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CCORDING to all accounts, the late meetciation was liberally attended, and, hence, fairly successful. The size of the attendance is, however, an illusory standard of success. Scores, if not hundreds, of the Western members used the meeting of the

M. T. N. A. as an occasion for making business or pleasure trips to the East at reduced rates. The next meeting is to take place at Indianapolis, which is neither a summer resort nor a business centre of importance, and the attendance there will be a much fairer measure of the drawing power of the M. T. N. A. meetings per se. The Association seems, however, to have at last awaked to a realizing sense of the fact that a vague statement that its purposes are "the advancement of music," etc., etc., do not form a tangible platform to work from. In the election of Mr. Lavallée as President, it has placed itself on record as desiring to encourage in a practical manner the composers of America. It is true that Mr. Lavallée seems hardly to have, as vet, learned that there is anything else than New York and Boston in this country-at least, his programmes of American compositions would lead one to think so-but still he has started out right, and the committee selected to pass upon the works to be played before the Association, whatever may be said of its composition in other respects, certainly represents no section of the country. The Association has now, for the first time, gone about accomplishing a practical object in a practical manner, and for this it should be commended. If now it will set about having State associations created everywhere, and receive as active members only delegates from such bodies, it will gain stability and dignity and become something more than an occasion for railroad excursions and clam-bakes.



- EDITOR.

ings. The people are right in their desire, though they may not always know just when their want is properly supplied. They who know nothing of musical science cannot be improved by it,

for music that is merely scientific is an unknown language to them. Of course, music may at once be scientific and full of inspiration, as the great masters of the art of tone have proven; but when science, instead of reinforcing the sentiment, either obscures or obliterates it, it lessens in the same ratio the power of music over the hearts of the masses. Genius makes of science its handmaid, while Mediocrity falls at its feet and worships it as a divinity. The masses can understand the lofty language of genius in its highest moods; they want none of the figures and technical talk of the mere musical grammarian. As they are buyers, they have a right to be heard, but, aside from that, their position is essentially logical and correct.

T now and then comes to our ears that certain so-called teachers of music discountenance their pupils' subscribing for KUNERL'S MUSICAL REVIEW, on the ground that the music it contains is "not good," "not suitable," etc. Such teachers are

either dishonest or grossly ignorant. Either they fear that the music of the REVIEW may lessen the amount of music they can sell to their pupils, and hence their little commission thereon, or they themselves are unable to play the music of this paper, and try to keep it away lest the pupil, asking them to play some simple piece, should entrap them into displaying their ignorance, by a practical demonstration of the fact that they are unable to play even the simplest music the Review contains. In most cases, probably, the ignoramus and the rogue are combined. The pieces we publish are of all grades, but not a phrase of music is permitted to appear inside of the covers of this publication that is not first-class of its kind. Those who are com petent judges need not our assurance of the excellent quality of our music; but to those parents and others who have to rely upon the judgment of a teacher, we have no hesitancy in saying that any teacher who disparages our music, in so doing, proves himself or herself unworthy of their confidence, on the ground of dishonesty or ignorance, or both. Ask such critics to play for you, at sight, some composition from the Review, and you will have the demonstration of what we say

HE "American College of Musicians," otherwise known as the musical degree mill on wheels, after two years of persistent advertising of its desire to supply the "long for the wart," of certificates of resistant and the wart, of certificates of resistant and the supply the sup felt want" of certificates of proficiency, was side-tracked at Boston during the

meeting of the M. T. N. A., and its wooden machinery put into motion. Result: eight degrees granted! We have forgotten the names of the only eight persons in this country who are now competent music teachers; they were, one and all, hitherto unknown to fame, though, of course, they have not new, has never been in print. Years ago there now become the head and front of the musical profession of the United States. From the universal nameless, but who was a good musician. At the deluge of incompetency, eight souls-just as many same time, the volunteer choir of the little Italian as were saved in Noah's ark-have been rescued by Catholic church consisted of the best singers in the the new ark on wheels of the "American College of city, among whom were the tenor, Habelmann, Musicians." "Sound the hew-gag, beat the Tom- then in his prime, Humser, the basso, and several John, let the huzzy-guzzy ring!" There are eight other ladies and gentlemen under the leadership of competent music teachers in "these glorious United Mr. Charles Kunkel, who also acted as organist. States!" Hip-hip, hurrah! Eight out of two The lady in question was known by the last-named hundred thousand! It's incredible! Let the good gentleman to have spoken disparagingly of one of work go on! Of course, the "College" could not his compositions, and he determined to give her a be expected to turn out so many as eight per year—lesson. The choir had been assiduously rehears-

Munice's Musical Review That shall directly speal to their feel, setive life-unless the machinery were somewhat no doubt, so that an average of eight or even ten degrees per year may be expected. At that rate, the whole music teaching profession of the country could be furnished with certificates in about twenty-five thousand years, provided none died in the meantime. Even making allowance for probable mortality, and granting the teachers of music an average probability of active life of say fifteen years after getting their degree, we should, in fifteen short years, have the glorious number of one hundred and twenty competent teachers of music. As our population will then be about sixty millions, it will give each competent teacher a constituency of 500,000 persons, or about 100,000 families. "There's millions in it!" Who wants a degree? Don't all Who wants a degree? Don't all speak at once!

LARFI-ISM. Gar F an ignorant person desired to familiarize

himself with high-class English poetry, he

himself with high-class English po-could not go amiss in purchasing and pe-rusing the works of Milton and Shakspere. But if, after having read these authors, or perhaps read the titles of their works and then stowed them away in his book-case, he should put on airs and sneer at everything that did not bear the name of these writers, the universal opinion would be that the only change worked in him by his "studies" in literature was that, whereas he was formerly only an ignoramus, he had now become a fool as well. Likewise, the tyro in music who cannot secure the guidance of some experienced hand may be excusable if, in endeavoring to familiarize himself with meritorious music, he shall select only that which bears the names of those masters whose works have become classical. The label is here a guarantee of genuineness. But when that same tyro, after he has played (badly) a half dozen compositions by Beethoven, Mozart and Mendelssohn, thinks he knows it all and sneers at everything that they have not written, he remains none the less a tyro, though he has become a much greater ass. A man who cannot tell whether a poem is beautiful until he knows the name of the poet, knows nothing about poetry, and one who cannot tell whether a musical composition is good until he has heard the name of the composer, is just as "wise in his own conceit"and, continuing the proverb, "there is more hope of a fool than of him." Liszt, in his younger days, frequently tried the label knowledge by playing in the same concerts works by Beethoven and Pixis, and transposing the numbers in his performance. Invariably, Pixis' compositions, bearing the label of Beethoven, were rapturously applauded, while Beethoven's works, bearing Pixis' name, received but a sort of perfunctory applause-in other words, were "damned with faint praise." This may serve as an example of the label knowledge (or rather ignorance) of society. But musicians furnish too many examples of similar ignorance, and many more of personal prejudice. As an example of the latter sort, we might tell a little story which, though was in St. Louis a certain lady, who shall remain ing Cherubini's "Imperial Mass" for some special occasion, and was ready to give it in first-class style. On the Friday preceding the Sunday when the mass was to be sung, Mr. Oscar Steins, now with Steinway and Sons, who was also a member of the choir, called upon the lady and invited her to come down the next Sunday and hear Kunkel's new mass. She came. The mass was excellently rendered. On the church steps she was met by Mr. Steins and asked what she thought of the work. "Pshaw, a lot of operatic trash jumbled up together!" was the brief criticism. She was set right as to the author, the right label was exhibited-tableau!

Whatever its source or origin, whether ignorance or prejudice, or both, label-ism-if we may coin a new word-is certainly the greatest evil with which new composers have to contend, and perhaps the greatest drawback to the progress of music. To expose it wherever possible, and condemn it at all times, is not only a right but a duty.

ARMY MUSICIANS.

R. E. M. WALKER, bandmaster at Fort Custer, Montana, indorses the views expressed by us in reference to the government's duty in regard to army bands, and calls attention to another evil of the present system in the following letter to "The American Musician

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ANCIENT AND MODERN VIOLINS.

HERE is probably not one musical instru-ment about which more has been written that the volin. The instrument, with its probably, the most difficult of any to construct perfectly, because, in a perfect of the beautiful of the probable of the vinct and powerful. It has been made in different styles, varying especially in the swell of the back and top. The high model produces a deep, ing tone.

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The violin attained its present form in Brescia and Cremona, where, in the sixteenth and seven-teenth centuries, many talented makers existed. The earlier makers of note were Gaspar da Salo and Margini, the latter a pupil of the former. Gaspar da Salo is entitled to the credit of being the first to Maggin, the latter a pujl of the former. Gas part of Sale and Maggin, the latter a pujl of the former. Gas part of Sale and Maggin, the latter a pujl of the former. Gas part of Sale and the construct violins in their present shape. His instruments were generally large in size. One of the most celebrated of his make was owned by the sum of the sum of

school was Andreas Amati. He had two sons, Antonius and Hyeronimus, who worked together. Nicolo Amati, the greatest maker of the family, was a son of Hyeronimus. He had many pupils, the most renowned being Antonius Stradivarius.

school was lityee admiss, be worked together. Nicolo Anati, the greatest maker of the family, was a son of Hyeronimus. He had many pupils. The Cremona vicins were first brought to general notice by Paganini, the great vicinitiest, from that time, every one who could afford it purchased a and offen had two Cremonas made out of one. This asked led to the idea of imitating them in appearance. The genuine labels were taken out and put at the property of the second of the second

at last the dinner was finished, she accepted the arm of another to conduct her from the dining-room, instead of that of Coloni X, whose place so ale ungraciously declined. He honor of doing so ale ungraciously declined. Having returned home, she continued to hear those horrible words reverberate in her ears—"like a Sone 1. school was Andreas Amati. He had two sons, An- at last the dinner was finished, she accepted the

"No, this was really too much; but what if, in-deed, he were right?"

deed, he were right?"
All night these words caused her to toss rest-isals on her couch, and drove sleep from her eve-least, on her couch, and drove sleep from her eve-facturer, and ordered one of his largest mirrors. After it had been placed in her studio, she vi-call upon her, and began, with characteristic en-ergy, under his guidance and tuition, to acquire expectations, the art of generativation, etc. And when she arrived in Paris, this study became al-most her chief task.

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In time, the songstress returned to Stockholm. She again appeared in the various roles with which hardly recognized her—it was as if she had been transformed into a new being. There were in all her movements an elasticity and ease, in her acting andience forget her sebline singing. Hers was indeed a colossal success, of which one can hardly form an idea to-day. On the following day, a bandence forget her sebline singing. Hers was indeed a colossal success, of which one can hardly form an idea to-day. On the following day, a bandence forget her sebline singing. Hers was indeed a colossal success, of which need the colors of the colors

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JENNY LIND AND THE COLONEL.

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SOMETHING TO PLAY.

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By the old laws of Wales a harp was one of three thines to have to constitute a gentleman. To give no accent to the air, bestows no expression they were not permitted to learn to play under not make a tone were allowed to have harps in their possibility that the class of musical instruments is the lutte, which probably had its origin in the lyre Some that taken to Italy, where it was named listo. The mass of the lutte was very week, but it was a did. The mass of the lutte was very week, but was a did only week of the mass of the lutte was the mass of the lutte was the mass of the lutte was the mass of the l

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The Hindoos, however, have no doubt other and popular songs; and many a heautiful air might indeed be gleaned by a Western musician from the dhoorpeeds of the Bajpoots, the ghuzule and restatan of the Mogule, the dadras and nuktas, the theory of the Baylong of The Hindoos, however, have no doubt other and

STEPHEN HELLER.

NE of the most graceful and posite of the most praceful and posite of the plane, and though much of its sufficient plane, and the plane of a distinctly posite character that he excels—brief, medions fancies, sweetly harmonized, delicate, though spirited, charming in their in tender and beautiful suggestions. In mediotic purity, and in finish and refinement of form he cocasionally recalls Mendelsosh, though there is a shade of sadress in him that is not generally Recently it was discovered that Stephen Heller. NE of the most graceful and poetic of modern composers is Stephen Heller. Nearly all his music has been written for the piano, and though much of it is suffi-

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WHY SHE SANG HIGH G.



WHY SHE SANG HIGH G.

To figlis were practions some choral pieces for the Christmas services in the pieces and pieces a

high G?"
She gazed fixedly at the ornate sheet of music, with its conglomeration of notes and cherubim. Then she uttered a te-he and said:
"Well, doctor, if I haven't been singing the head of t hat hald angel every time I came to it!"—Imeri-

THE TRUE ARTIST.



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DOLPH CHRISTIANI, in his admirable work "The Principles of Expression in artist that his quality is best shown in his artist that his quality is best shown in his artist that his quality is best shown in his artist that his quality is best shown in his artist that his quality is best shown in his artist that his quality is best shown in his control of the princip of the princip of the princip in a tribute of the princip of



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GENIUS AND BEAUTY.

Ti san admitted fact, says oursies, that genius and beauty are rarely found in the genius and beauty are rarely found in the person. The handsomest man of London society in the opening of the present the following the profit of the profit o

There are who to my person pay their court, I cough like Horace, and though lean am short Amon's great soo one shoulder had too high Such Ovid's nose—and, sir, you have an eye. Go on, obliging creature—bid me see All that disgraced my betters met in me.

Biver" are all the more enjoyable because of the most cheerful of mortals, easily moved to mirth and nutliling to depart from it; no is or singers and players to be able tog give them to lord." exclaimed the light-hearer, uttering the tavier pieces which go with them, but we do want to mirth and nutliling to depart from it; no is or singers and players to be able tog give them to lord." Asked one of his friends. "Know me!" and the major of a national style being both and the singers and players to be able tog give them to lord." asked one of his friends. "Know me!" and the major of a national style being both and the singers and players the singers and players that the power and awel-laces the formation of a national style being both the man passion at a tension, yet this is not a normal condition, and that the power and awel-laces for the state of th

ROBERT BURNS' LAST SONG.

HE last days of Robert Burns were, as every-hody knows, so wretched that it is of more than the second of pauler sur, and he and his large famulathers for the commonest conforts of life, as maishbars for the commonest conforts of life, as If were often indebted to the kindness of neighbors for the commonest comforts of life, as well as for the attention which the invalid revenue of the state of th

The robin came to the ween's nest,
And keekit in and keekit in:
O weel's me on your auld pow!
Wad yo be in, wad yo be in?
Ye's one'er get leave to lie without,
And I within, and I within,
As lang as I hae an auld clour,
To row ye in, to row ye in.

In a few moments Burns handed her these exquisite lines, which deserve the deathless fame they have won:

Oh, wert thou in the cauld blast, On yonder lea, on yonder lea, My plaidle to the angry air, My plaidle to the angry air, Or, did misfortune's bitter storms Around thee blaw, around thee blaw, Thy shield should be my bosom, To share it a', to share it a'.

Oh, were I in the wildest waste.
Sae black and bare, sae black and bare,
The desert were a paradia of wort there;
Or, were I monarch of the globe,
Wi thee to reign, wi' thee to reign,
The brightest jewel in my crown
Wad be my queen, wad be my queen.

Wad be my queen, wad be my queen.

A few weeks later Burns was in his grave. Many years later, when Jessie Lewars was a gray haired widow, the verses attracted the attention of a word of the state of

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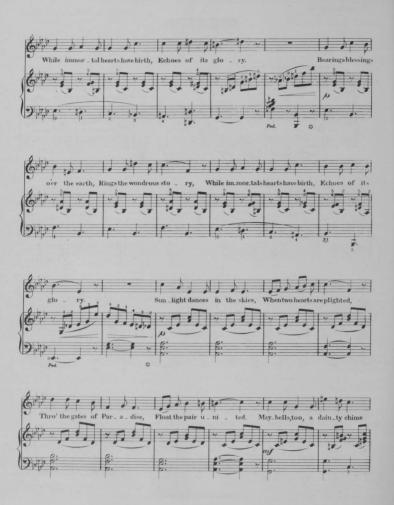
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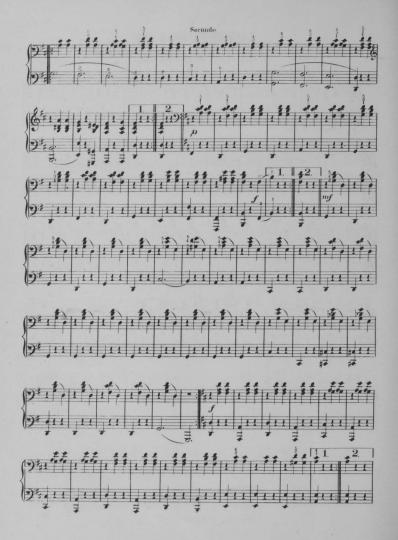


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