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Four Stories

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There is not a dull sentence
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It will be the Greatest number
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The other Stories will be
published as space will allow
of which announcement will
be made hereafter.

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Advertisers desiring changes, to ensure
insertion of their favors in **THE GAZETTE**
of the current week will be obliged to
have their copy at the office of publication
by Thursday noon.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

We propose commencing a series of
Cartoons on various subjects. **THE GAZETTE**
of next week will contain the first
of these series. The subject will be the
Union of St. John and Portland. We in-
tend making **THE SATURDAY GAZETTE** the
best, cheapest and most readable weekly
paper published in Canada.

We will have a new story next week.
Its title will be "The Price She Paid." A
thoroughly good story.

Be sure you get next week's **GAZETTE.**

An unfortunate Maine baby that hap-
pened to be born on the day of her grand-
parents' golden wedding was named
Ann Versary.

DEATHS occurred during the month of
December in the following named cities
and towns, according to the Sanitary
Bureau, as stated below:

Charlottetown, P. E. I., 22, or one in every 545	545
Halifax, N. S., 1, " " " " " " " " " " " "	337
Fredericton, N. B., 1, " " " " " " " " " " " "	681
St. John, N. B., 1, " " " " " " " " " " " "	690
Montreal, P. Q., 1, " " " " " " " " " " " "	334

THE GAZETTE has not verified these
figures; if correct their significance is
somewhat startling.

The lady in Washington, says the
Epoch, who bought a husband for \$100,-
000 in consideration of his devoting the
whole of every evening to the game of
whist, will probably not have many imi-
tators. But if she does have any, the
husbands will probably be forthcoming,
especially if the other brides, like this
one, are seventy years old. Even supposing
she should live to play whist ten
years more, that would only be 3,000
evenings, including Sundays, and the rate
of pay would be about \$37.40 per night—
not bad wages, even for a good whist
player.

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.

The bulwark of the people's liberty is
the freedom of the press. Any effort to
restrain that liberty should be regarded
as an effort to wrest from a free people
one of the most valuable of their birth-
rights. In these days when liberty of
conscience is an established fact, men
are apt to forget how dear was the price
paid for the liberties they now enjoy and
to manifest indifference when an attempt
is made to curtail or limit the broad in-
terpretations of existing law respecting
the people's liberties.

The press is the voice of the people. It
is the forum where the working man can
meet and debate with the prince. In its
columns the man with the most brains
and the greatest knowledge wins the vic-
tory. From it more than from any other
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While we deplore the condition into
which a section of the press of the country
has fallen by clinging to the skirts of one
or the other political party, there is rea-
son to hope that in the near future the
press will shake off the filth of the politi-
cians and speak out its true mind. One
of the necessities of party politics is party
newspapers. There is nothing particu-
larly wrong in a newspaper upholding
the principles advocated by some leader
in the house. On the contrary, it is
eminently proper that if, believing the
policy of a government to be the best in
the interests of the country, a newspaper
should defend that policy. And as opin-
ions always differ as to what is best it is
proper that such a policy should be criti-
cised. But there are some questions upon
which there can be no difference of opin-
ion. The man who plans to rob the
country with the assistance of an act of
the legislature or without it is guilty of a
moral wrong. There can be no differ-
ence of opinion about what both divine
and human law alike proclaim wrong.

The sin of stealing from the country is as
great as when the larceny is from an in-
dividual. Yet, how often do we find
newspapers defending very shady transac-
tions on the part of politicians both
elected and appointed. On the other
hand the peculations are often unfairly
and dishonestly placed before the country
by newspapers on the opposite side of
politics. This is unexcusable and wrong.

Between the two statements the real
truth is generally to be found, but be-
cause of the defence of one class of news-
papers and the exaggeration of the other
corrupt officials who, if the real truth
were known, would be summarily dealt
with, often escape punishment justly
merited. The trouble with party news-
papers is that they are so often unfairly
they have come to be regarded much the
same as a man who has the reputation of
lying. Even when they do tell the
truth they are not believed.

Perhaps the worst hypocrisy of which
the press is guilty is the conduct of the
party journals on one side to those of
another. Opposition journals are always
charging government organs with being
boulders, yet, when the tide changes and
their friends get into power they do the
self same things they claimed a few
months before was wrong for the news-
papers on the other side to do. This is the
meanest kind of hypocrisy, and if news-
paper editors only knew how silly they
appear when making such charges they
would cease them. If the newspapers
who charge "boodling" against their op-
ponents would refuse the boodles of their

friends, the public might take some stock
in their charges. But these things will
continue until the press of the country
makes up its mind to the fact that the
tail has wagged the dog long enough and
make their political tail obey the motions
of the body.

These, though, are the weaknesses of
the press. Aside from its political bias
the newspaper is truthful, outspoken and
honest. Much good is accomplished,
even through the agency of what are
termed party journals, though it is not
claimed for them that they fulfil in the
highest degree the mission of the press.
The true newspaper, that one which is
most loyal to the people who support it
will not fear to assail when guilty of
wrong-doing, the judge on the bench,
the governor in his chair, the mighty official,
the peevish public servant nor the
criminal, whether he live in a mansion
or a cellar. It will not hesitate to de-
nounce wrong-doers and wrong-doing
wherever it comes to the surface. Nei-
ther proceedings for contempt, pro-
secutions for libel, brickbats, cowbirds
nor bullets will turn aside the honest
journalist, who feels and knows that he
states the truth. He is willing to sub-
mit his case to the great jury of public
opinion, and let the other influences go to
the dogs. There are plenty such men on
the press to-day, as there always have
been, and it only requires the occasion
to bring them to the surface.

THE SERPENT'S TAIL.

It is the correct thing for a political
party to have a policy, and the better the
policy the better the party. And it is
difficult to conceive of the existence of a
party without some avowed principle—
something more than opposition to the
doctrines of its opponent. But the parties
of to-day are blind to all polities, no mat-
ter how wise and wholesome, that are
not of their own conception. The evils
that afflict our government, and touch
our local, social and industrial interests,
result more from party spirit than from
any other source. The government has
to bear the burden of government and
the full weight of the party out of power.
The life of a party depends on opposi-
tion, it is true, but the life of a party is
not essential beyond its usefulness in the
support of just, wise and wholesome ad-
ministration of government. The evils of
partisan spirit are observable in almost
every important measure that is made
the subject of public consideration. Party
spirit predominates and permeates every
department. The result is we have a
continual political fight. The hand of
the minority is raised against the ma-
jority, and every measure presented is
covered with the "footprints of partisan
politics, policy and stratagem. Men toy
with public interests in the playground
of party.

FICTION.

A discussion on "Fiction as an Educa-
tor" is in progress in a country newspaper,
which is not without its amusing fea-
tures. There are charlatans in literature as well
as in science and art. There is no sur-
prise open to man that has not been de-
creased by quacks. We might as well
discuss History as an Educator, as Fiction
as an Educator. History, as told by
one, is distorted and misleading; as told
by another it is a faithful portraiture of
times and events. Fiction as written by
one, exhibits as in a mirror, a variety of
phases of human character, a landscape,
a country, a succession of actual or pos-
sible events, beyond the scope of the
reader's observation, with which he would
otherwise be unable to acquaint himself,
and in language which he might study
with profit. As written by another, false
views of life and its duties are presented
in language that would disgrace a school-
boy. There is fiction and fiction—readers
and readers. As another has said "I
should be sorry to have any one accuse
me of defending Scott, Thackeray,
Dickens, Hawthorne or a hundred
others whose names will suggest them-
selves. Their positions are secure, and
to enter the lists with their colors on
one's helm would be as needless as em-
barking to-morrow on a Mississippi flat
boat to assist Grant in the taking of
Vicksburg."

An Amorous Dwarf's Romance.

(London Telegraph.)
An amorous dwarf, named Francois, at
the Winter Circus, is the hero of a pecu-
liar romance which is being enacted at
that place of entertainment, and which,
it is to be hoped, will not have a tragic
ending. Francois has fallen head, ears
and body in love with a female pigny,
Viviana, a Cingalese, who acts with him
in the pantomime of "Ceylan." She is
twenty-two years old, and, unlucky for
her gallant, is married to a dwarf named
Appoo, who is nearly twenty years her
senior. Francois and Viviana have am-
orous passages both on and off the stage,
and the clandestine lover has given his
lady a ring, which she wears on her big
toe. Appoo, the lawful lord and master
of the filipinist beauty, vows terrible
things against the gallant whom he
watches with furious eyes. Consequently
the circus authorities have made a
kind of prisoner of Maitre Francois dur-
ing the daytime. His every movement
is observed, and, accompanied by
keepers in his walks abroad, so that by
these means a probable duel between the
rival lovers, or, mayhap, a still more
bloodthirsty quarrel, will be avoided.

FOR MUSICIANS.

Odd Items in the Musical Line From
Different Parts of the Country.

The funeral of the late Mr. L. H. Horrihan,
a member of the City Cornet Band, took
place on Sunday afternoon last from his
late residence on North Street. The
City Cornet Band, with silk hats, white
gloves, and wearing mourning, followed
by the members of the Artillery and 62nd
Bands, marching in open ranks, preceded
the hearse, playing appropriate dead
marches. At the Cathedral the bands
opened ranks, facing inwards, and the
cortege passed through. After a short
service in the church the solemn procession
reformed, and, to a very pretty and
impressive dead march, proceeded down
Waterloo St. as far as the Marsh Bridge,
where the movement at the Cathedral was
repeated, and the mourners and others
who wished took coaches for the
cemetery, the remainder returning home,
having performed the last sad duty to one
who was widely known and well thought
of, both by musicians and printers.

Speaking of events of this kind: It is a
very fitting act for the members of
red organisations to mark their good feel-
ing and respect by attending in a body
at the funeral of a fellow musician or
tradesman, as in the case just mention-
ed. It does more to cement good friend-
ship than almost anything else I know
of. This is the time when hearts are
softened and the most susceptible to im-
pression; and the smallest act of frien-
dship is thought more of than some great
performance at some other time. I am
not anxious to see funerals, or to attend
them; but when such a misfortune does
happen any one of our bands again,
would it not be a very pretty thing for
the members of each band to take their
instruments with them and in turn play
some funeral march or marches. Or all
might be united on the occasion and form
one large band. I hope our bands will
not have to do this for a long time; but
when such a case does occur our mus-
icians, I think, would do well to consider
the matter.

Little Hoffman's case has been looked
into by the New York Society for the Pre-
vention of Cruelty to Children, the man-
agement of which they think that the youth
was being overworked. They obtained a
promise from his managers that he should
play at but four concerts each
week. It was stated to his father that a
gentleman stood ready to give \$50,000 for
the boy's education if he were taken
from the stage, but his father said that he
was not prepared to do that. It has not been
decided what to do about it, but it is evident
that there is a feeling on the part of his
well-wishers that he may have oppor-
tunity to develop his wonderful talents to
the utmost, and if his guardians are dis-
posed to be reasonable, there is little
doubt that satisfactory arrangements can
be made. It is said that an attempt of
the withdrawal of the boy from the stage
before his lease was up, an action has
been entered against his father for a large
sum for breach of contract. Even if the
action is sustained it would be better to
pay a considerable sum than to have
the boy's prospects for the future entirely
blighted by over-work, and his father
will take a right step in accepting the
offer of help to develop his musical tal-
ents.

A contemporary remarks: "It must be
a very good brass band that can play all
the airs a drum major puts on."

Mrs. Deary (addressing her spouse who
gave her an organette)—"It's disgusted
O am wid that wringer yes gave me fer
me Christmas present! Divil th' thing
but a sham sock 'll go too it, an' win
O! turn the handle 'till the rusty it
shakes out some chime like the
"Shwate Boy-an'-Boy."

The coming summer there will no
doubt be a celebration in honor of the
coronation of Her Majesty the Queen,
and no doubt our bands will have no
mean part to play in it. It would be
something new and a considerable treat
in the musical line to have performed on
King Square a competition that is now
published in the old country for the
use of brass bands in the coming cele-
bration, called the "Queen's Grand
Solemn March." It has a vocal part,
which is very fine and appropriate. With
the assistance of some of our chorists
this might be sung by about a hundred
or more children picked from the schools
of the city. The effect would be grand,
and I trust some one will take the mat-
ter in hand before the celebration takes
place, and have it carried out. The Ar-
tillery Band already has the piece ar-
ranged with music and words by Prof.
Williams. He would no doubt be pleas-
ed to render any assistance in the mat-
ter that might be necessary to carry the
thing through successfully. Who will
move in the matter?

A FLAT.

S. JOHN BAPTIST MISSION CHURCH.—
Sunday, 4th March, 1888.

Holy Eucharist, 8 a. m.
Mattins Litany and Sermon 11 a. m.

Evangelism and Sermon, 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday evening, Choral Evensong
and Sermon 8 p. m.

Thursday, 5th March, Holy Eucharist
at 7:30 a. m.

Other services.
Mattins daily, at 9 a. m.
Evensong and Lecture, at 5:30 p. m.

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**THE
Liquor License Act 1887**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that WED-
NESDAY, the seventh day of March next,
at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the Common
Council Chamber, in the Court House, in this city,
are to be heard and acted upon by the City
Council, at the City of Saint John, the follow-
ing matters and things under "The Liquor License
Act, 1887," namely:
(1) Fix the amount of License Duties payable in
respect of Taverns and Wholesale Licenses respec-
tively;
(2) Make and ordain any one or more of such
By-Laws and Regulations as the Council may
deem advisable under the powers conferred by
the said section of the Act.
Given under my hand at the City of Saint John,
N. B., the twenty-seventh day of February, A. D.
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HENRY J. THORNE,
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NOTICE**

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT APPLICATION
will be made to the Local Legislature at its
next Session for an Act to incorporate the Cana-
dian Gas Light and Heat Company, for the pur-
pose of making gas from oil or petroleum for illu-
mination and heating purposes, with power to lay
pipes in public streets and with such other powers
and for such other purposes as are incident there-
to.
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ber Lined Blizzard Coats.
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