oh! Masonry is awful-And the Masons awful queer! But of all the awful secrets That are hidden in his head, He sometimes aids the widow Of a Mason that is dead, And loves his orphaned children As though they were his own— Now, isn't that just awful?

No wonder that you groan. It's strange they're tolerated In a good and moral town. Such actions are disgusting And ought to be put down, For beggars are a nuisance (Quite regardless of the cause) And ought to be subjected To the force of pauper laws. But then it may be human To protect a helpless child That asks for food or shelter, With a voice so sad and mild; But we haven't time to bother With poverty and pain-We must keep up with the fashion— No matter what the strain. Yes, the Masons are old-fashioned; At least three thousand years,

And they haven't learned to look with

scorn

On falling human tears.

So, you'll have to make allowance
For their seeming lack of pride
In caring for the needy ones
Whom others may deride.
For the Lord of all creation,
When He dwelt upon the earth,
Was seldom seen among the rich,
But those of humble birth;
And it may be (as the Master
Of the Grand Lodge up above)
He'll forgive these awful Masons
For their deeds of human love.
—Square and Compass.

Not Obliged to Read.

No, my Brother, you are not obliged to read the Square and Compass or any other Masonic publication. As a Master Mason you have an inherent right to let your mind lie fallow. Some of the officers of Masonic lodges who have no time to read, will tell you the same thing. If you have been deluded or over persuaded into such folly as subscribing for a Masonic paper, don't let the grass grow under your feet until you raise a healthy, able-bodied howl and inwardly determine that the publisher shall whistle for his pay even if he has to eat persimmons to lay the foundation for a pucker.—Square and Compass.

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"Gone from the home and the Lodge room, Gone forever," we say. And tears will fall On the solemn pall And the unresponsive clay.

Gone to a higher life-plane;
To the "house not made with hands,"
But loving deeds
For a brother's needs
Erect that house which stands.

Let sweet flowers be gathered
For the friends now gone above,
And strew to-day
On the sacred clay
As symbols of our love.

And forget not that these flowers Which grace the dull old earth, But symbols are Of flowers more rare Which have a higher birth.

These rarer flowers are kindness
And love to those in woe;
Over all the land
On every hand
These better flowers should go.

If we'd reach the home above,
And dwell with those most dear,
We'll gather with care,
These flowers rare,
For hearts most needing cheer.
—Mrs. H. H. McGrath in "Mystic Worker."

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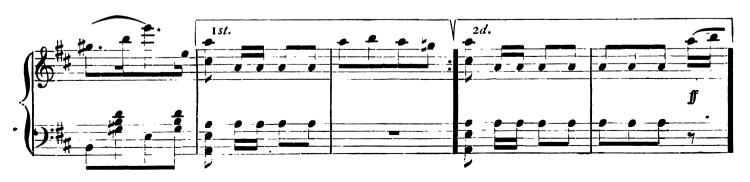
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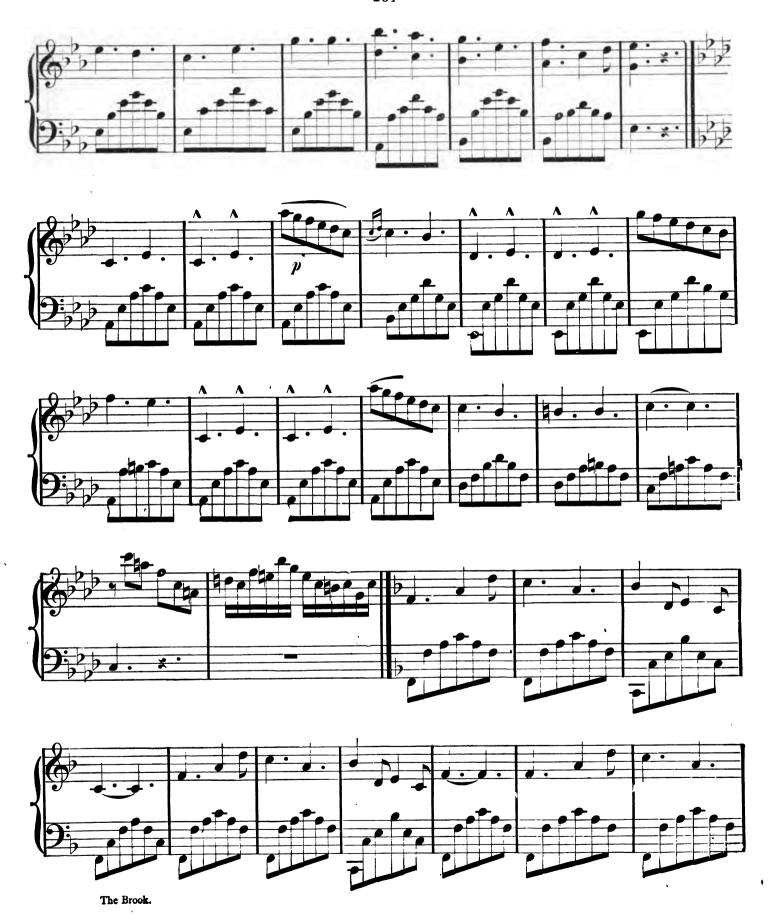
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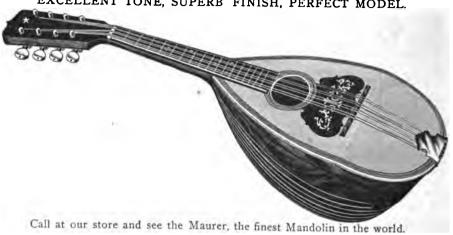
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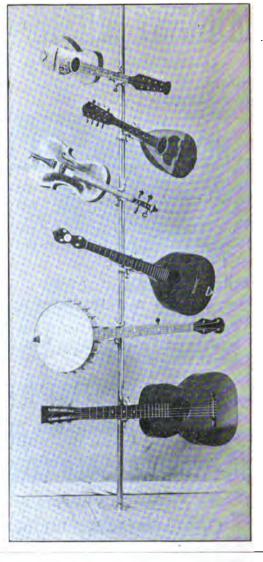
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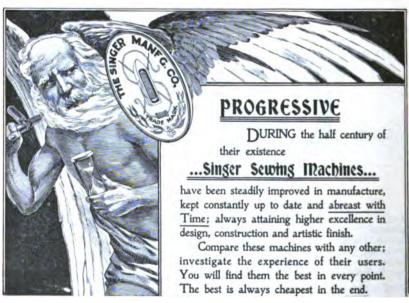
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They rest who 'neath Old Glory stood on

many a fateful day,
And some are camping close beside the foe

who wore the gray; And over all the robin sings, the daisy

lifts her head,

And Nature's richest blessings are upon the sleepers shed.

They sleep who often watched at night the

glowing fires of Lee,
They dream no more of that great march
that ended at the sea;

Potomac's waves no more are red, and on the mountain's crest

Where glared the sullen guns of war the eagle builds her nest;

The hosts of blue are camping yet beneath the pines of Maine,

They sleep where peep the buttercups above the southern plain;
No picket lines to guard their camps, no sentries brave and true,

For Death hath beat for every one his grim and last tattoo.

I see the long camps stretching from the far-off western wave

where Atlantic's billows chant their dirges for the brave;

I stand at Arlington and look adown the noiseless lines

Where not a drum is beating in that camp

beneath the pines;
The buds that dot the wilderness, the snowy crests of foam

Pay tribute to the gallant men who never

more came home;
From myriad hands each sunny May, our grateful country through,
Fall Glory's fadeless immortelles upon the

dead in blue.

Methinks I see their sabers as they flashed in battle's sun,

I seem to see the warlight fall on bayonet

and gun;
Before the farm-house gate I stand and

listen for their tread,
Forgetting that the mighty camps are
guarded by the dead;
They wear the blue, but 'neath the rose

they're camping where they died,
The sunny waves of Shenandoah around

their head-stones glide; The pines of Georgia cast in shade, the long, long summer through,

The everlasting camping ground of those who fought in blue.

Where stood the serried sections once no fire-lit rivers flow,

Between the gaping cannon ruts the roses bloom and blow,

And Peace enthroned beneath one flag in glory sits to-day,

and Love and Honor join the hands of gallant Blue and Gray;
The swords of Grant and Lee are crossed, but not on battle's plain,

For Fame hath hung them with a smile above her worshiped fane; The old commanders occupy that camp be-

neath the trees, Beyond the shadows dense and grim, beyond life's misty seas.

O campers in the sunlight fair! O sleepers in the shade!

Sweet be the rest that ye have won in city,

glen and glade; Dream not of battle's immortelles, you won them long ago

Where in your manhood oft you met the wary southern foe;

Upon you in Fame's bivouac the wreaths of beauty fall.

And Freedom's flag of stripes and stars is waving over all: Rest in the camps that Glory guards with

ardor warm and true,
Beloved by all from coast to coast, O
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-T. C. Harbaugh.

Wife (at piano)—John, you're singing dreadfully this evening; there, you've skipped a bar.
John—Didn't skip any on my way home.

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There is a man in our town who has such a hatred of music that he has taken the drums out of his ears.

Book Notices.

SAMANTHA AT SARATOGA, IN A NEW DRESS.—One of the funniest of all the funny books is certainly "Samantha at Saratoga." Will Carleton pronounces it "delicious humor" and Bishop Newman says it is "bitterest satire, coated with the sweetest of exhilarating fun." Formerly published by subscription at the price of \$2.50, and sold, is is said, by the hundred thousand, it has recently been issued in an exquisite little cloth-bound volume in the Cambridge Classics series by the celebrated cheap-book publishers, Hurst & Co., of New York, as a means of widely advertising that series, and is sold at the fabulously low price of 25 cents. It would seem strange if they should not sell a million of them. They are sold by booksellers, or the publishers direct.

Some of the curiosities of the Bank of England are well worth describing. In the printing room a man sits at a little table, and every three seconds a machine hands him two complete five pound notes. If he sits there six hours he receives over seventy thousand pounds, and in 300 days over twenty millions in paper money! It is a strange duty for a man to have to perform—to sit at a table to receive from a machine twenty millions a year!

The vaults where the gold is stored are still more curious. In the ante-chamber to the gold king's throne room are a few men attired in almost mediæval costume, commanded by a very modern personage, who wears a frock coat and a silk hat. The latter, with the assistance of another, who is also sprucely dressed, unlocks the iron gates of the vault. Around the well white-washed cellar are ranged trolleys, upon each of which rest bars of pure gold to the amount of £80,000, the particular vault to which visitors are admitted containing two millions' worth of bullion. Through the thick walls can just be heard the confused murmur of the myriads above, who are hurrying, working and worrying, eagerly endeavoring to obtain some trifle of the treasure which rests so placidly on the trolleys. Has there ever yet been a millionaire miser who has built for his gold such a throne room? and did he sit there through the days thinking out all the good and all the evil which these millions might be made to do? But millionaires are seldom imaginative.

In another vault every note which is returned is stored for five years, and here is kept one, for twenty-five pounds, which stayed away for over a hundred years. It has been calculated that during that period the loss on the note in interest amounted to over £6000.—London Truth.

"Doctor, they tell me you are attending that young man next door free of charge."

"Yes, and glad to do it. He's been practicing on a snare drum for the last six months, and now I have a chance to put an end to the nuisance."

OUR NAVY-ILLUSTRATED.-At the present moment, when all eyes are turned to the fleets which are sustaining so nobly the honor of our country, we often hear people ask, "What is the difference between an armored cruiser and a protected cruiser?" Very few people are able to answer such queries off-hand, and it would be hard to obtain satisfactory answers to them from cyclopedias or dictionaries. To answer these and similar queries the Scientific American has just published a "Special Navy Supplement," a large folio of 40 pages illustrated by 90 illustrations, showing the vessels of the new Navy, whether battleships, coast defense vessels, cruisers, rams, torpedo boats, gunboats and submarine boats. Unlike most publications dealing with the Navy, the actual methods of "Fighting the Ship" are described—the engines, boilers, guns, turret, mechanism, steering gear, etc., being illustrated. We do not know of any publication which gives in any degree the same matter. The present time is most opportune for a publication of this kind, and we are pleased to know that the sale has been phenomenal. This issue contains a colored map of Cuba and the West Indies. It is sold by all newsdealers or by Messrs. Munn & Co., Publishers, 361 Broadway, New York.

Dobson—Can your daughter play the piano?

Subbubs (wearily) — I don't know whether she can or not, but she does.

What's the matter with Uncle Sam?
Who is there to say
The great American Eagle
Shan't
Get

What's the matter with Uncle Sam?
Who is there will shy
Just because Old Glory
Floats
On
High?

What's the matter with Uncle Sam?
Who will dare to grow!
When the American people
Make
Spain
Howl?

What's the matter with Uncle Sam? Who's the man to shirk If we stop old Blanco With

Jerk?

Gay?

What's the matter with Uncle Sam? Who is there to groan When our army and navy Bangs

A Throne?

What's the matter with Uncle Sam?
Breathe there men to-day
Who think this nation shouldn't
Have
Its
Sav?

What's the matter with Uncle Sam? The Red, White and Blue Can lick the whole caboodle

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"Is it true that Blatterton moves his audiences when he sings?"

"Great Scott! yes. I knew several families that left the neighborhood on account of his style."

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Mrs. Meigs' Pupils.

DELIGHTFUL RECITAL BY THE YOUNG LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

The recital given by the pupils of Mrs. F. D. Meigs in Warner Hall June 23 was a grand success, both from an artistic and social standpoint. Although the evening was a warm one, the friends and admirers of Mrs. Meigs and her pupils were not to be kept from attending the recital. An unusually large audience, among whom were many of the leaders of New Haven society, bestowed frequent applause throughout the rendering of the program. The playing of Miss Clara Horton was of a high order, as was also the selection by Miss Grace Brown. Miss Bessie Welch delighted her audience with her recitation, "The Prize Violin." Others deserving of special mention were the Misses Mabel Tucker and Jennie Butler. The program as a whole was one of the best musical treats that has been given in this city for some time. Following is the program:

Two pianos—Rondo brilliante..... Mohr Mrs. F. D. Meigs, Miss Mabel Tucker.

The Awakening of Spring—Op 53, No. 3.
Harberbier
Miss Ruby Thomson.

Valse Caprice in Eb......Rubenstein Miss Clara Horton.

Two pianos, eight hands—Figaro de Mozart, Op. 43, No. 7. Alberti Miss Edna Higby, Miss Bertha Downs, Miss Hazel Merwin, Miss Alice Brooks.

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Recitation—"The Prize Violin."
Miss Bessie Welch.

The Two Larks—Impromptu..Leschetizky
Miss Mabel Tucker.

Polonaise—Op. 40, No. 1......Chopin Miss Jennie Butler.

Sylvia—Op. 27Devrient Miss May Rowley.

A charming musicale was recently given at the home of Miss Fanslow, 53 Salem st. Among the participants were the following: Elizabeth Barnes, Roy Case, Alice Frank, Charlotte Gay, Walter Lines, Harold Lines, Alice Martin, Genevieve Martin, Louis Martin, Ada Nelson, Mary Louise Pardee.

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Aunt Martha—Why yes, what about

Uncle Hays- They walked back.

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Edith—I never heard of such a thing. What is it?

Miss Birdling—Every one will take part in something they know nothing about. Now tell me what to do.

Edith- Sing, dear, sing.

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The Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Rameses Temple held a grand gathering in the Temple Building, Toronto, on Friday, April 29th. Twenty-five novices took hold of the rope, and after a march over the burning sands to Mecca, they succeeded in reaching the sacred city. The following advice of the poet laureate was listened to:

O, Novice seeking further light, Trust not in man thy cup to fill, Seek strength in Allah for the fight, If he won't help, then no one will.

The road to Mecca is beset
With dangers dark on every side;
The hills are steep, the valleys wet.
Trust Allah, then, and "let 'er slide."

Your only hope is in the rope, From which you hang o'er sharpened stakes,

But grip it tight and you're all right Unless, of course, the old thing breaks.

We have great pleasure in informing our readers that the main body got over safely, but a few unfortunates let go their grip, and the thud with which they came down the toboggan slide, bursting the spring mattress placed at the bottom to ease their fall, shook the city like an earthquake, and frightened the citizens, who thought they were in Manila, and their city was being bombarded by Admiral Dewey. After the initiation the Nobles sat down to a sumptuous repast in the banqueting hall, and the Nobles from home and abroad spent a jolly evening until the "cock crow" in the morning. Our poet asks:

Would you like to be a Shriner, And with the Nobles stand, With a fez upon your top-knot And diploma in your hand?

Then come and join the caravan, Across the red-hot sands. You'll be supplied with sandwiches And patent leather fans.

They'll let you stand on Araphat And view the landscapes o'er; And if you'll promise not to tell. They'll show you plenty more.

The cost is only twenty-five dolls, 'Tis worth twice that, they say; And should you want your money back, Why, call some other day.

—Canadian Craftsman.

An inveterate tobacco chewer forgot to remove his quid on his first introduction into the lodge room, and when asked what he most desired? promptly answered, "A spittoon, if you please."

The Masonić Temple at Washington.

The plans of our Washington brethren have taken definite shape for the erection of a magnificent temple at the capital of the nation. It is the intention to make it an architectural ornament, and a substantial addition to the many public and private edifices of the city. It will be constructed on a broad and liberal scale, containing all the improvements known to the architects' and builders' arts, and it is intended to provide a spacious hall and auditorium for the accommodation of large public gatherings. It will be built with especial reference to the present and future needs of the Masonic fraternity, and will serve as the future home of the Masons of that District, and the abiding place of all members of the craft throughout the United States temporarily sojourning there.

Standard of Perfect Manhood.

The Mason is a part of the busy world in all of its aspects, good and bad, and though exposed to the pernicious side of life, he should live above it, a shining light in the midst of darkness, a precious gem amidst the refuse, coming from contact with the worldly, business or society, with character untarnished, mind clear, his personality pure, his conscience tranquil, his individuality free, the culmination, a prototype of man in his perfection.

The Mason's faith demands, nay insists, on incorruptibility, for his faith is based upon the Word of God, and purity in life, maintaining evermore its pristine equality, creating a path of light through the environing darkness of the world, models and examples for others seeking light in other ways—though Masonry is the only light in this world which would be encompassed with darkness without it.

And in its teachings, even from ancient days, such has been its efforts. It has inspired the noblest deeds among men of culture and eminent position, even as it has dignified the modest walks of the less fortunate and poor, bringing blessings to the palatial mansions of the rich as to the cottage of the poor, making of its teachings the richest attributes of the scholar and the statesman, as of the laborer and artisan.

Every thoughtful Mason recognizes what grace it has added to learning and what a force it has proven to civilization and the world's enlightenment. Its labors among the worthy have raised with its quickening forces rare enrichment, valuable asquisitions to its ranks, thus exhibiting the powers of good example—for Masonry is nothing if not a following of example—a simple standard of perfect manhood that has its rewards in carrying out the tenets of a pure and honorable life, its belief limited to recognition of the Ineffable One and the duty man owes to his fellow man.

—Square and Compass.

Altar of Masonry.

The Masonic altar is erected to God, This certainly gives to this piece of lodge furniture a religious significance which should clothe it in a garment of veneration. Around it have knelt thousands of the brightest and best of humanity. Generations of men have come and gone, and cities have crumbled into ruins, but lo! here is an altar where you may bow and seek the assistance of that Being who alone can protect amid dangers and difficulties.

It is a curious thing, when we contemplate it, how this altar has been preserved. As each new generation comes the seriously bowed head takes its place at the altar. Shall this not give strong evidence that the altar shall remain? Does it not present silent testimony that the vows here spoken are the links that bind humanity into a band of common brother-hood?

When Joshua crossed the Jordan he took twelve stones out of the bed of the river and built an altar commemorative of the entrance to the promised land.

The fathers were to tell the children what these stones meant in the days to come. How long this altar remained as a witness of this wonderful transaction is unknown, but we may surmise that the heap of stones would be guarded with jealous care for many generations to come.

And so with the Masonic altar. What mean ye by these vows pledged before Jehovah for the benefit of our common brotherhood? What have you done, brother, to fulfill these vows? Yes, you have kept the secret inviolate, but that was only the passive part of the obligation. What about the active?

Has the world in any manner been bettered by you since you bowed down at that Masonic altar? Has the cry of distress passed by unheeded, or the mute appeal for help been by you ignored? Has your hand reached out to stay a tottering brother who has wandered by any forbidden paths? Have you labored with yourself to subdue those passions that jar and clash with the elements of good within you?

In short, which is it; have the principles taught in Masonry taken full possession of your will power, or have you caged them, as birds of beautiful plumage and song. to contemplate, but not to utilize? Ah! what answer, brethren?—Exchange.

It is said the Spanish Premier, Sagasta, is not only a Freemason, but was a Grand Master. He was trained as an engineer. followed the profession of journalist and became a politican. He had been a Minister of State under Gen. Pim, King Amadeus, and under Marshal Serrano, when he was president of the Republic, under the late King, and is now Prime Minister under the Queen Regent and her little son.

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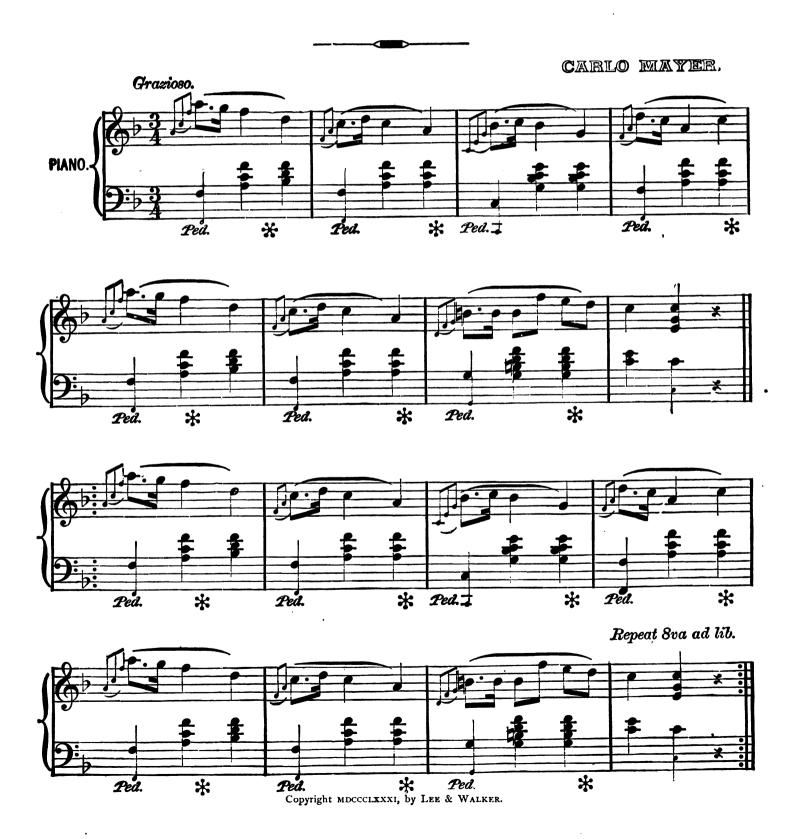
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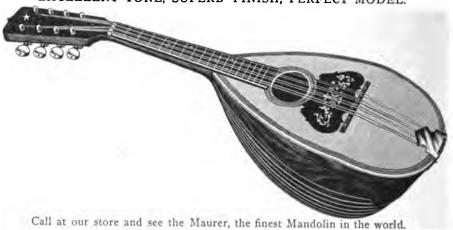
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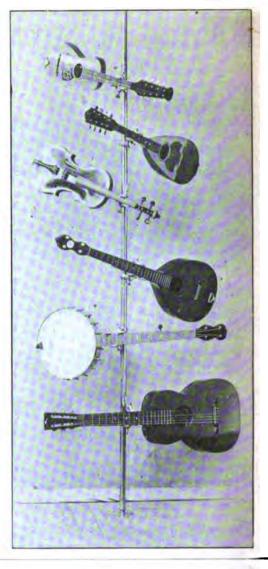
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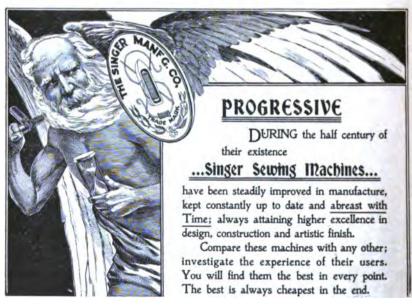
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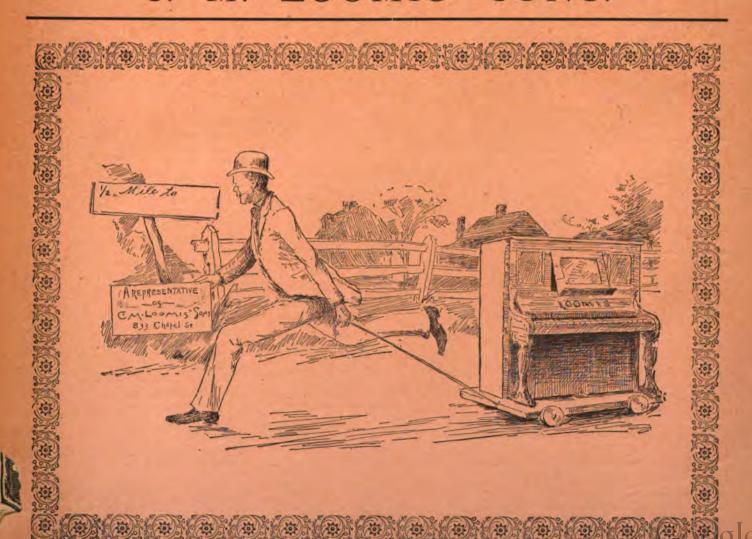
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