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## THE LIGHTS O' LONDON.

The way was long and weary,
But gallantly they strode,
A country lad and lassic,
Along the heavy read.
The night was dark and stormy,
But blithe of heart were they,
For shining in the distance
The Lights of London lay!
O gleaming lamps of London, that gom the city's crown!
What fortunes lie within you, O Lights of London Town!

With faces worn and weary,
That told of sorrow's load,
One day a man and woman
Oropt down a country road.
They sought their native riliage,
Heart-booken from the fray;
Yet shining still behind them
The Lights of London lay.
Your victims eyes would weep them, O Lights of London
Town.

—Gronge E. Sines.

-GEORGE E. SIMB.

## LATEST MUSICAL ITEMS.

- -Liszr's health is improving.
- -"PATIENCE" generally pays.
- -D'OTLEY CARTE is in New York.
- -GEISTINGER has been singing in Detroit.
- -Boston swarms with "Mascot" troupes.
- Dox Orixory" is the title of Neuendorff's new opera.
- -Signor Rossi's tour through the provinces was a SUCCESS.
- -BIANCA DOWADIO has been singing in Lisbon, with ETICCESS.
- -Marie Jakses has joined the Comley-Barton Opera Company.
- -EMMA ABBOTT has added " Patience" to her company's repertory.
- -Marie Gristinger's tour through the west has been very successful.
- -THE Paris Opera is preparing a grand fête to celobrate the centenary of Auber.
- -Hagur's British Operatic Minstrels have been performing at the Casino, New York.
- BENESET, the violinist, has been giving concerts recently, at Steinway Hall, New York.
- ME. HERRY LOZEATRE, a rell known piecolo player, died recently at Tombstone, Arizona.
- The performance of comic opera in German, in this country, is meeting with much encouragement.

- -The coming Opers Festival in Cincinnati is to be inaugurated by a performance of "The Huguenots."
- -Ir is said that Wagner has given Herr Angelo Neumann the exclusive right to perform "Parsifal."
- -It is almost impossible to pick up a foreign newspaper, without seeing the name of an American prima
- -STAPLE "Pinafore" was presented by Gorman's Church Choir Company, on the 9th, at the Philadelphia Lyceum.
- -Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hersquer's vocal recitals have been among the most attractive features of the Boston
- on the 9th inst.
- -Between the Strakosch company and Mahn's comic opera troupe, New Orleans has been having plenty of music lately.
- THE Metropolitan Throat Hospital is a New York institution for the relief of artists whose vocal organs have become impaired.
- —It is rumored in London that Mr. Gye is making engagements with leading operatic artists for an American sesson next year.
- THE Kennedy family, famous as interpreters of Scoulah songs, be an a series of concerts at Stellway Hall, New York, on the 20th.
- —Saulsbury's Troubadours have been performing Bronson Howard's new play, "The Faun of the Glen," at the Brooklyn Park Theatre.
- -A new comic opera by W. C. McCreery, of St. Louis, and entitled "L'Afrique," will be produced at the Bijou Theatre the present season.
- —SALABLTE, Sauret and Kotck are at St. Petersburg, with Joachim expected to Strive. Surely the Emperor is well supplied with viclinists.
- -Turker is a wicked Louisville paper which re-marks that Brignoli can give points to an Egyptian mummy. This is unkind to the sprightly tonor.
- -FRAULEIN MARIE WEIGE, sister of Mine. Clara Behumann, has been on a concert tour in Sweden and Norway. Like her famous sister, she is a pianist.
- —"APAJUNZ, DES WASSERMARE" is the title of a new opera by Ganèe, recently produced at the Thalia Theatre, New York. It was pronounced a success.
- -Tuz Comley-Barton troupe have " Mme. Favart" in preparation, and also a new opera, which is to be produced on a grand scale during the present season.

- Ir is reported that Miss Minnie Hank will head an English opers company in this country next win-ter. It is to be hoped that Miss Hauk will secure the support of good artists.
- There can be no question as to the value of the influence which good organ concerts can exert; but if they are to do any good, the programme must be selected with the greatest care.
- -Berthoven's choral symphony is to be given in Boston on March 11, to close the series of concerts of the Symphony Orchestra. Mr. George Herschel is the conductor of these concerts.
- -Massexer's " Hérodiade" will probably be given musical season.

  —Massant 8 decided with protecting to the parties, at the Théâtre des Rations. If

  —Mn. Marleson's company began their season of "Lohengrin" should be given, Massenet's and WagLahan Opera at the Philadelphia Academy of Music ner's operas will be performed on alternate evenings.
  - Ar her benefit at the Bijou Opera House, c v York, "Little Corinne" appeared as Bettina in it e "Mascotte," Ginderella in the "Magic Slipper," r in the title, role in "Olivetto." Her performance w much admired.
  - Miss Lilian Norton, of Boston, known abroad Signora Nordica, and remembered in this country i connection with Gilmore's concerts at Gilmore's Garden, has been engaged for three years at the Grand Opera, St. Petersburg.
  - -Recent cable dispatches state that Materna is to receive \$10,000 for singing in sixteen concerts next May, and that Max Strakosch has offered \$87,600 to Schott, the tenor, for a tour in this country, which may be authentic, or-otherwise.
  - —It is probable that, in spite of reports to the contrary, the Triennial Musical Festival will be held at Bristol, England, next autumn. It is understood that Mr. Charles Halle has been invited to be again the conductor, and that Mme. Marie Boxe has been offered the position of leading prima donna.
  - -According to the Paris Figure, Sara Bernhardt —accounts to the Paris Plyano, Sara Bernhardt has signed an engagement with the directors of the Paris Vandoville to appear there next winter in a new play by Sardon. This will cost the fair Sara 100,000f., which is her forfeit to the Comédie Franceise, and which would have been forgiven her if she had returned to the Maison de Molière.
  - Mr. Carl Rosa has commenced his season of English Opera, in London. Among the important works to be brought out are four operas by Wagner-"Lohengrin," "Tannhauser," "The Flying Dutch-man," and "Rienzi," Balfe's "Painter of Autwerp," never yet heard in England, and Berlies's "Benvenuto Collini." The company includes Mile. Valleria, Miss Julia Gaylor, and the famous tenor. Herr Schott. Mr. Alberto Randegger will be the conductor.