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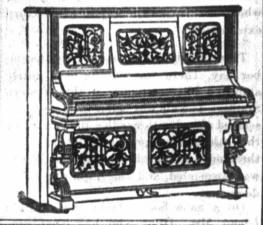
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MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

SCAR WILDE'S much-praised social comedy, treating of a certain phase of London life at the present time, called Lady Windermere's Fan, will be presented at The Victoria, July 13, From all accounts Mr. Wilde in Lady Windermere's Fan, has shown that he knows how to write a play that pleases the fancies of the general public, and does not make the most painfully judicious grieve very seriously. His play has no very serious purpose, but once in I keep perfectly quiet during the pre

a while Mr. Wilde forgets art for ar sake and poses as a sad visaged morali Occasionally he preaches lessons of pur with dreadful vehemence. On the who however, he is rather inclined to sm at things in his own cynical way. I play reflects life probably as he has se it late at night, when the air was hea with freshly lighted cigarettes and t soda water sizzled in the brandy tumbler The play ran for an entire year in Lo don, and for 100 nights at the mo fashionable theatre in New York. Low Windermere is an impetuous young wif When she learns that her husband h formed some kind of secret relations wi a Mrs. Erlynne, at whom the wome of polite society sniff, and to who the men pay court on the sly, she naturally jealous. When Mrs. Erlynn invited against the wife's will by Lo Windermere, actually comes to her bal she listens to the plausible pleadings Lord Darlington, a sentimental scoundre who has been trying to induce her elope with him. She leaves her hus band's house and goes to Darlington rooms. Mrs. Erlynne blinds the hu band to the wife's flight and pursue the foolish woman, for she is the u worthy mother of Lady Windermere, an the kn wledge of the havoc she ha wrought on her daughter's life bring the good in her to the surface. She ha been blackmailing Lord Windermere an her task is now to shield her daughter honor. The best scene is that at Lor Darlington's. The two women a hiding in a room when Darlington an his gay friends at two o'clock in th morning come in, sit down, pour ou brandy and soda and talk—the talk suc men are supposed to talk at that hou They saw many bright things, Darlingto poses as a sentimentalist, and speaks of hopeless love for one who is not free The youngest member of the party is confirmed cynic; the eldest is a jackass the cynic finds Lady Windermere's fan in the room. The husband naturall wants to know how it got there. Just as he utters an oath and swears he wi search the house, Mrs. Ealynne emerge from her hiding place and to shield he daughter explains that she carried it awa by mistake when leaving Lord Winder mere's house from the ball. During th excitement caused by this announce ment, Lady Windermere escapes anot served. Will Mrs. Erlynne now rever herself to her daughter ? No.1 Accepting the hand of an elderly rake, whom sh means to marry, she retires with a lang from the stage. Husband and wife kis again without tears and the play is over

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