

# I Dream't That I Dwell in Marble Halls

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## "THE BOHEMIAN GIRL"

Sung by Mme. SEMBRICH, at the Metropolitan Opera House, N. Y.

Andantino  
dolce.

mf cresc. f rall.

p a tempo. cresc.

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### LAND OF EASY DIVORCES.

In the Barbary States it is "Woman Takes Thy Goods and Go." Always over the head of the Arab woman hangs the shadow of divorce. Nowhere in the world does the law so facilitate the separation of man and wife as in those lands so fittingly named the Barbary states.

If an Arab grows tired of his wife's looks or her actions or her dress, if he wishes to replace her with another or if he is weary of married life and does not wish any wife at all he does not need to go to the trouble or nominal expense of divorcing her, but gets rid of her instead by the simple process of "repudiation," which consists in saying to her, "Woman, get thee hence: take thy things and go."

For the man this is a case of "heads I win, tails you lose," for, though he is free to marry again, the woman is not and can obtain a legal release only by returning to him the money which he paid for her.

Without her husband's consent a woman can obtain a divorce only if she is able to prove that he beats her with out sufficient provocation, if he refuses her food, clothing or shelter or if she discovers a previous wrong on her husband's part, for all previous betrothals or offers of marriage, even though the lady refused him, constitute grounds for divorce—Metropolitan Magazine.

### A ROYAL SNUB.

The Czar Handed It to Louis Napoleon and Got It Back.

It has been urged by a French author that Napoleon III. entered into the Crimean war on the side of Great Britain because he had been well received in the London clubs during his sojourn in that country. But there might have been another potent factor independent of the emperor's pleasant recollections of the English, and that was the slight to which he was subjected by the czar of Russia, Nicholas I.

When Napoleon ascended the throne as emperor he notified all the reigning sovereigns of the fact, addressing them as "Monsieur mon frere." With the exception of the czar they replied adopting the same formula. Nicholas, however, began his reply, "Mon grand ami." This is the style adopted by sovereigns when addressing presidents of republics. Napoleon fully understood the czar's meaning.

At the New Year's reception of the diplomatic body he went up to Count Kisselev, the Russian ambassador, and said to him:

"I have received a letter from your excellency which settles me greatly. He writes to me 'mon grand ami' and I choose his friends. He cannot

choose his brothers."

Origin of English Royal Academy. The yearly "show" of works by living artists which is held at the English Royal Academy from the first Monday in May to the first Monday in August owes its existence to a meeting of painters which was held at the Turk's Head, Soho, on Nov. 12, 1769. The knights of the brush and palette resolved that "once a year, on a day in the second week in April, at a place that should be appointed by a committee for carrying the design into execution, to be chosen annually, every painter, sculptor, engraver, chaser, seal cutter and medalist may exhibit their several performances." It was also resolved that "the sum of 1 shilling be taken daily of each person who may come to visit the said performances."—Oscar Fricbet in National Magazine.

A Difference in Numerals. Great Britain clings to its own numerical system and regards a billion as a million times a million. But America differs, a billion in the United States being only a thousand million. This is perhaps the only instance in which something is bigger in the old country than in the new. One has to go only a little way from England—to Calais—to find the billion lessened, for France dignifies a thousand million with the name of billion. They are wasting a word in France in this connection, however, inasmuch as there is already a word, milliard, to designate this number.—Detroit Free Press.

Filled With Wonder. "I was once a passenger on a train that was held up by a lone bandit." "Didn't it make you feel rather cheap to have to hold up your hands and stand there 'helpless' while he went through your pockets?" "No, I wasn't thinking of that. My wife was with me, and I was so busy watching her while she was at last being compelled to do as a man told her to do that I had no time for anything else."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Dreadful. "I heard the missus talking about us," said the cook. "What did she say?" inquired the chambermaid. "She said we was neither of us any good." "Ain't it terrible the way ladies talk about one another nowadays!"—Washington Star.

Taxing His Resources. Old Jones—Can you give my daughter the luxuries to which she has been accustomed? Ohly (engaged)—Not much longer. That's why I want to get married.—Chicago News.

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