OUR ORCHESTRA.
Chicago, Aug. 15.—[Editor of The Tribune.].—Those of us who are subscribers to the Chicago Daily Tribune know that the concerts offered by means of the Tribune would be a great boon to music lovers. Frequently few shall not be visited upon the heads of the ignorant many. To do this would be like punishing a whole company because a few traitors were found among them. The Chicago Symphony orchestra is one of the greatest forces that work for the alleviation of woes that are the result of the war. People do not attend theatrical concerts merely to fill up idle hours, but to gain the spiritual strength and inspiration with which to carry on their allotted tasks. Anything that threatens the life and the organization strikes a blow at the hearts of a people already borne down by the burdens and sufferings of the time.

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MR. DENT AND THE DRAFT.
Chicago, Aug. 15.—[Editor of The Tribune.].—Thanks for the editorial on "Defeating the New Draft." Keep after the chairman of the house military affairs committee until you make either an effective dent in what he calls his brain or else force the house, for very shame to supersede him and put a rational man being in his place.

Don't restrain yourself so violently when writing about him. I don't know any polite way to tell this to Chairman Dent. Perhaps you do. But for God's sake tell it to him somehow. Tell him he can play his rotten game of politics with anything else he likes, but not with the lives of those men.

HORACE J. BRIDGES.
ON LABOR DAY.
Chicago, Aug. 15.—[Editor of The Tribune.].—May 1 be permitted, through Chicago's leading newspaper, to suggest that the great band, when greeting Pros- pectus in the Labor Day play "America," in common marching time—1, 2, 3, 4—four beats to the measure?

Our flag is now a marching flag and every American laik must get up.

W. E. ADAMS.

WIDENING HALSTED STREET.
Chicago, Aug. 14.—[Editor of The Tribune.].—The project of widening Halsted street is now revised. It was laid aside because of the great cost. If the ex- pense is too great a good solution of the problem would be to open Green street from Harrison through to Taylor to connect with Newberry st.

Halsted street is congested because it is the only through street from Full- mond Park. New street is only one block west. If there were made a through street most of the through traffic could be diverted or not material to avoid the delays on Halsted street.

F. H. TUTHILL.