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DER ROSENKAVALIER MET 1939

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Our sound engineer has spent an enormous amount of time and energy on certain 1939 Met broadcasts. Namely the 1939 La Giaconda, Simon Boccanegra, Die Meistersinger and Der Rosenkavalier. This last has been the most disappointing to him, that no matter what he did it still had a somewhat cramped, canned sound. In the past month he returned to working on it and was able to achieve some success in bringing the voices into somewhat better, clearer focus, with improved brightness or overtones, and to rid the orchestral sound of some of the compressed tonality and metallic tone that afflicted it. Now, it sounds somewhat better, something more like the Met broadcasts to which we have been long accustomed.

We offer this improvement to everyone gratis with any order, for those who have previously purchased this album, or for the cost of postage to ship the discs if obtained exclusively. The remastered disc will be distinguished by a gold dot near the top of the disc, under the angel logos.

The Directors