THE OPERA.

Reginald De Koven Sees "Lohengrin" at the Metropolitan and Says It Was Tame and Spiritless.

THE performance of "Lohengrin" at the Metropolitan last night annoyed me. It was entirely too good to be treated with anything like critical harshness, but it was annoyingly tame and lacked entirely the quality which thrills an audience or makes a critic inclined to expand and say pleasant things about everybody.

Van Dyck, still a victim to the grippe, did not sing, and the title role was sung by Herr Dipple. I must praise Herr Dipple as a thoroughly conscientious, capable and straightforward artist, who, having an excellent voice, strong and resonant, sings in the main with force and effect in artistic style. But he did not touch me at any point. His Lohengrin is merely a knightly, valorous, mediaeval young gentleman of corteous manners and good appearance; the mystic, romantic side of the character he missed entirely. His performance could not be called anything but satisfactory, but it left me cold and unconvinced.

And yet I liked to hear Mr. Dipple sing—explain me this paradox.

Mme. Eames is certainly a beautiful, if somewhat matronly, Elsa, and sings her music with great care and correctness. But her frigidity last night was something awe-inspiring. Her voice was fairly adamantine in its steely brilliance, and sounded at times as if it needed oiling. It is not an easy matter to make Elsa a really sympathetic role, and while I could understand how a Lohengrin might fight in defence of so much loveliness, I could not see why he should not run away once the victory was won, terrified by the Arctic, unbending attitude of the ladye faire.

I rather fancied from her singing that Mme. Eames was cross last night; she certainly made me so. And yet to say her performance was not technically a good one would be unfair.

I always admire Mr. Bispham as an artist of unusual intelligence an deapacity, and he is certainly a forcible and impressive Telramund in both voice and action, but I really cannot fathom his motive in making the character look so indistinguishable and middle class. We all know Telramund was a bold, bad "villian," but I have yet to learn that Wagner intended him to be so utterly unkempt and doleful a looking person as Mr. Bispham makes him. Frankly, Mr. Bispham seriously handicaps his performance by his make-up. I am sure there must be some reason or valid excuse for this in Mr. Bispham's mind, as he is a student and thinker, and I should like to know what it is.

Mme. Meisslinger, who has just become known to New York audiences as the Witch in the original Daly-Harris production of "Hansel and Gretel," was the Ortrud. On the whole she acted the role with both intelligence and appreciation of its meaning and requirements, but her singing did not please me so much. Her voice lacks body in the lower register and has a thin, shrewish quality in the upper, while her introduction was by no means beyond reproach.

Still—I seem to be full of qualifications—her performance was by no means a bad one and had its undoubted strong points.

M. Eduard de Reszke was as always most impressive as the King, though perhaps vocally not quite at his best. But then his best is something beyond the reach of ordinary mortals. Herr Muhlemann was a very adequate and efficient Herald; satisfactory if not exactly momentous.

Herr Schalk conducted and interested more than any one thing in the whole performance. Perched uneasily on the conductor's seat like a bird of prey, he swooped down upon the orchestra and made them execute his will by infinitely varied semaphoric gesture. I must call him a very De Pashmann among conductors, and yet he is a very capble one, indeed, and brought out the beauties and fine points of the score with unerring instinct and capacity. The chorus sang much better than usual under his agile direction, and much of the success of the performance was due to his untiring and somewhat athletic efforts.

I think "Lohengrin" will continue to be played when the dramas of the "Ring" are forgotten, especially if as adequately rendered on the whole and from an ensemble standpoint as it was last night.

REGINALD DE KOVEN.

ENGAGEMENT NOTICE WAS A FORGERY.

Mr. Van Buren Has Never Seen Miss Huntington, to Whom He Was Reported Engaged.

The report yesterday that a clever forger was responsible for the false announcement of the engagement of Miss Marie Huntington, daughter of Charles D. Huntington, and Martin Van Buren caused quite a flutter in society circles. It appears that a letter was sent to a morning newspaper signed "Martin Van Buren," announcing the engagement. The letter was sent from Fishkill, where Mr. Van Buren lives. It was not on Union Club paper, as has been reported. Mr. Van Buren declared it to be a forgery. Although a distant relative of the Huntingtons, he has never seen the young lady to whom it was reported he was engaged.

MODELS MAY POUR LOAN EXHIBITION TEA.

Assistant Secretary King Will Propose It as a Means of Making the Show Popular.

Professional models may be the hostesses at the next Thursday tea given at the Loan Exhibition of Portraits, now in progress at the Academy of Design for the benefit of the Orthopaedic Hospital. Hitherto the dispensers of hospitality on these occasions have been matrons of social eminence.

Frederick Gore King, assistant secretary of the Executive Committee of the exhibition, a man of society and a man of the world, seems to be firmly convinced that the show needs waking up.

"I shall make this proposal to the Ladies' Committee at once," he said to the Journal yesterday. "I am quite sure that it would make the exhibition very popular if it were known that the models employed by the most famous artists in New York would be here every Thursday afternoon to pour tea for all visitors who care to drink tea."

Up to this time the Thursday teas, although ostensibly a popular institution, have partaken of the character of a love feast among the Fifth avenue matrons interested in the hospital.

National Capital Notes.

The Scorpion has arrived at Tompkinsville, the Boston at Manila, the Marietta at Port Limon, the Lebanon at Havana and the Mayflower has sailed from Santiago for Manzanillo.

The Postmaster-General announced yesterday the establishment of these additional military postal stations in Cuba: Pinar Del Rio, Guanajay, Mariel, Trinidad, Las Tunas, Sancti Spiritus and Cardenas.

Secretary Hay resumed his duties at the State Department yesterday, although still suffering from the effects of an attack of grip.

An agreement was reached at the meeting of the Cabinet yesterday for the closing of all the executive departments at noon on the Saturdays before Christmas and New Year's day.

The Postmaster-General has received word from the postal agent at Porto Rico that he has stopped, out of fairness to this Government, the practice which has been carried on by certain Mayors of Porto Rican cities of affixing simply the Mayoralty seals to mail matter when postage stamps are lacking in their offices.

An order issued by the Secretary of the Navy directs the distilling ship Iris, now accompanying the battle ships Oregon and Iowa on their trip around the Horn, to leave Callao, Peru, on her arrival there this week, and make a course across the Pacific to Manila, where her services are required by the ships of Admiral Dewey's fleet.

Major Hopkins, Military Aide to Secretary Alger, returned yesterday from Cuba. He was sent from Savannah to Havana on the transport Mobile, on her first trip after being refitted, with a view to reporting personally to the Secretary upon the adequacy of the type of transport for army service. Major Hopkins indorses the favorable reports upon this vessel that have already reached the department.

Mechanics in the Department of Construction and Repair at the League Island Navy Yard who were recently suspended were reduced yesterday to the next lower grade in the same department. The men affected are: J. M. Davis, quarterman ship fitter; E. Keller, quarterman laborer; John Hendricks, quarterman ship smith; B. P. Morris, leading man painter; E. Paynter, leading man block-maker; J. H. Pettit, master joiner; James Spear, master shipwright; Joshua Wright, quarterman plumber.

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A Brilliant Gathering Is Their Annual Christmas Ball for the Athletic Fund.

Trimmed with college banners and trophies won in athletic contests, the grand ballroom at Sherry's was the scene last night of the merriest dance of the year, the annual Christmas ball of the junior class of Columbia University, in aid of university athletics.

Between 400 and 500 dancers gathered from the ranks of society took part in the ball, debutantes, girls who had been "out" for several seasons, but who never miss the Columbia ball, and young matrons, all dressed in their prettiest chiffons, laces and satins, glistening with jewels and bright with flowers. Informal dancing began at 9:30 o'clock, and the regular dances, of which there were twenty-five, an hour later. Lander furnished the music. A buffet supper was served from 12 until 2 a. m.

The patronesses included Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Mrs. William Douglas Sloane, Mrs. Levi P. Morton, Mrs. Benjamin S. Church, Mrs. J. Hooker Hammersley, Mrs. Adrian Iselin, Jr., Mrs. Ogden Goelet, Mrs. Charles Oelrichs, Mrs. Almeric Paget, Mrs. Vanderbilt, Mrs. William Watts Sherman, Mrs. Lorillard Spencer, Mrs. Theodore Sutro and Mrs. Woodbury F. Langton.

KAUTZ, REAR ADMIRAL.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The retirement of Real Admiral Bunce next Sunday will result in the promotion of the following officers:

Commodore Albert Kautz, to be Rear Admiral; Captain Frederick R. Rodgers, to be Commodore; Commander Edwin White, to be Captain; Lieutenant-Commander C. C. Cornwell, to be Commander; Lieutenant M. A. Hall, to be Lieutenant-Commander; Lieutenant (Junior Grade) T. C. Fenton, to be Lieutenant, and Ensign L. A. Kaiser, to be Lieutenant, Junior Grade.

Admiral Bunce will retain command of the New York Navy Yard.

Notes of Society.

Mrs. William Astor, No. 842 Fifth avenue, will entertain at dinner this evening.

Mrs. Charles W. Clinton, No. 23 East Seventy-ninth street, will give a Christmas party this afternoon for her little son and daughter, Master Charles Kenneth Clinton and Miss Marjorie Hamilton Clinton. There will be a big Christmas tree, a performance of "Cinderella," dancing and supper. The title role will be played by Miss Beatrice Grinnell Ecclesine.

The second meeting of Mrs Sands's dancing class took place at Delmonico's last evening. The cotillion was led by Mr. J. Lawrence Pool, dancing alone. The favors were dainty fans for the women and holly for the men. The patronesses of the class are Mrs. John Ehrting, Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, Mrs. Sackett Barclay, Mrs. Edward King, Mrs. James King, Mrs. Walter Taylor, Mrs. Stuyvesant Morris and Mrs. James Lee.

The first of a series of five cotillions under the patronage of Mrs. Almon Goodwin, Mrs. Charles Havens Royce, Mrs. Everett P. Wheeler, Mrs. George H. McLean, Mrs. Henry Lloyd Thornell, Mrs. Francke H. Bosworth, Mrs. Walter Cook, Mrs. Schuyler Quackenbush, Mrs. Charles Price Britton and Mrs. Oliver Livingston Jones, was held last evening at Delmonico's. The cotillion was led by Messrs. Clarence Smith and James H. Motse. There were about 125 dancers.

Mrs. John C. Westervelt, No. 7 West Fiftieth street, gave a luncheon yesterday in honor of her daughter, Mrs. George Trotter. Her guests were Mrs. Stickney, Mrs. Sorel, Mrs. Butterfield, Mrs. Peckham, Miss Mitchell, Miss Martin, Mrs. Stebbins, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. di Zerega, Mrs. Conkling, Miss Pierson, Miss Hollins, Miss Fay Bradley, Miss Bartholomew, Mrs. Ruperti and Mrs. Otis. The dining room was trimmed with holly and Christmas greens, brightened with red ribbons.

The Yale Junior promenade, on January 24, will take a number of the fashionable set to New Haven.

MENACE TO LINERS.

Waterlogged Schooner in the Path of Ocean Travel.

Queenstown, Dec. 23.—The British steamer Magda, Captain Eggert, from Philadelphia, December 8, reports that she passed on December 11, in latitude 39 north, longitude 63 west, a waterlogged four-masted schooner, having only foremast standing.

She was unable to discover the derelict's identity, but it appeared to be American built.

Mrs. Van Rensselaer's most superb gift book, Mr. F. Tennyson Neely, 114 Fifth ave., New York, has published "New Yorkers of the XIX Century," limited edition, $10; order direct or of booksellers. Telephone 1842 Eighteenth st.

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METHODISTS TO GIVE $20,000,000.

Huge Thank Offering for a Century's Prosperity Is Planned.

The Methodist Episcopal Church in America will call upon its members to give $20,000,000 in 1900 as "a thank offering unto the Lord" to mark the close of a century of wonderful growth and prosperity.

The idea originated with the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Payne, secretary of the denomination's educational board. He proposed last Summer a $10,000,000 fund for the schools and colleges under the board's care. The bishops later took up the suggestion and decided that $20,000,000 would be more nearly proportioned to the power of Methodist people to give. The extra $10,000,000 was for hospitals, deaconesses' homes, local church debts and other local and connectional objects.

The Educational Board this week formulated plans for organizing out of this gift a $1,000,000 fund to be under its control, the interest to be applied in loans and gifts to needy institutions of learning in such a manner as to stimulate the exertions of the beneficiaries.

The committee appointed by the bishops will meet in this city on January 5 next to devise means of raising the great fund. The committee consists of seven bishops, seven representatives of the Methodist College Association, ten laymen and Dr. Payne himself.

There are 3,000,000 members of the Methodist Church in the United States, representing a constituency of 10,000,000 persons. Every member, however poor, is expected to give something, and the rich will give largely out of their abundance.

BANKER E. C. BENEDICT WARNS TRESPASSERS.

Greenwich, Conn., Dec. 23.—E. C. Benedict has decided that his neighbors must cease cutting down trees on his Indian Harbor property both for firewood and Christmas decorations. He offers $200 in rewards for the names of these vandals, and says he will prosecute them to the full extent of the law.

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Plates, $3, $4, $4.50, $5, $6 dozen.
Chocolate Pots, $2 each.
Cracker Jars, $1.50 each.
Cups and Saucers, $6 and $6.50 dozen.

The Haviland Plates reduced yesterday from $1.50 to $1 each, have sold freely, but are replenished. If you come for them to-day you'll not be disappointed. And the same is true of the

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Basement.

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