



MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL. The City Cornet Band seem to be doing some pretty good work now, if one can judge from their Tuesday evening concert.

Rome that Signor Ricordi, the publisher, who was delegated to conduct the necessary negotiations, finds that the Frenchman will charge a fabulous price for his services, and it does not seem practicable to agree to the terms demanded.

ORATORIO SOCIETY CONCERTS. Some Details of the Programme that is New in Generation.

This Society announces its annual grand concert, to be given on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 1st and 2nd.

Mendelssohn's "Athalia," which is to be performed on the Friday night, is totally different to the ordinary type of oratorios.

Numerically, the chorus this season will be stronger than ever, and thanks to Mr. Bourne's painstaking work in Mr. Ford's absence, they are well up in their parts.

TALK OF THE THEATRE. The Josie Mills Company, which was booked for the Opera House for the month of December, has been disbanded with some weeks' salaries unpaid.

It is owing to the very nature of music, which is pervaded by the all-reconciling element of love, that even the strongest antagonism in religious, political, and philosophical views vanish before it.

Professor Crouch, the composer of "Kathleen Mavourneen" and more than two thousand other and lesser-known songs, is an old gentleman of eighty-four.

Verdi, the composer, has set his heart on having the great French baritone, Maurel, for the leading role in his new opera, "Falstaff."

chanic's Institute for all of December as a five weeks' season.

An attempt is being made to raise sufficient guarantee fund to bring the famous Nordica Company to this city.

Harrison's orchestra give a Colombian concert in the Opera House, Friday evening next.

Mme. Sarah Bernhardt is writing a play. Although this will be her first attempt at writing for the stage, she is already practiced in authorship.

Mrs. Dion Boucault, the widow of the famous playwright, is about to appear in "Husband and Wife," the play in which Cora Tanner starred last year.

The scenic artist, Riecardo Kastana, now painting the scenery for Franchetti's new opera, "Gisloro Colombo," shortly to be produced in Genoa, says that the scene of the sea in the second act will require over 2,000 square feet of canvas.

The dudes who go to theatres and smoke cigarettes between the acts have a new fad. They carry little scissors around with them and when the bell rings and they have to go back to the theatre they snip off the burnt end of the cigarette and save the rest.

A story is told of the actress Mlle. Marie Magner and her pearls. One day as she was about to appear on the scene somebody made the remark that her pearls were really of an enormous size.

Lottie Collins when in New York, not only danced at the Standard theatre between the acts of "Jane," but on the same evening danced with the "Miss Helyett" company, in Brooklyn.

Margaret Mather has married a colonel, who is the son of a captain, but that is the end of the titles, for both father and son are makers of Milwaukee lager.

When farce maker Hoyt was a comic paragraph writer on a Boston paper he had an ambition to make money enough out of fun to become the proprietor of an influential daily newspaper.

Dr. Carver has been playing to immense houses at Niblo's, New York, lately, and the great success he has met with in the depiction of scenes from wild Western life fully justifies the action of Manager Comstock in prolonging the run of "The Scout" for at least five weeks.

Chas. H. Haystead closed the Josie Mills Co. at Tonawanda, N. Y., Nov. 2, Mr. Haystead writes: "Salaries were paid in full, excepting one week. Ten weeks of bad business and a big company of twenty-four people caused me to close."

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