

GALA OPERA SEASON OPENS TOMORROW

Caruso and Ponselle Will Be Heard at Academy When "La Juive" Is Sung

RECORD SALE IS REPORTED

After an absence of many years opera will be resumed at the Academy of Music tomorrow night, when the season will be formally opened with a performance of Halévy's "La Juive," with Enrico Caruso and Rosa Ponselle in the leading roles.

Under the new management, following the sale of the Metropolitan Opera House last summer and the leasing of the Academy, when the question of a home for opera hung in the balance for some time, the coming season has aroused more public interest than ever.

The subscription sale is the largest and the most unusual in the history of opera in the city. Not only are all the boxes gone, but almost the entire lower floor and balcony, the family circle and the entire amphitheatre have been taken by subscription for the entire series of sixteen performances.

Difficulty in redistributing the places of the boxholders was simplified by the fact that the box seating capacity of the Metropolitan Opera House and the Academy are almost equal.

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Special train leaves Reading Terminal 8:00 A. M., stopping at Columbia Ave., Huntington St., Manassas, Conshohocken and Norristown (De Kalb St.). Returning leaves New York 8:00 P. M., Auburn 8:28 P. M., Haverburg 8:35 P. M., Reading 9:05 P. M.

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ACCEPTS NEW PULPIT Dr. W. K. Foster to Leave Jenkintown for Montrose, Pa. The Rev. Dr. W. K. Foster, pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church, Jenkintown, has announced his resignation, subject to approval by the Philadelphia Northern Presbytery. He will go to the First Presbyterian Church of Montrose. Dr. Foster's congregation in Jenkintown has increased during the fifteen years of his service. When a call was made for him to become pastor of the Montrose church he accepted tentatively. He proposes preaching the first sermon in his new pastorate December 23. Dr. Foster was selected by the north Pennsylvania church from among five candidates.

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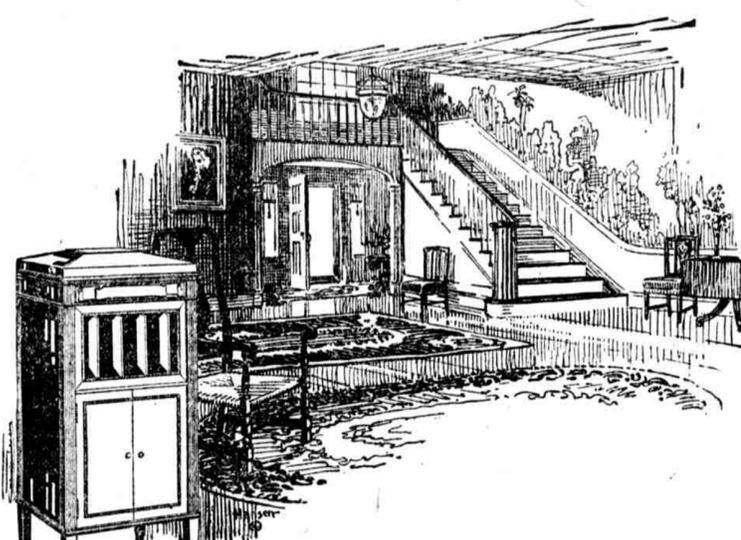
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Smart hip-length model of soft, lustrous seal plush, belted all around and finished with deep collar that closes up well at the throat. Lined throughout.

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Luxurious Furs in smart styles, handsomely lined. These are the rich-looking, handsome Neck-Pieces that add the last touch of distinction to a woman's costume, as well as affording much-needed warmth. This wonderful collection under price:

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\$175.00 Alaska Fox Animal Scarf, double animal style—\$147.50

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