Book Reviews

Das Leben grosser Musiker im Spiegel der Medizin. Schubert, Chopin, Mendelssohn . . . unter Mitarbeit von Erika Franken. Franz Hermann Franken. Stuttgart: F. Enke, 1959; 4 ll., pp. 99.

All three composers died at an early age and their medical histories are investigated in detail. Excellent bibliographies are provided for each section.

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Professor G. E. Trease has published in *Nottingham Mediaeval Studies* a very substantial article dealing with the Spicers and Apothecaries attached to the Royal household during the reigns of Henry III, Edward I and Edward II. To support his facts he has printed some new documents from the Public Record Office and added an appendix with explanatory notes on the various drugs mentioned in them. This study could very well serve as a model for further explorations in the same subject.

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