

## MASTERS OF MUSIC.

THE GREAT COMPOSERS AND THEIR PECULIAR METHODS OF WORK.

**Eccentric Habits, as a Rule, Are Linked With This Phase of Genius.** Haydn's Dress Suit and Sapphire Ring and Beethoven's Wild Walks.

All the great musical composers had their own peculiar ideas and manner of working. They had their peculiar traits, their moods, their eccentric habits, such as are generally said to mark the genius. In "Musical Education" M. Lavignac tells of their peculiarities.

"Haydn was a very early riser," he writes, "and yet he never worked except in full dress, in which he was like Buffon. He began by shaving himself carefully, powdered himself and put on his finger a certain ring, a sapphire, I believe, surrounded with brilliants, which had been given him by the great Frederick, unless it was Prince Esterhazy. That done, he shut himself up in a quiet room and wrote for several consecutive hours, five or six, without stopping.

"Mozart, the gentle and pious Mozart, was sometimes less particular and composed a little everywhere and under all conditions. Happily the ideas came often enough and pursued him even into the restaurants of Vienna, Prague and Munich, where he was very fond of playing billiards and smoking a pipe and composing in his head.

"Rossini composed almost constantly and in all ways, rarely at the piano, most often in the evening or at night, and, like Mozart, often found inspiration in a carriage or post chaise. In the irregular jottings of these vehicles he perceived rhythm, and of these rhythms melodies were born. There is no doubt that he would have found them in the trepidation of the railroad if he had dared to try, but he had such a dread of this mode of locomotion that no one was ever able to induce him to set foot in a car.

"Gluck composed violently gesticulating, walking up and down and acting all his characters, often in the open air, on the lawn, in a garden.

"Beethoven also undoubtedly found a powerful auxiliary to inspiration in motion and walking. Whatever the season, every day after dinner, which was at 1 o'clock, according to the Viennese custom, he set out for a walk, and with his strides twice made the circuit of the city of Vienna. Neither cold nor heat nor rain nor hail was able to stop him. Then it was that his heat of fancy attained its full ardor. He would enter a restaurant, sit down for an instant and ask the stupefied waiter for the bill, without having ordered anything. His clumsiness was prodigious. He usually broke everything he touched. Not a single piece of furniture in his house, and any article of value less than anything else, was safe from his attacks, and many times his ink pot fell into the piano by which he was working, which, religiously preserved in the museum at Bonn, still retains its indelible traces. Although he had always lived in the midst of the high Viennese aristocracy, in which drawing room dances were held in high honor, he never succeeded in dancing in time.

"Herold composed while walking, humming or singing, often in the Champs Elysees, and often passed his best friends by without recognizing them.

"Gounod composed especially at the table, or at least in his head. When he wrote, everything was absolutely clear in his brain. His manuscripts prove this.

"Wagner liked to write standing up before a large table desk like the cash desks in the shops. His scores were written without erasures, in a superb calligraphic hand, admirable for its clearness and firmness and worthy of a professional copyist.

"Berlioz, who played no instruments but the guitar, flute and flageolet, necessarily worked at the table.

"Frank, who was the head of a school, scarcely composed at all till after 9 o'clock in the evening.

"Meyerbeer wrote in a regular manner in the evening, and his servant had orders to drag him away from the piano at the stroke of midnight. Schumann would not admit that any one could write otherwise than at a table. Mendelssohn made much use of the piano and preferred to work in the morning. Auber generally worked at night and very late, till 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, in order to avoid outside noises.

"Halévy had a table piano that had been made for him by Pleyel. From time to time he would draw out his keyboard, strike a few chords on it, and then push it back like a simple drawer and continue to write.

"Boieldieu also wrote at the piano. Felicien David, not being much of a pianist, sometimes sought the aid of his violin. Adolphe Adam almost always worked at his grand piano, the right hand side of whose keyboard was stained with innumerable splashes of ink. He played eight, ten or twelve bars, and then wrote them down. Bizet worked especially in the evening and still more at night; he often made use of a piano bureau by Pleyel, like Gounod and Halévy."

## His Guess.

"Where were they married?" "I ain't jest sure," answered the small boy, "cause they left me home, but I guess it was in the steeple." "In the steeple?" "Well, I heard 'em say it was a high church wedding."—Chicago Post.

There are two kinds of unhappy people in the world—those who are sad because they are not known and those who are miserable because they are known too well.

## Unveiled

Is the Statue of Tecumseh Sherman.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS HAVING HARD TIMES WITH REPUBLICANS OF MARYLAND.

The Negro Question Prominently Brought Forward by the President's Attitude.

Amid impressive ceremonies a bronze equestrian statue of William Tecumseh Sherman was unveiled here last Thursday. The statue stands at the head of Pennsylvania Avenue, directly south of, and facing the Treasury. It was on this spot that General Sherman watched, in 1865, the grand review of the troops who marched from Atlanta to the sea. The unveiling was preceded by a parade and a review of all the regular troops stationed in or near Washington and of the District of Columbia National Guard. The President accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt, several members of the Cabinet, and all members of the Diplomatic corps who were in Washington, attended the ceremony. As the two large flags which covered the statue were drawn aside by William Tecumseh Sherman Thordyke, the nine year old grandson of the General, the Fourth Artillery fired a salute of seventeen guns, the Marine Band played the Star Spangled Banner and the veterans who surrounded the statue cheered. Addresses were delivered by the President, by General David B. Henderson for the Army of the Cumberland, General Daniel E. Sickles for the Army of the Potomac, General Chas. H. Grosvenor for the Army of the Tennessee and General Thomas J. Henderson for the Army of the Ohio. The President made an appeal for the upbuilding of the army and navy, condemned dishonesty in public service and expressed a hope that there would soon be an appropriate statue of Lincoln at the National capitol. Speaking of dishonesty in public service he said, "We can as little afford to tolerate a dishonest man in the public service as a coward in the army. The murderer takes a single life; the corruptionist in public life, whether he be bribe giver or bribe taker, strikes at the heart of the commonwealth. In every public service, as in every army, there will be wrong doers, there will be misdeeds. This cannot be avoided; but vigilant watch must be kept, and as soon as discovered the wrongdoing must be stopped and the wrong doers punished."

Maryland politics have virtually monopolized the attention of the politicians during the week. This is due in part to the efforts of President Roosevelt to bring about harmony between the republican factions of the state and to Senator Gorman's resentment of this alleged interference of the chief Executive in state politics. The followers of Senator McComas and Representative Mudd have carried on a long and bitter struggle and these factional differences seemed to benefit the democrats who are carrying on an aggressive campaign, with the race question as the issue, and conscious of the fact that the outcome of the election will have a marked influence upon the political fortunes of Senator Gorman, the state's candidate for the democratic presidential nomination. In raising the negro problem to an issue, the Maryland democrats have virtually made a direct attack on President Roosevelt, and his attention to this question is continually mentioned and condemned. This gives more than usual importance to the fact that the President has made earnest appeal to the two republican factions to unite and elect a republican governor and legislature. He declares that he occupies an absolutely neutral position between the factions and that he is interested solely in the success of the party without any reference to the persons involved. Friends of the President believe that if Maryland should go republican it would serve as an endorsement, by a state with southern sympathies, of his attitude on the negro question, and would lessen adverse criticism on this subject the people in the north and west.

Senator Gorman was very severe in his criticism of the President, saying, "The President has assumed to himself the title of chairman of state committee, so active is he in looking after the details of the campaign. Every federal office-holder and every occupant of a state municipal place whom the President believes he can control has been ordered by him to get out and 'hustle' for the republican ticket. When he was a civil service commissioner under the Harrison and Cleveland administrations it was Roosevelt's habit to demand that a federal office holder who was a member of a state, city, or other political committee should resign one or the other place. Now that he is president, however, he permits federal office holders, appointed either by him or by his subordinates to engage as actively in a campaign as those who follow private vocations. Every occupant of a federal place in Maryland is openly at work for the republican ticket presumably under specific orders from the President.

Prominent members of the House have assured the President that the Cuban reciprocity resolution would be passed at the extra session of Congress. Representative Jones, of Washington, who was one of the strongest opponents of the Cuban reciprocity treaty in the last Congress, told the President that although he still opposed the measure personally, he would vote for it when it came up in the House. The best sugar interests have withdrawn their opposition to the treaty. The discussion will give the Democrats an opportunity to talk against the tariff and it is expected that they will take every advantage of it. Many speeches denouncing the tariff will be useful at home during the coming presidential campaign, so they will be delivered in spite of the fact that there is no hope of stopping the passage of the resolution which will make the treaty effective.

There is a report that Speaker-to-be Cannon will enlarge the House committee on rules in order to avoid the necessity of removing Representative Dain-

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sell and Grosvenor, who were on the last committee and who are not in the entire agreement with the new speaker on the way in which the business of the House should be conducted. Many republican members would be glad to see these two men omitted in the forming of the new committee, but such action would cause dissension in the party ranks, so the easier way would be to add two more liberal Republicans who would support the speaker. This would necessitate adding another Democrat to the committee members, the committee would be a little unwieldy. However, this is one of the problems which confront the new speaker and in solving it he should not lose sight of the fact that many Republicans favor the adoption of more liberal rules, or at least an abridgement of the powers of Dainzell and Grosvenor, who are autocratic and dictatorial advocates of the Reed-Henderson rules.

## Mr. and Mrs. Wourms Entertain.

A very pleasant evening was spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wourms, on the Molalla road. The amusements of the evening were games and card playing. Those present were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Wourms, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Every, and the latter's sister, Miss Jennie, Mr. and Mrs. Koopenbender, Miss Tona Koopenbender, Grandpa Koopenbender, Misses Roda and Dora Roberts, Misses Bertha Aggie and Mamie Wourms and Christ Feil.

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