

Stage Whispers.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—Lovers of fine acting will not fail to see Miss MARY ANDERSON to-night in "Parthenia;" Saturday Matinee, "The Lady of Lyons," and Saturday evening, "Bianca, the Italian Wife."

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE.—The WILLIAMSONS remainder of this week in "Struck Oil," concluding with the Chinese Question."

LOTTA has received from Messrs. ABBEY & SCIOEFFEL a salary of \$1,500 per week, and has all her expenses paid besides.

MODJESKA says that WILHELM is a terrible flirt, and is more renowned in Warsaw for his gallantries than for his musical accomplishments.

It is reported that Count JOANNES wears a steel shirt. When he heard of the shot at the Czar he exclaimed, "But few of us are left unscathed."

Neither woman nor any other wind instruments will be permitted after June 1st in the choirs of the churches in the Catholic diocese of Montreal.

Mlle. CATARINO MARCO has quarreled with Manager STRAKOSI, and left his company. The manager now says that her name is KATE SMITH, and that she cannot sing.

FRANK BANGS speaks of E. L. DAVENPORT and EDWIN BOOTH as men without genius. They supported him once in *Julius Cæsar*, and he ought to know.—*New Orleans Picayune*.

The comedy of "Our Boys" has been played 1850 times consecutively at a London theatre, and will soon be followed by "Our Girls." It is different in this country. Here our girls are followed by our boys. But perhaps it is leap year in England.

The Misses EVARTS have been among the Washington ladies who, during the past winter, have shown so great an enthusiasm for the writings of SHAKESPEARE. Seventy five of the ladies most highly placed in the society of that city have been reading Gentle WILL's works in classes.

LESTER WALLACK, according to the *Boston Herald*, has ordered a \$1,000 monument of Westerly granite placed over MONTAGUE's grave in Greenwood Cemetery. The stone will be perfectly plain, with the exception of the monogram "H. J. M." the names "MONTAGUE" and "H. J. MANN" cut in relief.

Mrs. ROUSBY, the English actress, whose death is announced, owed her success on the stage almost wholly to her personal beauty. Her visit to this country was only partly successful from an artistic point of view, but the personal beauty and grace of the actress and her refinement of manner were greatly admired.

Mr and Mrs. BARRYMORE speak in the highest terms of the sympathy and kindness of the citizens of Marshall, Tex. Every attention and courtesy were shown to them. Mr. BARRYMORE's sick-room was a bower of flowers, sent in by ladies, and every delicacy in the way of fruit and game that could tempt his palate was abundantly supplied. Mr. BARRYMORE says that if the shooting had occurred in the daytime CURRIE would certainly have been lynched before he had ever reached the jail. There is not the slightest sympathy for him in the community. He is said to have murdered seven men and three women.



TENDERS for COAL, 1879

Public Institutions of Ontario.

The Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities for Ontario will receive tenders up to noon of

Saturday, 10th May,

for the delivery of the following quantities of coal at the sheds of the institutions named, on or before 1st July, 1879, as follows:—

Asylum for the Insane, Toronto.

800 tons hard coal, large egg; 175 tons stove size; 250 tons soft coal.

Asylum for the Insane, London.

1,500 tons soft coal; 200 tons hard, large egg; and 80 tons chestnut.

Asylum for the Insane, Kingston.

1,600 tons soft coal; 50 tons hard, large egg; 40 tons small egg; and 10 tons chestnut.

Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton.

800 tons soft coal (100 tons to be delivered at the pumping house in the city, the remainder at the Asylum sheds); 25 tons hard, chestnut; and 25 tons stove size.

Central Prison, Toronto.

750 tons soft coal, and 60 tons hard, stove size.

Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville.

550 tons soft coal; 80 tons hard, small egg; and 20 tons stove size.

Institution for the Blind, Brantford.

350 tons soft coal; 150 tons hard, stove size.

The hard coal to be either Pittston, Scranton, or Lehigh. Tenderers to name the mine or mines from which the soft coal is to be taken, and the exact quality of the same; and if required, to produce satisfactory evidence that the coal delivered is true to name. All coal to be delivered by 1st July, in a manner satisfactory to the authorities of the respective institutions.

Two sufficient securities will be required for the due fulfilment of the contract, or each of the contracts, as the tenders will be received for the whole supply specified or for each institution separately.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

J. W. LANGMUIR.

Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities.

Toronto, April 22, 1879.

"GRIP" Now in its sixth year and Twelfth Volume, and more popular and influential than ever before.

Press Notices of Recent Numbers.

The happy talent of *Grip's* artist for presenting the situation at a glance was never more conspicuous than in the recent cartoon, wherein the well-known N.P. Elephant was fondling its new-born irredeemable-currency offspring, while Sir John adjoined Mr. Tilley not to kill the calf, as they might want to ride it in the next political campaign.—*The Globe*, Apr. 28th.

Canada, following in our footsteps, already has its protective tariff and its growing Chinese question, and is being further Americanized by the development of the germs of a Greenback party. Its "rag baby" was successfully ushered into the world at a meeting recently held at St. Catharines, Ontario, where resolutions in favour of a Canadian paper currency were adopted. *Grip*, the Canadian Punch, in a recent number, hits off the situation capitally; the new issue being represented as the offspring of the Protection elephant. Sir John Macdonald, who rode into power on the parent animal, gazes on the calf with an expression of sly satisfaction, and says to a supporter, "Don't kill it, let it thrive; who knows but it may be our biggest card next time we go through the country." Well more unlikely things have happened.—*Boston*, (U.S.) *Traveller*.

The Yanko-Canadian Troops.

Mr. GRIP has just received the following extraordinary epistle from one who by his title would be supposed to hold high rank in the U. S. Service. It was marked private, but we won't keep it private. Does he mean to tamper with our loyalty or integrity by offering us the lucrative and dignified post of sutler? We tell him boldly, we will not!

(Private).

KALAMAZOO, May 7th, 1879.

To Mr. GRIP:

I see from your papers that there is some excitement in Canada about one of your officers trying to raise men in our free and glorious kenry to help in defending your effete old empire from the attack of what ever enemy may come along. Its nateral, quite nateral he should look across the lines, and cast his anxious eye on our noble State of Michigan, where, resting on their hard earned laurels, are thousands of the heroes of Bull Run, Cow Bluff, Coon Hill, Big Shanty, and a hundred other bloody engagements wherein our valiant Michiganders have distinguished themselves.

I don't know exactly what enemy the gallant Colonel had in his eye when he made the proposition.

"It might have been a Rooshan,
A Spaniard or a Prooshan,
Or perhaps a Fe-ni-an—"

and I don't care, but I am prepared to raise for your Government say ten thousand or more Michiganders, and will guarantee that they will clean out any given quantity of whatever foreigners are brought to face them. This I am prepared to do on the following terms and conditions, viz.:

1. That I, Gen. CHEESIT, have sole command, untrammelled by any interference of your horse or other guards.
2. That the men shall wear a uniform of the graceful American pattern, but blue in front and red behind, characteristic of the nature of their transpontine service, and the badge on the men's chacos and accoutrements be a Spread Eagle over a Lion Rampant, with the motto, "*Honi soit qui pluribus unum!*"
3. That the force be called the Cheesit Brigade.
4. (*Business is business*). A bounty of one thousand dollars for every enlisted man, (often paid more to put down the cussed Rebellion), and that I have liberty to draw on your treasury for such amounts according as the men are sworn in.

There are my terms, and if you through your well-known great influence will, by your voice with your Minister of Defence aid me in this, you shall not be forgotten. I will make you a sutler in the first campaign we are engaged in. Kindly reply in confidence to

Brig.-Gen. NIXIE C. CHEESIT,

Kalamazoo, Mich., U. S.

Mr. A.—"Since you became a landlord I suppose you are more easy in your circumstances." Mr. B.—"On the contrary I have now lesses."

H. R. H. the Princess LOUISE is painting a picture of Mrs. SCOTT-SIDDONS, who is a personal friend, and a welcome visitor at the vice-regal residence in Ottawa.

Oil paintings are now imitated, according to the *Photographic News*, by painting in oil on the back of a photograph rendered transparent by means of Canada balsam, and then running them through a press to give the desired surface.