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A M E R I C A N B O O K C O M P A N Y

Time wrecks the proudest piles we raise,

The towers, the domes, the temples fall;
The fortress crumbles and decays,

One breath of song outlasts them all.

Oliver Wendell Holmes

To Rev. S. F. Smith. Author of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

One of my keenest musical impressions is connected with that marvellous show, the first World's Fair, held in London, and known as the Crystal Palace Exhibition. I shall never see such another. As I stood in the gallery of the great crystal transept and looked down upon a spectacle such as has been witnessed since, but had never before been seen, a feeling of intoxication—there is no other word for it—came over me. I remember perfectly well falling into a kind of dream as I leaned over the painted iron balcony and looked down on the splendid vista. The silver-bell-like tones of an Erard—it was the 1000-guinea piano—pierced through the human hum and noise of splashing waters, but it was a long way off. Suddenly, in the adjoining gallery, the large organ broke out with a blare of trumpets that thrilled and riveted me with an inconceivable emotion. I knew not then what those opening bars were. Evidently something martial, festal, jubilant and full of triumph. I listened and held my breath to hear Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" for the first time, and not know it! To hear it when half the people present had never heard of Mendelssohn, three years after his death, and when not one in a hundred could have told me what was being played, that is an experience I shall never forget. As successive waves of fresh inexhaustible inspiration flowed on, vibrating through the building without a check or a pause, the peculiar Mendelssohnian spaces of cantabile melody alternating as they do in that march with the passionate and almost fierce decision of the chief processional theme, I stood riveted, bathed in the sound as in an element. I felt ready to melt into those harmonious yet turbulent waves and float away upon the tides of "Music's golden sea setting toward Eternity." The angel of Tennyson's Vision might have stood by me whispering, "And thou listenest the lordly music flowing from the illimitable years." Some one called me, so I was told afterward, but I did not hear. They supposed that I was following; they went on, and

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manizing power of music, and especially of music in the house and the home. Even in a moral point of view it is thoroughly harmonizing in its influence. To see a family grouped round the piano-forte in an evening, blending their voices together in the strains of Haydn or Mozart, or in the better known and loved melodies of our native land, is a beautiful sight-a graceful and joyous picture of domestic happiness. The mother takes the piano-forte accompaniment, the

MUSIC AT HOME. - We have great faith in the hu- | father leads with a violin or flute, or supports the mel ody with the bass, while the young group furnish the soprano and alto parts. What is more likely to make home attractive, or to cause children to grow up it love with domestic life, than such a practice as this? The young ought to be sedulously taught music, sethat, when they grow up, no youth, no operative, no man, nor woman, may be without the solace of song Let a taste for home music be cultivated in the rising generation, and we shall answer for the good effects,



"But I have no voice," says one; "I have no ear for music," says another. Could you read before you learned to do so? Could you write without traveling the crooked path of pot-hooks? You can speak, because you learned to do so. And you can sing, provided you learn how. But you can no more sing without learning than the Irishman could play the fiddle who had "never tried." Every human being possesses the faculty of music to a greater or less extent, but the gift must be cultivated, and not allowed to

"rust in us unused." It was doubtless conferred on man for a wise purpose; and, like all our other faculties, intended to be exercised for our pleasure and well-being. In our schemes of education, this divina gift of song has been almost entirely overlooked. Very rarely, indeed, does the school-master dream of the necessity for cultivating it, and so the gift lies waste. In Germany music and singing form a part of the school education of almost every child; hence the homes of Germany are musical and temperate.

Sound.—Sound is occasioned by the vibration of some sonorous body which is communicated to the air. This motion of the air is transferred to the tympanum of the ear, and thence, by means of most exquisite mechanical contrivances, through the auditory nerve to the brain. A wave of sound goes out from the sonorous centre in a spherical form, consisting of alternate condensations and rarefactions, something in the same way as a wave of water goes out from the the centre of disturbance in a circular form, consisting of alternate ridges and depressions. The differ-

ence between a sound and a musical note is not a difference per se: any sound repeated with equal force, at very minute intervals, will produce a musical note, the pitch of the note produced depending solely upon the frequency of the repetition; the more frequent the vibrations become the higher will be the pitch. A single sonorous impulse, or such successive impulses as are irregular in their character, produce noise. Perfectly-timed impulses produce a musical note. Intensity is due to the amount of disturbance in the medium, to the amplitude of the excursion which



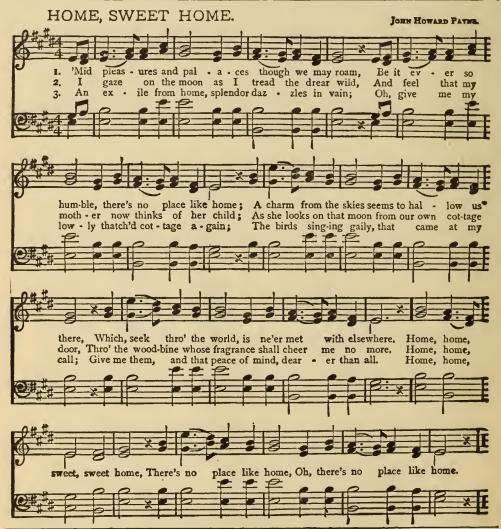
every little molecule makes back and forth in delivering up its motion and coming to rest. Every note corresponds to a fixed rate of vibration, and harmony is due to the existence of a simple ratio between the rates of vibration of the two notes struck simultaneously. The ratio of the octave is ²₁, of the fifth is ³₂, of the fourth ⁴₃, of the third ⁵₄, and of the minor third ⁶₅; that is to say, the number of vibrations of the higher note in the chord corresponds with the numerator of the fraction, and of the lower note with its denom-

inator. When the ratio becomes more complex than the combination is unpleasant to the human ear, as well as to some animals, and is called discordant.

UNDER the influence of music we are all deluded in some way. We imagine that the performers must dwell in the regions to which they lift their hearers. We are reluctant to admit that a man may blow the most soul-animating strains from his trumpet and yet be a coward; or melt an audience to tears with his violin, and yet be a heartless profligate.—Hilliard.

THE old-time singing-master undoubtedly did good in his own day and generation, but he has wrought harm in ours, in having left the impression that a thorough practical knowledge of music can only be acquired by those who possess the gifts of musical genius. The error in this idea has, however, been fully demonstrated; and he who would know what can be accomplished when correct methods are applied to the teaching of music need only go where music is placed on the proper basis and is taught according to correct educational principles. Indeed, it is now conclusively shown that the proportion of children who

can not, with proper instruction, learn to sing, is no greater than that of those who can not learn mathematics or language; and that the best teachers in other branches become, even with little knowledge of music, the most successful teachers of this subject, when once properly started. This fact clearly shows that the regular teachers, under proper supervision, will eventually become the teachers of music. It is true that special aptitude may give one pupil the advantage over another in music as in other branches, but the fact remains that all can learn something of music, and nearly all can become proficient. Had



reading or mathematics been as superficially taught in the past as music, the results would have been no better. Happily, however, the value of a musical training is now recognized by our best educators, and music is being placed on a correct basis. Among large cities, the schools of Boston have already become justly famous for results in this direction, and other cities are turning their attention to this important matter.

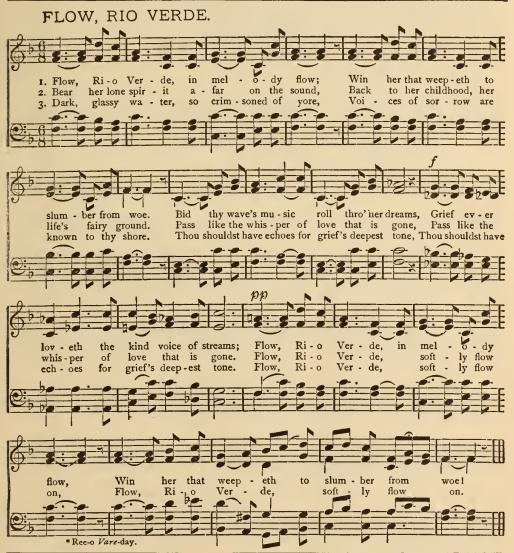
THREE VERSES.—We insert this best of songs as a sweet-voiced mother sang it, more than fifty years ago, by fireside and cradle. It is not Home, Sweet Home to us without the familiar second verse which, as a

friend says, "belongs there." The homeless author, John Howard Payne, needs nothing besides to rescue his name from oblivion. To have written this little song, which the world has taken to its heart because of its simplicity and tenderness, is infinitely more worthy a human being than to have wielded the sceptre of Augustus Cæsar or of the first Napoleon! An old book lies before us, in which the song appears in five stanzas. It may have originally been so written, the author afterwards retaining but two of the favorite verses; at all events our mothers sang it thus when "Home, Sweet Home" was new, so many years ago.

THE Quakers as a sect, it is known, do not favor music; they think it to be a profitless amusement, indulged in by the world's people. George Thompson, the famous English abolitionist, while lecturing in England on the abolition of slavery in the British Provinces, stopped one night with a Quaker family. He was a great lover of music, and at that time was a good singer. During the evening he sang "Oft in the Stilly Night," which was listened to with the closest attention. In the morning the lady of the house, after Mr. Thompson came from his room, appeared quite uneasy. She

wanted to hear the song again, but it would hardly do for her, a Quakeress, to request its repetition. At last, so goes the pleasant little story, her desire getting the better of her, she ventured to say: "George, will theo repeat the words of last evening in thy usual manner?"

THERE can be no doubt that music has a great influence in imparting those delightful sensations which tend to sweeten and prolong life. That this fact is often recognized is testified by the immense number of those who devote themselves entirely to the manufacture and sale of musical instruments. It is, however, ac-

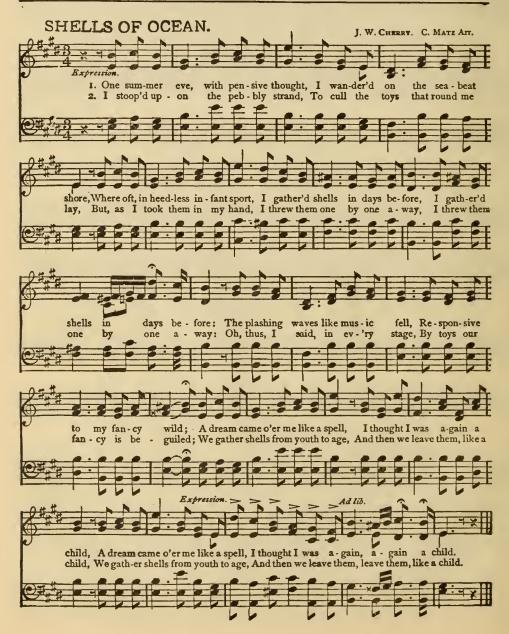


knowledged throughout the world, that the human voice has no equal for the production of sweet, elevating, enchanting sounds that delight the ear and give tone and coloring to the words of the poet. Hence, of all kinds of music, vocal music should claim the especial attention of all earnest and progressive educators, for singing is known to improve the enunciation, refine the taste, elevate the morals, confirm the health, strengthen the social feeling, and add much to the pleasure of all. The consideration of health is one to which too much attention cannot be given. Singing

is beneficial, indirectly, by increasing the flow of spirits, and dispelling weariness and despondency; and directly by the exercise which it gives to the lungs and the vital organs. We cannot sing without increased action of the lungs, and this causes the heart and all the organs of digestion and nutrition to act with renewed vigor. The singer brings a greater quantity of air into contact with the blood, and hence the blood is better purified and vitalized. Healthful and highly oxygenized blood gives energy to the brain, and thus the mind as well as the body shares the benefit of this delightful exercise.

HANDEL was one of the most humorous of mor-ls, and at the same time one of the most irritable. and a few explanations delivered, Handel retired to tals, and at the same time one of the most irritable. His best jokes were perpetrated frequently during his most violent bursts of passion. Having occasion to bring out one of his oratorios in a provincial town of England, he began to look about for such material to complete his orchestra and chorus as the place might afford. One and another was recommended, usual, as being a splendid singer, a great player, and so on. After a while these were gathered together in a room, and, after preliminaries, Handel made his appearance, puffing, both arms full of man-

a distant part of the room to enjoy the effect. The stumbling, fumbling and blundering that ensued is said to have been indescribable. Handel's sensitive ear and impetuous spirit could not long brook the insult, and clapping his hands to his ears, he ran to the old gentleman of the violoncello, and shaking his fist furiously at the terrified man and the instrument, said, "You blay in de church!-very wellyou may blay in de church-for we read, De Lord is long suffering, of great kindness, forgiving iniquity, maching appearance, punning, out a first of the manuscripts. "Gentlemen," quoth he, "you all read transgression and sin; you sal blay in de church, but manuscripts?" "Yes, yes." responded from all parts of the room. "We play in the church," added an manuscripts, he rushed out of the room, leaving his astonished performers to draw their own conclusions.



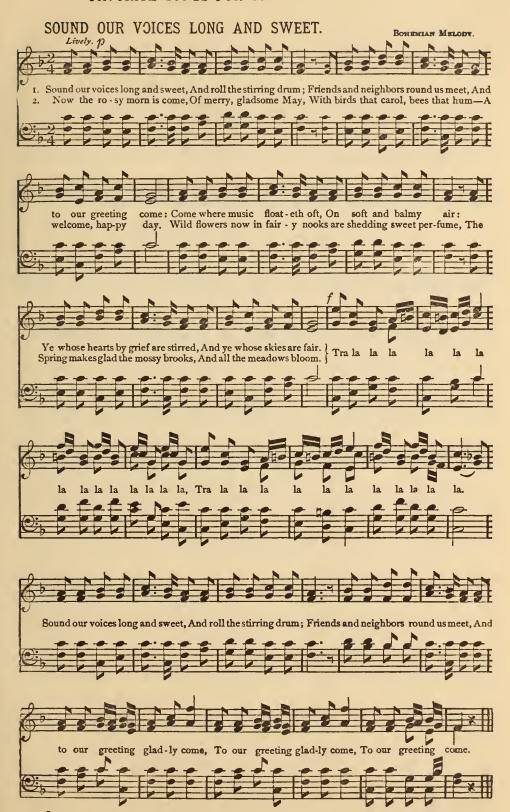


have a very curious history, but cannot always be fully traced. Some of them probably owe their origin to names distinguished in our literature; as Oliver Goldsmith, for instance, is believed in his Jonny Horner" is older than the seventeenth century. earlier days to have written such compositions. Dr. E. F. Rimbault gives us the following particulars as reign of James II., to whom it is supposed to allude. to some well-known favorites: "Sing a Song of Sixpence" is as old as the sixteenth century. "Three Blind Mice" is found in a music-book dated 1609. "The Frog and the Mouse" was licensed in 1580. "Three Children Sliding on the Ice" dates from 1633. "London Bridge is Broken Down" is of unfathomed antiquity. "Girls and Boys, Come out to Play" is certainly as old as the reign of Charles properly translated means, 'He shall not scream."

NURSERY RHYMES.—Many of these productions III.; as is also "Lucy Locket lost her Pocket," to the tune of which the American song of "Yankee Doodle" was written. "Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat, where have you been?" is of the age or Queen Bess. "Little "The Old Woman Tossed in a Blanket" is of the

Wesley saw a difference between loud talking and screaming. To a screamer he once said: "Scream no more at the peril of your soul. God now warns you by me, whom he has set over you. Speak as earnestly as you can, but do not scream. Speak with all your heart, but with a moderate voice. It was said of our Lord, 'He shall not cry:' the word





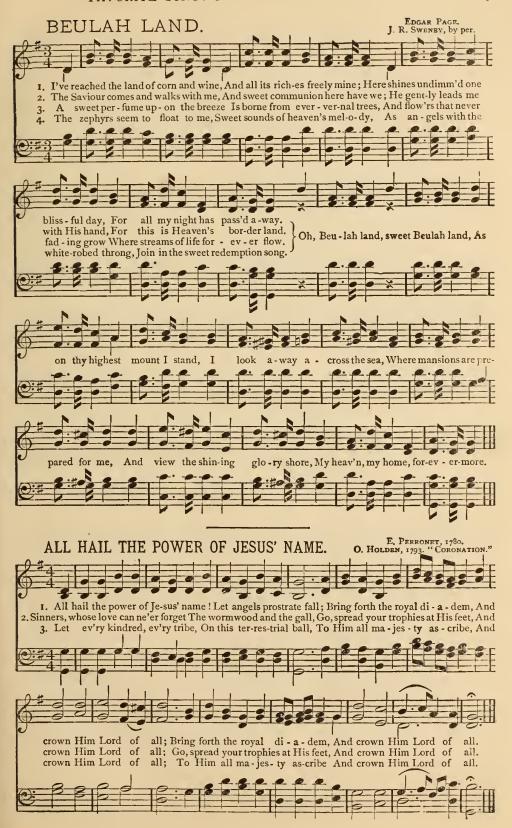
THE EAR.—The sound-wave passes first into the auditory canal, about an inch in length, and striking against the tympanum, or ear-drum, which closes the orifice of the external ear, it throws this membrane into vibration. Next, a series of small bones, called respectively, from their peculiar form, the hammer, anvil, and stirrup, conduct to the inner ear, which is termed, from its complicated stucture, the labyrinth. This is filled with liquid, and contains semi-circular canals, and the cochlea (snailshell) which receive the vibrations and transmit

them to the auditory nerve, the fine filaments of which are spread out to catch every pulsation of the sound-wave. The middle ear, which contains the chain of small bones, is a simple cavity about half an inch in diameter, filled with air. It communicates with the mouth by means of the Eustachian tube. Within the labyrinth are also fine, elastic hair-bristles and crystalline particles among the nerve-fibres, wonderfully fitted, the one to receive and the other to prolong the vibrations; and lastly, a lute of 3,000 microscopic strings, so stretched as to vibrate in uni-



son with any sound. The Eustachian tube is generally closed, thus cutting off the air in the inner cavity from the external air. If at any time the pressure of the atmosphere without becomes greater or less than that within, the tympanum feels the strain. A forcible blow upon the ear may produce in this way temporary deafness. In the act of swallowing, the tube is opened and the equilibrium restored. We may force air into the cavity of the ear by closing our mouth and nose, and forcibly expiring the air from our

while we can hear the higher ones as usual.—Steele. A tired bee hums in E; while in pursuit of honey it hums contentedly in A. The common horse fly, when held captive, moves its wings 335 times a second; a honey-bee, 190 times. Youmans says it is marvelous how slight an impulse throws a vast amount of air into motion. We can easily hear the song of a bird 500 feet above us. For its melody to reach us it must have filled with wave-pulsations a sphere of air, one thousand feet in diameter, This will render us insensible to low sounds, or set in motion eighteen tons of the atmosphere.



markedly, it would seem, in the arts than in the sciences. Taking music we find some remarkable enstances. The Bach family, which took its rise about The Bach family, which took its rise about 1550 and became extinct in 1800, presents an unbroken series of musicians for nearly two centuries. The head of the family was a baker of Presburg, his two sons were the first who were musicians by profession. Their descendants "overran Thuringia, Saxony, and Franconia," says Papillon. "They were all organists, church singers, or what is called in and twenty-eight of a lower grade." Rossini's family

MUSICAL HEREDITY.—Heredity shows itself more | Germany, 'city musicians.' When they became too numerous to live all together, and the members of this family were scattered abroad, they resolved to meet once a year, on a stated day, with a view to maintaining a sort of patriarchal bond of union. custom was kept up until nearly the middle of the eighteenth century, and oftentimes more than a 100 persons bearing the name of Bach-men, women, and children-were to be seen assembled. In the family are reckoned twenty-nine eminent musicians,



often played music at fairs; Beethoven's father and I grandfather were musicians; Mozart's father was Capellmeister to the Bishop of Saltzburg.—Cornhill.

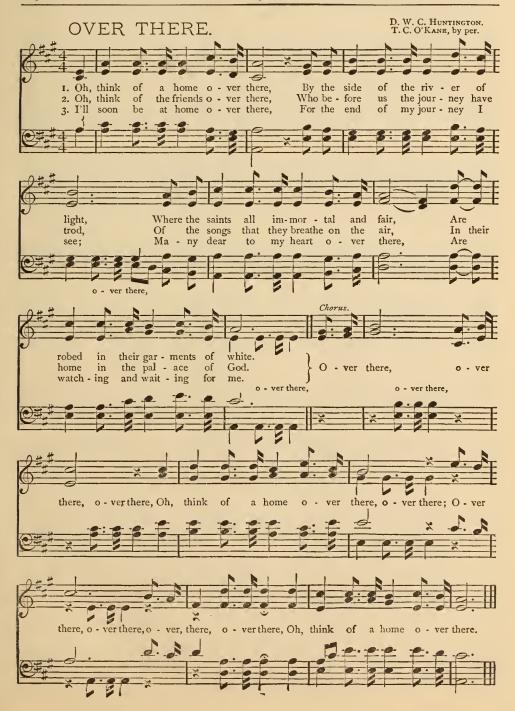
It is night now, and here is home. Gathered

under the quiet roof, elders and children lie, alike at rest. In the midst of a great calm the stars look out from the heavens. The silence is peopled with out of their graves, both now alike calm and sad. though a hushed blessing were upon it .- Thackeray.

Eyes, as I shut mine, look at me that have long since ceased to shine. The town and the fair landscape sleep under the starlight, wreathed under the Autumn mist. Twinkling among the houses, a light keeps watch here and there, in what may be a sick chamber or two. The clock tolls sweetly in the silent air. Here is night and rest. An awful sense of thanks the past-sorrowful remorse for sins and short-com- makes the heart swell and the head bow, as I pass ings, memories of passionate joys and griefs rise to my room through the sleeping house, and feel as

THE skill of the painter and sculptor, which comes in aid of the memory and imagination, is, in its highest degree, one of the rarest, as it is one of the most exquisite, accomplishments within our attainment. In its perfection it is as seldom witnessed as in speech or music. The plastic hand must be moved by the same ethereal instinct as the eloquent lips or the recording pen. The number of those who can discern the finished statue in the heart of the shapeless block, and bid it start into artistic life—

who are endowed with the exquisite gift of moulding the rigid bronze or the lifeless marble into graceful, majestic, and expressive forms—is not greater than the number of those who are able with equal majesty, grace and expressiveness to make the spiritual essence, the finest shades of thought and feeling, sensible to the mind through the eye and the ear in the mysterious embodiment of the written and the spoken word. If Athens in her palmiest days had but one Pericles, she had also but one Phidias.—Everett.



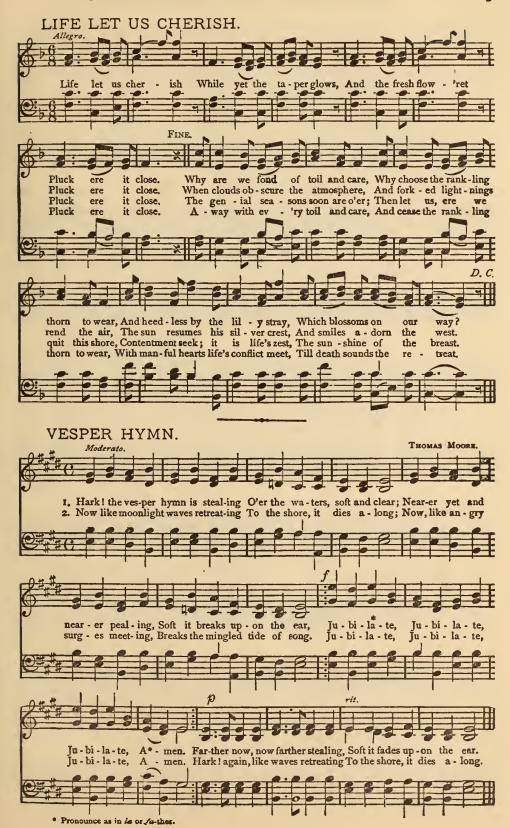




THE training of the voice and the study of elementary principles should be commenced in early youth. After one has reached maturity his inclinations lead usually to that which directly contributes to his business or his favorite pursuits. He soon tires of the essentials in learning to sing, and if nature has not endowed him with a voice fully equipped and ready to meet practical demands on short notice, he is quite apt to give up the undertaking before it is fairly begun. The public school can be made to furnish an elementary musical and singing practice to the rich and poor alike, and with very little expense in money or time. What a grand thing

it would be for us all, as a people, if the children could grow up in the atmosphere of song in the school-room! It would enable many a heart to attune itself to love, duty, hope and benevolence, that must otherwise be listless and dumb. The wonderful utility and influence for good that well-regulated music has in the school-room is not usually understood by school boards and the public. Its sanitary effects, its softening influence, its recreative tendencies, its power to quicken the inertia of the school, are things understood only by wise teachers and others whose privilege it is to observe carefully the bearings and results of school work.—W. T. Giffe.

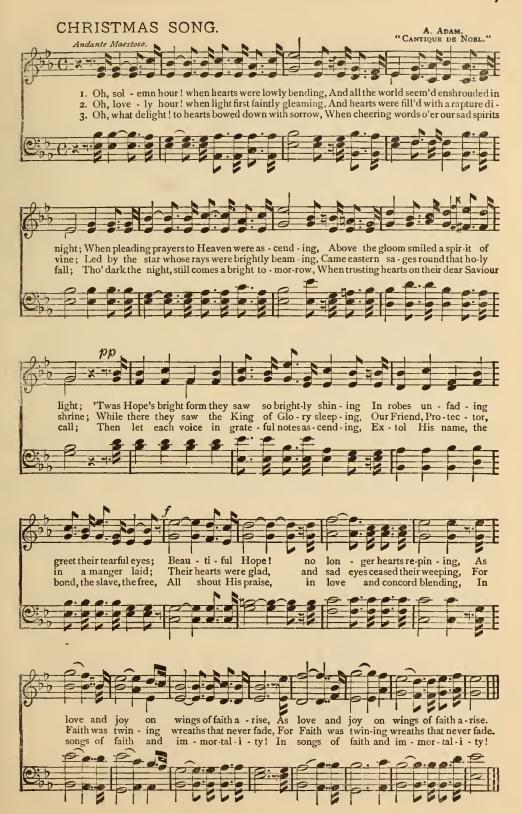




It was the great organ uttering the low first notes of the closing hymn. The music began soft and faint. It rose and swelled into a wave of tender melody. Then it died away, soon the sound poured from the church again, swelling, rolling, then sinking to a sigh. When it came again voices were mingled with it, chanting a hymn. At its fullness the blended harmony seemed to fill the whole air—to drop from the leaves, from the mysterious stars. The solemn roll of the organ, the clear, tender chanting of the voices, swelled into a billow of peace and resignation. There was grief in it—the chastened grief of perfect faith. There was joy in it also—the exalted joy of adoration. It

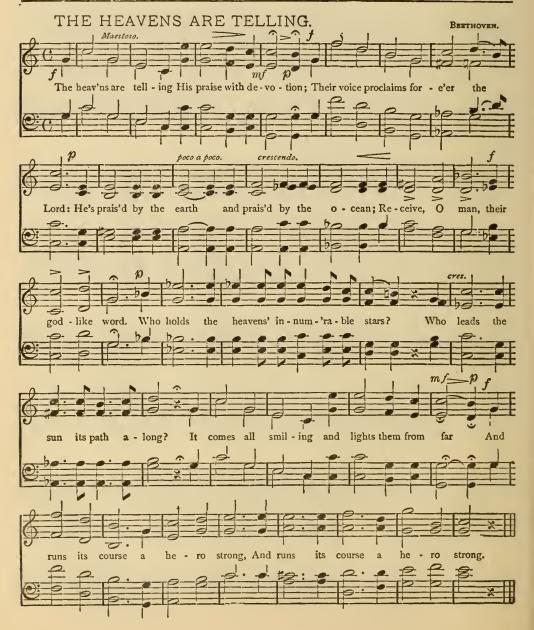
touched the girl like a hand of love; it thrilled he like the voice of hope. As she listened she trembled, and her head slowly sank until her hands covered her face, she sobled so that her whole frame shook; and the music, now faint, now deep and strong, poured a balm of melody upon her wounds. And as it soothed and comforted her, she lifted her face to the stars whence this hymn of peace seemed to come. She made the sign of the cross upon her breast and her lips moved. Soon she was crying again, but softly. When the last note of the hymn trembled and ceased, she arose and went slowly away. Her head was bent, but in her step was to be seen the firmness of hope.

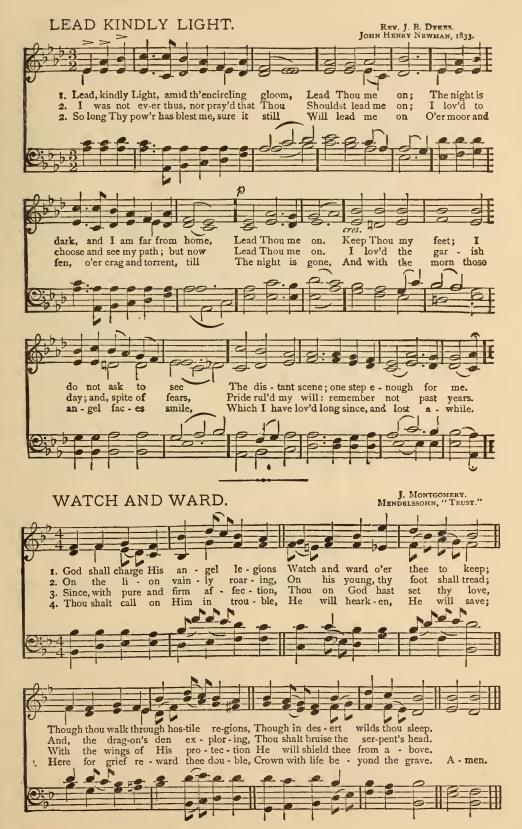




The pupil accustomed to reading from the treble or G clef staff will of course need more or less practice to become familiar with the bass staff; somewhat for the same reason many find it a little confusing at first to keep the mind fixed upon the key-tone, or Tonic's place, when changing into the different keys. We find but little trouble, provided pupils are not kept too long reading in any one key. When drilling upon letter names of degrees of both staffs we sometimes use this plan, viz: Draw a staff of eleven long lines; let the class look at it a few moments, to see how cumbersome it is; tell them the first lower line is named G, second B, and so on to the eleventh, inclusive, space below F, etc. Then erase the middle (sixth) line, except a short portion in the middle of it, when we see the two staffs, with the C (middle C) line half way be-

tween—no letter names changed. Pupils may be told that when they read from the bass staff, they are merely working in the lower part of what was once (for a few moments) our eleven-line or "great staff," also, that the first line of bass staff bears the same name as the second line of treble, second same as third; spaces same way. Repeated practice does the chief important work. Little devices attract and interest the younger pupils; such as building an "eleven board fence" and finding it too much work to climb; "cut it down, about half," or build a log house, give each log a name, etc. It pays to interest. We find no success without it. If you can thoroughly interest your younger pupils without the aid of any devices, well and good. If you belong to that class, who consider themselves "above such trifling things," so much the worse for your pupils.





In the plaza at St. Augustine, Florida, there stands a monument erected to the memory of the Confederate soldiers of that place who fell during the late war. Their names are given, mostly Spanish names. But it was the inscription, so unusual and so beautiful, that stayed our steps, and took us back again to the place to make sure that there might be no mistake in recalling it. We had never seen or heard it, and did not know it to be an adaptation of the last words of "Stonewall" Jackson as he sank to death on the field of Chancellorsville: "They have crossed over the river and rest under the shade of the trees." We were simply impressed and attracted by its beauty and appropriateness. A brief extract from Sarah Nicholas Ran-

dolph's life of Gen. Thomas J. Jackson ("Stonewall" Jackson) published in 1876, will be read with interest in this connection: "A few minutes before he died, he cried out in his delirium, 'Order A. P. Hill to prepare for action; pass the infantry to the front; tell Major Hawks—' then stopped, leaving the sentence unfinished. Presently a smile of ineffable sweetness spread itself over his pale face, and he said, quietly and with an expression as of relief, 'Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees.' And then, without pain or the least struggle, his spirit passed from earth to the God who gave it." A foot-note upon the page states that the account here given of the death of this distinguished officer was written by Dr. McGuire,



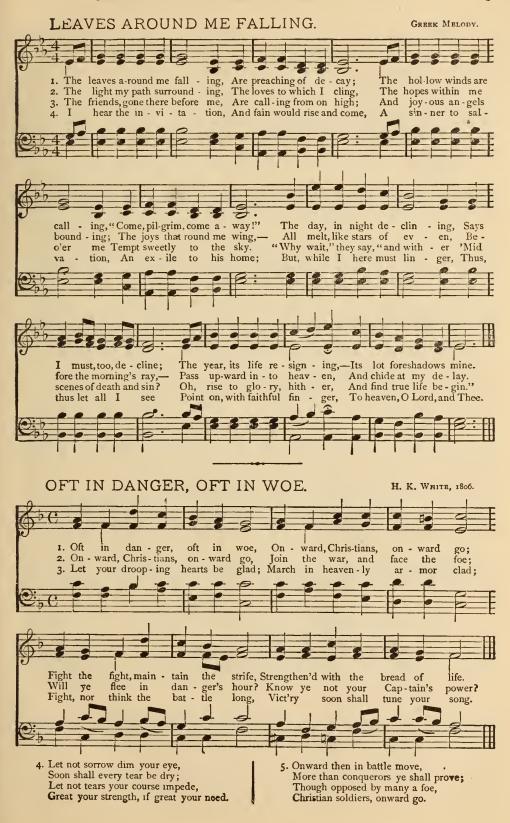
and is taken from the "Battle-Fields of Virginia." The beautiful lines which are here set to music are from an ode written by Mrs. Margaret J. Preston, of Lexington, Virginia, at the request of the authorities of the Virginia Military Institute, to celebrate its semi-centennial anniversary. This lady is one of the noted female writers of America. Though written by request this ode is far from being written to order. It is full of genuine inspiration; and these verses, their burden the dying words of a heroic soul passing from the storm of battle into a dream of sylvan rest, fasten themselves upon the memory and linger like music in our ears. There are years in them but they are not tears born of despair.

Saw earth's pure-hearted ones walking in white Under the shade of the trees.—Cho.

THE aching head may well cease to throb when laid upon that softest pillow for human pain—"God knows!" The sleep that falls like heavenly dew to the music of the lullaby—"All things work together for good to them that love God," and "Fear not! I am with thee!" brings strength and renewal of youth, with balm for present ills. Your "shadowy future" is definite and distinct to Him. Whatever of seeming disaster it may hold for you be assured that it is only in seeming; that His purposes toward you must, from the necessities of His own nature, be all love and goodness. Be patient, yet hopeful, in awaiting the development of His will.—Marion Harland

There to pass over the river, and rest

Under the shade of the trees.—Cho.



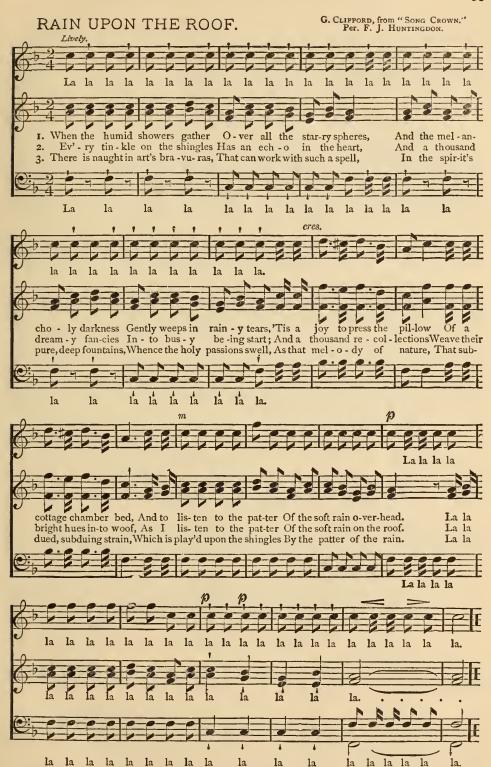
EARLY STEPS.—There will be found in all districts some persons not friendly to instruction in music in the schools, and one or more that are bitterly opposed to it. These persons should be handled with gloves; reasoned with and persuaded. As among bad boys, if one is won to the teacher's cause, he will do much toward making the others behave; so by making an ally of one of the original opponents of music, the others may be weakened in their opposition. At any rate, let not the teacher who loves music and desires to have its refining influence

in his school—let not such be afraid to approach the enemies of musical instruction, whether the hostility has its origin in penuriousness or prejudice. The blacksmith instructs his apprentice to keep close to the horse to avoid being hurt in the event of an accident. It will surely not be denied that if tact and persuasion are the only instruments, "the end justifies the means." Begin by getting an opinion in favor of music from the patrons; proceed by getting a similar opinion from the school. When singing has been introduced, make it as general as possible,



but, should a pupil desire not to sing (make it impossible for him to refuse), let him be excused on apparently good grounds. Let not boys from twelve to sixteen be urged to sing. If their voices are rough, or breaking, advise them not to sing; and if pupils cannot sing in tune, do not permit them to sing—at least, not with the more tuneful children. Children with chronic sore-throat, or bad colds, and young ladies who say it tires them, should not be urged to sing, since great care should be taken of the voices of children. What children shall study is

not generally in the power of the teacher to decide, the directors usually claiming that authority. Let music be treated in the same manner. Give all a chance to join in the exercise, but because a few refuse to take part, do not give up in despair. To bring about the introduction of music, do not call a town-meeting. Such a course gives rise to a division of opinion and argument contrary to the movement on foot, and when a person has once taken a stand publicly on a measure, he seldom leaves the position chosen. Look, therefore, to early steps.—Blackman.



Note.—Instead of singing the "la la" accompaniment and chorus, the words only may be sung, repeating, with expression, the last four lines of each verse. It is usually sung without this accompaniment and is always a favorite with schools-

Music in Schools.—Controversy in reference to ingleside blossoms with song. Every service of the introduction of the study of music in public sanctuary is strengthened by it. Every emotion of the introduction of the study of music in public schools is not uncommon. Those who oppose, hold that music is a specialty, that there is no general convention is enlivened by it. Almost every town necessity for its culture, because its use is only for the has its band, and every hamlet its instrument, and few. A little observation will show the opposite of this to be the truth. What, indeed, is more common mon almost as the air we breathe. The very fact of than music? It follows us from the cradle to the its use makes it useful, and shows its need. But it grave. The infant is cradled with a lullaby. Every is said, How can a science so difficult and so hard

our human nature utters itself through it. Every every hedge and grove their warblers. It is com-



to master, be introduced into our common schools? common schools. That the children shall be able to

No one expects the science to be mastered in the sing. That the teachers shall so far master the funcommon schools. We have grammar; but who sup- damental principles of the science, as to be able to poses that the common schools will exhaust the study, guide the children in the culture of this department and send out accomplished philologists? We have of art. The mother needs it in the family. Our reading and writing; but who supposes that the manhood needs its refining and hallowing power common schools are to turn out finished scholars in Our churches demand it. Our very nature by divine belles-lettres? What is desired is simply this, -that providence craves it, and no primary or secondary inthe presence and power of music shall be felt in the struction can be complete without it .- E. E. Higbee.

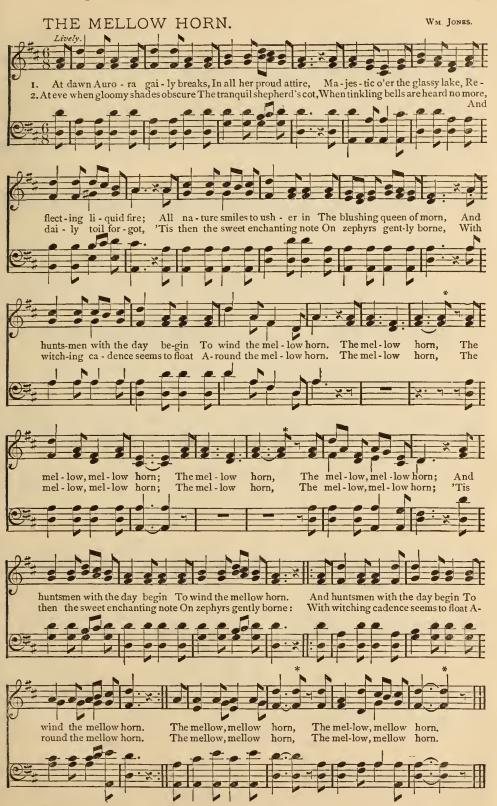


of Music in the public schools of Boston, gave the following caution, which is well worth heeding. He says: The age of most of the pupils in the high schools renders extreme caution in the treat-boy, from an almost absolute impossibility to sing, ment of their voices a duty and a sacred obligation. she is likely to over-exert herself, to the lasting in-

CARE OF THE VOICE.—Mr. Eichberg, Supervisor | and 'timbre' of the female voice. I am convinced The common belief that boys' voices alone require jury of both health and voice. When teachers are especial care during the period of transition has led to much loss of voice and of health. Just as important, if less striking, changes occur in the nature young—such temporarily "diseased" voices—to the



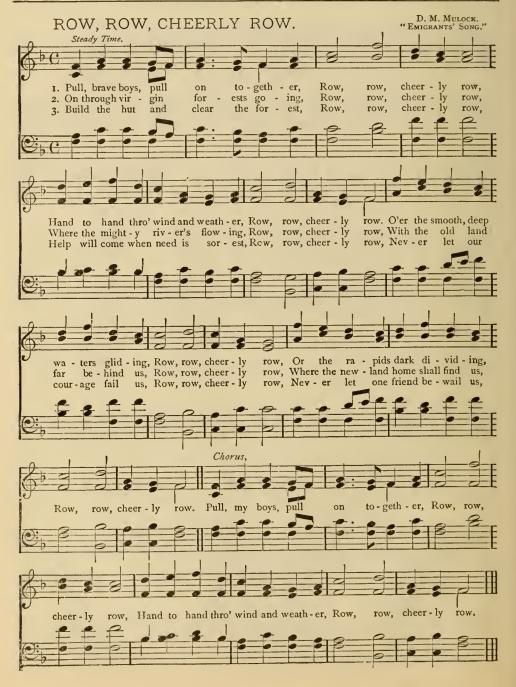
desire of exhibiting and showing off their classes. I sing, and then told her her voice was gone, that she Another frightful cause of injury proceeds from the must not sing a note for a year, and return to him desire of many female pupils always to sing the at the end of that time, and in the meantime imhighest part—the first soprano. It is with them prove her health. She faithfully complied with "Aut Casar, aut nullus." Periodical examination these directions, and came back to Garcia at the of the pupils' voices, by the teacher, has seemed to appointed time. Rest at a critical period, had reme the only safe course in order to remedy this evil. stored her voice, to her own delight and to the In Jenny Lind's younger days, it is related that gratification of her master. From that moment a she applied for instructions to Garcia, the great grand career was open before her, which has made teacher of vocal music in Paris. He heard her her name a "household word" in two continents.



* An Echo can be made by Soprano and Alto humming these two bars to this note, with lips closed and teeth anaet

IF the voice be not of the best, it is of small consequence. The full-voiced sound will absorb all individuality of voice. Each will be aggregated with all. The little separate waves will go to form an entire ocean of sound, a multitudinous oneness and massive whole, without any prominent individualizing. Especially is this true when the voices are under the controlling and assimilating influence of a powerful, and well-played organ; and, in congregational singing, the organ should have the largest liberty of utterance, the foundation-stops being alone employed. So then it may be taken as a fact that, in the people's

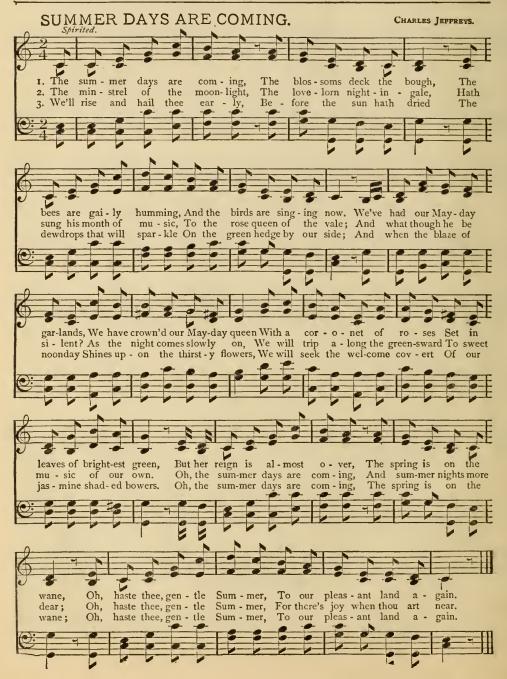
music of the church, the control and use of the voice require little artistic training, but only so much musical endowment as almost everybody naturally has, and so much musical memory as to remember such simple melodies as form the staple of tunes adapted to general use. All the better, to be sure, if preliminary training has been secured, with some knowledge of the elementary rules of music. This were best done in early life, and while at school; and we hesitate not to say that it is a great mistake whenever in any school, public or private, instruction in music and singing is omitted for what is thought more practical.

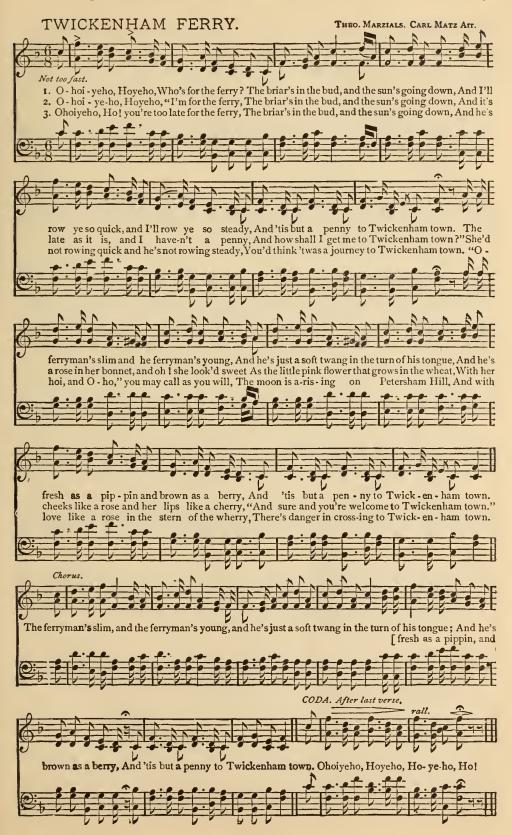




disgust at the flood of musical trash that is annually poured from our music publishing houses in the shape of new tune-books. Every fresh book must contain new and original music. The old tunes must be mangled past recognition, and the compiler must rack labeled with astounding names, and called tunes. If all the organists in the country were to meet in convention, and then vote on the best and most useful dred congregational tunes of real merit. There are at the smoke rise as incense to pure art.—Barnard.

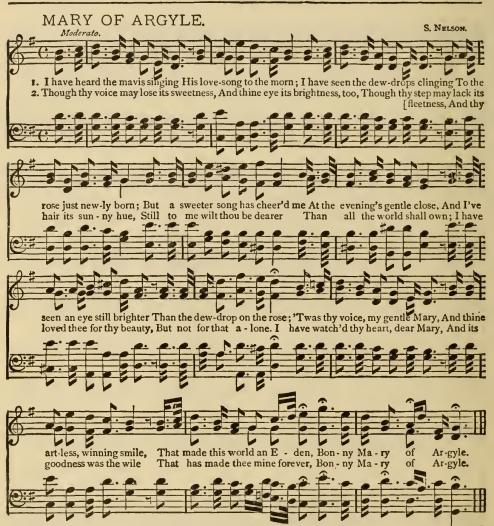
MUSICAL TRASH .- I wish to express my unfeigned | least twenty-four hundred pages of new tunes published every year. Of these how many are worth the paper they are printed upon? Perhaps a dozen tunes. Taking all the civilized people in the world together, it is found that only one man in a million is a musical composer of real genius. Plenty of people can his brains to invent new and more dreadful abortions, pick out a tune on the piano. They are not composers. We have in the United States a few men, like Zundel and Tuckerman, who can write a choral. The music they give us will live. As for the rest, to the chorals, they would blot out of existence nine-tenths of trunk-maker with it! A poor tune-book will make these tunes, and give us a list of not over one hun- good kindling. To the fire with the rubbish, and let





early manifested his talent. How he secured liberty him: "So you wish to be a musician?" "Yes, sir," to follow the bent of his genius, is told in the following incident: It seems that when a boy at college, every effort was made to destroy his musical genius. His professor, M. Poirson, was in despair. His parents intended him for the ecole normale. On its being announced to him that he was to go up for the mecessary examination, the boy burst into tears, and if you really are a musician, you can set words to steadily refused to continue his classical studies. His music." The old man copied out the poem, "Joseph," mother appealed to M. Poirson, and implored him to "A peine au sortir de l'en France." The boy hurried recall her boy to what she considered to be his duty. to his school desk, and after studying the subject, The stern professor accordingly sent for him, and, in wrote an air and accompaniment, which he brought

EARLY GENIUS.—Gounod, the musical composes 1a tone more threatening than encouraging, said to replied the terrified boy. "But that is not a profession." "What, sir; the profession of Beethoven, of Mozart, of Gluck, is not a profession?" "But, remember that Mozart at your age had composed music worth publishing, whereas you have only scribbled notes on paper. However, here is your last chance;



back to his professor, and showed to him, pale with phasized every word, and roared "Oh, how I love my emotion. He felt that on his judgment his future teacher dear!" with a vim that left no possible doubt career depended. He sang it to the old man, who listened in amazement, and led him to his drawing room, where he made him play the accompaniment Those present were enraptured by the beauty of the composition, and it was at once decided that young Gounod must follow the bent of the undoubted genius with which he was gifted.

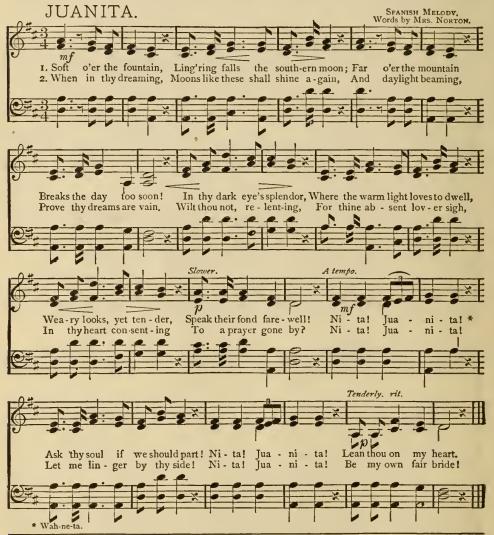
PASSING by one the city schools yesterday, we listened to the scholars singing: "Oh, how I love my teacher dear!" There was one boy, with a voice nine spit-balls against the ceiling. like a tornado, who was so enthusiastic that he em- more than half a boy says when he sings.—Hawkeye.

ot his affection. Ten minutes later, that boy had been compelled to stand on the floor for putting shoemaker's wax on his teacher's chair, got three dement marks for drawing a picture of her with red chalk on the back of an atlas, been well shaken for putting a bent pin on another boy's chair, scolded for whistling out loud, sentenced to stay after school for drawing ink moustaches on his face, and blacking the end of another boy's nose, and soundly whipped for throwing nine spit-balls against the ceiling. You can't believe



LIFE-SOUNDS.—We think for a moment of life-sounds, of which there are so many around us. Do you know why we hear a buzzing, as the gnat, the bee, or the cockchafer fly past? Not by the beating of their wings against the air, as many people imagine, and as is really the case with humming birds, but by the scraping of the under-part of their hard wings against the edges of their hind-legs, which are toothed like a saw. The more rapidly their wings are put in motion the stronger this grating sound becomes. Some insects, like the drone-fly, force the air through the tiny air-passages in their sides, and as these pas-

sages are closed by little plates, the plates vibrate to and fro and make sound-waves. All these life-sounds are made by creatures which do not sing or speak; but the sweetest sounds of all in the woods are the voices of the birds. All voice-sounds are made by two elastic bands or cushions, called vocal chords, stretched across the end of the tube or windpipe through which we breathe, and as we send the air through them we tighten or loosen them as we will, and so make them vibrate quickly or slowly and make sound-waves of different lengths. But if you will try some day in the woods you will find that a bird can



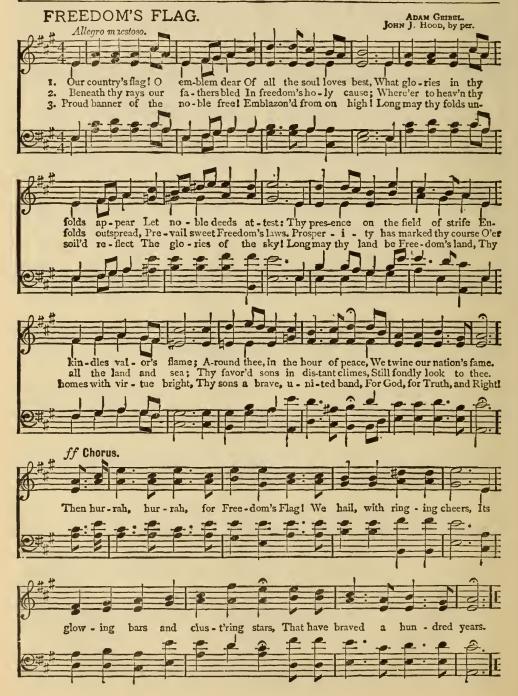
surpass you over and over again in the length of his note; when you are out of breath and forced to stop he will go on with his merry trill as fresh and clear as if he had only just begun. This is because birds can draw air into the whole of their body, and they have a large stock laid up in the folds of their windpipe, and besides this the air-chamber behind their elastic bands or vocal chords has two compartments where we have only one, and the second compartment has special muscles by which they can open and shut it, and so prolong the trill. Only think what a rapid succession of waves must quiver through the

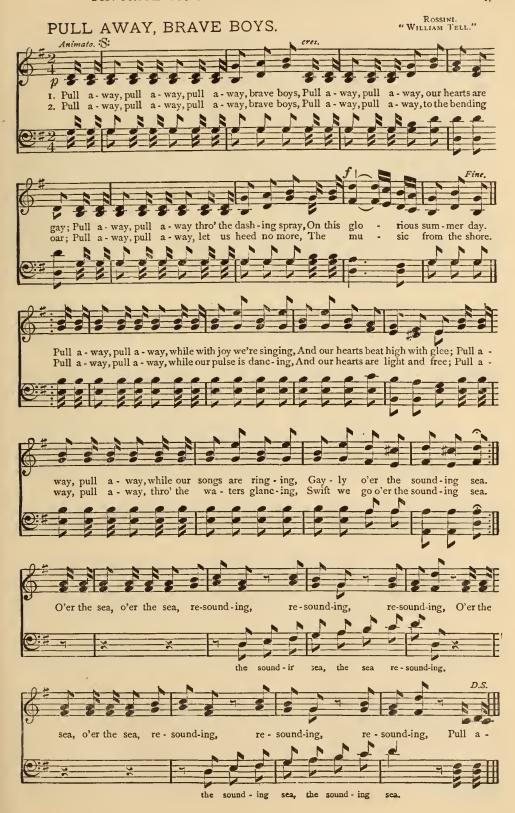
air as a tiny bird agitates his little throat and pours forth a volume of song! The next time you can do so, spend half-an-hour listening to him, or to the canary bird as he swings in his cage, and try to picture to yourself how that little being is moving all the atmosphere around him. Then dream for a little while about Sound, what it is, how marvelously it works outside in the world, and inside in your ear and brain; and then, when you go back to work again, you will hardly deny that it is well worth while to listen sometimes to the voices of Nature and ponder her it is that we hear them.—Miss A. R. Buckley.



AMERICA, it is said, is the only country where the music in divine worship is committed exclusively to two men, two women, and an organist in the gallery. The rector of each church should insist upon the congregation taking part in the music. He should adopt a book, drill the congregation in simple hymns and chants, and have the choir lead the singing, instead of monopolizing it. If this were done, there would soon be a great change in the character of church music, and the Psalmist's injunction would be carried

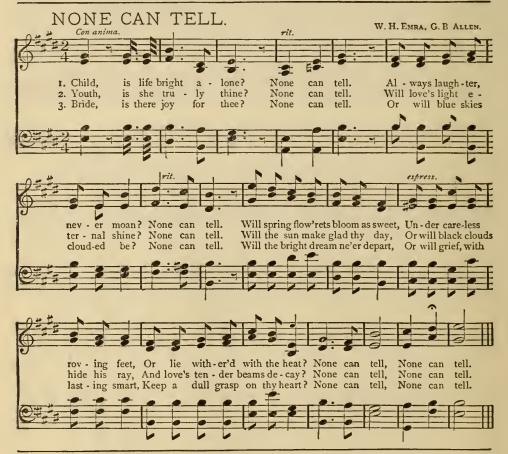
out, "Let all the people praise thee, O God." There should also be musical instruction in the divinity schools; a little time might profitably be taken from the Calvinistic and Arminian controversy, and like theological subtleties, and given to teaching the candidate for holy orders how to read, how to preach, and how to sing. Music is among the most powerful of religious influences, and, in the past and present, has done much to carry forward all great religious movements by heartily rousing the multitude.





THE MOONLIGHT SONATA.—The Wide-Awake Magazine tells a pretty story of the way that Beethoven composed this beautiful piece of music. He was going by a small house one evening and heard some one playing his Symphony in F on the Piano. He stopped to listen, and heard a voice say: "What would I not give to hear that piece played by some one who could do it justice." The great composer opened the door and entered. "Pardon me," said Beethoven, somewhat embarrassed; "pardon me, but I heard music, and was tempted to enter. I am a musician!" The girl blushed, and the young man assumed a grave, almost severe manner. "I heard also some of your words," continued Beethoven. "You wish to hear, that is, you would like—in short,

would you like me to play to you?" There was something so strange, so comical in the whole affair, and something so agreeable and eccentric in Beethoven's manner, that we all involuntarily smiled. "Thank you," said the young shoemaker; "but our piano is bad, and then we have no music." "No music?" repeated Beethoven, "how, then, did mademoiselle—." He stopped and colored, for the young girl had just turned towards him, and by her sad, veiled eyes he saw that she was blind. "I entreat you to pardon me," stammered he: "but I did not remark at first. You play, then, from memory?" "Entirely!" "And where have you heard this music before?" "Never, excepting the music in the streets." She seemed frightened, so Beethoven did not



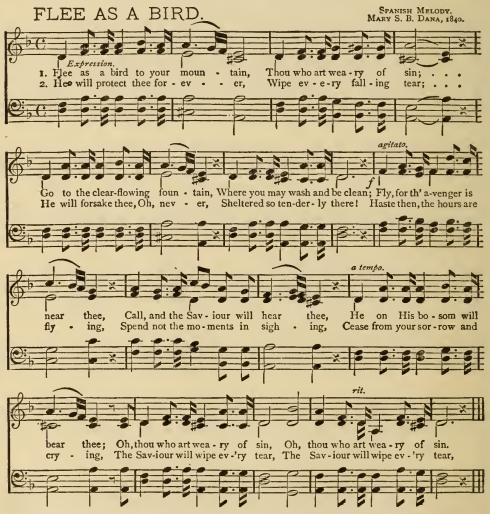
add another word, but seated himself at the instrument and began to play. He had not touched many notes when I guessed, says the narrator, who accompanied him, what would follow, and how sublime he would be that evening. I was not deceived. Never, during the many years I knew him, did I hear him play as on this occasion for the blind girl and her brother on that old dilapidated piano. At last the shoemaker rose, approached him, and said in a low voice: "Wonderful man, who are you then?" Beethoven raised his head, as if he had not comprehended. The young man repeated the question. The composer smiled as only he could smile. "Listen," said he; and he played the first movement in the F Symphony. A cry of joy escaped

from the lips of the brother and sister. They recognized the player and cried: "You are, then, Beethoven!" He rose to go, but they detained him. "Play for us once more, just once more." they said. He allowed himself to be led back to the instrument. The brilliant rays of the moon entered the curtainless windows and lighted up his broad, earnest, and expressive forehead. "I am going to improvise a sonata to the moonlight," he said, playfully. He contemplated for some moments the sky sparkling with stars; then his fingers rested on the piano, and he began to play in a low, sad, but wondrously sweet strain. The harmony issued from the instrument as sweet and even as the bright rays of the beauttful moonlight spread over the shadows on the ground.



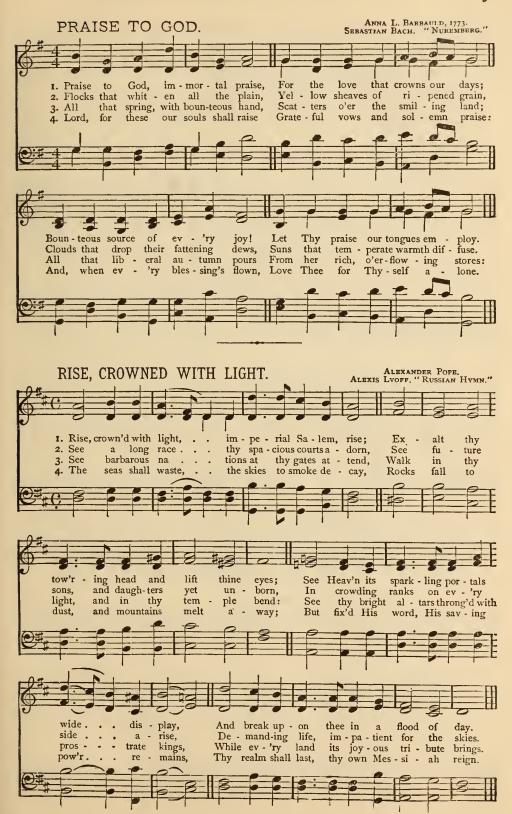
HYMN WRITERS.—We have sought for hymns in the books of every denomination of Christians. There are certain hymns of the sacrifice of Christ, of utter and almost soul-dissolving yearning for the benefits of His mediation, which none could write so well as a devout Roman Catholic. Some of the most touching and truly evangelical hymns in the Plymouth Collection we have gathered from this source. We have obtained many exquisite hymns from the Moravian collections, developing the most tender and loving views of Christ, of His personal presence, and gentle companionship. We know of no hymn-writers that

equal their faith and fervor for Christ as present with his people. Nor can any one conversant with these fail to recognize the fountain in which the incomparable Charles Wesley was baptized. His hymns are only Moravian hymns re-sung. Not alone are the favorite expressions used and the epithets which they loved, buf, like them, he beholds all Christian truths through the medium of confiding love. The love-element of this school has never been surpassed. To say that we have sought for hymns expressing the deepest religious feeling, and particularly the sentiments of love, and trust, and divine courage, and



hopefulness, is only to say that we have drawn largely from the best Methodist hymns. The contributions of the Wesleys to hymnology have been so rich as to leave the Christian world under an obligation which cannot be paid as long as there is a struggling Christian brotherhood to sing and be comforted amid the trials of this world. Charles Wesley was peculiarly happy in making the Scriptures illustrate Christian experience, and personal experience throw light upon the deep places of the Bible. Some of his effusions have never been surpassed. Nor are there any hymns that could more nobly express the whole ecstasy

of the apostolic writings in view of death and heaven. Cowper, Stennet, Newton, Doddridge, and many other familiar authors, will be found in every collection that aspires to usefulness. With whatever partiality to Dr. Watts we may have begun our work, a comparison of his psalms and hymns with the best effusions of the best hymn-writers has only served to increase our admiration, and our conviction that he stands above all other English writers. Nor do we believe any other man, in any department, has contributed so great a share of enjoyment, edification, and inspiration to struggling Christians as Dr. Watts.—H. W. Beecher.



INFLUENCE OF MUSIC.—Man is as much a child of the beautiful as he is of wisdom or genius, Nature never drives us if she can avoid it; she prefers to allure us. She makes all things charming. She paints the fields and the woods that we may go to them, led by affection. She makes the face of youth beautiful, throws color on the cheek, and makes the lines of smiles and laughter come and go, and she sends the soul into the eyes, that young years may build up everlasting frienship. Yielding to his Di-

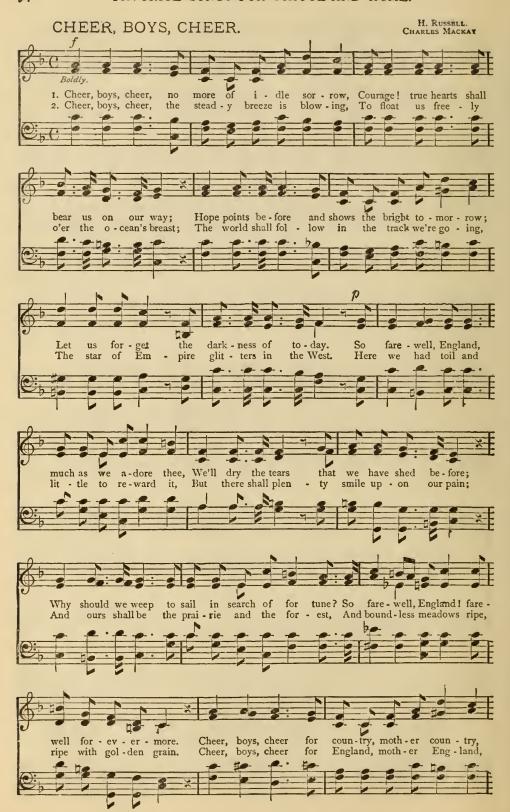
vine Master's guidance, man follows the beautiful, and to the idea of home or temple or garden or city, he comes with both hands full of ornament. He claims for his house and his dress what God gives to the peach, or the leaf, or the rose. In this deep philosophy music comes as the decoration of a thought. Man submits his truths to several steps of this ennobling work. He found them in prose and he asks Milton or Dante, or Tennyson or Longfellow to frame them into poetry, but not yet satisfied



he takes the thought to the great musician and asks Mozart or Weber or Schubert to pour still more color on the blessed thought. It was not enough for the Greeks that some of their truth took the poetic form of the drama, it must also be sung on the stage, so that between the uplifted hands of both Poetry and Music all might see how sorrowful was Edipus or how sweet Antigone. Thus all through its history, music has ever been the final decoration

of a sentiment. Poetry has done much when it has gathered up some of the pensive meditations of man when he draws near his long home and has called this rhythmical arrangement a poem. Even read to us, its flow of harmonious feet is impressive; but when Mozart goes further, and wreathes those words with his composition into a requiem, then is the cup of our realization full, and all the pomp and splendor of earth sink like the summer sun.—Swing.







GOOD TEACHERS.-Not every one who is a good player is for that reason a good teacher. The best player may be the poorest teacher. To be a good There are many who possess a great amount of in-formation, but who can impart little or nothing. There are others who attempt to be guides, but who do not know the road. There are not a few who attempt to teach, who were never properly taught. Teachers are not made, they are born. It is difficult to judge of a good teacher. Inquire before you The fact that parents have no full appreciation of the importance of a child's education accounts for the indifference which they show in the selection of teachers. Many parents engage poor teachers for beginners. A sadder mistake was never made in the process of education. As well may you lay a foundation of soft brick, consoling yourself with the idea that you will finish the house with grey stone. The first teacher is very likely the one who will make or mar the musical future of your child. - Merz.

Music is the only one of the fine arts in which both man and all other animals have a common property -mice and elephants, spiders and birds.-Richter.



The cannibals came to his island one day, To feast, for all cannibals do so,

But Friday, their man, jumped out of the pan, And ran off to Robinson Crusoe.

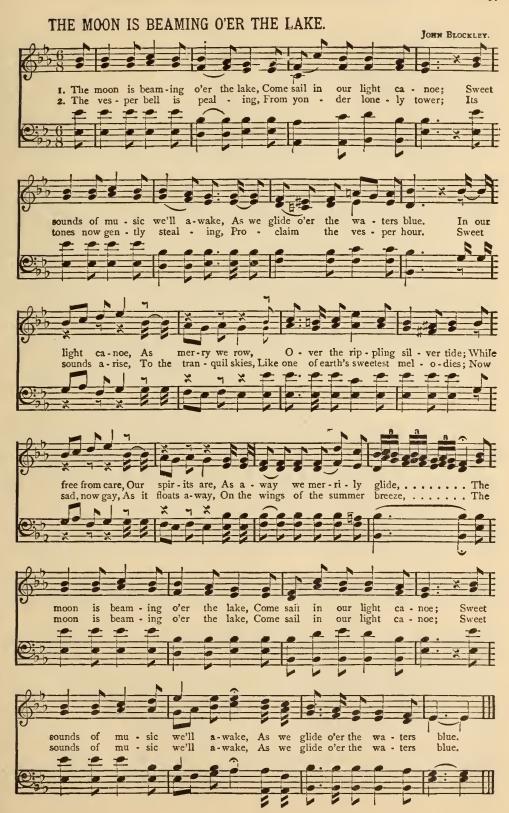
Oh, Robinson Crusoe! Oh, poor Robinson Crusoe! He fired off his gun, and then there was fun For lonely old Robinson Crusoe.

But he never lost hope, and he never would mope, And he always had faith, as should you, so

That come as it might, it always was right

With honest old Robinson Crusoe.

Oh, Robinson Crusoe! Good old Robinson Crusoe! Where can school-boy be found to stop at a round "Hurrah for old Robinson Crusoe!"



The following tribute to the memory of the late Matthew Arbuckle, whose magic cornet made his name a household word with millions, will doubtless waken a responsive echo in the heart of every one who was privileged to know that brilliant artist and kindly, courteous gentleman: "Half-a-dozen years ago," writes a lady, one of his pupils, "an old cornet hung upon the wall of my home, and it somehow happened that I tried it to see how it would go." By a little persistence I got a tone, and finally became fascinated with the noise I could produce, and, working away as much as the neighborhood would endure without complaints to the police, I got some mastery.

The performance was horrible, of course, but one April day I appeared at Mr. Arbuckle's door in New York, a petitioner for lessons. I remember how kindly he received me; how he gave me courage at once by commending my poor attempt at 'Robin Adair,' so that he could know what I could do and where to begin with me. I remember the next three months of his helpfulness, his patience, his encouragement, his hopefulness; how he put no limit to the 'hour's lesson' we had bargained for, and often entertained and helped me a whole afternoon, sometimes taking his cornet, and, forgetting all the world else, giving me his wonderful rendering of delightful airs and ballads. I re-



member, too, his comical running to the corner of the room and hiding his face when I had my lesson poorly, and how he would look over his shoulder laughing at me and shouting: 'Try it again,' and when the work was done to his satisfaction, how proud and glad and happy he seemed. He was every inch a gentleman; in every fibre a musician. He gave me music arranged by his own hand; he selected and tested a cornet for me, and all the 'crooks' and 'mutes' and mouthpieces, and every other appliance of a cornetist's outfit, and there was nothing he could do, by instruction and advice, that he left undone. A country girl of fourteen, alone in the great city so far as kindred were concerned,

he bade me welcome to his home. His wife was almost a mother to me, his daughter a friend indeed. I want to say how good he was, how true to his art, how kind, sweet-tempered, big-hearted—a noble man in every thing.

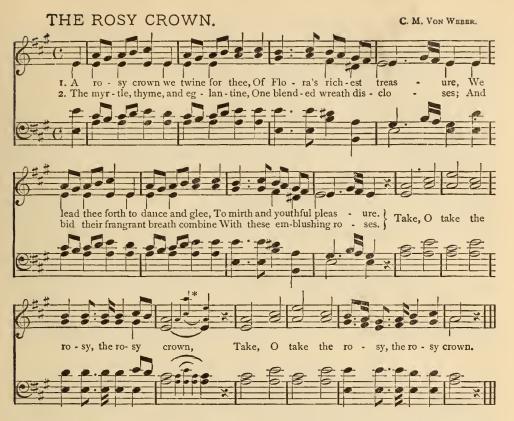
CHRISTOPHER NORTH, a lover of nature, neversaid atruer or a wiser thing than this, in his Soliloquy on the Seasons: "Turn from the oracles of man, still dim even in their clearest response—to the oracles of God, which are never dark. Bury all your books when you feel the night of skepticism gathering around you; bury them all, powerful though you may have deemed their spell to illuminate the unfathomable; open your Bible, and all the spiritual world will be as bright as the day."





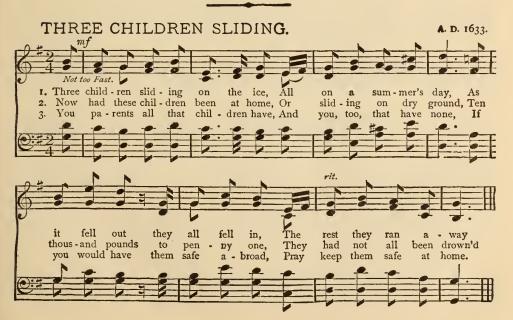






We bade the fairest flowers that grow,
Their varied tribute render,
To shine above that brow of snow,
In all their sunny splendor.
Take, O take, etc.

Then deign to wear the wreath we twine,
Thy beauteous ringlets shading;
And be its charms a type of thine,
In all except their fading.
Take, O take, etc.



[•] Grace notes in Chorus are the original music in opera of "Der Freischutz," from which are is taken.

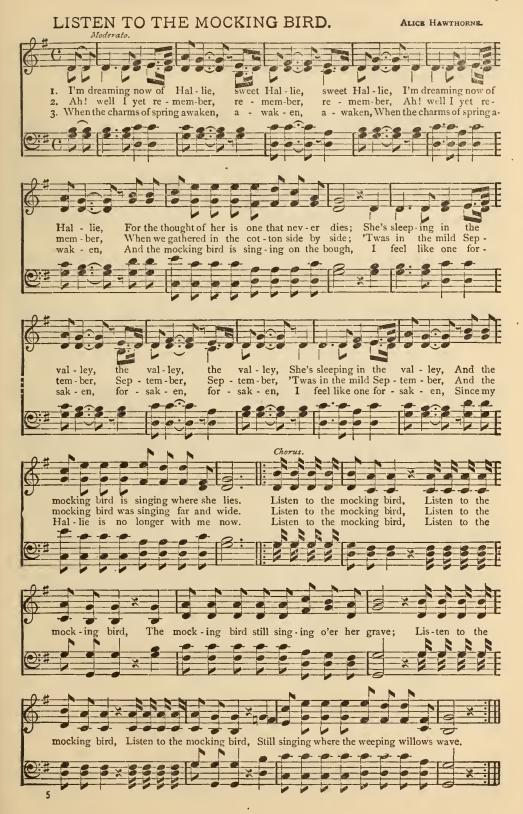
EDUCATION.—When a boy I was very fond of mucic, and am so now; and it so happened that I had the opportunity of hearing much good music. Among other things I had abundant opportunities of hearing that great old master, Sebastian Bach. I remember perfectly well—though I knew nothing about music then, and, I may add, know nothing whatever about it now—the intense satisfaction and delight which I had in listening by the hour together to Bach's fugues. It is a pleasure which remains with me, I am glad to think, but of late years I have tried to find out the why and wherefore, and it has often occurred to me that the pleasure in musical compositions of this kind is essentially of the same nature as that which is derived from pursuits which are commonly regarded as purely intel-

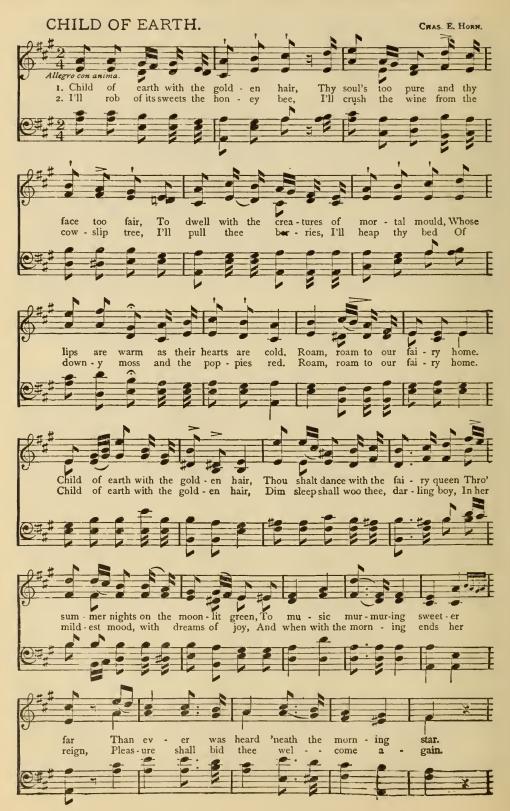
lectual. I mean that the source of pleasure is exactly the same as in most of my problems in morphology—that you have the theme in one of the old master's works followed out in all its endless variations, always appearing and always reminding you of unity in variety. So in painting; what is called truth to nature is the intellectual element coming in, and truth to nature depends entirely upon the intellectual culture of the person to whom art is addressed. If you are in Australia, you may get the credit for being a good artist—I mean among the natives—if you can draw a kangaroo after a fashion. But among men of higher civilization the intellectual knowledge we possess brings its criticism into our appreciation of works of art, and we are obliged to satisfy it as well as the mere sense of beauty

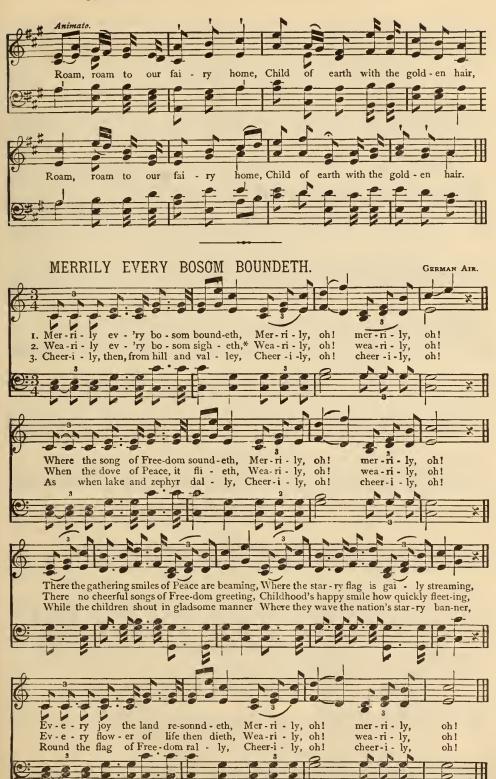


in color and in outline. And so the higher the culture and information of those whom art addresses, the more exact and precise must be what we call its "truth to nature." If we turn to literature the same thing is true, and you find works of literature which may be said to be pure art. A little song of Shakespeare or of Goethe is pure art, although its intellectual content may be nothing. A series of pictures is made to pass before your minds by the meaning of words, and the effect is a melody of ideas. And if you will let me for a moment speak of the very highest forms of literature, do we not regard them as highest simply because the more we know the truer they seem, and the more competent we are to appreciate beauty the more beautiful they are? No man ever understands Shakespeare

until he is old, though the youngest may admire him; the reason being that he satisfies the artistic instinct of the youngest and harmonizes with the ripest and richest experience of the oldest. It is not a question whether one order of study or another should predominate, but rather of what topics of education you shall select, combining all the needful elements in such due proportion as to give the greatest amount of food and supportand encouragement to those faculties which enable us to appreciate truth, and to profit by those sources of innocent happiness which are open to us, and at the same time to avoid that which is bad and coarse and ugly, and to keep clear of the multitude of pitfalls and dangers which beset those who break through the natural or moral laws.—Thos. H. Huxley.



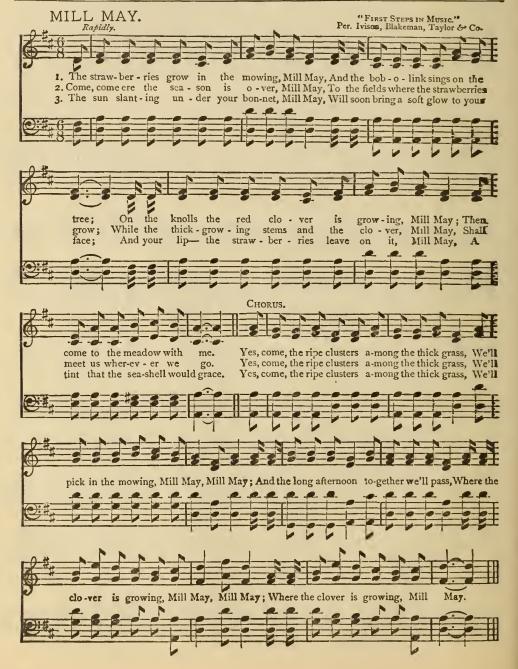


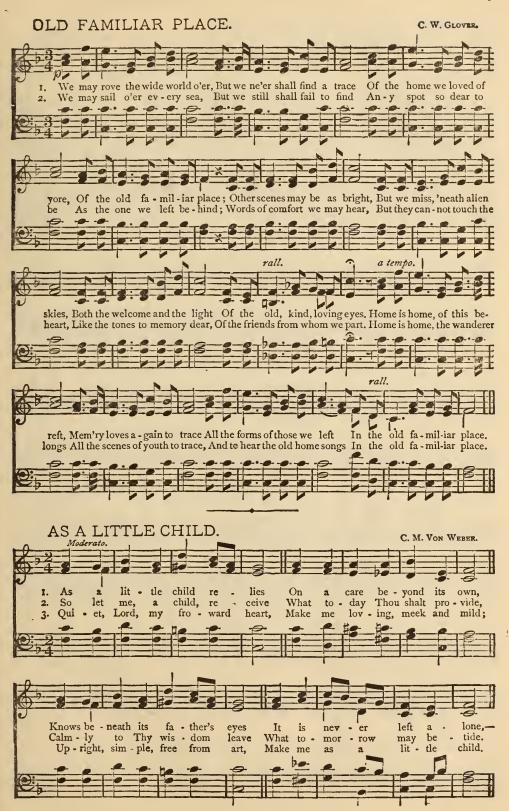


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The very worst specimens of musical incompetency which may be heard in drawing-rooms are due to the want of perception and the vanity of those who exhibit them. There are many men and women who might sing or play agreeably if they would confine themselves to things within their powers; but vaulting ambition carries them pell-mell into the dangers of difficult music which can only be encountered successfully after years of study and practice, and makes of the struggles, which, it is to be hoped, are more painful to their hearers than themselves, a terrible warning. When one has been present at one or two performances

of this kind, he can understand the feelings of a professor of music who was gifted with a very tender conscience besides a great talent, and, being asked the reason of an unusual fit of gloom, replied: "Well I am just thinking whether I ought to go on teaching these amateurs. They come and learn, but they understand nothing; and they mostly have voices not unlike little cats." No less dreadful than the amateur who has no talent for music is he who has a good deal of talent and so much enthusiasm that his mind is incapable of taking thought for anything else that is excellent. For him the big world has nothing at all outside of music.









In his very valuable work upon the authorship and history of English hymns, Rev. Samuel W. Duffield makes special mention of no less than one hundred and fifteen hymns and metrical versions of psalms by Isaac Watts. This voluminous hymn-writer came of sturdy stock. He was the grandson of Thomas Watts, a naval officer, who blew up his ship during the Dutch War in 1656, perishing with all on board. His father, Isaac Watts, inherited the family traits of courage and resolute purpose. He was a cleacon in a Congregational Church at Southampton, in what were stormy days for the nonconformists. During this time of agitation his son Isaac, the oldest of nine children, was born July 17, 1674. The deacon and his pastor were imprisoned for nonconformity, and the child, then a babe

at the breast, was often taken by his mother to the jail door, where she was accustomed to sit upon a stone near the entrance, with him in her arms. In 1683, his father was again imprisoned for six months for the old offence, and on his release was forced to "live privately in London for two years." Meanwhile Isaac had gone on with his studies. About this time he had the opportunity of a free education if he would give up nonconformity but, being a staunch little Dissenter, he declined the offer, and went to London where he continued his studies under Mr. Thomas Rowe until 1694. Here he became attached to Miss Elizabeth Singer and proposed marriage, which she declined. This lady afterwards married his instructor, Mr. Rowe. He always remained a bachelor. His earliest hymn was occasioned



by a dislike of the verses sung in the meeting-house at Southampton. In 1696, he became tutor in a family at Newington. Here, for the children, he wrote of the "little busy bee," "the dogs that delight to bark and bite," "the voice of the sluggard," as well as that best of cradle-sengs, "Hush, my dear, lie still and slumber." It was at this time that he wrote the "Divine and Moral Songs." He entered the ministry in 1698, preaching his first sermon at Mark Lane, London, but physical infirmaty interfered much with this work. In 1713, after one of his distressing attacks of fever and neuralgia, Sir Thomas Abney took him to his own home. Long afterwards he said to Lady Huntingdon: "This day thirty years I came hither to the house of my good

friend, Sir Thomas Abney, intending to spend but one single week under his friendly roof, and I have extended my visit to the length of exactly thirty years." He published his hymns and psalms from time to time, in book form, and so widely known are many of them in the Christian Church that they are to be found in almost every hymn book. He died Nov. 25, 1748, at the age of seventy-five. In person Dr. Watts was of spare habit, and hardly more than five feet in stature, so that he was known as "the little doctor." He was an able writer and a good speaker, with an unusually fine voice. If it be a greater thing to write a noble hymn, that is sung throughout the world, than to rule a nation wisely, then is he one of the world's great benefactors!

From the time when medical knowledge was first embodied in rules of practice, and probably from a much earlier period, music has held a recognized place in the treatment of disease. In no class of diseases, however, are we likely to derive so much benefit from the use of so pleasant a remedy as in those affecting the mind itself. In melancholia and allied states of depression its value is generally admitted in our own day. Ancient practitioners were also cognizant of its usefulness in this respect. We must all have felt how suitable is its infinite variety and facility of expression to the changing moods of the sane, and it is therefore the less difficult to understand how straying minds are pleased and settled by its charm. Certain it is that its beneficial effect is in this case considerable, and our

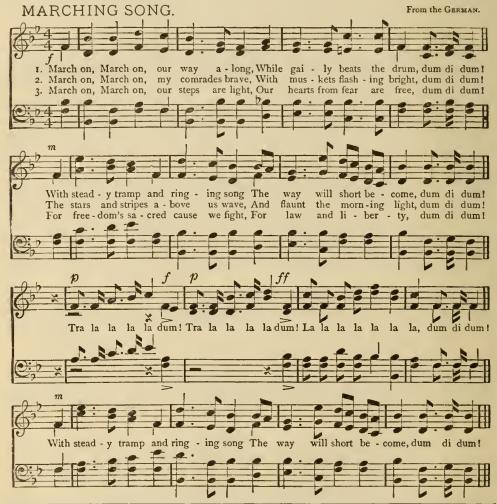
readers, though possibly unable to acquire a knowledge of the art, should at least possess, and, if needful, assert in practice, a sense of its therapeutic value.—Lancet.

The poets and sages are no more agreed in their answers to the question, "What is music?" than they were, and are, on Pilate's pathetic question, "What is truth?" or on that which has been asked almost as frequently, "What is time?" Plato, with godlike calm, says, "The whole universe is music, for everything in it is order and harmony." Fuller holds that music is the poetry of sounds, as poetry is the music of words. According to Wagner's theory, it is the art of singing words, and of speaking in sounds which express that which is otherwise inexpressible. Schopenhauer's definition is unique: "Music is arithmetic come to life."



AN OLD SINGER.—It is in his translation of the Gospel of St. John, completed A. D. 735, that the venerable Bede appears to us as the first writer of English vernacular prose. The story of the writing of this first prose book in the English language, as related by Cuthbert, one of Bede's pupils, is full of pathetic interest: As the season of Easter was drawing near, the zealous scholar and teacher began to feel symptoms of approaching death. But he continued faithfully the performance of his daily duties, and suffered nothing to distract his usual cheerfulness and good humor. Now and then, while in the midst of his labors, with his pupils all

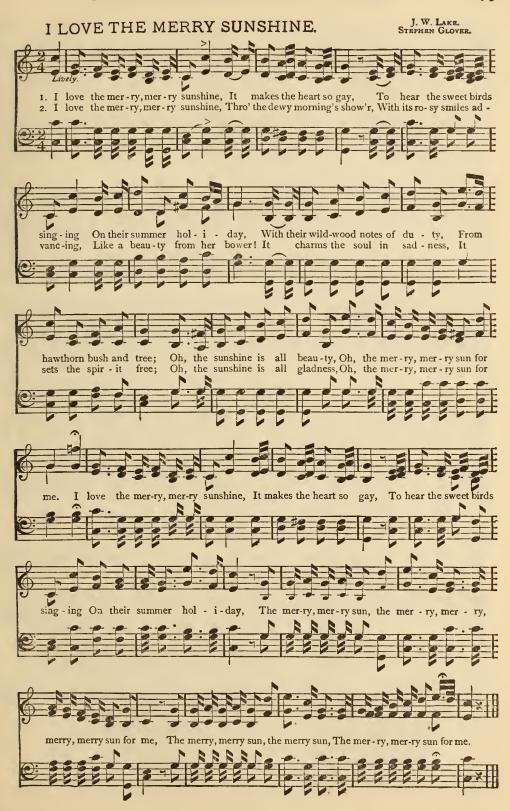
around him, he would sing some verses of an Enghan song—"rude rhymes that told how before the needfare, Death's stern 'must go,' none can enough bethink him what is to be his doom for good or ill. We never read without weeping," writes Cuthbert. And so the anxious days passed, and Ascension week drew near, and both master and pupils toiled with increased zeal to finish, if possible, the work in hand—the translation of St. John's Gospel. "Learn with what speed you may," said the dying man; "for I know not how long I may last. I do not want my scholars to read a lie or to work to no purpose when I am gone." The last day came, and his pupils stood around him. "There



is still one chapter wanting," said the scribe, seeing the master's increased weakness. "It is easily done," said Bede; "take thy pen and write quickly." They wrote until eventide drew on. Then the scribes spoke again: "There is yet but one sentence to be written, dear master." "Write it quickly," was the response of the dying man. "It is finished now," at length said the youth. "Thou hast well said," faintly replied the master, "all is finished now." The sorrowing pupils supported him tenderly in their arms while he chanted the solemn "Glory to God," and with the last words of the song his breathing ceased. Such is the story of the beginning of our literature. The humble transla-

tion of the Gospel of St. John, completed under cir cumstances of such painful anxiety, and amid the gathering shadows of death, was the vanguard, so to speak, of that long procession of noble works which, for a thousand years, has been contributing to the development and glory of the English nation.—Baldwin.

MUSIC is too often looked upon as nothing but a mere passing enjoyment—something only for the moment, to be heard and perhaps little regarded—as simply a concord of sounds agreeable to the ear: but true art occupies a much higher sphere than this; and to be able to truly appreciate and enjoy it, we must know something of the laws by which it is governed.



THE influence of music upon a pure mind cannot be understood in this life, much less expressed. The teacher who introduces music into the school as a regular exercise, will have better discipline and will himself be better. It quickens thought in the students and relieves the monotony of routine, Teach the student to read by note, if possible. If you have no books, use the fingers for notes. Take a given pitch—as C as a standard. Tell your pupils that to sing they must put into action a vocal reed organ, with lungs as bellows, the wind-pipe as pipe, vocal chords as reeds, tongue as the bridge, the roof of the mouth as sounding board. Ask them to define a tone, allowing them to express their own ideas. Illustrate by means of a piece of rubber stretched and vibrated; thus teach them that sound is vibration collected and reflected from anything that produces sound. Illustrate lines, spaces, rests, and so on through the fundamental principles. Inform yourselves thoroughly here. Be not like soldiers on a long march with rations for only a few days. Be true to your calling. It is said that Michael Angelo, while at his work, wore fastened to the forepiece of his artist's cap a lighted candle that no shadow of himself might fall upon his work. This custom spoke a more eloquent lesson than he knew. How often the shadows fall upon our work—falling from ourselves!—Russel.



Parted my love from me,

I should not now sad tears be weeping; But hope he'd come once more, And love me as of yore, And say, "Cease weeping, Thy lone watch keeping,

It grieves me, ah! so sore! And still at evening am I weeping; When the stars above appear, I see his eyes so clear; My lone watch keeping. I still am weeping.



GRADUALLY, in Italy, singing became an art. What we mean by singing when we speak of it as a source of pleasure of the higher kind, is really an Italian art, which has been diffused over the civilized world; and the Italian school of singing is still the great school,—others, in so far as they differ from that school, being inferior. The first distinctive characteristic of the Italian school of singing is the delivery of the voice, the mode of uttering a single note. Italians generally (for singing in this way has be-

come a second nature to the whole people) use their voices in quite a different way from the generality of other people. They naturally utter their notes with a purity and a freedom rarely heard from untaught persons of other races. The delivery of the voice is the foundation of their excellence as singers. Indeed, it may almost be said to constitute that excellence; for not only is there no great singing without it, but the chief aim of Italian vocal discipline is to attain execution united with this free vocal utterance.



There are singers who have voices of remarkable power, range and flexibility, who can never be great because, either by nature or from bad and ineradicable habit, they cannot attain this pure and free delivery of the voice. Their tone is guttural, or it is nasal, or it is rough, or it is unsteady, or something else; it may be merely constrained; in any case, the fault is more or less destructive. There may be great singing without great power, without remarkable flexibility, without the ability to execute a roulade or

trill; but there can be no singing really great without this free, pure delivery of the voice. A singer who can go through the whole range of his voice, from low to high, swelling out the tone and diminishing it with the vowel sound of broad a (ah), preserving that sound pure, and uniting with it perfect intonation through crescendo and diminuendo, has conquered much more than half the difficulties of the art of vocalization. All the rest, almost without exception, are mere "limbs and outward flourishes."



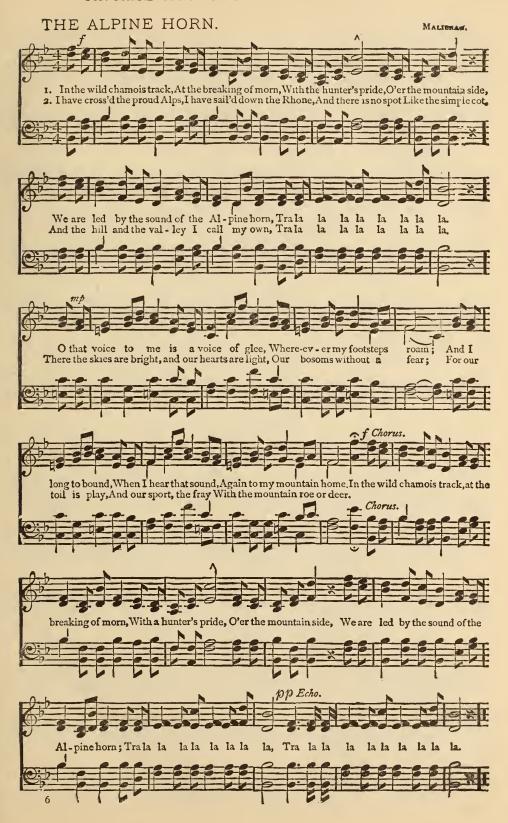
The popular ballad, "Listen to the Mocking Bird," was written and first published in 1855, by Septimus Winner, of Philadelphia, under the nom de plume of "Alice Hawthorne," his mother's maiden name. It was suggested incidentally by listening to a colored man, Dick Milburn, known as "Whistling Dick," who wandered about the city whistling in imitation of a mocking bird, at the same time strumming an accompaniment upon a guitar. Struck by his remarkable performance as a warbler, Mr. W. said to him one day, half in jest, "Dick, I'll write you a song for your mocking bird." The compass of the negro's voice was hardly an octave, and, as will be observed, the melody was made very simple, so as not to be beyond his reach. The words, "Listen to the Mocking Bird," which run higher, were to be spoken by him, not sung, except where they came within his compass, followed by the whistler's marvelous

imitation of the bird. The man was a very good-natured fellow, but of so little intellectual capacity that, though he came to Mr. Winner's music store night after night to learn the words of the song, he was never able to master more than one verse of it. Such, however, was his sense of the comic, and such his facility in improvising lines to the music, suggesting ridiculous fancies to attract the laughing crowd, that his "Mocking Bird" soon added greatly to Dick's local reputation. song was published in ballad form and at once became very popular, and such is its hold upon the public fancy that, although it has been sung and whistled and played the country over for an average lifetime, it still retains its place as a song of national reputation. It was sold by Mr. Winner to the firm of Lee and Walker for a trifling sum. The profits from its sale have exceeded one hundred thousand dollars, perhaps the largest



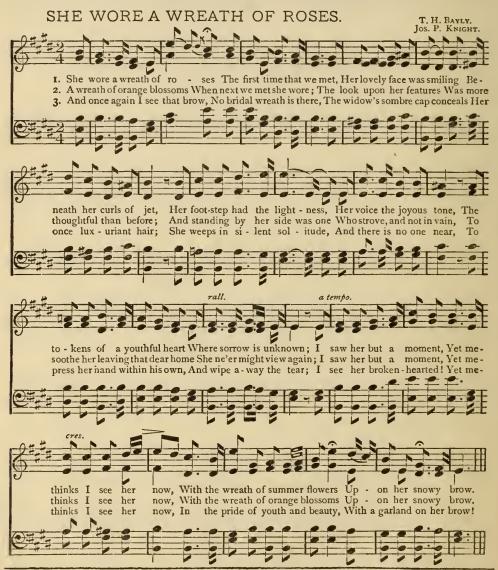
amount ever realized from any musical composition of its class. There have been published upwards of fifty different arrangements, with variations, each differing from every other in some musical peculiarity, making it one of the most widely known of all airs and ballads; and yet the composer, during the twenty-eight years of the first copyright, never received upon the song anything beyond the price at which it was originally sold. This song at once gave him a reputation which opened the market everywhere to his efforts. It was followed, as it had been preceded, by others in different veins, humorous and pathetic. His first song, "How Sweet are the Roses," was published in 1850; his last, a merry "Party at the Zoo," a tuneful bit of humor, has just appeared (1888) in one of the magazines. Between these dates he has written a hundred or more songs, both words and music, many of which have sold

by tens of thousands and are very widely known, among them, "What is Home without a Mother?" "Let us Live with a Hope," "I'll Sail the Seas over," etc., besides a large number of instruction books upon different instruments. Some of these songs which, at the time of writing them, he sold for a few dollars each, have netted their publishers full as many thousands, and he laughs pleasantly as he recalls the mistake of these low figures. His songs have had a very large sale also in Great Britain, more than sixty of them having been republished in England. His numerous instruction books have been published under his own name, but his songs under various noms de plume, among them "Alice Hawthorne," the most familiar, giving name to the "Hawthorne ballads"; "Aspley Street," from the street in which he lived; "Mark Mason," a degree of the Masonic order to which he belongs, and others.



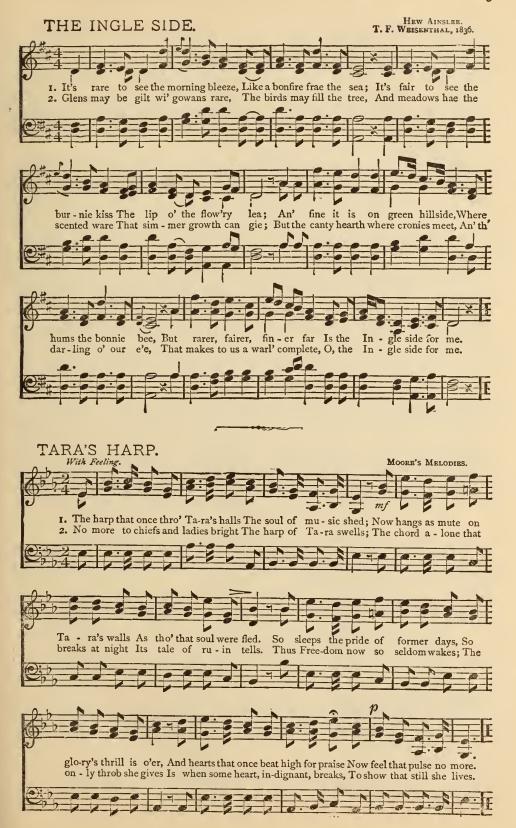
A WRITER in a late art journal says: "How many composers in the country, native or foreign born, can, without the aid of an instrument, sit down at their home or while riding in the cars, or while walking along the street, and write out such musical ideas as they may, in inspired moments, conceive; and more, how many Americans can write an acceptable harmony to these melodic ideas either with or without the aid of an instrument? A composer must be able to realize the effect of chord connection, inversions, suspensions,

sequences, doubling or omitting of notes according to circumstances, progression of individual parts, nature and characteristic peculiarities of the voices or instruments to be employed, etc.,—all this in his head clearly, besides a practical conception of the effect of the legato and staccato, in any kind of phrase or passage in the duophonic, triphonic, tetraphonic, or polyphonic arrangements. Then he must be a person of originality, both in melodic and harmonic ideas. The music must be correct in every particular, which means perfection



in form, phrasing, counterpoint, proper distribution of expression marks, proper marking of the tempos, good taste in the use of any of the embellishments, such as the tirata, direct, inverted or full turn, also the turn after any kind of note or dotted note, the prepared or unprepared trill, spring or mordent, simple or compound appoggiaturas, after-notes and harmonics, and withal an eye for the fitness of things for which the composition is intended, as well as a good knowledge of dramatic effect. Now, sir, I hope that any American who thinks

he can compose according to the above conditions, will quietly set to work for his own satisfaction, and each year compose an overture, sonata, concerto, symphony, song without words, fugue, poetry, and music enough for a half hour's performance. Study harmony at least three months each year at the end of two or more years to revise these pieces, and those which are as good in his estimation as when written to be played over before intimate friends; if they are satisfied with them other folks will be; if not, the compositions should be destroyed."



I REMEMBER once asking a distinguished Polish lady, herself a notable musician and pupil of the great Chopin, whether she ever played Hungarian music. "No," she answered, "I cannot play it; there is something in that music which I have not got—something which is wanting in me." What was wanting I came to understand later, when I became familiar with Hungarian music as rendered by the Tzigane players. It was the training of a gipsy's whole life which was wanting here—a training which alone teaches the

Lieber Schatz, I bleib' dir treu.

No sei mei Lieb' vorbei:

Denk' du net, wenn I 'ne And're seh',

Sind au drauss, sind au drauss der |: Mādele viel, : Lieber Schatz, I bleib' dir treu.

secret of deciphering those wild strains which seem borrowed from the voice of the tempest or stolen from whispering reeds. In order to have played the Hungarian music aright she would have required to have slept on mountain tops during a score of years, to have been awakened by fallen dews, to have shared the food of eagles and squirrels, and have been on equally familiar terms with stags and creeping things—conditions which unfortunately lie altogether out of the reach of delicate Polish ladies.—Blackwood.



So soll die Hochzeit sein.

So soll die Hoehzeit sein.

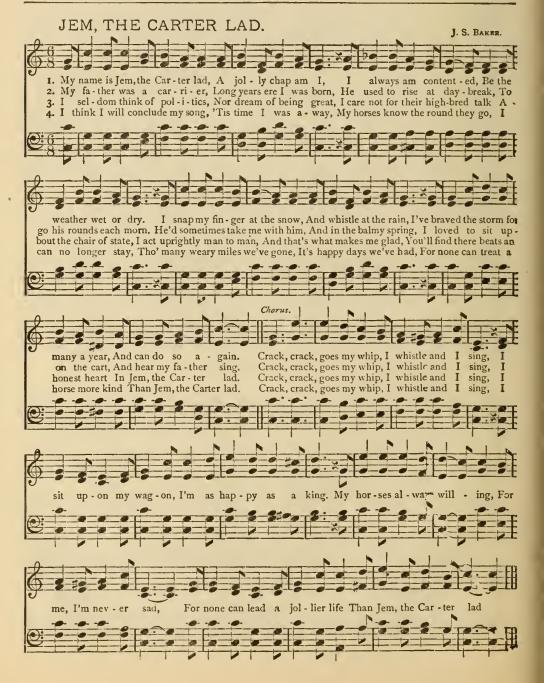
Uebers Jahr da ist mein' Zeit vorbei, Do g'hör I mein und dein;

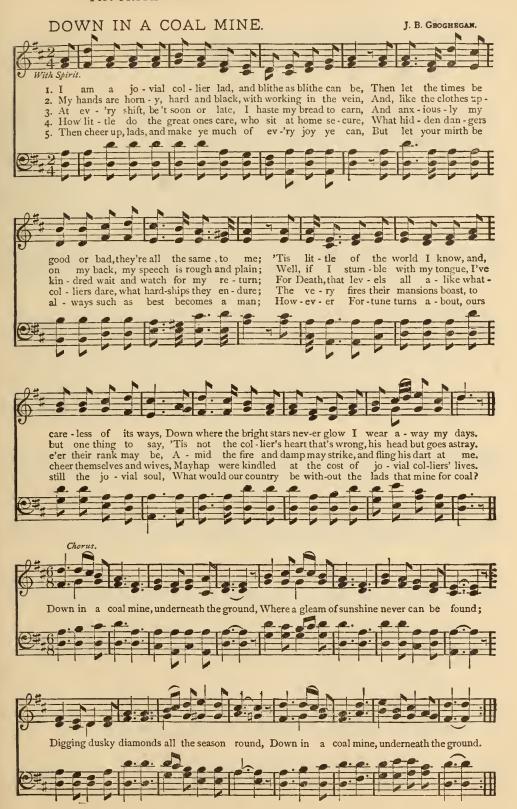
Bin I dann, bin I danu dein |: Schätzele noch, :|



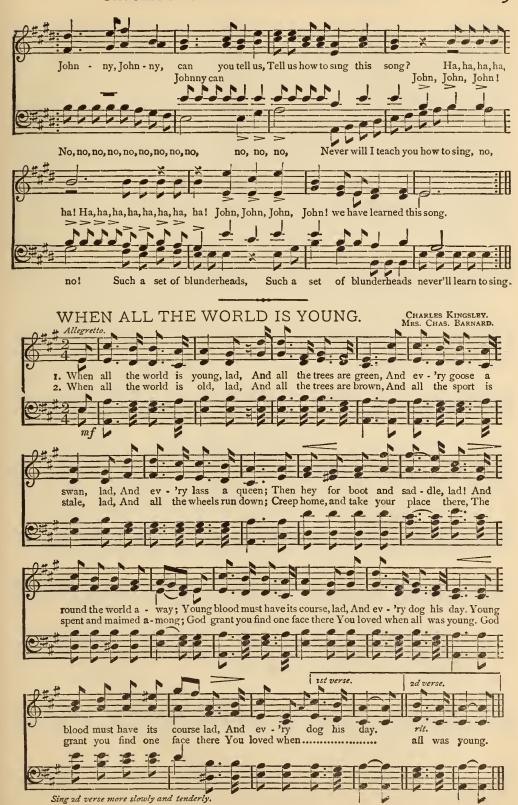
There was a well-fed, prosperous looking woman of strident voice on one of the suburban trains the other morning, and above its roar and rattle her accents could be distinguished telling the story of the friend who was visiting her. "You remember Lou, of course," she said "Well, she's been staying with me since last week. And, you know! the funniest thing has happened. Lou—that's her name—always has a way of adopting other people's habits easily. Adaptability, I suppose, some people call it. For instance, if she was with a gay crowd she was gay, and with sober people she was sober. She hadn't been in our house three

days before she got to talking as loud as if some one was deaf. And when I spoke to her about it—halt joking, you know—she said she supposed from my talking so loud that Robert was deaf, and so she had spoken above her ordinary tone. Now, what I'd like to know, Kate, is if my voice is unusually loud. Tell me the truth." The car listened breathlessly. When Kate did the kind-hearted thing, sacrificing her desire to be honest in her instinct to be kindly, and said that she never thought so, the lady with the voice said decidedly: "There, I was sure of it! Something's the matter with Lou, and I shall advise her to consult an aurist."



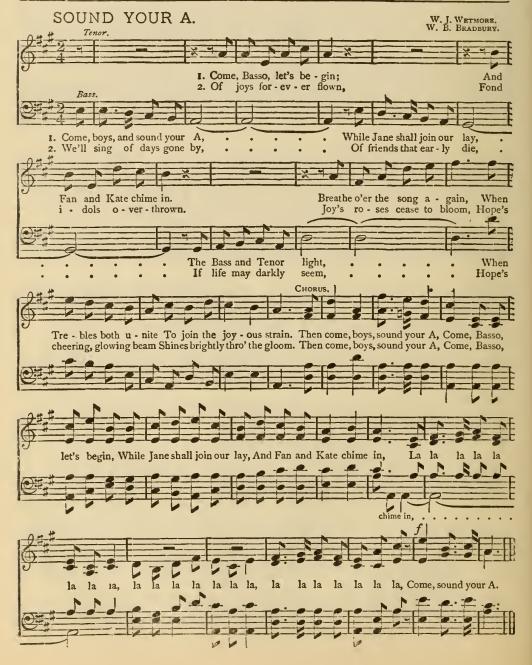


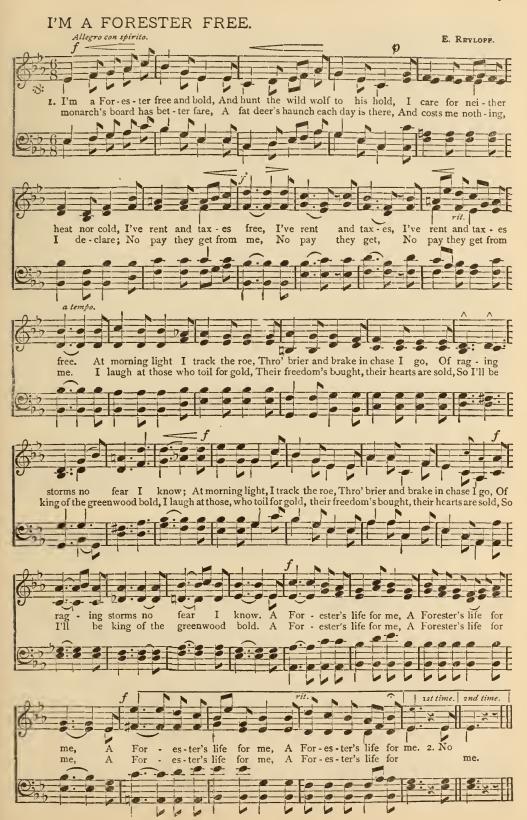




There is no mere earthly immortality I envy so much as the poet's. If your name is to live at all, it is so much more to have it live in people's hearts than only in their brains! I don't know that one's eyes fill with tears when he thinks of the famous inventor of logarithms; but a song of Burns' or a hymn of Charles Wesley's goes straight to your heart, and you can't help loving both of them, the sinner as well as the saint. The works of other men live but their personality dies out of their labors; the poet who reproduces himself in his creation, as no other artist does or can, goes down to posterity with his personality blended with whatever is imperishable in his song.—Holmes.

In its physical effects alone music is worth far more than all it costs in the pupil's study or teaching force in its influence upon mental and physical health, and the resultant energy of effort to grasp and master the daily tasks assigned. The earnest efforts to give forth school songs with spirit and emphasis quickens the brain, expands the lungs, vitalizes the blood, quiets nervous irritability, chases away the blues, and warms up the whole human organism into the best condition and the happiest mood for the exercises of the day. Thus more work, and better work, can be done in six hours by the wide-awake teacher with music as an auxiliary to his work than in twelve hours without it.—Hickoh





A curious account of the effect of various kinds of music on different animals is given by a writer in The Spectator. The general order of the experiments, based upon the supposition that animal nerves are not unlike our own, was so arranged that the attention of the animals should he first arrested by a low and gradually increasing volume of sound, in those melodious minor keys which experience showed them to prefer. The piccolo was then to follow in shrill and highpitched contrast; after which the flute was to be played to soothe the feelings ruffled by that instrument. Pleasure and dislike were often most strongly shown where least expected; and the last experiment indicated stronger dislikes, if not stronger preferences, in the musical scale, in the tiger than in the most intelligent anthropoid apes. With "Jack," a six-months-old red orang-outang, "as the sounds of the violin hegan, he suspended himself against the bars, and then, with

one hand above his head dropped the other to his side and listened with grave attention. He then crept away on all fours, looking back over his shoulder like a frightened haby," and covered himself with his piece of carpet. Then his fear gave place to pleasure, and he sat down, with smoothed hair and listened to the music. The piccolo at first frightened him, hut he soon held out his hand for the instrument and was allowed to examine it. "The flute did not interest him. but the bagpipe, reproduced on the violin, achieved a triumph." The capuchins were busy eating their breakfast; "hut the violin soon attracted an audience. They dropped their food and clung to the bars, listening, with their heads on one side, with great attention. At the first sounds of the flute the macaques ran away; and the piccolo excited loud and angry screams from ' When the flute was played to the elephant, he stood listening with deep attention, one foot raised

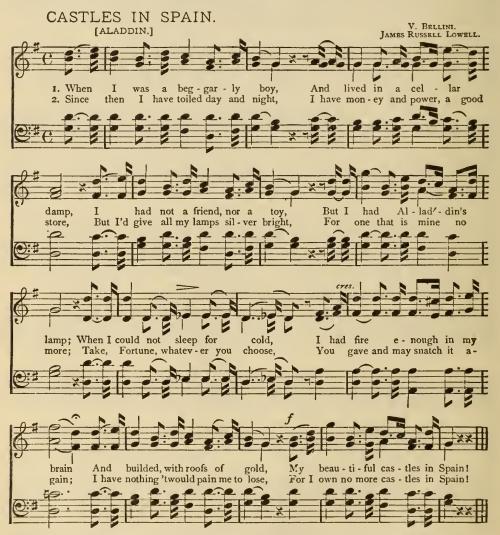


from the ground and the whole body still. "But the change to the piccolo was resented. After the first bar the elephant twisted round and stood with its back to the performers, whistling and snorting and stamping its feet. The violin was disliked, and the signs of disapproval were unmistakable." The deer were strongly attracted by the violin, and showed equal pleasure at the tones of the flute. The ostrich seemed to enjoy the violin and the flute, though it showed marked dislike for the piccolo. "The ihexes were startled at the piccolo, first rushing forward to listen, and then taking refuge on a pile of rock, from which, however, the softer music of the flute brought them down to listen at the railing. The wild asses and zebras left the hay with which their racks had just been filled; and even the tapir which lives next door, got up to listen to the violin; while the flute set the Indian wild ass kicking with excitement. But the piccolo had no charms for any of them and they all returned to their interrupted breakfasts." A sleeping tiger was awakened by the soft playing of the violin near its cage, listened to the music for a time in a very fine attitude, then purred, lay down again and dozed. At the first notes of the piccolo, it "sprang to its feet and rushed up and down the cage, shaking its head and ears, and lashing its tail from side to side. As the notes became still louder and more piercing, the tiger bounded across the den, reared on its hind feet, and exhibited the most ludicrous contrast to the calm dignity and repose with which it had listened to the violin. With the flute which followed, the tiger became quiet, the leaps subsided to a gentle walk, and coming to the bars and standing still and quiet once more, the animal listened with pleasure to the music."



THERE are clear indications that up to the time of the Reformation music was in continual progress in England. But, unfortunately, the Wars of the Roses and the ruthless destruction which accompanied the suppression of the monasteries, the only homes of art of all kinds in those rough, savage days, have obliterated all but the rarest indications. But it is certain, not only from the treatises and compositions of the four-teenth and fifteenth centuries that have survived, but from the splendor of the English school, when we again encounter it about 1520, that in the interval our music had been growing and flourishing, as everything

in England grows and flourishes when it really seizes hold of the English people. Palestrina (from 1550 to 1600) no doubt wrote more nobly than any of his contemporaries, including our own Tallis and Byrd; but it is not too much to say that the English predecessors of Tallis and Byrd— Edwards, Redford, Shepperd, Tye, White, Johnson and Marbecke, who date from 1500 to 1550, were much in advance of any of the predecessors of Palestrina on the Continent. For they were their equals in science and they far surpass them in tunefulness and what I may call the common sense of their music. Their compositions display a "sweet



reasonableness," a human feeling, a suitability to the words and a determination to be something more than a mere scientific and mechanical puzzle, which few, if anv, of the Continental composers before 1550 can be said to exhibit. I have only to mention the familiar title of the charming madrigal, "In going to my lonely bed," to convince many of this truth. Such was our position in the first half of the sixteenth century; and the half century following is the splendid time of English music, in which the illustrious names of Morley, Weekes, Wilbye, Ford, Dowland and

Orlando Gibbons shine like stars. These names may be unknown to some of you, but the men existed and their works live—live not alone by reason of their science, their pure part-writing and rich harmonies, but by the stream of beautiful melody which flows through all their works—melody which is ear-haunting even to our modern and jaded natures and which has no parallel elsewhere. Those of you who have heard such works as the "Silver Swan," by Gibbons, and "Since first I saw your face," by Ford, will, I am sure, endorse my favorable opinion.—Arthur Sullivan.



ST. STEPHANOS, the Sabaite, was a monk of the monastery of Sabas, where he was placed by his uncle, St. John Damascene. Here he found St. Cosmas, who contributed not a little to form his style—a thing not difficult, for Stephen entered the monastery as a boy of ten. He remained within these walls fifty-nine years. Dr. Neale speaks of the Latin stanzas of "Art Thou Wearry" as being "very sweet"—but his own rendering is quite free. The original is of the eighth century. Stephen was born in 725 and died in 794, and this is the finest of his hymns. Miss Sally Pratt McLean has used this

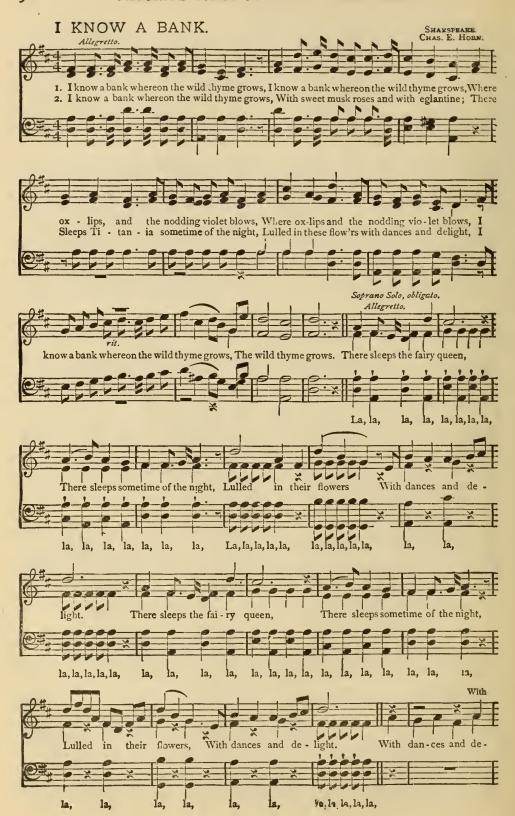
familiar hymn in her story of "Cape Cod Folks." It is the duet which George Olver and Benny Cradlebow sing together as they are mending the boat just before Cradlebow's heroic death. Captain Arkell tells of it thus: "By and by, him and George Olver struck up a song. I've heern 'em sing it before, them two. As nigh as I calc'late, it's about findin' rest in Jesus, and one a askin' questions, all f'ar and squar', to know the way and whether it's a goin' to lead thar straight or not, and the other answerin'. And he—he was a tinkerin', 'way up on the foremast. George Olver and the



rest of us was astern, and I'll hear to my dyin' day how his voice came a floatin' down to us thar—chantin' like it was—cl'ar and fearless and slow. So he asks, for findin' Jesus, ef ther's any marks to foller by; and George, he answers about them bleedin' nail-prints, and the great one in his side. So then that voice comes down agin', askin' ef thar's any crown, like other kings, to tell him by; and George, he answers straight about that crown o' thorns. Then says that other voice, floatin' so strong and cl'ar, and ef he gin up all and follered, what should he have—what now? So George,

he sings deep o' the trial and the sorrowin'. But that other voice never shook, a askin' and what if he held to him to the end, what then should it be—what then? George Olver answers, 'Forevermore, the sorrowin' ended—Death gone over.' Then he sings out, like his mind was all made up. And if he undertook it, would he likely be turned away?' 'An' it's likelier,' George answers him, 'that heaven and earth shall pass.' So I'll hear it to my dyin' day—his voice a floatin' down from above thar, askin' them questions that nobody could ever answer like, so soon he answered'em for himself."







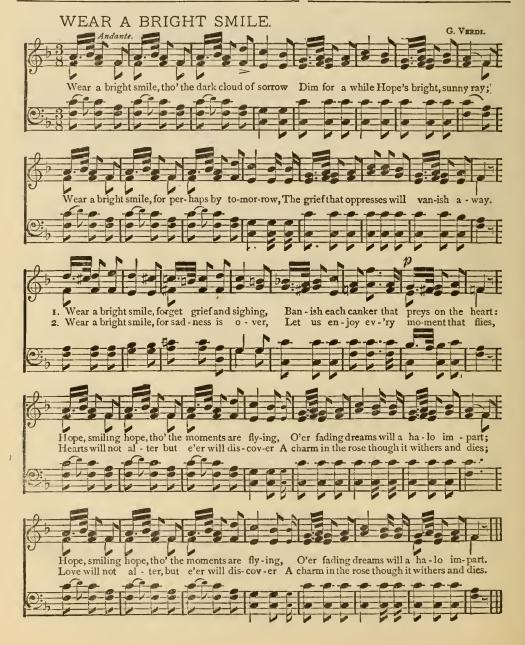




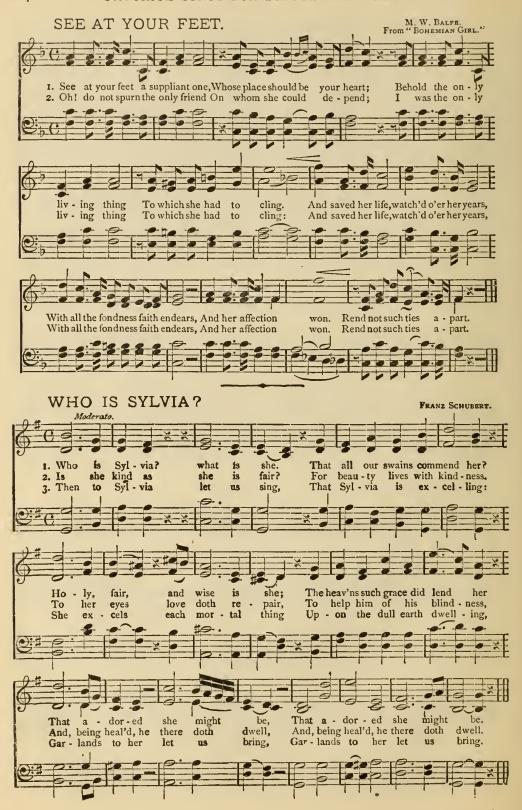
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Why are certain violins of more value than others? Accurate judgment is a matter which depends on the union of so many qualities that it is rare indeed to find two opinions completely alike. Nevertheless there are a few instruments which, by universal consent, have become the standard of taste. An appeal to these famous violins must decide what is that tone which confers the immense value which some violins have realized, the distinguishing characteristics of tone of the violins made by Nicholas Amati, Stradivarius, and Guarnerius, the Raphaels, Titians, and Claudes of the musical world. In some violins there is apparent power under the ear, arising from coarseness. This is a species of power which is observable chiefly by the player. The listener, especially if at a little

distance, does not hear this power. The tone is clogged and thickened with the resinous particles that have remained in the wood, and which, perhaps, from its nature, may never leave it altogether, and the vibration is not therefore perfect. Another cause of false power is a certain imperfect build wherein the parts are not properly calculated, as in the fine Cremona instruments. What is real power? It is simply musical tone, divested of all adventitious qualitics. When tone of this class is heard near, the effect is charming to the ear. When heard afar off, it seems to swell out, becoming grand, glorious! Who that has heard a great player on a fine instrument, has not been astonished at the immense quantity of tone which arises from this exceedingly fine quality?—Pearce.



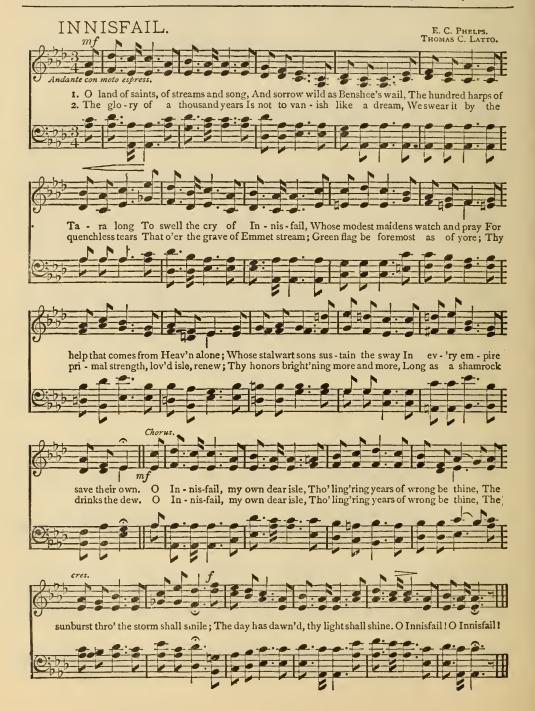






THE most faverable period in the whole school life for laying a solid foundation for the intelligent rendering of music is the first three years, and here is where we must make a more sensible and intelligent beginning. We need first to appreciate the ability of the little child to learn the elements of music. This we shall never know till we learn better how to present these elements in their, simplicity, in accordance with the mental laws, by which the mind acquires a

knowledge of all subjects. The supposition has been that little children could not be taught to read music intelligently, simply because it had not been generally and successfully accomplished. The failure has not been on account of inability on the part of the children to learn music, nor on account of the notation by which it is represented, as some would have us to believe, but on account of a lack of knowledge among those employed in the teaching of this subject.—Holf.





PRESENTLY George came to the door of the sick room, and begged her to go down and sing to him. Of course, in the house of a dean's widow no music except sacred must be heard on a Sunday; but to have Helen sing it, George would condescend even to a hymn tune; and there was Handel, for whom he professed a great admiration! . . . Although she had often sung from Handel for his pleasure, content to reproduce the bare sounds which both they and the words represented, she positively refused this evening to gratify him. She would sing from "The Creation" if he liked, but

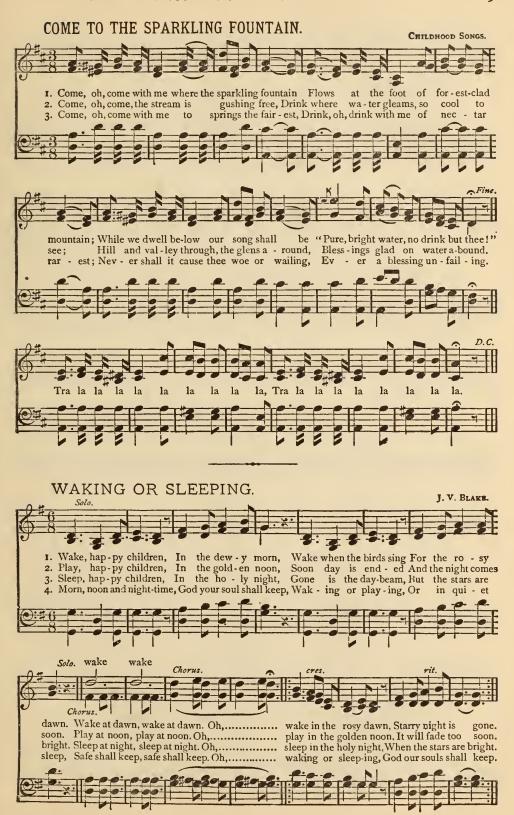
nothing out of "The Messiah" would she or could she sing. Perhaps she could herself hardly have told why, but George perceived the lingering influence of the morning's sermon, and, more vexed than he had ever yet been with her, for he could not endure her to cherish the least prejudice in favor of what he despised, he said he would overtake his aunt, and left the house. The moment he was gone, she went to the piano, and began to sing "Comfort ye." When she came to "Come unto me," she broke down. But with sudden resolution she rose, and having opened every door between it

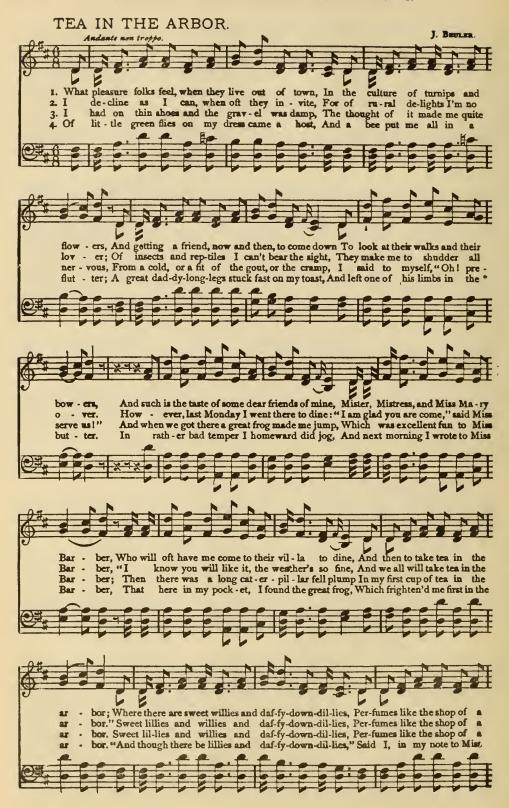


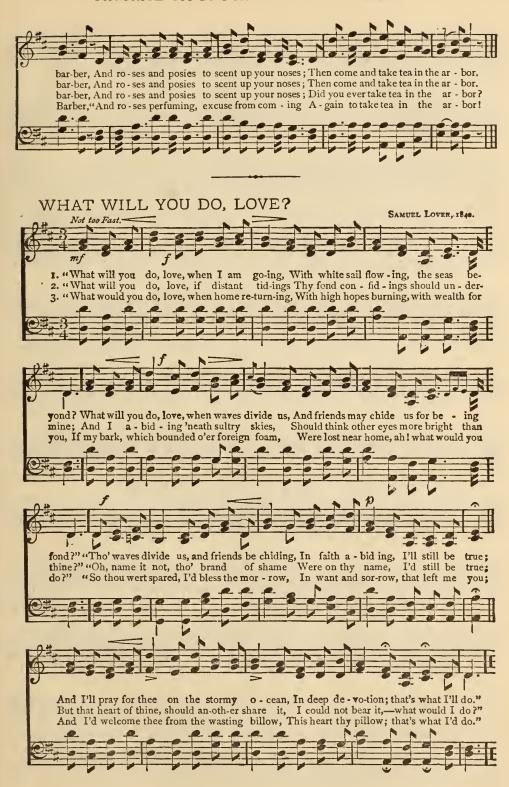
and her brother, raised the top of the piano, and then sang "Come unto me" as she had never sung in her life, nor did she stop there. At the distance of six of the wide standing houses, her aunt and cousin heard her singing "Thou didst not leave," with the tone and expression of a prophetess—of a Mænad, George said. She was still singing when he opened the door, but when they reached the drawing-room she was gone. She was kneeling beside her brother.—Macdonald.

THE profane never hear music; the holy ever hear it. It is God's voice, the divine breath audible. When

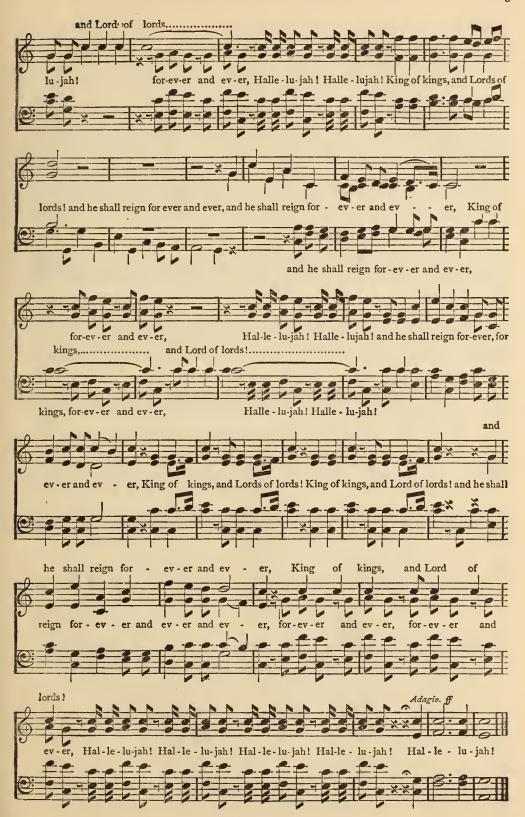
it is heard then is a Sabbath. It is omnipotent. All things obey music as they obey virtue. . . . Woe to him who wants a companion, for he is unfit to be a companion even of himself. We inspire friendship in our fellow-men when we have contracted friendship with the gods. . . . The wood-thrush launches forth his evening strain from the midst of the pines. I admire the moderation of this master. There is nothing tumultuous in his song. There is as great an interval between the thrasher and the wood-thrush as between Thomson's "Seasons" and Homer.—H. D. Thoreau.









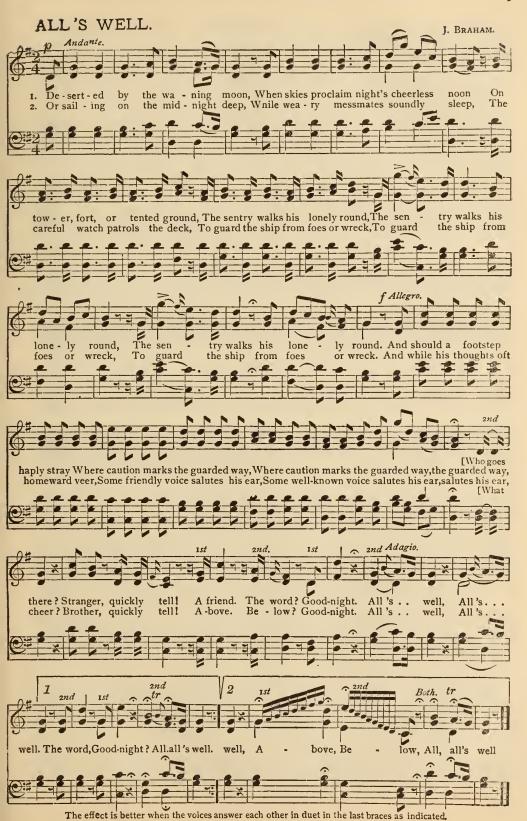


THE HUMAN EAR.—How do the vibrations of the air speak to your brain? First, I want you to notice how beautifully the outside shell of the ear, or concha, as it is called, is curved so that any movement of the air coming to it from the front is caught in it and at once reflected into the opening of the ear. When the air-waves from any quarter have passed in at the opening of your ear, they move all the air in the passage which is called the auditory, or hearing, canal. This canal is lined with little hairs to keep out insects and dust, and the wax which collects in it serves the same purpose. But if too much wax collects, it prevents the air from playing well upon the drum, and therefore makes you deaf. Across the end of this canal a membrane, partly called the tympanum, is stretched, like the parchment over the head of a drum, and it is this membrane which moves to and fro as the air-waves strike on it. A violent blow on the ear will sometimes break this delicate membrane, or injure it, and therefore it is very wrong to hit a person violently on the ear. On the other side of this membrane, inside the ear, there is air, which fills the whole of the inner chamber and the tube which runs down into the throat. Now, as the drum of the ear is driven to and fro by the soundwaves, it naturally moves the air in the cavity behind it, and also sets in motion here three most curious little bones. The first of these bones is fastened to the middle of the drumhead so that it moves to and fro every time this membrane quivers. The head of this bone fits into a hole in the next bone, the anvil, and is fastened to it by muscles, so as to drag it along with it; but, the muscles being elastic, it can draw back a little from the anvil, and thus give it a blow each time it comes back. This anvil is, in its turn, very firmly fixed to the little bone shaped like a



stirrup at the end of the chain. This stirrup rests upon a curious body, which looks like a snail-shell with tubes coming out of it. This body, which is called the labyrinth, is made of bone, but it has two little windows in it, one covered only by a membrane, while the other has the head of the stirrup resting upon it. Now you will readily understand that when the air in the auditory canal shakes the drumhead to and fro, this membrane must drag the hammer, the anvil, and the stirrup. Each time the drum goes in, the hammer will hit the anvil, and drive the stirrup against the little window; every time it goes out it will draw the hammer, the anvil, and the stirrup out again, ready for another blow. Thus the stirrup is always playing upon this little window. Meanwhile, inside the bony labyrinth there is a fluid like water, and along the little passages are very fine hairs, which wave to and fro like

reeds; and whenever the stirrup hits at the little window, the fluid moves these hairs to and fro, and they irritate the ends of a nerve, and this nerve carries the message to the brain. There are also some curious little stones called otoliths, lying in some parts of this fluid, and they, by their rolling to and fro, probably keep up the motion and prolong the sound. You must not imagine we have explained here the many intricacies which occur in the ear. We can only hope to give you a faint idea of it, so that you may picture to yourselves the air-waves moving backwards and forward in the canal of your ear, then the tympanum vibrating to and fro. the hammer hitting the anvil, the stirrup knocking at the little window, the fluid waving the fine hairs and rolling the tiny stones, the end of the nerve quivering, and then in some marvelous way (how we know not) the brain hearing the message.—Buckley.



whoir is to leave it to do the singing for the people. it to the choir altogether, merely following them, To say nothing of human worship by proxy, the con-programme in hand, as at an oratorio. Few congre-

About the worst use a congregation can make of a more part and interest in the vocal worship, or leave gregation which leaves the choir to do all the singing gations are prepared for such a decision as would misses many advantages. Yet this is too often the exclude them altogether from the singing part of case, and in some quarters increasingly so. In too worship except as listeners. Then, if they would not many places of worship the work of the choir is beginning the complete and independent and independent are formed as a second to the complete and independent are formed as a second to the complete and independent are formed as a second to the complete and the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude them altogether from the singing part of the complete are prepared for such a decision as the complete are prepared for such a decision as the complete are prepared for such a decision as the complete are prepared for such a decision as the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude the complete are prepared for such a decision as would exclude the complete are prepared for the complete are prepared for such as a decision as would exclude the complete are prepared for the complete coming a separate and independent performance, and ciation of the privilege by more skillful and hearty the body of the congregation look on with indifference singing. Good congregational singing is not to be or listen with interest, as the case may be. You may had without toil and cost. If it could come by merely call it a Sunday concert in the House of God, but wishing for it, then many congregations would sing never call it congregational worship when the people pay little heed to the singing, and take little personal themselves what really is good congregational singing, part in it. Either the congregations should take and then lay themselves out for it accordingly.



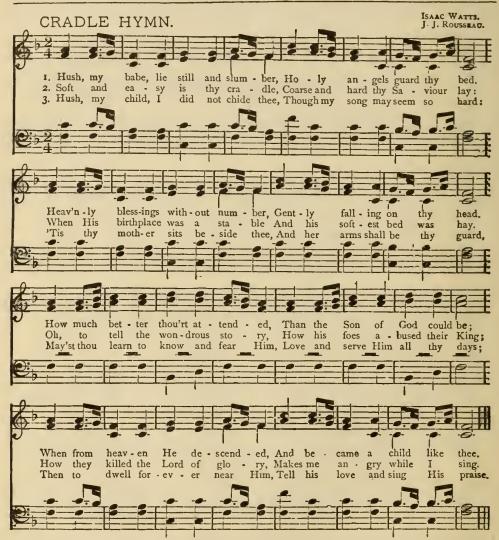
minister cannot from the pulpit give much advice about singing. The congregation needs at times to be called together apart from worship, and solely for practice and instruction in the vocal art. A skillful and judicious teacher can soon point out the usual faults and lead them on by intelligent practice to better work. Occasional practice in congregational singing is indispensable, and there is no first-class work done without it. The exercises for the production of the voice should be gone through, as also exercises in the different intervals and through various keys. A month's practice of this kind will be of more

use for improvement than the singing of a hundred tunes. Those who take part in the psalmody of the congregation should be encouraged to practice the exercises at home. The unison practice has many advantages, but it does not supersede private practice. The defects of the voice may be pointed out very clearly in the singing class, where more or less individual instruction may be given, but they can be most effectually corrected by private practice; and those who will persevere in private for only half an hour a day will soon be able to make a better public contribution to the general worship of song.



LULLABIES.—A recent writer, says: The subject of lullabies, or "sleep songs," as my little ones are fond of cailing them, is by no means a common one, and until my attention was called to it by an article entitled, "Wanted—A Lullaby," I imagined there could be no lack of them in the English language. Having a number of these "sleep" or dream songs in my collection in French and German, as well as in the English language, I have never been at a loss for one to soothe a restless child, or comfort a fretful babe. To me the perfection of a slumber song, or

lullaby, is the "Cradle Hymn," by good old Dr. Watts. The tune, as well as the words, has de scended to me, being the same to which my weary eyes responded in baby sleep, and by which my fretful distress was soothed in restlessness or pain. I have ever used it with my children, and no matter what may be sung at the commencement of the sleepy time concert, the last of all is sure to be, "Hush, my dear, lie still and slumber." When in my own early childhood, the last lines of the second verse were sung, the impression made upon my almost infant mind. as



I lay in my little trundle bed, was one that can never be effaced. Often I was so affected as to beg that they should be sung softly, and that the next verse should be more loud and clear, to dispel in a degree this feeling of sadness. The closing lines of the last verse have ever seemed a blessing descending on the youthful head. The air to which this "song of songs" to myself and children is wedded, is a soft and plaintive one, well adapted to the words. It has long been a favorite lullaby in English-speaking homes the wide

world over. Next to this, which is sacred to me from association, and the appropriateness of the words as the evening song of a Christian mother to her babe and younger children, is that gem of Gottschalk's "Slumber on, baby dear." In the German we have the "Schlummerlied" of Kucken, in which the lullaby, as a refrain, has a solemn, impressive sound which, combined with the beauty of the words in the original, makes it a favorite wherever heard. In the Italian and Spanish there are several of these cradle-songs.



Heirs of unending life,
While yet we sojourn here,
O let us our salvation work
With trembling and with fear.

[Or this Hymn.]
God will support our hearts
With might before unknown;
The work to be performed is ours,
The strength is all His own.

'Tis He that works to will,
'Tis He that works to do;
His is the power by which weact,
His be the glory too.

Beddome, 1795.

Home of the Soul.—"Now, I saw in my dream, that these two men went in at the gate; and, lo! as they entered, they were transfigured, and they had raiment put on that shone like gold. There was also that met them with harps and crowns, and gave them to them; the harps to praise withal, and the crowns in token of honour. Then I heard in my dream, that all the bells in the city rang again for joy, and that it was said unto them, 'Enter ye into the joy of your Lord.' I also heard the men themselves, that they sang with a loud voice, saying, 'Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sit-

teth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever.' Now, just as the gates were opened to let in the men, I looked in after them, and, behold, the city shone like the sun; the streets also were paved with gold; and in them walked many men, with crowns on their heads, palms in their hands, and golden harps to sing praises withal. There were also of them that had wings, and they answered one another without intermission, saying, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!' And after these things they shut up the gates of the city; which, when I had seen, I wished myself among them."—Pilgrim's Progress.



The building of the wall of it was of jasper, and the city was pure gold like unto clear glass—God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away—And I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps, and they sang, as

it were a new song before the throne—He shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal. In the street of it, and on either side of the river was the tree of life, and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations—There shall in no wise enterintoit anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie.—Revelations.



make such strange motions over instrument or song book, that I have wanted to laugh at them. "Where did our friend pick up these fine ecstatic airs?" I would say to myself. Then I would remember my lady in "marriage a la mode," and amuse myself thinking an affectation was the same thing in Hogarth's time as in our own. But one day I bought me a

I HAVE often seen piano-forte players and singers pipe his little tunes; and there he was, sure enough, swimming and waving about, with all the droopings and liftings, languishing side-turnings of the head that I had laughed at. And now I should like to ask who taught him all this?-and me, through him, that the foolish head was not the one swinging itself from side to side and bowing and nodding over the music, but that other which was passing its shallow and canary bird and hung it up in a cage at my window. self-satisfied judgment on a creature made of finer By-and-by he found himself at home, and began to clay than the stalwart frame which has so very long



carried that same critical head upon its shoulders? Your former conversation has made me think repeatedly what a number of beautiful words there are of which we never think of estimating the value, as there are of blessings. How carelessly, for example, do we (not we, but people) say "I am delighted to hear from you." No other language has this beautiful expression, which, like some of the most lovely flowers, loses its charm for want of close inspection. When rapids; they can turn it back again to the soft cool

very common words, I seem to hear a voice coming from afar through the air, intrusted to the care of the elements, for the nurture of my sympathy.-Landor.

WE often hear that this or that "is not worth an old song." Alas! how few things are! What precious recollections do some of them awaken! What pleasurable tears do they excite! They purify the streams of life; they can delay it in its shelves and I consider the deep sense of these very simple and moss amidst which its sources issue.—Landor.



THE BLACKBOARD .- Lessons in music written on I the blackboard the moment they are wanted are always more interesting to pupils than such as are contained in a book. The teacher should accustom himself to write with ease and rapidity, and should depend more upon the blackboard lessons than upon any others. The board should have the lines of the staff painted upon it, so as to save the time of the teacher. The staff, without clefs, should also be so cut into the slates of the pupils that it may always be ready for use when they are called upon to write what is sung, as well as to sing what is written. The time which is occupied in writing a lesson is not lost in a well-regulated school, for the pupils will watch the movements of the teacher with interest, and will examine each note and character as it is written. It may also at times be desirable for the teacher to have

written lessons can possibly do away with the necessity for the blackboard. If all the teachers in the world should set themselves to writing lessons, and all the printers in the world should be employed to print them, and all the shops should be full of the books containing them, and all the pupils in the world should have all the money in the world with which to purchase all the books of printed lessons in the world, and every pupil should be furnished with a copy of every book that was ever printed, still the necessity for the blackboard would remain. It might indeed be superseded in part by a sufficiency of printed lessons, so far as practical vocal exercises are concerned; but yet for these it can never be given up by a good teacher; but even if it were given up for these, it would still be needed constantly for the illustration of such subjects as will be constantly comhis pupils name the tones as he writes them. No ling up in teaching. The idea of giving up the black-



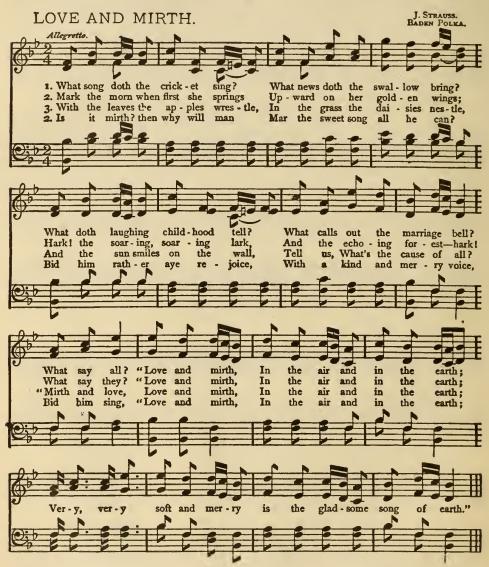
board is preposterous; and any one who entertains the thought of doing without one, proves almost conclusively that he cannot be a good practical teacher. Perhaps our language on this point may appear to be strong, but surely there is no subject on which we feel a greater degree of certainty than this. That the black-board is an indispensable requisite in every well-furnished school-room, whatever be the subject taught, is the concurrent testimony of all good teachers in all parts of the world, in all departments of schoolteaching. It is needed, too, from the beginning to the end of a course; it is not to be used for a low of the first lessons, and then to be given up; its use is never to be wholly discontinued .- T. F. Seward.

Don'T Drag.—How should the congregation sing? With animation and pleasure, as if they liked it. the tune be announced in a clear, emphatic, and perhaps lively manner, and let the people take it up boldly and quickly. "Push things." There is more danger of dying of dullness than galloping into an unseemly canter. In a plain choral the time may be quite rapid, if the last note of each line is held slightly. Most people cannot hold a long breath, and unless they sing fast cannot sing at all. Rather than drag the psalm out into the dreary funeral-procession pace commonly heard, we had better be a little too gay. It is the slow and heavy style of performance that has brought church music into certain disrepute that it does not deserve.



MEMORY BELLS.—On the fifth day of my journey across the Syrian desert the air above lay dead, and all the whole earth that I could reach with my utmost sight and keenest listening was still and lifeless as some dispeopled and forgotten world that rolls round and round in the heavens through wasted floods of light. The sun, growing fiercer, shone down more mightily now than ever on me he shone before, and as I drooped my head under his fire and, closing my eyes against the glare that surrounded me, slowly fell asleep, for how

many minutes or moments, I cannot tell, but after awhile I was gently awakened by a peal of church bells—my native bells—the innocent bells of Marlen, that never before sent forth their music beyond the Blaygon hills! My first idea naturally was, that I still remained fast under the power of a dream. I roused myself, and drew aside the silk that covered my eyes, and plunged my bare face into the light. Then at least I was well enough wakened, but still those old Marlen bells rang on, not ringing for joy, but properly,



prosily, steadily, merrily ringing for "church." After a while the sound died away slowly; it happened that neither I nor any of my party had a watch by which to measure the exact time of its lasting, but it seemed to me that about ten minutes had passed before the bells ceased. I attributed the effect to the great heat of the sun, the perfect dryness of the clear air through which I moved, and the deep stillness of all around me; it seemed to me that these causes, by occasioning

a great tension, and consequent susceptibility of the hearing organs, had rendered them liable to tingle under the passing touch of some mere memory, that must have swept across my brain in a moment of sleep. Since my return to England, it has been told me that like sounds have been heard at sea, and that a sailor becalmed under a vertical sun, in the midst of the wide ocean, has listened in trembling wonder to the chime of his own village bells—Kinglake's Eothen.



Early Vocal Training.—It is a good sign of the times that the study of music is slowly creeping into our schools, and being recognized by teachers and school committees. Still, the movement in this direction is halting and feeble. The cultivation of singing among children will, it is believed, insure a rich, resonant chest-tone, will break the shrill head-tone, will banish the nasal twang, and make our national speech melodious. To do this implies, of course, that the exercise of singing shall not be crowded into a mere fraction of a school session, but that, like reading and spelling, it be brought into the front and made honorable. Practical men can understand the advantage of this; men who do not care for music can see this thing as clearly as the best trained musi-

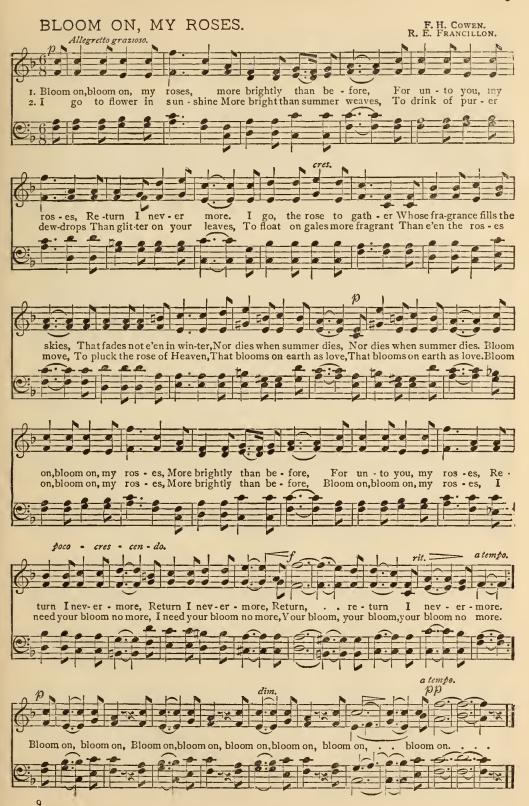
cians; and we ask them to think of it and act upon it. Another point: All children sing. They sing almost as surely as they talk. The want of "ear" may make here and there an exception, but it will be so rarely found that it need not be estimated Not all adults sing, can sing, or can be taught to sing Disuse of the vocal chords in childhood will, doubtless, incapacitate an adult for singing, and his throat will be like a withered arm, beyond recovery for actual use.

MEMORY.—The sight of a faded flower pressed in a book brings back, with a little shock of feeling, the hand that gathered it, or the distant hills upon which it once bloomed years ago. The touch of satin or fine hair is also capable of reviving the recollection of scenes, and places, and persons. But for



freshness and suddenness, and power over memory, all the senses must yield to the sense of hearing. When memory is concerned, music is no longer itself; it ceases to have any proper plane of feeling; it surrenders itself wholly, with all its rights, to memory, to be the patient, stern and terrible exponent of that recording angel. What is it? Only a few trivial bars of an old piano-forte piece, "Murmures du Rhone" or "Pluie des Perles." The drawing-room window is open, the children are playing on the lawn, the warm morning air is charged with the scent of the lilac blossoms. Then the ring at the bell, the confusion in the hall. The girl at the piano stops, and one is lifted in dying or dead. Years, years ago! but passing

through the streets, a bar or two of the "Murmures du Rhone" brings the whole scene up before the girl, now no longer a girl but a middle aged woman looking back to one fatal summer morning. The enthusiastic old men, who invariably turned up when Madame Grisi was advertised to sing in her last days, seemed always deeply affected. Yet it could hardly be at what they actually heard—no, the few notes recalled the most superb soprano of the age in her best days; recalled also the scenes of youth quenched in the grey mists of the dull, declining years. It was worth any money to hear even the hollow echo of a voice which had power to bring back, if only for a moment, the "tender grace of a day that was dead."—Haweis.



THE school-room with its inmates is like an organ with many stops and keys, and he who plays it must decide what the music of its pipes shall be. hand is skillful and his ear well-trained, the psalm with which the day begins, will lose none of its sweetness or of its strength as the hours advance. Conscious of the importance of his mission and the responsibility reposed in him, there will steal from under his tuneful fingers a strain of such wondrous melody, that they who hear can never resist its power. Still will the keys be pressed, still will the harmony go on, and still from every stop and key there will come its unpretending part, always in its own good time and always bearing upon its bars the purest lessons which government can teach. Sometimes, indeed, a discord will be heard, sometimes a note be struck not quite in tune, but the heedful ear of the master will

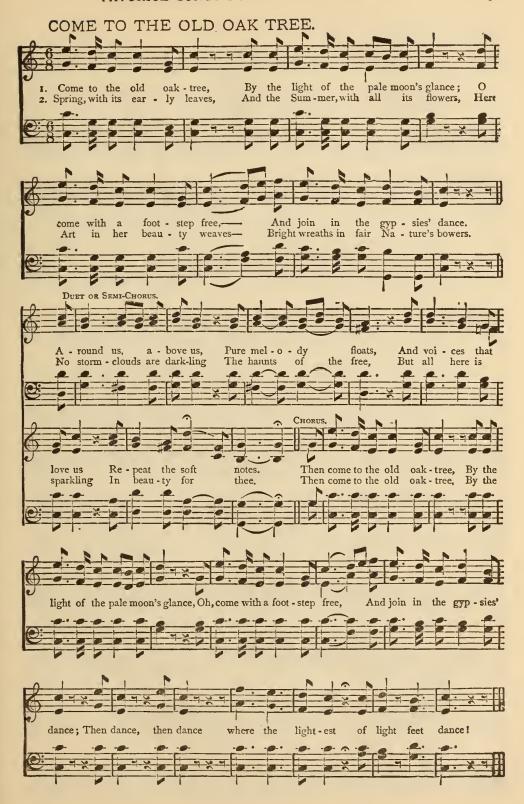
detect the complaining key, the firm hand will gently remove the hidden cause, and the harshness be soon forgotten in the sweeter song that follows. These influences are never lost. They may seem to be unheard, uncared-for and unknown; but by-and-by they will come softly back, and the echoes, faintly though they call, still tell that they were listened to and loved, still tell that the gentleness and affection which are carried away from pleasant school-rooms do sometimes—oftentimes—carry with them the burden of a song that will never be hushed again, and furnish with their dying cadences convincing proof that only that school-room government which springs from genuine affection will stand the test of time.—R. M. Streeter.

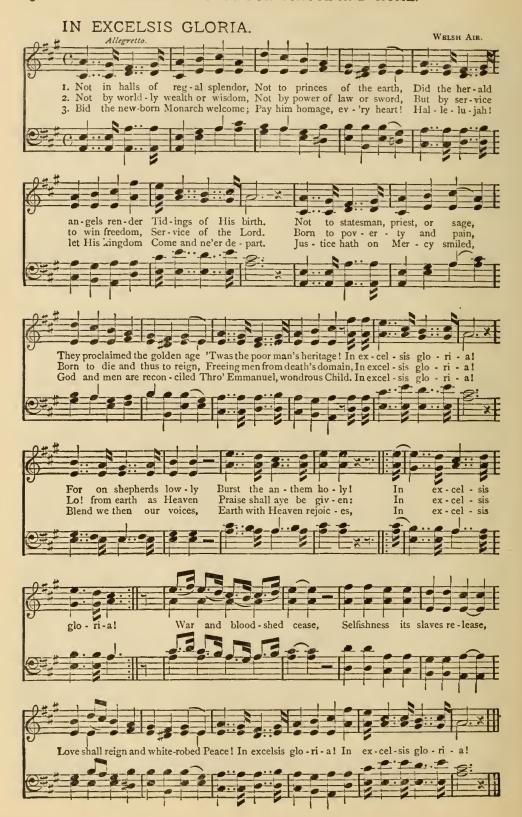
IF you ask me wherefore song was made a part of worship, the answer must be because music is the fit



language of a service of love. No man sings when he is angry. The notes of accordant voices speak of ami'y and fellowship. As music is said to consist of the harmony of sweet sounds, and as sounds without harmony become mere noise, so the strains of the psalm or hymn are at once the type and sign of the communion of saints. Where they are heard we know that souls are met who are without variance. They are the signal of the presence of the peace of Christ and of God. And as the chords of human hearts should thrill together in glad unison when they come before God, whenever they find expression in such singing they tend to do so. Music is the tamer of evil passions. We cannot hate each other when we sing together. The fable of Orpheus charming the beasts with his lyre represents a reality; and the Christians of the catacombs were right when they chose Orpheus as an emblem of Christ, and carved him over their tombs. Among all the numberless things men can do with their varied faculties, song is asked of them, to be offered before God, that they may stand before His mercy-seat in unity, and turn from His presence better prepared to live in charity and peace.—Swinnerton.

*A clergyman, whose family was noted for amiability and mutual affection, was asked the secret of his successful training. "I call," said he, "the influence of music to my aid. If I see any of my little ones seeming to be angry, I say, 'Sing, children, sing!' and before the strain is ended every unpleasant feeling disappears, and harmony again prevails." May it not be well for parents and teachers to profit by this hint? The above melody, to the accompanying words, has been suggested by one who has often seen its happy influence in the school-room among the children.

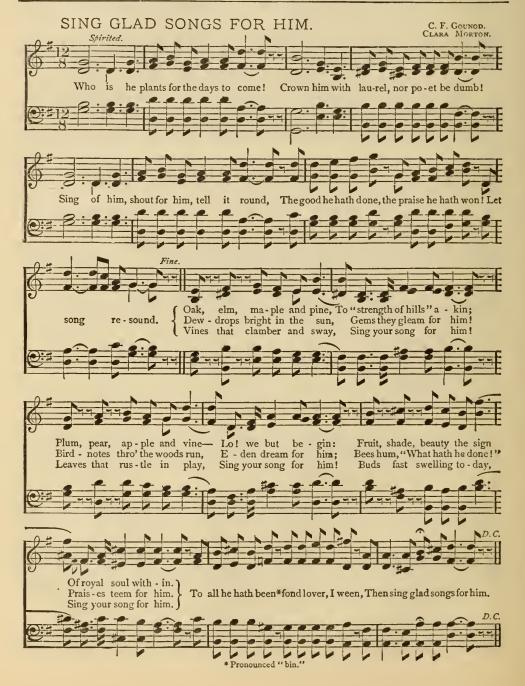


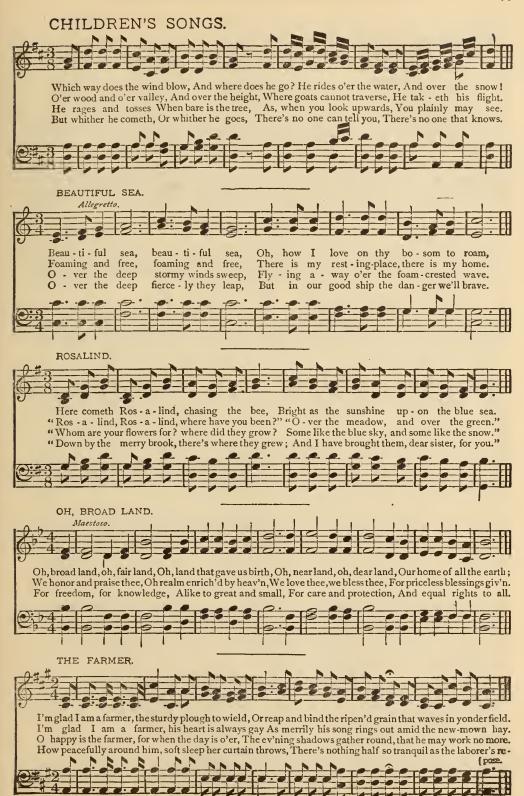




It would be a good test of the breadth and richness of the faith of any sect to manifest how much of the whole amplitude of the organ, from its rumbling groundier of pipes to the softest lute-vibrations it would call into play. No sect can command the whole chromatic gamut which the Gospel sweeps. Here is the continual call for charity and humility and joy in the comprehensiveness of Christianity. It needs the full choir of churches for its expression. It cannot spare any stop in the organ-growth of history. Each new sect that endures is a new range of pipes taking up a slighted

sentiment, or working up some more delicate tone or elaborate variation into the symphony of grace. We shall drop our intellectual differences about trinity and unity, free-will and constraining grace, when we reach Heaven. But we shall still be ranged, there as here, by the sentiments we most naturally give utterance to. We shall see then, doubtless, what need there is of the utmost power of every party to celebrate the circle of the Divine glory, how deep is the justice, how high the love, how wide the providence, that are twined into the pure harmony of the heavenly hallelujah.—Starr King.





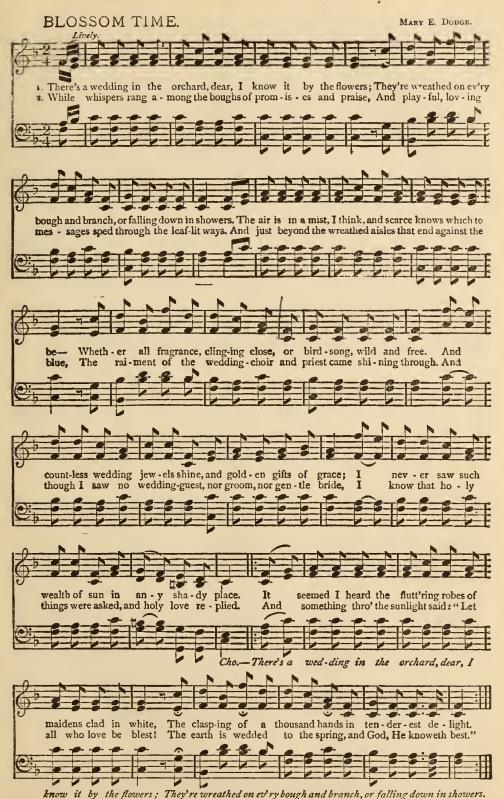
Book of Nature.—All children should settle in their own minds whether they will be Eyes or No Eyes; whether they will see for themselves, or let other people look for them, or pretend to look and dupe them and lead them about—the blind leading the blind, till both fall into the ditch. God has given you eyes and it is your duty to use them. If your parents tried to teach you in the most agreeable way by beautiful picture-books, would it not be ungrateful and wrong to shut your eyes and refuse to learn? Then is it not altogether wrong to refuse to learn from your Father in Heaven, the great God, who made all things, when he offers to teach you all day long by the most beautiful and wonderful of all picture-books, which is simply all things that you can see, hear and touch, from the sun and stars above your head to the mosses and insects at your feet? It is your duty to learn His lessons. God's

Book, which is the Universe, and the reading of God's Book, which is Science, can do nothing but good, and teach you nothing but truth and wisdom. God did not put this wondrous world about your young souls to tempt or mislead them. So, use your eyes, your senses and your brains, and learn what God is trying to teach you by them. I do not mean that you must stop there and learn nothing more. There are things which neither your senses nor your brains can tell you; and they are not only more glorious, but actually more true and more real than any things which you can see or touch. But you must begin at the beginning, and the more you try to understand things the more you will be able hereafter to understand men, and that which is above men. You begin to find out that truly Divine mystery that you have a mother on earth, simply by lying soft and warm upon her bosom: and so it is by watching the common



natural things around you, and considering the lilies how they grow, that you will begin at least to learn that far Diviner mystery—that you have a Father in Heaven. So you will be delivered out of the tyranny of darkness and fear, into God's free kingdom of light and faith and love; and will be safe from the venom of that tree which was planted long ago, and grows in all lands and climes, whose name is the Tree of Unreason, whose roots are conceit and ignorance and its juices folly and death. It drops its venom into the finest brains, making them call sense nonsense. It drops its venom into tenderest hearts, and makes them call wrong right, and love cruelty; but any little child who will use the faculties God has given him, may find an antidote to all its poison in the meanest herb beneath his feet.—Charles Kingsley.

MOZART and Haydn being at a party, the former laid a wager with the latter that he could not play at sight a piece of music which he (Mozart) would compose. Haydn accepted the challenge, and Mozart speedily wrote down a few notes and presented them to Haydn, who, having played a prelude, exclaimed,: "How do you think I can play that? My hands are at each extremity of the piano, and there is at the same time a note in the middle." "Does that stop you?" said Mozart; "well, you shall see me do it." On coming to the difficult passage, Mozart, without stopping, struck the note in the middle of the piano with his nose; and every one naturally burst out laughing. What made the act more ridiculous was that Haydn had a flat nose, while that of Mozart was prominent, well adapted for such notes.



Words and Music.—In the teaching of music, great attention should be given not only to the reading of exercises at sight, but also to the manner and method of singing songs. It should never be forgotten that music is a mighty power for good or evil, and for that reason the character of the music, as well as the words, is a matter of the highest importance. Profanity, sometimes blasphemy, is encouraged by the setting of sacred words to music that is most frivolous. What Herder, the great German philosopher, has said, in speaking of the influence of poetry upon the mind of a child is equally applicable here: "How dry and sterile some men imagine the human mind, the child's mind, to be! And what a great, excellent ideal world it would be to me, if

I ever should attempt to write songs for it! To flush the whole youthful, child-like soul; to put songs into it, which will generally remain in it through life and give it its tone; which will be to it lasting voices, encouraging to generous deeds and noble fame, to virtue and consolation, like the heroic ballads and stirring war songs of the ancient nations; what a great aim, what a glorious work would this be!"

THE DOXOLOGY.—Wherever the English language is spoken, the stanza most frequently on the lips of Christian congregations, is the long-metre doxology. It was written by Thomas Ken, a celebrated English prelate, born in 1637. He was a man of devoted piety, broad and generous benevolence, and great firmness and loftiness of character, united with ten-



derness of spirit. He was one of the seven Bishops committed to the Tower for disobedience by James II., but proved his loyalty by refusing to take the oaths to William and Mary. and was consequently deprived of his bishopric. He was regarded with the highest esteem even by his enemies, and Queen Anne, upon her accession to the throne granted him a pension. He was the author of several volumes of elaborate sermons, and of many poetical productions of a religious character. His morning and evening hymns are still repeated in thousands of English families. The doxology is the closing stanza of a morning hymn beginning with the familiar line,

"Awake, my soul, and with the sun."

We owe a debt of gratitude to any man who has put the thought and aspirations of humanity into words that linget in our memories or voice themselves in the popular heart, and we cannot but feel that we are rearing a monument of song in honor to the author of our peerless doxology every time we join in the grand and solemn hymn of praise,

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below, Praise him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

THE effect of good music is not caused by its novelty. On the contrary, it strikes us all the more forcibly the more familiar we are with it.—Goethe.



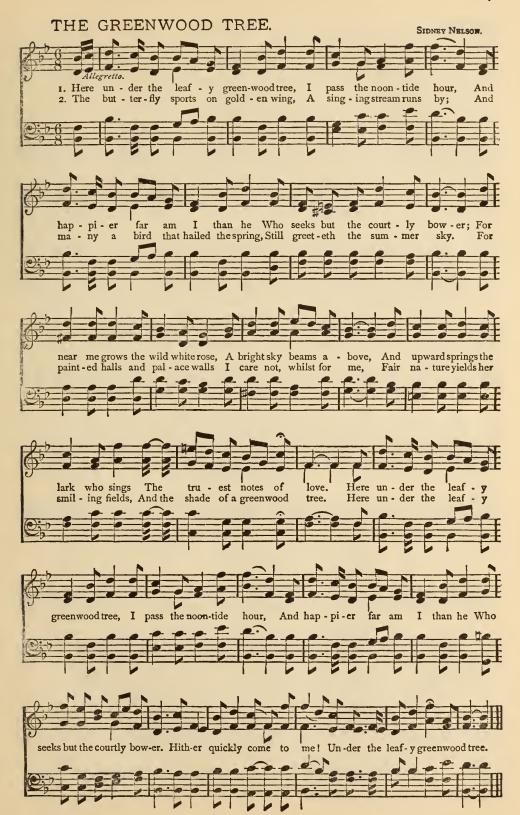
Probably no hymn of recent origin has become a greater favorite than "Abide with me; fast falls the eventide." Several years ago, the Rev. James King, of Berwick-upon-Tweed, in England, collected and collated fifty-two representative hymnals used in various branches and by the various parties in the Church of England at home and abroad, and all of them published between 1863 and 1885. These he regarded as a committee, each member of which could, as it were, give one vote for each approved hymn. Thus,

if a hymn was found in fifteen hymnals, then it was credited with fifteen votes or marks of approval; if found in twenty hymnals, twenty marks; and so on. The hymns thus found to rank highest were, All praise to Thee, my God, this night, Hark! the herald angels sing, Lo! He comes with clouds descending, Rock of Ages, clcft for me, each of which received fifty-one marks. Then comes Abide with Me, with forty-nine marks, followed by Awake, my soul, and with the sun, Jerusalem the golden, Jesus, lover of my soul, Sun of



my soul, Thou Saviour dear, and When I survey the wondrous Cross, with an equal number of marks. Of the origin of Abide with Me, Mr. King gives the following interesting account: "This well-known hymn was composed by Henry Francis Lyte, born in 1793, at Ednam, near Kelso, the birthplace of James Thomson, anthor of *The Seasons*. He took holy orders, and in 1823, when thirty years of age, was appointed perpetual curate of I.ower Brixham, Devon, where for about a quarter of a century he labored amongst the warm-

hearted, rough seafaring population. In the autumn of 1847 his increasing weakness demanded change and repose, and his medical advisers accordingly urged him to pass the coming winter in a more genial clime. Before taking his journey he made an effort to address his flock once more, and with a wasted frame and hectic flush he spoke with deep earnestness. His subject was the Holy Communio, and he impressed upon his people the vital imports ce of close communion with the Saviour: 'O, brethr n, I stand here among you to



FAMOUS CHOIR.—There is perhaps no choir of music in the world equal to that of the Dom-Kirche, or Cathedral of Berlin. It is very celebrated, and said to be even better than the far-famed choir at It consists of about fifty singers, the treble and alto parts sung by boys. It is arranged in double chorus, and the music of the old composers, in eight parts, is often performed. The choir is entirely pro-fessional—that is, the singers are such by profession; they have learned to sing, and that is their business or calling. The boys who sing the upper parts are trained daily, and are preparing in their turn to be professors, teachers and composers of music, vocalists or instrumentalists here or elsewhere. The parts are, of course, well balanced as to power, and the chorus of men's voices, tenors and bassos singing in unison,

as they often do, is peculiarly grand and effective. In addition to the regular choir, there is a preparatory department, consisting of some twenty or thirty finelooking little boys of from eight to ten years of age. These are candidates for future membership, and form a juvenile choir. They stand in one side of the choir, and lead in the congregational singing, thus affording relief to the regular choir, and giving them time to breathe and recruit. We have said that these boys stand. This is equally true of the others, for there are no seats in the organ loft, and the members of the choir all stand during the whole service. The various exercises are distributed between the choir, the people, and the minister, so as to hold the attention and keep all employed. Those parts of the service performed by the choir or people, are sung, and



that belonging to the minister is read. The congregational tunes are sung much slower than we heard them in England, and about the time similar tunes are sung in America. There is not an instant during the service that is unoccupied, one exercise following promptly upon another. There are no rubrical directions and the hymns are not read before they are sung. The hymns are known the moment one enters the church, their numbers being suspended on tablets in various parts of the house, so as to be seen by all; and the particular hymn that is about to be sung, or that is being sung, is known by the tablet in front of the organ loft which contains the number of that only, so that any one coming in after the service has been commenced, has only to look to the choir tablet, and he knows at once where to find his place. The | pectedly passed into everlasting rest. - J. T. Fields.

organ is not played when the choir sing, but is used only for voluntaries, interludes, and responses, and for accompanying the congregation .- Lowell Mason.

Cowper's Wreck of the Royal George, and his Lines on Receipt of My Mother's Picture, will ever keep his memory warm; but his hymns arc more than magnificent. What power there is in the lines, "Oh, for a closer walk with God," and "God moves in a mysterious way!" I have sometimes thought that to be the author of a hymn like "Nearer, my God, to Thee," and some others I could name, is the highest achievement of human fame, one that angels themselves might envy. Yet Cowper died doubting about the hereafter, though after his last breath had passed his face changed; a look of surprise overspread it, as that of one who had unex-



The beautiful custom of decorating the graves of the soldiers should have its lessons for the schools. Decoration day committees may secure an ample supply of bouquets if they will adopt the plan of certain Grand Army Posts in the larger cities. Instead of requesting donations of flowers from the citizens at large, all the schools of the village, town, or city, may be enlisted in the good work of providing them, representatives of the committees visiting the various schools some days before the flowers are wanted, and speaking of the propriety of the children's doing what they can to furnish them. The boys and girls will at once be interested. The bouquets may be brought to the schools on the afternoon preceding Decoration Day, to be called for by

local committees. Thousands of bouquets may thus be obtained. The entire locality is laid under contribution for flowers, and in the most effective way possible. The children—each boy or girl—has done something, or has decided that he or she can do nothing, for the observance of the day—and thus has come into personal contact with the thought of gratitude due, and honor paid, to the patriotic dead. The teachers call the attention of their schools to the meaning of the day, under circumstances most favorable to producing a lasting impression. The story of the war is retold; the meaning of the great struggle is taught as the lesson of the hour; and in every way the result is profitable to all. "What we would have in the community we must put into the schools."

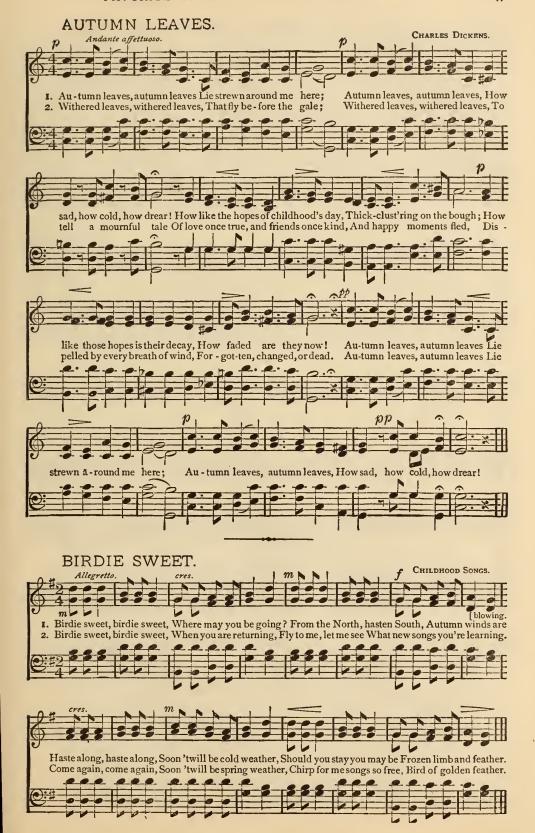


CHARM OF VOICE.—Amidst the gay life, the beautiful forms, the brilliant colors of an Athenian multitude, and an Athenian street, the repulsive features, the unwieldy figure, the naked feet, the rough threadbare attire of the philosopher Socrates must have excited every sentiment of astonishment and ridicule which strong contrast can produce. It was (so his disciples described it) as if one of the marble satyrs, which sat in grotesque attitudes with pipe or flute in the sculptors' shops of Athens, had left his seat of stone and walked into the plane-tree avenue or the gymnastic colonnade. Gradually the crowd gathered round him. At first he spoke of those plying their trades about him; and they shouted with laughter as he poured forth his homely jokes. But soon the magic

charm of his voice made itself felt. The peculiar sweetness of its tone had an effect which even the thunder of Pericles failed to produce. The laughter ceased—the crowd thickened—the gay youth, whom nothing else could tame, stood transfixed and awestruck in his presence—there was a solemn thrill in his words, such as his hearers could compare to nothing but the mysterious sensation produced by the clash of drum and cymbal in the worship of the great mother of the gods: the head swam—the heart leaped at the sound—tears rushed from their eyes, and they felt that, unless they tore themselves speedily away from that fascinated circle, they should ere long sit down at his feet and grow old in listening to the marvelous music of this second Marsyas.—Athenaum.







There is a common but also a very erroneous impression that only a favored few can learn music. In the schools of New Haven, "two hundred and forty-eight children out of six thousand were found unable to sing the scale, and one hundred and forty of these belonged to the primary grades;" that is, out of this multitude, only one hundred and eight above the primary grade could not sing. The superintendent says: "A systematic course of training the voices of the little ones in the primary rooms has been commenced. Thus far the experiment has been a complete success. Children from five to eight years of age readily sing the scale, both singly and in concert, and read from the blackboard notes on the staff by numerals and syllables with as little hesitation as ey call the letters and words of their reading lessons." In the Hancock School, of Boston, of about

one thousand girls, less than a dozen were unfitted from all causes for attaining to a fair degree of success in singing. The U. S. Commissioner of Education, when visiting the schools at New Haven, was surprised and gratified at hearing children in the primary schools sing at sight exercises marked on the blackboard by the teacher: "The exercises are placed on the blackboard in the presence of the scholars, and they are required to sing them once through without the aid of teacher or instrument, and are marked accordingly." In primary schools, gymnastic exercises often accompany the singing. When children are trained to erect posture, and the right use of the vocal organs, speaking, reading, and singing are most invigorating exercises; expanding the chest, promoting deep breathing, quickening the circulation, and arousing both the physical and mental energies.



Black and brown is his gown, He can wear it upside down! It is laced round his waist, I admire his taste! Pretty as his clothes are made, He will spoil them, I'm afraid, If to-night he gets sight Of the candle-light.

In the sun webs are spun, What if he gets into one? When it rains he complains On the window panes. Tongues to talk have you and I, God has given the little fly No such things; so he sings With his buzzing wings.

He can eat bread and meat, See his mouth between his feet! On his back is a sack Like a peddler's pack. Does the baby understand? Then the fly shall kiss her hand; Put a crumb on her thumb, May be he will come.

Round and round on the ground, On the ceiling he is found; Catch him? No. Let him go. Never hurt him so! Now you see his wings of silk Drabbled in the Baby's milk, Fie! oh fie! foolish fly! How will you get dry?

All wet flies twist their thighs; So they wipe their head and eyes, Cats, you know, wash just so; Then their whiskers grow! Flies have hair too small to comb; Flies go all bareheaded home; But the gnat wears a hat: Do you laugh at that?

Flies can see more than we, So how bright their eyes must be! Little fly, mind your eye, Spiders are near by. For a secret I can tell, Spiders will not treat you well; Haste away, do not stay, Little fly, good day!



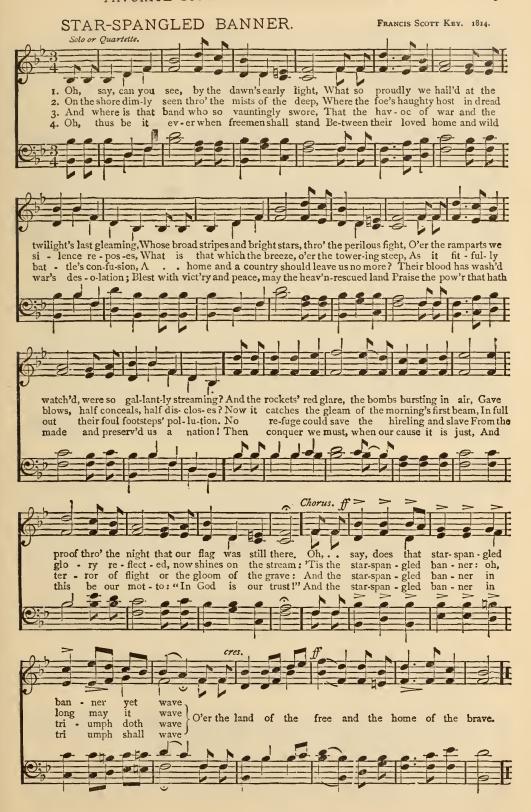
STAR-SPANGLED BANNER.—This beautiful and patriotic national song was composed by Francis Scott Key, of Baltimore, at the time of the bombardment of Fort McHenry, in 1814, when that stronghold was successfully defended from the attack of the British fleet. "The scene which he describes," says Chief Justice Taney, "and the warm spirit of patriotism which breathes in the song, were not the offspring of mere fancy or poetic imagination. He tells us what he actually saw, what he felt while witnessing the conflict, and what he felt when the battle was over and the victory won by his countrymen. Every word came warm from his heart, and for that reason, even more than from its poetical merit, it never fails to find a response in the hearts of those who hear it." By authority of President Madison, Mr. Key had

gone to the British fleet under a flag of truce to secure the release of his friend, Dr. Beanes, who had been captured by the enemy and was detained on board the flagship, on the charge of violating his parole. He met General Ross and Admirals Cockburn and Cochrane, and with difficulty secured from them a promise of the gentleman's release, but was at the same time informed that they would not be permitted to leave the flect until after the proposed attack on Fort McHenry, which the admiral boasted he would carry in a few hours. The ship on which himself, his friend and the commissioner who accompanied the flag of truce, were detained, came up the bay and was anchored at the mouth of the Patapsco, within full view of Fort McHenry. They watched the flag of the fort through the entire day with an



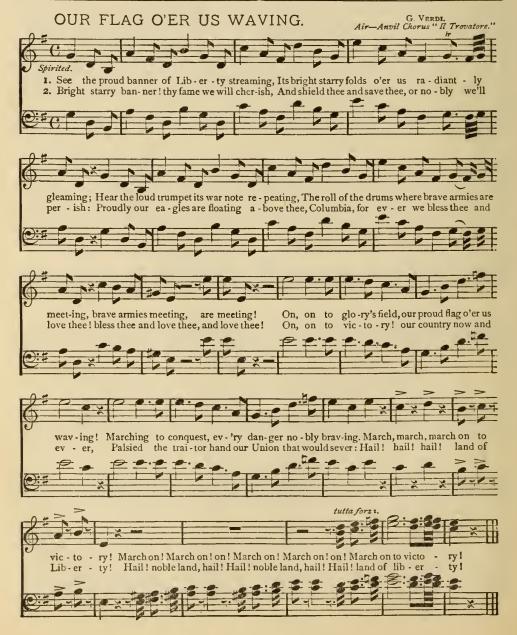
anxiety that can better be felt than described, until night prevented them from seeing it. During the night they remained on deck, noting every shell from the moment it was fired until it fell. While the bombardment continued, it was evidence that the fort had not surrendered, but it suddenly ceased some time before day, and, as they had no communication with any of the enemy's ships, they did not know whether the fort had surrendered or the attack been abandoned. They paced the deck for the rest of the night in painful suspense, watching with intense anxiety for the return of the day. As soon as it dawned, their glasses were turned to the fort, and, with a thrill of delight, they saw that "our flag was still there!" The song was begun on the deck of the vessel, in the fervor of the moment when he saw the enemy hastily retreating

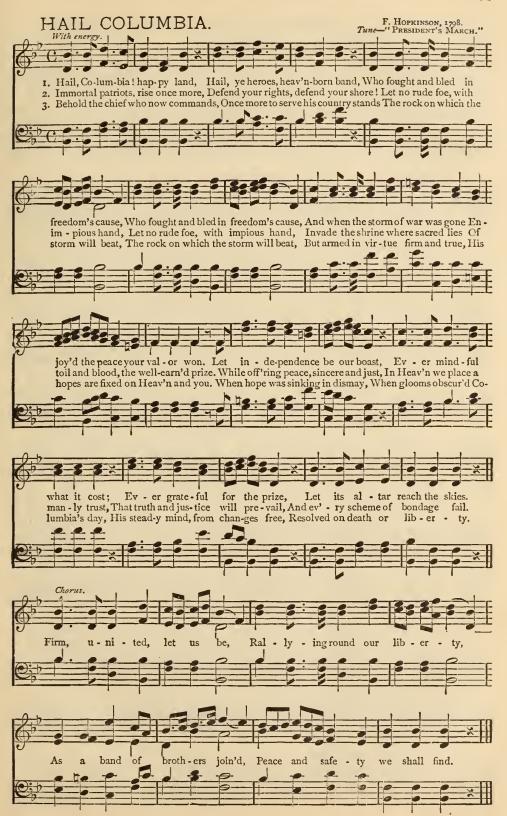
to their ships, and looked upon the proud flag he had watched for so anxiously as the morning opened. He had written, on the back of a letter, some lines, or brief notes that would aid him in recalling them, and for some of the lines as he proceeded he had to rely on his memory. He finished it in the boat on his way to the shore, and wrote it out as it now stands immediately upon reaching Baltimore. In an hour after it was placed in the hands of the printer, it was on the streets hailed with enthusiasm, and at once took its place as a national song. The music of the Star Spangled Banner, to which it was at once adapted, is an old French air, long known in England as "Anacreon," and afterwards in America as "Adams and Liberty." Mr. Key died in 1846. At San Francisco, a monument costing \$150,000 has been erected to his memory.



An extraordinary feature of the musical world of the present day is the enormous orchestras which can be produced on special occasions. A chorus of several thousand voices supported by hundreds of instruments may now be heard, rendering the immortal compositions of the greatest masters of the divine art, in the People's Palace at Sydenham and elsewhere. These orchestras are chiefly selected from the ranks of the people, of whom the artisan is the chief element. The reduction in the cost of instruments and the adoption of what may be called the joint-stock principle are tending still further to enlarge the boundaries of the practical musical world. At any time and for any purpose it is now easy to secure a band and chorus sufficient in numbers and

executive power to render in an efficient and powerful manner, the glorious productions of Beethoven, Mozart, Handel, and other great masters. On all these occasions, the violin bears a most important part. It is the leading instrument in these great performances, as it is, after the voice, the most powerful medium of expression in solo. It is also the people's instrument. The labors of many eminent violin-makers, following in the steps of the great masters, have so immensely improved the art, that a good instrument may now be possessed by any one. And it may be said that with its improvement has arisen also the extensive and wide-spread practice of music generally. An ear accustomed to the fine tone of a good violin will not now tolerate a bad piano forte.

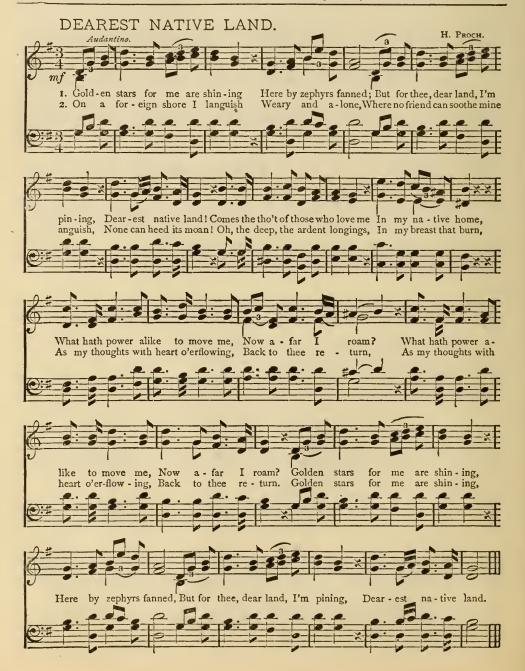




It is stated that the late Dr. Ray Palmer originally wrote his most famous hymn on a leaf of a pocket diary. There it remained for a year and a half. Its author then met Dr. Mason on the street in Boston. The existence of the hymn was discovered by Dr. Mason's inquiry for new materials for a hymn and tune book which he was then compiling. He took the hymn and in a few days returned it with the tune "Olivet," which he had composed for it. His sagacious judgment of it was expressed in saying to the author, "You may live many years and do many good things. But I think you will be best known to posterity as the author of "My faith looks up to Thee." It was one of those

fleeting conjunctions of circumstances and of men by which God often sets forward to their fulfillment his eternal decrees. The doctor of music and the future doctor of theology are thrown together in the roaring thoroughfare of commerce for a brief interview, scarcely more than enough for a morning salutation, and the blessed result to mankind is the publication of a Christian lyric which is to be sung around the world.

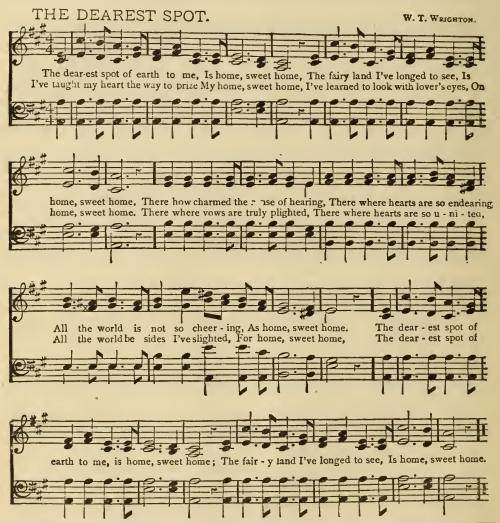
MUSIC stands nearest to divinity. I would not give the little I know for all the treasures of the world! It is my shield in combat and adversity, my friend and companion in moments of joy, my comforter and refuge in those of despondency and solitude.—Martin Luther.





EVENINGS AT HOME.—There is nothing that contributes more to the pleasure of evenings at home than music in families. To cultivate a love of music among children, creates and fosters a refined sentiment that is not forgotten when they arrive at maturity. Music engenders and promotes good feeling. The blending of the voices of parents and children in song strengthens the ties that bind them together, and the love that centres about the home fireside. It renders home attractive, interesting, and beautiful; and in every home circle where it is tolerated and cultivated, there will be found a greater freedom

from all those discords and inharmonious contentions, that render so many parents miserable and their children anxious to find a more congenial atmosphere elsewhere. Music is not an unmanly or effeminate way of spending one's time, as many unrefined parents aver when they proscribe even the coveted fiddle their sons enjoy scraping in the attic. Every home should have a musical instrument in it that can be used as an accompaniment to the family voices. It will give employment and amusement to the children in their otherwise unoccupied hours. It will keep them a home, and very often out of bad influences elsewhere.



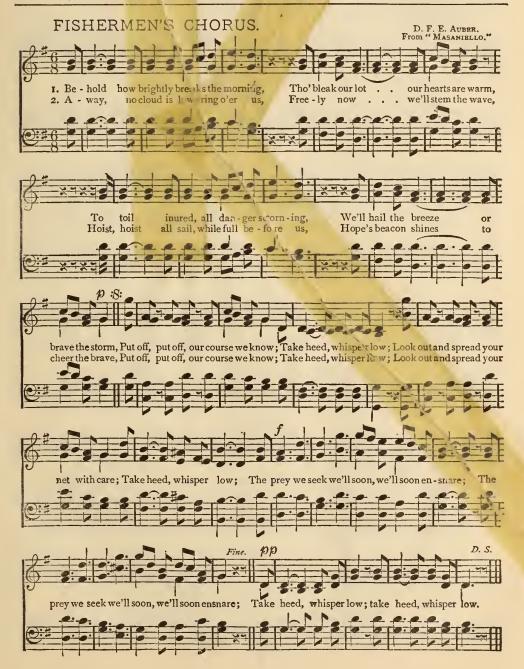
What an auxiliary is music to the teacher, brightening up dull faces, inspiring cheerfulness that becomes an impetive to labor, softening and soothing nervous irritation often so difficult to contend against, which has been excited by the crowded school impatient under the restraint and monotony of position and occupation! Think, too, of each child frequently going home at night, like the honey-laden bee, with a gay little song to charm the work-wearied father's heart; a lullaby which, sung over the baby's cradle,

shall soothe the mother's spirit while it closes baby's eyes; holy hymns that shall make the very roof tree a better shelter for the hearts beneath it. Thus the influence of the public school goes out blessing and blest; and we gather sheaves of joy to hold close to humble hearts, thankful that we may be permitted to aid in making the world happier and better, as well as wiser; that we, too, amid the silent, unseen influences, are serving our country and our God, and at the same time learning the useful lesson of how to labor and to wait.

THE wonder of the English skylark's song is its copiousness and sustained strength. There is no theme, no beginning or end, like most and a perfect swarm of notes from a hive. We have many more melodious songsters; the bobolink in the meadows, the vesper sparrow in the pastures, the purple finch in the groves, the winter wren, or any of the thrushes in the woods, or the wood wagtail. But our birds all stop where the English skylark has only just begun. Away he goes on quivering wing, inflating his throat fuller, mounting and mounting, and turning to all

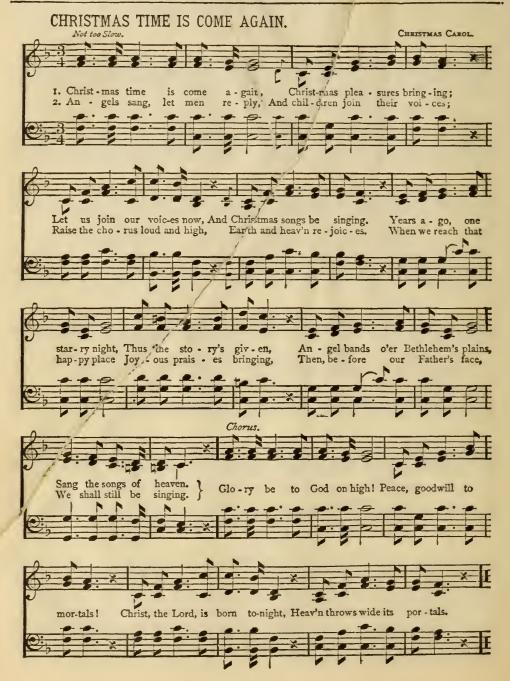
as if to embrace the whole landscape in his song, the notes still raining upon you as distinct as ever, after you have left him far behind. The English skylark also sings long after all the other birds are silent—as if he had perpetual spring in his heart.—John Burroughs.

It would, of course, be more amusing to recite connected than unconnected words, as it is more amusing to sing passages than single notes; but as no singing voice ever yet was formed by the exclusive utterance of anything that could be called music, so no speaking voice will ever be formed by the exclusive utterance of anything that can be spoken of as literature.—Hullah.



FORM.—Nothing is more common than to hear it said that Mozart is a great master of form; that Beethoven's form is at times obscure, and so forth. Of course what is meant is, that in the arrangement and development of the musical phrases, there is a greater or less fitness of proportion, producing an effect of unity or incoherence as the case may be. But the idea of musical form can be made intelligible to any one who will take the trouble to glance at so simple a melody as "The Blue Bells of Scotland." That air consists of four phrases, each of which is divided into

an elation and depression. The first two phrases are repeated; the third and fourth occur in the middle; and the first two recur at the close. Thus music appears visibly to the eye to possess all the essential properties of emotion. May we not, therefore, say that the secret of its power consists in this, that it alone is capable of giving to the simplest, the sub tlest, and the most complex emotions alike, that full and satisfactory expression through sound, which hitherto it has been found impossible to give to many of them in any other way?—Music and Morals.





Stephen Collins Foster was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, on the 4th of July, 1826. He was the youngest child of William B. Foster, a merchant of Pittsburg, and mayor of his native city, member of the State legislature, and a Federal officer under President Buchanan. His sister was the wife of Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, a brother of the President. The compiler of the Franklin Square Collection recalls his keen enjoyment of the organ of the Episcopal church at Paradise, a country parish in Lancaster county, Pennsyl-

vania, of which Mr. Buchanan was for many years the rector. Mrs. Buchanan always played at the Sunday morning service, and since we have learned to enjoy the songs of her brother, none of which had then been written, we seem to understand more the spell under which the music of this gentle, gifted lady brought and held us as a child. She too had inherited "a double portion of the divine gift of music." For the facts in the sketch here given we are indebted to an article by Mr. Robert P. Nevin, of Pittsburg, who says: The

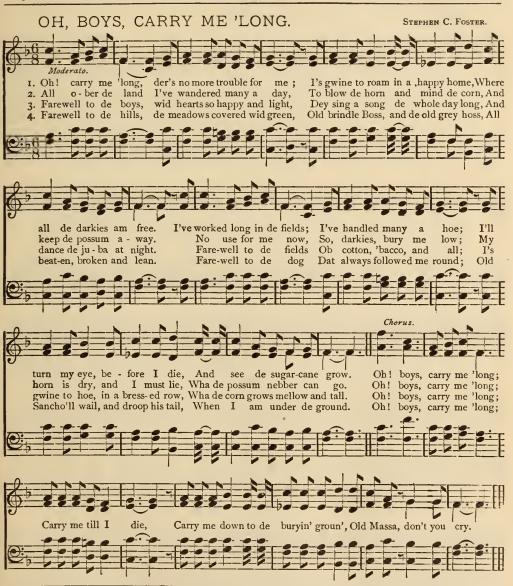


evidences of a musical capacity of no common order were apparent in Stephen at an early period. Going into a shop one day, when about seven years old, he picked up a flageolet, the first he had ever seen, and comprehending, after an experiment or two, the order of the scale on the instrument, was able in a few minutes, uninstructed, to play any of the simple tunes within the octave with which he was acquainted. He was a boy of delicate constitution, not addicted to the

active sports or any of the more rigorous habits of boys. A recluse, owning and soliciting no guidance but that of his text-book, in the quiet of the woods, or, if that were inaccessible, the retirement of his chamber, he devoted himself to music. At the age of seventeen he went to Cincinnati into the office of his brother, discharging the duties of his place with faithfulness and ability. His spare hours were still devoted to his favorite pursuitathough his productions were chiefly preserved in

manuscript, and kept for the private entertainment of his friends. At that time a Mr. Andrews, of Pittsburg, offered a silver cup for the best original negro song, Mr. Morrison Foster sent to his brother Stephen a copy of the advertisement announcing the fact, with a letter urging him to become a competitor for the prize. He finally yielded, and in due time forwarded a melody entitled, "Way down South, whar de Corn grows." When the eventful night came, the various pieces in competiton were rendered to the audience by Nelson

Kneass to his own accompaniment on the piano. The audience expressed by their applause a decided preference for Stephen's melody; but the committee decided in favor of some one else. This experiment of Foster's served a profitable purpose, for it led him to a critical investigation of the school of music to which it belonged. This had been, and was yet, unquestionably popular. To what, then, was it indebted for its captivating points? It was to its truth to Nature in her simplest and most childlike mood. Settled as to



theory, Foster applied himself to its exemplification. The Presidential campaign of 1844 was distinguished by political song-singing. Clubs for that purpose were organized in all the cities and towns and hamlets. So enthusiastic became the popular feeling in this direction, that, when the November crisis was come and gone, these clubs lived on. Among them was one, composed of a half-dozen young men, Foster—home again, and a link once more in the circle of his inti-

mates—at its head. One night he laid before them a song entitled "Louisiana Belle." It elicited unanimous applause, and in the course of a few nights the song was sung very widely in Pittsburg. Foster then brought to light his portfolio specimens, since universally known as "Uncle Ned" and "O Susanna!" The favor with which these latter were received far surpassed even that of "Louisiana Belle." Their fame spread far and wide, until from the drawing-rooms of

Cincinnati they were introduced into its concert halls, and there became known to W. C. Peters, who at once re-juested copies for publication. These were cheerfully furnished by the author. He did not look for remuneration. For "Uncle Ned," which appeared in 1847, he received none; "O Susanna!" soon followed, and "imagine my delight," he writes, "in receiving one hundred dollars in cash! Though this song was not successful," he continues, "yet the two fifty-dollar bills I received for it had the effect of starting me on

my present vocation of song-writer." In pursuance of this decision, he set himself to work, and began to pour out his productions with astonishing rapidity. Out of the list, embracing about one hundred and fifty of his songs, the most flatteringly received among his negro melodies were those already enumerated, followed by "Nelly was a Lady," in 1849; "My Old Kentucky Home," and "Camptown Races," in 1850; "Old Folks at Home" in 1851; "Massa's in the Cold Ground," in 1852; "Oh, Boys, Carry me 'long," in

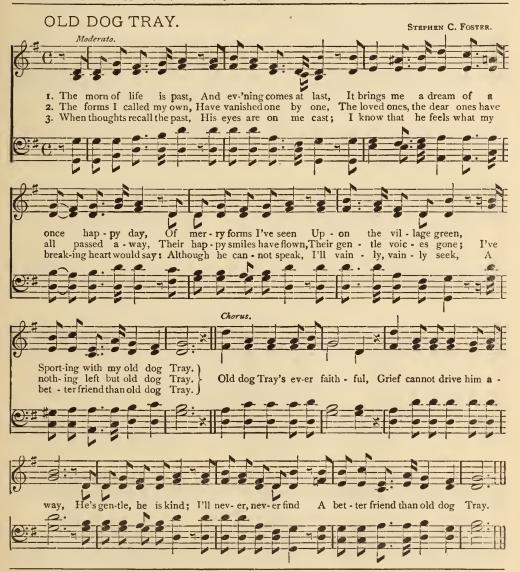


1853; "Hard Times come again no more," in 1854; "Old Black Joe," in 1860. In all these compositions Foster adheres scrupulously to his theory adopted at the outset. His verses are distinguished by a nativeté characteristic and appropriate, but consistent at the same time with common sense. Enough of the negro dialect is retained to preserve distinction, but not to offend. The sentiment is given in plain phrase, under homely illustration; but it is a sentiment nevertheless. The melodies are of twin birth, literally with the ver-

ses, for Foster thought in tune as he traced in rhyme, and traced in rhyme as he thought in tune. That he had struck upon the true way to the common heart, the successes attending his efforts surely demonstrate. His songs had an unparalled circulation. Artists of the highest distinction favored him with their friendship. Herz and Sivori, Ole Bull and Thalberg, were alike ready to approve his genius, and to testify that approval in the choice of his melodies as themes about which to weave their witcheries of embellishment. Complimer

tary letters from men of literary note poured in upon him; among others, one full of generous encouragement from Washington Irving, dearly prized and carefully treasured to the day of Foster's death. Similar missives reached him from across the seas—from strangers and from traveliers in lands far remote; and he learned that, while "O Susanna," was the familiar song of the cottager of the Clyde, "Uncle Ned" was known to the dweller in tents among the Pyramids. Of his sentimental songs, "Maggie by my Side," "Jennie

with the Light-brown Hair," "Willie, we have missed you," "Come where my love lies dreaming," and others, are among the leading favorites. The verses to most of these airs were all of his own composition. Indeed, he could seldom satisfy himself in his "settings" of the stanzas of others. The last three years of his life he passed in New York. During all that time his efforts, with perhaps one exception, were limited to the production of songs of a pensive character. He died after a brief illness, January 13th, 1864. His

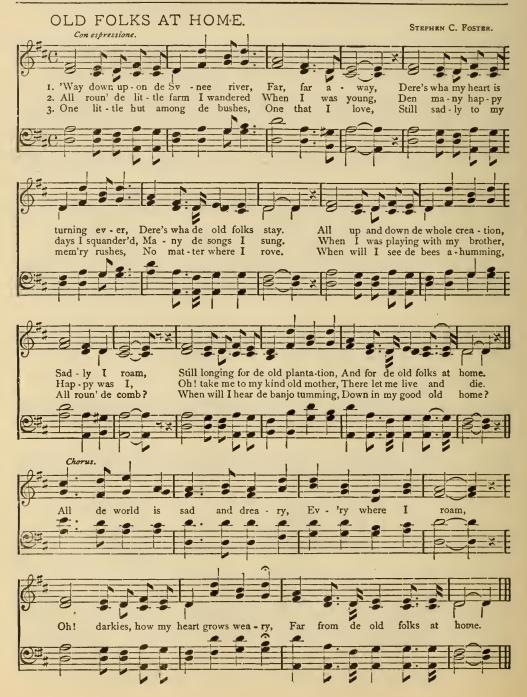


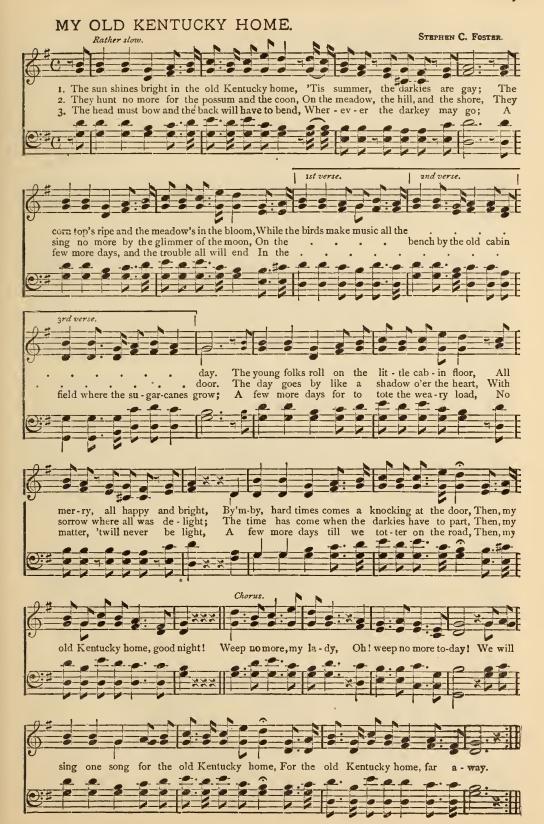
remains reached Pittsburg a few days later, and were conveyed to Trinity Church, where, on the day following, in the presence of a large assembly, appropriate and impressive ceremonies took place, the choral services being sustained by a company of his former friends and associates. His body was then carried to the Allegheny Cemetery, and, to the music of "Old Folks at Home," finally committed to the grave. Mr. Foster was below medium height, and of slight, well-proportioned frame. His shoulders were marked by a slight

droop—the result of a habit of walking with his eyes upon the ground a pace or two in advance of his feet. He nearly always when he went out, which was into often, walked alone. Arrived at the street-crossings, he would frequently pause, raise himself, cast a glance at the surroundings, and if he saw an acquaintance nod to him in token of recognition, and then, relapsing into the old posture, resume his way. For his study he selected a room in the topmost story of his house, farthest removed from the street, and was careful to have the

floor of the apartment and the avenues of approach to it thickly carpeted, to exclude as effectually as possible all noises, inside as well as outside of his own premises. The furniture of this room consisted of a chair, a lounge, a table, a music-rack, and a piano. From the sanctum so chosen, seldom opened to others, and never allowed upon any pretence to be disarranged, came his choicest compositions. If Mr. Foster's art embodied no higher idea than the vulgar notion of the negro as a man-monkey—then it might have proved a tolerable catch-

penny affair, and commanded an admiration among the boys of various growths until its novelty wore off. But the art in his hands teemed with a nobler significance. It dealt, in its simplicity, with universal sympathies, and taught us all to feel with the slaves the lowly joys and sorrows it celebrated. May the time be far in the future ere the lips fail to move to its music, or sympathetic hearts to respond to its influence; and may we, who owe him so much, preserve gratefully the memory of the rare master, Stephen Collins Foster.





Echo was a very beautiful nymph, fond of the woods and hills, where she devoted herself to woodland sports. She was a favorite of Diana, and attended her in the chase. But Echo had one failing; she was fond of talking, and, whether in chat or argument, would have the last word. Juno, having discovered that some deception had been practiced by Echo, passed sentence upon her in these words: "You shall forfeit the use of that tongue with which you have sheated me, except for the one purpose you are so

fond of—reply. You shall still have the last word, but no power to speak first." This nymph saw Narcissus, a beautiful youth, as he pursued the chase upon the mountains. How she longed to address him in the softest accents, and win him to conversation, but it was not in her power. She waited with impatience for him to speak first, and had her answer ready. One day, the youth, being separated from his companions, shouted aloud, "Who's here?" Echo replied, "Here." Narcissus, looking around but seeing no one, called



out, "Come." Echo answered, "Come." As no one ame, Narcissus called again, "Why do you shun me?" Echo asked the same question. "Let us join one another," said the youth. The maid answered with all her heart in the same words, and hastened to the spot. He started back, exclaiming, "Hands off? I would rather die than you should have me." "Have me," said she, but it was all in vain. He left her, and she went to hide her blushes in the recesses of the

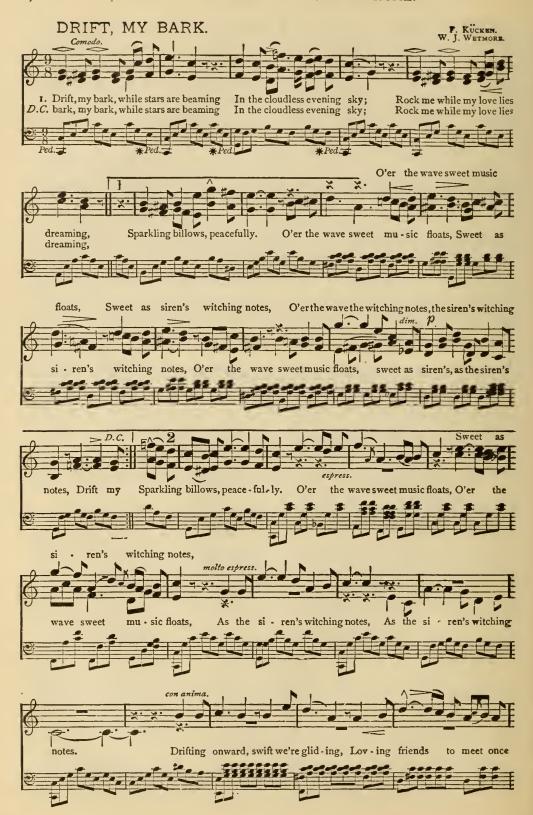
woods. From that time forth she lived in caves and among mountain cliffs. Her form faded with grief, till, at last, all her flesh had shrunk away, her bones had changed into rocks, and there was nothing left of her but her voice. With that she is still ready to reply to any one who calls her, and always keeps up her old habit of having the last word.—Age of Falls.

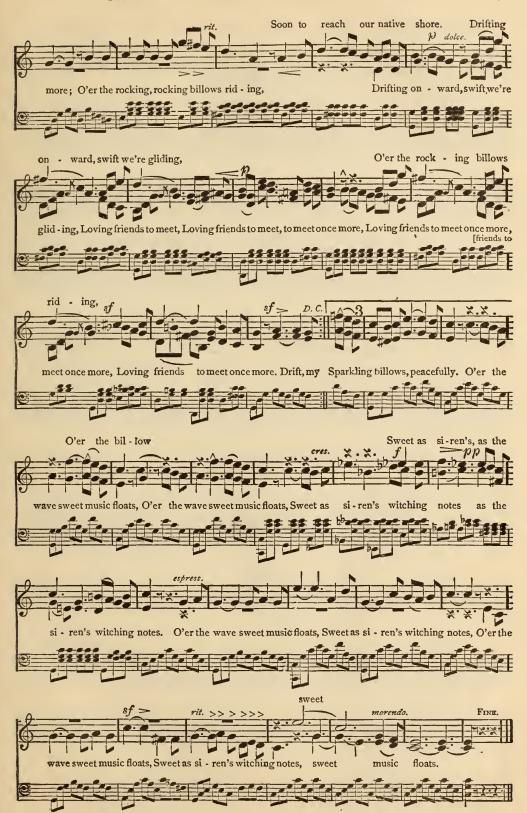
There is something in the very shape of harps, as though they had been made by music.—Bailey.

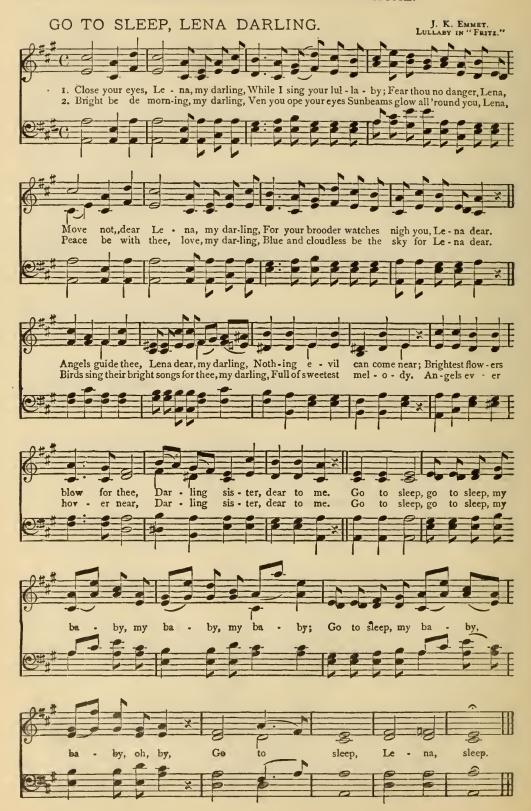
It is well to remember, in connection with the symbolism of the organ, that only those elements of the faith and life of every church which can pass up into noble anthems, chants, and hymns, which can be set to music, are its worthy and enduring elements. You can not put proofs of the trinity or controversial supports of the unity of God, the arguments of Bishop Bull, or the arguments of Professor Norton, into hymns. You can not chant rubrics, and thirty-nine articles, and damnatory clauses of the Athanasian

formula. But reverence for God, devout prostration before the law which "the Father" represents, love for the pity and sacrifice which "the Son" interprets, joy in the ever-present grace, and prayer for the quickening life, which "the Spirit" symbolizes, adoration of Infinite holiness, submission to Infinite sovereignty, grateful trust in Infinite love—sentiments in which Trinitarian and Unitarian, Calvinist and Arminian, Partialist and Universalist, come at once into fellowship—these fly to music for expression.—Starr King.















MUSIC stands alone among the arts as the creation of man's intellect. It is the sole aim of the painter and of the sculptor to reproduce in idealized forms what he sees around him, and of the poet to give form and color to what he sees within as well as without him. In each case the artist seeks to express by means of his art that which already existed for him. The painter gazes out upon a world of color and form; he sees before him all that his art would reproduce. It is only as he sees nature truly and reproduces her conscientiously that he is great. It is impossible to see truly without imagination, or to produce faithfully

without technical skill, and it is necessary, in order to be a worthy interpreter of God, that a man should be honest, earnest, and reverent. If he seek to imitate even nature servilely, he must fail. In purely human creations it is only the man who catches the fire, essence, and beauty of another man's thought who can truly translate his work. A mere rendering of word for word is not translation. In just the same way the spirit of that beauty which has been spread so lavishly over the world must be taken into the artist's soul; it must be assimilated and made part of his very being, and then given out again as a living

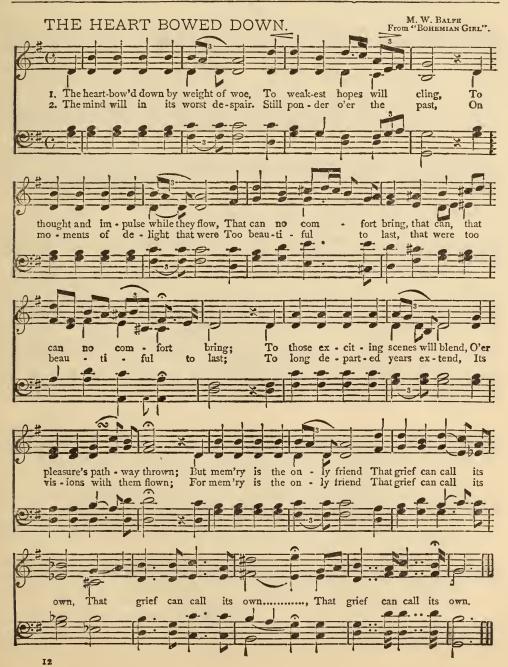


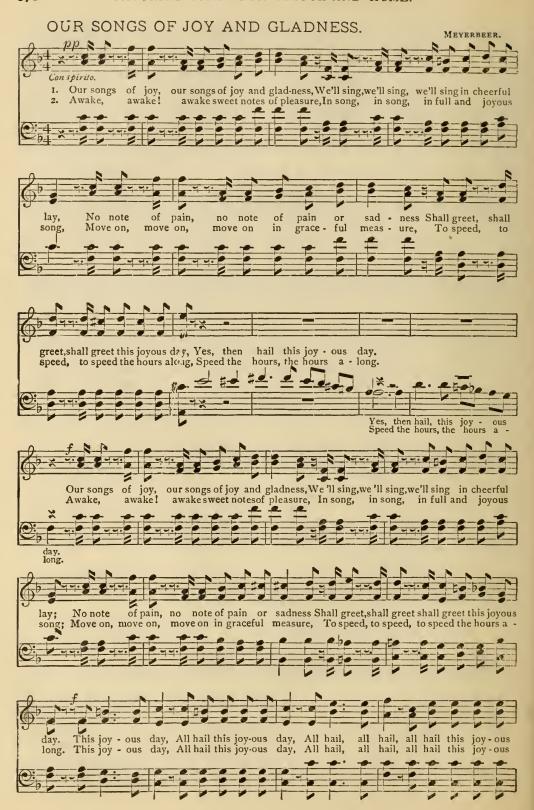
work, re-created by the love which has given form to the thought in its first inception, and developed under the brooding meditation and patient study by which every thought worth the having is perfected. But even here the work is not creative. We see the painter reaching forth, by his genius, taking the evanescent beauty which is lying around him, and making it permanent, bringing this far-away loveliness down to our household and every-day uses. The sculptor, too, crystallizes by his art into permanent forms the

fleeting beauty around him. Poetry, which is more nearly akin to music than any other of the arts, and which undoubtedly stands higher in the scale, differs from it widely in this respect. The world of imagination from which the poet draws must be present to him in order that he may reproduce it, or he will be a versifier, not a poet. But music stands apart from these; it seems a distinct creation, for it really reproduces nothing which previously existed either in the world of sense or of thought.—Mrs. Herrick.

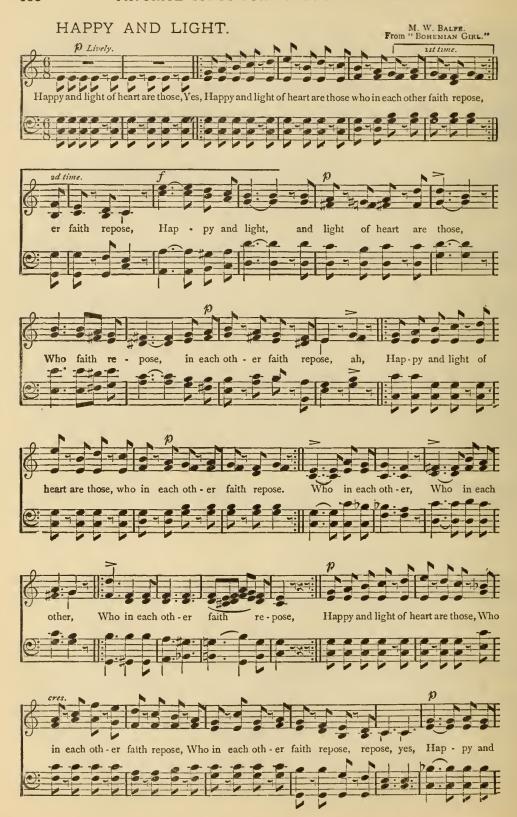
Helmholtz fixes the lowest limit of musical sounds at sixteen vibrations per second, and the highest at 38,000. Below this number the pulsations cease to link themselves together, and become distinct sounds. The range of the ear is thus about eleven octaves. The practical range of music is, however, only about seven octaves. The capacity to hear the higher tones varies in different persons. A sound which is entirely audible to one may be utter silence to another. Some ears cannot distinguish the squeak of a bat or the chirp of a cricket, while others are acutely sensitive to these shrill sounds. Indeed,

the auditory nerve seems generally more alive to the short, quick vibrations than to the long, slow ones. The whirr of a locust is much more noticeable than the sighing of the wind through the trees. A continuous blast of air has no effect to produce sound. The rush of the grand aerial rivers above us we never hear. They flow on ceaselessly but silently in the upper regions of the air. A whirlwind is noiseless. Let, however, the great billows strike a tree and wrench it violently from the ground, and we can hear the secondary shorter waves which set out from the struggling limbs and from the tossing leaves.







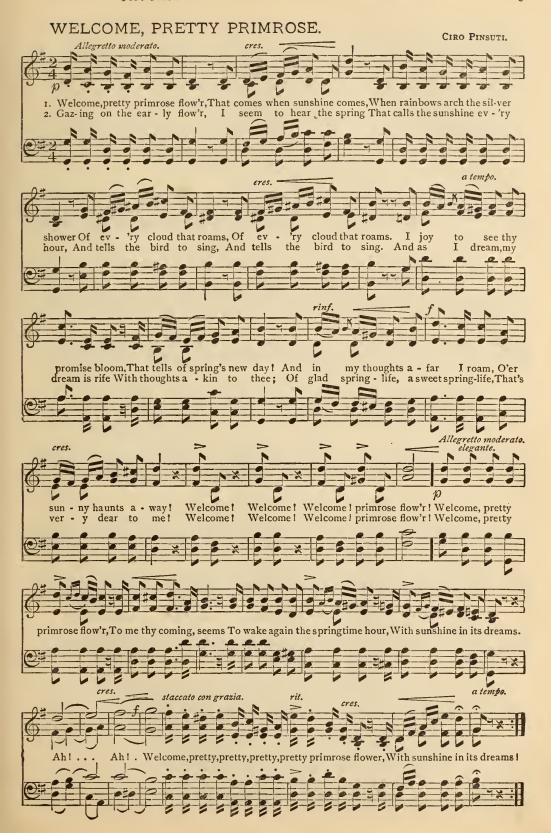




A choir of twenty or thirty full-voiced singers concentrating their vocal energies mainly upon the melody, and singing with clear, distinct articulation, with bold, commanding tone, and with firm, steady movement, may set before the congregation such a plain and inviting path of song, and inspire with such confidence all who have ability to sing, that the result will be a successful, and even admirable illustration of the people's chorus. A hundred

little rivulets, no one of which could find its way to the sea alone, may join the river that passes near them, and be wafted safely to the ocean; but the stream that conveys them owes much of its grandeur to these little tributaries. In the production of this great, melodic chorus, a strong lead of men's voices upon the "air" is indispensable. Men's voices are valuable for dignity and impressiveness; but in the chorus of which we speak, their chief value is their strength.—Furber.





If to be effective the work of education must have regard to all the powers of the human soul, it should not neglect the imagination, or phantasy, which most certainly enters into the activities of will and intelligence in our earliest youth as well as in our ripened age. The world of art is no less real than the world of thought. While truth is searched often by a process of analytic thought, demanding on this account a thorough discipline of the intellect; the beautiful is grasped by an æsthetic intuition, demanding for this purpose a careful culture of the phantasy. In the one case we have the process of science; in the other, the process of art. Why neglect either, when their source is the

same? For when, by the phantasy, we see through and beneath the build of things, the primordial form governing all and in all manifesting its presence, what is this but the same truth in form which we reach through the analysis of thought? The same glory is in it after all, in the one case authenticating itself as truth through the activities of intellect; in the other case, looking out through the form, and revealing itself therein as the beautiful, through the intuitive glance of the phantasy. To the sphere of art, thus briefly characterized, music belongs, and addresses itself to that soul power which realizes the beautiful. The form material here in which the idea enshrines itself, and



through which it is made to reach in upon the soul, is in itself almost spiritual—viz., sound; and this is the chief medium through which the infinitude and indefiniteness of feeling can come to an expression. Therefore, we may say, in brief, that music is the utterance, under sound forms of sense, of the beautiful in those sentiments and aspirations which fill the heart, and thence gush forth like crystal waters from deep hidden springs. It is the outflowing of the feeling heart. While giving body to emotion and sentiment, with their power made tangible, as it were, it penetrates the soul, awakening depths of feeling and affection slumbering

there, and leading the whole engrasped spirit into sad or joyful communings with itself, or into wondrous and visionary excursions into the vast past of its hopes, and loves, or into the vaster future that lies before it like a far-off landscape in the evening twilight.—E. E. Higbee.

Let us meet our gracious God with cheerful songs.

Let us meet our gracious God with cheerful songs. Give him warm welcome to our hearts and homes. Yield him, O yield him, the honors due to his holy name. Praise him for His goodness, now and forever—in time, as you are able; in eternity, with sweet-voiced, perfect praise. "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for He hath visited and redeemed His people."



Music as written is divided into small, equal portions, called measures. These may be indicated to the ear by counting the parts as "one, two;" "one, two;" or to the eye, by motions of the hand, called beats, or beating time. Measures are represented by spaces between perpendicular lines across the staff. The lines dividing music into measures are called bars. There may be different kinds of notes in the measure, but there must be an equal amount in every measure, that is, one measure must contain as much in the aggregate as any other. Parts of measures are represented by notes and rests. Four kinds of measure are in general use, viz.: Double, composed of two parts and indicated by two counts or beats; Triple, indicated by three beats; Quadruple, four

beats; and Sextuple, six counts or beats. Figures at the beginning of the music indicate these measures.

INFLUENCE.—Music, in its capacity of domg good, comes next to the sacred influence of the pulpit. Its power is as yet a thing undeveloped. Consider, for instance, what the general impression was as to the availability of music in the Sunday-school thirty or forty years ago, and compare the Sunday-schools of to-day with those of that period. What would these schools be if we should drop the music out of them bodily? They would almost dissolve and vanish. It is the invisible chain which holds them together and animates them. There is, besides, a power in music to reach, to direct, to comfort the Christian's heart, which is, comparatively speaking, yet undreamed of.



Rest comes at length; the life be long and dreary,
The day must dawn, and darksome night be past;
All journeys end in welcome to the weary,

And heaven, the heart's true home, will come at last.

Angels, sing on! your faithful watches keeping;
Sing us sweet fragments of the songs above;
Till morning's joy shall end the night of weeping,
And life's long shadows break in cloudless love.



When they are kind to me.

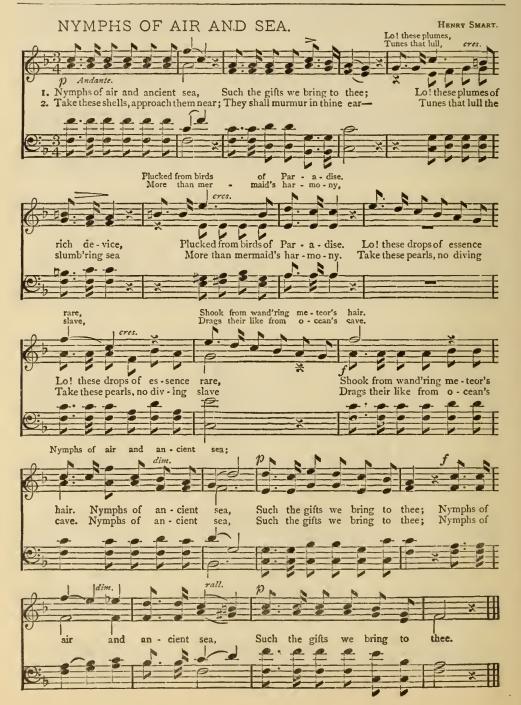
Of the dear Christ, the Lord.

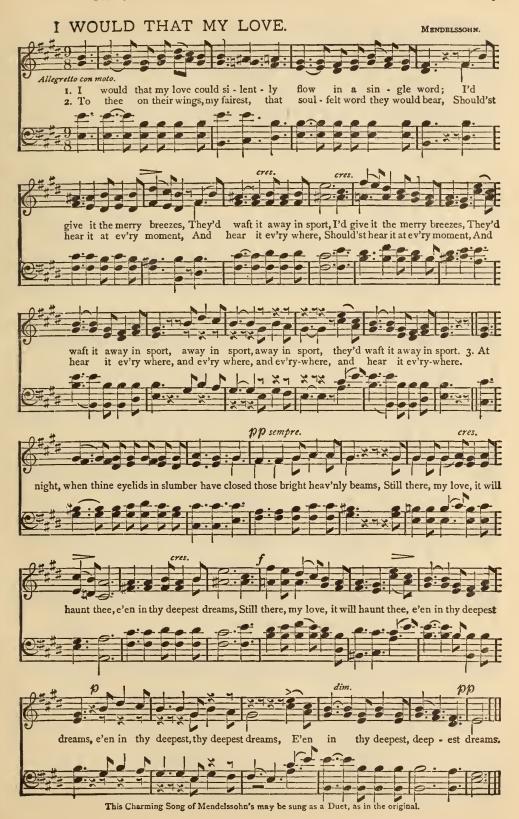
If they should serve me so.

Archbishop Whately cured a person of shyness by saying: "You are shy because you are thinking of the impression you are making. Think only of the pleasure you can give to others and not of yourself." In speaking of bashfulness he says: "Let both the extemporary speaker and the reader of his own compositions study to avoid, as far as possible, all thoughts of self, earnestly fixing the mind on the matter of what is delivered; and the one will feel the less of that

embarassment which arises from the thought of what opinion the hearers will form of him, while the other will appear to be speaking, because he actually will be speaking, the sentiments, not indeed which at that time first arise in his own mind, but which are then really present to his mind, and occupy his thought."

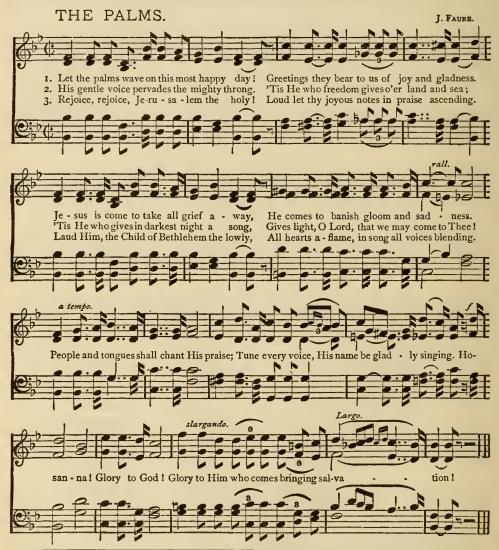
The quickness of perception with regard to all sounds, but those especially which are faint or distant, is much improved by exercise or culture.—*Hervey*.





My chief interest is in the music of the Bible. The Bible, like a great harp with innumerable strings, swept, by the fingers of inspiration, trembles with it. So far back as the fourth chapter of Genesis you find the first organist and harper, Jubal. So far back as the thirty-first chapter of Genesis you find the first choir. All up and down the Bible you find sacred music—at weddings, at inaugurations, at the treading of the wine-press. Can you imagine the harmony when those white-robed Levites, before the symbols of God's presence, and by the smoking altars, and the

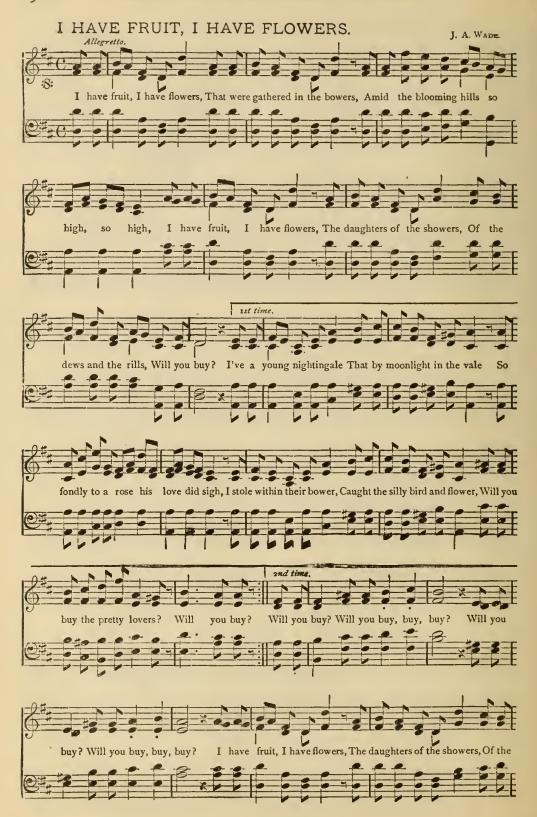
candlesticks that sprang upward and branched out like trees of gold, and under the wings of the cherubim, chanted the one hundred and thirty-ninth Psalm of David? You know how it was done. One part of that great choir stood up and chanted, "Oh! give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good!" Then the other part of the choir, standing in some other part of the temple, would come in with the response: "For His mercy endureth forever." Then the first part would take up the song again, and say, "Unto Him who only doeth great wonders." The other

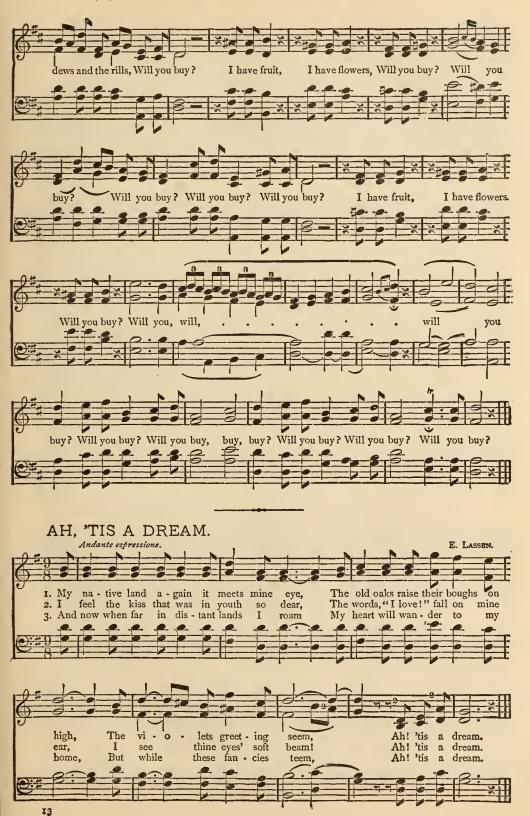


part of the choir would come in with the overwhelming response, "For His mercy endureth forever," until in the latter part of the song, the music floating backward and forward, harmony in accord with harmony, every trumpet sounding. every bosom heaving, one part of this great white-robed choir would lift the anthem, "Oh! give thanks unto the God of heaven," and the other part of the Levite choir would come in with the response: "For His mercy endureth forever." How are we to decide what is appropriate, especially for church music? There may be a great many differ-

ences of opinion. In some of the churches they prefer a trained choir; in others, the old style precentor. In some places they prefer the melodeon, the harp, the cornet, the organ; in other places they think these things are the invention of the devil. Some would have a musical instrument played so loud you cannot stand it, others would have it played so low you cannot hear it. But, while there may be great varieties of opinion in regard to music, it seems to me that the general spirit of the Word of God indicates what ought to be the great characteristic of church music.—Talmage.

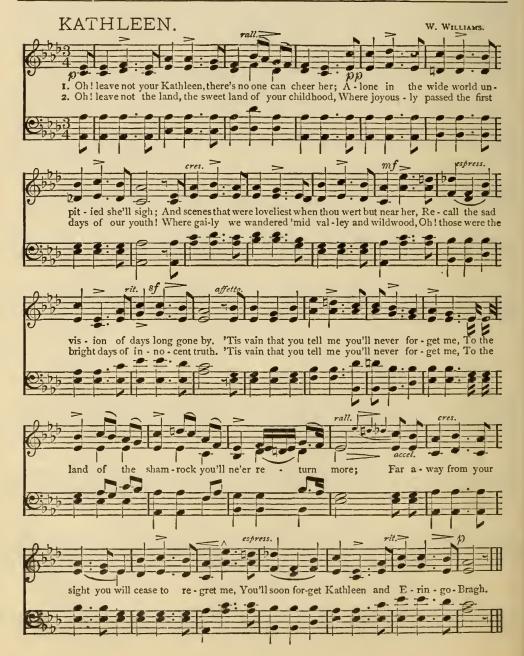






IT is all very well to analyze vocalization, and to school and develop the organs of speech; but if the expression be lifeless, or hypocritical, there exists a want that no skill whatsoever can supply. We express ourselves in our actions; but there is no tell-tale of the soul like the voice. Encourage sweetness of temper, and the voice will catch the cadences of persuasiveness. The laugh is very expressive. It may be merry, scornful, encouraging, or the reverse. It may be empty, or very full of significance; hearty or affected. Explosive, loud laughter, like all inordinate laughter, in fact, is proof of no very good breeding. A spirit that has been long subjected to ennobling occupations, when

merriment is in order, is not overpowered by the sudden emotion. Those who "burst out laughing" on slight provocation should school their inclinations, and certainly not laugh in a repulsive voice. It is not affectation to improve the tone of the voice. It is the simplicity of good nature. So also of speech. Who is willing to offend? No one who is worthy of respect; no one who respects himself. As social beings, we are under obligation to make ourselves as agreeable as possible to those around us, and as few things are more annoying to a sensitive ear than an unpleasant voice either in laughter, in speech, or in singing, all should endeavor to use this marvelous organ in its best tones.

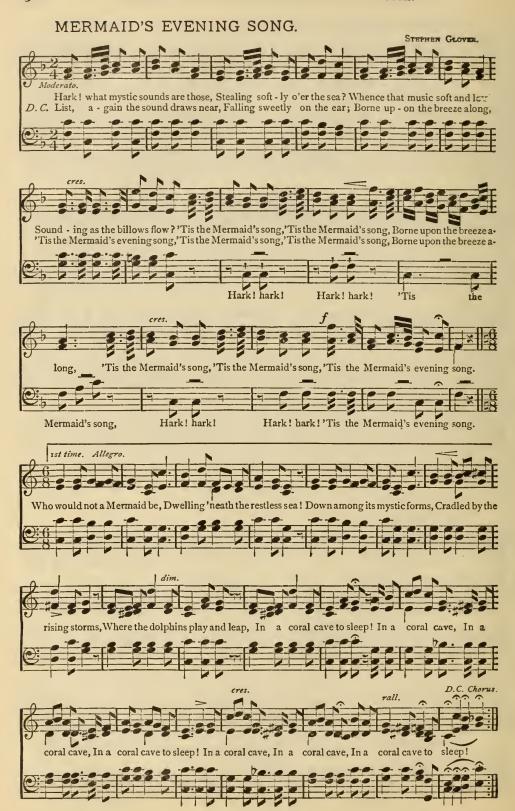


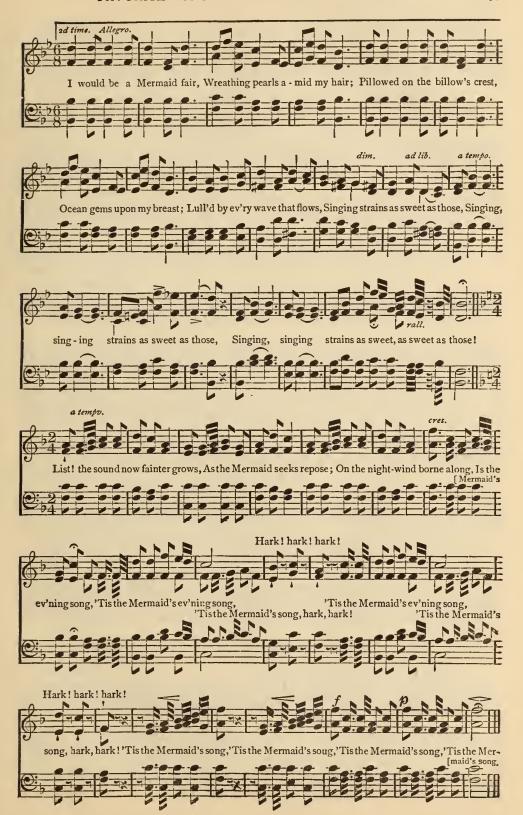
THREE KINGS OF ORIENT.



CHRISTMAS AS IT COMES.











MENDELSSOHN, Bartholdy Felix, was the son of a rich merchant and banker of Hamburg, and was born in that city A. D. 1809. The early development of the musical faculty in him forces him into comparison with the precocious Mozart, but his more fortunate position saved him from the premature drudgery of public display. His earliest musical instructor was the natural guardian of his infancy, his mother. At eight years of age he was esteemed a prodigy, and not without reason. He could then play at sight the most intricate scores of Bach, and, without premeditation, transpose most difficult exercises into all sorts of keys. He also evinced a wonderful faculty in extemporizing upon a given theme. At this period he was put under the care of the severe but methodical Zelter, s man not disposed to give way to fervid impressions, yet warmly devoted to his "glorious boy." ter, writing to Goethe, in 1821, tells him, "I desire to show your face to my favorite pupil before I die." Upon the circle which surrounded Goethe as its centre, the young musician made a profound impression, winning, at the same time, the affection of all. Before his father would allow him to devote himself to music as his profession, he took him to Paris to consult the then aged Cherubini. The ordeal proposed by that consummate musician to test the proficiency of the aspirant was the composition of a Kyrie for chorus and full orchestra, which was accomplished to the

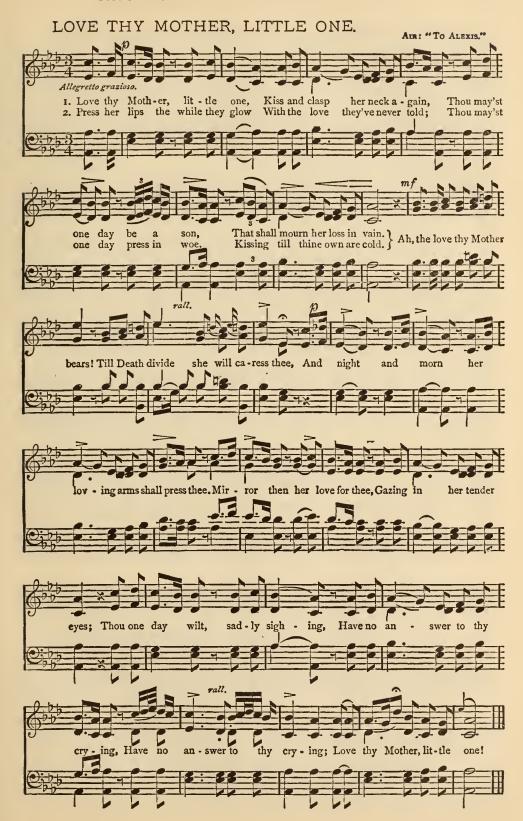


perfect satisfaction of the renowned judge. Throughout the period of his celebrity, he was not only distinguished for his composition, but still more as a performer. Language was exhausted in the attempt to describe his excellence as a pianist, and the churches were invaded by crowds, who always thronged the aisles when he was expected to play on the organ. In a word, the only thing he could not do on the organ was to "play the people out." The more effectively he played, the more fixed the congregation remained, and an instance is on record how once at St. Paul's cathedral, the vergers managed to check the energy of the performer by stopping the bellows of the instrument. In 1846, he completed, and himself conducted, at Birmingham, the oratorio of Elijah, the reception of which left his warmest admirers nothing

to desire, but it was in the decrees of that unsearchable Providence which often shows us the highly gifted

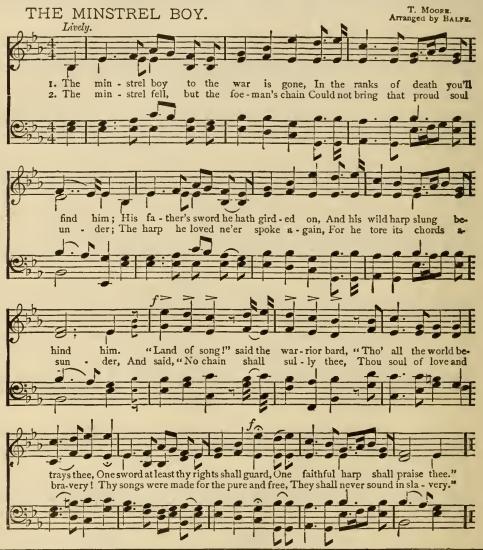
"—To mock our fond pursuits,
And teach our humbled hopes that life is vain,"

that this star, the cynosure of all observers, should sink to the horizon before it had reached its culminating point. The honors which accumulated upon him were oppressive to the constant sense of fatigue that possessed him. To a young friend who begged him to play after the triumphant conclusion of the Birmingham festival, he replied mournfully that he could not. The abiding shadow of the unseen world was settling upon him. In 1837, he had accepted the post of director of the concerts at Leipsic. this city he continued to reside till his death, which happened in 1847, at the age of thirty-eight years.



The teacher while he is giving instruction in vocal music, should be careful to avoid singing too much with his pupils. When they sing he should usually listen, and when he sings they should listen; this will enable them to imitate his example, and him the better to observe their faults. His example is of the utmost importance in singing, as in all other things, and good taste or good style can here be communicated in no other way. When he wishes to correct a fault, let him give an illustration of it, or contrast a bad example with a better one. The bad

example may perhaps be caricatured, to render the contrast stronger, in which case it may safely be left to the pupils to choose which of the two examples they should imitate. It is the duty of the teacher to correct faults from the beginning. In speaking to his pupils he should be careful to distinguish between the tones themselves, the names of the tones, the syllables that are applied to tones, and the notes representing the tones. Also, between singing by syllables, by words, by rote, and by note. We sing by rote when we catch the tone by ear; we sing by



note when we interpret the notes, or sing from the written characters. Taste, style, and appropriate expression, both as relates to tones and words, should always receive careful attention. Never introduce into a children's class, or any other class, low, doggerel verse. Let the words selected be mainly of a cheerful character, always such as will interest, and often such as must elevate the tone of the pupil's thought. Shut out entirely from the school all that partakes of buffoonery, waggery, and low, vulgar merriment.

One Sunday, after the choir at Oberlin College had sung without distinctly pronouncing the words, President Finney, in his prayer, alluded to their work as follows: "O Lord, we have sung an anthem to Thy praise. Thou knowest the words but we do not. We do pray Thee that those that lead us may open their mouths, that we may know what they say, that we may join in Thy praise. May they not sing to be heard of men; nor mock Thee, and offend Thy people or the house of God, by displaying themselves."



WHILE word-music appeals to our intellect through its force of representation, instrumental music appeals directly to the emotions. The former appears clad in shadowy generalities, and the latter arises in its primitive life-giving power. Music is of a lyrical nature, and therefore remains all-powerful where the expression of poetry ceases. Music can be an aid to poetry and can increase its effect on the ear and heart by means of melody, but it can also act independently, forming its theme from its own re-In the former case it is hampered by the

text and must conform itself to the pace of the stream of words. Its compass of tone is prescribed and its liberty restricted thereby. Instrumental music stands alone in its unapproachable sovereignty. In its lyric nature it unfolds the most tender, mysterious feelings hidden in the inmost depths of the human heart. The orchestral instruments are the highest means through which the composer expresses his genius, as well as the purest utterances of his soul in tender or powerful strains, representing the same in the form of a sym-While in the opera the combination of song, phony.

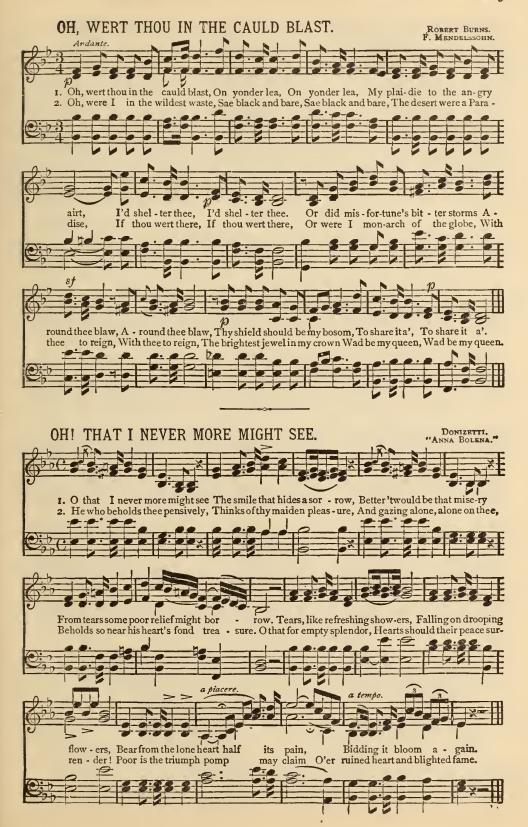


poetry, decoration, acting, costumes, and orchestral effects produce an impression on the listener, and through their union take possession of the senses by their representations of the outer world, it is the sphere of pure instrumental music, of the symphony itself, to enter the recesses of the heart, and find an echo there where love, joy, friendship, sorrow, hope, and earnest striving reign supreme.—M. Steinhert.

The author of "Three Fishers" was a noted poet, preacher and novelist of England. He was professor

of modern history at Cambridge, afterwards Canon of

Westminster and chaplain to the Queen. He died in 1875. During his boyhood his father was rector of a small parish on the sea-coast, from which he had often seen the herring fleet put out to sea. On these occasions it was customary to hold a short but impressive religious service on the quay, at which not only the fishermen, but also their wives, sweethearts and children were pre-Recalling this scene vividly, at the close of a weary day, he wrote this touching poem, whose beauty is enhanced by the plaintive air to which it has been set by John Hullah, an English composer of reputation.



In some communities the want of an appreciation of music is made very apparent. Selfishness, impoliteness and clownishness, are often manifested to an unpardonable degree when a young lady is called to the piano. The first note struck is taken by the rest of the company as a signal for loud conversation and uproarious laughter. When she has finished, it would often be difficult for many of the company to tell whether she had played the "Danube Waltzes" or "Yankee Doodle." Common civility should, in the parlor or in the concert hall, require at least respectful attention. We are aware that the number of third and even tenth-rate musicians in the world is large. Many young ladies who consider themselves adepts in the art of music seem to regard a discord as satisfactory as a chord How many "proficients" in music

would be speechless from ignorance if called upon to define gamut! how many would almost swoon if called upon to run it! And yet, notwithstanding all this, impoliteness or rudeness is quite inexcusable.

The difference in musical taste is sometimes due to a peculiarly nervous constitution, or to the depressed or elated condition of the mind. Grief is often soonest solaced by a lively air; hilarity best controlled by a plaintive one. But, after all, that which influences musical taste, or any kind of taste, most is education. Teach children to admire the sublime and the beautiful in nature. At the home fireside and in the school-room, everywhere, children should be instructed in music. Correct taste in music flings wide the gate to the highway of all that is beautiful, noble and good. Among the fine arts it stands foremost.



That moss-covered bucket I hailed as a treasure,
For often at noon, when returned from the field,
I found it the source of an exquisite pleasure,
The purest and sweetest that nature can yield.
How ardent I seized it, with hands that were glowing,
And quick to the white-pebbled bottom it fell,

Then soon, with the emblem of truth overflowing,
And dripping with coolness, it rose from the well.
The old oaken bucket, the iron-bound bucket,
The moss-covered bucket arose from the well.

How sweet from the green, mossy brim to receive it,
As, poised on the curb, it inclined to my lips!
Not a full-blushing goblet could tempt me to leave it,

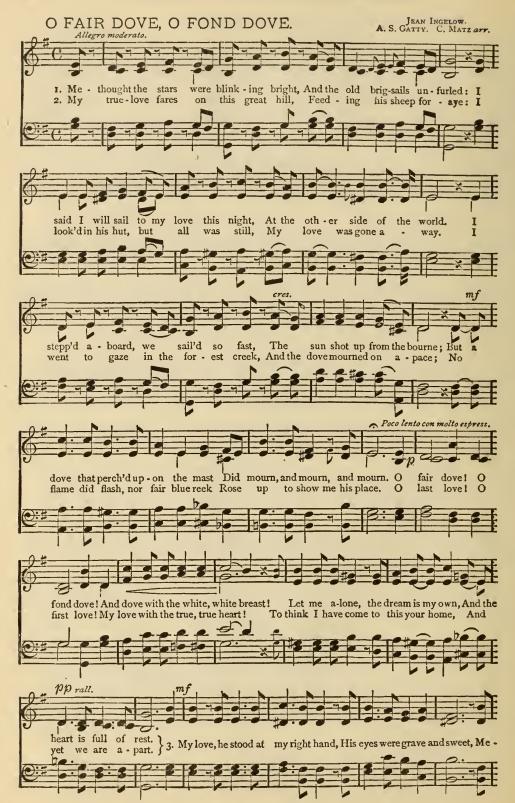
Tho' filled with the nectar that Jupiter sips.

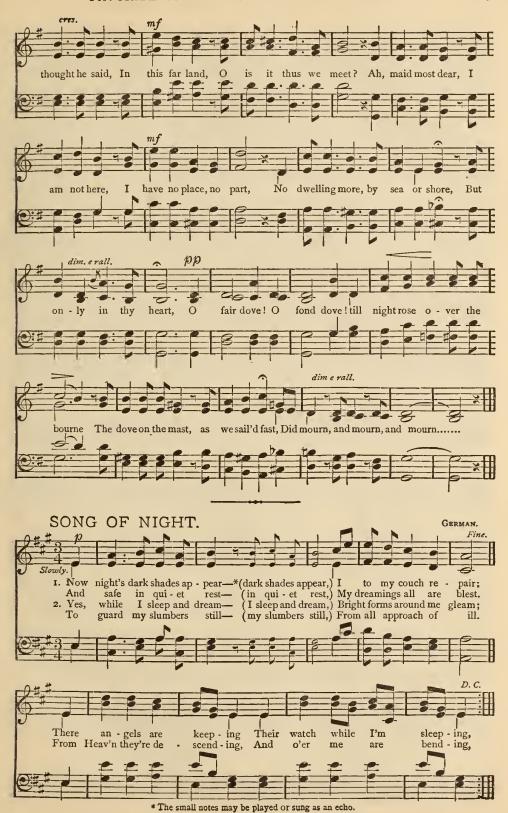
And now, far removed from the loved habitation,

The tear of regret will intrusively swell,

As fancy reverts to my father's plantation,
And sighs for the bucket that hung in the well;
The old oaken bucket, the iron-bound bucket,
The moss-covered bucket which hangs in the well.



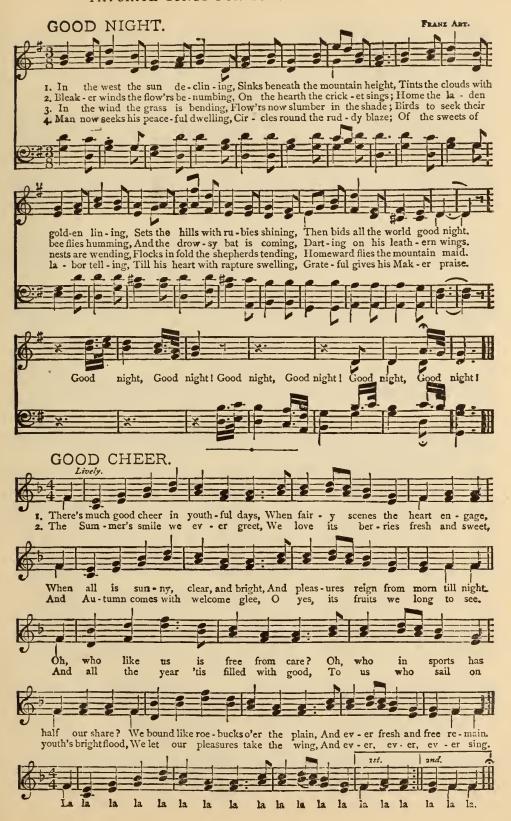




No other form of stage performance is so thoroughly unnatural as the average opera. It is conceived and executed from a standpoint as purely imaginary as a fairy tale. To begin with, we have the chorus. The idea of a party of male and female individuals shouting their unanimous opinions and expressions in four-part music is essentially absurd. Then we have the chorus brought on in the queerest and most impossible situations. A party of conspirators will steal upon an unsuspecting victim, singing their threats and intentions in tones loud enough to warn him even if he were the inmate of a deaf and dumb asylum, while the aforesaid victim announces, in a lusty tenor, that he has not the least idea of the impending calamity. In Fra Diavolo we have two or three villains about to

attack a young girl. They sing from their place of concealment; but she is temporarily deaf and does not hear them. In Lucia and Hamlet the heroines go mad and sing their most brilliant numbers under the influence of their delirium. In Lucia also, while the unhappy heroine is getting more and more hopelessly insane under the influence of her own vocal pyrotechnics, the male chorus, clad as Scotchmen, stand around in a semi-circle and sing an accompaniment to her crazy act, instead of sending for the doctor. In Faust, when Valentine dies, the soldiers and villagers sing him to death most inconsiderately. Margaret gets off her sick bed to sing a trio with Faust and Mephistophiles, and the chorus is very noisy while paralyzing Mephisto with the hilts of their swords in the form of a cross-





Cabinet Organ.—The piano now has a rival in the United States in that fine instrument which has grown from the melodeon into the cabinet organ. It seems to us peculiarly the instrument for men. We trust the time is at hand when it will be seen that it is not less desirable for boys to learn to play upon an instrument; and how much more a little skill in performing may do for a man than for a woman! A boy can hardly be a perfect savage, nor a man a mere money-maker, who has acquired sufficient command of an instrument to play upon it with pleasure. How often, when we have been listening to the swelling music of the cabinet organs at the warerooms of Mason and Hamlin, in Broadway, have we desired to put one of those instruments into every clerk's boarding-house room, and tell him to take all the ennui, and half the peril, out of his life by learning

to play upon it! No business man who works as intensely as we do, can keep alive the celestial harmonies within him,—no, nor the early wrinkles from his face,—without some such pleasant mingling of bodily rest and mental exercise as playing upon an instrument. The simplicity of the means by which music is produced from the cabinet organ is truly remarkable. It is called a "reed" instrument; which leads many to suppose that the canebrake is despoiled to procure its sound-giving apparatus. Not so. The reed employed is nothing but a thin strip of brass with a tongue slit in it, the vibration of which causes the musical sound. One of the reeds, though it produces a volume of sound only surpassed by the pipes of an organ, weighs about an ounce, and can be carried in a vest-pocket. In fact, a cabinet organ is simply an accordion of immense power and improved

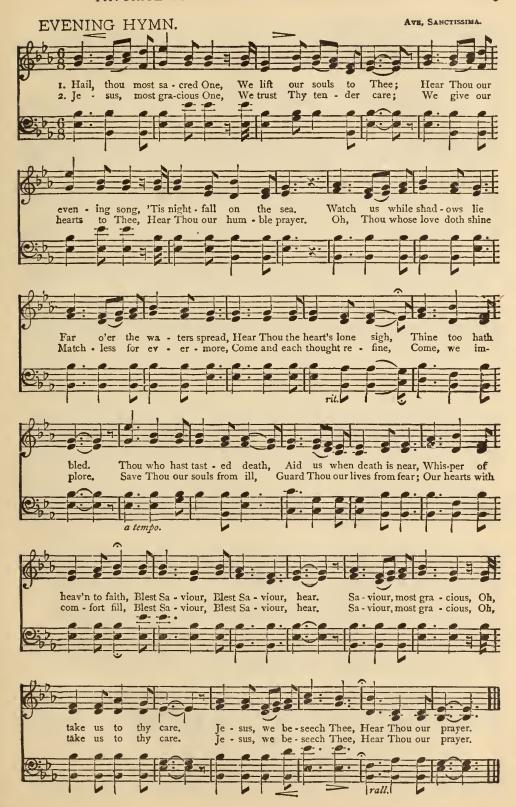


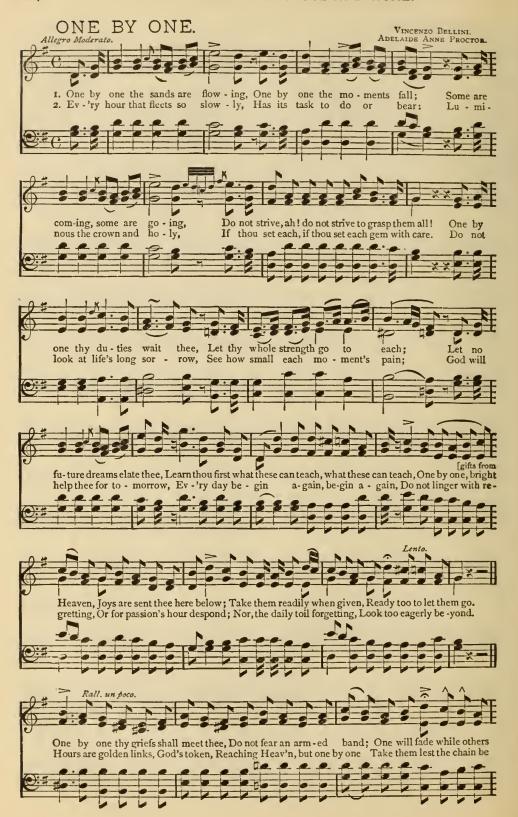
mechanism. Twenty years ago, one of our melodeon-makers chanced to observe that the accordion produced a better tone when it was drawn out than when it was pushed in; and this fact suggested the first great improvement in the melodeon. Before that time, the wind from the bellows, in all melodeons, was forced thro' the reeds. At this point of development, the instrument was taken up and covered with improvements, making it one of the most pleasing musical instruments in the possession of mankind. When we remarked above, that the American piano is the best in the world, we expressed only the opinion of others, but now that we assert the superiority of American cabinet organs over similar instruments made in London and Paris, we are communicating knowledge of our own. Indeed, the superiority is so marked that it is ap-

parent to the merest tyro in music. In the new towns of the great West, the cabinet organ is usually the first instrument of music to arrive, and, of late years, it takes its place with the piano in the fashionable drawing-rooms of the Atlantic States.—James Parton.

The first effect of culture in its most popular form—

The first effect of culture in its most popular form—scientific knowledge—is sometimes to unsettle faith and unchurch the souls of men. The remedy for this moral and religious unsettling lies, not in a cowardly retreat from knowledge, but in a manful advance into a larger knowledge. The higher up in the scale of humanity a people stands, the profounder its homage to the moral law. Fire the poet or painter or musician with the passion of patriotism, the enthusiasm of humanity, the worship of the infinite and eternal God, and you will get the work which shall prove immortal.—R. H. Newton.



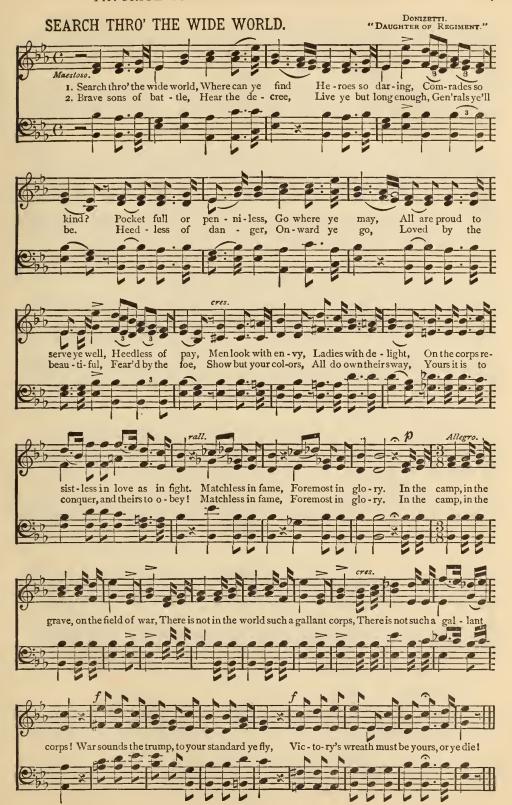


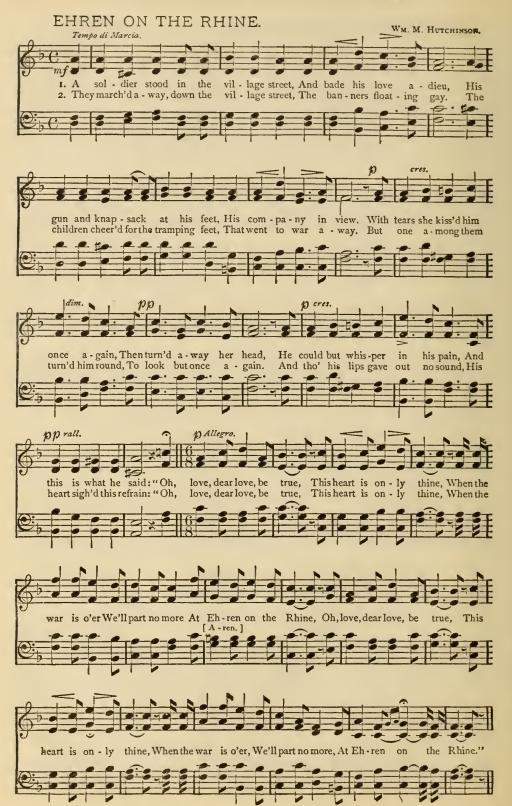


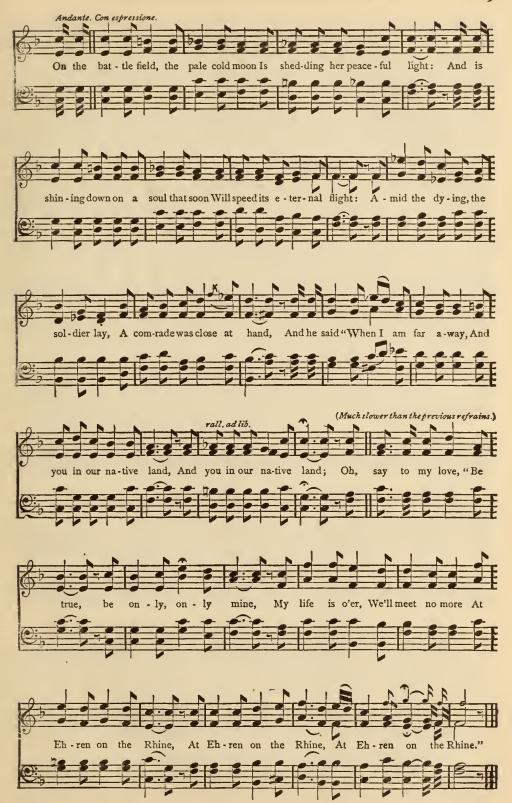
THE hymn, "From all that dwell below the skies," is Isaac Watts's version of the one hundred and seventeenth psalm. It is a brief rendering of the shortest chapter in the Bible, yet it is full of force and fervor. There is a charm in poetry and music which can never be exhausted, but by some it is not even realized. "An instance of this was witnessed," says G. J. Stevenson, "in a large school of poor children located at Lambeth Green, London. The day's work was done, the usual singing and prayer were over, and three hundred boys were expecting in a moment to be free from authority and at play. This psalm by Dr. Watts had been sung to the tune of the 'Portuguese Hymn.' The

master made a few remarks about the pleasure music produces and asked the children to try to sing the hymn again. They did so; it was done with care and much feeling. Again the request was preferred—would they like to sing it again? The reply from hundreds of voices was a simultaneous 'Yes.' It was repeated, if possible with increased delight to the boys. Then followed a few remarks about the music of Heaven, and how sweet it must be there, and the boys were asked if they had not felt more happy in that singing than if they had been at play. Another unanimous 'Yes,' and again they repeated the song until hymn and tune may have been fixed in their memories for life.'



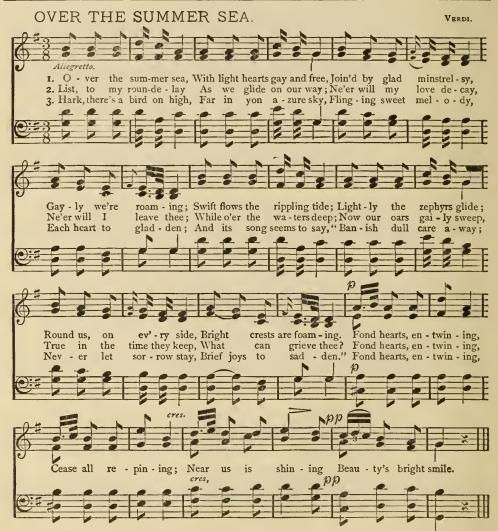






EARLY BEGINNINGS.—Nearly all the great masters were precocious in their abilities. Haydn began his career at the age of eight. When fifteen he had already developed much of the skill and independence for which he became famous. At that age he happened to hear of a vacancy in the choir of the church at Tell, and circumstances made him anxious to obtain the post. The choir-master, however, on receiving his application, refused to allow him to join the choir. Nevertheless, on the following Sunday, Haydn managed to smuggle himself into the choir, and sit next to the principal soloist. Just as this soloist rose to de-

liver himself of the solo, Haydn snatched the music from his hand, and at once began to sing it himself at sight. The church authorities were so electrified that they gave him a good sum of money as soon as the service was over. Beethoven, at fifteen, was one of the chief musicians under the Elector of Cologne. At four, Mozart could play freely on the harpsichord; at six he not only composed, but began to travel as a virtuoso. The Archbishop of Salzburg, a few years afterwards, would not believe that a child so young could of himself accomplish all he was accredited with. Accordingly, he shut him up in a cell with



pen, ink, paper, and the words for a mass. Within a weck the young prisoner produced a complete score for the inspection of the incredulous archbishop. The result of its performance was that the mass became a stock piece at the Salzburg Cathedral, while Mozart became the prelate's consert-meister, at the age of twelve. Mendelssohn was a noted improviser on the pianoforte at the age of eight. Schumann, as a school-boy, could at any time gather a knot of companions, who eagerly listened as he described their characters on the piano. Chopin did a still more

wonderful thing, when a boy in his father's school. Sonntag thought him such a miracle at ten, that she gave him a valuable gold watch as a token of admiration. At nine he was asked to assist at a public concert for the poor. He selected as his subject a difficult concerto, and was dressed by his mother like a little dandy for the occasion. After a great success, he went home to his mother, who asked him as she embraced him, what the public liked best. "Oh, mamma," said the unconscious young genius, "nobody could look at anything but my collar!"



We heard from a bright woman the other day the expression "a musical snob," and asked what it meant. "A musical snob, my dear, is one of the most insufferable of all snobs. I mean by it an imperfectly-educated amateur, a person who can perhaps play fairly well on some musical instrument, or can possibly sing without serious faults the ordinary run of songs one hears in the parlor or at an amateur concert. When such meagerly educated musicians claim 'to know all,' though they really know little more than nothing; when they profess to have no interest in 'popular music,' but dote on 'the classical;' when such

self-satisfied persons criticise every musician, affect to discover faults where others more competent to give an opinion are free to award credit—why, they are musical snobs, my dear, and the laughing stock of everybody who loves music. Such shallow frauds find fault with the programmes at the summer concerts because they are too light; such meretricious musicians affect to dislike Gericke, to sneer at Thomas, and to dote on Seidl. They can't bear to hear an Italian opera; they must have 'Varkner' or nothing. They like Von Bulow, hut 'can't hear' Krehs, and regard Carreno as a mere 'amateur.' They are wild



about the 'chello.' If they hear the 'crowd' praising a singer they immediately pounce on his or her 'style,' or 'phrasing,' or 'tones'—anything at all to make precious little knowledge pass as the dictum of an artist, a critic, or a lover of the 'best music.' A musical snob, my dear, is one of the most repulsive of its species, for it persists in pushing its snobbishness upon the sight and hearing of an abused and disgusted public. Be patient with the creature; may be it can't help it."

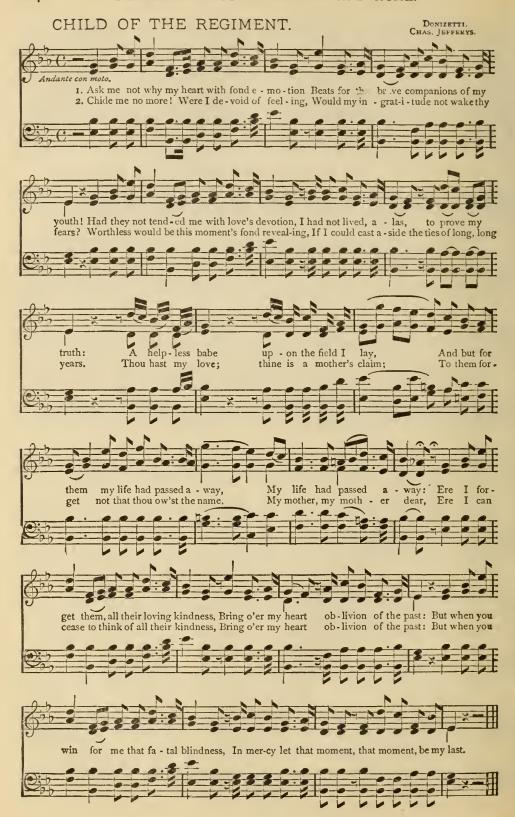
In the old humorous song here given, sing to first D. C. then repeat from the beginning, omitting the

part marked 1st time, passing to part marked 2d time, continue on to D. C. of this (second part) then repeat again from the beginning, omitting hoth first and second time parts, passing to third time, or new part, and so on. Observe that the motions are made only when the words describing the instruments are sung, as for example, at "Rub-a-dub," the roll of the drum is imitated, before and after which the arms and hands are motionless. At every D. C. let the arms fall. It represents a lively old fellow, a German musician, who is telling his friend Johnny Schmoker about the in-

struments upon which he can play, describing them by motions while he sings. When performed by a chorus, especially of men, the movements being in exact time and all together, the effect produced is unique and entertaining. The motions are made only when the words describing the instruments are sung, as for example at "Rub-a-dub-a-dub" the roll of the drum is imitated, beginning in the case of all the instruments with the first and ending exactly with the last word; of "Witty witty wink," the hands are placed as if playing the fife and the fingers only move; of "Ting ting ting," the right hand strikes three times

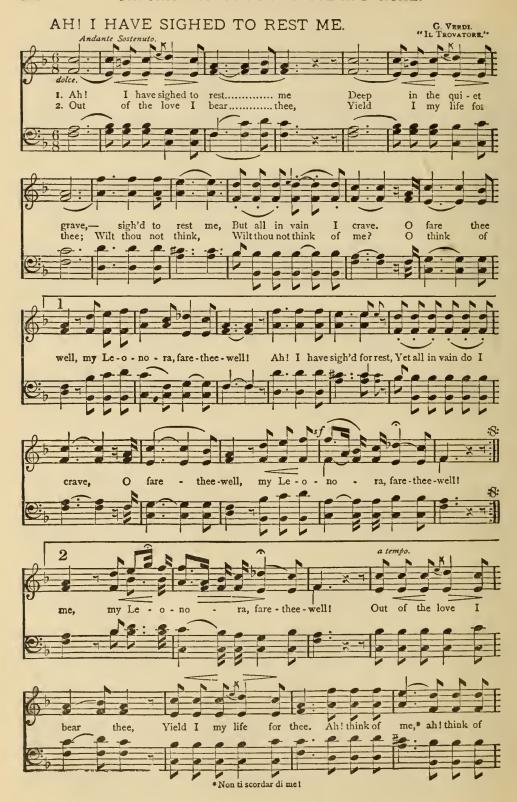
under the left as if playing the triangle; of "Boom boom boom," the hand is moved forward and back as if playing the trombone; and so on to the last, which is imitated by crooking both arms and striking with them against the sides as if playing the bagpipe. Observe that the singing in the case of some of the instruments is loud and of others soft; also, that the phrase where each instrument is first mentioned is repeated, and that the first movement which is sung when each instrument is introduced is (to save room) printed but once. The effect of this song with a company of children is highly amusing and greatly enjoyed.







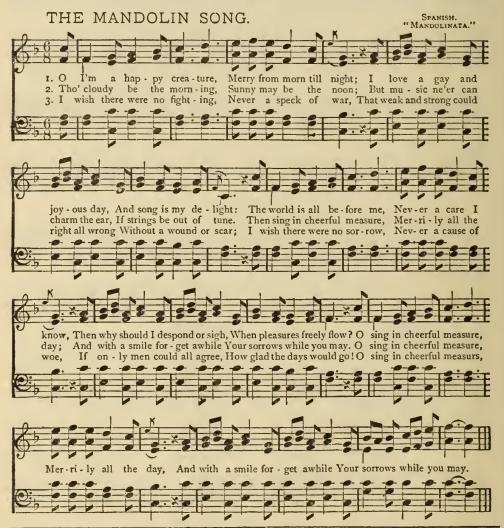
Heavenly music I can hear Falling on my raptured ear, When my baby's cooing voice, Makes the mother's heart rejoice. Since the Lord of Glory shares Such a form as baby wears, Every little child should be Vested with new sanctity. Twinkle brightly, stars of light, Christmas Eve is Baby's night; Sweet my darling, God is good, Thus to honor babyhood.





It is stated on what seems very good authority that stringed instruments were unknown among the American Indians and among the ancient Mexicans. The mandolin, which was introduced here by the Tipaldisa few years ago, has taken firm hold upon the affections of music-loving people of some localities, and many amateur clubs have been formed for the purpose of becoming efficient performers on this beautiful little instrument. Many people regard it as a very inferior instrument, but Beethoven did not think it beneath him to compose music for it. Only two varieties of mandolins have as yet been brought to this country,

the Milanese and the Neapolitan, having eight strinal although they are also made in Germany. The strings are of wire and are twanged with a plectrum, or pick, or tortoise shell, and it is said that it is not difficult to learn to play well on this instrument. The guitar seems to stand between the wooden sounds of the banjo and the tinkling of the mandolin, while its sweet sadness suggests more than any other instrument its appropriateness as an accompaniment while the voice sings love songs. The mandolin "craze" is regarded as a passing fancy, but the demand for guitars is constant and steady, and to-day, as it was nearly fifty years



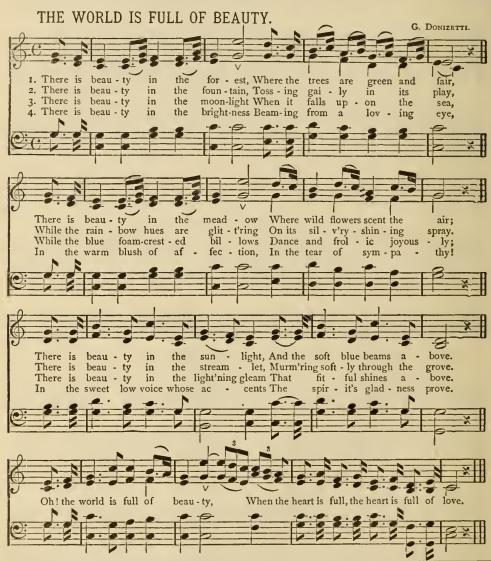
ago, the best instruction book is that written by Carulli. Another excellent one is by Carcassi, these two being the best published. The zither is fast becoming a dangerous rival to the above-named stringed instruments. Not so difficult as the harp, perhaps, but more difficult to play well than the banjo, mandolin, or guitar, the zither is so delightful when well played that the performer feels more than repaid for the time spent in practicing. This instrument was formerly supposed to have been invented by the ancient Greeks, but it is now generally conceded that it originated in the Tyrolese Alps or else in Southern Germany,

where it is very common. The name cithara has been applied to several stringed instruments of various forms, and was known as early as the ninth century in Germany. In its present form it is shaped not unlike a harp, has from thirty-one to forty-four strings, and, being laid on a properly constructed table, is played with both hands, a shield being worn on the thumb of the right hand. The zither embraces almost six octaves, and consequently is nearly equal to the piano in scope. The instrument which has forty-four strings is generally preferred by professional players, while amateurs use those having a less number.—Karl Mers.



Mendelssohn delighted in the open air and beautiful scenery. When he was twenty, he staid some time at Chester, in England. He loved afterward to tell of the charm which the meadow and brook, the trees and grass, had for him there. He spent much time sketching and painting; but his head was full of music, and everything suggested a musical idea to him. He was very fond of carnations, and he set a bunch of them to music in the album of a daughter of his host, with a drawing of the flowers over the

notes; not forgetting to set some delicate arpeggion in the music for the scent of the flowers. On seeing the younger sister with some bell-shaped flowers in the younger sister with some bell-shaped flowers in the trumpets, and he set them to a capriccio. He never tired of merry-making, and one afternoon towards dusk, he, with a number of young people, was one of a happy young company that was picnicking in a thicket. Some one gaily proposed a fire; and all began to drag the boughs and twigs into place.



so that they soon had a fine bonfire. While still lingering around it, Mendelssohn began to ask for some music, but nothing could be found save a worn-out fiddle of the gardener's. Mendelssohn, all undismayed, began to play, shouting with laughter at his performance; but soon there was a hush in the chat and sport, and the whole party sat spell-bound at the music which he drew from even that despised fiddle. He would sit for hours improvising dance-tunes, and liked nothing better than to entertain his friends with

his music. He always looked back on this visit to Chester as one of the brightest spots in a bright life.

IMMORTALITY! This master thought which should be most in our minds, ever present with us, is one to which millions seem never to give a passing moment of serious reflection. They are as their dogs and their horses. Of all human beings, the clergy not excepted, those in the educational work should ponder most this sublime truth, and make it familiar as their native air to the youth who are passing through the schools.









e" Petit blue"-Small country wine. *Uh-lan, light cavalry, of Tartar origin, armed with lance, pistol and sabre.



If we take this central image of Song, and ask why it is used to describe Heaven, the future of regenerated humanity, the answer would be—because of its fitness. If this final condition were defined in bare words, it would be as follows: Obedience, Sympathy, Feeling or Emotion, and Adoration. These, in a sense, constitute Heaven, or the state of regenerated humanity. By the consent of all ages, Heaven has been represented under a conception of music, and will be in all ages to come. It is subjected to many sneers, but the sneer is very shallow. The human mind must have some form under which it can think of its destiny. It is not content to leave it in vagueness.

It is a real world we are in, and we are real men and women in it. We dwell in mystery and within limtations, but over and above the mystery and the limitation is an indestructible sense of reality. I am, and I know that I am. Standing on this solid rock, I find reality about me, nor can I be persuaded that other beings and things are dreams or shadows. It is in my very nature to believe in reality, and so I demand definite conceptions, nor can I rest in vagueness or be content with formless visions and their abstractions. Thus the human mind has always worked and thus it always will work—leaving behind it the logicians and plodders in science, in the free exercise of the logic



of human nature. I do not absolutely know what sort of a world this will be when it is regenerated, but I must have some conception of it. I do not absolutely know what Heaven is like—it will be like only to itself—but if I think of it at all, I must do so under some present definite conception. The highest forms under which we can now think are art-forms—the proportion of statuary and architecture, color of painting, and music. The former are limited and address a mere sense of beauty, but music addresses the heart and has its vocation amongst the feelings and covers their whole range. Hence music has been

chosen to hold and express our conception of moral perfection. Nor is it an arbitrary choice, but it is made for the reasons that music is the utterance of the heart, it is an expression of morality, and it is an infinite language. Before the sneer at Heaven as a place of endless song can prevail, it must undo all this stout logic of the human heart. We so represent it because when we frame our conception of Heaven or moral perfection, we find certain things, and when we look into the nature and operations of music, we find again the same things, namely: Obedience, Sympathy, Emotion, Adoration.—Rev. T. T. Munger.



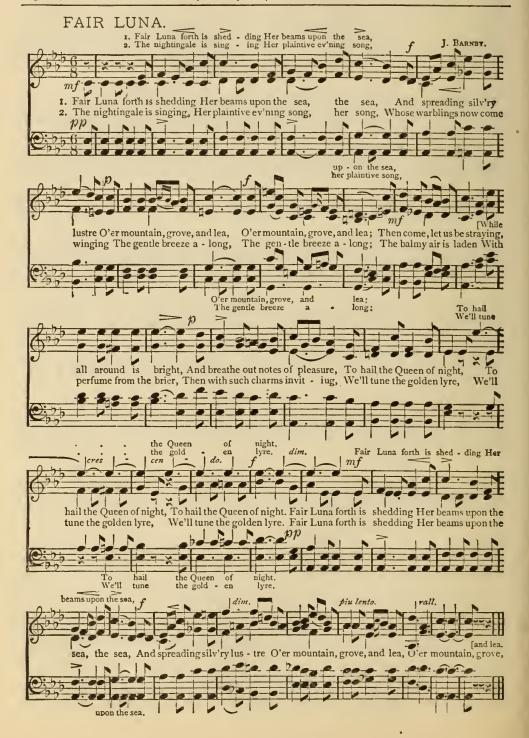






HYMNS are the exponents of the inmost piety of the Church. They are crystalline tears, or blossoms of joy, or holy prayers, or incarnated raptures. They are the jewels which the church has worn, the precious stones formed into amulets, more potent against sorrow and sadness than the most famous charms of wizard and magician, and he who knows the way that hymns

flowed knows where the blood of piety ran. I do not know of any steps now left on earth by which one may so soon rise above trouble or weariness as the verses and music of a hymn; and if the angels that Jacob saw sang when they appeared, then I know that the ladder he beheld was but the scale of divine music let down from Heaven to the earth.—II. W. Beccher.

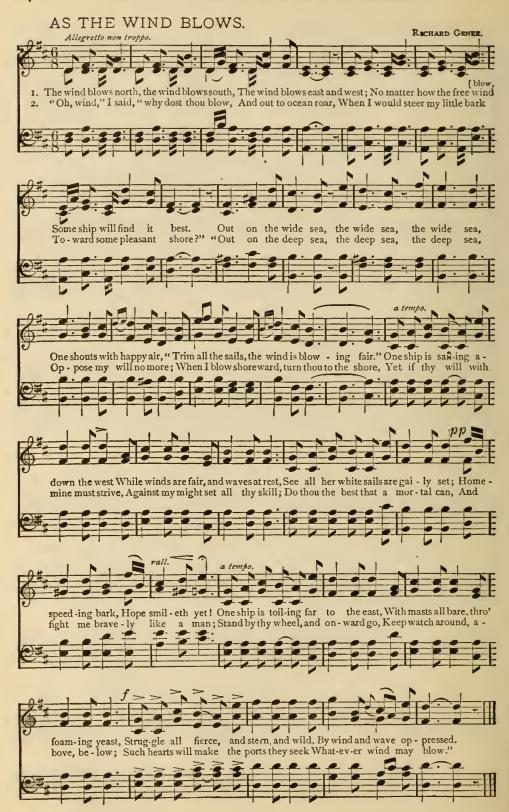




To the bare and rocky home, Where, above the wavelets' foam, While the old birds seaward roam, Live the young gulls merrily.

Smoke and thunder fill the air, And the gulls cry piteously.

"Hark!" the old birds say, "beware, When the smoke has cleared away, For we think there's danger near." "Are our darlings safe?" they say. "Ah, not one is hurt to-day!" Cry the sea-gulls joyously.





Another grand voice of nature is the thunder. Ignorant people often have a vague idea that thunder is produced by the clouds knocking together, which is very absurd, if you remember that clouds are but waterdust. The most probable explanation of thunder is much more beautiful than this. Heat forces the air-atoms apart. Now, when a flash of lightning crosses the sky, it suddenly expands the air all round it as it passes, so that globe after globe of sound-waves is formed at every point across which the lightning travels. Light travels

so rapidly (192,000 miles in a second) that a flash of lightning is seen by us and is over in a second, even when it is two or three miles long. But sound comes slowly, taking five seconds to travel a mile, and so all the sound-waves at each point of the two or three miles fall on our ear one after the other, and make the rolling thunder. Sometimes the roll is made even longer by the echo, as the sound-waves are reflected to and fro by the clouds on their way; and in the mountains we know how the peals echo and re-echo until they die away.



"WE have selected music," says Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, in his preface to the Plymouth Collection, "with reference to the wants of families, of social meetings, and of the lecture-room, as well as of the great congregation. But the tunes are chiefly for congregational singing. We have gathered up whatever we could find of merit, in old or new music, that seemed fitted for this end. Not the least excellent are the popular revival melodies, which, though they have been often excluded from classic collections of music, have

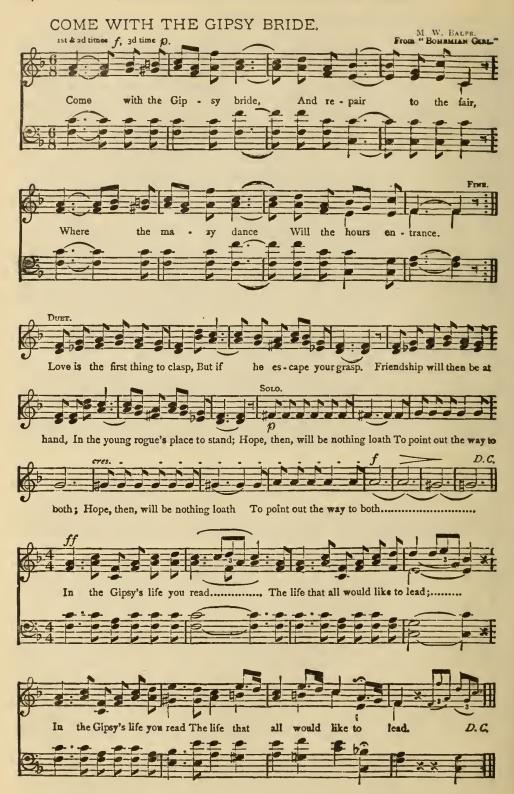
never been driven out from among the people. These have been gathered up, and fitly arranged, having already performed most excellent service. They are now set forth with the best of all testimonials—the affection and admiration of thousands who have experienced their inspiration. Because they are home-bred and popular, rather than foreign and stately, we like them none the less. And we cannot doubt that many of them will carry up to heaven the devout fervor of God's people until the millennial day."



For her my tears shall fall, For her my prayers ascend; Till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy, I prize her heavenly ways, To her my cares and toils be given, Hersweet communion, solemn vows, Her hymns of love and praise.

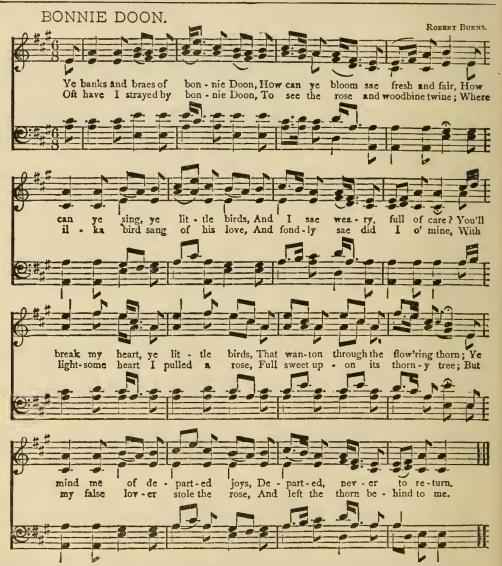
Sure as Thy truth shall last, To Zion shall be given The brightest glories earth can yield, And brighter bliss of Heaven.





The music of church bells has become a matter of poetry. I remember, though somewhat imperfectly, a touching story connected with the church bells of a town in Italy, which had become famous all over Europe for their peculiar solemnity and sweetness. They were made by a young Italian artisan, and were his heart's pride. During the war, the place was sacked, and the bells carried off no one knew whither. After the tumult was over, the poor fellow again returned to his work; but it had been the solace of his

life to wander about at evening, and listen to the chimes of his bells; and he grew dispirited and sick, and pined for them till he could no longer bear it, and left his home, determined to hear them once again before he died. He went from land to land, stopping in every village, till the hope that alone sustained him began to falter, and he knew, at last, that he was dying. He lay, one evening, in a boat that was slowly floating down the Rhine, almost insensible, and scarce expecting to see the sun rise again, that was now set-



ting gloriously over the vine-covered hills of Germany. Presently, the vesper bells of a distant village began to ring, and as the chimes stole faintly over the river with the evening breeze, he started from his lethargy. He was not mistaken. It was the deep, solemn, heavenly music of his own bells; and the sounds that he had been thirsting for years to hear, were melting over the water. He leaned from the boat, with his ear close to the calm surface of the river, and listened. They rung out their hymn, and ceased; and he still

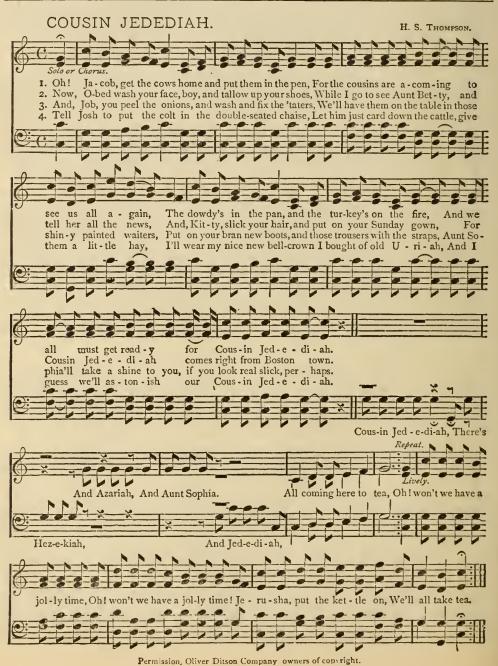
lay motionless in his painful posture. His companion spoke to him, but he gave no answer; his spirit, in the glad requiem of the beloved bells, had followed the last sound of the vesper chime.— Willis.

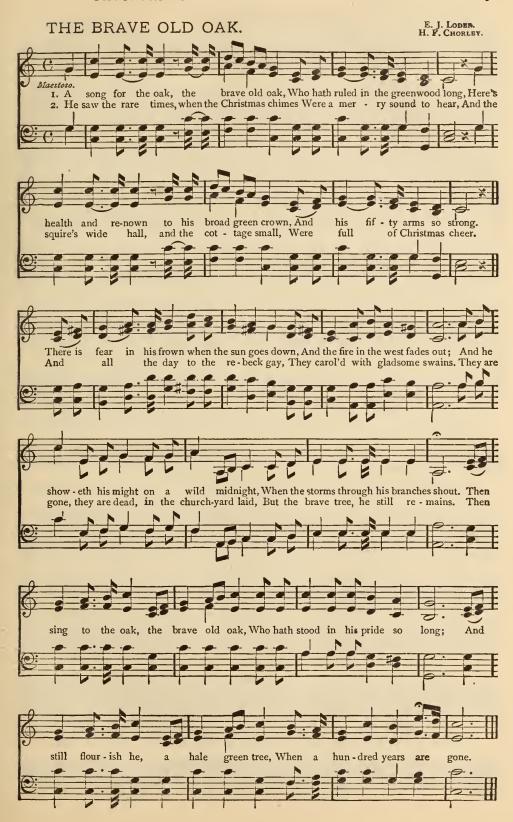
Harmonious words render ordinary ideas acceptable; less ordinary, pleasant; novel and ingenious ones, delightful. As pictures and statues, and living beauty too, show better by music-light, so is poetry irradiated, vivified, glorified, and raised into immortal life by the influence of harmony.—Landor.

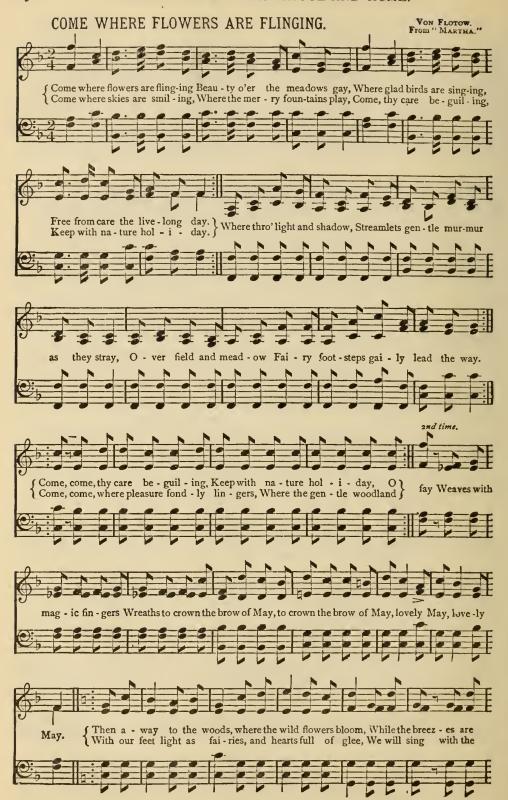


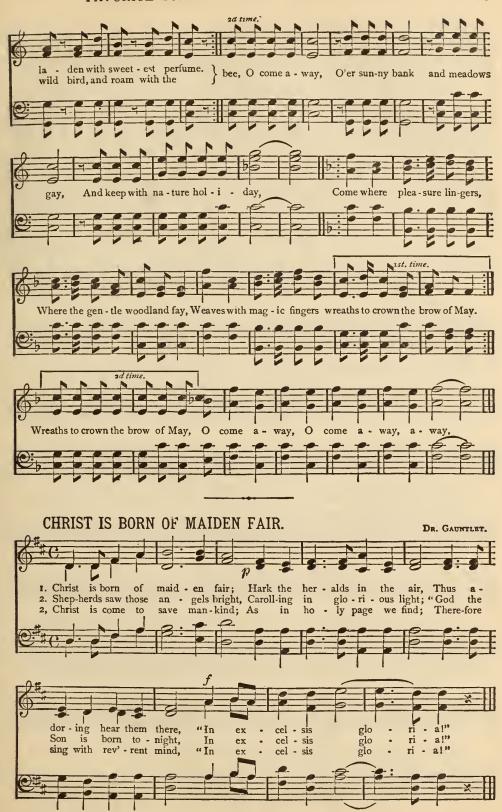
THERE is no subject taught to which the principles of objective teaching can be more easily or more successfully applied than that of music. The actual objects of thought are always at hand. Sounds must be as clearly presented and named to the mind as colors. Music stands sadly in need of teaching-power. In our schools music should be taught in its simplicity as an art, and not in its complexity as a science. It can be so simplified and symmetrically arranged that the teaching ability of the regular teacher, who knows little of it as a science, can be employed. Skillful supervision will always be in demand; but while music is regarded as a special study, to be taught only by spe-

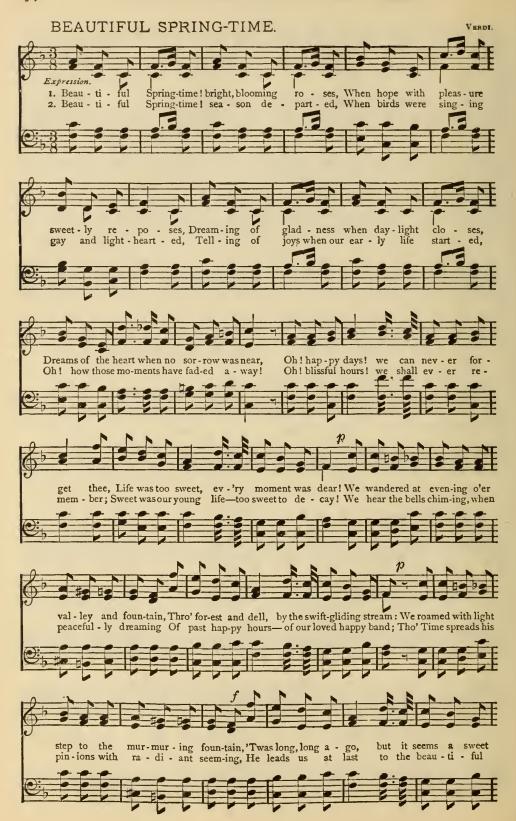
cial teachers, the best results will not be obtained. In training children to think sounds in pitch, we must work with the real sounds continually. If we would train children to sing in time, we must first teach them to think and feel the rhythm accurately. The real objects of thought in rhythm are pulsations or accents that must be felt and cannot be conveyed to the mind thro' the eye. Pulsations and the different combinations of lengths of sounds must be indicated to the mind thro' the senses of hearing and feeling, and there is no other way. The quality of musical food given to children to develop a true musical taste is important. They should become familiar with all harmonies by singing them.













ORIENTAL Music.—The music of the ancient Egyptians has survived by tradition, as has also their language—many of the words and phrases which are carved in phonetic hieroglyphics still being heard in the mouths of the Copts, and even borrowed by their Arab conquerors. Hebrew music could have no other source than from the music of Egypt. The present practitioners of music in the East have no musical notation, and even express astonishment at the idea of musical notes being represented on paper. They are ignorant, and their profession is held in much discredit. The use of music is forbidden by the Koran, although, as if in defiance of its own precept, the Koran itself is chanted. The history of Arabian

music has its marvels and its miracles, like that of all ancient nations. Such is the enthusiasm of the nations of the East for music, that, to give an idea of its power, they have all had recourse to fiction—yet the profession of musician is considered disgraceful amongst the Arabs. Eminent musicians have seized with avidity every opportunity of endeavoring to make themselves practically and experimentally aequainted with the insurmountable difficulties of the Eastern music, and have labored, without much success, to represent it by the intervals of our scale. The singularity of their music consists principally in this, that each note is divided into three parts: that is, the progression is by intervals equal each to about



one-third of a diatonic interval in our scale, so that the octave consists of eighteen notes instead of thirteen. The running up their scale has no other effect upon a western ear than that of a slide of the voice, or such an effect as is produced by sliding the finger along a violin string. M. Fétis speaks of the music of the Arabs as the most singular, the least rational, which exists in respect to the formation of the musical scale. A French musician, he tells us, discovered that the disagreeable sensation which he experienced from the song of an Arab proceeded from this cause, namely, that the division of the scale of sounds had no analogy with that to which he was accustomed. This scale, so singular and eccentric to us, so natural to the

car of the inhabitants of a great part of Africa and Asia, is divided into thirds of tones, in such a manner that instead of containing the usual sounds in the extent of an octave, it admits eighteen. It is certain that these people have no idea of harmony; they know nothing whatever beyond the rude melody. "I knew in Paris," says the writer just quoted, "an Arab who was passionately fond of the Marseillaise, and who often asked me to play that air for him on the piano; but when I attempted to play it with its harmony, he stopped my left hand and said, 'No, not that air; only the other;' my bass was to his ear a second air, which prevented his hearing the Marseillaise. Such is the effect of education on the organs of sense."—Moore.



ALL true arts are expressive, but they are diversely so. Take music; it is, without contradiction, the most penetrating, the profoundest, the most intimate art. There is, physically and morally, between a sound and the soul a marvellous relation. It seems as though the soul were an echo in which the sound takes a new power. Extraordinary things are recounted of the ancient music, and it must not be believed that the greatness of effect supposes here very complicated means. No, the less noise music makes the more

it touches. Give some notes to Pergolese, give him especially some pure and sweet voices, and he returns a celestial charm, bears you away into infinite spaces, plunges you into ineffable reveries. The peculiar power of music is to open to the imagination a limitless career, to lend itself with astonishing facility to all the moods of each one, to arouse or calm, with the sounds of the simplest melody, our accustomed sentiments, our favorite affections. In this respect music is an art without a rival, tho' not the first of arts.— V. Cousin.



Music pays for the immense power that has been given it; it awakens more than any other art the sentiment of the infinite, because it is vague, obscure, indeterminate in its effects. It is just the opposite art to sculpture, which bears less towards the infinite, because everything in it is fixed with the last degree of precision. Such is the force, and at the same time the feebleness, of music, that it expresses everything and expresses nothing in particular. Sculpture, on the contrary, scarcely gives rise to any reverie, for it clearly represents such a thing, and not such another.

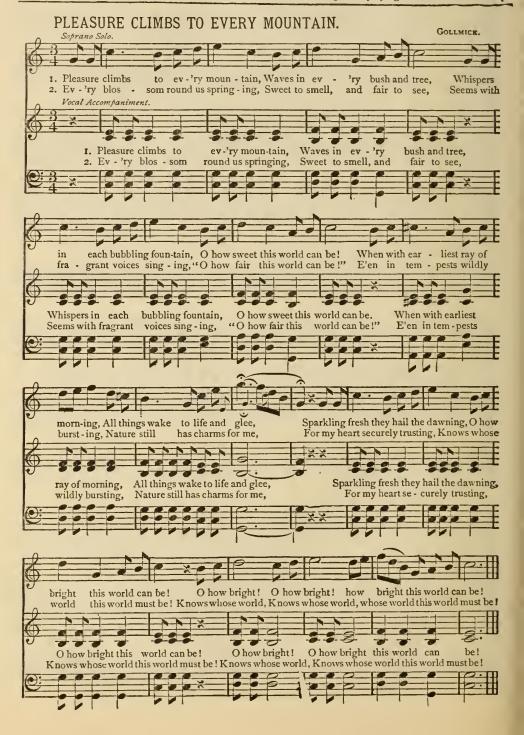
Music does not paint; it touches; it puts in motion imagination—not the imagination that reproduces images, but that which makes the heart beat, for it is absurd to limit imagination to the domain of images. The heart, once touched, moves all the rest of our being; thus music, indirectly, and to a certain point, can recall images and ideas; but its direct and natural power is neither on the representative imagination nor is it upon the intelligence; it is on the heart, and that is an advantage sufficiently beautiful.—Victor Cousin.

Music, the medicine of the breaking heart.—Hunt.

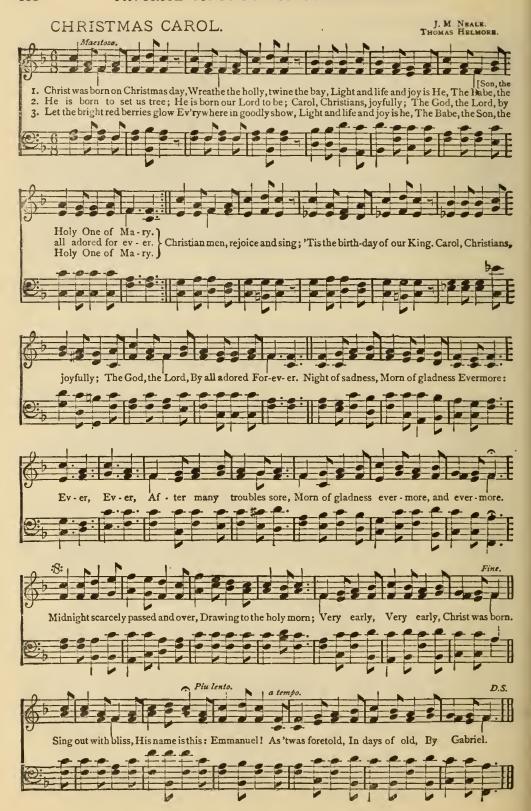


THE one instrument that comes nearest the voice in its ability to interpret musical expression is not the piano, but the violin. The piano is only an improved harp. Heretofore young girls have spent laborious years in learning how to play the piano, an accomplishment difficult to acquire, and requiring incessant practice to retain proficiency. But there has been a change lately that may make the violin as popular

among women as the piano has been. Thousands of girls are now learning how to finger the strings. The mastery of the violin is easier to obtain than that of the piano, and does not require so much strength of hand and wrist. The delicate fingering it involves is just what girls can more easily learn. It is no novelty for women, for the painters of the middle ages represented the angels as playing on viols as well as harps.









Boys and girls, both young and older grown, do not miss this secret of happiness for yourselves and others: Be kind—and show your love now! Do not wait until some late to-morrow; or until the eclipse of death has come to eyes that now beam with a light clear and bright and tender. One day I met my father on the road to town. "I wish you would take this package to the village for me, Jim," he said hesitatingly. Now, I was a boy of twelve, not fond of work, and just out of the hay-field, tired and hungry. It was two miles into town. I wanted to get my supper and to dress for singing class. My first impulse was to refuse and to do it harshly, for I was vexed that he should ask me after my long day's work. If I did refuse, he would go himself. He was a gentle, patient old man. But something stopped me—one of God's good angels, I

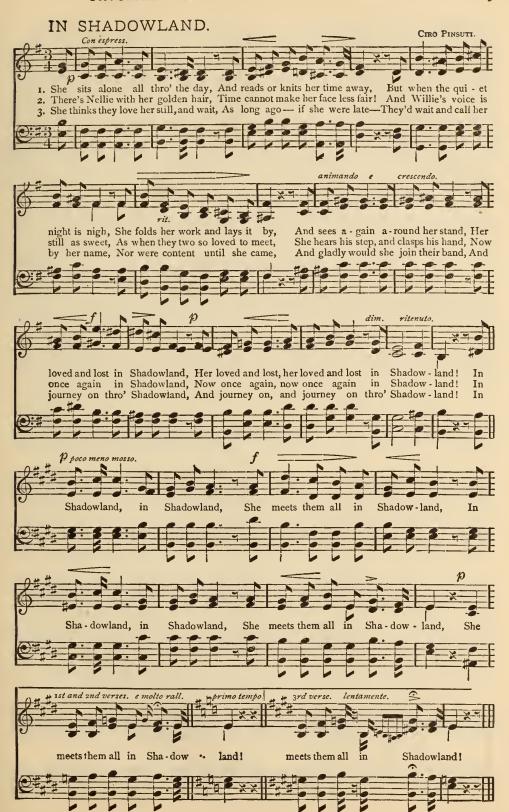
think. "Of course, father, I'll take it," I said heartily, giving my scythe to one of the men. He gave me the package. "Thank you, Jim," he said; "I was going myself, but somehow I don't feel very strong to-day." He walked with me to the road that turned off to town, and as he left he put his hand on my arm saying, "Thank you, my son. You've always been a good boy to me, Jim." I hurried into town and back again. When I came near the house, I saw a crowd of farmhands at the door. One of them came to me, the tears rolling down his face. "Your father!" he said. "He fell dead just as he reached the house. The last words he spoke were to you." I am an old man, now, but I have thanked God over and over again, in all the years that have passed since that hour; and those last words were, "You've always been a good boy to me."



The hands are such dear hands; they are so full; they turn at our demands so often; they reach out, with trifles scarcely thought about, so many times; they do so very many things for me, for you—if their fond wills mistake we may well bend, not break. They are such fond, frail lips that speak to us. Pray, if love strips them of discretion many times, or if they speak too slow or quick, such things we may pass by; for we may see days not far off when those small words may be held not as slow, or quick, or out of place, but dear, because the lips are no more here. They are such dear, familiar feet that go along the path with ours—feet fast or slow, and trying to keep pace—if they mistake, or tread upon some flower that we would

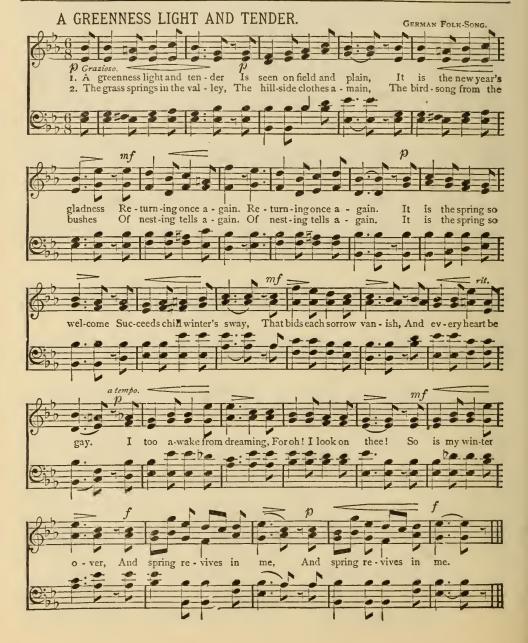
take upon our breast, or bruise some reed or crush poor Hope until it bleed, we may be mute, not turning quickly to impute grave fault: for they and we have such a little way to go—can be together such a little while along the way—we will be patient while we may. So many little faults we find; we see them, for not blind is Love. We see them; but if you and I perhaps remember them some by-and-by they will not be faults then—grave faults—to you and me, but just odd ways—mistakes, or even less—remembrances to bless.

Days change so many things—yes, hours; We see so differently in suns and showers. Mistaken works to-night May be so cherished by to-morrow's light, We may be patient; for we know There's such a little way to go.



A FALSE view of life is our radical defect. Our political problems always hinge on some money problem, our educational system looks primarily to the fitting of men for money-getting, for our young men even success means riches, and our very worship implies that the poor are unfit for the kingdom of Heaven. Thus we lose sight of man and think only of money; increase our wealth, while faith and hope and love and intelligence diminish. We build great cities to be inhabited by little men, are keen to drive a bargain and slow to recognize a noble man. We have eyes for bank notes, and move dumb and unraised beneath the starlit heavens. If it were possible that a great philosopher or poet should arise among us, some foreigner would have to point him out to

us; but we know our own, our men of boundless wealth, whom we envy and despise. So long as our whole national life-struggle continues to be carried on around this single point of finance, what hope is there of avoiding fatal conflicts? The rich will worship their god Mammon alone, and the poor will plot and scheme to shatter the idol; and mechanical contrivances, such as arbitration boards and legislative enactments, will leave the root of the evil untouched. It is essential that we should know that the real and final test of a government, as of a religion, is the kind of man, and not the amount of money, it produces. We must return to the ideals of our forefathers, who preferred freedom, intelligence and strength to wealth.—Bishop Spaulding.





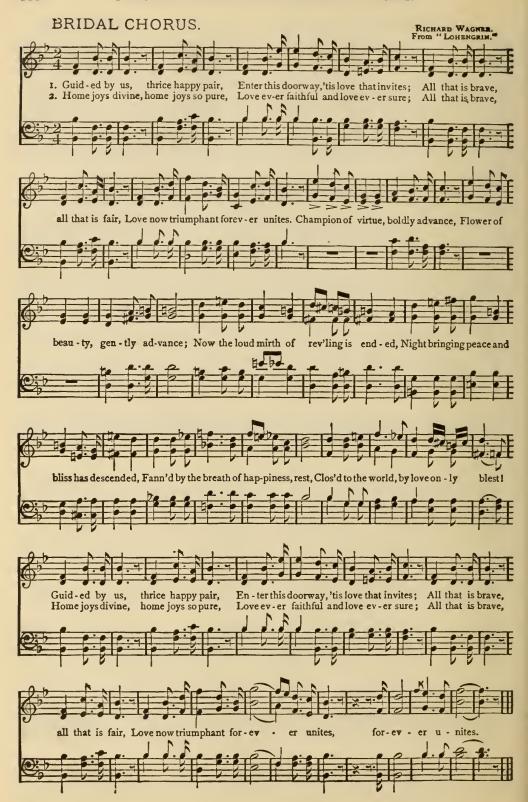
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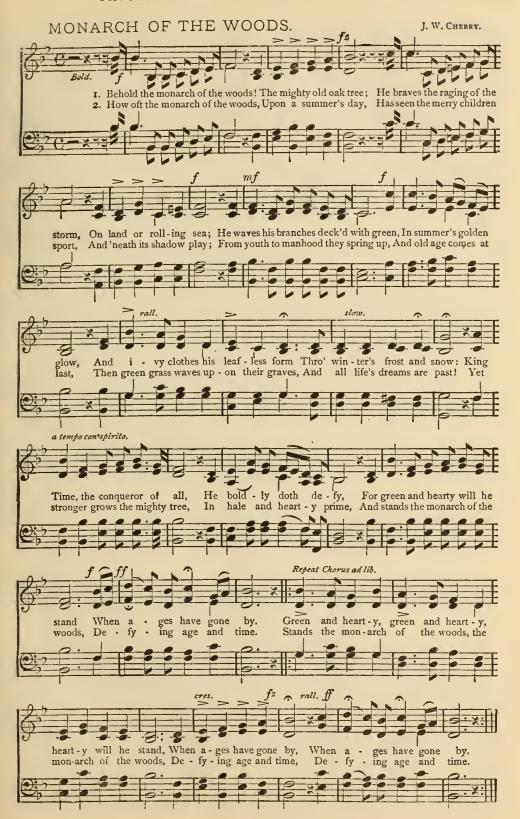
Would bless life's darkest hour,

And made a friend sincere.

The face you wear, the tho'ts you

A heart may heal or break. [bring,





EARLY IMPRESSIONS.—Much stress should be laid upon the fact that the youthful memory, being exteceedingly tenacious, impressions made upon the child are likely to be indelible. The great incidents in the history of the Israelites were woven into song, and these eucharistic epics were required to be diligently taught to their children. So, in the present day, the simple doctrines and thrilling events of Christianity should be wrought into verse and impressed upon the mind of the teacher by the power of music. Truths thus inculcated will cling to the soul forever. We all know that cherished memories

of home and friends are ours with such enduring vividness that the record can never be effaced. But in all the reminiscences of days gone by there is nothing that so haunts the spirit as the songs to which we were accustomed in childhood. The sweet tones of a mother's voice will live and speak in the heart long after the voice has been hushed to silence. The recollection of the hymns which were first heard amid the throng of worshipers in the city, or in the embowered country church, will remain in morning freshness long after the sanctuary has mouldered into ruins. We may cross oceans, and wander in foreign



climes; the erect frame may be bowed with the weight of years, and raven ringlets may be changed to locks of snowy whiteness; but the old homesongs heard in the distance in the still morning, or sung by ourselves in some calm hour of reflection, or by the home-circle on a winter's evening, will bring around us the friends and the scenes of other days and of far-off lands; and while the dim eye of age sparkles with unwonted brilliancy, the heart will beat with the buoyancy of early youth. It is not at all improbable that the songs learned in the nur-

sery, or around the fireside, will be used by the Holy Spirit in after years as the means of conversion to a better life, it may be, to our final salvation from endless ruin. On the contrary, bacchanalian or ribald songs, which are apt to be learned and used by those who are unaccustomed to religious melodies, are, in the hands of the Destroyer, a potent means of ruin. Shall we quietly allow this tremendous power to pass into the hands of the enemy, or shall we not eagerly seize upon it as our lawful right, and wield it for the good of our race and the glory of our God?—Service of Song.



FAITH and hope and love are the only cternal things. These are the three eternal elements of man's being. Cultivate kindness of heart here and there. You must do this in reference to the good time coming. You must always be looking forward to something better. If we do not look forward, we fail in one of the requisites of immortal being. Hope and love and faith must be trained, or no man can come into closer relations with God. We must not keep religion for Sunday, and ignore it the other

six days. We must saturate ourselves and our work with religion. God's children we are all the time. You can pull a boat, or practice at a piano, or take the baby to ride, with that same spirit with which an archangel goes to his duties. We should make life a joy, moving and being in God and for God. I have not spoken to you as students, but as children of a common Father, who gives us strength, and leads us, one step at a time, forward if we will, to the empire of perfect life.—Rev. Edward Everett Hale.





Ne'er since the world began
Angels of God
Music so sweet to man
Sounded abroad;
On that auspicious morn,
Changing our state forlorn,
Christ as a babe was born,
Jesus the Lord!

Well might the tidings told, Chorns unseen, Waken your harps of gold, Wondrous their sheen!

Sweet rang your minstrelsy, "Glory to God on high!"

"Peace on earth," amnesty,
"Good-will towards men!"

Well might the Shepherds haste,
Eager as we,
Ere yet the night was past,
This sight to see;
Where light the meteor shed,
Well might the Magi tread,
Joyful, the path that led,
Saviour, to Thee!

The voice glides on at its own sweet will in speaking, obeying no rule whatever, whilst in song it springs or drops from one tone to the next over strictly measured gaps. In singing, short syllables are lengthened out and cease in fact to be short, and, except in certain kinds of dramatic singing and in recitative, the accent naturally falls on the vowels and not on the consonants. In speaking, only the lower third of the voice is employed as a rule, whilst in singing the greatest effect is generally produced, except in the case of contraltos

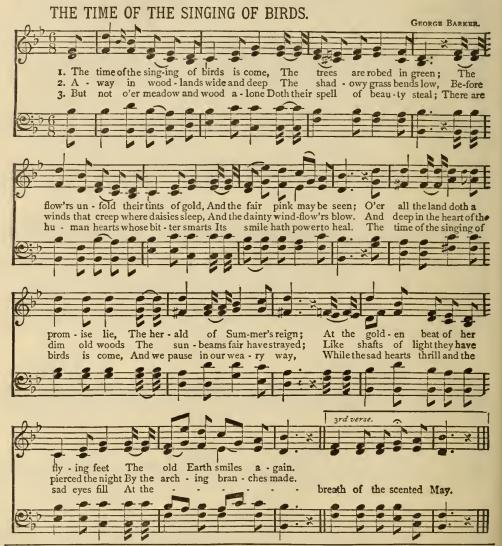
and basses, by the use of the upper and middle notes. In speech the range of tone, even in the most excitable persons, hardly ever exceeds half an octave; in singing the average compass is two octaves. Singing tends to preserve purity of language, the rules which govern the utterance of every note also affecting the articulate element combined with it and keeping the words cast in fixed forms—a stereotype of sound, if I may venture the metaphor. Speech, on the other hand, like handwriting, is always changing.—Sir Morell Mackenzie.





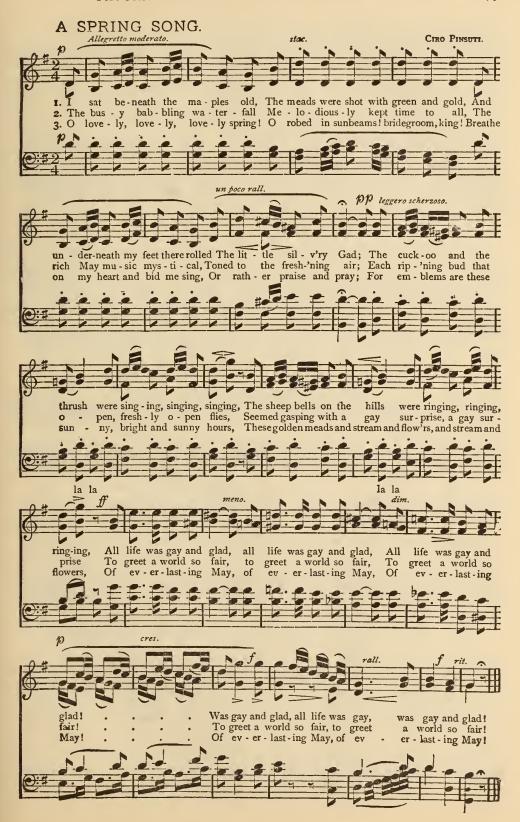
THE Dark Angel of Death was standing outside the musician's door, for little Anita, Maestro Narditti's child, was fading away; no tears, no prayers, could avail, not even Carissima's lovely voice. Carissima's voice was hushed; the Maestro had no heart to take up his dearly-loved violin and play to soothe his sorrow, as he had done many years ago when his wife died and left this little one behind. Heaven had given him the divine gift of genius and had bidden him call aloud to the world. So Carissima and he had played aloud together through

sickness, through sorrow and success, and through all the changing scenes of life they had been faithful friends. They had just come back from the crowded hall; the people said that never before had the Maestro played so beautifully, and that never before had the violin's voice sounded so mournful and pathetic. Well, you see, they did not know the reason, but we do; for both were thinking of the little dying girl, and how could their thoughts be anything but sorrowful, or the outward expression of those thoughts be anything but mournful? The father was



weeping by his child's bedside. But she said, "Do not weep, sing to me—sing me to sleep, for I am so weary, dear father, and the evening has been so long without thee." Then he rose and he played to her, and she closed her eyes and listened happily to Carissima's voice. It sang a song without words—the music alone told the tale—of a pure young life, too pure for earth, and therefore to be taken away to that fair land where only the good and pure and true dwell. Yet it was hard to leave the earth, harder still to leave the dear ones behind, and to know that

they would be desolate; and here the violin's voice sobbed and trembled as if from sorrow, and the melody came sadder and softer, as describing the very parting which was soon to take place; then the lingering notes died away, and the Maestro's hand was still. "Is that all?" murmured the child; "oh, play again." Once more, and the air resounded with a psalm of triumph—the same melody, but no longer soft or sad, for the gates of that Fair Land were opened wide, and amidst this jubilant strain the child had passed away with the Angel of Death.—Belgravia.



WE are inclined to think that all the great violins of the famous makers are well known. Most of the celebrated instruments are given names of distinction, such as the Yellow Stradivarius, the Blood Red Knight Guarnerius, the De Beriot Magini, the Gencral Kidd Stradivarius Violoncello, the Servais Stradivarius Violoncello, and others. The reason why Italian instruments are so superior to all others must be ascribed to their exquisite make, the careful adjust-

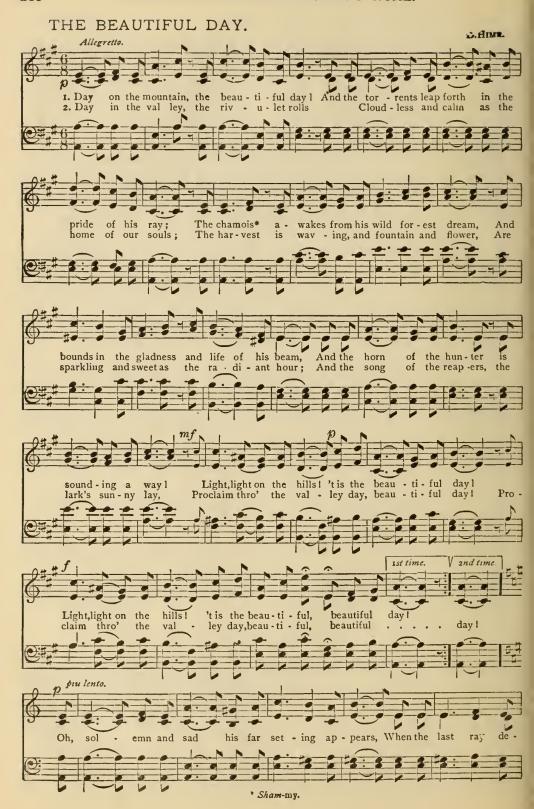
ment of the various thicknesses of wood and the varnish, the secret of which appears gone for ever. Perhaps another reason may be named in the wood being so ripe and dry as to permit free vibration. The Cremonese obtained their color in oil. The moderns get it in spirit, which imparts a hardness to the tone. Compare a Cremona with the German and other imitations. The former is mellow and rich—the latter too often flinty and harsh. This arises no doubt



from the varnish, which, including the color, it seems impossible to imitate. None of the famous makers seem to have adhered to one color only. Now a fine violin appears of a deep, rich yellow, almost approaching orange; another is a fine red, liaving something of a most lovely light cherry tint; again, these colors are mixed by the best makers with amber varnish of the purest and clearest consistency, and both colors

and varnish are perfectly free from that clouded appearance which so often disfigures modern instruments. The effect is that of perfect transparency. You look at a clear, perfect, rich color, as it were, through the purest crystal. This is one of the certain indications of a genuine instrument. The moderns, as has been said, seem unfortunately to have lost the secret of making this lovely, transparent, clear-colored varnish.







THE matinee programme was made up of quiet things from Schumann, "Songs without words" from Mendelssohn, and like selections. But two names appeared upon it—those of Von Bulow and a singer unknown to us. "Thou'rt like unto a flower" was the one song announced—we can almost see the programme—and when it came it was but a single verse. But what a verse, as Lizzie Cronyn sang it to Von Bulow's accompaniment! Again and again—three times she sang it, until a sense of courtesy compelled the large audience to forbear further calls upon the singer. Twice afterwards we went a long distance to the great pianist's

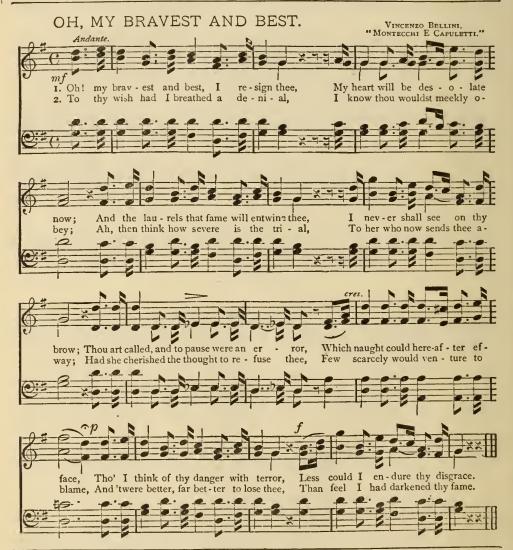
concerts, in the hope of again hearing this one song. Each time she sang it again and again, to the delight of an appreciative audience. It is one of the perfect bits of work we recall, in a long experience of the concert and operatic stage, taking rank—in our enjoyment on first hearing it, and the pleasure with which we have since remembered it—along with Nilsson's "Angels ever bright and fair," Patti's "Home, sweet home," Scalchi's "It is better to laugh than be sighing," "The last rose of summer," as an Italian prima donna once sang it, and some other things, the memory of which is always pleasure unalloyed, a delight pure and simple.





THE mistake has been made in teaching music, that the names of the characters representing music have been taught first, instead of music itself. To little children, and even to children of a larger growth, it thus becomes dry and uninteresting; but if we reverse the process and teach music first and the names of characters incidentally, the work may be a constant delight and much valuable time will be saved. Mr. Holt does not claim to have invented anything, but simply to have discovered that the educational principles which underlie the true teaching of any other subject can be

applied to music. He has discovered a method of presentation according to such principles that any one having teaching ability can successfully lead even the little child of five years to a surprising knowledge of music, provided only that the teacher has at the outset the musical ability to sing the scale. In order to become a musical nation we must have music taught in the public schools, and the daily work must be done by the regular teachers with special supervision at certain intervals. The only rote lesson in the whole course is the first—the teaching of the scale, which is taken



as the unit of thought in tune. Aside from this there is no imitation. It is a system of much thinking. Time and tune are taught separately, the whole measure being taken as the unit in tune. He has taught what not to teach, and has stripped music of the technicalities and enigmas which have been a bugbear to so many. He has shown—what has been proved in many schools—that it is as easy for children to read in one key as in another. There are no difficulties in the representation of music. One strong point is that practically but one cale is taught in different positions. The syllables are

used simply as a means to an end, and are soon dropped. They are valuable in elementary work if used within certain limits. It can only be said that their use is better than none, since they bring up quickly the characteristic quality of the intervals. All music is written upon the basis of tone relation and these syllables aid the mind somewhat to grasp the idea of this relation of sounds.

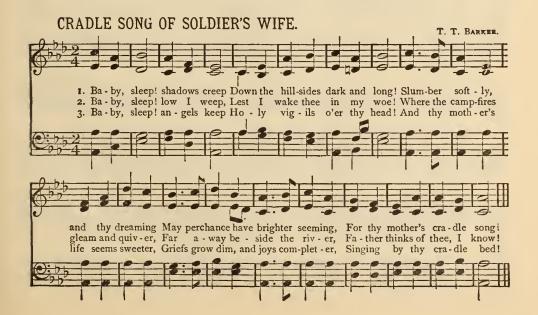
The musical tones which can be used with advantage, and have clearly distinguishable pitch, have between forty and four thousand vibrations in a second, extending over a range of seven octaves.—Helmholtz.



Beautiful hands are those that do Work that's earnest and brave and true. Moment by moment the long day through.

Beautiful feet are those that go On kind ministry to and fro, Down lowliest ways if God wills it so. Beautiful shoulders are those that bear Ceaseless burdens of homely care, With patient grace and daily prayer.

Beautiful lives are those that bless— Sweet, silent rivers of happiness, Whose hidden fountains but few may guess.



Besides indifference there is no doubt that music has had to suffer much from the lofty contempt with which she and her votaries have been treated by those who professed to have a claim to distinction in other walks. True, since the days of that offensive and priggish nobleman, Lord Chesterfield, things have greatly changed. Eton, Harrow, Rugby-all the great schools-have now their masters for music on the same footing as the other instructors. Go into the officers' quarter in barracks, and you will find pianofortes, violins and violoncellos, and lying about there will be good music. Amateur societies flourish, which bring rich and poor together. The Duke of Edinburg told me that he had a complete string quartet among the officers on his ship—all these things point a great reaction in the feelings of the professional classes towards music. But much of the old leaven remains, and one of the most

objectionable developments is a curious affectation of ignorance on the part of many men of position in the political and scientific world, as if music were too trivial a matter for their lofty intellects to take notice of. At any great meeting on the subject of music, archbishops, judges, politicians, financiers-each one who rises to speak-will deprecate any knowledge of music with a smug satisfaction, like a man disowning poor relations. I am not here to explain why music should be cultivated, nor to apologize to superior-minded persons for its existence, nor to speak humbly and with bated breath of its merits; but I claim for it boldly and proudly its place amongst the great things and the great influences in the world; and can but express pity for those ignorant and stupid enough to deny its importance in the world and in history, and to look upon it as a mere family pastime fit only for women and children.-Arthur Sullivan.





Then the Moon her brightness veiled 'Neath the clouds which o'er her sailed; Gathered clouds both great and small Turning light to darkness all.

Little hare then went to bed, Coat and shoes placed by his head, Laid him down in moss so bright, Soundly slept till morning light. A GRAND mistake of the old reasoners in their arguing for the goodness of God, was that they tried to prove that in the world there is more evidence of design for happiness than there is of design for pain. Now that position can not be maintained. There is just as much evidence of a design to produce pain as to produce pleasure. For every adaptation of pleasure that you will show me I will undertake to show you one for pain. This life is clearly rudimentary. Men are here to be hammered into something of worth in the next state of existence. Pleasure is to be desired, or expected, but as incidental. Earth is not the place for pleasure. It is the place where men are fashioned for eternity. A piano factory is not the place to go in order to hear music. Suppose a man were to start for some great piano manufactory with the expectation of

being enchanted when there by innumerable Thalbergs. He goes along dreaming of the divine harmonies which will greet him when he approaches the place where these sweet-toned instruments are made. He anticipates as much more of delight than Thalberg had given him, as there are more instruments in the factory than were on the boards of the concert hall. "I am going to the place where all those pianos are made," he says, as he hastens on. "They turn out hundreds of them in a day. Oh! how will all sweet, bewildering sounds entrance my senses when I draw near. Hymns and songs of never-wearying melody will sing out to me from every door and window." He comes in sight of the building, and instead of hymns and choral melodies, he hears harsh noises. There are heavy poundings, gratings, sawings, and raspings. There are legs,



uncouth and clumsy to be worked into proper size and gracefulness. There are strings to be tried, and separate parts to be fitted and knocked together; there are great, heavy packing-boxes to be made, and various other awkward and noisy work to be done. Tools are thumping about; cords and tackling rattling; plenty of confounding noises, but no music. The man stands and sees the workmen ply the hammer, and saw, and file, and punch, and chisel and auger; he sees dust, boards, and shavings flying in all directions. Clatter and clatter surround him. From the windows come broken bits of board, wire and iron; also all the different notes of racket and din; but he hears no sweet melody. Then the man says in astonishment, "Do they call this a piano manufactory—this confused place,

full of all jangling noises? No, no; this is no pianoproducing establishment. This is only a dusty and noisy workshop." Yes, it is a workshop, where are being fashioned the instruments which, when touched by skillful fingers, have power to enchant the world. But it is not the platform on which they are to be played. Not there are they to give forth their sweet harmonies. We are in the workshop of humanity. We see evidences of this, turn which way we will. We must feel the mallet and the saw; the punch and the bore. We must be split and ground and worked smooth. The pumice and the sand-paper are for us, also, as well as for the things we fashion; and at last, when we are all settogether, polished, and attuned, we shall be played upon by the music-waking influences of Heaven.—Beccher.

It may be laid down as a general rule that smoking is a bad habit for the singer, male or female—for there are females who are proud of being able to smoke cigarettes nowadays! With many instances of great singers before us, who have also been great smokers, it is impossible to say decidedly that singers must not smoke; but the habit is one to be very cautiously indulged in. If smoking in any case induces expectoration, it should at once be given up, for the habit of spitting, to which some smokers allow themselves to give way, is in reality, perhaps the great evil of smoking; it weakens the throat, lungs and chest. Avoid late hours. You require, not only a certain amount of sleep, but to take that sleep before the body and mind are at all overtaxed. From many causes, it is well

known, that the human frame is always at its lowest vital energy from about 2 a.m. till 5 a.m. and the nearer you approach these hours in going to bed, the less able are you to derive all the benefit which you require from sleep. Twelve o'clock is late enough for any one. Another reason why late hours are bad is connected not with physical facts so much as with morals. It is true, you may come to no actual harm, or get into no positive evil, by being out late at night, but you place yourself in a position of risk—risk of cold, over-fatigue, inhaling vitiated atmosphere, etc., as well as risk to moral character, which latter, in its way as delicate as the voice, is injured not only by actual violation of right, but by all society, conversation, and literature which tend at all to mar its purity.



And there I see a swamping gun,
Large as a log of maple,
Upon a mighty little cart;
A load for father's cattle.

And every time they fired it off,
It took a horn of powder;
It made a noise like father's gun,
Only a nation louder.

And there I see a little keg,
Its heads all made of leather,
They knocked upon't with little
To call the folks together. [sticks,

And Cap'n Davis had a gun,

He kind o' clapt his hand on 't,

And stuck a crooked stabbing iron

Upon the little end on 't.

The troopers, too, would gallop up,
And fire right in our faces;
It scared me almost half to death
To see them run such races.

It scared me so I hooked it off,
Nor stopped, as I remember,
Nor turned about till I got home,
Locked up in mother's chamber.

When American educators visited Europe, some forty years ago, for the purpose of studying school systems, they found that instruction in vocal music was almost universal in the schools of Germany, and some other continental countries. Prior to that time juvenile class instruction in singing was comparatively unknown in this country. It now has its recognized place in the list of studies in the public schools of almost every city in the land. The time approaches when instruction in the elements of vocal music will become very general in our schools. Already school officers are asking candidates for positions as teachers,

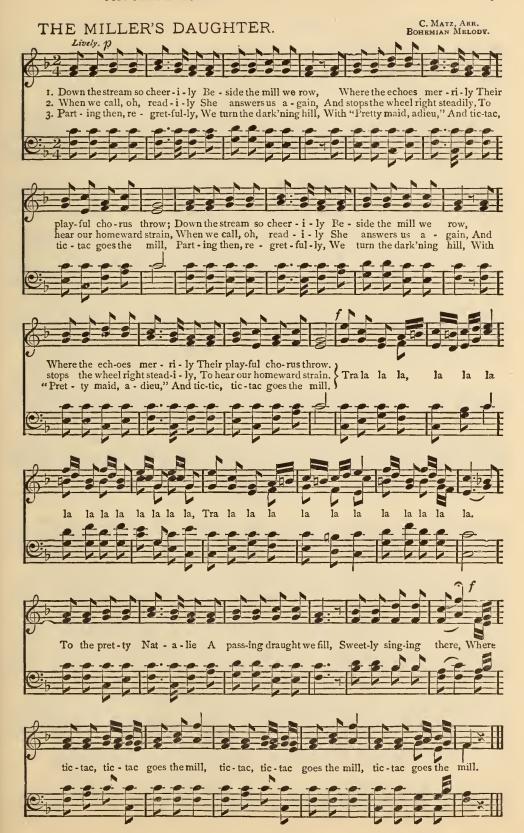
Betritt kein Feind hier deinen Strand .- Cho.

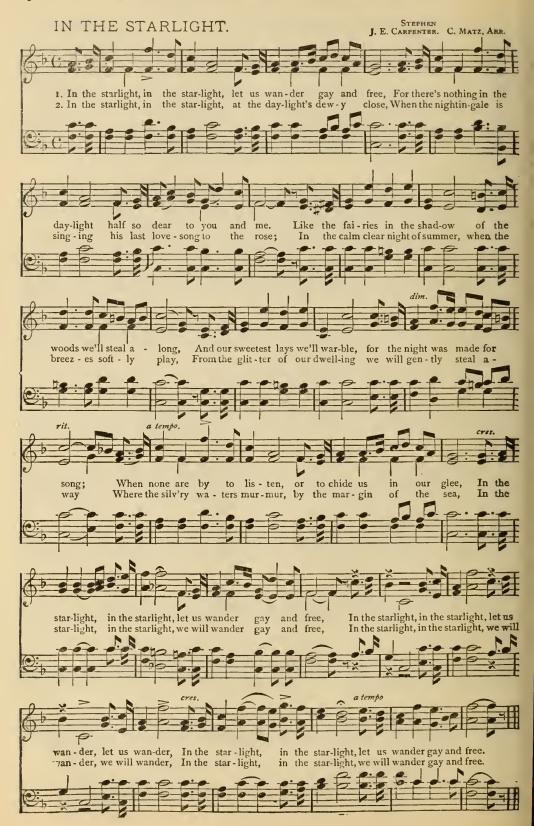
Can you give instruction in singing? and other qualifications being equal, those who can teach children to sing are preferred to those who cannot.— Tillinghast.

It is told of Daniel Webster that he cultivated the eye in reading to such an extent that he would took through a whole printed page while reading alouc one-half of it, and then pronounce the remaining hal. with the book shut. This habit of looking ahead is quite as necessary in the reading of music, and should be cultivated in children from the beginning. It is best acquired by reading from printed music those exercises and songs which are familiar.—L. W. Mason.



Wir alle wollen Huter sein !- Cho.







Sacred history declares that music and song were very frequently employed among the Hebrews on occasions of solemnity, in both their domestic and religious life. Immense choirs, with their thousand voices, were retained in the Temple to celebrate their feasts and victories, and a great number of books and treatises have been written, but with little satisfaction, upon the music of the Jews. It is not, however, uninteresting to follow out or trace the history of religious song, as found in the sacred record, the Bible, and to notice the musical solemnities of which it makes mention. In Genesis, Jubal is named as being "the father

of all such as handle the harp and organ," but not as the inventor of music, as many have supposed or declared. Not until six hundred years after the deluge does the record again speak of music, which is at the time when Jacob is pursued by Laban: "Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly, and steal away from me, and didst not tell me, that I might have sent thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret and with harp?" Two hundred and forty-eight years after, at the passage of the Red Sea, the first religious song was intoned by Moses and the Hebrew people: "I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath triumphed glo-

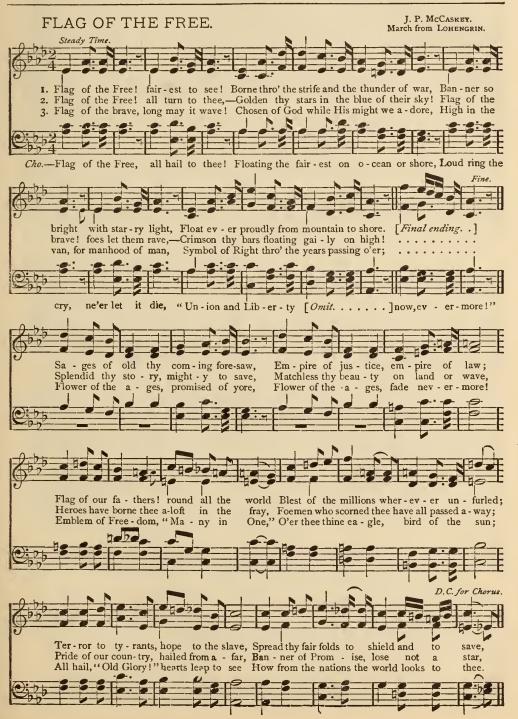


riously, the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea." Again, in Numbers, it speaks of trumpets, and the manner of blowing them on different occasions, as signals for assembling, departure, or alarm. The schofar, a wind instrument made from the horn of a ram, is reserved for the celebration of the first day of Tischri. After the death of Moses, the sacred writings preserve entire silence upon the subject of music, even to the time of the Judges, when is recorded the second song sung by Delorah and Barak: "Praise the Lord for the avenging of Israel," and a hundred years later occurred the sad and tragic death

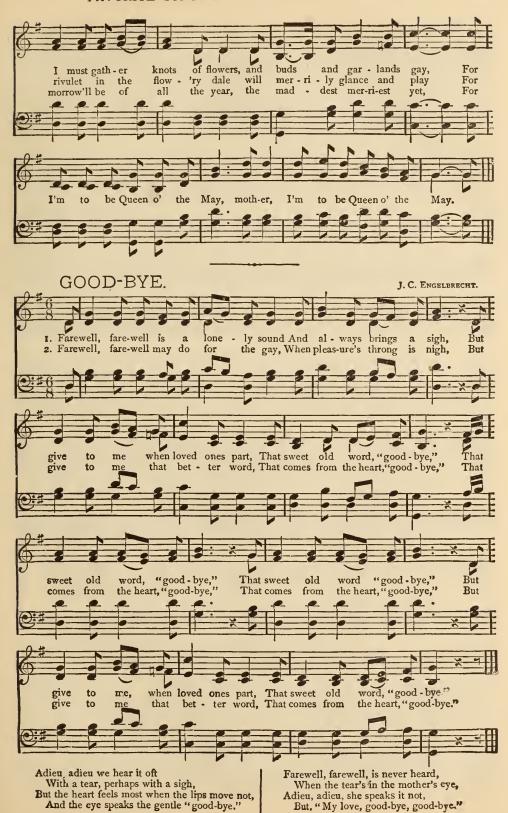
of the daughter of Jephthah. After this event, even to the time of Samuel, there is no musical record in the sacred writings. He instituted a school of prophets, where song and music were, undoubtedly, an important branch of education. Saul, soon after his coronation, encounters a troop of men inspired by the Holy Spirit, prophesying to the sound of instruments. At their approach he is seized with a divine inspiration and prophesies with them. Suhsequently, becoming a prey to melancholy, he calls the youthful David to his side, who, by his inspired songs, dissipates the dark torments that overshadowed his soul

The words of Hail Columbia were written by Joseph Hopkinson in Philadelphia, in 1798, for the President's March, then a very popular air. The Star Spangled Banner was written in Baltimore in 1814 by Francis Scott Key, and adapted to an old French air long known in England as "Anacreon in Heaven," and later in America as "Adams and Liberty." My Country, tis of Thee, written in Boston in 1832 by Samuel F. Smith,

was set by Lowell Mason to the music of the old tune God Save the Queen. The words of Flag of the Free, here given, go well to the Wedding March in Lohengrin. There is always room for a new song that has in it anything to suggest the thought of country, to stir pride in the flag, to quicken the patriotic heart-beat. This music is distinctive in character and known throughout the world, and the song is already sung very widely.

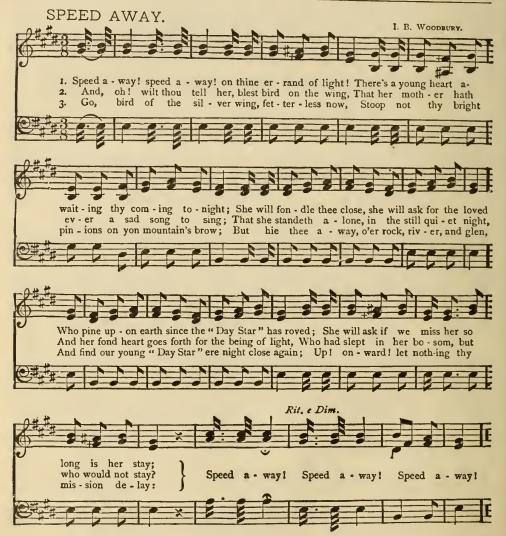






SPEECH AND SONG.—All boys and girls can sing, if it suits them to do so in the way of play. You never saw little boys and girls "beg off," when they want to sing together. In Germany, it has long been considered certain that all children can sing. They do not admit of exceptions, except in the case of the dumb. They not only argue from the general frequency of singing among children at play, but from the laws of music, as manifested in human language. Speech itself is but a kind of chant, and the voice always moves in musical intervals. The raising of the

pitch a third, a fifth, an octave? that is, from do to make from do to sol, and from lower do to upper dol is by no means confined to singing and recitation; it is what we always do under the influence of the slightest excitement, and when we ask questions. Our voices always go up and down, following the musical intervals. All can sing, therefore; that is, all who can talk, and who raise their voice and let it fall according to the usual laws of speech. And yet we, in this country, assume that many children cannot learn to sing, and they grow up without this great blessing.



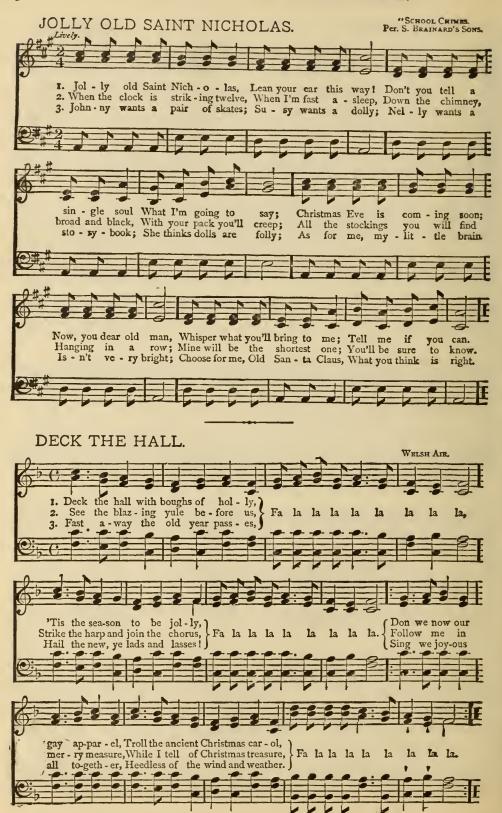
Before leaving Europe we undertook with resolute purpose the study of the English language, and bought one of the famous self-instructors called, "English without a Master; or, English in twelve Lessons." We studied the twelve lessons, but found on our arrival in this country, that our English was poorly calculated to stand the test of familiar conversation. To learn music is, in some respects, much more difficult than to master a language. Should any be tempted to seek help in a "Piano without Master," let us

advise them not to do so. They will fail, spending their time and money in vain. While you are alone, your attainments may be satisfactory to yourself, but when you come in contact with musicians you will find, to your mortification, that you know nothing of music, just as we knew nothing of English.—Karl Mers.

SPEED AWAY.—It was a beautiful fancy among the

SPEED AWAY.—It was a beautiful fancy among the Seneca Indians that a white dove let loose, at her grave, by the mother of the lost maiden would seek and find her waiting "Day Star" in the far-off Spirit Land.











SINCE the Church has been divided into many branches, each has had its sweet singers, whose music has gladdened all the rest. It was Toplady, a severe Calvinist, who gave us "Rock of Ages." Men differ about the atonement; they almost call each other heretics and outcasts in their difference about it; but, when that hymn is sung, every heart rests upon the one Redeemer. It was Charles Wesley, an Arminian, who sang "Jesus, Lover of my Soul." Side by side are Watts and Wesley, Church of England and Dis-

senter. F. W. Faber, a devout Catholic, wrote that hymn which breathes the highest spirit of Christian submission, "I worship Thee, sweet Will of God." Madame Guion, an unquestioning Catholic, wrote "O Lord, how full of sweet content!" Francis Xavier, one of the founders of the Jesuit order, wrote "Thou, O my Jesus! Thou didst me upon the Cross embrace." While the Church of England was convulsed by the greatest struggle it has known within this century, Keble, closely attached to one of the



contending parties, wrote the Evening Hymn which the whole Church delights to sing. A Unitarian, Sarah F. Adams, gave us "Nearer, my God, to Thee." The controversies over the orthodoxy of that hymn are as dry and cold and dead as the stones Jacob took for his pillow; and, meanwhile, souls mount up by it toward heaven as did the angels on the ladder Jacob saw as he journeyed to Padan-aram.

WE walk here, as it were, in the crypts of life: at times, from the great cathedral above us, we can hear the organ and the chanting choir; we can see the light stream through the open door, when some friend goes out before us; and shall we fear to mount the narrow staircase of the grave that leads us out of this uncertain twilight into eternal light?—Longfellow.

WHENEVER I think of God, I can only conceive of him as a Being infinitely great and infinitely good. This last quality of the divine nature inspires me with such confidence and with such joy that I could have written even a Miscrere in tempo allegro.—Haydn.



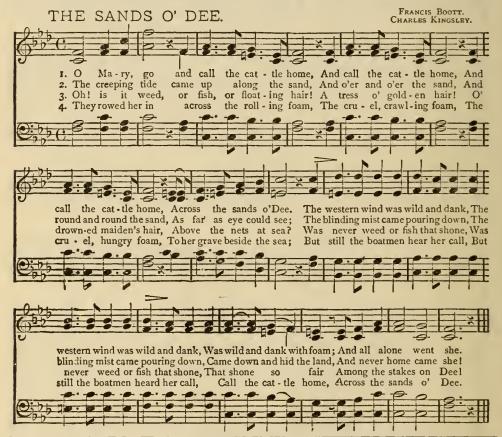
Awake, my soul, and with the sun, Thy daily stage of duty run; Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise, To pay thy morning sacrifice.

Lord, I my vows to Thee renew- Direct, control, suggest, this day,

Scatter my sins like morning dew; All I design, or do, or say, [might Guard my first springs of thought and That all my powers, with all their And with Thyself my spirit fill. [will, In Thy sole glory may unite.

This touching song, "The Sandso' Dee," by Charles Kingsley, occurs in his novel of "Alton Locke." The hero says: "After singing two or three songs, Lillian began fingering the keys, and struck into an old air, wild and plaintive, rising and falling like the swell of an Æolian harp upon a distant breeze. 'Ah! now,' she said, 'if I could get words for that! What an exquisite lament somebody might write to it.' . . My attention was caught by hearing two gentlemen, close to me, discuss a beautiful sketch by Copley Fielding, if I recollect rightly, which hung on the wall—a wild waste of tidal sands, with here and there a line of stake-nets fluttering in the wind—a gray shroud of rain sweeping up from the westward, through which low, red cliffs glowed dimly in the rays of the setting sun —a train of horses and cattle splashing slowly through

shallow, desolate pools and creeks, their wet, red and black hides glittering in one long line of level light. One of the gentlemen had seen the spot represented, at the mouth of the Dee, and began telling wild stories of salmon-fishing and wild-fowl shooting—and then a tale of a girl, who, in bringing her father's cattle home across the sands, had been caught by a sudden flow of the tide upon the beach and was found next day a corpse hanging among the stake-nets far below. The tragedy, the art of the picture, the simple, dreary grandeur of the scenery, took possession of me, and I stood gazing a long time, and fancying myself pacing the sands. . As I lay castle-building, Lillian's wild air still rang in my ears, and combined itself somehow with the picture of the Cheshire Sands, and the story of the drowned girl, till it shaped itself into a song."



Architecture is one of the most fascinating arts, and its study has been to many a man a sublime lifework. Lincoln and York Cathedrals, St. Paul's and St. Peter's, the arch of Titus, Theban temple, Alhambra, and Parthenon, are monuments to the genius of those who built them. But more wonderful than any arch they ever lifted, or any transept window they ever illumined, or any Corinthian column they ever crowned, or any Gothic cloister they ever elaborated, is the human ear. Among the most skillful and assiduous physiologists of our time have been those who have given their time to the examination of the ear, and the studying of its arches, its walls, its floor, its canals, its aqueducts, its galleries, its intricacies, its convolutions, its divine machinery; and yei, it will take another thousand years before the

world comes to any adequate appreciation of what God did when He planned and executed the infinite and overmastering architecture of the human ear. The most of it is invisible, and the microscope breaks down in the attempt at exploration. The cartilage which we call the ear is only the storm-door of the great temple clear down out of sight, next door to the immortal soul. Such scientists as Helmholtz, and De Blainville, and Rank, and Buck, have attempted to walk the Appian Way of the human ear, but the mysterious pathway has never been fully trodden but by two feet—the foot of sound and the foot of God.—Talmage.

Instruction by the living voice has this advantage over books, that as being more natural, it is also more impressive. Hearing rouses the attention and keeps it alive far more effectually than reading.—Hamilton.



IN THE SCHOOLS.—No one thing has done more for music in the past twenty years than its introduction as an integral part of our common school education. In the large cities and suburban towns little seems left to desire in that direction. From the time children at the age of five enter the primary school till at the age of sixteen or eighteen they graduate from the high or normal school, music is as much a part of their training as the multiplication table and spelling book. The next generation will see what we foresee, and reap the harvest this generation is so wisely sowing. If, as we contend,

music is in itself purifying and elevating, if it can displace and crowd out baser pleasures by giving innocent recreation and excitement to a people that must be amused, a people who must be busy for good or for evil, we can not have too much of it. It can not enter too largely or too deeply into the system of common-school education. In curious juxtaposition in an English paper a short time since was a statement that Dean Stanley had no appreciation of music, and was averse to its introduction into state systems of education; in another column was a report of one of Dean Stanley's addresses on the condi-



tion of the working classes, lamenting with an evident surprise that while so much had been done within the last twenty years to lessen intemperance among the gentry, so little comparatively had been effected among the laboring class. The inference is natural and not far-fetched which assumes a need among that very working class which had remained unheeded, unsupplied. The gentleman has his elegant home, his intellectual entertainments; an atmosphere of grace and beauty surrounds him, or is easily attainable; his craving for excitement, for a life apart

from his labor, is gratified with scarcely an effort on his part. The man less fortunately situated needs recreation and stimulus even more than the other. Warmth, light, companionship, he must have. The gin-palace offers them, ruining body and soul, while it affects to comfort both. Tear down the rum-shop, turn the trades-union into a choral society, bring good music with attractive surroundings before him, educate his children to take part in grand old folksongs, glees, and madrigals, and in a generation a strange revolution would be wrought.—Ellis Gray.



THE origin of these Slave Songs is unique. They are never "composed" after the manner of ordinary music, but spring into life, ready made, from the white heat of religious fervor during some protracted meeting in church or camp. They come from no musical cultivation whatever, but are the simple, ecstatic utterances of wholly untutored minds. From so unpromising a source we could reasonably expect only such a mass of crudities as would be unendurable to the cultivated ear. On the contrary, however, the cultivated listener confesses to a new charm, and to a power, never before felt, at least in its kind. What can we infer from this but that the child-like, receptive minds of these unfortunates were wrought upon with a true inspiration, and that this gift was bestowed upon them by an ever-watchful Father, to quicken the pulses of life, and to keep them from the state of hopeless apathy into which they were in danger of falling. A technical analysis of these

melodies shows some interesting facts. The first peculiarity that strikes the attention is in the rhythm. is often complicated, and sometimes strikingly original, and it is remarkable that the effects are so satisfactory. Another noticeable feature of the songs is the entire absence of triple time, or three-part measure among them. The reason for this is doubtless to be found in the beating of the foot and the swaying of the body which are such frequent accompaniments of the singing. These motions are in even measure, and in perfect time; and so it will be found that, however broken and seemingly irregular the movement of the music, it is always capable of the most exact measurement. In other words, its irregularities invariably conform to the "higher law" of the perfect rhythmic flow. It is a coincidence worthy of note that more than half the melodies are in the same scale as that in which Scottish music is written; that is, with the fourth and seventh tones omitted.

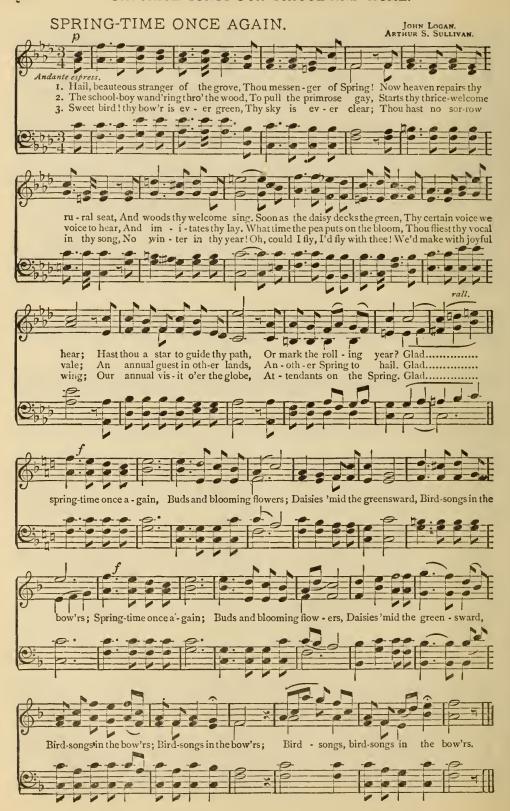


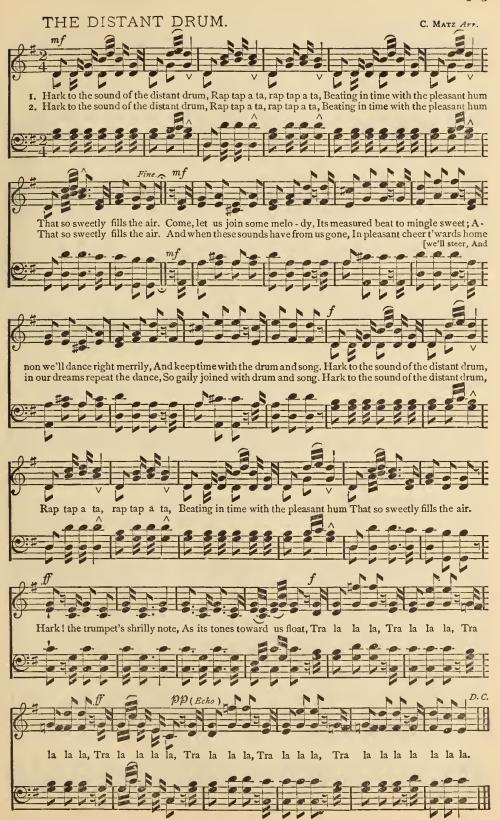
that the music of the ancient Greeks is also said to have been written in this scale, suggests an interesting inquiry as to whether it may not be a peculiar language of nature, or a simpler alphabet than the ordinary diatonic scale, in which the uncultivated mind finds its easiest expression. The variety of forms presented in these songs is truly surprising, when their origin is considered. This diversity is greater than the listener would at first be likely to suppose. The themes are also quite as distinct and varied as in the case of more pretentious compositions. The reader may feel assured that the music as here given is entirely correct. It was taken down from the singing of the Jubilee band, during repeated interviews held for that purpose, and no line or phrase was introduced that did not receive full indorsement from these singers. Some of the phrases and turns in the melodies are so peculiar that the listener might

suppose them to be incapable of exact representation by ordinary musical characters. It is found, however, that they all submit to the laws of musical language, and if sung or played exactly as written, all the characteristic effects will be reproduced.—Theo. F. Seward.

The song given above, is a favorite on the Sea Islands, off the coast of South Carolina. Once, when ill-feeling was excited and trouble anticipated because of uncertain action of the Government in regard to the confiscated lands on those islands, Gen O. O. Howard was called upon to address the colored people. To prepare them to listen, he requested them to sing. At once an old woman on the outskirts of the meeting began, "Nobody knows the trouble I've seen," and the whole audience joined in. The plaintive melody, and the apt refrain of the rude hymn, produced an effect that can never be forgotten by those who heard it sung.















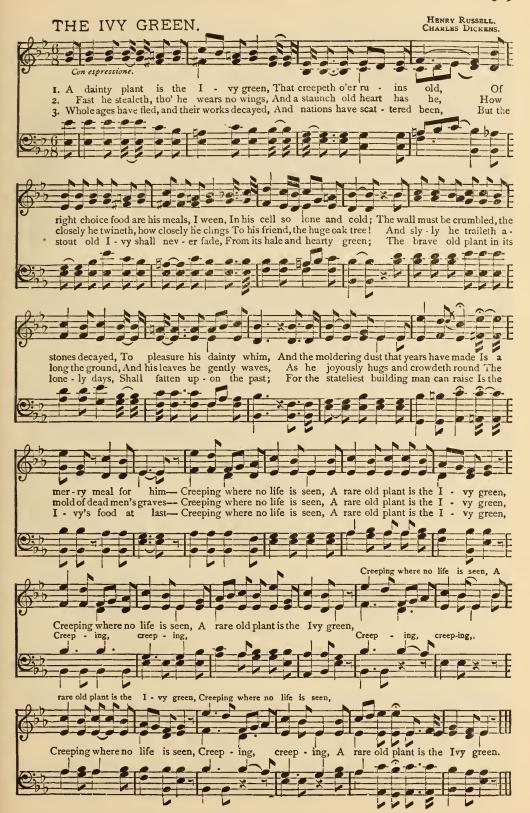
THE MARSEILLAISE.—Richard Grant White, in his work on patriotic national songs, gives a graphic account of the circumstances under which this most stirring of all national airs was written. He says: "This remarkable 'hymn' struck out in the white heat of unconscious inspiration, perfect in all its parts, and in six months adopted by the people, the army, the legislature and the whole nation, is a war-cry, a summons to instant battle. It has no inspiration but glory, and invokes no god but liberty. Rouget de Lisle, its author, was an accomplished officer, an enthusiast for liberty, but no less a champion for just

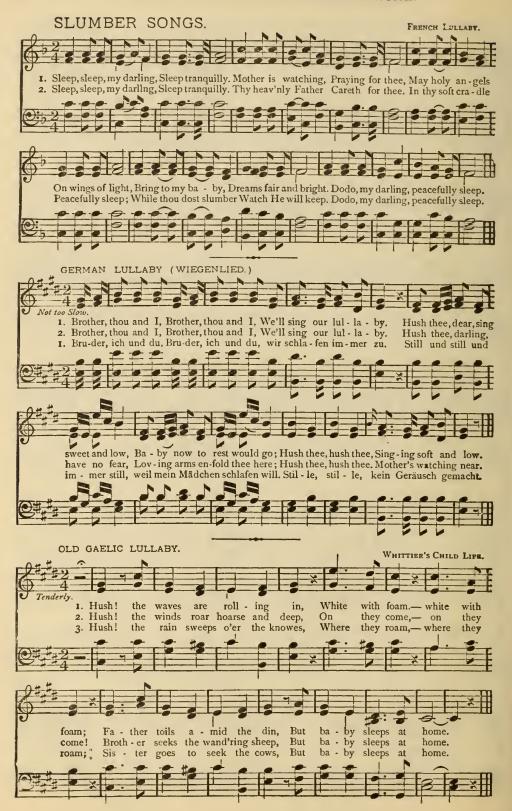
ice and an upholder of constitutional monarchy. He was at Strasburg in 1792. One day Deitrich, the Mayor of the town, who knew him well, asked him to write a martial song, to be sung on the departure of six hundred volunteers to the Army of the Rhine. He consented, wrote the song that night—the words sometimes coming before the music, sometimes the music before the words—and gave it to Deitrich the next morning. As is not uncommon with authors, he was at first disastisfied with the fruit of his sudden inspiration, and, as he handed the manuscript to the Mayor, he said, 'Here is what you asked for, but I

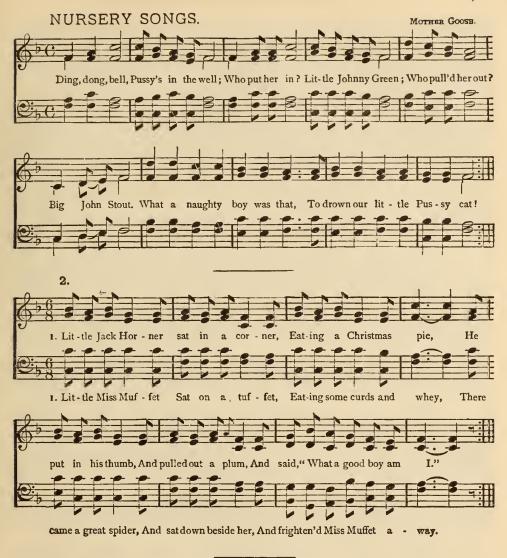


fear it is not very good.' But Deitrich looked, and knew better. They went to the harpsichord with Madame and sang it; they gathered the band of the theatre together and rehearsed it; it was sung in the public square, and excited such enthusiasm, that, instead of six hundred volunteers, nine hundred left Strasburg for the army. In the course of a few months it worked its way southward and became a favorite with the Marseillais, who carried it to Paris—where the people, knowing nothing of its name, its author, or its original purpose, spoke of it simply as the 'song of the Marseillais,' and as the Marseillaise

it will be known forever, and forever be the rallying cry of France against tyranny. Its author, soon proscribed as a Royalist, fled from France and took refuge in the Alps. But the echoes of the chord that he had so unwittingly struck pursued him even to the mountain tops of Switzerland. 'What,' said he, to a peasant guide in the upper fastnesses of the border range, 'is this song that I hear—Allons, enfans de la patrie?' 'That? That is the Marseillaise.' And thus, suffering from the excesses that he had innocently stimulated, he first learned the name which his countrymen had given to the song he had written."







Hump - ty Dump - ty sat on a wall, Hump - ty Dump - ty had a great fall;

All the King's horses and all the King's men, Couldn't put Humpty to - geth - er a - gain.

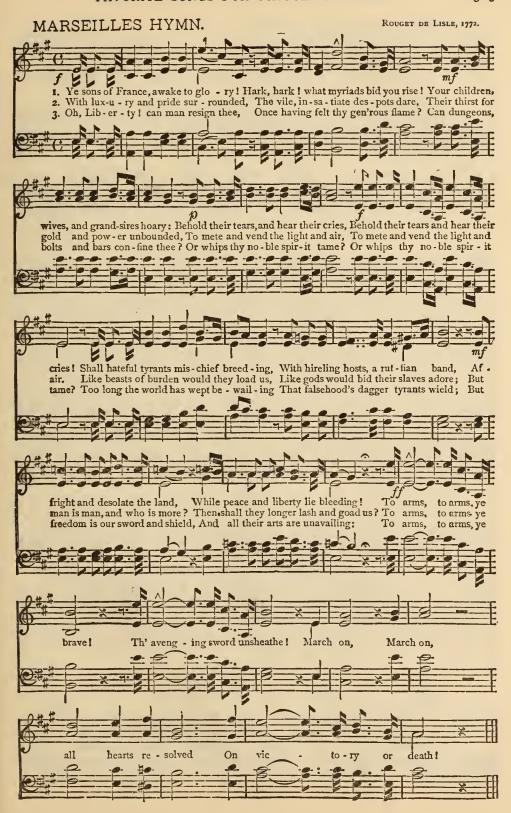
MARSEILLES HYMN.—The authorship of this soulstirring war song, so often prohibited by despotic rulers, and now the national air of France,—the Marseillaise, as it is called,—has frequently been disputed. In his recent work on Strasburg during the Revolution, M. Seingerlot, an authority upon these historical questions, has brought to light a number of old family papers of this era, from which it appears that Rouget de Lisle, at the time of writing these verses, was an army officer contributing occasionally to the columns of a leading newspaper of Strasburg, owned by the Mayor of the city. The wife of this gentleman, a lady of musical taste, regarded this poem a masterpiece, and urged that it be set to music by the author and published. It accordingly appeared in this form, probably in

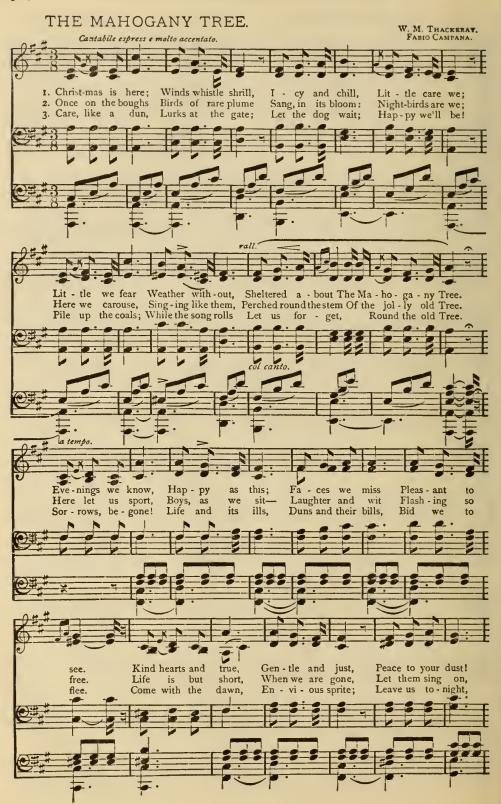
April, 1792, entitled, "A war song for the Army of the Rhine." In a letter yet extant, from Madame Deitrich, the Mayor's wife, she says: "The occupation of copying music has enabled me for some days to shut my ears to political wrangles. Politics only are now discussed here. To invent something new for the entertainment of our numerous guests, my husband has hit upon the expedient of having a song composed for the times, which embodies the patriotic feeling of the town. A captain of engineers, Rouget de Lisle, who is a very amiable poet and composer, has rapidly done for him the song and the music. It is spirit-stirring (entrainment), and not wanting in originality. It is in the feeling of Gluck, but more lively and alert, and has been performed at our house to the satisfac-



tion of all who have heard it." Capt. Rouget de Lisle was asked to draw his inspiration from passing events and the dominant sentiment of the town, which was a frontier stronghold, and no doubt tremendously aroused by the news from Paris and by the declaration of war. Strasburg would probably have to bear the brunt of the invasion, and, in any case, would be the centre of military operations. Political discussion went on, therefore, to the exclusion of other topics. The fact that the Deitrichs kept the harpsichord going, and had Capt. Rouget de Lisle compose this new thing for it to create a diversion amid stirring politics, is a curious example of the power "that shapes our ends, rough-hew them how we will." It would be interesting to know how the song got to Marseilles

without going through Paris. A regimental band may have taken it to the South. The first time it was heard in Paris was the day the Revolutionary deputation of Marseilles, which had come on foot, singing what was ever afterward to be known as their "hymn," entered the capital. It was caught up at once, and spread like wildfire through the nation. The entrain, which the Mayor's wife said was one of its characteristics, so roused the Parisians that nothing could withstand their fury. Under the monarchical governments in France, the song has always been held seditious, because of its extraordinary influence upon the French people. The first time since the Revolution that it was not regarded treasonable by those in authority, was at the opening of the World's Fair, in 1878.











SINGERS, good and bad, are often troubled with an apparent stoppage in the throat, and this inconvenience seems to be at its worst just at that moment when they wish to sing. "To displace or to cure this stoppage, they begin hacking and coughing ("clearing the throat" as it it called,) which proceeding, however, only makes bad worse for the time being, and finally grows into a habit, till at last such people cannot venture to open their mouths without first subjecting the throat to a series of these irritating "hacks." A good master will soon cure this complaint by refusing to

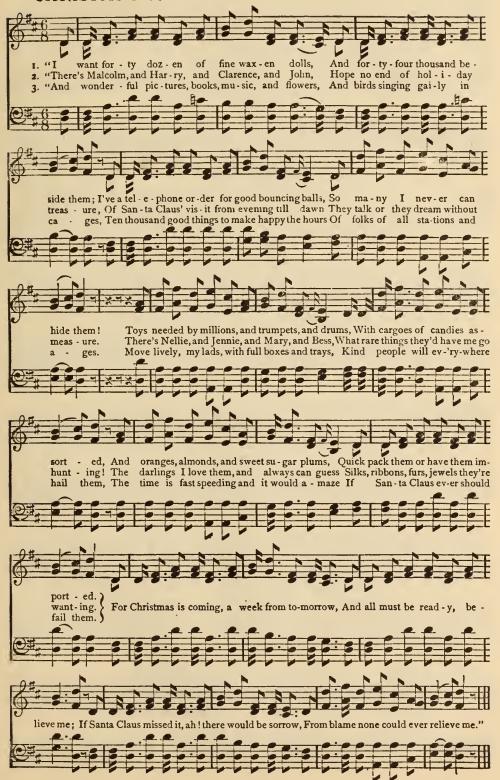
continue the lesson whenever the pupil gives way to the bad habit. It is in many cases simply a nervous trick, and if the singer will accustom himself to swallow instead of coughing, whenever he feels the sensation of which we are speaking, he will soon be rid of it. If it result in any case from real weakness of the throat, it may be beneficial to gargle three or four times a day with moderately-strong salt and water, especially before singing. This does not harm the voice, and by bracing and strengthening the muscles of the throat renders them more obedient to the singer's will.

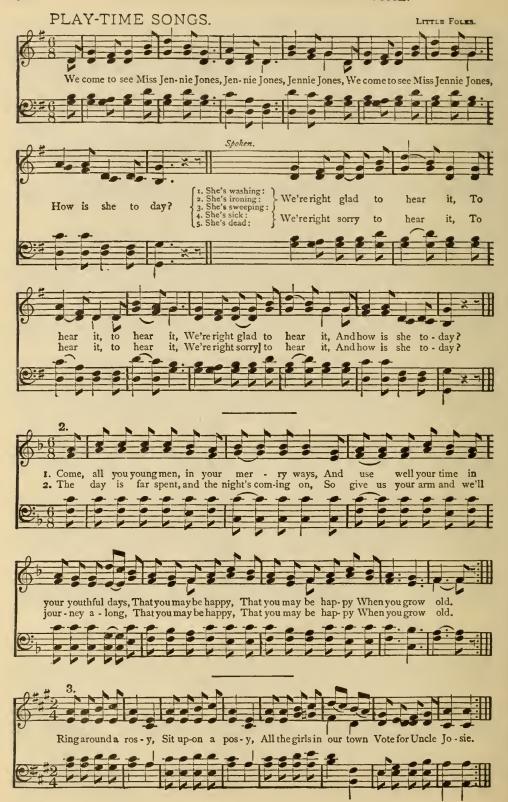


THE body should not be kept in a perfectly upright position when singing. The best position is with its chief weight upon the right leg and foot, the head gently leaning forward, the arms and, indeed, the whole carriage disposed in a manner that would indicate to the audience a sort of desire on your part to persuade them and bring them over to your feelings and sentiments. When the right leg begins to tire with the weight of the body, the left can take its turn. A sitting position is a very bad one in which to practice.

Singing should always be done in a standing position. Instead of sitting at the pianoforte, and accompanying an exercise or "solfeggio," it is far better to sound the first note of each passage therein, and master the same without any accompaniment. The advantages of this mode of practising must be obvious; but one of the most important is, that the attention is not divided between piano and voice, while it leaves the singer free to give all his attention and care to the production of the notes which he is endeavoring to sing artistically.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.







THE ROUGH MATERIAL.—In music man does not reproduce any combination of sounds he has ever heard or could hear in the natural world, in the same sense that the painter transfers to his canvas the forms and tints he sees around him. The musicians seizes the rough element of sound and compels it to work his will, and having with infinite pains subjugated and tamed it, he is rewarded by discovering in it the most direct and perfect medium in all Nature for the ex-

pression of his emotions. The painter's art lies upon the surface of the world; its secrets are whispered by the yellow cornfields spotted with crimson fire, and the dappled purple of heather upon the hills; but the musician's art lies beneath the surface. His rough material of sound may rather be compared to the dull diamond, earth-incrusted and buried in deep mines; it simply does not exist as a brilliant, and a thing of priceless beauty until it has been refined and made



luminous by deliberate arrangement of glittering facets set in the splendor of chaste gold.—Haweis.

EARLY DEAD.—In his early death Mendelssohn strikingly resembles Mozart, of whom it cannot be said that he died prematurely. His faculty was developed with amazing rapidity; and from the very early age at which he began to hold a place in public esteem his artistic life was by no means short. Although a

painful apprehension to the contrary embittered his last days, yet he lived long enough for fame. Not so Mendelssohn. However extended his mortal span might have been, his fine talent would have continued, in all probability, to unfold and discover fresh beauties as long as his natural faculties were perfect. He died in his thirty-six year, in the period of full promise, withered in the very spring-time of his genius.

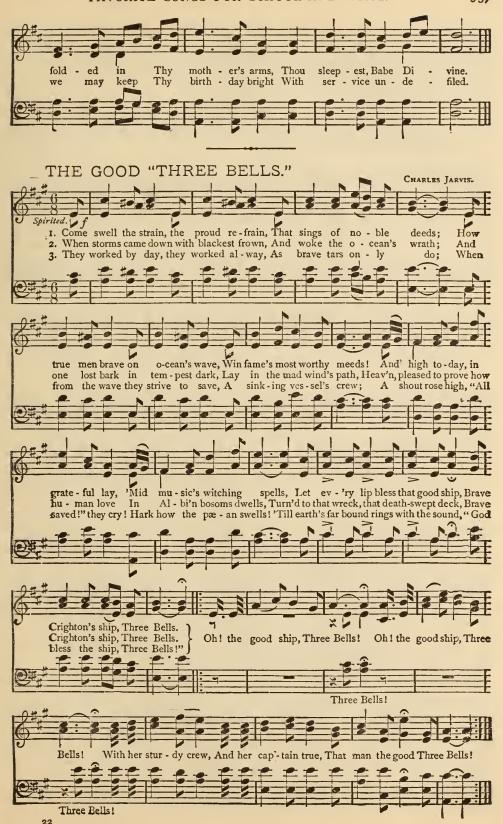
BEETHOVEN, born at Bonn, 1770, was equally great in his intellect and his affections. How deep and tender was that noble heart those know who have read his letters to his abandoned nephew whom he commits so earnestly to "God's holy keeping." There is no stain upon his life. His integrity spotless, his purity unblemished, his generosity boundless, his affections deep and lasting, his piety simple and sincere. "Today happens to be Sunday," he writes to a friend in the most unaffected way, "so I will quote you something from the Bible: "See that ye love one another." Beethoven was not only severely moral and deeply religious, but he has this further claim to the admiration and respect of the musical world, that his ideal of art was the highest, and that he was true to his ideal, utterly and disinterestedly true to the end.—Haveis.











Religion is reproached with not being progressive; it makes amends by being imperishable. The enduring element in our humanity is not in the doctrines which we concisely elaborate, but in the faiths which unconsciously dispose of us, and never slumber but to wake again. What treatise on sin, what philosophy of retribution, is as fresh as the fifty-first Psalm? What scientific theory has lasted like the Lord's Prayer? It is an evidence of movement that in a library no books become sooner obsolete than books of science. It is

no less a mark of stability that poetry and religious literature survive, and even ultimate philosophies seldom die but to rise again. These, and with them the kindred services of devotion, are the expressions of aspirations and faiths which forever cry out for interpreters and guides. And in proportion as you carry your appeal to those deepest seats of our nature, you not only reach the firmest ground, but touch accordant notes in every human heart, so that, inevitably, the response turns out a harmony.—Dr. Martineau.



I FEEL sore at heart now. One of the noblest natures that used to sit in these seats, one I loved and who loved me; whose hand was as large in its generosity as a prairie; who had all the prospects of a noble and useful life, who could restrain himself and stop when he'd a mind to. But he has gone down to such a degree in intemperance that his friends have given him up in despair. How many of that kind have I seen; and the time as it passed did not suffice for him, or for them. They say: "To be sure I smoke; but

only seven to ten cigars a day; but it is not a necessity for me—I can give it up." Or, "I know I drink a little; but it is not a necessity for me; I can give it up to-day." But they don't; and they don't next year, or the year after; and when they hear the roar of the tide of perdition, over the verge of which they will plunge finally, they can't. The time when men ought to stop is when they first see the peril; when there is time enough for judgment, enough to bring the higher qualities of the mind to sit in judgment over the lower.—Beecher.



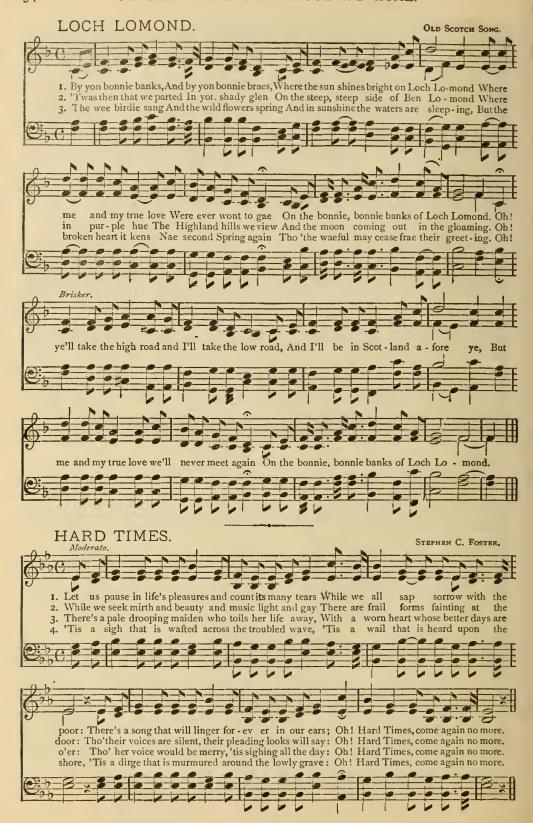
HERE in this book which I was reading when you so kindly came to see me, are withered flowers, which I have gathered in my rambles and keep as friends and companions of pleasant places, streams and meadows, and of some who have been with me, and now are not. There is one, this single yellow flower-what is it, that, as I hold it, makes me think of it as I do? Faded flowers have something, to me, miraculous and supernatural about them: though, in fact, it is nothing wonderful that the texture of a flower being dried survives. It is not in the flower, but in our immortal spirit that the miracle is. All these delightful thoughts that come into my mind when I look at this flower-thoughts and fancies, and memories-what are they but the result of the alchemy of the immortal spirit, which takes all the pleasant, fragile things of life, and transmutes them into immortality in our own nature! And if the poor spirit and intellect of man can do this, how much more may

the supreme creative intellect mould and form all things, and bring the presence of the supernatural face to face with us in our daily walk! Earth becomes to us, if we thus think, nothing but the garden of the Lord, and every fellow-being we meet and see in it, a beautiful and invited guest; and, as I think, I remember many of the heathen poets, after their manner, have said very fine things about this; that we should rise cheerfully from this life, as a grateful guest rises from an abundant feast; and though doubtless they were very dark and mistaken, yet I confess they always seemed to me to have something of a close and entire fellowship with the wants of men, which I think the Saviour would have approved. If you, sir, can receive this mystery, and go through the honorable path of life which lies before you, looking upon yourself as an immortal spirit walking among supernatural things-for the natural things of this life would be nothing were they not moved and



animated by the efficacy of that which is above nature-I think you may find this doctrine a light which will guide your feet in dark places; and it would seem, unless I am mistaken, that this habit of mind is very likely to lead to the blessedness of the Beatific Vision of God, on the quest of which you have happily entered so young; for surely it should lead to that state to which this vision is promised—the state of those who are Pure in Heart. For if it be true, that the reason we see not God is the grossness of this tabernacle wherein the soul is incased, then the more and the oftener we recognize the supernatural in our ordinary life, and not only expect and find it in those rare and short moments of devotion and prayer, the more, surely, the rays of the Divine Light will shine through the dark glass of this outward form of life, and the more our own spirit will be enlightened and purified by it, until we come to that likeness to the Divine Nature, and that purity of heart to which a share of the Beatific Vision is promised, and which, as some teach, can be attained by being abstract from the body and the bodily life. As we see every day that the supernatural in some men gives a particular brightness of air to the countenance, and makes the face to shine with an inimitable lustre, and if it be true that in the life to come we shall have to see through a body and a glass however transparent, we may well practise our eyes by making this life spiritual, as we shall have also to strive to do in that to which we go. My predecessor, doubtless a very worthy man (for I knew him not), has left it recorded on his tombstone—as I will show you in the church—that he was "full of cares and full of years, of neither weary, but full of hope and of heaven." I should desire that it may be faithfully recorded of me that I was the same!-" John Inglesant."







THE CHEERFUL VOICE.—The comfort and happiness of home and home intercourse, let us here say, depend very much upon the kindly and affectionate training of the voice. Trouble, care, and vexation will and must, of course, come; but let them not creep into our voices. Let only our kindly and happier feelings be vocal in our homes. Let them be so, if for no other reason, for the little children's sake. Those sensitive little beings are exceedingly susceptible to the tones. Let us have consideration for them.

They near so much that we have forgotten to hear; for, as we advance in years, our life becomes more interior. We are abstracted from outward scenes and sounds. We think, we reflect, we begin gradually to deal with the past, as we have formerly vividly lived in the present. Our ear grows dull to external sound; it is turned inward and listens chiefly to the echoes of past voices. We catch no more the merry laughter of children. We hear no more the note of the morning bird. The brook that used to prattle so



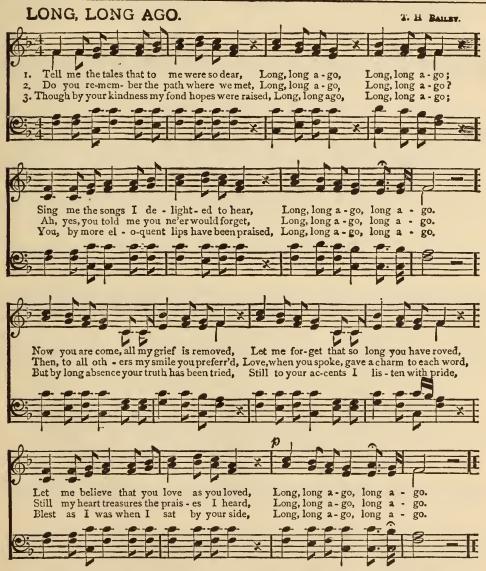
gaily to us, rushes by unheeded—we have forgotten to hear such things; but little children, remember, sensitively hear them all. Mark how, at every sound, the young child starts, and turns, and listens; and thus, with equal sensitiveness does it catch the tones of human voices. How were it possible, therefore, that the sharp and hasty word, the fretful and complaining tone, should not startle and pain, even depress the sensitive little being whose harp of life is

so newly and delicately strung, vibrating even to the gentle breeze, and thrilling ever to the tones of such voices as sweep across it? Let us be kind and cheerful spoken, then, in our homes.—Once a Week.

THE memory of song goes deep. Who is there that, in logical words, can express the effect music has on us? A kind of inarticulate, untathomable speech, which leads us to the edge of the infinite, and lets us for moments gaze out into that.—Carlyle.

THE LIFE OF EMOTION.—It is the life of emotion which music seizes upon and makes objective. We see the character of a wation's heart in its music, as we see the character of its poetry. Italian music is sentimental and superficial; it often sacrifices simplicity to beautiful, to delicate, or to crashing effects; it is intense rather than passionate. French music is sensational and flippant. German music simple, direct, and earnest. We are of course dealing only with the type in every case; no such sweeping criticism can

be of universal application. There is one class of music to which these remarks do not apply. In the words of the author of "Music and Morals," "The music of patriotic times and national anthems is always earnest and dignified. In the Marseillaise there is an almost sombre severity, wholly unlike the frivolous, superficial grace and sentimental pathos of the ordinary French school. The men who sing it are not playing at war like fools, nor are they mere children, delighted in its outward pomp and circum-

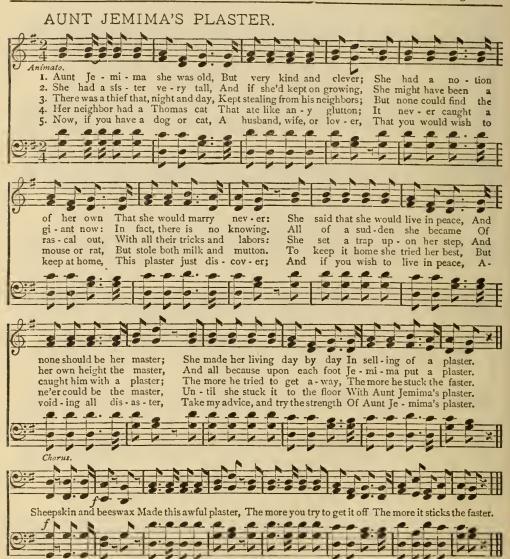


stance. They trudge on, footsore and weary, knowing all the horror and the pain that is in slore for them, and still willing to conquer and to die. That is the spirit of the Marseillaise, and in it, as in Garibaldi's Hymn, the seriousness of the crisis had called forth the finest qualities of both the French and Italian characters, and banished for a time what is languishing in the one and frivolous in the other." Poetry, painting, and sculpture reach the emouss indirectly through the

intellect. Music reaches them directly, and we should therefore rightly expect to find something in common between the two. We do, in fact, see in both those qualities which would make it possible for the one to be the expression of the other; elation and depression which can be expressed musically by a high or low pitch; intensity and variety, expressed by means of the touch and slight modifications of tune by the player, and change of key by the composer.—Mrs. Herrick.

Other things being equal, says a distinguished physician, there is no occupation so conducive to general good health and long living as singing. It does not argue anything that many professional singers die early in life. The hard lives they lead, travelling about from place to place, keeping all kinds of hours, eating all kinds of food, and enduring all kinds of exposure, would break them down even though they had constitutions of steel. In fact, it is only an argument for the truth of my theory that professional singers are able to live as long as they do and be as healthy as they are.

If they stayed in one place, kept regular hours and lived like civilized beings, they would be the longest-lived class of people in the world, and the healthiest, too; though, of course, as long as there were other singers alive, they wouldn't be the happiest. You see if a person is taught to sing properly in the beginning, and then keeps it up regularly, the effect is certain to be very beneficial to all the vital organs. For instance, to begin with, the pupil is taught to breathe as he should, and as very few persons do; that is, by the deep, abdominal method, lifting and lowering the dia-



phragm and filling out the entire lungs below the chest. That develops the lungs, and brings all their surface into action, insures pure blood, and a strong and regular action of the heart. Then the act of singing, by which the lungs are filled to their utmost capacity in the way I have described and then slowly emptied over and over again, is a splendid exercise for those organs. Nothing, in fact, could be better. Then the action of the diaphragm being pressed strongly downward, and of the walls of the stomach being pressed outward,

have a certain effect upon the digestive organs and help to keep them in tone. Added to all this the public singer, if he or she be endowed with the true artistic instinct, has a kind of physical frenzy in singing that throws off a great deal of magnetism. Of course, it often leaves the performer weaker and exhausted at the end of the programme, but it is like the athlete on the bars. The exhaustion is a good sign, if it is not carried too far. After rest and recreation the performer always feels the better for it.

ALL structures, large or small, simple or complex, have a definite rate of vibration depending on their material, size and shape, as the fundamental note of a musical chord. At one time considerable annoyance was experienced in one of the mills in Lowell. Some days the mill was so shaken that a pail of water would be nearly emptied, while on other days all was quiet. Experiment proved it to be only when the machinery was running at a certain cate that the build-ing was disturbed. The simple remedy was in running it slower or faster, so as to put it out of tune with the building. We have here the reason of the rule observed by marching armies when they cross a bridge-viz., stop the music, break step, and open column, lest the measured cadence of a condensed mass of men should cause the bridge to vibrate beyond its sphere of cohesion. The Broughton bridge gave way beneath the measured tramp of only sixty men. Tyndall tells us that the Swiss muleteers tie up the bells of their mules, lest the tinkle bring down an avalanche. The breaking of a drinking glass by the human voice is a well-attested fact, and Chlanni mentions an innkeeper who frequently repeated this interesting experiment for the entertainment of his guests .- Lovering.



"Poor fellow! he walks in the snow and the sleet, And has neither stockings nor shoes on his feet; I pity him so! for how cold he must be! And yet he keeps singing his chick-a-dee-dee. - Cho.

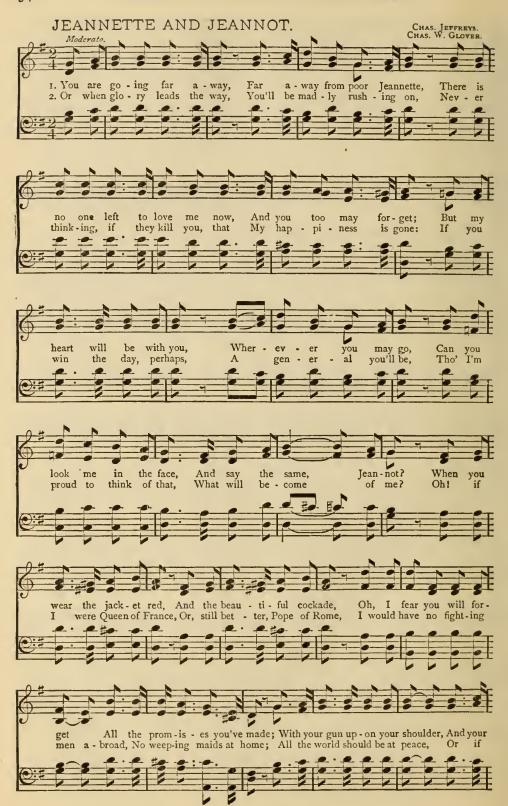
"If I were a bare-footed snow-bird, I know I would not stay out in the cold and the snow, I wonder what makes him so full of his glee; He's all the time singing that chick-a-dee-dee.

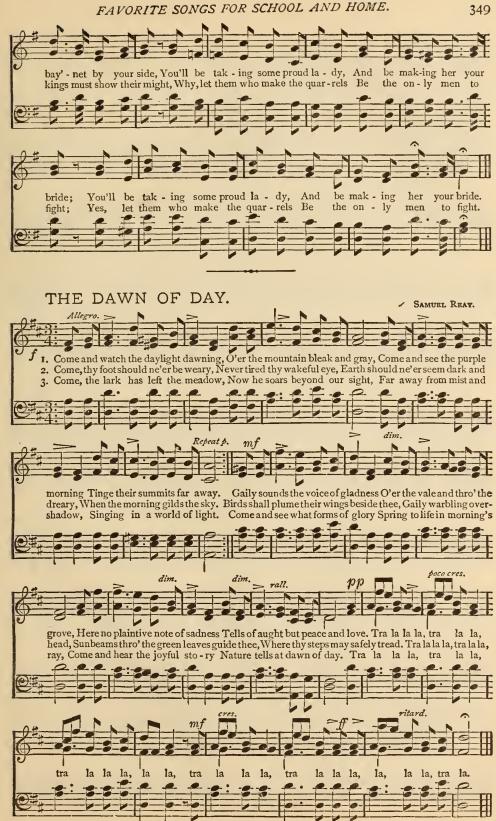
"O mother ! do get him some stockings and shoes, A frock, with a cloak and a hat, if he choose; I wish he'd come into the parlor, and see How warm we would make him, poor chick-a-dee-dee. And away he went, singing his chick-a-dee-dee.

The bird had flown down for some crumbs of bread, And heard every word little Emily said: "What a figure I'd make in that dress!" thought he, And he laughed, as he warbled his chick-a-dee-dee.

"I am grateful," he said, "for the wish you express, But I've no occasion for such a fine dress; I had rather remain with my limbs all so free, Than to hobble about, singing chick-a-dee-dee.

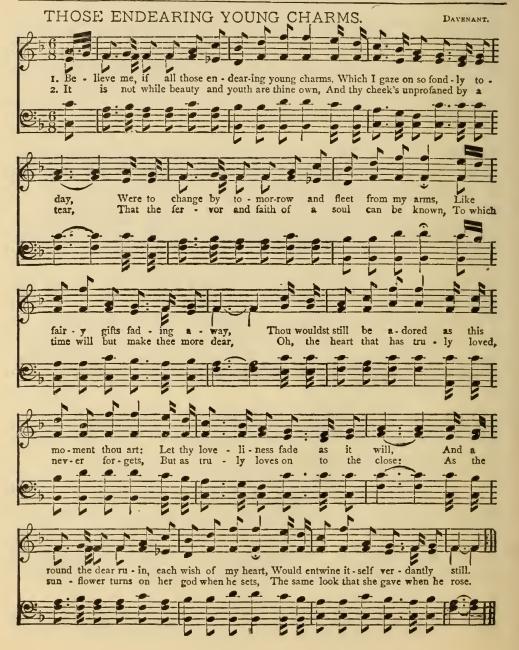
"There is One, my dear child, tho' I can not tell who Has clothed me already, and warm enough too. Good-morning! O who are so happy as we?"

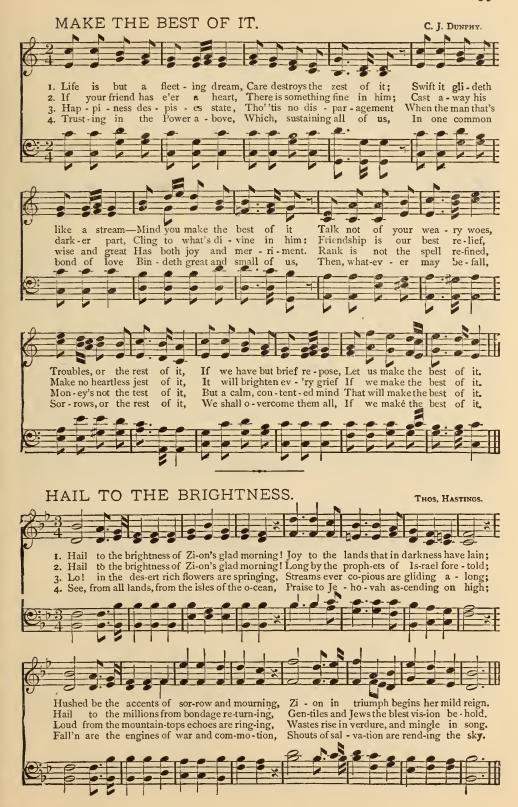




Music, like other studies taught as a specialty in the schools, must prove unsatisfactory at the best. One or more special teachers of music giving lessons in the different schools of a city at fixed hours, cannot usually do the efficient work that is needed. Rote singing may serve a good purpose in many ways. It disciplines the taste and the voice, and makes many children familiar with pleasant tunes to sing at home. It does not, however, give the pupil any useful ideas that can be applied to self-advancement. To accomplish this, music should be taught as a graded study, on the basis of a uniform system for all schools. Teachers under the direction of competent instructors,

who should be required to supervise all instruction, may become very efficient in imparting the elements of music. By this method music in the school can be made of great practical benefit. Music is allied to art by poetical affinity and humanizing power. It is the most elevating of all recreations, while at the same time it forms one of the most available means for the enlivening of toil and care. In teaching drawing, we do not propose to make artists; so in teaching music, it is not proposed to make musicians; but we can make the time devoted to this study of so much practical benefit to the pupil, that he will always feel in it an intelligent personal interest.





Balfe was a good vocalist and a fine composer. He sang in New York in 1834. He acquired such musical reputation as few English singers or composers have ever done. Balfe was born in Ireland, and was first distinguished as a singer. His voice was a barytone of moderate power, but his style was most beautifully finished and full of feeling. He afterwards merged the singer into the composer. His sparkling and effective operas enjoy popularity, as also his arrangement of Moore's melodies and other songs.

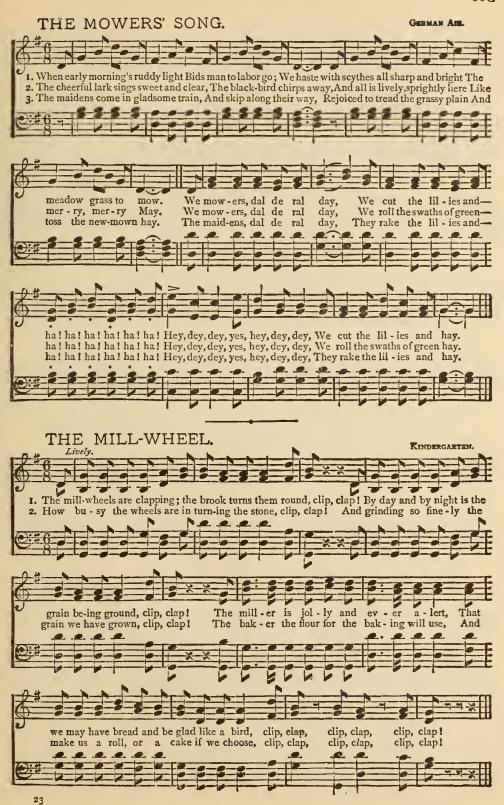
Looking at the uses of common sense in the school-room, they are legion. It may be said of teachers what an old Scotch elder said of ministers: "There be three things a mon needs to make him a successful minister, viz.: gude health, religion, and gude sense; if he can have but one o' these, let it be gude sense; for God can gie him health, and God can gie him grace, but naebody can gie him common sense."

Music is the fourth great want of our nature; first food, then raiment, then shelter, then music.—Bovee.



How spotless it seems, and how pure, I would that my spirit were so!
Then, long as the soul shall endure,
More brightly I'd shine than the snow.
Snow, snow,
More brightly I'd shine than the snow;

More brightly I'd shine than the snow; Snow, snow, snow. More brightly I'd shine than the snow. Down streamlets and rivers 'twill flow
The season of summer will bring
Bright flowers for silvery snow.
Snow, snow, snow,
Bright flowers for silvery snow;
Snow, snow, snow,
Bright flowers for silvery snow.







Will ich zuletzt noch fprechen:

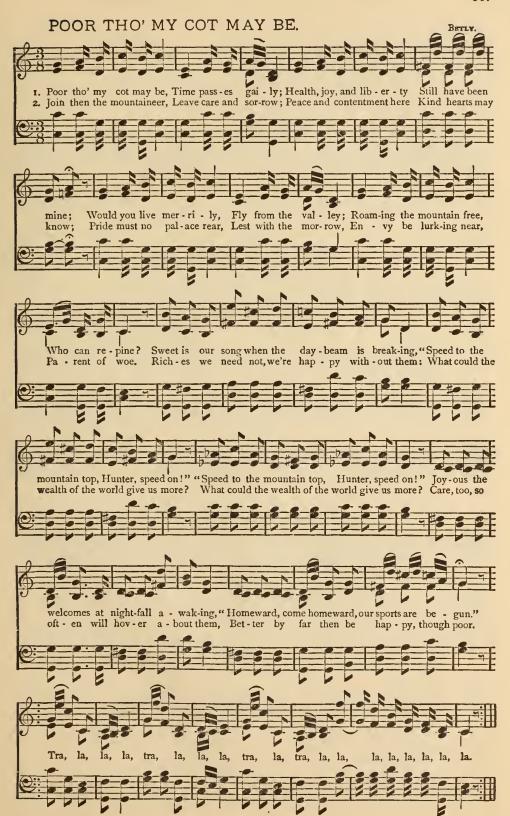
CHORAL SINGING.—How should a choral be sung, ! and what tunes shall we select? How shall we know a good tune when we hear it? In answering these questions, I shall try to make myself understood by the unmusical reader. A good tune, fit to be sung by the congregation, must answer Rossini's question:
"Will it grind?" For instance, "America" is a very good hand-organ tune. It will grind first-rate, The tune known us Dundee is better still. It contains but two kinds of notes. The figures 1 and 2 represent its character. They are simple numbers, closely related. The tune Arlington has four kinds of notes, that may be represented by the figures 1, 2, 2½, and 4. This, you see, is an irregular arrangement. Tunes containing dotted notes are not the best, because the dotted note destroys that straight-forward, exact, and mechan-

idea of time and numbers. In brief, the best chorals contain notes related to each other by simple numbers, like Old Hundred, Dundee, Luther's Chant, Missionary Hymn, or related by such numbers as 1, 2, and 3, as Balernia, Dennis, Olmutz, Boylston and others. Of course there are exceptions to this rule. Certain tunes possess a life and animation strong enough to carry them over any ordinary difficulties. Handel's Christmas and the Portuguese Hymn are notable examples. If you take pains to examine the best German chorals, you will find, as a rule, they contain only two kinds of notes—long and short ones, related as 1 to 2. Simple and exact, they are easily caught, and are produced, as we happen to know, with wonderful effect. Having seen that simplicity of form and mechanical exactitude are the standards of a good choral, ical character that appeals so directly to the common let us see what more they should have. First comes



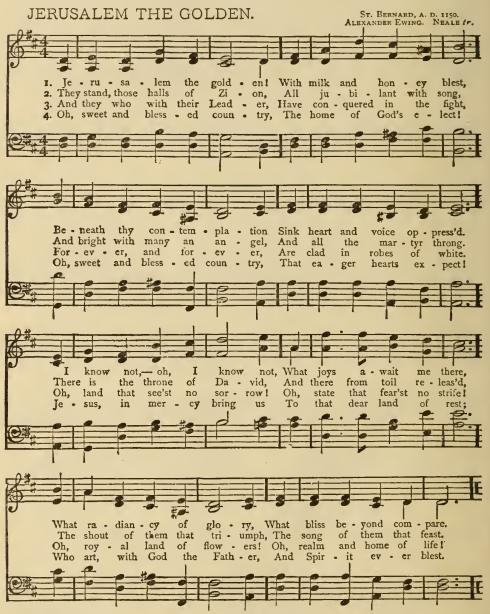
Old Hundred has a rather dry, uninteresting melody; yet it will never die. It has become so bound up with our dearest thoughts, and connected with our most sacred occasions, that we sing it with tearful eyes, and wonder why we love such a dear, stupid old song. Association keeps alive many a psalm that should be happily forgotten. The tunes Mear and Marlow might well be expunged from our books, as too dreary for any cheerful and sensible Christian; yet there they are likely to stay as long as you and I live. Next, the tunes should always be pitched in low keys. I have listened to congregational singing for many years, and I have never heard the people sing above E of the scale with ease. The

people-men, women and children-sing the melody. and I find this the limit of their average voices. They can go higher; but it is strained and unpleasant, neither edifying nor agreeable. The tunes should have a simple and flowing movement. The intervals or steps between the notes should not be wide nor unusual. "America" has a remarkably singing melody, confined within seven notes. The tune Ward keeps within six; and Naomi, one of the most beautiful melodies ever written, covers only five notes. Choral music is attracting increased attention every year. It is destined to grow and improve. Let us bid it Godspeed. May the day soon come when we can say; "Yea, let all the people praise the Lord l"-Barnard.



It is not ancommon for people more or less intelligent to speak of music and drawing as merely ornamental branches as distinguished from other studies. In looking the world over, what branches do we find more useful or more practical than music and drawing? Into the pleasure of social, or even solitary life, what branch enters so largely as music? If the objective point of education is refinement, what agent

or influence is more potent? As to drawing, it emeters every branch of industry, from the digging of a ditch to the building of a steamship. The represented line is the beginning of every constructed form. A master workman may have no stronger arm, no more skilful hand, than any of his toiling underlings; but, having an eye for distance and proportion, he is paid well for directing those who boast



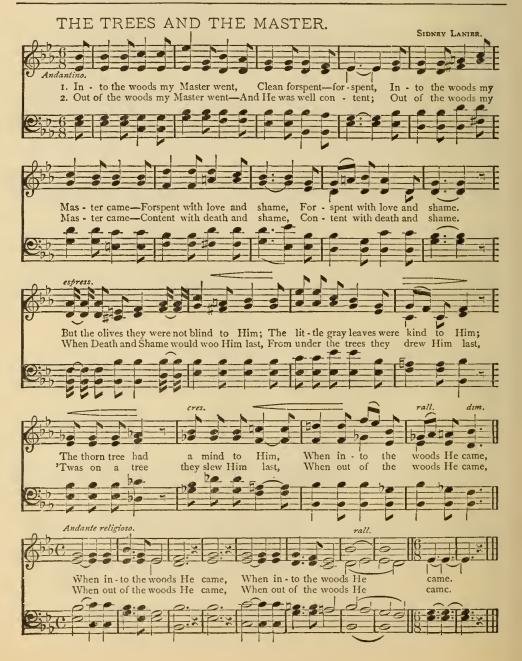
nothing but brawn. Omitting all mention of the artistic or æsthetic value of drawing, its practical utility is enough to place it in the front rank of solid studies. But why not consider, too, its artistic uses? Is it not suggestive that nearly all our best artists and engravers are foreigners? Properly taught, drawing is a most interesting branch to children of any age.

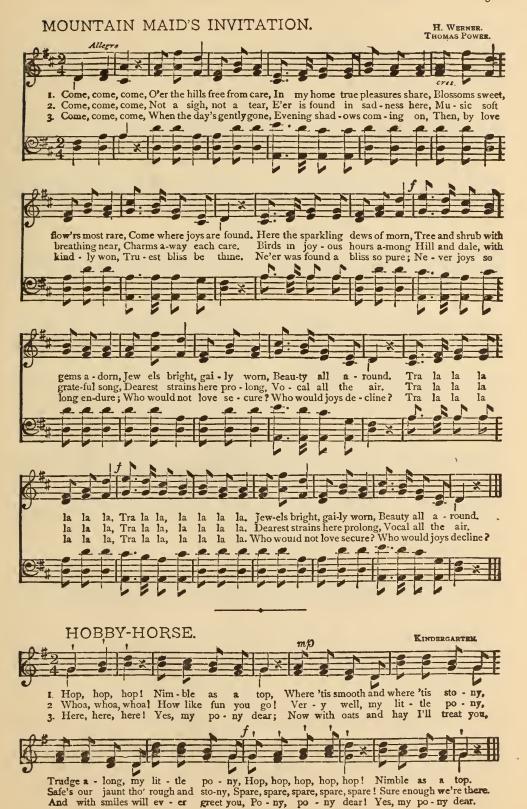
Placed against writing as a candidate for popular favor, it wins three-fourths of the hands in any well-regulated school-room. It pleases children in a double manner, for it allows them to do and to learn at the same time, and to combine these is the secret of the best training in the schools. Let us hear no more of music and drawing not being solid studies.



Music exists for the expression of varied emotion—sadness, longing, hope, triumph, aspirations toward the unobtained or the indefinite, calm fulfilment of an artistic conception of fitness and beauty; and besides these, monotony, long spell of unbroken quiescence, mental perturbation even to a positive sense of physical discomfort, are absolutely essential to relieve and heighten the more ecstatic emotions of pleasure called forth by a musical composition. We cannot always be burning with passion and reciting dramatic duets or heading triumphal processions. We do not do so in real life. This is what the Italians have failed to recognize. Their staggering tenors and palpitating sopranos rave together down by the prompter's box in

an almost unintermittent frenzy of passion; a very parody of life bereft of many of its tranquil calms and minor impressions pleasurably painful, each having its own special effect and value by contrast in relation to the rest of our lives. It is not only vivid impressions that are interesting; these heaped up one upon another constitute a plethora of over-strained excitement that will jade and exhaust the most passionate nature. There are countless experiences in life which leave us in a tranquil condition of enjoyment; and since these make up by far the greater portion of our existence, and are the vehicle of the most powerful emotions, are they not worthy of a prominent place in so comprehensive an index of human sentiment as is music?—Chambers.





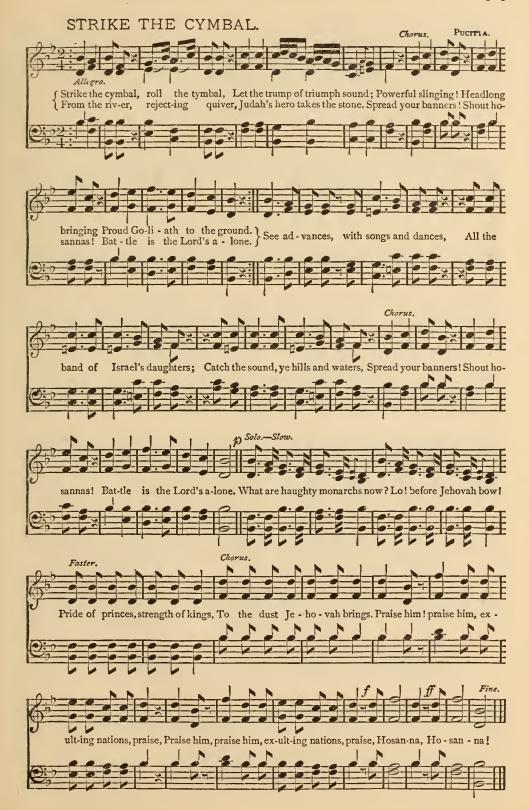
"SPEAK GENTLY."—The following reminiscences of a popular song will interest those with whom it is a favorite: David Bates, the author of the poem "Speak Gently," was a Philadelphia broker. He was styled by the board of brokers—it was their custom to nickname each other—"Old Mortality." Prominent literary men of the day frequented his office on Third street. None of his other numerous poems obtained the popularity of "Speak Gently." This was written on the spur of the moment, and was called out by a trivial circumstance. He was writing at his desk, and his wife was sewing in the same room, while his son and a little playmate were having a very spirited romp. The uproar they created greatly disturbed the good lady, and she requested them to be quieter. They subsided for a few moments, but soon there was as much commotion as before, and she reproved them again;

but the noise continued. Then she sprang to her feet, and, in no gentle tone, said, "I'll teach you to be quiet!" and both of the boys would have had their ears boxed, but they rushed very quickly for the door, and were out of sight before she could reach them. "Speak gently, wife—speak gently," said Mr. Bates, and turning again to his desk, he took a fresh sheet of paper, and wrote the poem that bears this title. At the supper table that evening he handed it to his wife. She glanced at the title, and thinking it a second reproof, said she did not want to see it, and gave it back to him without reading it. The next day, at his office, one of his literary friends coming in, he showed it to him. "This is a good thing, Bates," said his friend; "you should have it published." And acting upon the suggestion, he sent it with a note to L. A. Godey, editor of Godey's Magazine, published



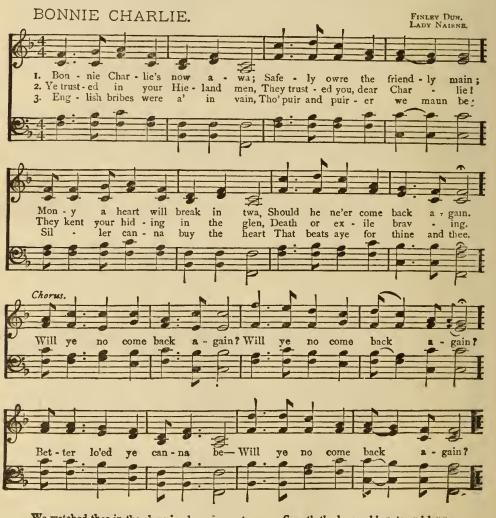
in Philadelphia. Within a few days he received a check from Mr. Godey for one hundred dollars, with a note complimenting the poem. Mr. Bates looked at the check with amazement, and exclaimed, "Well, this is the biggest one hundred dollars I ever saw!" He kept it locked up in his desk for some time, and would occasionally take it out and look at it. poem has been translated into many languages, and is greatly admired by foreigners, especially by the cultured Brazilian Emperor. When Rev. J. C. Fletcher, the celebrated American missionary, was in Brazil, he visited Dom Pedro. During the call of the reverend gentleman, the Emperor said, "I have something to show you, and shall be very glad if you can tell me the name of the author." He at once led the way into his private library, where one of the most prominent objects in the room was a large tablet reach-

ing from the floor to the ceiling, on which appeared the familiar poem "Speak Gently," in both the English and the Portuguese languages." "Do you know who wrote this?" asked Dom Pedro. "Yes," replied Mr. Fletcher; "the writer was formerly a fellow-townsman of mine, Mr. David Bates." "I consider it," said the Emperor, "the most beautiful poem of any language that I have ever read. I require all the members of my household to memorize it, and as far as possible, to follow its teachings." Upon Mr. Fletcher's return home, the Emperor sent by him a complimentary letter to the author, expressing his appreciation of the lines and his gratification at learning their authorship. This beautiful little poem, set to very appropriate music—an air from "Maritana," by Wallace—is found in the Franklin Square Song Collection, No. 2, the vocal harmony arranged in four parts.



A correspondent of one of the leading reviews of Scotland makes a plea for good singing as follows: If the visit to this country of certain Americans interested in the introduction and improvement of church music, were to have no other result, it would still do great good by directing attention to that which should be an integral and important part of the service, the only part of worship in many of our churches in which the people take an audible share. As the old woman excused

herself for hearing Dr. Chalmers reading a discourse by saying, "Ay, but it was fell readin' that," so we may say of this, it's "fell" singing. Mr. Sankey has a magnificent voice—clear, sweet and melodious; and his feeling of the truth and beauty and solemnity of what he is singing communicates an indescribable pathos and tenderness to his utterance. Then he has learned what is so carefully attended to in some American schools and so little regarded here, distinct utterance.



We watched thee in the gloaming hour, We watched thee in the morning gray, Tho' thirty thousand pounds they gi'e, Oh' there's nane that wad betray.—Cho.

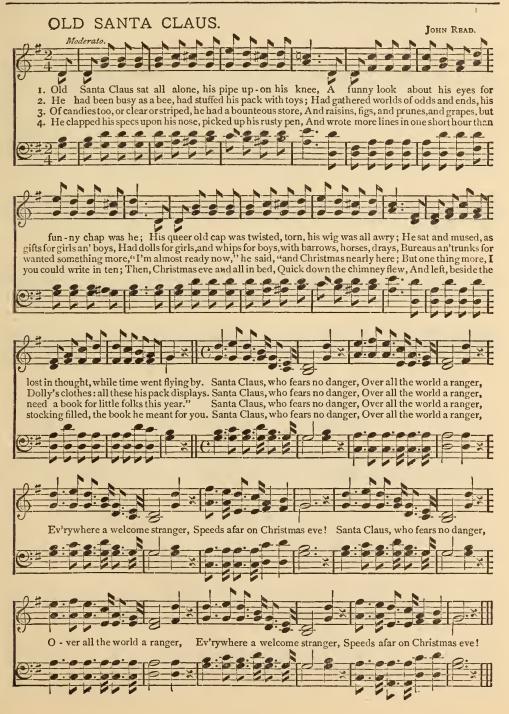
Sweet's the laverock's note and lang, Lilting wildly up the glen; But aye to me he sings a sang, Will ye no come back again?—Cho.

Any prejudice against "singing the gospel" fades away under the spell of his magic voice. Why should there be any prejudice? IFor generations most of the Highland ministers—and some of the Lowland ministers, as well—have sung the gospel, sung their sermons, ay, sung their prayers also. The difference is that they sing very badly and he sings very well. He accompanies himself on the organ, it is true, and some of us who belong to the old school can't swallow

the kist of whistles yet. But then the American organes is only a little one." When a deputation from the session waited on Ralph Erskine to remonstrate with him on the enormity of fiddling, he gave them a tune on the violoncello, and they were so charmed that they returned to their constituents with the report that it was all right—"it wasna' ony wee sinful fiddle" that their minister was thus in the habit of operating upon, but a grand instrument, full of grave, sweet melody.

Professor Bain distinguishes sounds considered as sensations into three classes: The first comprises the general effects of sound as determined by quality, intensity, and volume or quantity, to which all ears are sensitive. The second includes musical sounds, for which a susceptibility to pitch is requisite. Lastly, there is the sensibility to the articulateness, distance, and direction of sounds, which are the more intellectual properties. The first and principal difference between

sounds experienced by the ear is that between noises and musical tones, every variety of which depends on the rapidity, form, size, and order of succession of the vibrations. In musical tones, the vibrations are periodic, or succeed each other at regular intervals; in noises, they follow each other irregularly. Musical tones begin to be perceived at about thirty vibrations in a second, but a determinate musical pitch is not perceptible till about forty vibrations have been reached.



MOTHERS, think less of your furniture and more of the character of your children. A scratch upon the soul of your son is a far greater blemish than a scratch upon your piano. Rather your parlor carpet soiled than the reputation of your child. Let Home compete with club-house or saloon in attractiveness. Let into your windows the broad streams of light during the day, and let there be brightness and cheerfulness at night. Hang pictures on the wall, have flowers, have good books on the table, and musical instruments near by. Let song and the harmony of violin or flute,

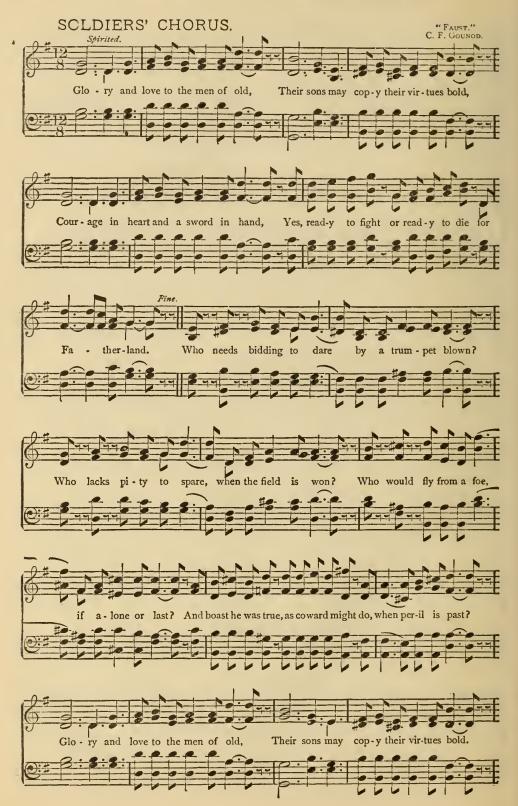
organ or piano, pleasant converse, innocent games banish the demons of dullness and apathy. Stimulata, by means of the home, a love for the true and the beautiful, a love for higher aims and purer endeavors, and you will do for your children what no time and no circumstances can undo. You have dowered them with life's truest treasures. In that "home" you have fitted them for noble and useful lives. "My office," says a distinguished clergyman, "brings me often to the resting place of the dead, and there are tombstones many, and many laudatory inscriptions upon them, but

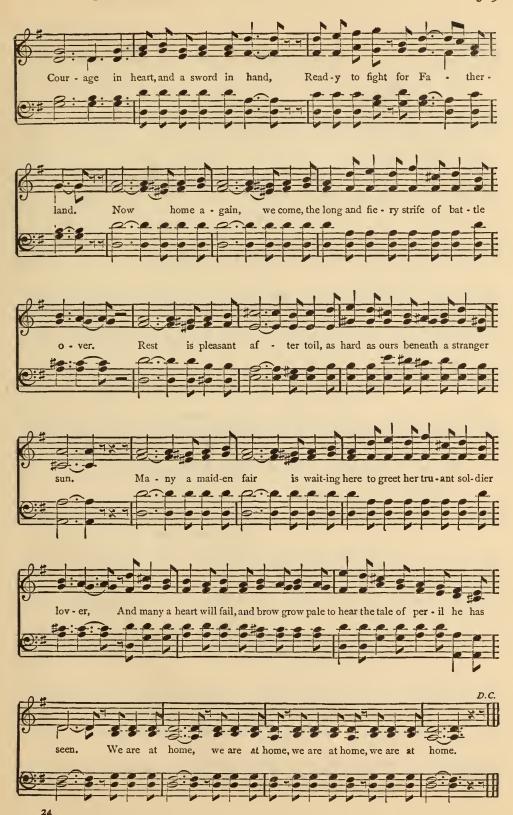


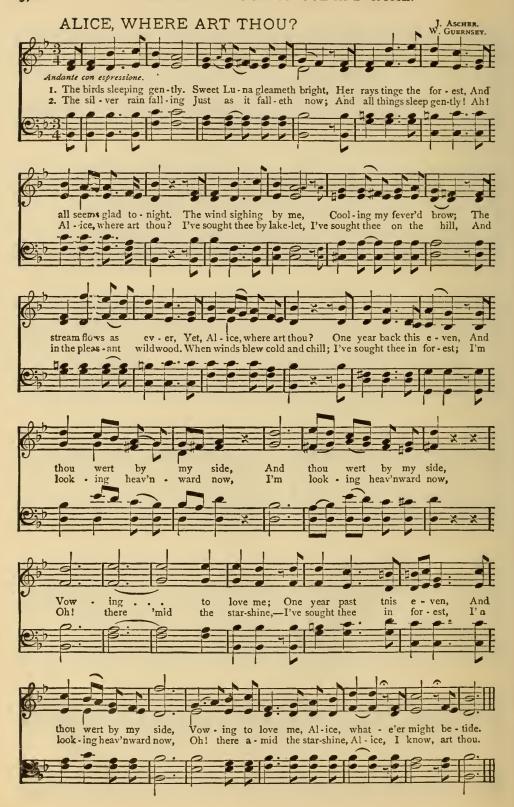
never yet have I read a higher tribute than that which a family of children inscribed upon one of them: 'Our Mother, she always made home happy.' I have little fear for such children. With such a remembrance of such a mother, in such a home, they cannot go wrong. Should they stray, that memory is sufficient to cause them to retrace their steps." A story is told of a number of soldiers during the war, who gave themselves up one night to revelry, loud talk, indecent stories, and songs, of which some, at least, could only be condemned. Among them sat a young man who took no part in

their drunken carousal. His comrades taunted him; made sport of his stupidity, as they called it, and at length prevailed on him to give a toast. He arose and said, "Comrades, I give you, 'Our Mothers and our Homes!" The effect was instantaneous—no more revelry, no more indecent stories, no more ribald song that night. A solemn silence ensued. Tears rolled down many a hardened cheek. One after another they went to their tents, and prayers ascended that night, if never again, from hearts unused to pray. Such is the magic of these simple words.—Rev. J. Krauskopf.











ELEMENTS OF MUSIC.

1. A Musical Sound is called a Tone.

2. Every tone has the three properties of Length, Pitch, and Power.

3. There are, therefore, three departments in the Elements of Music:-

1. Rhythmics, treating of the Length of Tones.

2. Melodics, treating of the Pitch of Tones. 3. Dynam'ies, treating of the Power of Tones.

The word Rhythmics is derived from the Greek verb "rheo," meaning to flow, as in the measured movement of poetic lines. Melod/ics is from the Greek "melod'eo," to sing harmoniously, or "melod'ia," a tune to which lyric poetry is set, a choral song, from "mellodos," musical or melodious. Dynam'ics is from the Greek "dun'amai," to be able,

or "dun'amis," force, energy, power.
Rhythmics comprehends all rhythmic things, or whatever may be derived from the primary fact that tones may be long or short. It includes also the rhythmic structure of phrases, sections and periods. Melodics includes everything that may proceed from the primary distinction of low or high, or from the property of pitch. The word "melody," as commonly used, is of much more limited signification, referring only to a pleasing succession of tones in rhythmic order or to an ordinary tune form. Dynamics embraces not only the mere force of tones, but also their manner or form of delivery.

RHYTHMICS: Length of Tones.

NOTES AND RESTS.

4. Notes are characters used to designate two things: By their position on the staff they give the Pitch of the tone, and by their form they indicate

5. The following are the notes in common use, the relative length of the tones which they represent

being indicated by their names.

WHOLE-NOTE. HALF-NOTE. QUARTER. BIGHTH. SIXTEENTH.

A character 2 called a Breve, or Double-Note, is sometimes used. It represents a tone twice as long as that represented by a Whole Note.

6. Rests are characters used to indicate silence.
7. The following are the Rests in common use; the relative length of the portions of time which they represent, corresponds to that of the notes; it is indicated by their names; the whole rest may also represent a whole measure rest without regard to the kind of time:

WHOLE-REST. HALF-REST QUARTER. EIGHTH, SIXTEENTH. Z or 1 or 7

For brevity and convenience, we shall hereafter speak of the length of notes, meaning the length of the tones represented by them.

8. A **Dot** placed after a note or a rest increases its length one-half. A dotted whole note is equal to three halves; a dotted half to three quarters. The same is true of Rests. Thus:

9. Two Dots placed after a note or a rest in crease its length three-fourths, the second dot adding one-half the length of the first. Thus:

10. The Figure 3 placed above or below three equal notes reduces their length to two of the same kind. Thus, equals in length Notes written in this manner are called Triplets.

11. Two or more notes may represent a single tone by the use of a character called a Tie. In vocal music the hooks attached to the notes may be joined for the same purpose, and the notes should be sung to one syllable. The Slur is used when the notes differ in pitch, the Tie ___ when they are of the same pitch.

MEASURES AND PARTS.

12. Music is divided into Measures and Parts—into Measures by single bars and into Parts by double bars. The time of each measure is the same as that of every other measure in the part and is determined by the fraction placed at the beginning of each part. If a part is to be repeated, dots, called Repeating Dots, precede the double bar.

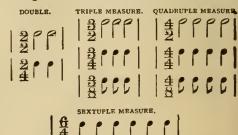
Measures are again divided into certain parts, which may be indicated to the ear by Counting, as "one, two," "one two," etc.; or to the eye by motions of the hand, called Beats, or Beating Time. The length of notes may frequently be estimated, but in complicated movements, it must be indicated as above

by some simple method of measurement.

14. A Measure divided into two parts is called Double Measure; three parts, Triple Measure; four parts, Quadruple Measure; six parts, Sextuple Measure. Thus:

DOUBLE. QUADRUPLE. SEXTUPLE MEASURE.

15. Each kind of Measure may have several varieties, depending upon the length of the notes which are expressed by the denominator of the fraction. The following are some of the common varieties:



The pupil should, of course, be taught that a Measure may be filled with other notes than those used in the above examples. Let him fill the measures with notes of different lengths, rests, etc. As will be seen, a piece of music may begin on any part of a measure. When it begins on a fractional part, it ends on a fractional part; and the two parts thus formed equal a complete measure.

16. The Numerator of the Fraction at the beginning of the above examples indicates the number of beats into which the measure is divided; the **Denominator** indicates the kind of note which will fill each beat. Thus, 3/4 shows that there are three beats in the measure, and that a quarter note

will fill each beat.

17. The *limits* or *boundaries* of Measures, as has been said, are marked by light vertical lines, called **Bars**, the end of a Part being marked by a heavy vertical line, or **Double Bar**.

18. The end of a line of poetry in hymnal music is also sometimes indicated by a heavy vertical line, or Double Bar, which can have no effect upon the

measure.

19. The end of a piece of music is indicated by a character called a Close.

20. Beating Time is designating each part of a Measure by a motion of the hand. In Double Measure, the hand moves down, up; Triple Measure, down, left, up; Quadruple Measure, down, left, right, up; Sextuple Measure, down, left, left, right, up, up; or in rapid movement, down, up. This may vary according to the taste of the instructor, each having his

own method of indicating accent.

21. Counting Time is designating each part of a Measure by a number. In Double Measure, we count one, two; Triple Measure, one, two, three; Quadruple Measure, one, two, three, four; Sextuple Measure, one, two, three, four, five, six; or one, two. The exercises of beating and counting time are very valuable, and should be practiced frequently. Beating time requires motions of the hand at exactly equal points of time; counting time requires counts at exactly equal points of time. It is common to speak of tones "as so many beats long," or "so many counts long." When the leader tells which way the hand is moving, he is said to be describing the time. Select melodies from the book for the purpose of affording variety of practice. Let the class be divided into parts, singing and counting or beating time alternately. Ability to count inaudibly should be acquired as soon as possible, for this is essential to success.

22. Accent is a stress given to certain parts of the Measure. In Double Measure, the first part is accented; in Triple Measure, the first part; in Quadruple Measure, the first and third parts; in Sextuple Measure, the first and fourth parts. In measures containing two accents, the first is the principal and therefore louder. The accents may fall away when followed by a rest, and may be changed when followed by a longer note, this note receiving the accent and being therefore called a Syncopated note. These rules are, however, becoming somewhat obsolete in vocal music, the accented syllables and emphatic

words determining the parts to be accented.

23. A Syncopated Note, then, is one that begins on an unaccented part of a measure and continues on an accented part. Thus, in the second is a Syncopated Note, or a Syncope, and should always be accented, that is, expressed forcibly, as if so marked.

24. The length of the beats in each Measure is

indicated by certain Italian words, sometimes modified by other words added thereto, of which the following are the most common:

Adagio—Very slow movement.

Allegretto—Cheerful, not so fast as Allegro.

Allegro—Quick, lively, vivacious.

Andante—Rather slow, gentle, distinct.

Andantino—Somewhat quicker than Andante.

Largo—Very slow and solemn.

Larghetto—Less slow than Largo.

Lento—Slow.

Moderato—Moderate.

Presto—Very quick.

Prestissimo—With greatest rapidity.

MELODICS: Pitch of Tones.

THE STAFF.

25. The Staff is used to represent the relative pitch of Tones. It consists of five lines and four spaces, each line and space being called a degree. Thus the staff contains nine degrees and the sentence. "Name the degrees on which these notes are found," means "Name the lines and spaces on which these notes are found."

26. Added lines are used to represent tones which are too high or too low to be represented upon the Staff. They may be placed above and below the staff to any extent desired, as they are simply a continuation of the staff, the note immediately above or below the Staff being in a Space.

below the Staff being in a Space.

27. The lines and spaces of the Staff are named from the lowest upwards, 1st line, 1st space, 2d line,

2d space, etc.

28. The added lines and spaces are named from the first line, space below, 1st line below, etc.; and from the fifth line, space above, 1st line above, etc.

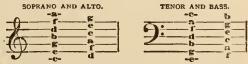
1st line above.	2d space above.
5th line. 4th	space.
4th line.	space.
2d line. 2d	space.
1st line. 1st	space.
1st line below.	1st space below.
	2d space below.

29. Each degree is designated by one of the first seven letters of the alphabet, the position of the letter never changing unless the Clef be changed.

30. Instead of placing a letter on the staff to show the abstract pitch, certain characters are used called Clefs, which show how the letters are applied. Thus, the Treble clef marks the position of C on the staff, in the third EASS space; and the Bass clef, marks the position cler of C in the second space.

31. In four-part songs the Soprano and Alto are written in the **Treble**, and the Tenor and Bass in the **Bass** Clef. There are other clefs used by certain orchestral instruments, as the Alto clef, marking the position of C on the third line (viola), and the Tenor clef, marking the position of C on the fourth

line (trombone).



The C on the first line below the Treble Staff, and the C on the first line above the Bass, represent the same tone. It is called *Middle C*. The tones of the

Female voice are an octave higher than those of the Male, hence a Soprano solo sung by a Tenor sounds an octave lower than the notes in which it is written.

32. The different parts are commonly represented in music by two or more staves, united by a Brace,

and called a Score.

33. The Absolute Pitch of Tones (the pitch independent of scale relationship), is designated by the letters naming the degrees of the Staff; as, A, B, C, D, E, F, G. The position of these letters is fixed and unchangeable while the clef remains unchanged.

and unchangeable while the clef remains unchanged.

34. The difference of pitch between any two tones, as from A to B, from A to E, from C to G, etc., is called an Interval. A true knowledge of intervals can only be communicated through the Ear. The pupil must listen carefully to tones and compare them constantly. Without this practical acquaintance with the subject, names, definitions and illustrations are of little account.

35. In the regular succession of the Natural Tones, there are two kinds of intervals, larger and smaller. The larger intervals are called **Tones** and the smaller **Semi-Tones**. The successive tones of the major scale, in all the keys, occur in the following order: Between one and two, a tone; between two and three, a tone; between three and four, a semi-tone; between four and five, a tone; between

five and six, a tone; between six and seven, a tone; and between seven and eight, a semi-tone. These two half-tones in the octave afford infinite variety in music. Were the eight natural sounds in the octave equidistant one from another, there being no semi-tones, the keys would differ only in acuteness and not in quality, as now. Choose melodies from the book in the different keys and give the pupils exercise in reading these intervals of tones and semi-tones.

36. Between any two tones of the Staff having the interval of a step, another tone may be inserted, dividing the step into two half steps. Thus, a tone may be inserted between C and D, etc. Some sing ers of Southern Europe add a certain brilliancy of effect by again dividing the half-step; but ability to do this is not possessed by the people of Central or the transfer of the step in the people of the step in the step is the people of the step in the step in the step is the step in the step in

Northern Europe, or of America.

37. The degrees of the Staff represent these inserted tones by the aid of characters called Sharps and Flats. Thus, a tone inserted between C and D.

is named C sharp, or D flat.

38. A Sharp, t, placed on a degree, raises the pitch of a tone a half-step; a Flat, b, placed on it, lowers the pitch of a tone a half-step below that named by the letter.

39. The power of a sharp or a flat may be cancelled by a character called a Natural, 2.

Range of the Human Voice.—The compass of every human voice for singing must fall somewhere within the wide range of notes given herewith. But, of course, no single voice has ever been equal to these thirty-one notes at any one period in life. The boy who sings a high soprano may take nearly all the upper notes, but when grown to manhood his voice "changes," and he has ability to sing only in the three lower octaves. As to the range of notes here found, it requires a phenomenal Bass to reach the lowest (Great Double C), and a Soprano only less remarkable to sing the highest (e'') with confidence and musical effect. If the reader has not learned the compass of his own voice, it will be both interesting and satisfactory to test, with piano or organ, for its highest and lowest notes, as well as for those tones in which it is strong and full, or weak and uncertain. By intelligent practice the compass may be increased and the tones improved.



The Staff in the Bass clef extends from G to A. Three notes intervene between this and the staff in the Treble, which, as will be seen, may be written in either clef, above the Bass or below the Treble. these, the middle note (c) is known as "Middle" Cbecause midway between the two clefs. The treble clef extends from e to f. All the letters below G in the bass and \mathbf{e} in the treble, occupy places in successive order downwards on the added lines and spaces below the staff; all above A in the bass and f' in the treble on the added lines above the staff. "Middle C" (e) corresponds to the fourth note on the G string of the violin at ordinary concert pitch, or to Middle C on piano or organ. Great Double C, or Contra C, as it is called, having about thirty-three vibrations to the second, the next higher C doubles that number; and so on, each octave higher doubling the number of vibrations of the octave next below it.

The entire range of the human voice in mustc—from lowest Bass to highest Soprano—may be reckoned from E b below the staff in the bass clef, four octaves, to E b above the staff in the treble clef. Vocal sounds lower or higher than this seem to have little power of expression in any sense. Voices are usually considered under three divisions for the male, and four for

the female sex; Bass, Barytone, and Tenor; Contralto, Alto, Mezzo Soprano, and Soprano. The usual range of the Bass is from F or E below the bass clef. rarely lower, two octaves to f; Barytone, from G, on first line of bass clef, two octaves, to g; Tenor, from C, two octaves, to c'; Contralto, the deepest female voice, from F to c'', being two and one-half octaves; Alto, two octaves, from F to f'; Mezzo Soprano, from A to a'; and Soprano from "Middle C" (c), two octaves to c", which is also indicated as c2. Middle C has about 132 vibrations to the second, and is produced by sound waves from eight to nine feet apart. Waves at half that distance apart, produce a tone one octave higher, half that again the next higher octave, and so on. In large organs, C, an octave below Contra C, with 16½ vibrations per second, is reached, but the effect is imperfect. The piano reaches a4, with 3,520 vibrations per second, and sometimes \mathbb{C}^5 , with 4,224 vibrations. The highest note taken in the orchestra is probably (15, on the piccolo flute, with 4,752 vibrations. The practical range in music is from 40 to 4,000 vibrations per second, embracing seven octaves. The human ear is, however, able to compass eleven octaves, that is to say, it notes vibrations ranging from 161/2 up to 38,000 in a single second of time.

40. A Double Sharp, %, is used on a degree affected by a sharp, to represent a tone a half-step above the one affected by the sharp; its power may be cancelled by a sharp and natural, A Double Flat, b, is used on a degree affected by a flat, to represent a tone a half-step below the one affected by a flat; it may be cancelled by a flat and natural, b. ...

41. The Signature of a Staff is the part between the clef and the fraction; it is named from the number of sharps or flats which it contains. If there is no signature, the notes correspond with the white

keys of piano or organ.

42. A sharp or a flat in the signature applies not only to the degree on which it stands, but also to all

others which represent the same pitch.

43. A sharp, a flat, or a natural, placed outside the signature, is called an Accidental, -appearing "accidentally" in the measure—and applies only to

the degree on which it stands.

44. If not cancelled, as stated above, the signification of a signature extends to the end of the Staff, that of an accidental-whether flat, sharp or naturalextends no farther than the measure in which it appears, except when the last note of a measure is flat or sharp, and the first note of the following measure is the same letter; then, if it is syncopated, the influence of the accidental extends to that note.

THE DIATONIC SCALE.

45. The Relative Pitch of tones is indicated by

a Scale, or Tone Ladder.

46. The Diatonic Scale, generally called the Scale, consists of a regular succession of intervals from the key-note to the octave, 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, or octave, it having been found most agreeable to join to the seven sounds of one group the first of the next higher, making eight in all. The key-note is the first note in the Scale. This Scale is also called the Major Scale, to distinguish it from another scale, having its semitones in different order, and called the Minor Scale. In the compass of the scale there are five whole tones or degrees and two semi-tones or half-degrees. Commencing on C, that is making C one of the scale, these semi-tones are found between the 3d and 4th and 7th and 8th degrees. Here we find between the 1st and 3d degrees two whole tones, making a "major" or greater third. All music written on the scale when so constructed is said to be in the major keys; and this scale can only be formed from the notes in their natural order by commencing on C. There is, however, another series of notes, equally well-fitted for expressing musical ideas, which is formed by commencing on A instead of C, and which, in the natural order of tones, can begin only on A. In this scale the semi-tones always fall between 2 and 3 and 5 and 6. Here between the 1st and 3d degrees there are not two whole tones, but only a tone and a half, making the "minor" or lower third. All music written on the scale when so constructed is said to be in the minor keys, which are often most expressive.

47. The tones are named by Numbers and also by Syllables, the latter to afford greater variety of vowel sounds for practice, as well as to form an easy association of degree name and relative pitch of tone-the same syllable being always used in singing the same tone. Do is always one, Re always two, and so on.

The numbers and syllables are as follows:

By numbers: 1, 2, By syllables: Do, Re, Mi, Fa, Sol, La, Si, Do. (Pronounced Doe, Ray, Mee, Fah, Sole, Lah, See, Doe.)

The names of the notes, Do, Re, Mi, etc., vibrate throughout the scale, their places depending wholly upon the location of the Key-note, which is always

called Do, and numbered one.

48. There are, as has already been said, two kinds of intervals in the Diatonic scale: Steps and Halfsteps, the intervals between 3 and 4, and 7 and 8, being half-steps, while all the others are steps. The half-steps, or semi-tones, should always be sung "sharp," the voice being slightly pressed or driver above, rather than permitted to fall below the tone indicated by the note upon the staff.

49. In writing the Scale, any tone may be taken as one, or Do; when this is determined, the others must follow in regular order In the examples below, one or Do is placed on C, as the intervals of the staff beginning with C, correspond with those of the scale All the steps in the key of C are therefore natural steps. As shown in the following examples, the scale is extended upwards, by regarding eight, or the octave above one, as one of an upper scale, and downwards by regarding one as eight of a lower scale.

50. The Scale, as written upon the staff, in the key of C, in both clefs, is as follows:—



1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 1, 5, 3, 1 or 8. Do, re, mi, fa, sol, la, si, do, sol, mi, do.

THE TONE LADDER.

51 The fact that these Eight Degrees include every possible distance except the *none* and *deceme* (ninth and tenth), at which musical tones can be placed from each other, was discovered some centuries ago in Italy. When sung consecutively the thought of ascending or descending a ladder was naturally suggested, and the term "Scale" (Italian word Scala, meaning "ladder.") was adopted. The propriety of the name has caused it to be retained by musicians. The order of tones being a "ladder," the distances between them are naturally called steps. The tones of the Scale can only be learned by imitation.

The Scale or Tone Ladder may be drawn or neatly painted on the blackboard for permanent use in the form here shown, six or eight inches wide and eighteen high, which will afford spaces three inches in height to represent tone intervals, and one and a-half inch spaces for the semi-tones. Let the scale names and numbers be given as here. The exercises should be written by the side of the scale in **bold fig**nres. Commas may be used after the figures to indicate short notes, and the dash for notes prolonged. With the pointer, the teacher can direct the work of the class more readily, singing the exercises back wards as well as forwards, by numbers, by syllables, by letters, and by simple vowel sounds.

The following exercises which may be placed upon the board, as well as sung from the page, will afford much variety of useful practice. They may be greatly varied, and supplemented by others to almost any ex-But it is advised that, at first, they be taken in the order here presented, in short lessons, so that nothing is passed that is not well learned. Let this drill exercise be pleasantly varied by rote singing-attractive songs and familiar hymns being preferredall of which may afterwards be written in the numerals. These figures can be so written as to represent three octaves, by placing a dash above those that fall below the starf, below those that are above the staff, and before and after those upon the staff—the dash all the while representing the Staff.

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It is of prime importance that there should be a feeling of confidence and prompt readiness-"sure touch"-in passing from one degree of the Scale to another. This can be acquired most readily, as ex-

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perience has shown, by frequent exercises upon the numerals, alternating with the names of notes, etc., and hence much of this practice is here condensed into little space. The Scale should be regarded as the unit in thinking sounds, and should be taught as a whole. The practice of the sounds as relative mental objects, should then form a part of each lesson until these relative sounds are familiar in every ordinary relation to each other.

Simple melodies and familiar tunes may be written on the blackboard in numerals, followed by commas or dashes, as the notes are short or long. Pupils may thus be familiarized with the third, fourth, fifth or other intervals, by associating them with like intervals in tunes with which they are perfectly familiar. This will be found a hint of much practical value. No other country gives so much attention to music as Germany, and this, with German teachers, is a favorite method of fixing in the mind certain scale intervals.

Too little attention is directed to developing tone perception in the minds of pupils. The teacher who sings should frequently sound the key-note, then sing ah or la to any tone or tones in the scale, and have the pupils name the number and syllable, and (when the key is announced), the letter. The same training can be given by sounding the key-note, and having a part of the class sing the tones indicated by the pointer, while the rest of the class, with their backs turned, name the tones that have been sung. To know the name of the note is a very different matter from being able to sense the tone, and much less important. This practical knowledge of tones is essential.

The teacher should cultivate a soft, distinct, and pleasing quality of tone. A good style of singing can only be acquired by imitation, and that of the teacher should be worthy to be imitated. In these exercises the numerals, or names of the sounds, may be sung first; then the syllables, Do, Re, Mi, etc.; then the letters or the pitch of the sounds, and finally the syllable ah, or la, for each note. Be careful that every tone is sung with precision. Use D as one, throughout the above exercises, afterwards the scale of Eb, E, and C. Be sure that the pitch is correct. Test frequently for correct pitch, with tuning fork, pitchpipe, piano, or organ. The "scale" is sung by the Syllables; the names of the successive sound intervals by the *Numerals*; the pitch of the sounds (the key being known) by the *Letters*—a distinction which will be of interest to intelligent pupils. This should be so well known to the class that there can be no mistake as to what is meant when the teacher uses the terms, "Scale," "Name," "Pitch," as words of command during the singing exercise.

Teachers who are not familiar with the scale can, of themselves, by the aid of the organ or piano, readily master the succession of tones found in these exercises. The difficulty is not great, and the pleasure and profit to teacher and school will be positive and lasting-each step forward giving courage for another.

Observe the following directions for singing: 1. Let the body be erect, avoiding stiffness or restraint. 2. Take breath easily and naturally, without raising the shoulders. 3. Let the mouth be well opened, taking care to avoid rigidity of the muscles of the throat and neck. 4. Aim at purity of tone, rather than mere 5. Practice frequently, singing the vowel a (ah), endeavoring to produce the sound in the front part of the mouth. It is recommended to preface the a (ah) with the vowels oo, o, singing them rapidly and uniting them with the a, and dwelling upon the a; thus, oo, o, a. This prevents the sound from being made too far back in the mouth. 6. Articulate

clistinctly, but without apparent effort. 7. In singing loud passages, be very careful to avoid shouting.

THE KEY-NOTE.

52. The Key-note is One of the Scale, and is called the Tonic. A minor third above the tonic characterizes the Minor scale; a major third, the Major.

53. The Fifth of the Scale is the Dominant.

54. The Fourth, the Sub-Dominant. 55. The Key of a piece of music is the fundamental tone, or one of the Scale in which it is written, and it is indicated by the signature. (See Art. 41.) It is always Do, and is in music "what the foundation is to a house, home to the traveler, or a port to the sailor, from which he takes his departure and to which after his voyage he hopes to return "-the melody always ending with the Key-note. The peculiar characteristic of this note Do, in the Major keys, is that above it, successively, are always first two whole tones, then a semi-tone, followed by three whole tones and a semi-tone; then Do again, and order of intervals as before. The key of C has no signature. The signatures of the keys that follow are as here shown:

G, one sharp -D, two sharps-F#, C#. F#, C#, G#. A, three sharps— E, four sharps— B, five sharps— F#, C#, G#, D#. F#, C#, G#, D#, A#. F#, C#, G#, D#, A#, E#. F#, six sharps— F, one flat -Bb, two flats-Bb, Eb. Eb, three flats-Bb, Eb, Ab. Ab, four flats-Вь, Еь, Аь, Оь Db, five flats-Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb. six flats— Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, Cb.

In singing a tune, the first thing to be done is to find the Key-note as a starting point. The order of the keys in the sharps may very easily be remembered from the initial letters in the sentence, "Good Deeds Are Ever-Blooming Flowers," the last key being F# instead of F. The order of the keys in flats is had by reading the sentence backwards, the first key being F, and each of the others adding the flat (), as Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, and Gb. In Minor tunes, the key-note is always a minor third, (three semi-tones), below the place named for Do in the above Major keys. That is, the key-note is major C or minor A; G major or E minor; D major or B minor, etc.

"Next letter above last Sharp," is also a simple rule for getting the Key in sharps. One sharp being on F, the next letter above is G, the key-note; two sharps, last sharp C, next letter above is D, the key-note; and so on. In the flat keys, count four notes back, including the note made flat; as B, back four notes to

F, the key-note, and so on.

INTERVALS.

56. An Interval is the difference of pitch between any two tones in the scale.

tween any two tones in the scale.

Unisons are of the same pitch. A Major Second consists of a step; a Minor Second of a half-step. A Major Third consists of two steps, a Minor Third of a step and a half-step; and Augmented Fourth consists of two steps and a half-step; an Augmented Fourth of three steps. A Ferfect Fifth consists of three steps and a half-step; a Diminished Fifth of two steps and two half-steps. A Perfect Sixth consists of four steps and a half-step; a Diminished Sixth of three steps and a half-step; a Minor Seventh consists of five steps and a half-step; a Minor Seventh consists of five steps. A Perfect Octave consists of five steps and two half-steps. These are called Diatonic Intervals, as they are all found in the Diatonic Scale. Other intervals, as they are all found in the Diatonic Scale. Other intervals, as they are all found in the Diatonic Scale. Other intervals, as they are all found in the Diatonic Scale. Other intervals, as they are all found in the Diatonic Scale. Other intervals, as they are all found in the Diatonic Scale of sharps and flats. When the lower note of the two representing an interval is placed an oclower note of the two representing an interval is placed an oc-tave higher, or the upper one an octave lower, the interval is

said to be Inverted. The degrees of an interval are counted upwards, unless the opposite is stated; and the degrees occupied by the notes, as well as the ones between them, are counted.

CHROMATIC SCALE.

57. The Chromatic Scale is a regular succession of semi-tones.

58. The tones of the Chromatic Scale are named from the tones of the Diatonic Scale, or the letters of the staff; the intermediate ones taking their names from one or the other of the tones between which they occur, with the addition of the word "sharp" or "flat." Thus, the tone inserted between C and D, when named with respect to Absolute Pitch, is called C Sharp or D Flat; and with respect to Relative Pitch is called Sharp One, or Flat Two. This Scale is here given, both Ascending and Descending:



Permanent names C, C#, D, D#, E, F, F#, G, G#, A, A#, B, C, etc. Syllable Names

Do, Di, Re, Ri, Mi, Fa, Fi, Sol, Si, La, Le, Si, Do. Pronounced. Do, Dee, ?ay, Ree, Mee, Fah, Fee, Sol, See, La, Lay, See, Do. Numeral names,



THE MINOR SCALE.

59. The Minor Scale is a Diatonic Scale, and is named from its third, which is a minor third; the third of the Major Scale being a major third. minor third is a semi-tone lower than a major third.

60. The Minor Scale has various forms. In the Natural Form the half-steps occur between two and three, and five and six. Hence, the Natural Minor Scale is formed from the Major Scale, by taking the last two notes above and placing them below.

NATURAL MINOR SCALE.



61. The Harmonic Form differs from the Natural form by the introduction of sharp-seven.

HARMONIC MINOR SCALE.



62. The Melodic Form in ascending has sharp-six and sharp-seven, while it usually descends

by the Natural form.

63. The Minor Scale, based upon six of the Major Scale, is called its relative minor; and the Major Scale, based upon three of the Minor Scale, is called its relative major. The signature of a minor piece of music is the same as its relative major, the additional sharps or flats being introduced before the proper notes in the piece. Thus, a minor piece in the key of E has the signature of G major, that is F#; and Do is used instead of D.

64. Transposition is changing from one key to another, that is, moving Do, or one—the foot of the Tone Ladder-to a higher or lower place on the Staff.

65. The Transposition of the Scale is changing it from one pitch to another—the entire scale being transposed—the intervals between the tones, however, remaining the same. In order to keep the intervals of steps and half-steps in the same order as in the key of C-represented by the white keys of Organ or Piano-it is necessary to use flats or sharps-represented on the key-board by the black keys-at each transposition, according as one or another degree of the staff is made one of the Scale.

66. All scales are, in a general sense, alike natural. Whether the key is C, with neither flats or sharps, or E with its four sharps, the singer needs to have no consciousness of the fact. He simply sings the scale, with no change of thought or impression—its intervals being the same in all the keys. It is upon this fact

that the Tonic Sol-Fa system is based.

METHOD OF TRANSPOSITION.

67. The Scale may be transposed from one pitch to any other. It is found to be simplest to transpose by fifths and fourths; that is, to change the key-note so that five or four of the old scale will become one of the new scale.

68. If one of the scale is placed on C, the intervals between the tones named by the letters correspond to those of the scale, as will be seen by the following: Intervals marked by a are half-steps.

The key of C therefore requires no sharps or flats, and is called the Natural key.

69. If, however, any other letter be taken as one of the scale, it will be seen that the intervals do not correspond. For example, beginning with G, which is the fifth of the key of C:

G, A,
$$\widehat{B}$$
, C, D, \widehat{E} , F, G. 1, 2, $\widehat{3}$, 4, 5, 6, $\widehat{7}$, 8.

From this it will be seen that if one is placed on G, F, the fourth of the key of C is a half-step too low, and hence the intermediate tone between F and G, or F#, must be taken, thus:

The signature of the key of G is therefore F .

70. Beginning with D, the *fifth* of the key of G, and substituting F # for F:

D, E,
$$F_{\sharp,}^{\star}$$
, G, A, B, C, D.
I, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

It will be observed that C, the fourth of the key of G, is a half-step too low, and hence the tone a half-step higher, or C must be used, thus:

The signature of key of D is therefore F and C.

71. From the above explanations, we may derive the following Rule for Transposition by Fifths:

To transpose by Fifths, make the fifth of the old scale the key-note of the next scale, and use sharpfour in place of four of the old scale. This rule is briefly stated thus: Sharp-four transposes a fifth.

72. Again: placing one on F, which is the fourth of the key of C:

It will be found that B, the seventh of the key of C, is a half-step too high, and hence the intermediate tone between B and A, or Bp, must be taken, thus:

The signature of the key of F is therefore B >. 73. Beginning with Bb. the fourth of key of F.

It will be seen that E, the seventh of the key of F. is a half-step too high, and hence the tone a half-step lower, or ED must be used, thus:

The signature of key of Bo is therefore Bo and Eb.

74. By an examination of the above explanations we may derive the following Rule for Transposition by Fourths: Make the fourth of the old scale the key-note of the new scale, and use flat-seven in place of seven of the old scale. This rule is briefly stated thus: Flat-seven transposes a fourth.

75. In transposing by fifths, those keys are reached whose signatures are one or more sharps; in transpos ing by fourths, those keys are reached whose signa-

tures are one or more flats.

MELODY. PASSING TONES, Etc.

76. A Melody is a single succession of tones. 77. Tones not essentially belonging to a melody, called Passing Tones, are often introduced. They are usually represented by small notes.

78. A passing tone that precedes an essential tone on an accented part of a measure is called an Ap-

poggiatura; one that follows an essential tone on an unaccented part of a measure, an After-Tone. 79. A rapid alternation of a tone with the one next above it is called a Trill or Shake. It is

indicated by tr.

80. A tone sung in rapid succession with the tones next above and below it is called a Turn. is indicated by ... The Trill and the Turn do not belong to chorus singing.

81. Dots placed across a staff before a bar are called a Repeat, and indicate that the preceding passage is to be repeated. The influence of a Repeat extends back to dots placed after a bar; or, if these

are omitted, to the beginning

82. Da Capo, or D. C., indicates a return to the beginning. Dal Segno, or D. S., indicates a return to a character called a Sign, \$

83. Fine indicates the place to end after a D. C.

or a D. S.

84. The Hold or Pause, , signifies that the sound should be prolonged, and the beating suspended until the singer is ready to proceed.

85. If two or more tones of a melody are to be sung to one syllable, the notes representing them are generally connected by a character called a Slur. The Slur is also used to indicate a Legato movement.

86. If a syllable is to be sung to a tone represented by two or more notes, these notes are usually connected by a **Tie.** (See Art. 11.)

DYNAMICS: Power of Tones.

87. The power of tones may be indicated by the following Italian words, marks, or abbreviations:

Mezzo, . . . m, . . medium.
Piano, . . p, . . soft.
Forte, . . f, . . loud.
Pianissimo, . pp, . . very soft.
Fortissimo, . ff, . . very loud.
Mezzo Piano. . mp, . moderately soft.
Mezzo Forte, . mf, . moderately loud.
Crescendo, . cres., or ____, gradual increase.
Diminuendo, . dim., or ____, gradual decrease.
Swell, . . _____, increase and decrease.
Sforsando, . ____ or sfz, . an explosive tone, with sudden decrease.

88. The following words and characters are also sometimes used to indicate proper delivery of tones:

Legato., tones smooth and connected.

Staccato, 1 1 tones very short and disconnected. Semi-Staccato, or Marcato, • • tones moderately short and disconnected.

89. Vocal Utterance, or the Emission of tone, should be instantaneous, decided, and firm; and the tone should be free, open, round, full, pure, and as

resonant as possible.

90. A necessary quality of good singing is the proper articulation and pronunciation of the words. Avoid singing a word without properly speaking it; or speaking a word without properly singing it. Do not sing with a too exact, machine-like correctness.

Be careful and accurate, but put expression, soul, and intelligent personality into your work.

91. Breath should be taken at such places as will not mar the sense; at pauses and after emphatic words.

MARKS OF EXPRESSION.

92. The following list includes ordinary marks of expression, with certain other terms used in music: Accelerando, or accel., accelerate the time, gradually faster and faster; ad libitum, or ad lib., at pleasure; animato, or con anima, animated, with animated expression; affetuoso, tender, affecting; agitato, with agitation, anxiously; amoroso or con amore, affectionately, tenderly; a tempo, in time; Bon marcato, in pointed, well-marked manner; bis, twice; bril-liante, gay, brilliant, sparkling; brio or con brio, with brilliancy and spirit; Cantata, a composition of several movements, comprising airs, recitations and choruses; coda, a close, or additional ending of a composition; con affeto, with expression: con dolore, mournfully, with grief and pathos; con energia, with energy; con expressione, with expression; con fuoco, with ardor, fire; con grazia, with grace and elegance; con moto, with agitation, emotion; con spirito, with spirit, animation; Declamando, declamato, in declamatory style; dolce, soft, tender, sweet; doloroso, tender and pathetic; Energico, with energy; expressioo, with expression; Forzando, with sudden increase of power; Grave., with slow and solemn expression; Lentando, gradually slower; loco, passage to be played exactly as written in regard to the pitch—it esually occurs after the sign 8va - - which means

that the note or passage thus marked has been raised or lowered an octave; Maestoso, with dignified, majestic expression; mesto or mestoso, pensive, sad, mournful; mezzo, in medium degree, as mezzo forte, rather loud, mezzo piano, rather soft; mezzo voce, with moderation as to tone; molto, much or very, as molto voce, with a full voice; Non, not; non troppo, not too much; Piu, more; piu mosso, with more motion, faster; poco, somewhat, rather, as poco piano, somewhat soft; poco presto, rather quick; Rallentando, (rallen or rall.) gradually slower and softer; recitando, a speaking manner of performance; recitative, musical declamation; rinforzando, suddenly increasing in power; ritardando, (ritard or rit.) a retarding of the movement; Sostenuto, sustained; sotto, under, below, as sotto voce, with subdued voice; spirito or con spirito, with spirit, animation; spiritoso, with great spirit; Tutti, the whole, full chorus; Vigoroso, bold, energetic; veloce, with rapidity; vivace, quick and cheerful; vivo, lively, animated; voici subito, turn the page quickly.

CHORDS AND HARMONY.

93. A **Chord** is a pleasing combination of tones sounded together.

94. Harmony is a succession of chords, according to the rules of progression and modulation.

95. The Common Chord is formed by combining any tone with its third and fifth. If the third of the chord is a Major third, the chord is a Major chord; if Minor, it is a Minor chord.

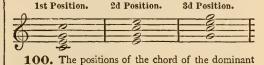
96. The chord founded upon the Key-note, or Tonic, is called the *chord of the Tonic*; the chord founded upon the Dominant is called the *chord of the Dominant*; and the chord founded upon the Sub-Dominant is called the *chord of the Sub-Dominant*.

97. The Chord of the Seventh is the common chord with the minor-seventh added. This chord is generally founded upon the Dominant. If founded on G, the Dominant of C, it is composed of the tones G, B, D, F.

98. Either the fifth or the octave of a chord may be omitted, but the third must always be present, ex-

cept in the dominant seventh chord.

99. The different forms of a chord can be made by placing either the key-note, or third, or fifth, in the bass, the first being the first position, the second the second position, and the third the third position of the chord. The positions of the chord of C are:



seventh are as follows:

1st Position. 2d Position. 3d Position. 4th Position.

The above positions are in the key of C. It will be found to be of advantage for the teacher to explain them in all the keys, and to require pupils to write them, giving the Tonic, Dominant, Sub-Dominant, and Chord of the Seventh, in the different keys. A correct knowledge of the laws of Harmony is essential to the arrangement of music for voices or instruments. As it is not possible to treat this subject at any length in these pages, the student is referred to more extended works for its discussion, and to individual or class training by a competent instructor.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURAL READINGS.

NUMBER I.

Leader. O Lord God of Israel, which dwellest between the cherubim, Thou art the God, even Thou alone of all the kingdoms of the earth; Thou hast made Heaven and earth.

Response. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to re-

ceive glory and honor and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they

are and were created.

Seek Him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: the Lord is His name.

R. Thou, even Thou, art Lord alone; Thou hast made Heaven, the Heaven of Heavens with all their host, the earth and all things that are therein, the sea and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of Heaven worshipeth Thee.

Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

It is He that has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Let us now fear the Lord our God; that giveth rain, both the former and the latter, in his season; He reserveth unto us the appointed works of the harvest.

The Lord said in His heart, . earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.

He sendeth forth His commandment upon the

earth; His word runneth very swiftly.

He giveth snow like wool; He scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.

He casteth forth His ice like morsels; who can stand before His cold?

He maketh peace in thy borders; and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man, that he may bring forth food out of the earth.

That our garners may be full, affording all manner of store.

O give thanks unto the God of gods: for His mercy endureth forever.

O give thanks unto the Lord of lords: for His mercy endureth forever.

To Him who alone doeth great wonders:

For His mercy endureth forever.

To Him that by wisdom made the heavens: For His mercy endureth forever.

To Him that stretched out the earth above the

For His mercy endureth forever. To Him that made great lights: For His mercy endureth forever.

The sun to rule by day:

For His mercy endureth forever. The moon and stars to rule by night ? For His mercy endureth forever. Who remembered us in our low estate: For His mercy endureth forever.

And hath redeemed us from our enemies: For His mercy endureth forever. Who giveth food to all flesh: For His mercy endureth forever.

O give thanks unto the God of Heaven: for His mercy endureth forever.

What shall I render unto the Lord for all His

benefits toward me? I will take up the cup of salvation, and call

upon the name of the Lord.

Lord God, our Father, who art in Heaven. Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and Amen.

To do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

Be not weary in well-doing.

Open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land. As we have opportunity therefore, let us do

good unto all men.

And above all these things, put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

So we Thy people, and the sheep of Thy pas-ire, will give Thee thanks forever.

All Thy works shall praise Thee, O Lord; and Thy saints shall bless Thee.

Thy saints shall bless Thee forever.

NUMBER II.

Leader. Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord. Blessed are they that keep His testimonies, and that seek Him with the whole heart.

Response. Oh that my ways were directed to keep Thy statutes! Then shall I not be ashamed when I have respect unto Thy commandments.

L. My son, forget not my law, but let thine heart keep my commandments; for length of days, long life and peace shall they add to thee.

R. Order my steps in Thy word; and let not any iniquity have dominion over me. Make Thy face to shine upon me, and teach me Thy

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart. The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever. The judgments of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey

and the honey-comb.

Moreover by them is Thy servant warned: And in keeping of them there is great reward.

Hold Thou me up, and I shall be safe: And I will have respect unto Thy statutes continually.

Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them.

Thou shalt have none other gods before Me. Who is the blessed and only Potentate, the

King of kings and Lord of lords.

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in Heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the Thou shalt not bow water under the earth. down to them, nor worship them; for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him

must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

Swear not at all, but let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay; for whatsoever is more

than these cometh of evil.

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work; thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made Heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.

It is lawful to do well on the Sabbath day. Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for

this is right.

Thou shalt not kill.

Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you . . . if any man defile the temple of God, him will God destroy.

Thou shalt not steal.

Provide things honest in the sight of all men. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Wherefore, putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor; for we are mem-

bers one of another.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

Which is the great commandment in the law? Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

On these two commandments hang all the law

and the prophets.

For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His

love is perfected in us.

But whose hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

NUMBER III.

TEMPERANCE READING.

Leader. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God?

Response. If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy.

L. For the temple of God is holy, which tem-

ple ye are.

R. Ye are not your own; for ye are bought

with a price. Therefore glorify God in your body and in

your spirit, which are God's. Add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowl-

edge; and to knowledge temperance; And to temperance patience; and to patience

godliness. Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging;

And whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red; when it giveth its color in the cup; when it moveth itself aright.

At the last it biteth like a serpent, and sting-

eth like an adder.

Be not drunken with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit.

He that loveth pleasure shall be poor; he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.

Be not among wine-bibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh.

For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty.

Who hath woe? who hath sorrow?

They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.

Who hath contentions? who hath babblings? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.

Who hath wounds without cause? who hath **r**edness of eyes?

They that tarry long at the wine; they that

go to seek mixed wine

Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine!

The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim,

shall be trodden under foot:

Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness;

That put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!

Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink;

That continue until night, till wine inflame them.

Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink.

that putteth the bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also.

Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord,

and in the power of His might.

Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Stand, therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

And your feet shod with the preparation of

the gospel of peace;

Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench the fiery darts of the wicked.

And take the heimet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God:

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit.

And watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints.

Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth

take heed lest he fall.

Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.

To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory

and majesty, dominion and power, both now

and ever.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:

The Lord make His face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

NUMBER IV.

Leader. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

Response. My help cometh from the Lord,

which made heaven and earth.

L. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

R. Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall

prosper that love Thee.

Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces.

For my brethren and companions' sakes, I

will now say, Peace be within thee.

Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good.

How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of

hosts!

My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even Thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house:

they will be still praising Thee.

Blessed is the mau whose strength is in Thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.

Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools.

They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.

For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wicked-

For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will be withhold from them that walk uprightly.

O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in Thee.

NUMBER V.

Leader. Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Response. But his delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law doth he meditate day and

night.

L. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

R. The ungodly are not so: but are like the

chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in His commandments.
His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the

generation of the upright shall be blessed.

Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth forever.

Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

A good man sheweth favor, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.

Surely he shall not be moved forever: the

righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord.

His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies.

He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor, his righteousness endureth forever; his horn shall be exalted with honor.

The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he chall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Ziou, which can not be removed, but abideth

forever.

As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever.

For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put

forth their hands unto iniquity.

Do good, O Lord, unto those that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.

As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the Lord shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: but peace shall be upon Israel.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they com-

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head

with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will abide in the house of the Lord forever.

NUMBER VI.

Leader. Praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord from the heavens: praise Him in the heights.

Response. Praise ye Him, all His angels:

praise ve Him, all His hosts.

L. Praise ye Him, sun and moon: praise Him,

all ye stars of light.

R. Praise Him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord: for He commanded, and they were created.

He hath also established them for ever and ever: He hath made a decree which shall not

Praise the Lord from the earth, ye dragons,

and all deeps:

Fire and hail; snow and vapor; stormy wind fulfilling His word:

Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:

Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and

flying fowl: Kings of the earth, and all people; princes,

and all judges of the earth:

Both young men, and maidens; old men, and

Let them praise the name of the Lord: for His name alone is excellent: His glory is above the earth and heaven.

Praise ye the Lord. Sing unto the Lord a new song, His praise in the congregation of saints.

Let Israel rejoice in Him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Let them praise His name in the dance: let them sing praises unto Him with the timbrel and harp.

For the Lord taketh pleasure in His people: He will beautify the meek with salvation.

Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them

sing aloud upon their beds.

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in His sanctuary: praise Him in the firmament of His power.

Praise Him for His mighty acts: praise Him

according to His excellent greatness.

Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet: praise Him with the psaltery and harp.

Let every thing that hath breath praise the

Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

While I live will I praise the Lord: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.

Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.

His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.

Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God:

Which made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth forever:

Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. The Lord looseth the prisoners:

The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind: the Lord raiseth them that are bowed down: the

Lord loveth the righteous: The Lord preserveth the stranger; he relieveth the fatherless and widow; but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.

The Lord shall reign forever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the Lord.

NUMBER VII.

Leader. By the word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.

Response. He gathereth the waters of the sea together as a heap: He layeth up the depth in storehouses.

L. Let all the earth fear the Lord: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.

R. For He spake, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.

The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: He maketh the devices of the people of none effect.

The counsel of the Lord standeth forever, the thoughts of His heart to all generations.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance.

The Lord looketh from heaven; He beholdeth all the sons of men.

From the place of His habitation He looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him, upon them that hope in His mercy; To deliver their soul from death, and to keep

them alive in famine. Our soul waiteth for the Lord: He is our

help and our shield.

For our heart shall rejoice in Him because we have trusted in His holy name.

Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the

Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O Most High:

To shew forth Thy loving kindness in the morning, and Thy faithfuluess every night. Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon

the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound. For Thou, Lord, hast made me glad through Thy work: I will rejoice in the works of Thy

hands. O Lord, how great are Thy works! and Thy

thoughts are very deep.

A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this.

When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed forever.

But Thou, Lord, are most high for evermore. The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.

They shall still bring forth fruit in old age;

they shall be fat and flourishing.

To shew that the Lord is upright: He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

The Lord reigneth, He is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself: the world also is established, that it can not be moved.

Thy throne is established of old: Thou art

from everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice: the floods lift up their waves.

The Lord on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of

Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh Thine house, O Lord, forever.

NUMBER VIII.

Leader. Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the world:

Response. Both low and high, rich and poor,

together.

L. My mouth shall speak of wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. R. I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will

open my dark saying upon the harp.
Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, when the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?

They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;

None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him:

(For the redemption of their souls is precious,

and it ceaseth forever:)

That he should still live forever, and not see corruption.

For He seeth that wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others.

Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue forever, and their dwelling places to all generations; they call their lands after their own names.

Nevertheless man being in houor abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish.

This their way is their folly: yet their pos-

terity approve their sayings

Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them; and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their beauty shall consume in the grave from their dwelling.

But God will redeem my soul from the power

of the grave: for He shall receive me. Be not thou afraid when one is made rich

when the glory of his house is increased: For when he dieth he shall carry nothing

away: his glory shall not descend after him.

Though while he lived he blessed his soul

(and men will praise thee, when thou doest well to thyself,)

He shall go to the generation of his fathers

they shall never see light.

Man that is in honor, and understaudeth not, is like the beasts that perish.

Man that is born of a woman is of few days,

and full of trouble.

He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not. And dost Thou open Thine eyes upon such a

one, and bringest me into judgment with Thee? Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.

Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with Thee, Thou hast appointed his bounds that he can not pass:

Turn from him, that he may rest, till he shall

accomplish, as a hireling, his day.

For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;

Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.

But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?

As the waters fail from the sea, and the

flood decayeth and drieth up;

So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.

O that thou wouldst hide me in the grave, and Thou wouldst keep me secret, until Thy wrath be past, that Thou wouldst appoint me a set time, and remember me!

If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change

come.

The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.

As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood can not inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

Behold, I shew you a mystery: We shall not

all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eve, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

For this corruptible must put on incorruption,

and this mortal must put on immortality.

So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in

O death! where is thy sting? O grave! where

is thy victory?

The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God, which giveth us the

victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your abor is not in vain in the Lord.

NUMBER IX.

Leader. Comfort ye, comfort ye my people,

saith your God.

Response. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

L. The voice of him that crieth in the wildercess, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

R. Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain :

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth

of the Lord hath spoken it.

The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field:

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass.

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but

the word of our God shall stand forever.

O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and His arm shall rule for Him: behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and shall gently lead those

that are with young.

Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

Who hath directed the Spirit of the Lord, or

being His counselor hath taught Him? With whom took He counsel, and who in-

structed Him, and taught Him in the path of judgment, and taught Him knowledge, and shewed to Him the way of understanding?

Behold, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, He taketh up the isles as a very

little thing.

Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O israel, My way is hid from the Lord, and my judgment is passed over from my God?

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of His understand-He giveth power to the faint and to them that have no might He increaseth strength.

Even the youths shall faint and be weary,

and the young men shall utterly fall:

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

NUMBER X.

Leader. The Lord is my light and my salva-tion; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Response. When the wicked, even mine

enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up

my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

L. Though a host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this I will be confident.

R. One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto Thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek.

Hide not Thy face far from me; put not Thy servant away in anger: Thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

When my father and my mother forsake me. then the Lord will take me up.

Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the hand of the living. Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and

He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

I cried unto God with my voice, even unto God with my voice; and he gave ear unto me.

In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord. my sore ran in the night, and ceased not: my soul refused to be comforted.

I remembered God, and was troubled: I complained, and my spirit was overwhelmed.

Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so

troubled that I can not speak.

I have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times.

I call to remembrance my song in the night: I commune with mine own heart: and my spirit made diligent search.

Will the Lord cast off forever? and will He

be favorable no more?

Is His mercy clean gone forever? doth His promise fail for evermore?

Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath He

in anger shut up His tender mercies?

And I said, This is my infirmity: but I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High.

I will remember the works of the Lord: surely

I will remember Thy wonders of old.

I will meditate also of all Thy work, and talk of Thy doings.

Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is

so great a God as our God?

Thou art the God that doest wonders: Thou hast declared Thy strength among the people.

Thou hast with thine arm redeemed the peo-

ple, the sons of Jacob and Joseph.

The waters saw Thee, O God, the waters saw Thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.

The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad.

The voice of Thy thunder was in the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.

Thy way is in the sea, and Thy path in the great waters, and Thy footsteps are not known.

Thou leddest Thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

NUMBER XI.

Leader. O give thanks unto the Lord: for He is good: because His merey endureth forever.

Response. Let Israel now say that His mercy

endureth forever.

L. Let the house of Aaron now say, that His

mercy endureth forever.

R. Let them now that fear the Lord say, that

His mercy endureth forever.

I called upon the Lord in distress: the Lord answered me, and set me in a large place.

The Lord is on my side; I will not fear:

what can man do unto me?

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man.

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put

confidence in princes.

The Lord is my strength and song, and is be-

come my salvation.

The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly.

The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the

right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works

of the Lord.

The Lord hath chastened me sore: but He hath not given me over unto death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness: will go into them, and I will praise the Lord:

This gate of the Lord, into which the righteous shall enter.

I will praise Thee: for Thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in

our eves.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
Save now, I beseech Thee, O Lord: O Lord,

I beseech Thee, send now prosperity.

Blessed be He that cometh in the name or the Lord: we have blessed You out of the house of the Lord.

God is the Lord, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

Thou art my God, and I will praise Thee: Thou art my God, I will exalt Thee

O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

Give unto the Lord, O ye mighty, give unto

the Lord glory and strength.

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holi-

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the Lord is upon many waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire. The voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness: the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

The Lord will give strength unto His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.

The Lord looked down from heaven upon the did understand, and seek God.

They are all gone aside, they are altogether become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up My people as they eat bread, and call not upon the Lord.

There were they in great fear: for God is in the generation of the righteous.

Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor, be-

cause the Lord is his refuge. O that the salvation of Israel were come out

of Zion! when the Lord bringeth back the captivity of His people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

Why standest Thou afar off, O Lord? why hidest Thou Thyself in times of trouble?

The wicked in his pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.

For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire, and blesseth the covetous, whom the Lord ab-

horreth.

The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.

His ways are always grievous; Thy judgments are far above out of his sight: as for all his enemies, he puffeth at them.

He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved: for I shall never be in adversity.

His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and fraud: under his tongue is mischief and vanity.

He sitteth in the lurking places of the vil-lages: in the secret places doth he murder the innocent: his eyes are privily set against the poor.

He lieth in wait secretly as a lion in his den: he lieth in wait to catch the poor: he doth catch the poor, when he draweth him into his net. He croucheth, and humbleth himself, that the

poor may fall by his strong ones.

He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: He hideth His face; He will never see it.

Arise, O Lord; O God, lift up Thine hand:

forget not the humble.

Wherefore doth the wicked contemn God? he hath said in his heart, Thou wilt not require it.
Thou hast seen it; for Thou beholdest mis-

chief and spite, to requite it with Thy hand: the poor committeth himself unto Thee; Thou art the helper of the fatherless.

Break Thou the arm of the wicked and the evil man: seek out his wickedness till Thou find none.

The Lord is King for ever and ever: the hea-

then are perished out of His land.

Lord, Thou hast heard the desire of the humble: Thou wilt prepare their heart, Thou wilt cause Thine ear to hear:

To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more oppress.

NUMBER XII.

Leader. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness.

Response. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

L. God is known in her palaces for a refuge.
R. For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.

They saw it, and so they marveled; they were

troubled, and hasted away.

Fear took hold upon them there, and pain, as of a woman in travail.

Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.

As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it forever.

We have thought of thy loving kindness, O God, in the midst of Thy temple.

According to Thy name, O God, so is Thy praise unto the ends of the earth: Thy right hand is full of righteousness.

Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of Thy judgments.
Walk about Zion, and go around about her:

tell the towers thereof.

Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following.

For this God is our God for ever and ever: He will be our guide even unto death.

The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad thereof.

Clouds and darkness are around about Him: righteousness and judgment are the habitation of His throne.

A fire goeth before Him, and burneth up his enemies round about.

His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw and trembled.

The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare His righteousness, and

all the people see His glory.

Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship Him, all ye gods.

Zion, heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoice because of thy judgments, O Lord. For thou, Lord, art high above all the

earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.
Ye that love the Lord, hate evil: He preserveth the souls of His saints; He delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.

Light is sown for the righteous; and gladness

for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of His holiness.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord He is God: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.

For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

O sing unto the Lord a new song; for He hath done marvelous things: His right hand, and His holy arm, hath gotten Him the victory.

The Lord hath made known His salvation; His righteousness hath He openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered His mercy and His truth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth; make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.

Sing unto the Lord with the harp; with the

harp, and the voice of a psalm. With trumpets and sound of cornet make a

joyful noise before the Lord, the King. Let the sea roar, and the fullness thereof; the

world, and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands: let the hills

be joyful together

Before the Lord; for He cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall He judge the world, and the people with equity.

NUMBER XIII.

Leader. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

Response. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:

L. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

R. Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and

tender mercies; Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things;

so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

He made known His ways unto Moses, His acts unto the children of Israel.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to

anger, and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide: neither will He

keep His anger forever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor

rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him

As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the

Lord pitieth them that fear Him.

For He knoweth our frame; He remembereth that we are dust.

As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower

of the field, so he flourisheth.

For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children

To such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

The Lord hath prepared His throne in the heavens; and His kingdom ruleth over all.

Bless the Lord, ye His angels, that excel in strength, that do His commandments, hearken ing unto the voice of His word.

Bless ye the Lord all ye His hosts; ye minis-

ters of His, that do His pleasure.

Bless the Lord, all His works in all places of His dominion: bless the Lord, O my soul.

O Thou that hearest prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come.

Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness; and Thy paths drop fatness.

They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side.

The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing.

Now know I that the Lord saveth His anointed: He will hear him from His holy heaven with the saving strength of His right hand.

Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: Sing forth the honor of His name: make His praise glorious.

Say unto God, how terrible art Thou in Thy works! through the greatness of Thy power shall Thine enemies submit themselves unto Thee.

All the earth shall worship Thee, and shall sing unto Thee; they shall sing to Thy name.
Come and see the works of God: He is ter-

rible in His doing toward the children of men. He turned the sea into dry land: they went

through the flood on foot: there did we rejoice in Him.

He ruleth by His power forever; His eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard:

Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.

For thou, O God, hast proved us: Thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.

Thou broughtest us into the net; Thou laidst

affliction upon our loins.

Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but Thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

I will go into Thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay Thee my vows,

Which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.

I will offer unto Thee burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the incense of rams: I will offer bullocks with goats.

Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what He hath done for my soul.

Return, O Lord, deliver my soul: O save me for Thy mercies' sake.

For in death there is no remembrance of Thee: in the grave who shall give Thee thanks?

I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with

Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies

Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weep-

The Lord hath heard my supplication; the

Lord will receive my prayer.

Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed: let them return and be ashamed suddenly.

NUMBER XIV.

Leader. O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon His name: make known His deeds among the people.

Response. Sing unto Him, sing psalms unto Him: talk ye of all His wondrous works.

L. Glory ye in His holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

R. Seek the Lord, and His strength: seek His face evermore.

Remember His marvelous works that He hath

done; His wonders and the judgments of His mouth:

O ye seed of Abraham His servant, ye children of Jacob His chosen.

He is the Lord our God: His judgments are in all the earth.

He hath remembered His covenant forever, the word which He commanded to a thousand generations.

Which covenant He made with Abraham, and His oath unto Isaac;

And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant:

Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance;

When they were but a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.

When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people;

He suffered no man to do them wrong; yea, He reproved kings for their sakes;

Saying, touch not Mine anointed, and do My prophets no harm.

Moreover He called for a famine upon the land: He brake the whole staff of bread.

He sent a man before them, even Joseph, who was sold for a servant:

Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:

Until the time that his word came: the word of the Lord tried him.

The king sent and loosed him; even the ruler

of the people, and let him go free. He made him lord of his house, and ruler of

all his substances: To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach

his senators wisdom. Israel also came into Egypt; and Jacob so-

journed in the land of Ham. And He increased His people greatly; and made them stronger than their enemies.

He turned their heart to hate His people, to deal subtilely with His servants.

He sent Moses His servant; and Aaron whom

He had chosen.

They shewed His signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham.

He sent darkness, and made it dark; and they

rebelled not against His word.

He turned their waters into blood, and slew their fish.

Their land brought forth frogs in abundance,

in the chambers of their kings

He spake, and there came divers sort of flies, and lice in all their coasts.

He gave them hail for rain, and flaming fire

in their land. He smote their vines also and their fig-trees;

and brake the trees of their coasts.

He spake, and the locust came, and cater-

pillars, and that without number, And did eat up all the herbs in their land,

and devoured the fruit of their ground.

He smote also all the firstborn in their land, the chief of all their strength.

He brought them forth also with silver aud gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

Egypt was glad when they departed: for the

fear of them fell upon them.

He spread a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the night.

NUMBER XV.

Leader. When the Lord turned again the cap-

tivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.

Response. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, the Lord hath done great things for them.

L. The Lord hath done great things for us,

whereof we are glad.

R. Turn again our captivity, O Lord, as the streams in the south.

They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

Lord, I cry unto Thee: make haste unto me;

give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto Thee.

Let my prayer be set forth before Thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth : keep the door of my lips.

Incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practice wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of thei. dainties.

Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him reprove me; it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also shall be in their calamities.

When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my words; for they are

Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth, es when one cutteth and cleaveth wood upon me earth.

But mine eyes are unto Thee, O God the Lord: in Thee is my trust; leave not my soul destitute.

I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge

failed me; no man cared for my soul.

I cried unto Thee, O Lord: I said, Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the

living.

Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.

Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise Thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for Thou shalt deal bountifully with me.

NUMBER XVI.

Leader. O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

Response. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

L. For the Lord is a great God, and a great

King above all gods.

R. In His hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, and He made it: and His

hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our Maker

For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

Sing unto the Lord, bless His name; show

forth His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the heathen, His

wonders among all people.

For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised: He is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the nations are idols: but the Lord made the heavens.

Honor and majesty are before Him: strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

Give unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord glory and strength.

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name: bring an offering, and come into His courts.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before Him, all the earth.

Say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: He shall judge the people righteously.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fullness thereof.

Let the fields be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

For He cometh, for He cometh to judge the earth: He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with His truth.

Praise ye the Lord, for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and praise is comely.

The Lord doth build up Jerusalem: He gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

He telleth the number of the stars; He calleth them all by their names.

Great is our Lord, and of great power: His understanding is infinite.

The Lord lifteth up the meek: He casteth the

wicked down to the ground.
Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving; sing

praise upon the harp unto our God.

Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

He giveth to the beast his food, and to the

young ravens which cry.

He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: He taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.

The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear Him, in those that hope in His mercy.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise thy God,

O Zion.

For He hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; He hath blessed thy children within thee. He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth

thee with the finest of the wheat.

He sendeth forth His commandment upon earth: His word runneth very swiftly.

He giveth snow like wool: He scattereth the

hoar-frost like ashes.

He casteth forth His ice like morsels: who

can stand before His cold?

He sendeth out His word, and melteth them: He causeth His wind to blow, and the waters flow.

He shaweth His word unto Jacob, His statutes

and His judgments unto Israel.

He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for His judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the Lord.

NUMBER XVII.

Leader. Lord, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am.

Response. Behold Thou hast made my days as a hand-breadth; and mine age is as nothing before Thee: verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity.

L. Surely every man walketh in a vain show: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.

R. And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope

is in Thee.

Deliver me from all my transgressions: make

me not the reproach of the foolish.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear unto my cry; hold not Thy peace at my tears · for I am a stranger with Thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me, that I may recover strength, be-

fore I go hence, and be no more.

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling-place in

all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art

Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest,

Return, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the

Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

For we are consumed by Thine anger, and by

Thy wrath are we troubled.

Thou hast set our iniquities before Thec, our secret sins in the light of Thy countenance.

For all our days are passed away in Thy wrath:

we spend our years as a tale that is told. The days of our years are threescore years and

ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

Who knoweth the power of Thine anger? even according to Thy fear, so is Thy wrath.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Return, O Lord, how long? and let it repent

Thee concerning Thy servants.

O satisfy us early with Thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Make us glad according to the days wherein Thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil.

Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants, and

Thy glory unto their children.

And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands, establish Thou it.

NUMBER XVIII.

Leader. God is our refuge and strength, .

very present help in trouble.

Response. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

L. Though the waters thereof roar and be

troubled, though the mountains shake with the

swelling thereof.

R. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.

The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: He uttered his voice, the earth melted.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God or Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord, what desolations He hath made in the earth.

He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; Hc breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; He burneth the chariot in the fire.

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in Thee: yea, in the shadow of Thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast.

I will cry unto God most high; unto God

that performeth all things for me.

My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise.

Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early.

I will praise Thee, O Lord, among the people I will sing unto Thee among the nations.

For Thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and 1 Thy truth unto the clouds.

Be Thou exalted, O God, above the heavens:

let Thy glory be above all the earth.

The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

His work is honorable and glorious: and His

righteousness endurath forever.

He hath made His wond aful work to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He hath given meat unto them that fear Him:

He will ever be mindful of His covenant. He hath shewed His perple the power of His works, that He may give them the heritage of

The works of His hands are verity and judg-

ment; all His commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness.

He sent redemption unto His people: He hath commanded His covenant forever: holy and reverend is His name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do His commandments: His praise endureth forever.

NUMBER XIX.

Leader. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

Response. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

L. For where your treasure is, there will your

heart be also.

R. The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall

be full of light.

But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that dark-

No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other.

can not serve God and mammon.

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment.

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are

ye not much better than they?

Which of you by taking thought can add one

cubit unto his stature?

And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?
Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall

we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Where-

with al shall we be clothed?
(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be

added unto you.

Take therefore no thought for the morrow : for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall

be comforted.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blassed are the merciful: for they shall ob-

tain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

NUMBER XX.

Leader. I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Response. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

L. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.

R. I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and

delivered me from all my fears. They looked unto Him, and were lightened:

and their faces were not ashamed. This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them.

O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in Him.

O fear the Lord, ye His saints: for there is no want to them that fear Him.

The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.

Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will

teach you the fear of the Lord. What man is he that desireth life, and loveth

many days, that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips that they speak no guile.

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace,

and pursue it.

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry.

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all

He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate

the righteous shall be desolate.

The Lord redeemeth the soul of His servants: and none of them that trust in Him shall be desolate.

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, now may Israel say;

If it had not been the Lord who was on our

side, when men rose up against us:

Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us:

Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul:

Then the proud waters had gone over our soul. Blessed be the Lord, who hath not given us as a prey to their teeth.

Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are

escaped.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who

made heaven and earth.

Out of the depth have I cried unto Thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice: let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

If Thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee, that Thou mayest be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and

in His word do I hope

My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning.

Let Israel hope in the Lord: for with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption.

And He shall redeem Israel from all his sins.

NUMBER XXI.

Leader. Now when Jesus was born in Bethlemem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

Response. Saying, where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him.

L. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

R. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea; for thus it is written by the prophet.

And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time

the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said,

Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found Him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship Him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with

exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary His mother, and fell down, and worshiped Him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into

their own country another way.

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, arise, and take the young child and His mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy Him. When he arose, he took the young child and

His mother by night, and departed into Egypt:

And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, out of Egypt have I called my Son.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over

their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of

David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God,

and saying,
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth

peace, good-will toward men.

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made.

In Him was life; and the life was the light of

And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name

was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through Him might believe.

He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.

That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not.

He came unto His own, and His own received

Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave

He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name:

Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

NUMBER XXII.

Leader. Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?

Response. For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.

L. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.

R. Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to His own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her

shearers is dumb, so He openeth not His mouth.
And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon His head, and a reed in His right hand: and they bowed the knee before Him, and mocked Him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!

And they spit upon Him, and took the reed,

and smote Him on the head.

And after that they had mocked Him, they took the robe off from Him, and put His own raiment on Him, and led Him away to crucify Him.

And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear His cross.

And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull.

They gave Him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when He had tasted thereof, He would not drink.

And they crucified Him, and parted His garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots.

And sitting down they watched Him there; And set up over His head His accusation written, This is Jesus the King of the Jews.

Then were there two thieves crucified with Him; one on the right hand, and another on the left.

And they that passed by reviled Him, wagging their heads,

And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save Thyself. If Thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

Likewise also the chief priests mocking Him,

with the scribes and elders, said,

He saved others; Himself He can not save. If He be the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. He trusted in God; let Himdeliver Him now,

if He will have Him: for He said, I am the Son of God.

The thieves also, which were crucified with Him, cast the same in His teeth.

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness

over all the land unto the ninth hour.

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?

Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias.

And straitway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave Him to drink.

The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save Him.

Jesus, when He had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

And behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

And came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.

Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid Him.

Peter therefore went forth, and that other dis-

ciple, and came to the sepulchre.

So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.

And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,

And the napkin, that was about His head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.

Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and be-

For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead.

Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,

And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one

at the head, and the other at the feet, where the

body of Jesus had lain.

And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid Him.

And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not

that it was Jesus.

Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing Him to be the gardener, saith unto Him, Sir, if thou have borne Him hence, tell me where thou hast laid Him, and I will take Him away.

Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto Him, Rabboni; which is to

say, Master.

Jesus saith unto her, Touch Me not; for I am not yet ascended to My Father: but go to My brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto My Father, and your Father; and to My God, and your God.

Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had

spoken these things unto her.

NUMBER XXIII.

Leader. And Jesus called a little child unto Him, and set him in the midst of them,

Response. And said, Verily I say unto you, except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

L. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the

kingdom of heaven. R. And whoso shall receive one such little

child in My name, receiveth Me.

That our sons may be as plants grown up in

their youth:

That our daughters may be as corner-stones, polished after the similitude of a palace.

For He hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; He hath blessed thy children within thee. Honor thy father and thy mother, as the Lord

thy God hath commanded thee:

That it may go well with thee, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. My son, hear the instruction of thy father,

and forsake not the law of thy mother. For they shall be an ornament of grace unto

thy head, and chains about thy neck.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord; for this is right.

Come ye children, hearken unto Me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

And these words which I command thee this

day, shall be in thine heart;

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shall be as frontlets between

thine eyes.

Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and

the years of thy life shall be many.

I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right paths.

Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go. keep her, for she is thy life.

A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.

Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it.

And ye, fathers, provoke not your children to wrath; but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life;

But teach them to thy sons and thy son's sons; that they may learn to fear Me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that they

may teach their children.

And they brought young children to Him, that He should touch them:

And His disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it He was much displeased,

And said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for ot

such is the kingdom of God.

And He took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them.

NUMBER XXIV.

Leader. Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity; I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. Response. And though I have the gift of

prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

L. And though I bestow all My goods to feed the poor, and though I give My body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

R. Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is

not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not herown, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the

truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth

all things, endureth all things.

Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

For we know in part, and we prophecy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things

For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

And now abideth faith, hope, charity these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not.

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it

doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is

And every man that hath this hope in him

purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

The ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads:

They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sor-

row and sighing shall flee away.

In Thy presence is fullness of joy: at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.

The gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. I shall be satisfied, when I

awake, with Thy likeness.

Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that He was manifested to take

away our sins; and in Him is no sin.

Whosoever abideth in Him sinneth not; whosoever sinneth hath not seen Him, neither

Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as He

is righteous.

He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil

In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that ye should love one another.

NUMBER XXV.

Leader. My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:

Response. For length of days, and long life,

and peace, shall they add to thee.

L. Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart

R. So shalt thou find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and

lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He

shall direct thy paths.

Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.

It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow

to thy bones. Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with

the first-fruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and

thy presses shall burst out with new wine. My son, despise not the chastening of the

Lord; neither be weary of His correction: For whom the Lord loveth He correcteth:

even as a father the son in whom he delighteth. Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and

the man that getteth understanding: For the merchandise of it is better than the

merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared

Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left riches and honor.

Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all

her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon

her: and happy is every one that retaineth her. The Lord by wisdom hathfounded theearth; by

understanding hath He established the heavens. By His knowledge the depths are broken up,

and the clouds drop down the dew. My son, let not them depart from thine eyes:

keep sound wisdom and discretion: So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace

to thy neck. Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and

hy foot shall not stumble.

When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

Remember now thy Creater in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds re-

turn after the rain:

In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,

And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and He shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of music shall be brought low;

Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets:

Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cis-

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher; all is

And moreover, because the Preacher was wise, He still taught the people knowledge; yea, He gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs.

The Preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which was written was upright,

even words of truth.

The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd.

And further, by these, My son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be

good, or whether it be evil.

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Come, Sing That Air Again, 2
Come, Sing This Round, 7

Come, Sing to Me Again, 8 Come, Thou Almighty King, 2, Come, Thou Fount, 3 1 Come to the Forest, 8 : Come to the Home, 3 Come to the Home, 3 Come to the Meadows, 5 Come to the Old Oak Tree, I Come to Sparkl'g Fountain, 3 Come, Trembling Sinner, 4 Come unto Him, 4, 8 Come When the Twilight, 5 Come When Thou Wilt, 7 Come Where Flowers, 3 Come Where Aspens Quiver, Come Where the Sunlight, 8 Come with the Gyosy Bride. Come Where the Sunlight, 8
Come with the Gypsy Bride,
Come with Thy Lute, 2
Come, Ye Disconsolate, 1
Come, Ye Sinners, 4
Come Ye that Love the Lord,
Comin' Thro' the Rye, 1
Commit Thy Ways, 7
Confide Ye aye in Providence,
Coronation, 2 Coronation, 2 Coronation, 2
County Guy, 7
Cousin Jedediah, 7
Crabbed Age and Youth, 8
Cracovian Maid, 5
Cradled All Lowly, 6
Cradled All Lowly, 6 Cradle Hymn, 1 Cradle Hymn, 1 Cradle Song, 8 Cradle Song of Soldier's Wife, Cradle Songs, 1, 3 Crown Him with Crowns, 2 Cuckoo, 2, 6 Cuckoo, Welcome thy Song, 1 Cuddle Doon, 5 Cup of Joy, 7 Daddy, 7 Dance of the Fairies, 6 Dance On Forever, 5 Danube River, 2 Danube River, 2
Darby and Joan, 4
Dark Day of Horror, 6
Darling, Go to Rest, 8;
Dawn of Day, 7,
Day is Gone, Night is Come,
Daylight Closes round us, 8
Dayl't Fades, Even'g Shades,
Daylight Slowly Fades, 6
Day of Wonder, 2
Day on the Mountain, 8
Days of Absence, 2
Deadly Cup, 1
Dearest Love, Remember, 5
Dearest Native Land, 6
Dearest Spot, 1 Dearest Spot, 1 Dear Father, Drink No More, Dear Little Shamrock, 4 Dear Father, Drink No More, Dear Little Shamrock, 4
Dear Native Home, 6
Dear Santa Claus, 7
Dear Summer Morn, 8
Deck the Hall with Holly, 1
Deep are the Wounds, 4
Departed Days, 5
Deph of Mercy, 5
Dermot Astore, 4
Der Rose Sendung, 3
Deserted by Waning Moon, 8
Ding-Dong, 8
Dip, Boys, Dip the Oar, 4
Distant Drum, 4
Distant Shore, 5
Distur's Not His Slumbers, 6
Dolorous Ditty, 8
Don't Kill the Birds, 8
Don't Kill the Birds, 8
Don't Leave Mother, Tom, 5
Do They Miss Me at Home, 3
Do They Think of Me, 2
Down in a Coal Mine, 6
Down the Stream Cheerily, 3
Do You Think of the Days, 8
Do You Think of the Days, 8
Draw the Sword, Scotland, 4
Dream Faces, 5
Dreaming Golden Dreams, 7
Dreaming Golden Dreams, 7
Dreaming Golden Dreams, 7 Dream Faces, 5 Dreaming Golden Dreams, 7 Dreamland, 5

Dream On, 3 Dream On, Young Hearts, 5 Dreams, 6
Drift, My Bark, 6
Drink to Me Only with Eyes, 7
Dry the Tear for Holy Eva, 7 Dublin Bay, 4
Dunois, the Brave, 6
Ehren on the Rhine, 4
Eiapopeia, My Baby, Sleep, 3 Eileeu Achora, 2 Embarrassment, 8 Enchanted Isle, 6 Enchanted isle, 6 Ere the Twilight Bat, 6 Evangeline, 2 Evenung Bells, 8 Eve'g Hymn, Ave Sanctiss., 1 Eve'ng Hymn (Mendelssohn), 3 Evening Hymn (Hatton), 6 Evening Shades are Falling, 8 Even Me, 1 Ever be Happy, 4 Ever of Thee, 2 Ever to the Right, 8 Every Inch a Sailor, 8 Eve's Lamentation, 5 Exile of Erin, 4
Eyes So Blue and Dreaming, 6 Faded Flowers, 6
Fade, Each Earthly Joy, 6
Fading, Still Fading, 3
Faint a Lonely Rose Tree, 7 Faint a Lonely Rose Tree, 7 Faint and Wearily, 8 Faintly as Tolls the Chime, 4 Faintly Flow, Falling River, 3 Fair as the Morning, I Fairest Lord Jesus, 4 Fairies' Dance, 7 Fair Land of Hope, 8 Fair Land of Poland, 5 Fair Lund, 6
Fair Lund, 6
Fairy Ring, 2
Faithful Johnnie, 3
Faithful Comrade, 8
Faithful Little Bird, 1
Fallen Thy Throne, O Israel, 4
Far Above the Deep Blue Sea, 6 Far Above the Deep Blue Sea, 6 Far Away, 1 Pare Thee Well, 8 Farewel, Ye Streams, 6 Farewell, but Whenever, 8 Farewell, Forever, 5 Farewell, My Lovely Nancy, 8 Farewell, My Lovely Nancy, 8 Farewell, My Farewell to Thee, 5 Farewell, O Farewell to Thee, 5 Farewell, O Joyous Grove, 1 Farewell Those HappyHours, 5 Farewell to Lochaber, 1 Farewell to Lochaber, 1 Farewell to My Harp, 8 Farewell to the Woods, 1 Far, Far upon the Sea, 3 Far, Far upon the Sea, 3 Farmer's Boy, 8 Far o'er Hill and Dell, 8 Father, IScarcely Dare, 8 Father, Joe, 8 Father, on Thee I Call, 5 Father, Whate'er of Earthly, 1 Feast of Roses, 5 Fiddle-dee 5 Fiddle-de-dee, 5 Fine Old English Gentleman, 5 Fine Old English Gentleman, 5 Fire of Home, 4 First Christmas Gifts, 1 Fisher, if beside that Stream, 7 Fishermen's Chorus, 6 Five O'clock in the Morning, 7 Flag of the Free, 1 Flag of Our Union Forever, 3 Flee as a Bird, 2 Float Away, 2 Floating on the Wind, 3 Flowerets Blooming, 5 Flowers for the Brave, 4 Flowers of May, 7 Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, 2 Flow, Rio Verde, 8 Fly Away, Pretty Moth, 2 Fold Thy Hands, Little One, 8 Follow Me, Full of Glee, 1 Fondest Affections Cling, 4 Foot Traveler, 5 Foresters Bold, Forever and Forever, 1
Forever and Forever, (Tosti), 4
For Full Five Hund'd Years, 7
Forgive, thro' Thy Dear Son, 4
Guardian Mother, 7
Guardian Mother, 7

Forsaken Am I, 4 For Tenderness Formed, 7 Fourth of July Hymn, 7 Fox and Goose, 5 Fragrant Air, 6 Freedom's Flag, 1 Free from Slumber, 6 French Cradle Song, 4 French Patriotic Song, 8 Fresh and Strong, 7 Friends of Freedom, 7 FriendsWe Never Forget, 5 Friends We Nevel Forge Fritz's Lullaby, 4 From All That Dwell, 7 From City Gate, 6 From Days of Old, 2 From Days of Old, 2
From Every Spire, 7
From Every Stormy Wind, 5
From Greenland's Icy, 2
From Morning till Night, 6
From Merry Swiss Home, 8
From the Desert I Come, 6
Full and Harmonious, 3
Full Far Away a City, 1
Funeral Dirge, 4
Gaily Our Boat Glides, 5
Gaily Sings the Lark, 5
Gaily Thro' Life Wander, 4
Gascon Vespers, 6
Gascon Ves Gaily Thro' Life Wander, 4
Gascon Vespers, 6
Gaudeamus Igitur, 6
Gentle Annie, 7
Gentle Breezes Sighing, 8
Gentle Ma'den, 7
Gentle Mary, 4
Gentle Waves upon Deep, 8
Gentle Words, I
Gently Sighs Breeze, 4, 7
Geography Son Georgaphy Song, I Georgaphy Song, I Geraldin, 6 German Cradle Song, 3 German Fatherland, 8 German Watchman Song, 3 Cirl I Left Pabind Was Girl I Left Behind Me, 2 Give Me Jesus, 3 Give to Winds Thy Fears, 7 Give Us Our Daily Bread, 7 Glad Christmas Bells, I Gleam, O Silver Stream, 6 Gliding 'mid the Poor, 8 Gloomy Wintre's Awa', 8 Glorious Things Spoken, 6 Glory and Love Glory and Love, 4 Glory Begun Below, 8 Glory Gilds Sacred Page, 2 God Bless Native Land, 1 God for Us, 6 God Hath SentHisAngels,5 God Moves in Mysterious,4 God of Our Fathers, 2 God Preserve the Kaiser, 3 God Rest Ye, 8 God Save Our Czar, 3 Go Down, Moses, 6 Go, Forget Me, 1 Going Home, Heimgang, 3 Going to Market, 5 Golden Days, 4 Golden Rule, 1, 7 Golden Shore, 2, 5 Golden Slumbers Kiss, 2 Golden Stars are Shining,6 Golden Years Ago, 6 Good-Bye, 2 Good-Bye at the Door, 5 Good-Bye to Summer, 1 Good-Bye to Summer, I Good-Bye, Sweetheart, 6 Good Cheer, I Good Night, I, 2, 4, 5 Good Night, Good M'rn'g, 3 Good Night, Farewell, 7 Good Night, Ladies, 6 Good Shepherd, 5 Go Thou and Dream, Go to Sleep, Lena Darling, 4 Go Where Glory Waits, 3 Grace, a charming sound, 8 Grave of Bonaparte, 5 Grave of Washington, 6 Green Fields of America, 5 Green Grow Rashes O', 4 Greenwood Tree, 4

Guide Me, Great Jehovah, 1, 4 Gum-Tree Canoe, 5 Hail and Farewell, 3 Hail, Beauteous Stranger, 4 Hail Columbia, 1 Hail, Evening Bright, 3 Hail, Thou Glorious Scion, 3 Hail, Thou Long Expected, 7 Hail, Thou Most Sacred One, I Hail, Thou Once Despised, 5 Hail to the Brightness, 2 Hall to the Brightness, 2 Hail to the Chief, 2 Hail to the Lord's Anointed, 8 Hallelujah Chorus, 5 Happy and Light, 8 Happy and Merry, 7 Happy Are We To-Night, 4 Happy Bayadere, 3 Happy Days Gone By, 2 Happy Greeting to All, 3 Happy Land, 1 Happy Summer, 8 Harpy Summer, of Hare and Hunter, 7 Hark! Hark! My Soul, 1 Hark! Hark! the Lark, 8 Hark! I hear an Angel Sing, 7 Hark! O'er the Stilly Lake, 4 Hark! The Thousand Harps, 7 Hark! the Glad Sound, 7 Hark! the Herald Angels, 2, 7 Hark! the Herald Angels, 2, 7 Hark! Those Holy Voices, 6 Hark! Tris the Angelus, 5 Hark to the Shrill Trumpet, 6 Hark to the Distant Drum, 4 Hark! What Mystic Sounds, 8 Harp of My Country, 8 Hasten, Sinner, to be Wise, 2 Heartache for Home, 5 Hearts and Homes, 2 Hear the Birds of Summer, 4 Heaven is My Home, 4 Heavily Wears the Day, 4 Heilige Nacht, 7 Heirs of Unending Life, 1 He Giveth His Beloved, 1, 2 He Never Said He Loved, 4 Her Bright Eyes Gleaming, 6 Her Bright Smile, 6 Her Eyes Like Clouded Stars, 8 Her Eyes Like Clouded Stars, 8 Herdsman's Mount'n Home, 2 Here Awa', There Awa', 5 Here's a Health to All, 5 Here's the Bower, 8 Here Under the Greenwood, 4 Here we stand, Hand in Hand, 2 Hero's Serenade, 3 He Sailed o'er Ocean Spray, 7 He Was a Punchinello, 4 He Was Born of Low Degree, 8 Highland Mary, 6 Hoe Out Your Row, 2 Ho! Ho! Vacation Days, 1 Holly Wreath, 4 Holy Bible, Book Divine, 2 Holy, Holy, Holy, I Holy Spirit, Source of, 8 Holy Spirit, source oi, o Home Again, 5 Home, Can I Forget Thee, 6 Home, Fare Thee Well, 5 Home of My Childhood, 5 Home of the Soul, 1 Home's Not Merely, 2 Home So Blest, 8 Home, Sweet Home, 1 Homeward Bound, 3 Honor His Holy Name, 5 Hope Brightly Gleams, 8 Hot Cross Buns, 5 Ho, the Boating, 8 Hours There Were, 6 How Bright and Fair, 5 How Can I Leave Thee, 1 How Dark and Drear, 8 How Fair Art Thou, 5 How Firm a Foundation, 4 How Gaily the Linnet Sings, 7 How Gaily Rows the G'dolier, 7 How Gaily Rows the G'dolier,? How Happy is the Child, I How Happy We Have Been, 7 How Lovely Thy Note, 8 How Softly are Glancing, 2 How Sweet the Name, 4 How Tedious and Tasteless, 5 How the Wind Blows, 8 Hungarian Cradle Song, 3 Hungarian Cradle Song, 3 Hunter's Farewell, 2 Hunter's Song, 2, 6

Hunting Song, 1 Hunting Song, t Hurdy-Gurdy, 7 Hush-a-By, Hush-a-By, 6 Hush, My Babe, 1 Hush, My Baby, Sleep, 4 Hush, My Darling, 8 Hush, the Waves are Roll'g, 5 I am Content, 3 I am Dreaming of Thee, 7 I am the Glad New Year, 7 I Built a Bridge of Fancies, 6 I Cannot Sing the Old Songs, 3 I Come, from Alabama, 7 I Come, 1 Come, 4 Come, I Come, 4 Dream of All Things Free, 2 Dream of My Fatherland, 4 I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble, I'd Offer Thee This Hand, 5 I'd Weep with Thee, 4 "If," 8 I Fain a Winning Tale, 8 If ever I see on Bush or Tree, 4 If I Were a Sunbeam, 8 Thou Hast Crush'd Flow'r, 4 If Thou Hast Crush a Flow 1, 4
If Thou Wert by My Side, 2
If You be My May Margaret, 4
I Gave Her a Rose, 5
I Had a Bird, a Little Bird, I
I Had Four Brothers, 1
I Had Gold, I Had Gems, 7 Have Come from Mount'ns, 3 Have Heard Sweet Music, 8 Heard an Old Farmer, 8 Heard a Red Robin, 7 Heard the Wee Bird Sing, 3 Hear Not a Footfall, 5 Hear them o'er the Meadow,6 Hear Them Tell, 4 Hear the Robin Sing, 6 Hear To-night the Bells, 7 Know a Bank, 6 Know an Eye so Bright, 5 I'll Do My Duty, 2 I'll Hang My Harp, 5 Ilka Blade of Grass, I Lo'ed Ne'er a Laddie, 3 I Lo'ed Ne'er a Laddie, 3
I'll Sing an Old Ballad, 5
I'll Weep with Thee, 8
I Love Little Pussy, 5
I Love My Love, 6
I Love the Merry Sunshine, 2
I Love the Song of Birds, 1
I Love the Spring, 6
I Love the Summer Time, 3
I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord 5 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord, 5 I Love to Gaze on Smiling, 4 I Love to Gaze on Smiling, 4
I Love to Sing, 6
I Love to Tell the Story, 2
I'm Afloat! I'm Afloat! 8
I'm a Merry Gypsy Maid, 6
I'm a Merry Laughing Girl, 6
I'm a Pilgrim, 4
I'm Shepherd of the Valley, 1
I'm Dreaming Now of Hallie, 6 I Met My Love in a Dream, 8
I'm Glad I am a Farmer, 8
I'm Leaving Thee in Sorrow, 7
I'm Little Robin Redbreast, 7 I'm Little kobin Redbreast, 7 I'm Not Myself at All, 5 I'm Saddest When I Sing, 6 I'm Sifting on the Stile, 7 I'm Very Fond of a Song, 4 In Car'lina's Clime, 8 In Childhood, with Crown, 6 In Days of Old when Knights, 7 In Days of Old when Knig In Excelsis Gloria, 7, 8 In Flakes of a Feathery, 1 In Happy Moments, 3 In Mantua, in Fetters, 6 In Merry Chorus, 5 In My Swift Boat, 6 Ingleside, 1 Ingleside, I
Innisfail, 4
In Shadowland, 6
Integer Vite, 6
In the Gloaming, 4
In the Golden Eventide, 5
In the Land of My Birth, 8
In the Starlight, 2
In the West the sun declining, I In the Wild Chamolo, In this Sheltered Dell, 7 In the Wild Chamois Track, 1 Into the Silent Room, 8 Into the Woods My Master, 6 I Once Had a Comrade, 8 I Remember My Childh, 4

I Remember a Sunny Vale, 5 Irish Emigrant's Lament, 7 Sat Beneath the Maples, 5 I Saw a Ship a-Sailing, 5 I See My Home in Twilight, 5 Isle of Beauty, 3 I Stood on the Bridge, 3 Italian Cradle Song, 3
It Came upon the Midnight, 6
I Think When I Read that
Sweet Story of Old, 2 It is Better to Laugh, 3 It was a Breton Village, 6 It was the Noon of Night, 7 I've Been Roaming, 2 I've Been Thinking of Home, I I've Come Across the Sea, 5 I've Found a Joy in Sorrow, 3 I've Left Ballymornach, 7 I've Left Ballymornach, 7
Ivy Green, 8
I Walked and I Walked, 7
I Wandered hy the Brookside, 4
I Was a Wandering Sheep, 5
I Was Seated at Thy Feet, 8
I Welcome Thee, 5
I Will he Happy Yet, 3
I Will Lay Me Down, 6
I Worship Thee, Sweet Will, 7
I Would I were a Boy Ag'n, 4, 7
I Would Not Die in Sp'gtime, 7
I Would Not Diew Ly Love, 7
I Would That My Love, 7
Jack and Jill, 3 Jack and Jill, 3 Jack at Sea, 7 Jamie! Jamie!8 Jamie's on the Stormy Sea, 6 Jamet's on the Stormy Sea, 6
Jamet's Choice, 1
Jeannette and Jeannot, 2
Jenny Lind's Bird Song, 5
Jenny Lind's Good Night, 3
Jerusalem, My Happy Home, 1
Jerusalem, the Golden, 1
Jessie, Flower of Dumhlane, 5
Jesus is Mine, 6
Lesus, Lover of My Soul, 1, 2 Jesus is Mine, 6
Jesus, Lover of My Soul, 1, 2
Jesus, My All, to Heaven, 5
Jesus, O'er the Grave, 7
Jesus, the Very Thought, 1
Jock o' Hazeldean, 3
John Anderson, My Jo, 1
Johnn Brown's Body, 1
Johnny Schmoker, 8
Johnny Schmoker, 8
Johny Schmoker, 8 Jolly Jester, 3 Jolly Old St. Nicholas, 1 Jolly Old St. Nicholas, I Joseph Baxter is My Name, 3 Joyfully, Joyfully, 7 Joy in Sorrow, 3 Joyous Song, 6 Joyous Song, 6 Joys That We've Tasted, I Joy to the World, 6 Joy Wait on Thy Morrow, 2 Juanita, 2 Juanita, 2 Juanita 1 Our God Alone, 5 Just as I Am, 4 Just Touch the Harp Gently, 7 Just Touch the Harp Genk Kathleen, 7 Kathleen Aroon, 3 Kathleen Mayourneen, 2 Katy Darling, 2 Katy's Letter, 1 Keen Blaws the Wind, 7 Keep a Light Heart, 8 Keller's American Hy**mn, 4** Kelvin Grove, 2 Kerry Dance, 4 Killarney, 2 Kind Friends, We Meet Again, 8 Kindred Hearts, Kind Words Can Never Die, I King of Love, I Kiss of a Little Child, 8 Kitty Tyrrell, 3 Laddie, 7 Lady Beatrice's Lament. 6 Lady Beatrice's Lament. 6 Land Ahead, I Landing of the Pilgrims. 5 Land of Dreams 5 Land o' the Leal, I Land o' our Fathers 8 Land Without a Storm, 6

Last Rose of Summer, 1 Laughing Glee, 7 Lavender's Blue, 5 Lead, Kindly Light, 1 Let Erin Remember the Days, 1 Let Me Dream Again, 4 Let Not Grief Annov. 8 Let Others Dream, 2 Let the Palms Wave, 7 Let Us Sing Merrily, 3 Life Laid Down, 2 Life Let Us Cherish, I Light and Rosy thy Slumh'rs, 5 Light in the Window, 2 Light of Other Days, 2 Lightly Row, 1, 4 Like the First Fresh Scent, 8 Linden Tree, 6 Listen to the Mocking Bird, 6 List, Tis Music Stealing, 3 List, Tis Music Stealing, 3 List to the Convent Bells, 3 Little BennieWas Our Darl'g,2 Little Birdie in the Tree, 1 Little Bird on the GreenTree, 2 Little Bird on the Green Tree, 2 Little Boy Blue, 6 Little Brother, Darling Boy, 1 Little Cherry Blossom, 7 Little Children, Can you Tell, 7 Little Children's Day, 4 Little Drops of Water, 1 Little Eva, 7 Little Gypsy Jane, 6 Little Lips, 8 Little Maggle May, 3 Little Orphant Anuie, 6 Little Sunheam, 8 Little Sunheam, 8 Little Tin Soldier, 7 Lochaber No More, 3 Lock! Lock! Ahoy! 7 Lo, the Heavens Rending, 4 Lone Starry Hours, 8 London Bridge, 5, 6 Longing for Spring, 1 Long, Long Ago, 1 Long, Weary Day, 2 Look in My Face, Dear, 4 Look Not Upon the Wine, 4 Lord, Dismiss Us, 3 Lord, Forever at Thy Side, 3 Lord, in this Thy Mercy's Day, I Lord, We Come Before Thee, 4 Lord, with Glowing Heart, 2 Lorena, 7
Lo, the Seal of Death, 5
Louts Flower, 6
Loud the Sounding Strings, 3
Love and Mirth, 2 Love and Mirth, 2
Love, Hope, Happiness, 1
Love, Hope, Happiness, 1
Love, I Will Love You Ever, 4
Lovely Mary Donnelly, 7
Lovely May, 4
Lovely Nancy, 8
Lovely Rose, 1
Love Not, 2
Love's Golden Dream, 7
Love's Golden Dream, 3
Love's Ritonella, 3 Love's Ritonella, 3 Love's Young Dream, 2 Loving Voices, 4 Low-backed Car, 4 Low-Backed Car, 4
Lucy's Flittin', 4
Lullahy from Erminie, 5
Lullahy, Lullaby, 6
Lurlaline, 4
Maggle's Secret, 7
Maid Flise Roams, 3
Maiden and Rose, 7
Maid of Llangollen, 3
Maid of the Mill, 6
Majestic Sweetness Majestic Sweetness, 5 Make Me No Gaudy Chaplet, 4 Make the Best of It, 2 Make Your Mark, 2 Maltese Boatmau's Song, 6 Mamma's Love, 8 Mandolin Song, 6
Maple from the Wildwood, 3 March, March, 5 Land of Memory, I
Land of the Leal, I
Land of Our Fathers 8
Land Without a Storm, 6
Lang o' Comin', 6
Larboard Watch, 3
Last Greeting, 3
Last night when all was Still, 5
Mary of Argyle, 3

Mary of the Wild Moor, 7 Mary's Tears, 7 Maxwelton's Bræs, 1

Now All the Merry Bells, 9 Now Thank We All Our Go May is Here, 1 May Margaret, 4
May Queen, 2
Meek and Lowly, 1
Meet Me hy Moonlight, 5 Meet Me hy Mooning, Mellow Horn, 2 Mellow Notes of Horn, 7 Melodies of Many Lands, 1 Melodies of Many Lands, 1 Mermaid's EveningSong,8 Merrily Every Bosom, 2 Merrily Greet the Morn, 1 Merrily Greet the Morn, Merrily, Merrily Sing, 3 Merry Hours of Youth, 6 Merry May, 7 Merry Swiss Boy, 3 Midnight Moon, 8 Midnight Moon, Mid Scenes of Confusion,5 Midshipmite, 8
'Mid Woods and Forest, 6 Miller of the Dee, 2 Miller's Daughter, 3 Mill May, Mill Wheel, I Mine Own, 6 Minstrel Boy, I Mistress Santa Claus, 5 Monarch of the Woods, 5 Month of Apple Blossom, 1 Moon is Beaming, 3 Morning Red, 1 Mother, are there Angels, 3 Mother's Wish, 1 Mountain Boy, 5 Mountain Bugle, 3 Mountaineer's Farewell, 3 Mount'n Maid's Invitat'n,1 Mount'n Maid's Invitation
Mowers' Song, 1
Murmuri, Gentle Lyre, 4
Murmuring Sea, 5
Musical Alphahet, 3
Music at Nightfall, 5
Music Everywhere 2
Music of Labor, 5
Music on the Waves, ...
Mustleavethee. Par'dise Must I leave thee, Par'dise, 5 Must I Then Leave, 5 Must Jesus Bear the Cross, 5 My Ain Countrie, 2 My Childhood's Love, 8 My Country, 'Tis of Thee, 1 My Friend is the Man, 8 My Friend is the Man, 8 My Heart and Lute, 4 My Heart is Light, 6 My Heart is Sair, 8 My Heart's in Highlands, 1 My Jamie's o'er the Sea, 6 My Jesus, as Thou Wilt, 4 My Laddie Far Away, 7 My Life is Like the Rose, 7 My Little Valley Home, 8 My Love Beyond the Sea, 8 My Mother Dear, 3 My Love Beyond the Sea, 8 My Mother Dear, 3 My Mother Loves MeNot, 1 My Mother's Bihle, 2 My Mother's Song, 4 My Nannie's Awa', 4 My Nannie's Awa', 4 My Native Land, 8 My Own Guiding Star, 8 My Own Native Land, 3 My Own Native Land, 3 Nancy Lee, 2 National Hymn, 1 Nearer, MyGod, to Thee, 1, 4 Near the Lake, 1 Neva Boatman's Song, 4 Never Alone, 6 Never Alone, 6 Never is MyHeartSoGay, 4 Never Say Fail, 2 New Hail Columhia, 5 Nice Young Girl, 6 Nicoe Young Man, 6 Nicodemus, the Slave, 3 Night and Day, Love, 7 Night is Fine, 4 Night is Fine, 4 Nigh to a Grave, 4 Night Sinkson the Wave,6

Not in Halls of Splendor, 8 Now All the Merry Bells, 5 Now Thank We All Our God, 2 Now the Day is Waning, 5 Now the Merry Spring, 6 Now to all a KindGood-night, 7 Nun Dankett Alle Gott, 2 Nymphs of Air and Sea, 7 Nymphs of Air and Sea, 7
O Alien Brothers, 8
O Be Just, 8
O Boatman, Row Me O'er, 6
O Come, All Ve Faithful, 1
O Come, Come Away, 1
O Come, Emmanuel, 6
O Come, Maidens, Come, 4
Octoher Gave a Party, 5
O Could Our Thoughts, 2
O County Guy, 7
Ode for Decoration Day, 8
O Dear Sixpence 2 O Dear Sixpence, 3 O'er the Sea in My FairyBoat, O Fair Dove, O Fond Dove, 4 O Fair Dove, O Fond Dove, 4 Of All the Busy People Round, 5 Off in Danger, Off in Woe, 3 Off in the Stilly Night, 1 Oh, Are Ye Sleepin', Maggie, 5 Oh, Broad Land, 8 Oh, but You've Been Lang, 6 Oh, Dearest Mae, 6 Oh, Don't You Remember, 5 Ohe. Mamma, 6 On, Don't You Remember, \$
Ohé, Mamma, 6
Oh, for a Thousand Tongues, 5
Oh, for a Heart to Praise, 7
Oh, Gaily thro' Life Wander, 4
Oh, Give Me My Arah Steed, 7
Oh, Gladly We Hail Thee, 1 oh, Gladly We Hail Thee, 1
Oh, Hope, Delusive Dream, 6
Oh, How Cold the Winter, 1
Oh, I Have Had Dreams, 6
Oh, I'm a Happy Creature, 6
Oh, Is It Thus We Part, 7
Oh, Jacoh, Get the Cows, 7
Oh, Loved Italia, 5
Oh, Many a Time I'm Sad, 7
Oh, My Bravest and Best, 7
Oh, Pilot, 'tis a Fearful Night, 6
Oh, Sister Dear, 6 Oh, My Bravest and Best, 7
Oh, Pilot, 'tis a Fearful Night, 4
Oh, Sister Dear, 5
Oh, Smile as ThouWertWont, 5
Oh, Solemn Hour, 5
Oh, Soseman, 7
Oh, Sweet and Dim the Light, 7
Oh, Take Me Back to Switz 'l'd, 2
Oh, Tell Me What it Meaneth, 1
Oh, That I Never More, 4
Oh, the Flowers in Wildwood.6
Oh, the Lone Starry Hours, 8
Oh, the Sailor Shail Sing, 6
Oh, Touch the Harp, 4
Oh, Touch Those Chords, 4
Oh, 'twas Sweet to Hear Her, 6
Oh Hush Thee, My Bahy, 3
Oh, Wert thou in Cauld Blast, 4
Oh, Who So Gay and Free, 5
Oh, Why Does the White Man, 7
Oh, Why Left I My Hame, 3
O Jesu, Thou are Standing, 1
O Land of Saints, 4 Oh, why Lett My Hame, 3
O Jesu, Thou are Standing, 1
O Land of Saints, 4
Old Arm Chair, 3
Old Cottage Clock, 1
Old Easy Chair hy the Fire, 8
Old Familiar Place, 1
Old Friends and Old Times, 3
Old Granite State, 3 Old Grimes, 2 Old House at Home, 3, 8 Old Hundred, 1 Old King Cole, 7 Old Oaken Bucket, 1, 4 Old, Old Song, 5 Old Rosin the Bow, 2 Old Santa Claus, 6 Old Santa Claus in Christmas, 7 Old Tubal Cain, 4 O Mary, Call the CattleHome, 7 O Native Land, 8 O Native Land, o Once Again, 5 Once Again, O Blessed Time, 3 Once Again the Flowers, 4 Once in Days of Golden, 4 Once I Saw a Sweetbrier Rose, I Night Sinks on the Wave, 6 Once Again, O Blessed Time, 2
Nobody knows the Tr'ble, 5
None Can Tell, 2
Norah Darling, 8
Norah McShane, 7
Not a Sparrow Falleth, 6
Not for Joseph, 3
NothingTrue butHeaven, 7
Once More, My Soul, 7
Once More, My Soul, 7
Once There was a Little Voice, 8
One My One the Sands, 4
One Morning, Oh So Early, 8

One Night When the Wind, 7 One or Two, 5
One Sweetly Solemn Tho't, 7
On Foot I Take My Way, 5
On Long Island's Sea-girt, 6
Only a Gentle Word, 4
Only a Year Ago, 6
Only to See Thee, 8
Only With Thine Eyes, 7 On the Fount of Life, 3 On the Mountains, 5 On Tombigbee River, 5 On to the Field, 8 On We are Floating, I
On Yonder Rock Reclining, 6
Origin of the Harp, 4
Origin of Yankee Doodle, I
DROWAN Tree, 6
Orphan Ballad Singers, 8
O Sacred Head, 2
O Sad Were the Hours, 8
O Say, Do You Remember, 7
Ossian's Serenade, 4
O Take Her, but be Faithful, 3
Our Christmas Rose, 8
Our Country's Flag, 1
Our Daily Bread, 7
Our Father in Heaven, I On We are Floating, Our Father in Heaven, I Our Fatherland, 1 Our Flag is There, 1 Our Flag O'er Us Waving, 5 Our Home is on the Sea, 5 Our Merry Swiss Home, 8 Our Mother's Way, 8 Our Songs of Joy and Gladn's, 8 Our Way Across the Sea, 5 Our Wonderful House, 4 Out in a Beautiful Field, 6 Out of the Window 8 Out in a Beautiful Field, o Out of the Window, 8 Over the Dark Blue Sea, 3 Over the Hills and Far Away, 7 Over the Mountain, 6 Over the Mountain Wave, 2 Over There, 2 Over the Sea, 7 Over the Stars There is Rest, 3 Over the Summer Sea, 3 Over the Water to Charlie, 1 Over the Waves We Float, 4 O Ye Tears, 2 O re reals, 2 Paddle Your Own Canoe, 3 Pagoda Bells, 4 Parting Song at Graduation, 3 Pat Malloy, 7 Peaceful Fold, 5 Peaceful Slumbering, 4 Peace on Earth, 5
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