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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: Misc. Ms. 242

TITLE: The Jenny Lind Collection

DATES: 1847-1851

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.5 linear feet (1 box)

LANGUAGE: Materials chiefly in English.

SUMMARY: Programs, clippings, music, and other items relating to the Swedish soprano Jenny Lind (1820-1887), particularly regarding her American tour of 1850-1852

ONLINE FINDING AID: To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/music.misc.0242>

Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use on site, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/music.misc.0242>.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open to researchers by appointment. There are no restricted materials in the collection. Please contact the [Special Collections staff](#) to schedule an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Jenny Lind (1820-1887) was the most renowned soprano of her era. After triumphs in her native Sweden, France, Germany, and England, in 1850-1852 she toured the United States, performing in 93 cities. Her trip was organized by P.T. Barnum, and it became a milestone in the history of music in America, not only for the purity and agility of her voice, but also for the audacity (and success) of Barnum's marketing.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes programs, clippings, and a collection of printed sheet music relating to the Swedish soprano Jenny Lind, particularly regarding her American tour of 1850-1852. The sheet music includes works she performed as well as works inspired by her.

Arrangement

In 4 series as follows: I. Programs II. Clippings. III. Music. IV. Miscellaneous items.

Collection Contents

Series I: Programs

b. 1, f. 1 Opera
 Roberto Diavolo, May 8, 1847, London
 La Sonnambula, May 15, 1847, London
 La Figlia del Reggimento, June 1, 1847, London
 Ernani, June 17, 1847, London
 I Masnadieri, July 24, 1847, London

b. 1, f. 2 Solo Concerts
 September 11, 1850, New York (facsimile)
 October 19, 1850, Philadelphia(?)
 November 21, 1850, New York
 November 22, 1850, New York
 1850(?), 3 copies, New York
 May 12, 1851, No city listed
 June 20, 1851, Tremont Temple (Boston?)
 Undated, No city listed

Series II: Clippings

b. 1, f. 3

Newspaper Clippings

ca. 1850, ca. 1850

Clippings, concert reviews, and articles about Jenny Lind

Series III: Music

b. 1, f. 4

Music

Annie Laurie
William Hall & Son, N.Y.

Ask Me Not Why
Donizetti
Horace Waters, N.Y.

Bird Song
Faubert, M.
Firth, Pond, & Co., N.Y.

By the Sad Sea Waters
Benedict, J.
Oliver Ditson, Boston
(2 copies)

Child of the Regiment
Donizetti
Firth, Pond, & Co., N.Y.

The Dream
Müller, Karl
William Hall & Son, N.Y.

The Dream
Müller, Karl
E. Ferrett, Philadelphia

The Dream
Müller, Karl
Geo. P. Reed, Boston

Fear Not Fond Youth
Mozart, Wolfgang Amadeus, 1756-1791
William Vanderbeeks, N.Y.
(from The Magic Flute)

Farewell my Fatherland
Cantier
Firth, Pond, & Co., N.Y.
(2 copies)

Gently Sighs the Breeze
Glover, Stephen
William Hall & Son, N.Y.
(2 copies)

Music (continued)

Gently Sighs the Breeze
Glover, Stephen
Peters, Webb, & Co., Louisville

Greeting to America
Benedict, Julius
Firth, Pond, & Co., N.Y.

I Dream, I Dream of my Fatherland
Müller, Karl
Oliver Ditson, Boston

The Hermit's Prophecy
Meyerbeer, Giacomo, 1791-1864
Jenny Lind Collection, Atwill, N.Y.

I Am Dreaming of Thee
Lee, Alexander
Jenny Lind Collection, Atwill, N.Y.

When the Joys of Youth
Donizetti
Jenny Lind Collection, Atwill, N.Y.

The Jenny Lind Mania
West, W.H.C.
William Hall & Son, N.Y.

Jenny Lind's Reply to the Danish Student's Serenade
Linter, Ricardo
William Hall & Son, N.Y.

b. 1, f. 5

Music

Jenny Lind Waltz
von la Hache, Theodore
William Hall & Son, N.Y.

Love Smiles No More
Berg, Alban, 1885-1935
William Hall & Son, N.Y.

The Mariner
Geyer, E.G.
C. Holt Jr., N.Y.

My Home, My Happy Home
Hodson, G.A.
Oliver Ditson, Boston

Music (continued)

My Home, My Happy Home
Hodson, G.A.

Geo. Reed, Boston

(2 copies)

My Home, My Happy Home
Hodson, G.A.

Firth, Pond, & Co., N.Y.

My Home, My Happy Home
Hodson, G.A.

A. Fiot, Philadelphia

Of All the Pretty Darlings
Mendelssohn

Vanderbeek's, N.Y.

Oh Calm Forgetful Slumber
Rossini

William Hall & Son, N.Y.

(from Otello)

Oh' Well Do I Remember
Linter, Ricardo

William Hall & Son, N.Y.

Ossian's Serenade
Dodge, Ossian E.

Oliver Ditson, Boston

Schwedische Lieder

Schonbert & Co., Hamburg

Selections from Child of the Regiment

Atwill, N.Y.

Quando Il Destino
Donizetti

Sul Campo Guerrier
Donizetti

Lament for Home
Linley

Gallop Polka
Linley

A Set of Jenny Lind's Songs

E. Ferrett & Co., Philadelphia

I Left the Snow Clad Hills
Linley, G.

Music > A Set of Jenny Lind's Songs (continued)

The Stars of Heaven Are Gleaming
Ahlstrom

The Sea King's Bride
Ahlstrom

Farewell My Fatherland
Cantier

My Home, My Happy Home
Hodson, G.A.

The Slumber Song
Schubert
Oliver Ditson, Boston

Somnambula [i.e., Sonnambula]
William Hall and Son, N.Y. Creator unknown, possibly Bellini.

The Stars of Heaven Are Gleaming
Ahlstrom
Geo. P. Reed, Boston

Series IV: Miscellaneous items

- b. 1, f. 6 Miscellaneous Material
- One newspaper advertisement and ticket
 - One article by Richard Hoffman, "Some Musical Recollections of Fifty Years"
 - Three loose covers to songs
 - Two loose libretto summaries
 - Bibliography of books owned by and about Jenny Lind
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Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Singers -- Sweden

Names

Lind, Jenny, 1820-1887