

STORIES OF SINGERS

TIMES WHEN THEIR VOICES WERE OF MORE WORTH THAN MONEY.

Santley's Adventure With a Band of Mexican Bandits—Some Experiences of the Tenor Mario—How Lablache Put a Bear to Flight.

Many years since, when traveling with some friends in Mexico, Charles Santley was captured by halfbreed bandits and, being unable to pay the large ransom demanded, carried off to the mountains. Ever since the singer, by no means weighed down by his mishap, chanced to burst into song, which so delighted the bandit chief that he demanded an encore.

Santley saw his chance and expressed his willingness to comply on condition that he and his companions were granted their release. The suggestion was accepted, and for over two hours was the singer's voice raised in such exquisite melody that the bandits, true to their word, allowed him and those with him to depart.

The late Joseph Maas had a somewhat similar experience. Years back, when with a companion buffalo hunting on the American prairies, he was captured by Indians and carried to their camp. When at his wits' end how to extricate himself from the dilemma, his friend suggested the power of song. Forthwith he commenced an operatic selection that so delighted his captors that they loosened his bonds and urged him, at the point of their spears, to continue.

Luckily his voice had a soporific effect upon the Indians, who one by one dropped asleep until, just as he was on the point of stopping from exhaustion, the last passed into the realms of dreams. Then he and his companion quietly stole away.

His wonderful voice on one occasion placed the great tenor Mario in a somewhat invidious position. When traveling with some companions in Spain, he fell into the hands of a party of marauding gypsies, who demanded the customary ransom. Mario, tickled at the situation, answered their request in impromptu song, which he delivered with such exquisite mock dignity that his captors with unanimous acclamation elected him captain of their band. The singer diplomatically acquiesced in their decision, but in the course of the following day contrived to make his escape with his friends.

On another occasion in Madrid the same singer, as he was returning late one night from the theater where he was engaged, was arrested by the police in mistake for a political discontent. In vain he asserted his identity. He was carried before their chief, who likewise smiled incredulously at the captive's assertions.

Greatly angered, Mario vehemently demanded that his friends should be forthwith communicated with, but the official shook his head and remarked that if indeed he were the great tenor he possessed in his voice a sure means of proving the truth of his words. Ten minutes later Mario was bowed out with many regrets and profuse apologies.

When traveling to Paris with some other ladies, Mme. Gris had a thrilling adventure. At a small wayside station a man entered the carriage, and it soon became evident from his threatening gestures and eccentric behavior that he was a dangerous lunatic.

Though her companions were panic-stricken, Mme. Gris retained complete presence of mind and with the utmost composure began to sing. At once the man was quiet; his whole attention was riveted on that magnificent voice, and he remained the most appreciative of listeners until the train reached the next station, where he was secured. It transpired subsequently that he was a maniac with homicidal tendencies who had escaped from an asylum.

An amusing story is told of Lablache, the celebrated bass singer. One day as he was strolling leisurely through a French fair a cry was suddenly raised that a bear had escaped from the menagerie. The crowd fled in every direction—all save the singer, whose massive proportions precluded the idea of rapid motion. Amid the general commotion he among them all stood unmoved, calmly awaiting the advent of the ferocious beast, which sure enough came slouching rapidly toward him. When within a few feet, it halted as though to gather itself together for a final rush, when Lablache stepped forward and from the lowest depths of his immense chest sent forth such a thunderous roar that the terrified animal turned and fled.

When Will a Man Be Too Rich?
What will eventually be the limit of individual wealth? Half a century back "ten thousand a year" was considered to be a vast fortune. Then "fifty thousand a year" was the phrase commonly used to describe the income of fabulously rich men or women. Later we took to speaking of "millions." In quite recent times the "multimillionaire" with twenty millions had reached the limit of private wealth; then forty millions. Now the limit has risen to a hundred millions, and already the word "billionaire" has come into use in the United States. Will the multimillionaire ever replace the multimillionaire?—London Standard.

The Birthplace.
No matter where a man was born, he swells up and claims to be proud of it. There is no way of knowing if the favored spot reciprocates the feeling.—San Francisco Bulletin.

Painful All Around.
Dumleigh—It was an awful trial for me to make that speech tonight.
Midway—Don't mention it, old boy; just think what the rest of us suffered.

A Total Eclipse.

Any man can produce a total eclipse of the sun, so far as he himself is concerned, by holding a dollar close to his eye. The total eclipse of health is often produced in much the same way, by letting the dollar shut out from view all other things and interests.

A great many people pay for wealth with health and admit at last that they have made a poor bargain. In the chase of the dollar people are too eager to take time to eat regularly or choose proper food, the stomach becomes disordered or diseased, the food eaten ceases to nourish, and physical breakdown comes.

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Getting the Musical Pitch.

Musical pitch has a curious tendency to creep up. It is said that Bach's music sounds much differently now from what it did when Bach wrote it, because the instruments are now pitched higher. In 1882 it was found that the pitch of high A at the Vienna Court Opera had crept from the prescribed 435 double vibrations a second to 443, and in 1885 this number had further increased to 450.

Accordingly a musical conference was held, and a resolution was taken to re-establish the old pitch of 435 vibrations per second. Upon this announcement the Reichsanstalt, the imperial physical and technical institute of Germany, set up standard instruments and has since tested and corrected many hundreds of tuning forks, shortening them if they are too low in pitch and thinning the arms if they are too high.

All the military orchestras of Germany are pitched alike, and the Reichsanstalt keeps the tuning forks correct. This solicitude care of the government in preserving standards is one reason why the world now goes to Germany in musical matters.—Pearson's.

Truth and Repose.
A self denial no less austere than the saint's is demanded of the scholar. He must worship truth and forego all things for that and choose defeat and pain so that his treasure in thought is thereby augmented. God offers to every mind its choice between truth and repose. Take which you please—you can never have both.

Between these as a pendulum man oscillates. He in whom the love of repose predominates will accept the first creed, the first philosophy, he meets, most likely his father's. He gets rest, commodity and reputation, but he shuts the door of truth. He in whom the love of truth predominates will keep himself aloof from all moorings and adrift.

He will abstain from dogmatism and recognize all the opposite negations between which as walls his being is swung. He submits to the inconvenience of suspense and imperfect opinions, but he is a candidate for truth as the other is not and respects the highest law of his being.—Emerson's "Essay on Intellect."

Didn't Care if He Did.
Over in West Virginia on one of the railroads is a little town called Sawyer. Close to the town the train passes through a tunnel. One day a nice-looking young couple were on the train, and they never seemed to know that there was anybody else on the train. Oblivious to their surroundings they were like two souls with but a single thought. While the train was passing through the tunnel those near the brakeman came through the car and called out, "Sawyer," and the timid-looking young man looked up and said: "I don't give a darn if you did. We are married."—Bristol Courier.

Running No Risk.
A troupe of wandering musicians were playing before a Swiss hotel. At the end of the performance one of the members left the group, approached the leader of the band and pulled out a little paper box, which he emptied into his left hand, while the eyes of the leader followed every movement.

He took a plate in his right hand, passed it around, and a large sum was collected, every one meanwhile wondering what he held in his left hand.

"Why, it's very simple," said the leader when questioned, "We are all subject to temptation, and to be sure of the fidelity of our collector he has to hold five flies in his left hand, and we count these first when he returns to make sure of the money."

Willing to Accompany Him.
A poor old Irishman, with an old and battered cornet, was making night hideous one evening in a quiet Edinburgh square. A smart young "guardian of the peace" stepped up to him and in a very peremptory tone said:

"Come, come, my man, you must stop that or accompany me."

"Wid all the pleasure in loife, sor," replied Pat. "What are ye goin' to sing?"—London Telegraph.

His Conscience Clear.
"Can you truthfully say that you went into office with an absolutely clear conscience?" inquired the very familiar but unworried friend.

"Of course I can," answered Senator Sorghum in a tone of slight irritation: "I never yet failed to pay every cent I promised for a vote."—Washington Star.

Sized Up.
"A man is known by his works," declared the irrepressible talker, who was addressing a large and enthusiastic audience.

"Yours must be a gas works," shouted a rude, uncultured person who occupied a back seat.—Baltimore American.

Helps to Education.
A zoological garden is a great ornament to a city and a most desirable adjunct to school education. The child who can see and study a moose, an eagle, an alligator or any other strange beast of the field gets what no book can teach.—Mechan's Monthly.

Sort of Circular Insanity.
A French judge has declared that a man must be mad who writes poetry. However that may be, the editor he sends it to generally is.—Los Angeles Times.

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