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unique musical organization is the his cry of Omaha will close That organization is the Mendelssohn choir of Omeha. It is unique, because it worked steadily, seriously, honestly and earnestly for an entire season of eight months, without any thought of public appearance. It has studied diligently and conscientiously the sublime oratorio of Men-delsaohn, "The Edijah," and knows it well, even the parts that are usually "cut" American presentations. It has also studied thoroughly the modern work, "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast," by Coleridge-Taylor, so that this work could be produced with orchestra in one rehearest. studied choral work of the highest order by Gounod, Grieg and a modern, Brock way by name. It has not asked for newspaper recognition. It has not sought pubicity. It has simply worked, studied, achieved. It has asked no financia: support from a single business man. It has paid its rents, its bills are all receipted. it has a balance at the bank and it carries forward to next season three valuable assets, to-wit: First, a "repertoire;" second. a large and enthusiastic active membership; and third, a treasury balance suffleient to give it a splendid start for its future work. Every member has purchased his or her own "score" of the works which were studied, through a local music nouse, and nothing has been "rented" from an agency-a custom which has been adopted

The Mendelssohn choir has, for obvious reasons, done no public work this season, but it is more than probable that it will next season enter upon a series of public presentations or appearances in connection with one of the most famous orchestral organizations in the United States. Voluntary offers of support and financial backing are coming in, and it is more than likely that before October detailed anements will be made as to the plans and purposes of the Mendelssoan coots. Applications for membership may be nade between now and July 5 for next senson addressing The Secretary, Mendelssohn Choir, Boyd Theater Building.

by other organizations and which is a di-

rect violation of law.

Much is said nowadays about educating the "masses" along musical lines. But one hears very little concerning the educating of the "classes" in that direction. And yet the latter must accompany the former. It may not be generally known that there is one man in Omaha who is doing much to promote the cause of music in this quarter of the globe, and along the very best lines. He is not posing as an educator, nor is he, in any sense, acting the Pharisee. But he is d:lng a great work He is drawing to his home every evening a score of people who are being awakened to the beauties of the higher things in music. And each evening brings a different

The people are not invited to play bridge for a valuable prize. They are not invited to place the thousand pieces of a game together in order to produce a picture.

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nific railroad will do. If the railroad

should build this summer and go to Ger-

a very healthy growth.

They are invited to listen to music. To listen to the music of the masters. and best ideas of the greatest builders. To listen to the choicest muste, in a real musical atmosphere, where lights are lowtheir souls in choice aroma, in a music room which is a dream of harmony.

One man is doing this for Omaha. This one man to creating an atmosphere of musical appreciation whose influence will be far-reaching. He is doing it without ostentation, without ceremony. He is inviting musicians to meet and mingle with the musically inclined. He is placing Music on a throne. He is creating an impulse music-wards, which will be felt, and which sionary in music to "the classes."

from his visiting list for this public men- hand." tion of his good works. The musical editor of The Bee will probably receive a lecture from Mr. Joslyr -- for he is the man under discussion-when he next meets him, but the fact remains that Mr. George A. Joslyn musical lines, and if he can deny it The Bee musical department stands ready to print his statements in rebuttal thereof.

Mr. Joslyn has installed, at great expense, an organ which is a delight to the coul of any one who loves organ music. The instrument is so far superior to the average church organ that one who must perforce play an average organ, should never look at this one too long. It would be like listening to the song of a Biren.

It is questionable if there is an organ to compare with it anywhere. It has possibilities that have been hitherto undreamt of. And Mr. Joslyn is unselfish. He wants others to enjoy what he enjoys. Therefore he gathers into his beautiful home his friends, to rejoice over his great treasure. And more than that, he has invited musicians and musical people to come and enjoy with him the treasures of his won-

that Omaha could possibly secure.

lure forth

There was an old saying-'Who, like himself, can bend Ulysses' bow?" The same fr m an organ which is full of the latest may be here applied. "Who, but himself, can bend this Archer's bow?" Mr. Archer Gibson has written many compositions for the organ, but in his sleeve he must laugh ered, and where rare flowers breathe forth at the efforts of one who would try to "bend his bow and make it ready." Such fingers, and such a reach! Te powers! The writer of this screed matched fingers with Archer Gibson the other night, and found that he was hopelessly lacking in comparative length and strength. Why, Mr. Gibson could stretch from the third manual (or keyboard) to the first, without "turning a hair" as the saying is, while the average reach (even including that of the boardinghouse) would do well to encompass two keyboards. His hands simply wander over is now being born in the hearts and souls the three keyboards as though they were of many who attend these unconventional one. And-just to show you the "human affairs. He is doing his share to create touch" about this wisard of the organa musical atmosphere in the higher realms when the present writer was sitting beside of Omaha's social world, and he is a mis- him on the organ bench, wondering at his tremendous dexterity, he turned around He will probably out the writer's name and said, "I only wish that I had another

Mr. Gibson is a genius. He is phenomenal. He is technically equipped better than any man the writer has ever heard. He is an impressionist in his playing. He hates "scales" and "variations" as one might is doing a great work in Omana along hate potson, but he uses arpeggios and chromatics, as he saye to "supply a background" to his themes. "Clouds, and more clouds, and still more clouds," said Wagner, and Mr. Gibson cries aloud after the same manner, "Arpeggios, and arpeggios, and still more arpeggles."

> Perhaps all who go there and hear the music which comes from every part of the mansion from corner and from nock, from the dome and from the floor in such bewildering pervasiveness, are not aware that in the corner of one of the rooms, up near the celling, there, is a small instrument which tells the story that all of this music is sent to cheer the hours for an invalid who lives at some distance.

And of such rays of sympathetic kindness much of the sunshine of life is made, THOMAS J. KELLY.

musical Notes.

Musical Notes.

The recital to be given by pupils of Mr. Jean P. Duffield will occur next Thursday evening, May 20, in the assembly hall of the Edward Creighton institute, opposite the Musical Notes.

ing it will make that a very lively little to be one of the best. Just about three town, but if it should do otherwise, as years old, and yet it has a population of very many people in the valley believe several hundred people, a good high school, It will do, it will be very unfortunate for one good church building with several Growth of the Towns Along the the little old town. Gering is not only the church organizations. Has a good hotel oldest town in the valley, but in former times it was the life of the valley. There are a great many good people in Gering and the old settlers who have lived a long time in the valley would really be glad to see it have a better fortune. What the Union Pacific will do is a question none and otherwise. of us is able to answer.

About the Town. did prejudiced in favor of their own town and SCOTT'S BLUFF, Neb., May 15 .- To the it is right they should be. Anything but Editor of The Bee: For fear that you a man who is disloyal to his country, his might forget us out here in "the unorgan- neighborhood or his town. Being from ized territory west of Logan county," I Scott's Bluff I presume that it will be imthought I would drop you a few lines to possible for me to write a letter descripshow you that we are not only not dead, tive of this valley without showing a little but that we are very much alive. When prejudice in favor of Scott's Bluff. If I I say "we" I mean all the people and did do so, I think I should have to differ all the towns in the great North Platte with the writers who wrote from other valley. Every one of the towns along the towns. In this letter I desire to be absovery best stores in the valley. Biggest in the County. railroad on the North Platte river is really lutely unprejudiced and to give to every

doing fine. I almost said they are having man and every town what actually belongs a little boom, but I will change that to to him. I am only writing the history of the country so far as Scott's Bluff county Gering, the oldest town in the valley and is concerned and will begin with the town on the south side of the river, seems to be farthest west in the county, which is Morquietly waiting to see what the Union Pa- rill. Morrill is the youngest town in the

building and a number of other good business houses. In fact, the new building just erected by Ed Sayre is at present the best business building in the county. Howover, we of Scott's Bluff hope that that cannot be said very long. Morrill has a number of good people in a business way

Mitchell, the next town east of Morrill town and growing rapidly. Mitchell has until recently led all the other towns in the county in the way of business buildings, and for the last year has erected some very fine residences. I am sorry that space will not permit to describe these towns more fully. Suffice it to say that Mitchell is a splendid town of approximately 1,000 inhabintants. A good high school, two good banks and some of the

Scott's Bluff, eleven miles east of Mitchell and opposite Gering, is the largest surrounding it. If we could only agree as and of course we people of Scott's Bluff to where the Union Pacific railroad is think the best town in the county. It is going, we would all be happy and know beautifully located just opposite the bluff just how to figure out which was evenfrom which it takes its name, and from tually to be the best town in the county. the town of Gering, the county seat of the With good wishes for all and especially county. We have just constructed an ele- privileges for Scott's Bluff, we are, yours county and it strikes me that it bids fair gant bridge connecting Gering and Scott's truly, Bluff, which is a great convenience and a standing the bitter fight that the county had to establish the bridge and build it at its present location, I believe that all, or practically all, are now satisfied that it was built in the right place. There is a continual stream of travel from morning till night in both directions, and the bridge river to get to the railroad with their escort for a three months' tour. The women good people bring their products to the school at 134 Greenwood avenue, this city, railroad and while they are here incidentally do their trading.

Industries of the Place. Scott's Bluff is a town of about 1,200 people. Has a good chautaugua bullding and ground, a splendid public school, two banks, one hotel, three newspapers, four general stores, besides a number of groceries and all other lines of business well represented. Scott's Bluff has for a number of years taken the lead in the way of residence buildings and really excels in that line. Beautiful cottages and lawns are the order of the day, but until recently it has been rather behind Mitchell in the way of business buildings, but will be so no longer. During the last winter two fine business houses, two stories high, and one one-story business house have been erected on the east side of Main he will receive no pay from the departstreet, all of which are a credit to the ment during his absence town. Just now the First National bank is preparing to erect a double two-story on the American liner, Merion. After arbusiness building for banking purposes. with one other business house below and country and then go to Ireland and Scotoffice rooms above. This building will be land. Following th's they will cross to the strictly modern and up to date in every particular. Just across the street on the pposite side, Lou Marquis is preparing to build an opera house, with three business houses below, all of which will be strictly up to date, and with these additions and the fine new hotel contemplated by John Emery, Scott's Bluff will be away in the lead in business buildinwell as residences of any town in county. We have four church build . two of which are splendid structure; nd a credit to any town. We are jus now putting in electric light and water works, and have a splendid telephone system. With all these good things and the Union Pacific rallroad located between the B. & M. rallroad and the river and the sugar factory

of western Nebraska as weil.

Minatare, about ten miles east of

These symptoms show that which we are sure to have, we believe Scott's Bluffs will room be not only the metropolis of the North Platte-valley, but Bluffs, is one of the old towns of the onty, and since the location of the rallto take and most effective.

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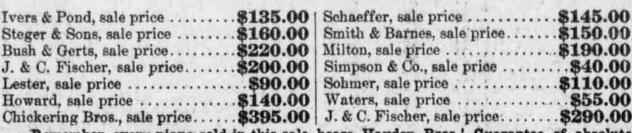
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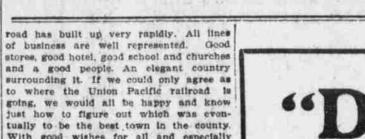
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> where they also reside. After a robbery at the James home some months ago Crisp was assigned by the police commissioners to keep special watch on the house. Some time later a burglar gained entrance to the sisters' home in the evening, but Crisp saw him go in through a rear window and following he dragged the intruder by the beels out from under the bed of Miss Emma James and rushed him to the police station.

> For this the sisters were extremely grate ful to the handsome policeman and sought means of rewarding him. They finally decided upon inviting Crisp

> to accompany them to Europe as their protector. The matter, however, had to go before the police board. At a meeting of the board today leave of absence was granted the policeman for three months, although

The party left New York this morning riving in England they will tour that continent and will spend some time in France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Austria. Italy and . Switzerland. Patrolman Crisp will always be on hand to save the spinsters from annoyance in their travels. -Chicago Inter-Ocean.

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