

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL MUSIC LOVERS

Miss Thomas Here.

Washington has an addition to its music coterie who should be cordially welcomed by every musician in the Capital. Miss Fannie Edgar Thomas, one of the most widely known writers on musical topics in this country and abroad. Miss Thomas is in Washington representing a prominent musical journal which, in view of the growing importance of the National Capital as a musical center, has deemed it wise to send so celebrated a writer here to look after its interests.

Miss Thomas was for a long time the Paris correspondent for American musical publications, and has won renown for her consistent, interesting and enlightening lectures on musical topics. She has studied music in all its phases and is regarded as an authority on the subject. That she will make her home here for at least a time will prove a distinct pleasure to local musicians, who are always most eager to welcome newcomers to their ranks, and especially such one of Miss Thomas' high standing and charming personality.

Entertainment for Crew.

The Glee, Mandolin and Banjo Clubs of Georgetown College will give a concert in Gaston Hall on Wednesday next, which promises to be a rare treat to those interested in the social and musical side of modern college life. H. A. Gaynor, E. J., who is the director of the Glee Club, has brought the young men to a high standard of musical excellence, and John Foote, leader of the strings, has achieved the same fine results which have marked his work with the club in previous years. Among other special attractions of the program are Edward J. Walsh, whose dramatic achievements are well known, Joseph Battle, who demonstrated himself last year a great acquisition to the musical life of Washington. Mr. Clabaugh, bass soloist of St. Stephen's Church; Mr. Cullen, the man who can do anything on a banjo; Mr. O'Connor, who has acquired a national reputation for his comic songs; and Mr. Stern, the famous monologist. The proceeds of the concert will be devoted to the purchase of a new boat for the Georgetown crew to be used at the next regatta at Poughkeepsie.

Mella Coming.

Mme. Mella, the renowned prima donna, will make her only appearance of the season in Washington at the National Theater on Tuesday afternoon, December 15, at 4:15 p. m. Mme. Mella is a living exponent of an art that is above the whims of modern composers. Her voice is pure, in quality, and it is said that those who heard Mella here several years ago will experience no disappointment in the range, flexibility, and evenness of the voice, which made her one of the most famous prima donnas of the world. Her evening concert will be heard in the scene and aria from "Lucia," the mad scene from "Hamlet," the waltz song from "Roméo and Juliet," and Tosti's "La Serenata," with harp accompaniment. The assisting artists of the afternoon are to be Ellison Van Hoose, tenor; M. Gilbert, formerly baritone of the Grau company; Mlle. Sassoli, and Miss Llewella Davis, accompanist.

New Male Chorus.

The male chorus under the leadership of Percy S. Foster will have its first meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association tonight at 8 o'clock. This chorus promises to be a great success. Eighty men have enrolled. The full number, 100, will be completed in a few days. Mr. Foster desires that any men not yet enrolled who would like to consider membership in the chorus be present at the first rehearsal tonight. It is not necessary to be a soloist, nor is it absolutely necessary that a man be able to read music.

No fee is charged for the class, and membership in the Y. M. C. A. is not required. It is probable that allowing for a few who will not meet the requirements that thirty more applications may be received. These should be made in person at the chorus tonight.

Campanari Recital.

Signor Campanari, the operatic baritone, will be heard here in concert on Tuesday afternoon, December 8, at 4:15, at the Lafayette Opera House.

Signor Campanari will sing some of his famous arias. He became famous in such roles as the Toreador, in "Carmen"; Valentin, in "Faust"; Germont, in "Traviata"; De Nevers, in "The Huguenots," and others too numerous to mention. The management was only able to engage Signor Campanari as a great favor. He is now singing in the opera in New York, under Mr. Conried's management.

Signor Campanari is such a favorite here that already many orders are being received for tickets, and his welcome will surely be a warm one.

Miss Janet Spencer, contralto, is not a stranger here, and has always received a warm welcome when singing in Washington. Her voice is of beautiful quality, rich in tone, and she sings with great intelligence and taste. Miss Niron Romaine Curry, the gifted young pianist of nine years, who created such a furor in Germany by her playing, and also in many cities of the West, will make her Washington debut at this concert.

Highly gifted as a musician, Miss Curry was at an early age a "prodigy," so wonderful was her technique. Unlike most prodigies, she has more than fulfilled the promise of her childhood.

The program will undoubtedly prove interesting and is as follows:

- Prologue from "Pagliacci".....Leoncavallo
- Signor Campanari.
- "O Don Falale".....Verdi
- "Aufschwung".....Schumann
- Impromptu.....Chopin
- "Frühlingssong".....Schumann
- Miss Niron Romaine Curry.
- "Per la Gloria" (178).....Marcello
- "Quella Flamma" (179).....Marcello
- Miss Spencer.
- "Gloria a te".....Buzzi Peccia
- Signor Campanari.
- "Waldermarschen".....Liszt
- "Taranella" ("Venezia-e-Napoli").....Liszt
- Miss Niron Romaine Curry.
- "Die Entführung aus dem Serail".....Schubert
- "Die Wunderschönen Monat Mai".....Schumann
- "Aus Meinen Thränen".....Schubert
- "Die Rose, die Lilie".....Schubert
- "Wenn ich in Deinen Augen Seh".....Schubert
- "Ich Gröle Nicht".....Schubert
- Miss Spencer.
- "Tre Giorni Son che Nine".....Pergolesi
- Serenade from "Don Giovanni".....Mozart
- Signor Campanari.
- "Airly Beason".....Nevin
- "Every Night".....Nevin
- "Sleep, Little Tune".....Nevin
- "In Blossom Time".....Nevin
- Miss Spencer.

Gareissen Concert.

Oscar Gareissen made his formal debut before the Washington music public last Friday night in a song recital at the New Willard, and if any doubt as to his standing with music lovers here existed in his mind certainly it must have been dispelled by the cordial manner in which he was received. Mr. Gareissen came to Washington some months ago and was first heard professionally as accompanist with Signor Campanari late in the spring. He has since established a vocal class, obtained a position in one of the leading choirs



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here, and suddenly burst upon the concert public with a glorious baritone voice that pleased his friends and surprised a host of other people.

In his selection of songs for his initial recital Mr. Gareissen chose Schubert, Brahms, Schubert, Paderevski, Bend, a group of old English and another of the old Welsh songs. Greater variety or a more pleasing concert program could hardly have been asked. In each of these Mr. Gareissen displayed first of all, clear, musical baritone voice. In purity of tone and evenness of texture it compares most favorably with any singer heard in Washington in many months. Added to this is a good range, careful handling and a mellowness and intelligence of reading that made his songs a delight to the student and auditor alike. It is to be genuinely hoped that Mr. Gareissen may find it convenient to give a series of recitals during the season. Washington, with all its love for music and musicians, is not overcrowded with baritones of Mr. Gareissen's class, and his future appearances will be awaited with interest.

Choir and Symphony.

The first concert of this season of the Carroll Institute choir, Mrs. Clara Baker Smith, director, will occur on Sunday evening, December 13, in the Columbia Theater, in conjunction with the Washington Symphony Orchestra, Reginald De Koven conducting. The concert is given under the auspices of Carroll Institute. The orchestra will have the first part of the program, and will give an interesting selection of orchestral numbers. The choir will sing Rossini's "Stabat Mater," the orchestra accompanying. This will be the first of a series of popular concerts to be given by the orchestra monthly during the season. The program is a good one, and calculated to please the large class of music lovers. It includes Weber's "Euryanthe" overture; "Adagio" from Saint-Saens' Second Symphony; and Saint-Saens' "Taranella"; Mozowski's "Serenata"; De Koven's "Flower Ballet" with harp, and the "Peer Gynt Suite," by Grieg.

The soloists for the "Stabat Mater" have been chosen from the Carroll Institute choir, and are all soloists in prominent church choirs. They are Mrs. Annie Grant Fugitt, of St. Patrick's choir, soprano; Mrs. Margaret Nolan Martin, of St. Aloysius, contralto; William D. McFarland, Calvary Baptist choir, tenor; and Arthur W. Porter, St. Aloysius, basso. Mr. Porter was formerly the bass soloist in the Cathedral in Chicago, and has only lived in Washington during the past year. His voice and style are particularly well suited to the music of the "Stabat Mater." The rehearsals are progressing with great promise, and a fine performance is assured.

Program at St. Aloysius.

The program of music at St. Aloysius Church today will be as follows: "Asperges Me," Klein; mass, Sillas' prize mass; offertory, "Judica Me," Dudley Bass solo. Vespers will be sung at 7:30 p. m. with psalms from Marzo, No. 2; Magnificat, Marzo, No. 3; hymn, "Alma Redemptio," Klein, quartet; "O, Salutaris," Gounod, tenor solo; "Tantum Ergo," No. 2, Faure.

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TRANSFER OF MR. FORD STARTS FALSE RUMORS

Is Not Taken Out of War Department Because He Is a British Subject.

Francis W. Ford, appointment clerk at the War Department, is to be transferred from Washington to some other station, and will probably be designated for service in the Philippines.

Mr. Ford is one of the War Department employes who has been mentioned frequently by persons who have complained of the employment by this Government of men who are not citizens of the United States. He is a British subject, and has been in the War Department for many years.

In the attack made upon the War Department because it employs clerks who are citizens of foreign powers, many newspapers have charged that several of the European powers have managed to get positions in the department for agents who obtain much valuable information for them concerning the military affairs of the United States.

War Department officials say these charges made against foreign employes have been groundless, and deny the rumor that Mr. Ford is to be transferred because objection has been made to the retention of an Englishman in one of the most important positions in the War Department.

REPRESENTATIVE GIBSON TO ADDRESS BAPTISTS

The Hon. Henry R. Gibson, of Tennessee, will address the Synod of the Second Baptist Church, Third Street, between H and I Streets northwest, this afternoon, December 6, at 3:30 o'clock, subject: "Evolution, Revolution and Devolution."

INVESTIGATION FUTILE.

The naval board appointed to investigate the Iona Island explosion failed to learn the cause of the accident, but has recommended a number of changes in the regulations for the unloading of shells charged with black powder.

MR. WOOLLEY ARRIVES TO CONDUCT DEFENSE

Anti-Mormon Interests in Idaho Seek to Prevent Confirmation of Appointment.

H. Smith Woolley, appointed some weeks ago as assayer of the mint in Boise City, Idaho, has come to Washington prepared to vindicate himself against the charges which have been filed against him. Mr. Woolley, in company with Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, called on the President yesterday.

The appointment of Mr. Woolley has not been sent to the Senate for confirmation and the charges against him are being looked into by the Treasury Department. In addition to alleging that Woolley ought not to be appointed because he was, until recently, a bishop in the Mormon church, his opponents charge that from the standpoint of business qualifications, he is not fitted for the office. He will be given a hearing soon.

Senator Dubois of Idaho and the Democrats there are joining with the anti-Mormon element in the State in opposing Woolley. It is alleged that he was appointed because he brought to the support of Heyburn, in the contest for the Senatorship against Heitfeld, certain Mormon votes.

SALVATION ARMY WILL GIVE CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Salvation Army is preparing for its annual Christmas dinner for the needy poor, and in the course of a few days will have the arrangements well in hand.

The money for the dinner will be solicited the same as that of last year. Letters of appeal will be mailed to business men and others, and the collecting device, "Keep the pot boiling," on the street corners, will be used again. There will be three of these stands, in charge of the Army workers.

Captain and Mrs. Roper will manage the arrangements, and will be found at the Army headquarters at any hour of the day.

NASSAU'S SONS TO GIVE A TRIUMPHAL SMOKER

District Alumni Will Celebrate Victories on Gridiron and Victory of One of Her Progeny in Political Arena.

The Sons of Old Nassau will meet at Rauscher's next Friday to celebrate by one of their famous smokers the senior's football championship. The victory recently won by Hon. G. B. McClellan, class of '86, will not be overlooked. He will be the Princeton tiger as well as the Tammany emblem that evening. Musical entertainment will be provided by the banjo club, and the old songs that are given at senior singings will once more be heard.

Several interesting propositions will be talked over at the gathering. Plans have been completed for a glee, banjo, and mandolin concert, to be held at the New Willard on December 23. Teas and dinners are to be given to the college men that afternoon, and after the concert a large dance will be held in their honor in the Willard ball room. The Dramatic Association is also expected here in April.

The recent movement to establish in Washington a new university club is strongly backed by the orange and black followers.

The association now has about 150 members on its rolls, but the smoker is open to all Princeton men in the city, whether they are members of the association or not.

PUBLIC WORK ORDERED.

The District Commissioners have ordered:

That 620 feet, more or less, of 8-inch water main be laid in Morton Place, between Sixth and Seventh Streets northwest, at an estimated cost of \$250.

That Chesapeake Street, between Tenleytown Road and Grant Road, be graded at an estimated cost of \$1,200.

NEED FOR TRAINED NURSES.

Trained nurses for Indian schools are needed, and on January 5 the Civil Service Commission will hold an examination to fill six positions at \$200 per year and one at \$75 per year. Applicants must be twenty years old or over.

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- Handsome Pedestal, oak or mahogany finish, is very strong and nicely polished; special price... **\$3.15**
- Parlor Lamp and Globe, very pretty shape, handsomely decorated, has removable brass oil tank; specially reduced to... **\$9.80**
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