

adjutor in the arrangement of programs and the wearing of soloists for these Sunday services. Altogether despite the proverbial jealousies of musicians I wish to say that a most beautiful harmony, musical and fraternal characterized these performances. Surely larger cities than Lincoln might take a pattern from the spirit of unselfish devotion to a task which has been a remarkable feature of this series of concerts, and from the admirable way in which they were conducted.

And now for the prospects of the quartet, present and future.

Since the close of the pastorate of the Rev. E. H. Chapin (in whose departure this city lost an able man, and the cause of music a warm supporter) the quartet have devoted themselves to general concert work in this state whenever the duties of Mr. August Hagenow, who is a resident teacher of the violin, will permit of his absence. I give a program of a recent appearance of the quartet, from which it will appear that they have not been idle in the past few months.

PROGRAM.

Piano and Strings—Meditation, Fauchonier,

String Quartet—Allegro con Spirito, op. 76, No. 1, Haydn.

Violin solo—Rondo Russe, DeBeriot
Mr. Charles Hagenow.

String Quartet—Romanze, op. 34, Carl Schubert.

Violin solo—Souvenir de Haydn, Leonard
Mr. August Hagenow.

Trio—Novelletto Gade
Piano, violin and cello.

Violin duo—Symphonie Concertante,
Alard—Messrs. August and Charles Hagenow.

String Quartet—Song without words,
Mendelssohn.

Träumerei, Schumann.

Minuet Celebre, Boccherini.

Piano and Strings—Overture—Commedietta, Garlitt.

Moreover, in the recent series of special services at the First Congregational church in Lincoln this quartet has ably assisted the musical director, Mrs. P. V. M. Raymond.

I can in conclusion only express a wish that there may be in Lincoln enough devotion to music, and enough of pride in our local institutions to afford a hearty support in the future to so genuinely artistic a group. In the possession of a good string quartet Lincoln is far in advance of many larger cities, in the education of our children, in appreciating the beautiful it is a worthy helper.

I wish that some more eloquent and authoritative tongue than mine might impress upon the people of Lincoln and of this state the gain in sweetness and light the right use of all the arts can give. This city is fortified and bulwarked with schools, institutions of learning in various stages of prosperity offer advantages to the poorest. Books and magazines and papers innumerable we have—but we do not so seriously observe and study the arts, plastic and ble.

George Eliot has said, I believe in Middlemarch. "That the many should study art in order to be able to appreciate what the few can do for them." Surely there is no more delightful way to study the arts than in hearing good music well given, than in looking upon beautiful pictures, than in studying architecture, sculpture, all the beautiful things in the world! But in this country objects of this nature are rare. Therefore let us appreciate and support organizations of genuine value like the "Matinee Musicale" and the "Hagenow Quartet," and all other things which tend to increase the sum total of beauty in a world which does not always teem with loveliness.

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