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"The mezzo-soprano, Pauline Miller-Chapman, has many admirers wherever she has appeared. During the last year she has won laurels in Europe. She appeared before select and critical audiences in both Italy and Germany.

"The Americans in Berlin were proud of her success, as of all the thousands in that musical center she was one of the few to receive recognition.

"Criticisms favorable to Mrs. Chapman's concert work which were first published in the European music centers already have been reprinted in Oregon papers. But it is perhaps the personal things that Mrs. Chapman cherishes with the most pleasure, the personal letters of praise from artists, testimonials. When she finished her aria with the 'Symphony Orchestra, the court director, Paul Prill, directing the orchestra, caught both her hands and said 'bravo, bravo, Wunderschon Stimme,' while the orchestra, also, applauded her, and the day after her own concert, Madam Lamperti embraced her and declared before all that she was "a second Sembrich only with a different kind of voice," and her husband, Professor Lamperti, the great teacher of Sembrich, the world's most finished singer, expressed to another prominent vocal teacher in Berlin his belief that there were not 10 better voices in the world than Mrs. Chapman's.

"Professor Brown of Berlin, form-

erly of New York, added his tribute in the artist's room, declaring that it, her concert, was one of the most glorious things he ever heard—and Madam Gerster's prediction that Mrs. Chapman would become the first singer of America; that she had the voice, the temperament, the physique, everything in her favor.

"A large laurel wreath reaching to her shoulder and daily bedecked with ribbons, presented by her admirers in Berlin, is highly treasured by Mrs. Chapman. However, her devotion to her home and her three children will always prevent Mrs. Chapman's leaving them to accept the concert tour over Germany and the continent offered her.

"Mrs. Chapman's last concert engagement was at her former home city in Illinois, under the auspices of the Ladies' Musical Club of that city, where she was welcomed by the largest audience in the history of the city. It was in this place that she made her first public appearance at three years of age, singing a solo in a church entertainment at that time. She has been a singer practically all her life.

"Mrs. Chapman has refused all inducements to enter the grand opera work, although she was the only student with Professor Lamperti not aspiring to an operatic career. Her dramatic voice was found to be especially adapted to the operatic literature and she has covered the German, Italian, French and Russian, operatic soprano roles. She also has specialized in the Lieder and song forms,

COOPER AROUSES INTEREST OF QUEEN CITY RESIDENTS

An adequate idea of the intense interest which has been aroused by young Mr. Cooper during the past year with his theories and medicines is given in the following article which appeared in the Cincinnati Post while Cooper was introducing his ideas to the people of that city. The article says: "The beginning of Mr. Cooper's second week in Cincinnati gives every indication that he is to enjoy the same astonishing success here as in other cities.

"From the first day of his visit the crowds that call to see him have steadily increased, until now it has reached a point where several thousand talk with him each day. The entire city seems to have become interested in his theory that the human stomach is degenerate, and he already has an army of followers in Cincinnati who seem positive that his claims are correct.

"A number of Cincinnatians were interviewed at Cooper's headquarters on Friday, and several interesting statements, showing their intense faith in Cooper's preparations, were secured. The following are selected from these statements and are characteristic of them all: Mrs. M. E. Emerson of 630 West Court street, said: 'I have suffered with stomach trouble and constipation for a year or so. When I ate I would have bloated spells, sour stomach, fermentation, bad taste in my mouth. In the morn-

ing I was as tired as when I went to bed. I had a dull pain in the lower part of my back. I have taken almost one bottle of the New Discovery and am so wonderfully improved that I have come down here to thank Mr. Cooper in person and obtain more of the medicine.'

"Another individual interviewed was Mr. J. H. Brooks, living at 527 Walnut street, who had the following to say: 'For the past 18 months I have been a constant sufferer from catarrh of the head and stomach. My nasal passage would become inflamed and sore. I would have severe headaches, which affected my eyes, and great crusts of matter would drop into the throat, causing an irritation of the bronchial passage, until the stomach finally became poisoned. When I would lay down at night a phlegm would gather in my throat until it almost choked me, and would cause an annoying cough. Half a bottle of Cooper's New Discovery gave me relief and when the first bottle was finished, I felt like a new man. I am now completely cured and consider Cooper's New Discovery the greatest catarrh, blood and stomach remedy in the world.'

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and all for the concert field."—The Journal, Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. Chapman will sing at the Astoria Theatre Wednesday, April 22.

FOR BLOODLESS EASTER.

More Than a Million Women Take Up The Fight—Aigrettes Still Torn From Bleeding Backs of Birds For Others.

NEW YORK, April 13.—Less bird blood has been spilled to decorate the Easter bonnets of American women this year than ever in recent history, it was declared by experts in this city to-day. Based on careful examination of the millinery market as well as reports from agents throughout the country, this conclusion was announced at the headquarters of the National Association of Audubon Societies. With the help of the million women members of the National Federation of Women's Clubs and other organizations, the Audubon workers promises to keep up their fight against this fashionable form of bird butchery till preparation for Easter Sunday no longer means a massacre of breeding birds.

That the minority among the women of this country still demands the bloody scalp of the mother heron for aigrettes is shown by the illicit and secret traffic in these plumes which officers of the Audubon association assert is today being conducted by the plume hunters. Although the Easter carnage among this sightly species has practically exterminated it in all of its old haunts in the United States, sections of South America are now being secretly scoured, as well as southern Europe, Africa and Asia, for this nuptial plume of the breeding heron. Balked in their repeated attempts to secure legislation in New York State to make prosecution of such traffic possible, the Audubon workers are to-day unable to effectively check the distribution from this city of aigrettes irrespective of where they come from to the women who still wear them.

Wherever the milliners still persist in offering for sale such illicit goods, however, the Audubon association is to-day taking active measures to stamp out the practice, which women's organizations in every town in the country are writing them they no longer countenance. Seven millinery establishments in Columbus and Cincinnati have just been convicted and heavily fined, it was reported by the Audubon agents today for having aigrettes in their possession for sale. Until this traffic is finally stopped and the plumage of all wild birds from this or any other country is no longer handled by the milliners, the Audubon workers declare their campaign will be fought on along these lines. This movement they declare, is international, not sectional or local.

"It is gratifying to learn this year that American women are standing so solidly behind us in our long fight against this Easter massacre of the mother birds," said William Dutcher, president of the National Association of Audubon Societies at its headquarters, 141 Broadway to-day. "I am hearing from women's organizations all over the country every day to this effect and I notice that Turkey feathers and other domestic bird ornaments are taking the place of the ravaged plumes of the butchered wild fowl. We shall not rest, however, till we can put a complete stop to the sale of wild birds' plumage by the milliners and to this end we call upon every good woman and mother in the land to help us."

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