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NEW PUBLICATION OF THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

This report, consisting of 164 pages of text and 23 illustrative facsimiles of rare early versions and manuscripts, presents the results of an investigation made by the Division of Music of the Library of Congress into the origin and development of four of our national and patriotic songs.

The music of "Hall Columbia" has suffered even more changes than "The Star-Spangled Banner." A comparison of the air as printed in the same recent song books that were used in the study of "The Star-Spangled Banner" shows a most deplorable state of affairs.

The circumstances attending the writing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" have never been the subject of any controversy, since the narrative rests on information furnished by Key himself. Two interesting questions have, however, arisen: how came the words to be wedded to the air "To Anacraon in Heaven"; and where was the song first sung in public.

Not only the text of "The Star-Spangled Banner" but its music is sung and played with noticeable differences. In one case as many as fourteen variations in the text were noted. A comparison of song books new and old shows that the melody has undergone the usual process of polishing and modification.

It is thus apparent that while the report is not a popular history; it will furnish a ready answer to most of the questions that are likely to come up in connection with our national airs. The work is published at 85 cents without extra charge for postage.

Rufus W. Griswold and printed in The Wyoming Bard, Wilkesbarre, Pa., and reprinted in this report. Considerable space is devoted to an examination of the claims of two early American composers to whom the composition of the air, "The President's March," has been attributed, and in connection with this subject it is interesting to note that a fortunate find of some sheets of old music in a recent purchase by the Library of Congress has placed the question practically beyond all reasonable doubt.

The music of "Yankee Doodle" is the humorous member of this group of songs. It began probably as a march time to which doggerel verses were from time to time fitted, but these have all dropped into practical disuse, so that now it is to all intents and purposes a purely instrumental piece.

Its history was a perfect maze of conflicting stories, which required more space in the report to elucidate than was needed for the other three songs put together. Incidentally and as a preliminary the meanings of the words Yankee Doodle are investigated, and while the result arrived at is not absolutely certain, it is more than merely probable. The same cannot be said of the tune; its origin after the most careful examination of the many different stories still remain a matter of doubt.

The verses sung to the tune in the early days were many and various, and permitted of endless interpolation. The most popular set, "Father and I went down to camp," have been fixed almost beyond doubt to a definite time and place, although the author still remains unknown.

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GOAT MEN WILL MEET AT DALLAS

A movement is on foot to organize the Angora goat raisers of the Northwest into an association similar to the organizations maintained by other livestock breeders, says the Dallas Observer.

The thousands of good, fertile acres in Western Oregon, lying idle for the want of clearing, are becoming more and more appreciated as the price of improved land goes up. The value of the goat in the clearing process and yielding a handsome profit from his back at the same time is only just beginning to be understood.

The advance in the price of mohair; the new uses of mohair in the textile world; the establishment in Portland of the largest mohair mill in the West—all of these things are being noted by the Angora breeders and are serving as an incentive to organize an association, so that some concerted action may be taken on matters affecting the goat industry. This business is the purpose of this movement.

Saturday, January 8, 1910, at Dallas, Oregon, a meeting will be held to discuss plans for the proposed organization. It is expected that most of the leading goat men of Oregon will attend. At this time, the advisability of resuming the annual goat shows in Dallas will come up for consideration. The meeting will be held at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and it is hoped that every goat breeder in the Willamette valley will either be present or will send a letter approving the organization of an association.

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The "Whole Cheese." As an extreme of the tendency towards the "star" system in ecclesiastical musical circles may be mentioned the instance of Mme. Corinne Rider-Kelsey, the famous soprano. This singer commands what is probably the highest salary ever paid a church singer—\$5,000. Unique in this connection is it that she comprises the whole choir—the entire appropriation for vocal church music going into her coffers. Although this amount alone is sufficient to keep Mme. Kelsey from starvation, she finds time and inclination to busy herself in the foremost concert and oratorio affairs throughout the country. She is an admirable example of the former operant singer who finds more lucrative and pleasanter fields in concert work.

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AGED SOLDIER IN PITIFUL CONDITION

James Ennis, an old soldier, was found last Tuesday in a starving condition under a tree on the west side of the Willamette river, just opposite Sellwood. The old man was almost frozen, having no shelter but a few slabs of bark he had managed to pile against a log to ward off the rain. Although absolutely penniless and without food he seemed quite independent, and would not think of becoming a county charge. He could not be persuaded to leave his crude camp, so the people of Sellwood have made him as snug as possible, pending an application to have him removed to the Soldiers' Home at Roseburg.

James Ennis has trapped for a living along the banks of the Willamette for 50 years or more, although he was at one time a member of the pioneer police force of Portland. He fought Indians in the Rogue River and Nez Perce wars, and according to those who knew him, made a good record. He never applied for a pension, being too proud to ask assistance even from the government, which holds out its hands to its old soldiers. He will, therefore, have difficulty in getting into the Soldiers' Home, as he took no care of his record and lost his discharge many years ago. His age is 77 years.

The old soldier expresses himself as deeply grateful, but says he never will consent to go to the county poor farm as a pauper. He feels as though he is entitled to shelter in the Soldiers' Home, but if denied admission, will struggle on supporting himself by trapping until the end.

EVEN PARADISE WAS NO INDUCEMENT TO HIM

At Paradise, Oregon, a little town in northern Willamette county, last Tuesday morning, Peter Fordney, a merchant of that vicinity, rose from his bed, got his revolver, went back to bed and shot himself through the head, dying instantly. He was not insane, but suffered greatly from ill health. Customers found him at the rear of his store, where he slept, dead. His business was in good shape.

INDEPENDENCE NEW COUNCIL INSTALLED

Last Monday evening, Jan. 3, 1910, the annual meeting of the Independence city council held for the purpose of installing the new city officers. W. F. Hoffman was installed as mayor; as councilmen for two years, A. C. Moore, K. C. Eldridge and M. C. Williams. The holdover councilmen are J. S. Bohannon and J. E. Hubbard. M. Mix was appointed councilman to fill the unexpired term of W. F. Hoffman, the newly elected mayor.

The near-beer resorts in Dallas have all closed their doors, and now, in view of Judge Wolverton's decision, have made a demand on the city council of that town for a return of their license money. The demand was made in writing at the meeting of the council last Monday night and it is rumored that if payment is refused, they will at once begin an action to recover the amount. The amount paid into the city treasurer by the dispensers of near beer is something like \$1,000.

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