

EVERY MAN TO HIS TRADE.

The Horse Reporter Writes Up a Musical Entertainment.

The other night the dramatic man found himself with a tragedy, an opera, and a benefit concert on his hands. He couldn't attend to them all himself, and he finally concluded to get one of the boys to help him out.

"Got anything in particular to do tonight?" "Well, I want you to go around and report the concert."

"Write a notice of the concert tonight. You needn't give me more than two stick-fuls, and fix it up the best you know how."

"Well, the matter with that chap in there that comes around after tips every day, and in always cousin me cause his don't win?"

"You mean the dramatic editor?" "Yes."

"Oh, he's got two theatres on his hands, and ain't got time to attend to the concert, too."

"Well, by the memory of Hickory Jim, if here ain't a pretty go. Say, have you got any sneaking idea that I'll strike the winning combination?"

"Oh, yes, you'll do it all right." "And you'll guarantee that the boss won't claim a foul and rule me off the course?"

"Yes, I'll fix that." "All right, then; give me a ticket to the grand stand, and I'll fix you up, if I don't get distance in the first heat."

So the city editor produced the pass, and the horse reporter, after punching a hole through it and tying it to his button-hole with a white string, stalked out.

In about three hours he reappeared with a sort of a doubtful air about him, and, with a glance at a lithograph of Parole over his desk by way of refreshment, sharpened his pencil and waded in.

When he had finished he handed his copy to the editor, and vanished like smoke. The article wasn't used in the dramatic column next morning; the city editor didn't seem to think it exactly appropriate, but he read it to the boys, and they all thought it was a shame to kill it.

It went as follows: There was an excellent crowd present at the concert last night, the grand stand being well filled in every part.

NATURAL GAS GUSHERS.

THE PROVINCIAL COMPANY'S EXTENDED OPERATIONS.

The Wells in the Niagara Peninsula—Immense Output from the Completed Series—What a Well is Like—Future of Natural Gas.

PORT COLBORNE, Aug. 4.—The Provincial Natural Gas, Light and Fuel Company (limited) has exclusive drilling rights over 48,000 acres of 75 square miles of land in the southern and eastern parts of the county of Welland.

Although operations were commenced scarcely more than a year ago there are now 10 wells completed, with a combined capacity of 22,000 feet per day.

Of the ten wells which have been drilled eight are good producers. The wells are about a mile apart. The centre of the group is 11 miles from Burdett, 13 miles from Niagara Falls, 19 miles from St. Catharines, 45 miles from Hamilton, and about 60 miles in a straight line from Toronto.

The cost of piping is about \$7000 a mile. An important factor in conducting gas great distances is the pressure it has at the well. So far the gauge has shown a rock pressure of over 500 feet to the inch.

The company commenced drilling in July, 1889, in the township of Bertie, on the farm of Philip Zavitz. The well was continued to a depth of 845 feet, when a flow equal to 1,700,000 cubic feet per day was obtained.

With a rock pressure of 525 pounds. The second well, which is about half a mile north on Elmon Zavitz's farm, was not so successful. Drilling was stopped at 831 feet below the surface.

This well produces 400,000 feet a day, and has a rock pressure of 640 pounds. About a mile to the west, in the township of Humberstone, the third well was sunk on Jonas Zavitz's farm.

The capacity of this well is 700,000 feet per day. It has a rock pressure of 510 pounds, and is 836 feet deep. The fourth well is "gusher." It is in the township of Bertie, on the farm of Daniel T. Zavitz.

The output of this well reaches the enormous figure of 7,000,000 feet per day, more than three times the total daily consumed in Toronto.

It is a remarkable fact that the rock pressure of this well is lighter than some of the less productive, being 225 pounds to the inch. The depth is 842 feet. To compensate for this success the next well was a total failure, and has been abandoned by the company.

The seventh, which is on the farm of Adam Smith, Humberstone, produces 2,600,000 feet, and has a depth of 846 feet. A second failure occurred on the farm of J. A. Barnhardt, Bertie, and the well was abandoned.

The ninth well, situated on Daniel Neve's farm, Humberstone, yielded 2,400,000 feet at a depth of 831 feet. No. 10, the last that has been completed, is another "gusher." It blows 600,000 feet a day from a depth of 872 feet.

THEY RAWHIDED THE COUNT.

Mrs. Price and Her Sister Beat Gallant a recent Victim.

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—Count Achille Vidal, who two weeks ago was nearly pounded to death by Sol Price and the latter's burly brother, received a vigorous cowhiding last evening.

The punishment was received at the hands of Mrs. Price and her sister. The Count, who is a notorious gambler, received a daintily written note, signed Marks, making an appointment at 8 1/2 o'clock. He was on hand to meet the fair unknown, when he was confronted by the two women, who began to lay on the rawhides. With a shriek of pain Vidal beat a hasty and ungraceful retreat, closely followed by the women.

A few weeks ago the Count was compelled by Sol Price to take a midair jump from a second story window and later had his beauty disfigured in a fight. Until yesterday the Count had disappeared from public gaze. So had Mrs. Price, whose irascibility had caused all the trouble. Mr. Price after for a divorce from his wife the day after he forced the gay Count to jump through the window, but it would seem that he has since patched up the difficulty with the gay Mrs. Price, and has been restored to her old place in his affections.

His ravishing may have been Mrs. Price's affidavit that she is no longer in love with the Count.

DESTRUCTIVE HAILSTORM.

It is Estimated 100,000 Acres of Manitoba Wheat Are Ruined.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 4.—Fuller accounts of the damage done by the storm on Friday night have been received, and show the loss to the wheat crop to be greater than at first reported. At Deloraine, 300 miles south of Winnipeg, the hail belt is said to have been four townships wide, narrowing down to a mile and a half as it proceeded east, leaving destruction in its wake.

Mr. Shaughnessy's Estimate. MONTREAL, Aug. 4.—Mr. T. G. Shaughnessy, assistant president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, estimates on the basis of recent telegrams that the Northwest grain crop will amount to 17,000,000 bushels, of which 12,000,000 will be for export.

INCENDIARIES SUSPECTED.

A Mysterious Fire at London the Loss Estimated at \$10,000.

LONDON, Ont., Aug. 4.—Another mysterious fire occurred this morning, which was most disastrous in its results. The watchman at Michaluk's old oil refinery noticed a flash proceeding from the roof of Lagway's lard oil manufactory about 5 o'clock this morning and telephoned to both fire stations and the brigades were promptly on hand, but they were unable to do anything but save adjoining buildings. The proprietors save their loss at about \$1000. They are an entire loss to account for the fire unless it was incendiary.

THE NEW BISHOP OF LONDON.

Dean O'Connor of Sandwich Appointed to the See of the Vanities.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—The Catholic Union has the following cable from Rome: Rev. Dennis O'Connor of Sandwich, Ont., Superior of the Basilian Fathers, has been appointed Bishop of London, Ont., to succeed Mr. Walsh, who was made Archbishop of Toronto last year.

By decree of the Holy Office the faithful will be allowed the use of fresh meat on Friday, Aug. 16. The dispensation is granted in honor of the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin.

ODDS AND ENDS.

President Carnot is said to be the most tastefully dressed public man in France.

Only a master. "My sister and I each tried a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters with great success for bilious headache. We recommend it to all as a specific for headache."

James G. Blaine and Colonel H. O. Parsons, who have crossed the Virginia natural bridge property for several years, sold it last week to a syndicate for \$300,000.

There is more fun in a sheet of sticky fly paper than in the average negro minstrel. Watch the kitchen piping with it on the new carpet; the latter is ruined for ever; the kitchen goes into a fit and all the women and children rush out of the house in terror.

Count Toisot's health is improved considerably, but he is yet feeble, and all sorts of physical exertion have been forbidden. But he is delicately at work writing. He has finished a book entitled "An Epilogue to the Kreuzer Sonata."

Consumption Surely Cured. TO THE EDITOR.—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their Express and P.O. address.

There he is again, first on my nose, then in my ear, and I dare not open my mouth for fear he should fly down my throat. Hello, John, just run over to the drug store and buy a packet of Wilson's Fly Poison Pads. I can't stand this any longer. Price 10c. Sold by all druggists.

Gay de Maupassant's new novel, "Our Heart," is the literary sensation of the moment. It is by Guy de Maupassant, who for seven years before he allowed himself to publish a line, but he is now publishing at the rate of two novels a year.

Trouble at Helms. Mrs W H Brown of Helms, Man., states that two of her children and two others belonging to a neighbor, were cured of the worst form of summer complaint by one bottle of Dr Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry, nature's specific for all summer ailments.

Muley Hassan, Sultan of Morocco, on whose life an attempt was made last week, succeeded Sultan Muley Mahomed Sept. 26, 1873. He is absolute monarch.

Regulate the Liver and Bowels by the judicious use of National Pills, they are purely vegetable.

There is a flourishing Japanese club in New York, of which nearly every native of Japan in the city is a member. The president is the present vice-consul, Teijiro Kito, who is thirty-six years old and married.

Party Politics. When party politics run high bad feeling and bad blood are often caused, but all parties agree that when bad blood arises from ordinary causes the only satisfactory cure is Burdock Blood Bitters, nature's blood purifier. Recommended by the medical profession.

Hubert Herkomer has recently been made a member of the Royal Arts Academy in Berlin. He received one of the grand medals at the Berlin Art Exhibition of 1886.

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We are sorry to record this week the death of Mrs Punshard, wife of Mr J H Punshard, of Seaford, which took place on Sunday morning last after a long illness of consumption. She was a talented and worthy lady, and her death is a severe affliction to her husband and family.

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