

"GERMANIA" IS HEARD AGAIN

FRANCHETTI'S OPERA OF POLITICS REPEATED.

An opportunity to learn something about German history as told in Italian. Caruso, Amato and Destini in popular roles. Toscanini conducts.

Franchetti's "Germania" was brought forward at the Metropolitan Opera House last night for the first time this season.

There was a large audience and a great deal of applause was bestowed on the singers.

This is by no means difficult to sing for, because the music of the work is melodious and well written for the voices.

Later this same casual listener finds himself attending a secret meeting of the brotherhood in a cellar and sees a storm

driven by a tableau vivant reproduction of that immortal beauty who never ceases to walk down stairs in the Cologne museum.

He realizes that he is in the very heart of underground politics in Germany, but he admits that he does not quite understand it all.

The love story is fairly well mixed up with the politics, but it is comprehensible, and if both lovers were not so well fed would be more persuasive.

When the hero is wounded and rolling upon the battle field in the last scene and the heroine, equally "terres atque rotundus," comes and pulls on the ground beside him,

while the unfortunate villain lies dead hard by, the sympathetic tear is stayed by contempt of physical splendors which refuse to be pathetic.

But after all there is much effective music in "Germania" and some that is by no means devoid of charm.

The whole of the forest scene is pleasing and some of it is beautiful. Always the music is singable and the orchestration is rich and full of suggestion.

The unhappy heroine of the opera was impersonated last night, as heretofore, by Emmy Destini.

Alma Gluck replaced Christine Heliane, the former Jane, with much benefit to the role.

As Carlo Worms Mr. Amato was admirable. His noble voice was never heard to better advantage.

Other personages of the drama are generally subsidiary, except Pastor Slappa, excellently done by Mr. Didur.

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IN MEMORY OF W. ALSTEIN ROOT.

Mrs. Root Gives Hamilton College an Endowment for the Purchase of Books.

CLINTON, N. Y., Feb. 1.—In memory of the late W. Alstein Root, for several years connected with THE SUN and a correspondent during the Spanish war,

Mrs. Root has given Hamilton College an annual endowment for the purchase of books for the English department.

The trustees of the endowment, Professor of Rhetoric Calvin L. Lewis and Professor of English Literature J. D. Dobbson, Jr., were classmates of W. Alstein Root at Hamilton in the class of 1890.

FIGHT FOR LIFE IN CAISSON.

Survivors of Accident in Which 10 Were Drowned Tell About It.

Prosecutor Mott yesterday began an investigation in Newark to fix the blame for the deaths of ten negro workmen who were drowned in the Passaic River on Tuesday night in a caisson used in building the foundation for the new bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad near Centre street.

The accident was caused by the falling of a bucket laden with mud weighing about 1,000 pounds in one of the caissons. It opened the doors, exhausted the caisson and let the water rush in.

All of the bodies have been recovered. The last one was found shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning and was identified as that of Samuel Boyd, 35 years old, of 221 East 127th street, Manhattan.

The other men drowned were James McGarity, of Garden street, Newark; James Jackson, of Kenilworth; James Stephens, of Eden and Cross streets; James Houston, of Kenilworth; Frederick Bailey, 137th street near Second avenue; John Reed, of Seventh avenue; William Shams, 97 High street; Joseph Clinton, 61 Summer avenue; and Richard Johnson, 135th street, Manhattan.

An examination was made yesterday of the pin and shackle by which the cable was attached to the loaded bucket. The pin appears to have been inaccurately inserted in its slot.

William J. Lyons of 12 West 126th street, Manhattan, one of the survivors, was near the manhole when the roar of the escaping air warned them of the disaster.

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HEARD IN HOTEL CORRIDORS

CORONATION EMBASSY MAY GO TO MR. FAIRBANKS.

He's in Town. The Remarkable Fortunes of Senator Dick Cuban X-Ray Expert to Marry in Paris a Woman Who Forgot Her Hat at Matinee Time.

Ex-Vice-President Charles Warren Fairbanks, who has just come over from Washington, is at the Waldorf for a few days.

Senator Dr. Francisco Dominguez of Havana, who has been at the Imperial for a few days, left yesterday for Madrid.

Mrs. W. M. Walker of Bay Side, L. I., who came to the city on Tuesday to the charity ball, was called to the telephone at the Wolcott about 6 o'clock in the evening.

Your house is burning," was the cheerful intelligence that greeted her. Two hours later some friends from Bay Side called with the news that the house had burned to the ground and that the few things rescued from the ground floor had been stolen.

A woman guest at an uptown hotel a few minutes after she had left for the matinee yesterday telephoned that she was sending her chauffeur back for her hat.

Senator Dick is going back to Ohio soon," said F. A. Seiberling, a manufacturer of Akron, yesterday at the Waldorf.

"Some years later he was talked of for the nomination for governor. But Myron T. Herrick came to the front, became State of Hanna. This hurt Dick, but Hanna persuaded him not to make a fight.

Justice Garrison, who presided, announced that the court had decided in favor of the plaintiff, but the duty of issuing a certificate was mandatory and left no discretion in the justice who conducted the record.

The argument to-day had to do with whether Supreme Court Justice Voorhees was vested with discretionary power to withhold a certificate of election after a recent indicated on its face that Mathis instead of Mr. Low had been elected.

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Portrait of the President Among the Recent Gallery Additions.

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Two bust portraits of George and Martha Washington by Rembrandt Peale, an early American painter, are bequests from the late Commodore Philip Stiles.

Sailing to-day by the French liner La Savoie, for Havre.

Passengers for the United Fruit Line Zacapa, for the West Indies, Colon and Santa Marta.

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