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Yet another charming mystery has been added to the many which make the western squares of London as romantic as the New Arabian Nights. Two masked ladies, both obviously young, both divinely tall, and both, as the crepe falls to hide much more than common fair, have begun to appear there night after night, seated in a rude cart containing a strangely shaped box, and (says the London correspondent of the "Liverpool Courier") drawn by a spavined horse led by a dour-faced driver. The cart stops. The driver leans sombrely against the shafts. One of the masked figures uprises—the strange box is discovered to be a piano—and in another moment a swift prelude has rippled out, and a round throbbing soprano voice is soaring through the silences.

DRIVER COLLECTS MONEY.

The young voice sways, the white fingers flash easily above the keys, the masks show queerly in the vague lights of the lamps. A little crowd inexplicably collects, shirt fronts and cigar ends gleam on the balconies, and—the sad-faced driver may be observed to have pulled himself together and to be making an undemonstrative pilgrimage with another and much smaller box. The song ceases, the singer resumes her seat, and the strange equipage, jolting like a tumbrel, carries the silent figures further into the night.

Rumor, of course, ever busy on such occasions, has not failed to surround the apparition with much conventional romance. The girls are girls of high birth, making a tour out of sheer devilry and for the sake of a startlingly wage, or they are once-famous concert artists whom competition has forced into the streets, or they are women of title, whom the recent financial crisis has robbed of all their fortune.

PROFESSIONAL SINGERS.

The second of these speculations is probably nearest the mark. For the songs that are sung are always concert-room songs, and the manner of their singing betrays the practised professional. And although somewhat less melodramatic than the others, this

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Yachting is the veritable sport of kings—the purest, noblest and best that anyone can enjoy. On the other hand, motoring is a most infernal nuisance to everybody except the man who sits in the car. —Sir George Pilkington.

Men work so hard and live so fast; they crowd so much into a single day that... the strain on mind and body is weakening our powers of concentration of thought. —Bishop of Liverpool.

Those people who desire to purchase new books at a price much below the common remind me of the ladies who haunt the sales of dealers in fripperies. —Mr. Andrew Lang.

There are two kinds of hypocrisy. One is pretending to be better than we are, and the other is pretending to be worse; and of the two I think the second is the more contemptible. —Bishop of Worcester.

Woman is the spoiled child of the law and of the administrators of the law. To be treated as a spoiled child is to be made slightly ridiculous. —Mr. Barry Pain.

AS USUAL.

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"What?" "I say when I thought I was mistaken I was mistaken in thinking I was mistaken, and being mistaken in thinking I was mistaken when I wasn't mistaken, I was glad to find I was mistaken when I thought I was mistaken. Because I wasn't mistaken—or, rather, I was mistaken when I thought I was mistaken, and so I couldn't have been mistaken. Well, at any rate, I'm glad. Looks as if we were going to have rain, doesn't it?"

LET US BE MERRY. We've but a little while to stay Upon this whirling sphere, So let's look up, and all be gay The little while we're here.

We may as well, while here we rest— We cannot linger long— Exchange a greeting and a jest And sing a friendly song.

Chance sneers at prejudice and pride, And, though some churl offends, We cannot choose but here abide, So let us all be friends.

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