

DE NOBIS NOBILIBUS.

THE following note received from our comic editor will account for any gloomy tone in the present issue of the JOURNAL:

"DEAR SIR,—My nervous system is broken down and I feel compelled to resign my position as editor of De Nobis. The uncertain tenure of life, the awful threats of bodily harm to which in the last few weeks I have been compelled to listen, have been too much for my debilitated and dyspeptic frame and I must make an end. As such a large number of your readers object to being used to point a moral or adorn a tale, to having greatness thrust upon them through the columns of the JOURNAL, I can only retire and leave those persons to the innocuous desuetude for which nature has intended them. All arrears of salary I leave to the General Hospital.

Yours in sadness,

DE NOBIS EDITOR."

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Mr. G.—"An unnecessary evil, sir."

In the House of Commons (Saturday evening). Leader of the Opposition.—"I ask the Leader of the Government why the great Italian, Signor Roasti Peanutti, has not made his intended visit to the Capital."

Premier.—"He would have been here ere now, but has had trouble in getting his monkey through the customs. He also travels with an elephant and cannot get his trunk checked."

On Xmas Day an Ottawa minister, whom Queen's students esteem it a privilege to hear, narrated a dream descriptive of an ideal city. It was done in delightful style, and the art with which the problems of the day were touched and solutions suggested was a pleasing variety of Homiletics. But one good old lady missed the sermon. She was loyal to her minister, however, and therefore she liked his dream, she said, "though some didn't. And then you know Mr. — has a hard time now. His children have the measles, and I suppose he hadn't time to get up a sermon."

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