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# **OLD-TIME SONGS**

How many of the popular songs of twenty years ago can the old boys of to-day recall: How many of the old melodies that thrilled them in the days of their hot youth have found an abiding place in their memory? The evolution of the popular songs presents a striking illustration of the survival of the unfittest. The great sentimental success of the anti-war period was undoubtedly "Ben Bolt." The untimely death of something lovable and beautiful was the usual theme of the sentimental song of that period, though it varied occasionally in order to picture the heart havoc caused by the separation of slave-lovers. "Ben Bolt" was a splendid illustration of the prevailing theme. It was hummed, whistled, sung, and played on musical instruments for more than a decade. It was immensely popular with the young ladies, many of whom are now grandmothers. "Sweet Alice" was shrined in every sentimental female's heart, and the question of the day was :-

Don't you remember Sweet Alice, Ben Bolt, Sweet Alice with eyes so brown?
She wept with delight when you gave her a smile
And trembled with fear at your frown.

Sharing "Ben Bolt's" popularity during the same period were two songs widely sung by Dan Emmett, Dan Bryant, and other minstrels. These were "Nellie Gray" and "O, Susannah!" both depicting the sufferings of slavelovers. "Nellie Gray" swept the country like a cyclone:-

> 'My charming Nellie Gray, They have taken you away, And I'll never see my darling any more,"

was heard on every side and voiced by every tongue. "O, dear Susannah!" was built more in the comic way, and the request, "Don't you cry for me," was based on the consoling fact that "I'm going to Alabama with the banjo on my knee." The pessimistic strain in which the fate of a certain "old nigger," popularly known as "Uncle Ned," was bemoaned was well known before " Nellie Gray" or "Susannah" appeared. Dan Emmett's "Dixie" and Foster's "Swance River" have proven the most prominent of the antiwar melodies. A sentimental ballad called "Lorena" was a great favourite in the 60's, and for thirty years previous the appearance and philosophy of "Old Rosin the Bow" was known to everyone. A state of warfare has always proved conducive to song. The flourishing condition of minstrelsy in ages past was due largely to the warlike and adventurous spirit of the times. During the civil war both sides were prolific in song-making. The South made the first great hit with Randall's " Maryland, My Maryland." The "Bonnie Blue Flag" was the Southern national air, and was to the boys in gray what "Yankee Doodle" was to the boys in blue. The Southern women ardently took it up, and through every city rang the chorus-

'Hurrah! Hurrah! for Southern rights of war, Hurrah! for the Bonnie Blue Flag that bears the sin-gle star."

Of the sentimental songs of the war period the most popular were "Fairy Bell," "Annie of the Dell," "Just before the battle, mother," "Toll the bell for lovely Nell," and "When this cruel war is over." In the North, "Wait for the Wagon" and "Tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching" had a great success during the same period, and others that ran riot through the camp and fireside were " Mary Blane," " Old Cabin Home," " Fair, fair, with golden hair," and "Daisy Dean." Who has forgotten "Daisy Dean" and its wistful chorus?

" None knew thee but to love thee, Thou dear one of my heart, Thy memory is ever fresh and green; The wild flowers may wither And fond hearts be broken, Still I love thee, my darling Daisy Dean."

A beautiful song, truly pathetic, obtained great popularity in both North and South during the war. This was Florence Percy's "Rock me to sleep, mother." The South produced two war songs that evince genuine poetic talent, and have been accorded unstinted praise by the critics. They are the "Conquered Banner" and "All quiet along the Potomac to-night," the first-named by Father | tution in Ireland; 1,000%. to the Orphan Work-Ryan and the last by Lamar Fountaine. One of the most pathetic poems that appeared ham branch. The residue of his estate in the Union Bank of Newfoundland. during the war was "Somebody's Darling." is bequeathed to his brother, Alexander

popular music during and just after the war. He was then in the full blaze of his glory. Since then the blaze has degenerated to a spark, and that is threatening to go out. But twenty years ago he was the biggest attraction in the ring, and his songs sold like shares in a wild-cat mining scheme. The war songs were succeeded by what might be termed the Billyemersonian epoch. These were the days when the "Big Sunflower" and "Love Among the Roses" were epidemic. The agile Billy was the pioneer of the genteel song-and-dance business, and when he sang

"I feel just as happy as a big sunflower That nods and bends to the breezes, And my heart is as light as the wind that blows The leaves from off the trees-es,"

he was pronounced unapproachable. Of the same date is that ridiculous composition. Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines." W. H. Lingard brought it over from London and first sang it in his lightning changes. Lingard has never been surpassed in his act of lightning changes, and while he maintained intimate relations with "Captain Jinks" he prospered. When he attempted something higher he got into trouble. "Pat Molloy," "The charming young man on the flying trapeze," " The dark girl dressed in blue," " The fellow that looks like me," " In the Bowery," and " The yellow girl that winked at me," were widely sung at the time. The invasion of Lydia Thompson and her British blondes in 1868 was followed by a deluge of English music-hall songs. About this time the topical song began to appear, Tony Pastor and his imitators preferring that sort of composition. In the early 70's the big successes were "Little Fraud," "I feel so awfully jolly when the band begins to play," " Champagne Charley," " The Mulligan Guards," "The Cottage by the Sea," "Killarney," "Good-bye, Charley," "Ten thousand miles away," and "Jennie, the pride of Kildare." Then came "My Gal," "Strolling on the Sands," " There's a Letter in the Candle," and since then the quantity has increased and the quality decreased in the same ratio.

### A Degrading and Disgusting Spectacle. WHAT AN "INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FIGHT" MEANS.

On Sunday morning the vicar of Emanuel Church, Nottingham, made a sensation in his church by boldly denouncing the Prince of Wales and the newspaper press for their share in the revival of prize-fighting. He said it was a duty to speak out when the second person in the kingdom, after opening a church, shook hands with and patronized a pugilist whose object was a breach of the law. He would rather see the Church disestablished and himself go with it than receive the support of such cowardly papers. If this rev. gentleman had waited till next Sunday he would have found in the news papers very much more material for his sermon in the published accounts of the disgraceful prize-fight for the championship of the world, a diamond belt, and a stake for £2,000, which took place on Monday on a little island in the River Seine, between Jem Smith, who is described as the English champion, and Jake Kilrain, of America. These men are said to have fought 106 rounds in two hours and a half, and it was only when darkness closed in that the encounter was declared "drawn."

### THE WILL OF THE LATE SIR W M'ARTHUR.

THE will and two codicils of the late Alderman Sir Wm. M'Arthur, K.C.M.G., formerly M.P., for Lambeth, just proved shows the personal estate in the United Kingdom amounts to 120,937l. 2s. 5d. This sum does not, however, include any portion of the real and personal estate of the testator in the colonies of Australia and New Zealand, on which no probate duty is payable in this country. The will contains bequests to nephews and nieces, and other relatives and servants, amounting to over 100,000l., and also the following charitable legacies: -1,000l. to the London City mission, 1,000l. to the British and Foreign Bible society, 1,000l. to the Wesleyan Methodist church, Enniskillen, Ireland; the balance of a sum of 10,000l. (promised by the testator during his lifetime), amounting to 9,075l., to the Metropolitan Chapel Building fund. The testator also gives by his will 15,000l. towards the erection of a home for daughters of Wesleyan ministers in Ireland; also a sum of 15,000l. to be invested and the income applied for the support of such institution; 5,000l. to the Methodist college, Belfast; 10,000l. towards the erection of a Wesleyan Theological instiing school, of which the testator was treasurer; and 1,000%, to the Children's home, Birming-The circus clown was the great promulgator of M'Arthur, M.P.

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