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DEATH OF KATHARINA LOHRE-KLAFSKY.

New York opera patrons, says the American Art Journal, who had been anticipating the return of this noble interpreter of Isolde and Brunnhide in the Abbey-Grau and the Damrosch opera companies this season, were shocked to learn of her death in Hamburg on Sept. 22d, after a surgical operation. Her debut in New York last March during the Dam-Her debut in New York isst March (uring the Dam-rosch German Opera season at the Academy was de-cidedly successful. The Hungarian prima donna grew in public favor with each interpretation of the Wagnerian roles, and conquered a proud position. Fran Klafsky's Brunnhilde in "Die Walkure" was atic episodes, which placed her among the best in-terpreters of the revision show freshness of voice was temperature of the property of the property of the therein. If Klafsky had a fault it was ner lavish generosity in the display of her force and the depth of her feeling. See says intensely human in all she prassion. No less successful was she in "Tristan and Isolde" at the Academy. Isolde was the formation of the favorite and stronger role, and she might have key's displaced by the property of the pro

She began her vocal studies with Marchesi, but She began her vocal studies with Marches) but made her advancement under Julius Hey, the grant teacher of Wagnerian decalmation in Munich. Hor the batton of Anton Seidl, in Bremen. Under the same conductor she also sang the roles of Brumbilde and Seiglinde, in Italy, with Angelo Neumann's she had sung for about ten years at the Stadt Tuest, in Hamburg, and was also well received in London at the Drury Lane Theatre, and in Paris in Her death roles is the stage of one of its most gifted.

Her death robs the stage of one of its most gifted singers at a time when dramatic prime donne are exceedingly scarce the world over.

Not infrequently we hear of parents who are very particular, says an exchange, as to what their chil-dren should read, and some go so far as to examine sincere in her work, and these qualities combined drea should read, and some go so far as to examine with a voice of phenomian power and great beauty, every book before they allow it to be put into the made her a remarkable exponent of Isode. There were times when one wished more postry and ideal, ideal and the didfer and search much trouble. It is in the raction, when she seemed almost too use the ready of the raction, when she seemed almost too use the raction of t

Kimball Company, to celebrate the event, presented Mr. Conway with a chest of solid silver, gold lined. The address was delivered by Mr. Cone, the Treasurer of the Company, who, two years ago, celebrated a like anniversary. It is not often, in these times a like anniversary. It is not often, in these times of constant change in the pianoforte trade, that two such celebrations occur in one house, and it is worth noting that there are also a number of employees who have been in the service of the Kimball house

> Gilbert Louis Duprez, the French tenor, died at Paris on Sept. 23rd at the age of ninety. When ten years old he entered the Conservatoire, and was instructed by the great master of singing, Choron. Duprez made his debut in 1820 at the Theatter Franstructer of the Conservatoire, and the Conservatoire, and the Septer of Sevilla." Beturning to Italy, he enjoyed great success in Rossia's 'Otello, 'Guillaume Tell, ''Lec Squildes,' and ''Ill Barbiere.' One of his greatest roles was Armold, in 'Guillaume Tell, ''and included in his different control of the Conservation of the Conservati Gilbert Louis Duprez, the French tenor, died at tris on Sept. 23rd at the age of ninety. When ten From 1842 to 1850 he was professor at the Conservatoire. Some years ago he published an interesting volume of personal reminiscences.



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#### IS THE STUDY OF MUSICAL THEORY SUPERFLUOUS ?

The question with which we are so often con fronted—"Why should one who does not intend to fronted—"Why should one who does not intend to compose study musical theory," deserves special consideration at a time when even many "creative consideration at a time wine even inary creative artists? I along under the impression that in compos-ing for the market, the saleability of a man's wares stands in the inverse ratio to his musical knowl-edge, and the consequent quality of his work. Granting that some of our most popular writers

methods of contrapuntal treatment, the nature of the fugue, the principles of thematic development, etc. As an instance, the pianist will find that an additional interest is imparted to the passage in 43, also to the second part of No. 7 of the same se-ries (beginning with the 17th measure), and again in No. 11 (measures 1 to 8 and 17 to 24), as soon as the becomes acquainted with the nature of sequences. As the student learns the possibilities of giving va-riety to a melody by means of harmonic coloring, he

riety to a melody by means of narmonic cotoring, he will appreciate the second section of the prelude in Bizet's Suite "L'Arlesienne," where a phrase of but three notes is harmonized in many ways. The "Chimes" in the same suite presents an instance even will also have an autotionar respect for the manual contabile in Beethoven's C-major symphony where the main theme (a fughetta) returns embellished with a counterpoint, as though it were not suffi-ciently polyphonic in character to begin with. As the student becomes familiar with that inter-table to the counterpoint of the counterpoint of the counterpoint.

As the student becomes familiar with that inter-esting and important feature known as thematic development, every time he plays a scherzo from one of Beethwen's sonatas, symphonies, trios, or whatever it may be, he will not fall to wonder at the marvelous inventive genius of that man who could accomplish so much with a little group of three or four notes.

Musical form is a particularly attractive study, as it leads to the contemplation of one of the most in teresting features of musical work—the constructeresting features of musical work—the construc-tion of the moulds into which the ideas are run. Some compositions are remarkable for their sym-metry, others are equally attractive owing to their deviations from the regular contour. The student soon learns what constitutes the regularity of the was written at most nave snoesed raydn by Gring ing the main theme of his A-major sonata right at the beginning of the "working out" section in the key of A-flat. It is only after one becomes familiar with the traditional custom of closing the "working out" section with an organ point on the dominant that he finds what an innovation Beethoven intro-duced in his D-major symphony by closing that por-duced in his D-major symphony by closing that porthat he miss ward are a misstants because a summer of the state of the

mer makes us feel the trees and underbrush at the

risk of torn garments.

In analyzing many well-known pieces, beauti's unlooked for appear to the student of form, Possibly no series of compositions will afford a greater variety of formal curlosities in small compass than Mendelssohn's "Songs Without Words," some of them being miniature somata movements. That

sion or intense moods as the peaceful, pure life of

If the somewhat hackneyed works of Mendelssohn If the somewhat hackneyed works of Mendelssohn command our respect, those works of Chopin, which have also been too much played by the careless to inspire us as they once did by their transcendent beauty, will also revive in our esteem and affection be, I narrly tains, says reight Stimata Keney in the latest the state of the state

sorable notice.

Surely the study of musical composition is most profitable to the plants when it enables him to discover the trare relationship of parts, thus rendering greater accuracy. The same holds true of the violation of the state of the violation of the violation of the violation of the violation of parts and the violation of the violation of parts the ises likely he is to feel interested in music as a whole. Hence the fact that so few sing composer; but they are missing a great deal content of the violation of violation

#### ON THE BEST MODELS.

The influence of the religious life of Mendelssohn, tys the Household, has touched the world's heart,

and left it better.
Indeed, Mendelssohn, whom his father named
Felix the Happy, seems like a luminous spirit that
bent down to earth and sung his song, and vanished
again into celestial air. It is the spiritual that lives
in poetry, whether tone-poetry or the verbal rhythms
of inspired thought.

of inspired thought.
This is the secret of the permanency of Mendelssohn's work, his "Hymn of Praise," his "Songs
Without Words" his "St. Paul" and "Elijah," and
the fragment of his unfinished "Christus."
Says Dr. Gage, his biographer, in an article in a
popular periodical:—
Despite the fierce light which has been thrown

upon him by the publication of the enormous mass of his letters and journals, not one weak point has been brought to light.

been brought to light.

"The son and heir of a rich Berlin banker, he always wrought as a poor man's son and never inmany shows a solid state of the solid state of

fastiy consecrated to the highest and best."
This quoted paragraph merits a re-reading by any young musician, and a place in the scrap-book of any young man whose face is set towards eminent influence in life.

influence in life.

Mendelssohn's classic was the Bible. Once in a village on the Rhine he wrote: "There are always two things I must have when I make a tarry; one is a Bible, the other a piano." First the highest spira

models. He who would build strongly must lay the

#### KUNKEL POPULAR CONCERTS.

The Kunkel Popular Concerts for the season '96-'97 were inaugurated at the Fourteenth Street Theatre, formerly the Germania, Sunday afternoon, October formerly the Germania, Sunday afteraoon, October 11th. Though somewhat early in the season, the attendance justified the prediction that the Kunkel Popular Concerts are looked forward to with special interest and formish lovers of music with treats they thus far been given, have drawn out magnificent audiences. The programmes are splendidly varied and include the best available talent. To lovers and students of music, these concerts will prove educa-tive as well as interesting. Mr. Charles Kunkel has sparred no pains to give the musical public a series to the control of the control of the control of the time.

afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Fourteenth Street The-atre. The programme rendered at the Sunday con-cert is repeated at the Thursday concert. The fol-cert is repeated at the Thursday concert. The fol-Twenty-third and twenty-fourth concerts, Sunday afternoon, October 11th, Thursday afternoon, October 13th, 1. Duet for piano—Merry Wives of Wind-ber 13th, 1. Duet for piano—Merry Wives of Wind-sor Overture (Nicoall)—Grand Paraphrase de Con-cert, Clande Meinotte, Messrs, Charles Knukel and core Date of the Control of the Control of the Control of Control

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In the August number of our Review the following notice appears: "Mrs. Nellie Hale Davis, soprano of Grand Avenue Presbyterian Church, was sued by Prof. Nelson for forty dollars on account of lessons. The case was decided in favor of Prof. Nelson." With reference to above notice, we wish Nelson." With reference to above notice, we wish to say that the information came to us from Prof. most one of the prof. The state of t

The above statement was prepared for publication by Mrs. Davis representative, and, upon being shown to Prof. Nelson, the latter asserts, upon his own responsibility, that a settlement was reached at \$50 owhich Mrs. Davis paid, thus obviating the necessity of a trial. Mrs. Davis asserts that she stood ready at any time to pay \$5.00, and that a

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The Boston Symphony Society closed its fifteenth season last spring, and an analysis of its work during those fifteen years educes the following statisting those fifteen years educes the following statistics of the state of th

### LEVI KNIGHT FULLER.

Levi K. Fuller, of Vermont, died at his Battleboro home, after a lingering illness.— In the death of Governor Fuller his widow and near relatives suffer an irreparable loss, the bitter-ness of which time alone can assuage and soften. In the death of Governor Fuller the music trade of America losses one of its most distinguished memi-

bers, a man who cast lustre and honor upon the trade and profession which he adorned.

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to the company, to whom his inventive talents have been unquestionally of great benefit.

In 1873 he visited Europe, where he laid the foundation of his firm's great system of foreign agencies. He was a straight of the laid of the straight of the straight of the corporation K. Dufer became steep resident of the straight of the s of Vermont, and in 1882 became its Governor by a most complimentary majority. Had he lived, Governor Fuller would undoubtedly have represented his State in the Senate at Washington. His career as chief executive of Vermont was marked by a wise and conservative management of State affairs, and it is only a short time ago that I heard one of the most prominent business me in Vermont say, "Governot between the state of t

had."
His interest in the mitter of establishing an universal pitch will long be remembered by the municity and the model of the model of the subject much of his time, and brought to bear in subject much of his time, and brought to bear in on one occasion, while I was conversing with him regarding his work upon this important matter, that to him it was a labor of love. He had even that the mid was a labor of love. He had even then returned from a trip to Europe, which was taken solely for the benefit of gaining all the information of the longer of the long

### RICHARD WAGNER IN 1840.

RICHARD WAONER IN 1840.

Mons Offivier, the French minister and literateur, where the property of the property

#### WOMEN AS COMPOSERS.

The opinion having been expressed by Mr. R. L. Lewis, in *Music*, that women cannot compose because of their inability to sing bass, a woman, Jessie L. Gaynor, in the August issue of the same magazine, takes up this suggestion for elaboration. Startling

"If Mr. Lewis had said that the reason few wo lack in the training results in the fact that out of many students of harmony there are but few com-posers. The ability to sing hass would doubtless be of great assistance to one of our sex who appires to be a composer, but as the Creator has planned that allo, it is manifestly apparent that we shall have to develop beas in another way. The organ, which comes nearer to the orchestra in variety of expres-sion than any other one instrument, gives an un-equaled opportunity for thinking bass because the pedia are hadden.

soprano part and unable to tell when a change in the harmony occurred. On the other hand, a young lady who did not sing, but found the piano her only medium of muscles expression, was able to follow the harmonies and to reproduce each voice-part in turn. Does the substitution of the produce of the property of the property has been been posers have had bess voices; this was not their only means of expression. On the contrary, it is both a notable and deplorable fact that singers with but few exceptions are not only not composers but very inferior musicians.

inferior musicians.

"So long as we are so constituted as to be able to sing but one part at a time, I really cannot see why it is any more idline to sing but one part at a time, I really cannot see why it is any more idline to so many the modely and think I to the property of the matter is that to write polyphony one must reachers of harmony are working. No, the secret of the matter is that to write polyphony one must hink not opportunity to the secret of the matter is that it owing holypoon on the secret of the matter is that it owing holypoon on the secret of the matter is that it owing holypoon on the secret of the matter is that it over the polyphony on the secret of the matter is the secret of the sec

The largest college of music in the world is the Guildhall in London. It has 110 instructors and 4,000 pupils. It is self-supporting, the expenses being defrayed out of the fees of the professors, the seniors contributing 5 per cent. and the poorer teachers nearly 40 per cent. of the students fees. The professors are paid at the rate of \$1.25 to \$4 per The professors are paid at the rate of \$1.25 to \$4 per hour, and according to the official report just issued, out of about \$150,000 paid last year by the pupils the professors received \$120,000. the blance covering the school expenses. At the Paris Conservatoire the highest salary is \$6000, while at the Guildhall School some of the professors carn from \$1,500

#### A GREAT TREAT.

Lovers of music and students will be glad of the opportunity to attend the two concerts to be given by the world renowned pianist, Herr Moriz Rosenthal, at Entertainment Hall. Monday Evening, Dec. 7th and Wednesday Afternoon, Dec. 9th.

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The giraff is the only animal that is absolutely

"Dramatic Music." says the Evening Post (N.Y.), A series of Russian operas will be presented at the presented at the presented at the Bodintere Theatre, Paris, this season. The reportair will include Tachakowsky's "Onegquine," conductors—sciell, Richter, Sueher and Nikisch—Glinka's "Life for the Cran," and works by Rimsky are Hungarians. The Hungarian is as fiery as the Korsakoff, Cesac Cui, Boroline, Monusorghey, cut. Spanian!



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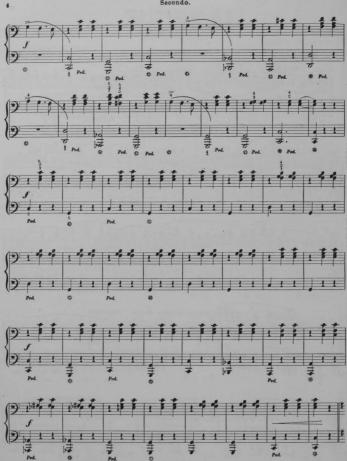
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#### THE SUCCESSFUL ARTIST.

The successful artist nowadays, be he composer or performer, says Musical News, has many social duties. He is invited here, there, and everywhere, or performer, says Musical New, has many social duties. He is invited here, there, and everywhere, and gives oftence if he refrains from accepting the world has never been done under such conditions. The men whose productions live, and will live, are those who have world an islence, who were a suffered in body and in pocket by the neglect of their comperer, but whose productions benefited much through the undisturbed conditions under the control of the such as the control of the competency of the control of the competency of the

harm than good.

"Nowadays the artist is no longer his own master. He belongs to the world at large, he is worse than its target, he is its prey. His own personal and productive life is aimost entirely absorbed, swamped which gradually stife him in the network of sham and barren duties which go to make up many an existance devoid of serious object or high motive. Now, what is Society? It is an aggregation of individuals who are afraid of being bored, and whose sole idea is to get away from their own selves, better their own command in the own of the control of the contr cause of the terror which the idea of being left in their own company inspires them. In the contract of the co

"Social support! It is not uncertain merely, it is the most inconsistant, changeable thing on God's "Scotal support. It is not uncertain merely, it is the most inconsistant, changeable thing on God's who no longer need it, just as the courtiers in acertain famous opera overwhelm a young gentleman who has just become the recipient of royal favor, read that the properties of the properties of the properties of the state of the s

mess of pottage, he has become a mere creature of the social public, and that which at first seemed an the social public, and that which at first seemed an impertinence,—viz., the curiosity of that public as to the artist's private life—has now become to him almost as the bread of life and a necessity. Is not this condition most lamentable? Bach, Handel, and sense continued most immentance: Dach, Handel, and Beethoven were never interviewed, much to the gain of their art, and of the posterity which enjoys its creations. To be sure, we have existing at the present moment that class of persons, and it is a very large elass, that takes delight in raking up the very targe cases, that takes design to raising up the most trivial details concerning these men, and, with-out a doubt, these details are not uninteresting, even to the most serious of us. A recent writer has said, "I am tickled to know that Wagner was an exact and expensive dresser, and that Beethoven exact and expensive dresser, and that Beethoven was a sloven, with an old coat and slippes; troblen Paganini always carried a shirt in his fiddle-case was a Peren care to learn that Mendelsessor was a perfect child about pastry; that Paganini was the rain and keep a whole opera-housefull waiting sooner than call a cab. One might easily find better fields for study, but at least these stories about

ter fields for study, but at least these stories about dead men ark armines to their subjects. They do dead men ark armines to their subjects. They do do not support the state of the subject to the sub is placed higher in public estimation than his work. de Figaro

It should be sufficient to us to accept the produc tions of a composer, the performance of an execu-tant, at their true value. When we proceed to much of an artist after all, and that some fettitions interest in him needs to be created, or cless that we need something the sound of the sound that the sound of the sound that the sound of the sound that the sound

### Alexander died, Alexander was buried

said Hamlet, referring to the mortal body; but the true Alexander lives still in the memory of countless multitudes because he achieved great countiess multitudes because he achieved great hings. In the kingdom of art no true votary can afford to palter with the trumpery externals—there of of opinement interest, because the mind that occu-pies itself with such not only squanders the time this spent now, but gradually though surely, units itself for future contemplation of fortier matters. A set nist who recently returned from explorations return home, to which he had looked forward with eager anticipation, was quite spolled to him by the trivial talk of his friends. "They speak only of bagateltes" he said. The artist needs to commune much in the "solitary land" of his own thoughts, there only will he find anything but "bagatelles,"

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The following appeared in The World Oct. 5th:
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A Partiolic was given by St. John's Cho-charter of the Choches and the Choche

A musical and hop were given at the Liederkranz Hall on the 2nd ult, by the Benton Council, Royal Arcanum. The program included the operatia, "Beans and Buttons" by Alfred G. Robyn. The cast included Miss Josic Ludwig, Miss McDearmon and Messrs. Hernsen and Buse. Mr. Louis Ham-

Every organist has heard of, and a good many or Every organist has beard of, and a good many organists have seen, the famous instrument in the cathedral at Strassburg, which is now being rebuilt. Historically, it is one of the most rotable instru-like the construction of the control of the con organ doors there is still a legend in letters of gold that Silbernann began his work in 1713, while the other door records the completion of the instrument three years later. The old organ had forty-two stops, and was in pitch exactly a tone lower than the normal pitch of to-day. The new organ is to have forty-six stops, electro-pneumatic action, and sixteen composition stops and couplers.

The origin of 'The Ninety and Nine," the most The origin of 'The Mine'D and Mine,' the most widely-known him of Ira D. Sankey, the evangelist, is thus described in the London Christian Commonwealth: 'When leaving Glasgow for Edinburgh with Mr. Moody, Mr. Sankey bought a penny religious paper. Glancing over it as they rode on the cars, paper. Giancing over it as they rode on the cars, his eyes fell upon a few verses in the corner of the page. One day they had an unusually-impressive meeting in Edinburgh in which Dr. Bonar had spoken on 'The Good Shepherd.' At the close of the address, Mr. Moody beckoned to his partner to sing nothing but the twenty-third Psalm, but that he had sung so often; his second thought was to sing the verses he had found in the paper, but how could it be done when he had not une for them? Then a thought came—to sing the verses anyway. He put the verses sung, not knowing where he was going to come out. He finished the first verse in profound silence. He took a long breath and wondered if he could sing the second the same way. He tried and succeeded. After that it was easy to sing if. When he finished througe were crying and the ministers were solving all around bin.

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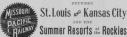
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