Hundreds Seek Vainly to Hear "Aida" at Opera

Capacity Audience Applauds a Fine Performance, With Caruso, Emmy Destinn, Louise Homer and Amato in the Cast, Mr. Polacco Conducting.

BY SYLVESTER RAWLING.

HUNDREDS of disappointed people were turned away from the Metropolitan Opera House last night when "Aida" was sung, with Caruso as Radames. The capacity limit was reached and the lobby still full of an eager throng clamoring for admission and a waiting line stretching down Broadway and around Thirty-ninth street to Seventh avenue. After the doors were closed many of them patiently waited their turn to get to the box office and bought seats for next Tuesday evening, when the opera will be repeated with the same cast except that Johanna Gadski, instead of Emmy Destinn, will sing the title part. Mr. Toscanini, overworked, surrendered the baton to Mr. Polacco, who conducted an excellent performance of Verdi's opera.

Caruso, not yet quite sure of himself after his recent indisposition, sang with a reticence that made his art more distinguished. His "Celeste Aida" was pronounced with rare grace and his part in the Nile scene was never better done. Miss Destinn, as Aida, kept artistic pace with him, singing the "O Patria Mia" with more than usual charm. Louise Homer, singing at her best, a beautiful as well as a commanding Amneris, made the blindness of Radames to her charms all the more inexplicable. Amato was a fine Amonasro, and Didur as Ramfis, Rossi as the King, Lenora Sparkes as the unseen Priestess, and Audisio as the Messenger ably sustained their parts in the cast. The chorus was excellent and the scene of triumph at Thebes of the Hundred Gates was well done. Before the curtain, in the numerous calls, Caruso indulged in many of the playful tricks that a part of the audience, at least, seems to enjoy.

THREE WOMEN ENTERTAIN WITH MOUSSORGSKY AS TEXT.

Three women gave one of the most charming entertainments of the season at Rumford Hall yesterday afternoon, with Moussorgsky, the composer of "Boris Godunoff," as the text. Constance Purdy, an American contralto, who has spent some years in Russia, sang several of his songs, and Dorothy Swainson played some of his compositions for the piano, while Esther Swainson made delightful little running comments on each number, and, in the course of the afternoon, told a great deal of Moussorgsky's life and accomplishments. The Misses Swainson are English, with a well-earned reputation in London and Paris.

The beginning, without accompaniment, W. Reankoff, who is blind, sang a group of folk-songs that made a unique appeal. Miss Purdy's simplicity and charm were commented upon in this column when recently she gave her own recital. Dorothy Swainson showed taste and skill as a pianist. Yet it was Esther Swainson, the modest little lecturer, who carried off the chief honors. She denied that Moussorgsky was an ignorant musician, as had been charged. If he did not respect the conventional grammar of music, she declared, it was because he was a revolutionary and chose his own idiom, as anybody who had seen his manuscripts must know.

An offensive hammering from somewhere outside the building might have spoiled the entertainment if all three had not been so good natured. It's a pity that the trio did not make a public appeal earlier in the season.

Gustle Behrens, pianist; Ludwig Hess, tenor; Sara Gurovitch, 'cellist; Grace Anderson, accompanist at the piano, and the Hess Soloists Ensemble gave a concert at Aeolian Hall yesterday afternoon for the benefit of Eugen Haile. There was a large and friendly audience that enjoyed a programme, of which half a dozen songs by Mr. Haile, sung by Mr. Hess, were of principal interest. Beethoven's A major sonata and Rubinstein's D major sonata were played by Miss Behrens and Miss Gurovitch. The Ensemble sang Brahms's "An die Heimat" and "Gypsy Song" and Beethoven's "Hymn to Night."

Dr. Fery Lulek, an Austrian baritone, who was heard at private houses in Newport last summer and since has joined the faculty of the Cincinnati Conservatory, gave a recital at Aeolian Hall last night. His voice, of no great power, is of pleasing quality, and he has some gifts as an interpreter. His programme included songs by Schubert, Schumann, Brahms, Richard Strauss, Rubinstein and, in English, by Charles G. Spross, his accompanist.

Among those present besides Mr. Gatti-Casazza were Mrs. Breitung, Otto H. Kahn, Amato, Scotti, Karl Jorn and De Segurola. Amato has been teaching the young man for two months and will take him abroad this summer. When Mr. Kittay returns he will get a third trial, and if he shows sufficient progress Mrs. Breitung and Mr. Kahn will try to interest others in joining to send the young man abroad for a severe course of training.

Theodore Kittay, the young Russian tenor, who early in the season was discovered by a World reporter and befriended by Mrs. B. N. Breitung, got a second hearing at the Metropolitan Opera House yesterday afternoon.

News Oddities

The ten-year-old daughter of Harry Kramer at California, Pa., had a toy bank, across the top of which was the motto "In God We Trust." A burglar looted the house, but left the bank, after writing below the motto: "So did I—once." There was $50 in dimes in it.

A new trial was granted in an ejectment case in Philadelphia when it was found that one of the jurors was a deaf mute. He had sat through the trial and his affliction became known only when he was called on to give his verdict.

Five members of the Young Women's Recreation League of the Methodist Church at Port Washington, L. I., announced their engagement to marry and resigned. It was feared the league would be broken up, but instead there has been a rush of applications for membership.

Besides 2,300 steerage passengers the Hamburg American liner President Grant brought to this port yesterday three baby elephants, two cages of bears, three cages of pumas and tigers, two cages of monkeys, two storks, one zebra, 240 assorted snakes, eight kangaroos, fifty cages of assorted birds, 563 pheasants, one capybara and one laughing hyena.

The Standard Oil Company has settled the suit of Vincent Pelican, injured by the fall of a scaffold at the Bayonne plant, agreeing to pay him his regular wages for life and $400 for doctors' bills.

All the painters, pipelayers, quarrymen, mortar mixers, bricklayers, carpenters, hod carriers, plasterers, machinists and electricians in Nelson, British Columbia, are on strike for higher wages and shorter hours. Employees of the city's light and power plant threaten to quit.

There is mourning in the "lobster belt" and it isn't because of the "H.C." either. Lobsters are 75 cents a pound wholesale when any can be got. Storms and gales "down East" have wrecked the lobster pots and cut off the supply.

As a partner in the operation of its surface traction lines Chicago will receive $2,500,992 in the next ten days as its 55 per cent. of the net receipts for the last year. This is $659,084 more than 1911. The total amount received under the ordinances of 1907, including that coming next week, is $16,884,300. In the six years the companies have expended $80,000,000 on lines.

The wife of George A. Ohl of Newark, suing for divorce, has rejected his offer of their home and $6,000 a year alimony, and informed the court she can't possibly get along on less than $1,600 a month.

Ex-President Taft smiled when the Kent chair he is to fill at Yale was shown to him at his first faculty meeting yesterday. But he didn't sit down. A janitor was called and soon lugged in the great Elkhorn chair used by "Big Jim" Donnelly of the Midnight Club. Then Taft sat.

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The DOCTOR'S ADVICE by Dr. Lewis Baker

The questions answered below are general in character, the symptoms or diseases are given, and the answers will apply to any case of similar nature.

Those wishing further advice, free, may address Dr. Lewis Baker, College Bldg., College-Ellwood sts., Dayton, O., enclosing self-addressed, stamped envelope for reply. Full name and address must be given, but only initials or fictitious name will be used in my answers. The prescriptions can be filled at any well-stocked drug store. Any druggist can order of wholesaler.

"Anxious M."—Give your children for bedwetting 10 to 15 drops in water before meals, the following: Tincture cubebs, 1 dram; tincture rhus aromatic, 2 drams; comp. fluid balmwort, 1 oz. Mix well. This should be given about one hour before meals in water.

Doctor: "I have a very severe case of eczema of the head and throat. My blood is bad and my stomach and bowels are affected greatly. I would like a cure, as I suffer greatly."

B. F.—I would advise the following local treatment: Tannin 2 ozs., antiseptic rhus powder, ½ a half teaspoon; add one pint of warm water and from the palm of the hand sniff the water through the nostrils several times a day. Mix a teaspoonful of the rhus powder to one ounce of lard or petroleum and apply this salve to the nostrils as far up as possible. For internal treatment use the following: Obtain the following ingredients at any well stocked drug store, mix by shaking well: Syrup Sarsaparilla Comp., 4 ozs., comp. fluid balmwort 1 oz., fluid ext. buchu 1 oz. Take one teaspoonful four times a day.

"X. Y. Z." writes: "My hair is harsh and dead looking and my scalp is covered with dandruff. Can you help me?"

Answer: Get a 4 oz. jar of plain yellow vaseline and use it regularly and your hair will become soft and fluffy and it will bring back the natural natural color to the hair; your dandruff will be cured and you will be rewarded with a healthy growth of hair.

"Mrs. G." writes: "I want something to increase my weight about 15 or 20 pounds. My blood is thin, watery and I have a pale complexion. Doctors say I am anaemic."

Answer: Probably your assimilative functions are impaired and anaemia is the result. I would advise that you begin taking three grain hypo-nuclane tablets at once and continue until your blood is revitalized with red and white corpuscles. These tablets aid digestion and cause the body to assimilate the fatty elements in food, thus giving color, weight and strength to the abnormally thin.

"Tom K." writes: "I have been unable to work for some weeks on account of rheumatism. What would you advise?"

Answer: Take the following and I am sure you will soon be back at your work again. Mix the following at home and take a teaspoonful at meal times and at bedtime: Iodide of potassium, 2 drams; sodium salicylate, 4 drams; wine of colchicum, ½ ounce; comp. essence cardiol, 1 oz.; fluid balmwort, 1 oz., and syrup sarsaparilla, 8 ozs.

"Clara" writes: "I have had a cough for about a year and fear I shall never be rid of it, as it gets worse with every fresh cold I contract. Could you give me a remedy?"

Answer: I can give you a remedy that I am sure will cure you and one that is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take. Make a syrup with one pint of granulated sugar and one-half pint of boiling water; put on the fire and let it come to a boil, then cool and add the contents of a 2½ oz. bottle of essence menthol-laxene, which you can purchase at any drug store, and you will have a pint of the finest cough syrup on the market today. It is about eight times cheaper than ordinary labelled cough medicines and will last much longer.

"Mary" says: "I would like something for indigestion. I cannot eat and am cross and irritable all the time. I fear it will cause appendicitis."

Answer: Ask your druggist for tablets triopepsine and take according to the directions. These are pink, white and blue tablets and are to be taken morning, noon and night respectively. This will cure your indigestion and prevent appendicitis.

"Nervous Dorothy" writes: "I have no appetite whatever. I cannot sleep at nights and my nerves are in a terrible condition. Can you tell what would help me."

Answer: The following has helped thousands who suffer as you do. Get 5 ozs. syrup of hypophosphites comp. and 1 oz. of tincture cardomene (not cardamon) and take a teaspoonful before meals. This tonic will restore your nervous system and you will be strong and well within a very short time.

"Ellen J." asks: "I am only 23 years old and weigh 190 pounds. I am short, fat and uncomfortable. I dislike to go in company, as I feel embarrassed. Can you advise a safe reducing remedy?"

Answer: Any one who is too fleshy can safely take 5 grain arsolene tablets. They are sold by well stocked druggists in sealed tubes with full directions for use. A pound a day, if used regularly, can be taken off.

"O. B." writes: "Please advise something to take that will cure chronic constipation. I have suffered for years and have used many kinds of pills, but they do not cure."

Answer: I think most of the illness is caused by chronic constipation. If the following tablets are taken regularly they will gradually effect a cure, as they stimulate the liver and bowels into healthy action. They are packed in sealed tubes and are called three grain sulphate tablets (not sulphur tablets), with full directions for taking. They will also purify the blood and tone up the entire system. If you are constipated, take tablets triopepsine. These two medicines you will find in any up-to-date drug store.

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When she returned to her home about 2 o'clock she found her necklace was gone. She rushed back to the stores she had visited and a vain search for the missing necklace was made in each of them. The police of the East Fifty-first street station were notified. According to a statement made by Mrs. French to the police she was jostled several times in the store crowds. Neither Mrs. French nor the police would discuss the loss last night.

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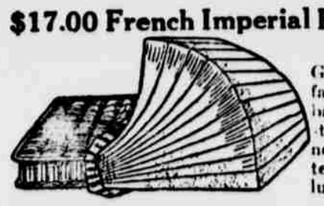

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