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Physicians Couldn't Cure Him -
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One bottle of Pastor Koenig's Nerve Tonic cured me entirely, after physicians had tried unsuccessfully for 3 months to relieve me of nervous debility.
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7:30 7:30
8:00 8:25
11:15 12:00
1:30 2:15
3:45 4:30
5:30 6:15
6:15 6:30

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MUSIC AS MEDICINE.
Instead of Toning up a Sick Man He May Be "Tuned Up."
SOME TUNES FOR CERTAIN ILLS.
Discussion of a Subject That was Suggested by an Eminent Physician of St. Petersburg.
Professor Tarchanow, of St. Petersburg, lectured recently on "The Influence of Music on the Human Organism," and affirmed that music is of the greatest service in the treatment of disease, and that by the proper use of music, the system can be "tuned" like a musical instrument. Sufferers from nerve disorders can, he states, be soothed by music, but the remedy must be employed with discrimination, as in some cases it produces an effect contrary to that which is intended.
Well, music will do that, and so will many other drugs when they are not used with discrimination, so that no disparagement to the therapeutic virtue of music. So if Professor Tarchanow is right—and he is a scientific man—the degree of musical doctor, such as was conferred on Sir Arthur Sullivan, is very likely to have a new significance. The subject opens up rather a broad view.
Where will a college for such musical doctors be located? Where can a man studying musical medicine learn the most different remedies, than the tones of a trombone, without originating a source of nervous diseases? It is possible, however, to build the college in the middle of some vast, uninhabited tract, where professors, students and patients can literally wrestle with the problem.
There are of course only a certain number of musical instruments. Will a musical doctor use all of them in his practice, will he make up his pharmacopoeia, or will he become a specialist on one instrument, a first violinist, so to speak, in the grand orchestra of the profession? If he becomes a specialist he must treat different diseases by administering different tunes. The swing song from "Lohengrin" would naturally have one effect upon a man in a fit; "Ta-ra-boom-de-ay" another. Professor Tarchanow attributes the frequent failure of music to cure diseases to its being used at the wrong time and in unsuitable cases. So of course the young medical practitioner will exercise the nicest judgment. He can lay down some standard rules like "Wagner in case of stupor," or "Offenbach in melancholia," but he will never dream of giving "I Owe Ten Dollars to O'Virady," when an unfortunate has taken arsenic with suicidal intent, or of prescribing the new ballet music for a girl suffering with St. Vitus' dance.
The Russian savant expressed the conviction that a time will come when music "in the hands of scientifically trained physicians" will be acknowledged to be an agent of great power for the relief of suffering. It would be now if it were "in the hands of scientifically trained physicians." Their training has taught them to detect human suffering. They can see a man wince when his ear is shocked; they can see him squint and sweat-staining all the time—while some one sings "The Last Rose of Summer" out of tune. They can in fact hear his teeth grate when his favorite air is played false. Can the ordinary young person at the piano do that; can the leader of the German band; can the follow with the hand organ?
"How can music fail to relieve," exclaims Tarchanow, "when a series of cases has proved that it is the most powerful regulator of men's moods and feelings which dominate many sides of the physical and physical life of the organism?" A profane critic might suggest that musicians as a class do not expecially do the perfect "regulation" of their emotions which might be expected. The professor has doubtless never seen two bandmasters pulling each other's hair in a fight about the proper tempo of the Dead March in Saul. It is even possible that he has never heard of rival prima donnas scratching and clawing. But this failure to regulate the emotions of musicians may be the result of the tolerance begetten of overuse. The same thing happens in the medicine of the present day. An old morphia fiend can take enough of the drug to kill a dozen ordinary men. Then there are of course those Stranians who, beginning to take arsenic when they are young, are in years able to eat it as some people do garlic.
However all this may be, the sedative effect of music on patients in whom the instrument of mind is "like sweet bells jangled out of tune and harsh" is universally admitted. Canon Hartford, an Englishman, has reported clinical experiments made by the St. Cecilia guild that show that it has a distinctly beneficial effect in certain cases of insomnia. Here, too, one would think the tune employed would have to be chosen with very nice judgment.
Music doubtless will relieve pain, not by acting on the nerve centers, but by distracting the sufferer's attention. This is the true field for music as a therapeutic agency, and it is improbable that it ever can do more. Orpheus made trees and mountains dance to his lute, and the Pied Piper's music puffed Hamelin rats, but it is very doubtful whether Canon Hartford will ever charm away a tumor or rid a tuberculous lung of bacilli. Within limits, however, music may be a most useful handmaiden to medicine, and in this age of "nerves" it might possibly be made an important part in the prevention of the many diseases which are fostered if not actually engendered by depression and fatigue. Canon Hartford and his colleagues may be encouraged to persevere in their efforts to press the most spiritual of the fine arts into the service of suffering humanity.—New York World.

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A Machine for Sifting Ashes.
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The machine consists of a tank or compartment kept full of water. The ashes or breeze to be cleaned rest on a grate, which is covered by a fine perforated copper plate. A free passage of water is allowed, and at the same time the breeze or fuel is prevented from falling. The separation is effected by an agitator worked by a crank shaft. At each downward plunge of the agitator the water is forced upward through the perforated copper bottom, causing the material to rise. The rubbish, owing to its greater specific gravity, is precipitated to the bottom on the return stroke; at the same time the breeze, or unburned fuel, being lighter, works to the surface.
At each stroke of the crank a body of water and a quantity of clean breeze is carried to a plate, which is also perforated, so as to allow the water to fall into the machine and thence through a series of sieves, over again, and the clean breeze is swept by a revolving brush over a ledge. The clinker accumulates on the perforated copper plate, and from time to time is allowed to escape by a valve in the body of the machine, whence it is raised by an elevator and discharged.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Love Making on the Stage.
"The art of making love on the stage is one that few actors acquire," said an old theatricalian. "A woman naturally clings to a man with grace, grasping his arm with cleverly implied passion or tenderly nestling on his bosom. But a man doesn't get on to the aestheticism of the thing with the same ease and grace. Harry Lacy was a dream of a lover, though. He had a trick of working his arms about a woman with a sinuous, seductive movement that brought a little lump into the throat of every woman in the audience. He always preferred approaching a woman from behind and then drawing her back into arms that seemed made for that purpose. Hoff was a real lover in my opinion. Ask the St. Louis girls if they don't think he makes very few false moves.
"Funny thing, while on this topic, but you know when Barrymore was supporting Langtry they hated each other worse than poison. He declares she would put pins in her bodice to stick into him, and he would do a regular quarter the whole time they were billing and cooing and embracing in most ardent fashion. 'Don't hold me so tight, sir; you have evidently never had your arms around a lady.' Langtry would say in a whisper. 'If you knew how thoroughly distasteful this is to me you would never accuse me of getting near you,' he would reply. Do people ever make love on the stage? Not that I know of: it is all purely business."
St. Louis Republic.
A Phalanx.
A phalanx in the military affairs of Greece was a square battalion or body of soldiers formed in ranks and files compact and deep with their shields joined and pikes crossing each other so as to render it almost impossible to break it. At first the phalanx consisted of 4,000 men, but this number was afterward doubled by Philip of Macedonia, and the double phalanx is hence often called the Macedonian phalanx. Polybius describes it thus:
"It was a square of pikemen, consisting of sixteen in rank and 500 in front. The soldiers stood so close together that the pikes of the first rank extended three feet beyond the front. The rest, whose pikes were not serviceable owing to their distance from the front, conched them upon the shoulders of those who stood before them, and so locking them together in file pressed forward to support and push on the former rank, which means the assault was rendered more violent and irresistible."
The spears of those behind also stopped the missiles of the enemy. Each man's pike was twenty-three feet long. The word phalanx is also used for any combination of people distinguished for solidity and firmness. A grand phalanx consisted of 16,384 men.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Odd Stamps with High Values.
Many stamps attain a fictitious value on account of some accident in their printing or publication. The story is told that on one occasion a number of stamps were sent into Wales without the customary perforation. They were of the penny brick variety, common enough in all coinidence, but it is said because the 240 of them which composed the priced pound's worth were the only specimens ever sent out in such a manner they are now worth two pounds each, and the same queer enthusiasm exists in France, where the stamps used in connection with the moon post of the great war of 1870 are considered worth their weight in gold.—Million.

Gastronomic Item.
"We are going to have pie for dinner," said Bobby to the minister.
"Indeed?" laughed the clergyman, amused at the little boy's earnestness: "and what kind of pie, Bobby?"
"It's a new kind. Ma was talking this morning about pa bringing you to dinner so often, and pa said he didn't care what she thought, and ma said she'd make him eat jumble pie before the day was over, and I thought we've got to have it for dinner."—Texas Siftings.
Society in Western Towns.
There is a social equality in western country towns that prevails nowhere else, and the daughters of the blacksmith are quite as prominent as the daughters of the banker, providing they behave as well, which they are likely to do, as they all grow up together and are educated in the same schools. The only social test in the west is good conduct.—E. W. Howe in Forum.

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