"WHERE'S THE TRAIN?"

[illegible] the sheny night—
[illegible] the wing light,
[illegible] boat, with much delay,
[illegible] touch the quay;
[illegible] passengers on shore
[illegible] to a second more—
[illegible] poor things what do they grin?—
[illegible] exclaiming, "Where's the train?"

[illegible] poor mother and her child
[illegible] on the night so wild,
[illegible] more to be to-day—
[illegible] the railway folks to say?
[illegible] answer can they make to ye?
[illegible] with Inverness in Ellice?
[illegible] been in gold and gala,
[illegible] vainly, "Where's the train?"

[illegible] Mahon, the "river boat" came in
[illegible] Dr. train and Mac—
[illegible] brought the mails; they went away—
[illegible] near the quay.
[illegible] Mail, safely carry ye,
[illegible] quicker to Ellice.
[illegible] Grace, we hear—none would complain,
[illegible] need be askin' "Where's the train?"

HALMA.

[illegible], Tuesday, July 17, 1894.

ANGLICAN CHURCH MUSIC.

[illegible] the current Number of the Church Musician [illegible] is made of some excellent remarks of [illegible] Church music may be said to [illegible] Church. In his opinion the real [illegible] of Anglican Church music may be said to [illegible] from the Reformation. Although the [illegible] of the English School was laid in the [illegible] of the Tudors, and although, he says, we [illegible] names as John of Bonestable [illegible], John Hayden, Robert Fairfax, [illegible] John Redford and others, it did not [illegible] really [illegible] characteristics until [illegible] the Reformation had swept [illegible] the Latin Use, and had substituted for it [illegible] in our mother tongue. John of [illegible] is really the most important of the [illegible] of the English school. At the time [illegible] Josquin des Pres, and others [illegible] revolutionizing music on the Continent, [illegible] was not behind in musical culture, for [illegible] was an expert contrapuntist, and is [illegible] by some to be the inventor of Counterpoint, as a development of the prevailing [illegible]. He wrote a treatise entitled "De [illegible] Musice" and John Hambois, also [illegible] to have been the first Doctor of Music), was [illegible] author of several "tracts" on the art.

AT THE REFORMATION.

[illegible] the earthquake of the Reformation con[illegible] the whole organization of the Church, and [illegible] prominent ecclesiastics suffered for the [illegible] of their religious tenets, instead of the Eng[illegible] school becoming extinct, as might have been [illegible] expected, it had the contrary effect of [illegible] and broadening the foundation [illegible] had been laid in pre-Reformation times, of [illegible] I have already spoken. It has often been [illegible] by musical litterateurs that the "songs [illegible] highest are those born of adversity," [illegible] in a great measure we owe to these troublous [illegible] that glorious succession of earnest workers [illegible] church music which even in the present day, [illegible] the very backbone of the art in this country. [illegible] prevalent and almost promiscuous pro[illegible] which was rife at that period, nearly [illegible] connected in any way with the Church [illegible] suspected of heresy, and the musicians did [illegible] escape. Many suffered imprisonment and [illegible] John Taverner, John Frith, the martyr, [illegible] other persons were imprisoned in a [illegible] under Cardinal (now Christ Church) College, [illegible] which was used for keeping salt fish, [illegible] the prisoners succumbed to the [illegible]. Taverner was fortunate enough to be [illegible] at liberty by Cardinal Wolsey, on the ground [illegible] "he was but a musician." John Fryer, a [illegible] was committed prisoner to the [illegible] of the Savoy, who, on an appeal being [illegible] on Fryer's behalf, gave vent to this quaint [illegible]: "Take heed, for he that playeth is a [illegible], because he is departed from the Catholic [illegible]." Tastwood, a priest and singing man at [illegible], who is best known through his connection with Marbecke, was condemned and burnt [illegible] two others, although Marbecke, his com[illegible] in adversity, obtained the King's pardon [illegible] the influence and intercession of Sir [illegible] Foster. We read of several other [illegible] who suffered persecution at this time, [illegible] the preceding instances suffice to show the [illegible] of affairs at this turbulent period.

MARBECKE'S LITURGY.

[illegible] to the liturgical music of the Anglican [illegible], as may be expected, much of it is purely [illegible] and from Roman sources. In [illegible] "Ecclesiastical History" it is said that [illegible] Cranmer had the work by arranging [illegible] Litany in English to chant (this is probably [illegible] reason that it was omitted at Marbecke). [illegible] read that "The Litany in English was first [illegible] in St. Paul's Cathedral in 1547, the priests [illegible] kneeling, Cranmer's adaptation [illegible] being used." This is doubtless the [illegible] setting in general was at the present [illegible] Cranmer's opinion on plain song is note[illegible] in a letter (1545) relating to this [illegible] he says, "he may opinion the song [illegible] not so full of notes, but as near as may [illegible] every syllable a note, so that it may be [illegible] distinctly and devoutly." The first Prayer [illegible] of Edward VI. was published in 1549. The [illegible], of whom Cranmer was the head, compiled [illegible] chiefly from the Sarum Use. In 1558 John [illegible] published his "Book of Common [illegible], notes," which is distinctly in keeping [illegible] Cranmer's ideas so far as is consistent with [illegible] plain song of the previous liturgy. Merbecke, [illegible] book simply gave the plain song melodies [illegible] harmony, and although it is reputed [illegible] to be invented these melodies, there are [illegible] proofs that there are adaptations, for the [illegible] found in the work can be traced in [illegible] to the plain song of the Roman [illegible]. The adaptations were skilfully executed, [illegible] doubt there is much original matter, but [illegible] fact still remains. Everyone [illegible] Tallis' Response, and it is a matter for [illegible] congratulation that they have been [illegible] down to posterity in such a satisfactory [illegible] of preservation. It is not generally admitted that the usual setting in vogue at the present day is not the original form. Tallis [illegible] them for five voices, with the plain [illegible] in the tenor. In early times the organ was [illegible] played by a clerk in holy orders, and the [illegible] departure from this custom was made in the [illegible] of Queen Elizabeth at the Chapel Royal, [illegible]. The earliest laymen who held such [illegible] being Dr Tye, W Blitheman, [illegible] Tallis, and William Byrde. The probably accounts for the fact that the organist is [illegible] to ecclesiastical law as an officer of the [illegible].

CHOLERA IN RUSSIA.

St Petersburgh, Saturday.

Some two hundred cases of cholera and one hundred deaths are now officially reported here every day, and the number of the cholera patients [illegible] in the hospital is in round [illegible] 1,000. The victims are especially numerous among the factory hands and the [illegible] on the canals. Many persons have [illegible] served by the disease in the open streets, [illegible] in tramcars. The extreme heat now prevailing greatly militates against the efforts that are being made to prevent the spread of the epidemic, [illegible] which has now reached the military Camp at Krasnoe Selo and the Province of Esthonia. The St Petersburg authorities are taking all precautionary measures that lie in their power. In all the streets barrels of boiled water have been placed for the use of the inhabitants, and food is being distributed among the indigent people in the poorer districts. Unclean houses, shops, and markets are being thoroughly cleansed under the supervision of the representatives of the Sanitary Board. The ceaseless efforts of the authorities to check the epidemic have created a favourable impression among the inhabitants.

There has been a serious increase in the number of cholera cases here since the 14th inst, but the proportion of deaths is not so great as in the previous week. According to an official bulletin published to-day 1,352 cases, and 584 deaths have occurred since the 15th instant, the figures in previous days being 375 and 294 respectively. At Cronstadt, between the 14th and 19th instant there were 58 cases and 18 deaths, and at Warsaw between the 8th and the 14th instant 63 cases and 44 deaths. The following figures are given with respect to the number of cases and deaths from cholera that have occurred in the various Governments between the 8th and the 14th instant—St Petersburg, 347 cases and 34 deaths; Moscow, 167 cases and 77 deaths; Kouno, 76 cases and 27 deaths; Novgorod, 1 case, 1 death; Esth, one case but no deaths; Livonia, 1 case, 1 death; Ekaterinoslaw, 11 cases and 3 deaths; Kherson, 1 case and 1 death; Kazan, 1 case and 1 death; Ufa, 1 case and 1 death; Livonia, 10 cases and 2 deaths; Pskov, 2 cases and 1 death; Tambov, 2 cases and 1 death; Ekaterinoslaw, 2 cases and 1 death