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FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8, 1882.

ANTHONY TROLLOPE. The death at a comperatively early age of Mr. Trollope removes a landmark which connects the present generation of writers with Dickens and Thackeray. Anthony Trollope was one of the rare instances of a distinctly inherited genius. His mother, After that may follow a reformation in the Mrs. Trollope, was a society novelist with a

letter strer the mannor in which letters are a play which will tend to bring into ridicule sentiments which a large part of the community hold as the most sacred known to men. The part of the Saviour is to be played by Rev. Mr. Wannemacher, a one-time temperance lecturer. Even in Gotham, where the play is shortly to be produced, the press disparages the proposal, and designates the men as theatrical speculators and not religious enthusiasts. It is expected the speculators will meet with little success. Let them.

THE LANCET AGAINST CANADIAN TRAVEL.

The tendency observable in many of the English journals to treat Canada and Canadian topics with lofty patronage or direct insult, is adopted from time to time even by such specialist papers as the London Lancet. That journal has in a late issue solemnly warned all whom it may concern of the danger of travelling in Canada or the United States, on account of danger to health from the close connection if the hotels between the basins in the guester apartments and the sewers. We are quite persuaded that this charge, which to our knowledge does not apply to the leading Toronto hotels, is without any further?

TORONTO REAL SCANDIAN SETTER ON TEMPERANCE.

In our neighbor the Mail had an article not long as owarning young men against political cule state and except to its an explicit answer to our request. Each of them, when the men and the my our reflect to is an explicit answer to our request. Each of them, when the men and the my our feet to is an explicit and the my our reflect to is an explicit and the my our reflect to is an explicit and were the all conditions as to our request. Each of them, when the men and represent mental condition as form the does term, she had a very reflant and every reflant as flewers the salt of the sarth. You our stand on the Egyptian prophecies, tell us where it can find the reason on which it is based incorrect as a matter of fact. Not only should and very right of the same prophecies are proposed and we will increase the sale of the sar Toronto hotels, is without any further foundation than the imagination of some British smellfungus travelling in the country, and as usual determined to find fault in some shape or form with the

THE PENAL CODE

manners and customs of the "colonists."

laws. It was rushed through the legislacontenting themselves with merely examining its title. This confession conspicuously reveals the methods of modern legis-

Your average legislater not only does not read, but he does not comprehend onetenth of the laws which are passed under his nose and by his vote. He has one or more pet schemes, and to get these through he is willing to dicker and bargain away, as in the instance of the code, the civil and religious liberty of his constituents.

This being the case, the Morning Journal of New York remarks as follows, and its remarks are applicable to Canada :-- , We have too much legislation; too many

legislators; too frequent legislative sessions. We want fewer laws, fewer law makers, and a legislative session not oftener than once every two years.

HE UNJUST STEWARD IN CONGRESS. The party late dominant in congress and office has been arraigned before their masters, the people, on the charge that it has wasted their substance. In like manner the republican party has heard the sen. bringing up this question. I have received tence, "get thee out of the stewardship, a copy of the annual address of Grand for thou mayest be no longer steward." But Master Thornburg of Arkansas, and here is like the unjust administrator in the parable, the defective ones have still a brief the liquor traffic : tenure of office. They seem late in the day government, and that their position may be retrieved by radical work in retrenshing wife and family of their natural protector the taxes imposed to raise internal revenue. Make his children orphans and paupers?

Were this the case they will get scant political capital by this move, for which and for any amendment in republican morality the democrate will be the gainers, if only their own record proves that they have the good of the nation more at heart than party and personal greed.

COSTLY FUNERALS.

In all matters of social extravagance none is to be more deplored than extravagance in funerals. Nowhere is parade and show in such bad taste as at the graves of the dead. Nodding plumes on gorgeous hearses may be very impressive, but the magnificence of funeral equipage and the number of attendant carriages do not measure the moral and carriages do not measure the moral and intellectual worth of the deceased. Especially is this expense of burying their dead a matter of importance to the moderately

poor. No one who buries likes to appear parsimonious, and the dealers in the trappings of woe fully understand this and make the most of it. What we need first is a reformation in the mode of modern funerals. Fewer flowers, less expensive caskets, fewer carriages, and less show in every particular. prices charged by the undertakers, florists

English parson from the position which his on the Egyptian prophecies, and as an

WORKINGMAN'S LETTER ON TEM-

(To the Editor of The World ) SIR; I would like to say a few words on the subject of total abstinence I see in your paper this morning about the Church of England and temperance work. Some of the men say that it is only for drunkards New York is agitated over the new to sign the pledge, but why not sign it penal code. It was not so much a new before you get to be a drunkard. When measure as it was a codification of existing you do that you can get others to sign the pledge, and then ask God to help you and ture, and now when an indignant public are asking for explanations the members of that legislature are rising one after the other and admitting that they never read the code—that they passed it wholesale, contenting themselves with merely examined the code of the day I ever signed the pledge. I thank God for christian life. It is the happiest life in this world. How many people are kept out of God's house by this strong days the second property of the proper drink. I have seen men in our church trembling under the influence of strondrink.

A WORKINGMAN.

Yorkville, Dec. 7, 1882. HOTEL MEN AND MASONS.

(To the Editor of The World.) SIR,-I read with inferest your pro and con statements regarding this subject. I am a hotel man and a mason, and I think I am no discredit to the order, whose traditions go back to Solomon and whose long roll of members had many worthy owners of hostelries therein. We hotel men pay our taxes and our debts, we are bringing up our families creditably, and we are not by any means the "toughs" that the temperance men try to make us out to be. It is the prohibitionist soreheads in our order that have started this movement. I remember when our present and respected grand master was in the liquor business, and at that time he was considered a rising CARLTON. Toronto, Dec 7, 1882.

(To the Editor of The World ) SIR: Igam glad to see the Freemaso what he has to say of masons engaged in

"And how, I ask, can any mason-engage in the traffic of the accursed stuff that inunto have come to the conclusion that they dates with ruin wherever it flows, a busines have lost the public confidence mainly be- from which flow as legitimate results more cause they failed to reduce the expenses of misery, sorrow, grief, vice and poverty than from all causes combined.

The Christmas Letter Mission.

From the Montreal Star.
One of the best traditions of Christmas tide is its universal heart-softening influence which draws man closer to man. It ence which draws man closer to man. It is humanity's great festival in which each man desires that all mankind may share the feast. The good wishes of Christmas find practical expression in charity and hospitality as various as the dispositions and tastes of the well-wishers. Among the kindly movements characteristic of the season we are glad to notice that a branch of the Christmas Letter mission has been established in Mrs. Trollope, was a society novelist with a speciality, like her more famous son, for describing clerical life. Her cleverest hit was "The Vicar of Wrexhill," a satire, drawn with no light hand on the fashionable evangelical popular preacher. Mrs. Trollope's books, amusing as they were, had too much of the coarseness of the Theodore Hook style. Nothing can be more ultra-resided than her son's novels. They err on the aide of absolute tameness of plot and dialogue, but photograph to the life the ladies and parsons of the day. In this respect they will have much value for the social historian, when the inevitable justice of disestablishment shall have shaken the English parson from the position which his

You challenged us to discuss your stand on the Egyptian prophecies, and as an eleverary, 1693 St Catharine street.

What would we not give for a similarly life-like presentation of the French abbes before the revolution, or of the augurs, who could not meet each other without laughing in Cicero's time?

THE PASSION PLAY.

While the license of the drama takes a wide range, there are some subjects which respect for popular sentiment teaches it to leave untouched. The life and death of the Redeemer of mankind are themes too sacred to be turned. Into a dramatic performance, even when made solemn by church music and assigned to actors who have reached the stage through the church, and who owe their conversions to similar representations.

The author of the play is Mr. Morse, who has been a diligent student of the life of our Saviour. But he might have turned his labor to better purpose than to produce a play which will tend to bring into ridicule sentiments which a large part of the community hold as the most sacred known to men. The part of the Saviour is to be played by Rev. Mr. Wannemacher, a one-time temperance lecturer. Even in Gotham, where the play is shortly to be produced, the press disparages the proposal, and

going on in Canada since 1867. The de-mand for the appointment of a Canadian native or adopted, one whose destiny and interests are bound up with the country's, to the (nominally) highest position in the land, is a natural outcome of all this.

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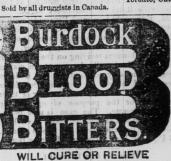
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