

St. Thomas Reporter.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1880.

ODE TO BACCHUS.

What is that awful funny lay, That disturbs the brain of "Con"?

You see those nobby toney boys, With modest mein so nice and quiet;

The reason, boys, you change, I know Is simply this, now listen well,

And "Con" would say, let's have a drink, Dell would please those jolly roysters,

And thus they boose and deep carouse, We bumpers brimming o'er,

A GOOD SHOT.

He was the manager of a church fair, and yesterday morning he walked into this office and said:

"Want an item this morning?" "Of course," replied the editor.

Whereupon the visitor laid the following note upon the table:

"The ladies of the street church will give a festival at their vestry hall next Friday evening. Literary and musical entertainments will be provided, and a supper will be served to all who desire.

The ladies in charge of the affair have much experience in such matters, and are sure to provide a good time. The admission will be only fifteen cents, and it is certain no one can spend that amount to better advantage.

When the editor read it he said: "Oh, I see; an advertisement."

"No; not an advertisement. We prefer to have it go in the local column," replied the manager.

"It will interest a great many of your readers and help a good cause; besides, we have spent so much money getting up our entertainment that we can't afford to advertise it without increasing the price of the tickets.

"Well," said the editor, "if it goes into the local, I suppose you would reciprocate by reading a little notice in your church next Sunday."

The visiting brother asked what notice, and the editor wrote and handed him the following:

"The St. Thomas Reporter will be the best and also the cheapest paper in Elgin. Its proprietor has had much experience and has all the helps which a large outlay of money can procure.

The manager hummed and hesitated, and then said, solemnly, that he doubted whether it would be judicious to read such a notice, but suggested that if it was printed, copies of it might be distributed at the door of the vestry on the evening of the entertainment.

"Yes," said the editor, "but it would attract more attention in the middle of a sermon. It will interest a large number of your congregation and help a good cause, and besides so much money is spent upon the Reporter that I don't see how the owner can afford to print handbills to advertise it without increasing the subscription price.

"Then the gentleman saw the situation. The above is applicable to some persons not a hundred miles from here.

GOOD PLACE TO HIDE IT.

The Glenoe Transcript says:—A telegram was received lately by Arch. Riddle, constable, of this town, requesting him to search a pedlar's stock of rags for \$70 that had been lost.

It was laughable to notice the change in some of our prominent citizens countenances, on Valentines day, as they opened their letters, expecting a beautiful valentine, but finding instead a kind cordial invitation to call and settle that little bill.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

LISGAR HOUSE.

Friday, Feb. 13—J. Goss, London; Wm. Agnew, J. Whitehead, Montreal; Chas. H. Newcombe, Yarmouth Centre; J. Patton, R. Caldwell, W. H. Green, N. C. Marshall, Toronto; K. Junior, Hamilton, Alf. Ellerby, Buffalo. Saturday, 14—W. McCarren, Petrolia, J. Donnelly, H. W. Baine, Walter S. Burn, Toronto; Geo. Fisher, Brigidon; G. M. Bligh, St. Catharines; J. F. Sharpe, A. J. Watson, T. W. Stansfield, London. Monday, 16—A. J. Watson, Harry Gooding, London; O. K. Peck, J. Sargent, J. B. Nixon, G. W. Badgeron, R. G. Davidson, Toronto; A. Wismer, Rodney, C. W. Moore, S. D. Holman, Lyons, N. Y.; J. Gilland, S. Wilkins, D. A. Smith, R. Junior, A. H. Dalley, Hamilton; D. M. DeCew, Hamboldt, Kansas; J. McCausland, Aylmer; A. N. C. Black, Dutton; W. M. Millman, Montreal; N. H. Stevens, Rond Eau; S. A. King, M. D., Kingsmill; F. L. McKay, Brockville; D. Servos, Niagara; G. J. Duncan, Drummondville; E. H. Snyder, Burgessville; R. Furness, Clifton; L. T. Whitehead, Brantford; D. L. Brethow, Simcoe. Tuesday, 17—R. G. Warren, Fort Erie; D. Frazer, S. Hurley, D. McKenzie, Montreal; J. M. Faircloth, W. P. Garvin, Toronto; A. B. Choate, Ingersoll; Dr. Smith, Morpeth; A. Wismer, Rodney; M. D. Dawson, F. J. Hood, Alex. Bain, C. A. Sippi, J. Atkinson, R. Marshall, London; T. L. Lewis, Chatham; John Lee, Highgate; R. J. Wilson, Ridgetown; J. Robertson, Windham Centre; L. F. Bungay, Norwich; Oscar Church, Tennessee; D. McLellan, A. Gardner, T. M. Davis, J. Dallas, T. Welch, D. G. Ellis, Hamilton; Wm. McCleary, Thorold; B. Gunn, Wallacetown; J. R. Miller, Goderich; E. J. Birdsey, Alex. Laing, Essex Centre; S. L. Lawlor, Amherstburg; J. DeCew, Thamesville; J. Patton, A. Williams, Welland; Jos. H. Harris, Port Colborne; J. E. Harrison, Milton; Sam. S. Clutton, Aylmer; Wm. Irwin, Jos. King, Newbury, Warren, Jotten, Woodstock; H. Park, M. D., Port Robinson, and 12 members of the Popular Dime Company. Wednesday, 18—W. S. Burn, J. Owen, R. Lawrence, G. McHolm, J. P. Leslie, Toronto; J. C. Laings, Essex Centre; R. Blackwood, Wallacetown; S. D. Lawlor, Amherstburg; Mrs. Scott-Siddons, Miss Siddons, J. McMahon, E. J. Thomas, T. H. Sheppard and wife, with Mrs. Scott Siddons, England; J. S. N. Dougall, J. McMartin, W. M. Millman, Montreal; S. G. Girroy, Port Hope; T. R. Coates, Buffalo; Harry St. Ormand, Manager American Literary Bureau, New York; H. G. Wright, Miss Cora Stanton, W. Gillies, Hamilton; Warren Rock, London. Thursday, 19—Wm. M. Rose, R. C. Macdonald, E. Fielding, Nicol Kingsmill, Toronto; T. W. Stansfield, J. A. Kennedy, C. A. Colwell, Warren Rock, London; P. Close, J. Simpson, L. W. Marling, H. Sweeney, Hamilton; M. W. Minthorne, St. Hyantha; C. S. Crook, J. Sutherland, Woodstock, H. P. Chase, Muncey; E. H. Davis, Montreal; L. Lowenson, New York; L. T. Whitehead, Brantford; J. A. McCausland, Aylmer.

HUTCHINSON HOUSE.

Friday, Feb. 13—T. N. Kirkpatrick, Rodney; J. R. Macpherson, Fingal; Thos. Lawrence, do; J. M. Taylor, C. W. Goodwin, D. Featherington, Toronto; J. Olderoft, J. S. Jamison, Detroit; Jas. Armstrong, Amos Warren, Orillia. Saturday, 14—J. E. Jackson, agent St. Salem Combination; E. Robinson, Hamilton; D. Cameron, Fingal; T. F. Davis, Bronson, Mich.; C. Silcox, Iona; J. Liddle, do; J. Cameron, Wallacetown; F. W. Kemp, D. M. Wigard, Toronto; D. McTaggart, Belmont; J. C. Huzzard, A. Horley, W. F. Howell, A. T. Gordon and lady, J. H. Mommoae, F. W. Donaldson; F. E. Mandon, London; W. Wilson, Toronto; J. W. Rogers, Ridgetown; Wm. Riddell, Toronto; Dick Farrall, do. Monday, 16—G. Anderson, J. Grounlock, London; J. Silcox, Montreal; J. Jackson, Simcoe; R. Tomlinson, S. Coldercott, Toronto; O. F. Springer, Burlington; R. Orr, Calvin; J. H. Cole, Hamilton; R. Hurst, St. Marys; G. F. Niles, Brantford; James Ralston, Ridgetown; D. Wilson, Chatham; J. Bindaman, Rond Eau; J. L. McKay, Comber, C. S. R.; D. Baird, Anthony Hartung, Bismarck; J. Davenport, M. Kildenbeck, Ridgetown. Tuesday, 17—A. Morris, Rond Eau; Jas. L. McKay, Comber; D. Baird, Bismarck; J. R. Macpherson, Fingal; J. P. McKellar, Wallacetown; A. Warren, Fingal; G. W. Procnior, Bayham; Miss Mary Randell, Bay City; N. S. McColl, Port Stanley; W. B. Collins, Wyoming; Ned Brownlow, Chas. Judson, T. B. Holliday, Chas. Cocksutt, Toronto; J. Rushton, Ridgetown; H. J. Nickerson, Detroit; D. A. Turner, Montreal; J. C. Lewis, Aylmer; E. C. Livert, Buffalo, N. Y.; F. H. Hinde, J. L. Miller, Dennis Mason, London; H. Tolling, Jas. Conrad, Port Burwell. Wednesday, 18—F. C. Newland, Fingal; D. N. McNish, Alburgh; Thos. Dickson, Montreal; J. A. Stevenson, London; W. McCausland and lady, Aylmer; D. M. Tait, Duart; G. Leitch, do; J. M. Tait, Glenoe; G. A. Schmidt, Detroit; W. Patterson, Iona; Wm. Wastie, do; J. Chunas, South Dorchester; W. E. Sealass, Aylmer, Jno. Spearman, Guelph; L. Noble, Glenoe; H. Whitcomb, do; H. Cushing, Alvinston; J. Bradshaw, do; H. N. Gales, Morpeth. Thursday, 19—J. Treble, Oliver Mitchell, Brownsville; R. W. Lutney, M. C. Sinclair, London; J. B. Barrett, Chicago; J. Challen, Brantford; J. S. Arthur, Berlin, H. Jackson, A. J. Vance, Orillia; J. Crookshanks, Morpeth; W. D. Gillelan, J. T. Vincent, Wm. McLean, Jos. Hagne, Toronto, and 18 members of the St. Salem Combination.

ST. THOMAS MARKETS.

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SLIPS OF THE PEN.

If Americans go to Pekin, China, why should John Chinaman not come to peck in America?

Some men are like brooks—they are always murmuring.

'Yes,' said a young lady who was possessed of a fine voice, 'I'm often asked to appear in public, but—'

'But what?' observed a friend. 'Well,' she replied, 'I should never be able to sustain my part, I am so easily decomposed.'

'Who brayed there?' asked a member of the Canada House of Commons, of the persons who were trying by interruption to silence him.

'It was an echo,' retorted a voice.

A little five-year-old, who was hungry one night recently, just at bed time, but didn't wish to ask directly for something more to eat, put it in this way—

'Mother, are little children who starve to death happy after they die?'

A good big slice of bread-and-butter was the answer.

A little girl of three, wanting to help set the table, was given an article to carry but doubt was expressed as to her ability to reach high enough to place it on the table. By standing on tip-toe it was done, and, running to her mother, she cried out—

'I did it, mamma, but I had to stand on my hind legs!'

A three-year old little girl was taught to close her evening prayer, during the temporary absence of her father, with, 'And please watch over my papa.' It sounded very sweet, but the mother's amazement may be imagined when the child added, 'And you'd better keep an eye on mamma, too.'

'Papa, they don't have any stone in Ireland, do they?' asked a little boy, the other day. 'Yes, my boy; but why do you ask such a question?' 'Because, papa, I thought it was all sham-rock over there.'

A school boy being asked by his teacher how he should flog him, replied: 'If you please, sir, I should like to have it on the Italian system of penmanship—the heavy strokes upward and the downward ones light.'

An old farmer whose zeal at grace was hardly sufficient to suppress his appetite used to end his prayer in the following unpolished manner: 'And bless us all for Christ's sake Joe pass the potatoes.'

It is better not to ask too many questions about the future. A curious husband—that is, a husband who was too curious—asked his wife—

'My dear, what kind of a stone do you think they will give me when I am gone?' She replied, coolly—

'Bristonstone, John!'

'Is there anything that will make grain come up quick?' asked a rich amateur farmer of an old husbandman.

'Well, no, I don't know of nothin' that will do it,' was the genial old fellow's reply, 'unless it be crows.'

Then the amateur farmer wanted to know where he could get some.

A plain spoken woman recently visited a married woman, and said to her—

'How do you manage to amuse yourself?'

'Amuse!' said the other; 'don't you know I have my housework to do?'

'Yes,' was the reply, 'I see that you have it to do; but, as it is never done, I conclude that you must have some other way of passing your time.'

A Yankee, who had never paid more than twenty-five cents to see an exhibition, went to a New York theatre one night to see the Forty Thieves. The ticket-seller charged him seventy-five cents for a ticket. Passing the pasteboard back, he quietly remarked—

'Keep it, mister; I don't want to see the other thirty-nine, and out be marched.'

A lady living in this town sent for the Chief of Police the other day, and complained to him that her husband had, in the most cruel manner, kept her a prisoner at home for the last ten days.

'Ah,' said the chief, 'does he lock the doors on you?'

'Certainly not!'

'Does he have somebody to guard you, and keep you from going out?'

'No, indeed; not he!'

'Well, does he—does he t-t-tie you to anything?'

'No, sir; he dare not!'

'Well, I should say, madam, that—pray excuse me—that you have about all the freedom you could want.'

'Gracious heavens!' exclaimed the lady, with clinched fingers and flashing eyes, 'a horrid mouse tied to the top of the box with my Sunday bonnet in it, and you talk to me about all the freedom I could want!'

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