

**Today in Columbus History:** On Tuesday, May 11, 1852, an ad appeared in *The Columbus Enquirer* for 3 new waltzes, available from Truax, Marble & Co., a music store on Broad that sold and repaired pianos and sold sheet music in conjunction with J.W. Pease's bookstore. The business, established by 1851, was owned by John L. Truax and William S. Marble. Truax was a musician who had been born in New York in 1827. Marble, born 1816, was from New Hampshire. Marble died in Columbus in January 1853 of consumption; he's buried in Linwood Cemetery in an unmarked grave. Truax moved from Columbus, ending up in Indiana, where he died in 1905. He had around 20 compositions published in his lifetime. A copy of his "Robin Waltz," is housed in the Dartmouth College Library. Miss Jane Ware, to whom it was dedicated, was a member of a prominent Columbus family; in later life she was the secretary of the Ladies' Memorial Association. CSU Archives owns a copy of Truax's "Wide Awake Waltz."

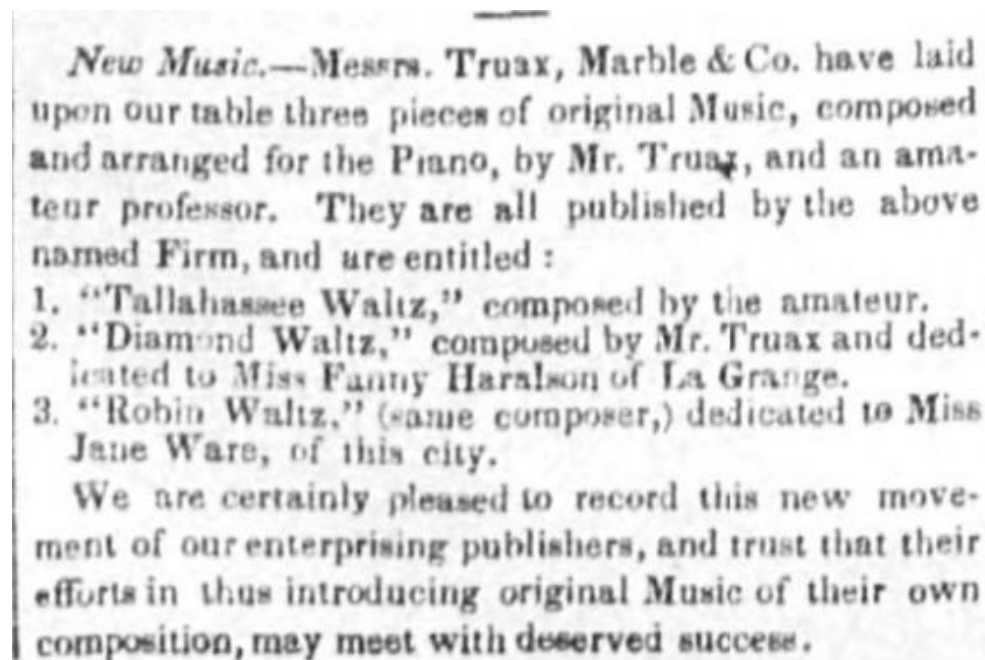
BTW: The ad says "The Tallahassee Waltz" was written by an amateur professor. That person was actually Bonaventure Rudolph Lignoski, a native of Poland, who was operating his own music store in LaGrange, GA in the early 1850s.

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*New Music.*—Messrs. Truax, Marble & Co. have laid upon our table three pieces of original Music, composed and arranged for the Piano, by Mr. Truax, and an amateur professor. They are all published by the above named Firm, and are entitled :

1. "Tallahassee Waltz," composed by the amateur.
2. "Diamond Waltz," composed by Mr. Truax and dedicated to Miss Fanny Haralson of La Grange.
3. "Robin Waltz," (same composer,) dedicated to Miss Jane Ware, of this city.

We are certainly pleased to record this new movement of our enterprising publishers, and trust that their efforts in thus introducing original Music of their own composition, may meet with deserved success.



From John Logan Truax's family tree on [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com)

*Respectfully dedicated to E. M. Carrington.* 3  
*(Port Huron, Mich.)*

**THE STORM MARCH.**

*J. L. TRUAX.*