



Catalogue of

STELLA

MUSIC BOXES

JACOT MUSIC BOX CO.

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CATALOGUE
OF
STELLA
MUSIC BOXES

Manufactured by
MERMOD FRERES

Ste. Croix, Switzerland

Established in 1816

New York Agency in 1883

Directions for Ordering

Prices in this catalogue are cash F. O. B., N. Y.

Music Boxes can be shipped safely any distance by freight or express; full shipping directions should be given.

C. O. D. orders must be accompanied by enough money to pay express charges both ways.

In Ordering give catalogue number of instrument and state if Oak or Mahogany is wanted.

Tune Sheets should be ordered by number only, giving also the diameter of sheet desired. The sizes are 9½, 14, 15½, 17¼ and 26 inches.

GREETING

IN issuing our catalogue of "Stella" Music Boxes we wish to emphasize the fact that the "Stella" marks a distinct advance in the manufacture of music boxes.

The earliest music boxes were the Cylinder ones manufactured in Switzerland, the birthplace of music boxes. These possessed a beauty of tone which is still regarded with favor by many music lovers, but while new tunes can be had for the more modern ones by means of interchangeable cylinders, the low price of tune sheets in flat-disc instruments makes the latter more popular.

Next came the disc music box with tune sheets having pins or projections, invented and first manufactured in Germany.

The "Stella," invented in Switzerland, is a music box using smooth, flat, steel, tune sheet, with small perforations instead of projections. The advantage of this system is obvious, and

further permits of *greater precision* in rendering brilliant and complicated music, and gives longer tunes with a tune sheet of given size. It combines the precision of the piano with fullness of the organ's tone to a greater degree than any other music box.

The many merits of the "Stella" can best be appreciated by personal investigation. Test them. Compare the "Stella" with other music boxes. If you are fond of popular airs, listen to the latest Coon Song as interpreted by the "Stella." If a more classical selection appeals to you, hear its rendition of "Wagner's Bridal Chorus," from Lohengrin, or listen to the clear precision with which a Sousa March is interpreted. There is no class of music, from "grave to gay, from lively to severe," which the "Stella" cannot supply.

And the purchase of a "Stella" Music Box is not only an assurance of possessing the best instrument of its kind, but it may become an educational and refining factor in the home such as no similar expenditure of money could supply. The repertoire is practically unlimited. New pieces are constantly being added. By a small occasional outlay for tune sheets, an extensive musical library can be secured at little cost. You can have a musical soiree every day in the year, and every day a new program without exhausting the supply.

Motor

The "Stella" Music Box consists of a metal bed plate with a spring motor of very simple and substantial construction, and one or more steel combs, the teeth of which are acted upon and made to produce a beautiful musical tone by a circular metallic tune sheet.

Tone Quality

The great merit of the "Stella" Music Box lies in its musical tone.

This quality of tone is distinctly its own, and is found in no other music box; in the duplex (double comb) styles particularly this quality is very remarkable, these instruments being noted for expression, harmony and volume of tone. It is this feature which has made the "Stella" so popular and a favorite among persons of refined musical taste.

Duplex Combs

Other music boxes may have two or more combs without improving the tone. It should be noted that the quality of tone in *our duplex system* comes from the fact that two steel keys are vibrated in unison for every note on the tune sheet, while only one key is vibrated in music boxes with one comb, or with two combs not set so as to be operated by the same star wheel, as in our instruments.

Tune Sheets

"Stella" tune sheets are the only ones which are perfectly smooth, without pins or projections of any kind. These will last a lifetime and require only a very slight application of music-box oil to preserve them in proper condition. Only enough oil to cloud the polished surface of the tune sheet should be applied.

Speed Regulator

By means of this important improvement we are able to reproduce nearly all songs or melodies of moderate length as originally written. If the tune is long, the music is set closely on the tune sheet, and the instrument is made to play slowly by moving the lever of the regulator toward "slow" on the indicator until the desired tempo is obtained. Our speed regulator is so constructed that the speed of the instrument is always constant, whether the mainspring is fully wound up or nearly run down.

Ease of Operation

The construction of the "Stella" is so simple that a child can operate it by following the few simple directions sent with each instrument.

Durability

Experience has now demonstrated that the "Stella" is a first class instrument not liable to get out of

order, and will give entire satisfaction if the simple directions sent with each box are complied with. Any part which may in the course of time require changing can be obtained of the dealer.

Patents

All the many happy features of the "Stella" Music Box are covered by United States patents held by the manufacturer.

Guarantee

Every "Stella" Music Box is guaranteed for one year from date of purchase. If any defect in workmanship or material appear within that period it will be made good without charge.

Double Comb

Loud and Snappy Tone



No. 80, with Twelve Tunes, \$35.00

Extra Tunes, 30 Cents

Oak or mahogany case, 18 by 16 by 12 inches; tune sheets, 9½ inches in diameter; large spring motor, two duplex combs and a moderator to give the desired tempo.

Sweet and Deep Tone



No. 75, with Twelve Tunes, \$55.00

Extra Tunes, 55 Cents

Oak or mahogany case, 27 by 21 by 12 inches; tune sheets, 15½ inches in diameter; large spring motor, and moderator to give the desired tempo.

Double Comb

**A Good Box, Combining Harmony
and Volume of Tone**



No. 150, with Twelve Tunes, \$70.00

Extra Tunes, 55 Cents

Oak or mahogany case, 27 by 21 by 12 inches; tune sheets, 15½ inches; large spring motor, two duplex combs and moderator to give the desired tempo.

Stella Grand

**The Stella Grand has no Equal for
Sweetness, Harmony and Volume
of Tone. Double Comb.**



No. 168a, with Twelve Tunes, \$100.00

Extra Tunes, 60 Cents

Oak or mahogany case with drawer for tunes, 29 by 22 by 13 inches; tune sheets, 17¼ inches in diameter; large spring motor, two duplex combs, and moderator to give the desired tempo.

An Artistic Cabinet

Containing Stella Grand Movement



No. 270, with Twelve Tunes, \$135.00

Extra Tunes, 60 Cents

Oak or mahogany cabinet with compartments for tune sheets in lower part; 40 inches high by 29 wide and 22 deep.

Quite the Finest Musical Cabinet Ever Made.

With Stella Grand Movement.

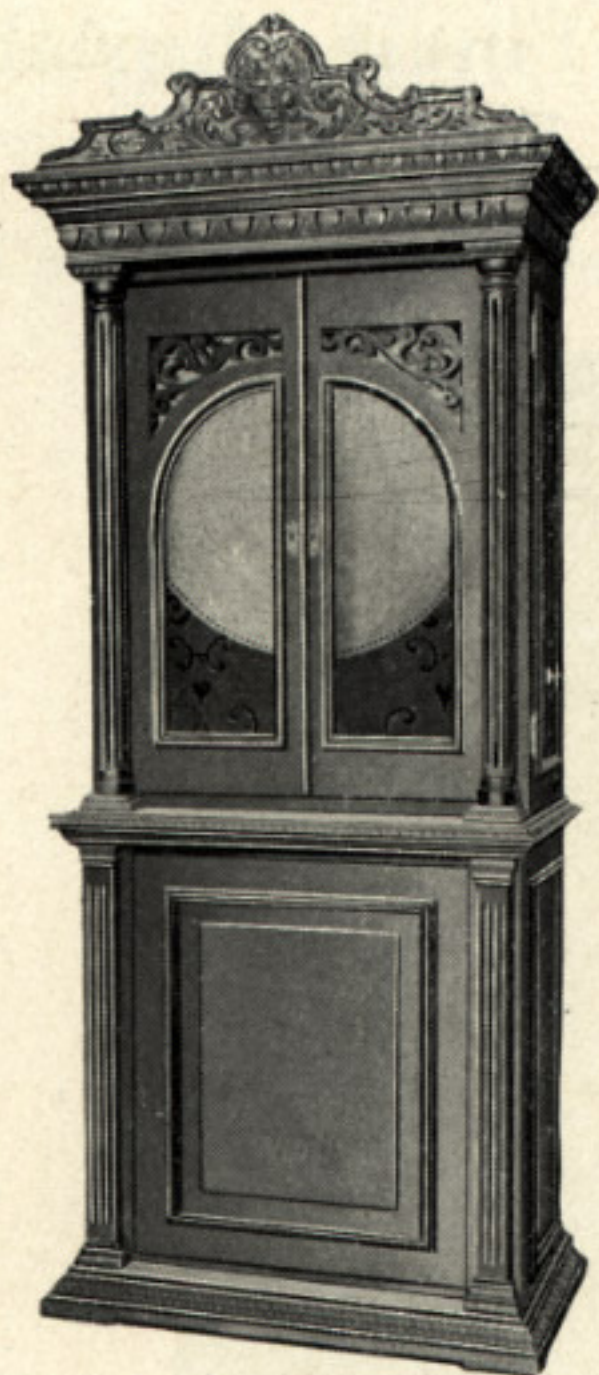


No. 272, with Twelve Tunes, \$150.00

Extra Tunes 60 Cents

Mahogany only, with compartments for tune sheets in lower part; 40 inches high by 29 wide and 22 deep.

Orchestral Grand



The tone of this style is similar to that of the Stella Grand, but has greater volume, and the tune sheets can reproduce longer tunes, owing to their larger diameter.

No. 202, with Twelve Tunes, \$200.00

Extra Tunes, \$1.80

With a powerful spring motor, two duplex combs, and a moderator to give the desired tempo. The cabinet is of artistic design, and the lower part contains a compartment for storing the tune sheets. Its dimensions are: Height, 72; width, 36; depth 20 inches. The tune sheet is of steel and 26 inches in diameter.

A Very Attractive Stand for Nos. 75, 150 and 168



No. 178, Oak or Mahog'y Finish, \$30.00

Top 31 by 26 and 30 inches high; cabinet for 15½ and 17¼ inch tune sheets.

No. 198, Oak or Mahog'y Finish, \$30.00

Top 33 by 26 and 30 inches high; cabinet for 18½ inch tune sheets.