

Theatre Royal, Front Street.

The management of the great theatre of Ontario announce great attractions for the coming season. The new stock company has been carefully selected, and a few persons who obtained engagements by improper means have been rejected and their places filled up by better qualified performers. The sentence of temporary suspension has been found to answer in a good many cases, and it is hoped may act as a warning. The quartette performances of last year will no longer be given, but two admirable double part artists, Messrs. M. C. CAMERON and W. MACDOUGALL have been engaged and will make their appearance as the two *Dromios* in SHAKESPEARE'S "Comedy of Errors." Mr. MCKELLAR'S loss is much deplored and the management fear that it will be impossible to replace him, but Mr. CROOKS will again appear in his new characters *Dr. Pangloss* and *Holofernes*. The opening scene of the "Taming of the Shrew" will be given, to enable Mr. PARDEE an opportunity of displaying his peculiar talents. It is hoped that before the close of the season Mr. RYKERT may re-appear as *Prospero* with his magic book in the burlesque of the "Tempest" in which he has drawn such crowded houses before. Mr. FRASER will, as before, take the places of "stump speaker" in the variety business and of Irish Comedian, and Mr. LAUDEK will be the walking gentleman of the company. A magnificent Christmas pantomime is in preparation, entitled "Sing a song of Sixpence, or Harlequin and the Debutante Pic." In this Mr. S. C. WOOD will make his first appearance in leading business. The scenery has been painted expressly by Mr. PATTERSON of the *Mail*, and is said to include a brilliant transformation scene involving an entire change of Government. Great things are expected of Mr. MACDOUGALL, the new harlequin, and Miss CAMERON is always welcome as *Columbine*. In the event of Mr. RYKERT'S return, he will of course appear as clown, and it is yet unsettled who will take Mr. MCKELLAR'S place as *Pantaloon*. It is to be sincerely hoped that the error of the last two or three seasons will be avoided, and that such wretched melodrama as "The Proton Outrage" will not be nightly played over and over again to empty benches. Some of the farces were excellent but suffered similarly from repetition, for instance "Little Mrs. —," "How about that fence?" "Out for a holiday" &c. This error we believe is to be avoided and an entirely new *repertoire* has been determined on for the season. The number of perfectly new members that have been engaged for the company is remarkable, and it is curious to learn that quite a number profess themselves willing to act as scene-shifters although not a few are desirous of making their debuts in tragedy or high comedy. The representation of the "School for Scandal" which will be among the first pieces played, will probably give us a chance of seeing what the young ones are good for. We regret extremely to hear that the Hon. G. BROWN is likely again to act as stage manager, a position for which he is singularly unqualified.

The Musical World.

The individual who wrote that beautiful ballad:—"Im lonely since my mother died," had no reference to his mother-in-law.

THE author of "Then you'll remember me," did not dedicate his song to the Stipendiary Magistrate. There was no occasion for his doing so.

Legs Talionis.

Your lower limbs seemed far from stout,
When last I saw you walk,
The cause I presently found out,
When you began to talk.

The power that props the body's length,
In due proportion spread,
In you mounts upwards, and the strength
All settles in your head.

Croaks and Pecks.

A disease produced by loss of credit—Tick doloreux.

By AN UNLICENSED OCULIST.—An eye swear—a cursory glance.

MATHEMATICAL PROFESSORSHIP.—The report of the recent appointment was a loud 'n.

If the Queen's Own had hotly given chase on Sunday last, it would not have surprised any one as they had an Otter in front of them.

THE Sunday riots in Toronto should be a warning to Masonic processionists to beware of corner stones.

A GLORIOUS SIGHT FOR PROTESTANTISM.—Young Britons on their (or rather the corporation's) metal.

THE Catholic League mustered in full force among the pilgrims. We udge so from the "numbers" that were on exhibition.

MR. LA FLAMME'S reason for declining a judgeship—*le jeu ne vaut pas la chandelle*.

AN Orange lodge in Toronto is so careful that it will not admit to membership a person with a Roman nose.

A curly headed juvenile fresh from the sea-side said what he liked best there were, the Bath buns.

No letter from Dr. RYERSON has appeared in the *Mail* or *Leader*, for several days. The Dr. is getting kinder and kinder.

JON had boils and it was counted to him for virtue that he did not complain. How would it have been if he had had the tooth-ache?

It is melancholy to think that the members of the Institut Canadien have determined to stone GUMBORD'S remains in revenge for the stoning of the Toronto pilgrims.

WE are justified in saying that Archbishop LYNCH does not intend to write any letters to the newspapers in defence of the Toronto rioters. His letters on the GUMBORD affair explain his views.

It is gratifying to learn that Mr. CANAVAN is fairly in the field as a candidate for West Toronto. He says he won't retire. The Conservative Association say he will. We cannot say whether he will or not.

QUEEN'S BENCH WIT.—Counsel (*jocularly addressing Chief Justice Richards at the rising of the court*) "The bench will be much relieved by your rising." Chief Justice (*partly*) "The Bench will be much relieved by your sitting down."

HON. C. F. FRASER carries his arm in his sling since Saturday last. Hourly bulletins are issued respecting this wounded member of the Government.

THAT unflagging bearer of the stars and stripes, Sergt. BATES, is said to be in London. He is in the vicinity of the lunatic asylum. Why need he go further.

WHERE'S PROTON NIXON?—A discharged Great Western official, who has a bad cold in his head, writes to us that they have a Broughton outrage on that railway. If that writer were still in office we could agree with him.

THE *Irish Canadian* has discovered that the rioters who threw stones at the procession, at the corner of Church and Queen streets, were methodist local preachers who had free ingress to and egress from the Metropolitan Church.

A MARTYR TO CONVICTION.—It is said that a conscientious young churchman has resigned his position as a full private in the Queen's Own Rifles, from conscientious scruples. He says there is too much ritual about the drill to suit his views.

PUNY.—Will early rising benefit the constitution? The recent rapid promotion of one of the Ontario judges leads us to think that an answer in the affirmative is not as of course. By his elevation, Vice Chancellor STRONG is said to have become a puaise judge!

SUPREME CONTEMPT.—A satirical Division Court practitioner, who was not offered a judgeship in the Supreme court, says that (judging from the mediocre abilities of some of the new judges) the Supreme Court will be a court of last resort.

LATEST FROM MONTREAL.—SMITH TO JONES, (*A wealthy depositor in the Jacques Cartier Bank*)—"Were you not awfully upset when the bank suspended?"

JONES TO SMITH, (*A veritable Job's comforter*)—"Not at all, my dear fellow, I merely lost my balance."

Exit SMITH humming "I know a bank where the wild thyme blows."

ON reading Senator FABRE'S language respecting the formation of a new party in Quebec, with the extremes of all other parties left to themselves, we could find no means to express our delight save by breaking into song. Naturally enough we poured forth "*Voici le Fabre de mon pere*" to a nipping and an eager air from the Duchess.

ENIGMA FOR YOUNG LADIES.—We are almost twins of all sizes, shapes and materials; we are of all colors of the rainbow; we are so attached to each other that if one be lost the other is useless; we have caused the imprisonment of kings and yet at the accession of the sovereign one of us is protected by the chivalry of England. Let one of us be cast own and taken up and death will often result. Now behold us and cut off our tail, and the ruler of the camp, the court, the grave appears.—(Answers to be sent in before Thursday next.)

IN the Pastoral of the Quebec Bishops reference is to be made to the part of the clergy in politics. It states:—"The priest and the bishop may thus in all justice and should in conscience raise their voice, point out the danger and authoritatively declare that the vote on such a side is a sin, that to do such an act makes them liable to the censures of the church." Suppose a clear grit priest directs a vote to be cast in favor of one party and a conservative priest be equally positive in favor of another, and a Canada First bishop insists on a third party being supported and all threaten church censures against those who disobey; What then? Further, if a voter must vote under penalty of excommunication as the priest directs what is the use of appealing to the voter at all? Why not canvas and address the priests merely?