

med in this com-
as a citizen and
classified as an amateur
in some half dozen of
ing at the concert.
d sarcasm in the re-
self as a "vocal cele-
not take effect at all.
laboring under an al-
taken idea as to the
and must look fur-
t for his man. After
kindly advice on the
criticism, Mr. Greig
make a mistake as to
concern to a critic is
on of the club. It is
The qualities that
p a good horse, or the
a good building, are
l the building respec-
ndergo close examina-
ly before the whole is
upon. I did not do
r Greig's club, be-
first place, and as he
rs, it would not bear
examination (of course
te" and "purely ama-
nd does not call for
nt) and in the second
ot worth the trouble.
n unkind enough to
to details of the cho-
a executive point of
reig would not have
more than he did the
ndicated, one of which
edges he "darkly sus-
was manifest to the
ary observer that the
e weak; they lacked
part singing, and ex-
effectiveness in execu-
s only too apparent in
th the other voices.
o need for "dark" sus-
tever that may be)
it was a self evident
fact. My opinion was
e numbers sung, as I
resumed that a con-
knows his business
g into prominence the
ces in his chorus, and,
o consideration the
teur character of the
ally dropped the few
arks which have sq

strongly aroused Mr. Greig's indig-
nation and formed the text for his
rather out of place sermon. As to
the general blending of the voices,
and the performance of the club as
a whole, under the circumstances
stated, my opinion of the concert
remains unchanged.

With regard to "the lady who
had just come among us," I don't
think, on mature consideration,
that my impression of her perform-
ance was at all wrong, or that any-
thing unjust or ungenerous was
said about her. She has come here
as a professional exponent of vocal
music. Personally I am on the
same terms of acquaintance with
her as with Mr. Greig himself; and
as a lady I have the same respect
for her as for any other lady. As
a musician and a professional, how-
ever, she comes before us in a dif-
ferent light. Mr. Greig is like a
good boat that sails close to the
wind, perhaps a little too close at
times; he goes too strictly by the
dictionary in defining the meaning
of the word "hackneyed." Per-
haps "abused" would have been
more appropriate. Good music
ably, or rather capably, rendered
with a full understanding of the
the composer's meaning and spirit,
may be hackneyed in the
sense of being much used,
but it nevertheless retains its
charm for and its power over the
lover of music, according to his
particular school. But there are
certain of these favorite com-
positions which are considered the
legitimate prey of every half
fledged musician, who mercilessly
murders the unfortunate piece on
every occasion. It was the
motives of delicacy referred to by
Mr. Greig that prevented my
noticing the rendering of "Good By"
as it should have been, and the
same with the execution of "Il
Bacio." I repeat in short that
there is a very sweet voice ruined
by too much culture.

Regarding Mr. Greig's peraration
from the text book on criticism,
that is a little out of place; when
I require advice on these ele-

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mentary principles I shall ask for
it in the proper spirit, whether I
may "have the makings of a critic"
or not. Let me say that the club
also like good wine needs not only
the lapse of time to arrive
at full maturity, but it
needs that the judicious judg-
ment, refined taste and ener-
getic character of its present leader
be retained till such a state of
things comes about, which, how-
ever, is yet in the future. My re-
marks are not intended as a
defence or apology of the position
I assumed, but are called forth
wholly by Mr. Greig's manifest
bias, and the desire he shows in
every line to launch into a sort of
catechetical, sermonising disquisi-
tion on the rudiments of criticism,
for my especial benefit, as irrele-
vant to the subject as it was
uncalled for.

No purpose, beyond mere curi-
osity, would be served by my

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plume, not *guerre*. I am at peace
with all men, and when I have
a difference of a personal nature
to settle, my name is one that
never brought shame to anybody.
The signature below is one used
by me exclusively in these columns
since the inception of this paper,
so that Mr. Greig is again wrong
when he suspects that my "person-
ality is plural." I may have the
pleasure of making his acquaint-
ance one of these days, but not as

BYSTANDER.