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Not on the Program.

Not long ago, Edmund Russell dawned upon a certain Western city, and the Blanks gave a large reception. Among the plans for the entertainment of the guests was a scene from "Macbeth," rendered by a young woman of local elocutionary fame. The head of the family was not informed of this especial part of the program. At the proper moment the young woman personating Lady Macbeth appeared at the end of the drawing room, dressed in a trailing robe of white and bearing a light. She moved slowly forward, an expectant hush falling upon the assemblage. The host looked up, saw, and wholly misunderstood. He hesitated only a moment, then hastened forward with hospitable zeal: "Why, Miss Smith, good-evening. I'm very glad to see you. May I relieve you of your candle?"

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(Special Letter.)

The distinguishing charm of Mme. Nordica as a woman is her exquisite appreciation of all that makes up the varied interests of life. It matters not what subject is presented to her she gives it the enthusiastic attention of one keenly alive to its salient points and its relations.

It has been well said that "man is only that which he knows, and knows only that which he is," and it is the many-sided character of this great songstress which makes her interest and sympathy well-nigh universal. Nothing escapes her, and, while she never dignifies trifles, neither does she ignore them. In all things her ideals are high. Nothing less than the best is satisfactory to her, and such is her artistic sense of color and form that she cannot brook disorder or the unsightly about her. I have seen her stop in the midst of writing a note, for which a messenger was waiting, to remove a withered flower which she happened to see in the bouquet on her writing desk and carefully rearrange the blossoms she had misplaced in doing so.

Wherever she is, she sets up her household gods, and flowers are always to be found among them. Dainty belongings, which make an apartment homelike and attractive, are bestowed in her baggage, and soon as she is settled in her temporary quarters they are brought forth and arranged. Refined, tasteful, womanly in all that she does and is, Mme. Nordica is yet possessed of an indomitable will, and, while flexible with others, is positively unrelenting with herself. Descended from a long line of New England clergymen, several of whom were famous doctors of divinity, she seems to have inherited the masterful strength of character which distinguished them. To those interested in the methods which prevailed in New England years ago the fact that Mme. Nordica's great-grandfather, who lived in the little town of Farmington, Me., was taxed not for his possessions but his ability, is not without interest.

While she gives more or less attention to many things, Mme. Nordica is devoted with the utmost singleness of purpose to her art. She says, in speaking of the mode of life which she has found is best for her work:

MME. LILLIAN NORDICA.

[From a photograph by Window, London.]

"I don't believe in stimulants of any sort. I never touch coffee or tea. To be successful one must do her work with intelligence and not by moods. I live very simply and regularly. In the morning I take nothing more than an egg on a bit of toast and I never eat rich food or pastry. I take regular athletic exercise every day, and during the two or three weeks' vacation, which I take every summer, I row, fish and swim."

That this regime is productive of admirable results is evident, for, although Mme. Nordica is no longer a very young woman, her eyes are limpid and brilliant, her complexion as smooth and soft as a child's and she does not appear to be more than twenty-four or twenty-five years of age.

Mme. Melba, the famous singer from Australia, is peculiarly and rarely gifted. When she was a little girl it was her wont to entertain her playfellows by making what they called "that pretty sound, such as a bird makes, in her throat." This was the marvelous trill which is one of her most extraordinary vocal accomplishments and which is as natural to her as are its notes to a song bird. It is an odd fact that neither she, nor any of her friends, took any account of this remarkable gift when she was being educated.

From her childhood she has been fond of music, in fact has scarcely known any other interest. She laughingly says that she never was good for anything but her music, and that although her mother devoted many anxious years to making her accomplishments somewhat more universal she never succeeded. Her father was a wealthy man and she had the best of instruction and became a fine performer on the violin, piano and organ.

The fact that Mme. Melba was possessed of an unusual voice was first recognized at a concert given at Melbourne, where her singing of an aria caused the musicians present to declare with one accord that her voice was nothing short of phenomenal. So much was said in regard to it that she determined to go to Paris and consult the famous trainer of voices, Mme. Marchesi. When Mme. Melba sang for the great teacher she at once pronounced her voice one which, with a little training, could be made something extraordinary. There was no pecuniary reason why Mme. Melba should go on the stage, and her friends were bitterly opposed to her doing so, but she overcame their objections and remained in Paris to study for the stage with Marchesi. At the end of ten months she went to Brussels and made her debut in Rigoletto; and so triumphant was her success that she was soon in demand in all the great cities of Europe.

Mme. Melba never received any vocal instructions save during the ten months she was with Marchesi. She learns with ease whatever she undertakes, but will attempt nothing she does not like. She was once persuaded to undertake "Martha," but after studying it a few hours she tore up the score and threw it in the corner of the room. Although born in Australia, she has Spanish ancestors. She has a superb physique, lustrous dark eyes, black hair and an exquisite profile. Her especial delight is a brilliantly-tinted Mexican bug which, like a moving jewel, travels about over the front of her dress to the length of its slender gold chain. She laughingly says she can afford to keep her pet, as he lives on rotten wood. Mme. Melba is the wife of Capt. Armstrong, and has a little son who is being educated in London.

It is a common saying that great singers cannot act, and that great actresses do not sing. The exception to this rule, if it be a rule, is Mlle. Calve, whose singing leaves absolutely nothing to desire and who is an accomplished actress. As the saying goes, she is one who has discovered

MME. NELLIE MELBA.

[From a photograph by Guigoni, Milan.]

herself. In other words, she is absolutely mistress of her utmost powers, which, truth to say, are a most extraordinary combination.

Mlle. Calve speaks scarcely a word of English and understands no more than she speaks, yet so impressive is her every gesture, and so vitally vivid her expression, that words are scarcely necessary to make plain her meaning. In speaking of her artistic career, she says that when she saw Duse a few years ago she suddenly, and for the first time, realized how hollow and meaningless were the styles she had previously cultivated, and she at once determined to study her parts without reference to traditions. In making her studies for Carmen she went to Spain and lived with the people who are represented in the opera. She says that while she is singing Carmen in French she always thinks it in Spanish.

Mlle. Calve is a native of Aveyron in southern France. Her mother is French and her father, who has been dead some years, was Spanish. She is one of six sisters, and in talking of them and her home, which she does with great tenderness, she says:

"My sisters are very beautiful girls. I am the homeliest of the family." If this is so they must indeed be beautiful, for Mlle. Calve is very handsome and exquisitely graceful. Her hair is black, and in her dark eyes there is the suggestion of hidden fire, which is particularly fascinating. Her music and books are her special delight, and her favorite author is Balzac. She says of him that he has furnished more original ideas than any writer of the present day, and that she scarcely

MLLE. EMMA CALVE.

[From a photograph by Morrison, Chicago.]

takes up a book which does not bear the impress of his thought.

At present this great singer and actress is expressly devoted to her phonograph. She never wearies of listening to it, and is in the habit of talking into it and sending the cylinders to her friends instead of a letter. Night and day she lives with her windows wide open. She declares that she must have light, air and space, and every day she walks from one mile to five. Withal Mlle. Calve is sweet, natural, most obliging, and lives the religion she professes.

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What would I do with my money if I were a boy and had earned some? Of course it would depend very much on how much I had, but I think I would buy good books, subscribe for good papers, plan some little treats for the rest of the family, get the skates or whatever I had long craved, but, in the main, I would put my money in the bank until I had enough to go off to school, if this privilege were otherwise denied me. By this I do not necessarily mean I would take a college course, but, if I were going to be a farmer, I would take the course in agriculture offered by many of our schools now; or, if a dairyman, attend dairy school; if a veterinarian, take a course at veterinary college, and so on. I would know to do well whatever I undertook to do.—American Agriculturist.

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