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L OTS of music for warm weather—Gilmore going from and Thomas coming to the Madison Square Garden and Seidl at Brighton Beach.

Who dares to say the season ever ends?

THE "Recorder" several weeks ago called attention to the fact that international copyright was only a farce, for Gustav Hinrichs had announced that he would produce this summer Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana" in Philadelphia, and it is safe to say that he will not use the original score. The "Herald" last Sunday also took up the subject, and with justice deplored the fact that the public will have to listen to Mascagni's charming opera in a garbled orchestral attire. That this is, of course, obviously unfair to Mascagni goes without saying. Mr. Seidl has committed the same sin by orchestrating an intermezzo from the "Cavalleria Rusticana," and æsthetic results may justify him; still, ethically, he is in the wrong. Give Mascagni a chance, gentlemen, for he has purchased the right of his opera for this country. - 10

JUST for curiosity's sake we print Anton Seidl's first program of the opening day at Brighton Beach last Saturday afternoon. As a specimen program it certainly does infinite credit to its compilers' catholicity of taste and excellent judgment. Here it is:

"idealism," "spirituality" and the "higher life," but the fact is we know at least what the microscope and the scalpel reveal; all the rest is mere guesswork, largely dependent on one's powers of credulity. Therefore to talk about the "spiritual" basis of music, when it takes all our wisdom and research to discover its physical basis, is, we think, putting the cart before the horse. All investigations into that unexplored continent—the human brain—are but demonstrating the material basis of the mind and how much its strength and integrity depend upon physical structure.

So Miss Sparmann's contribution is welcomed by us, though we know it will offend a class of musical æsthetes who still believe in "heaven born inspiration" and the existence of that undiscoverable entity, the soul. Idealists, pray do not despise the ground you tread upon or the air you breathe, for in matter there is the potency of life, and in that very matter you so deride, is music, not "heavenly born," mind you, but earth born, like all about us, and molded into shapes of beauty by the genius of man.

THE SCHARWENKAS.

THE brothers Scharwenka, Xaver and Phillipp, will settle permanently in this city next fall, so says Mr. Emil Gramm, who certainly ought to know. Mr. Gramm further states that an offer has been made the Scharwenkas for their Berlin conservatory by a Mayence conservatory director, so we can look upon the transplantation as an assured fact.

This means much for musical New York, for the combined talents of the brothers cannot fail to exert a very fruitful and healthy influence in this city. We know Xaver Scharwenka, the pianist and composer of the piano concertos and "Miaswintha" (which has just had the finishing touches put to it by its composer), but with Phillipp's work we are less familiar, though his orchestral fantasy, "Liebesnacht," has received hearty words of commendation in these columns when it was first performed by the Thomas Orchestra in this city. Phillipp Scharwenka is a strong theoretical musician, an excellent conductor, and he will conduct while in this city orchestral concerts and will also produce a symphony. His opera "Sakuntala" will also be finished here.

Altogether the Scharwenkas make a strong musical team, and we welcome with pleasure their advent, for they both possess strong, healthy and magnetic musical natures and will prove a needed tonic in a musical atmosphere blase and torn by petty jealousy.

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