

man until he saw an announcement in the newspapers that Kansas had elected delegates and instructed them for Seward.

Without waiting to hear from his friend who had contracted to bring a Lincoln delegation from Kansas, he wrote him, saying: "I see by the dispatches that since you wrote Kansas has appointed delegates instructed for Seward."

When he became seriously nominated as a candidate for the Presidential election, he soon learned that while he could be of great value as an adviser and organizer, the great work had to be performed by others than himself.

Certainly Lane and Curtin, who were the most important factors in bringing their States to the support of Lincoln, were not only not paid for their services, but were entirely ignorant of the part which their fulfillment was demanded after Lincoln's election.

He had no desire for public office, but he did desire, after he had acquired wealth and personal power, just the recognition that Lincoln gave him, and I doubt whether any man enjoying his position would give him more sincere gratification than this voluntary offer of one of the first-class missions of the country, made in Mr. Lincoln's name.

Of Curtin's nomination there was no doubt whatever if he permitted his name to be used, and it became merely a question how he could retire gracefully.

Lincoln was very willing. He promptly responded that Curtin was entitled to the honor suggested, and that it would be a great pleasure to him to tender him the mission, and he was in the position of young Sheridan, when old Sheridan called him to task for his rakish conduct, and said to him that he must take care to which side he was to be true.

Curtin's declaration was responded to within a week by a number of the leading citizens of the State peremptorily instructing their delegates to vote for his re-nomination for Governor.

One of the shrewdest of Lincoln's great political schemes was the tender, by an autograph letter, of the French mission to the States of the late Chief Justice Roger Taney.

THE MUSIC WORLD.

Somebody, the entirely completed orchestral score of his new opera, "Friend Fritz." This new work of the now famous author of "Cavalleria Rusticana" was finished by him in the short time of a few months, and without his having ceased in the meantime to work on his other scores.

THE MINNIE HANK OPERA COMPANY. Something of Mascagni's New Work Produced at Rome Last Night.

A BUDGET OF GENERAL NEWS ITEMS. The audience room of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, one of the largest in the city, was thronged last Tuesday evening by an intelligent and appreciative audience, assembled for the organ recital by Mr. J. C. Bateholder, of Detroit, assisted by Mr. Homer Moore.

When I saw the wisdom of the suggestion and understood why the President would have been so immediately ready to accept of an obsequy as he had been insolent before. When he had finished mustering me into the service I said to him: "I presume you propose to make any display of military authority or to interfere with anything except that which I have immediately in hand."

SOCIETY AT GENEVA. FAVORITE RESORT FOR WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA TOURISTS. Roland J. Hemmick as Consul—How His Appointment was Heralded Under the Wrong Name—Some Important Social Incidents.

GENEVA, Oct. 21.—Geneva has seldom had a better summer, as far as visitors are concerned. They have come in their thousands, and have, unfortunately, departed, with a very few exceptions. The hotel proprietors are jubilant over the profits of the past season, but the shopkeepers show a very different tale.

THE MUSIC AT THE DUCHESS. Only a few general remarks can this morning be added to what has been said during the week regarding the new performances by the Minnie Hank troupe.

His introduction to office. Mr. L. T. Adams, who was at that time Consul, had as yet received no official intimation of his appointment.

OTHER PITTSBURGHERS IN ITALY. Colonel and Mrs. Wm. B. Byrne, Mrs. Hemmick's sister, and brother-in-law are here, and the ex-United States Congressmen declare that they thoroughly enjoy the rest and relaxation of their Italian life.

Great interest centers upon the production last night at the Cantanti, Rome, of Mascagni's new opera, "L'Ami Fritz." This is written too early for cable information to be given to the press.

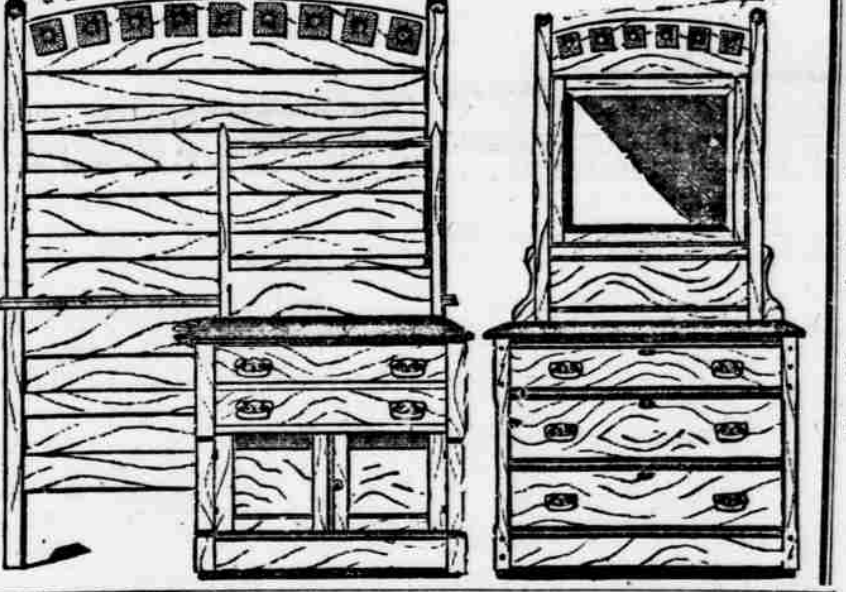
Crechetts and Quavers. A French composer, Auguste Germain, is writing a Wagnerian burlesque entitled "Le Petit Locomotive." This is adding in to the "jazz" of the day.

THE PART OF "CARMEN." In an exceedingly courteous note received by the present writer from Mrs. Minnie Hank last Tuesday, the gifted artist, apropos of the Disaron's review that morning, says: "As you seem in doubt as to what created the part of 'Carmen' in America, I beg to state that it was first produced in the Vienna under Colonel Mapleson. We brought it over to America for the first time, singing it in all cities, Signor Campanini, Del Puente and myself being the original ones to do the opera on the Italian stage anywhere, either in Europe or America."

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for the first time in America last Monday night at the Garden Theatre, and proved to be a bright bit of French music, but spoiled by the English libretto and the music interpolated into the score by Ivan Caryll.

"CAVALIERA RUSTICANA" will be heard in Berlin at the Royal Opera House, on December 15, the anniversary of Beethoven's birth. The dead master's ballet, "Die Geoeschee des Prometheus," a work little known to the musical world, will be performed the same evening.

The new Auditorium on Penn avenue is progressing apace and will be sufficiently ready for the chrysanthemum show to be held there before the formal opening. This interesting occasion will be upon the appearance of the Austrian Forestry Band, November 24 and 25. It is hoped to arrange a half-holiday at the schools so that the young people may go to the matinee and hear the playing of the orchestra.

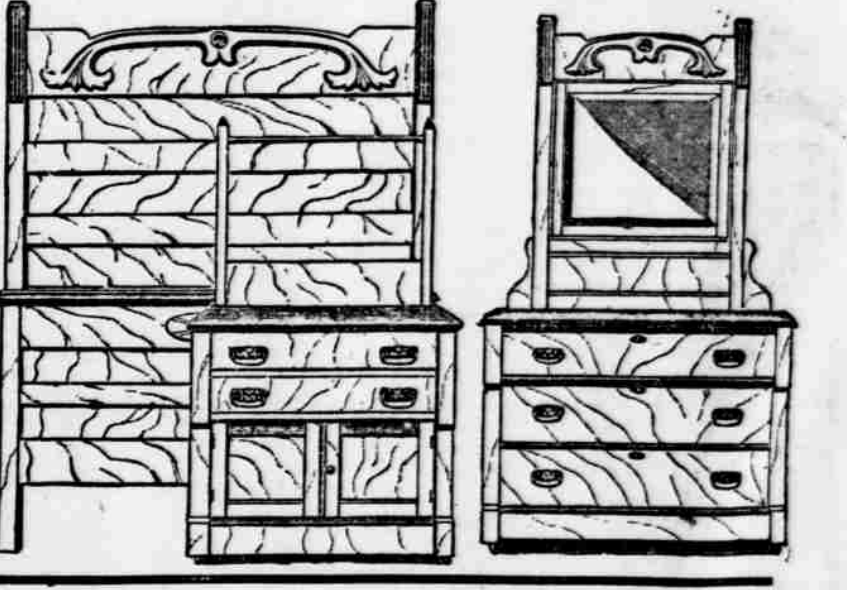
The suicide of Marie Witt, while insane, has sadly terminated an extraordinarily brilliant career. Mrs. Witt was for 30 years one of the foremost members of the Vienna Opera. Her voice and versatility were such that she sang with facility high soprano or contralto roles, whether dramatic or lyric in style.

THE RESIGNATION OF ORGANS AND CHOIRMASTER W. V. DERMITS from the post at St. Peter's E. Church, which he has so long, so faithfully and so successfully filled, has been most recently accepted by church authorities. Mr. Dermits' health and strength has been too sorely taxed for him to continue the work. His successor is not yet announced.

THE BOSTONIANS will return to the Duquesne Theatre next week with DeKoven's "Robin Hood," the clever operetta a la Gilbert and Sullivan which Pittsburg admired so much last year, and which has just had a most successful run in New York.

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