#### THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage" and all the men and women merely players."

#### \*\*\*\* THE MINSTRELS.

The sale of tickets for the Football boys' minstrel production has been exceptionally large and it is expected that the entire house will be sold out. The plan opens at the Central Drug Store on Friday morning, on which day the souvenir programs will also be distributed.

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The whole production will be an exceedingly pleasing one. Among the soloists are Messrs. Shaver, tenor, of Toronto, Coatsworth, Angus, Gilleland, Wilson, Gunn and others. The endmen specialties will be in charge of Ed. Burns, Walt. Scane, Burney Weldon, J. G. Kerr, J. W. Plewes, W. A. Coltart, Messrs. Sharts and Dooling and others. Dooling and others.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:-Feb. 23-Glick Stock Co. for the re mainder of the week.

March 2-City Football Club Minstrels, local production under the musical direction of Wm. H. Brackin.

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THE GLICK STOCK CO.

The Glick Stock Company appear in their opening performance, "North Carolina Folks," a beautiful light drama, at the Grand to-night. Between each act up-to-date specialties will be rendered.

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or each night.

To-night is ladies' night, each lady accompanied with a gentleman or with one paid ticket, will be admitted free.

Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.

#### BRAINS AND POLITICS.

The Former at a Discount as Compared With Blind Devotion-Colleagues Mr. Gladstone Loved.

'Coming down to the common race of men, we assert that brains, by themselves, are a positive disadvant-age to a political aspirant. In the first place clever men are more prone age to a pointern aspirant. In the first place clever men are more prone to miscalculate their chances than their less imaginative compeers. To drop into stock exchange slang, they will not take small profits, but always gamble for big stakes, and so they must often lose. Sixteen years ago Sir John Gorst refused the Solicitor-Generalship with the certainty of a judgeship, a few years later he refused the post of Governor of the Cape and High Commissioner of South Africa. These are profits which in life's speculation most men would take thankfully; but our man of talent had something bigger in his gead; and now it has dwindled down to the Isle of Man, which Is, of course, angrily rejected. Then in the second place, men of brains cannot easily acquire the habit of subcourse, angrily rejected. Then in the second place, men of brains cannot easily acquire the habit of subordinating their judgment to that of their official chiefs. Nothing is more unpleasant, or injurious to one's self-respect, than the compulsion of speaking or voting for something which one is clever enough to know to be nonsensical or mischievous. And yet unquestioning obedience to superiors is the first duty of the aspirant for, as Swift observed, "climbing and creeping are performed in the same attitude." The reason why brilliant men like Mr. Labouchere and Mr. Gibson Bowles, who combine wit and industry and courage, never get office is that they will not take their orders from other people, and that they prefer the luxury of thinking and speaking freely to that of sitting on the front bench. It is astonishing how intolerant party leaders are of anything like independence or originality in their associates, and how fond they are of supple mediocritics and cheerful drudges. Mr. Childres and Mr. Dodson were the colleagues whom Mr. Gladstone

Mr. Childres and Mr. Dodson were the colleagues whom Mr. Gladstone loved, and Sir William Harcourt and Mr. Lowe those whom he distrusted and disliked. Lord Reaconsfield inand disliked. Lord Beaconsfield indeed was indulgent to rebels, but that was because he had such a perfect contempt for his own party. Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain are like all the rest; they do not love the criticism of their friends a whit better than their predecessors, and they snuff up the incense of bilnd and dumb worshippers quite as greedily.

"Flattery's the food of fools, they say, But now and then your men of wit Will condescend to take a bit.

We often hear it said that these clever men have failed because they are "disloyal," and this is much harped upon. But in this respect a man is what the world makes him. The "spretae injuria formae" is apt to be somewhat bitter, and how can a man be loyal to chiefs who do not conceal their distrust of his brilliancy, and who grueinely allow him to. conceal their distrust of his brilliancy, and who grudgingly allow him to do the merest routine? It is not difficult to understand why so many clever men fail in politics; but the understanding of the reason does not make the fact less pathetic. The wear which we should recommend to all who are setting out on their journey across the plain of politics is a material soft to the touch, impervious to weather, and of so sober a pattern as to escape attention.—London Saturday Review.

Identification by Finger Print. The value of finger prints as means of identification was recently called in question in a London court. It was ascertained that an erroneous print had been forwarded in the case of a particular prisoner, and the charge of inaccuracy therefore fell to

## A Strong Man

Is strong all over. No man can be strong who is suffering from indigestion or some other disease of the stomach and its associated organs of digestion and nutrition. For when the stomach is diseased there is

its associated organs of an utrition. For when the stomach is diseased there is a loss of the nutrition contained in food, which is the source of all physical strength. When a man doesn't feel just right, when he doesn't feel just right, when he doesn't sleep well, has an uncomfortable feeling in the stomach after eating, is languid, nervous and irritable, he is losing the nutrition needed to make strength.

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Mr. Thomas A. Swerts, of Sub. Station Columbus, Ohio, Box 102, writes: "I was to very sick with severe headache, then craim; the stomach and my food would not digest, kidney and liver trouble and my back got so I could scarcely get around. The more I tored the worse I got until six years passe could only walk in the house by the aid chair, and I had given up to die. Then or my neighbors said, 'Take my advice and Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery make a new man out of yourself! The first le helped me and after I had taken eight tles in about six weeks I was weighed and f I had gained twenty-seven (29) pounds, a

ground. Mr. Francis Galton and Bertillon have elaborated this stem to a high degree of accuracy, and taken in conjunction with certain physical measurements it may be regarded as unique in its power of settling identities. The Chinese ages ago adopted a similar system. They were apparently aware of the fact that no two parsons have the late. that no two persons have the skin lines at the ends of the fingers de-veloped in precisely the same way. The system which is in use in English police practice, has had a long and extensive trial in France. It is now employed in America and in several of our own colonies.—London Chronicle.

Often Used Without Credit.

A happy example of French wit was the reply of Voltaire, when, having extolled Hailer, he was told that he was very generous, since Haller had said the very contrary of him. "Perhaps both of us are mistaken," said the wit, after a short pause. We doubt, however, if any French mot or repartee ever surpassed in delicacy the reply made by an East Indian servant of Lord Dufferin, when he was Viceroy of India: "Well, what sort of sport has Lord had?" said Dufferin one day to his "shi-karry," or sporting servant, who had attended a young English lord on a shooting excursion. "Oh!" replied the scrupulously polite Hindoo, "the the scrupulously polite Hindoo, "the young Sahib shoot divinely. But God was very merciful to the hirds."

School Gardens.

In many of the continental cities and in some few American cities gardens are laid out in the neighborhood of public schools, and the children are taught to cultivate them.

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### THE MARKET REPORTS.

Grain is Firmer-Better Demand For Live Stock-Latest Quotations.

Friday Evening, Feb. 20.

Toronto St. Lawrence Market.

Receipts at the market to-day were heavier than they have been for some time, and business was consequently somewhat more brisk. The total grain receipts amounted to 2,300 bushels.

Wheat—White wheat showed an easier the street of the second at 12½c and the second at 12½c and the second at 12½c and the second at 12½c.

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Barley—The market is firm for good grain, which sold at 50c per bushel. Inferior quality sold easier at 47c. Altogether 800 bushels were on the market.

Oats—Continue steady, 300 bushels sold at 31c to 31½c per bushel.

Rye—One hundred bushels sold unchanged at 53½c per bushel.

Dressed Hogs—Business was somewhat brisker to-day, the receipts being heavier. Prices are unchanged at 33 to 32.26 per cwt for light-weight butcher hogs and \$1.50 to \$1.75 for heavies.

Hay—The market for No. 1 timothy is firmer at \$12 to \$14.50 per ton. Mixed or clover is steady at \$6 to \$3. Receipts amounted to 30 loads.

Straw—Quotations are about steady at \$9 to \$10 per ton. Two loads were on the market. Toronto St. Lawrence Market.

Trade conditions at the Toronto Cattle Market to-day were unchanged from those of the previous days of the week. Business was normally active, and prices are about steady for all kinds of cattle. The run of offerings was not large, and the quality was only moderately good. The total receipts on the market amounted to 49 cars, including 616 cattle, 522 sheep, 393 hogs and 15 calves.

Export Cattle—There was a firmer feeling on the market, although prices in most instances continued steady. About \$4.50 per cwt was paid for the best choice cattle, but some fancy lots were sold at higher prices. Quotations generally are unchanged, despite the better feeling, while the prospects are for a slightly firmer market

and the market is steady, with quotations unchanged. Hogs—The market is firmer in places, the price of selects is unchanged at \$5.50 per cwt, and of lights and fats firmer at the same price, \$5.50 per cwt. In addition to the number of cattle on sale, there were several loads in transit through from Chicago. Six cars were consigned to W. Levack. These cattle weighed from 1,400 to 1,500 lbs, and cost in Chicago from \$4.50 to \$4.80.

#### East Buffalo Cattle Market.

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East Buffalo, Feb. 20.—Cattle—Recelpts light; steady. Veals—Recelpts, 275 head; strong, 25c higher; tops, \$9.50 to \$19; common to good \$5.50 to \$9.25. Hogs—Recepts, 7,400 head; active at yesterday's closing; heavy, \$7.55 to \$7.60; mixed, \$7.50 to \$7.56; Yorkers, \$7.50; pigs, \$7.35 to \$7.45; roughs, \$6.25 to \$6.60; stags, \$5.25 to \$5.75. Sheep and lambs—Recelpts, 16,600 head; active, 16c to 25c higher; top lambs, \$7.10 to \$7.15; cull to good, \$4.50 to \$7; yearlings, \$5.50 to \$8; exs, \$4.75 to \$5; sheep, top mixed, \$5 to \$5.55; culls to good, \$2.25 to \$4.90.

### Chicago Live Stock.

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Chicago, Feb. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,-000; good to prime steers, \$5.50
poor to medium, \$3.25 to \$4.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.35 to \$4.55; canners, \$1.40 to \$2.50; heifers, \$2.20 \$4.75; canners, \$1.40 to \$2.50; bulls, \$2.20 \$4.25; calves, \$3.50 to \$8.25; Texas-fed steers, \$3.50 to \$4.25. Hogs—Receipts, 22.000; opened 10c higher; close advance lost; mixed and butchers, \$3.50 to \$7.70; rough heavy, \$7.55 to \$7.70; rough heavy, \$5.55 to \$7.70; rough heavy, \$5.50 to \$7.50; light, \$6.50 to \$7; bulk of sales, \$7 to \$7.30. Sheep—Receipts, 7,500; opened strong; closed weak; good to choice wethers, \$5 to \$5.76; fair to choice mixed, \$4 to \$5; native lambs, \$4.75. to \$7.

### Leading Wheat Markets.

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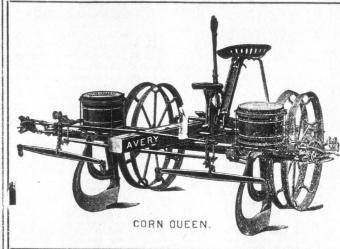
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