

Our Society.

HALIFAX, N. S., FRIDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 1891.

ALL letters and contributions should be addressed to The Editor, Cambridge House, Halifax, N. S.

Articles for Friday's issue should be in the Editor's hands by Wednesday evening, but notices of current events can be inserted as late as Thursday afternoon.

Our readers are particularly requested to make a point of sending in at once (or telephoning No. 358.) :—

- (I.) Notices of intended removal, expected arrivals, etc.
- (II.) 'At Home' days, and more especially alterations in the same.
- (III.) News of the whereabouts, etc., of any old friends who have left Halifax.
- (IV.) Recommendations of servants leaving.
- (V.) Advertisements of articles lost or found.
- (VI.) " " of articles for sale, etc.

It is hoped that all the Athletic and other Clubs will send in their records, notices, and gossip up to date.

Advertisements under heads (iv.) and (vi.) will not be charged for; but any person who is suited with a servant through the medium of this paper will be expected to pay a fee of 25 cents, and in the same way any person receiving a lost article will be charged 10 cents.

Private advertisements under head (vi.) and others, will be charged to the advertiser at the rate of 5 cents per line.

The rates for business advertisements are :

1 inch.....	\$4.00 per quarter
2 ".....	7.50 " "
3 ".....	11.00 and so on.

It is intended to keep the number of pages at 16 in future issues.

Our Society is delivered by hand to subscribers within the city, and mailed to those at the N. W. Arm, or in Provincial towns.

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H. BRADFORD.
Business Editor.

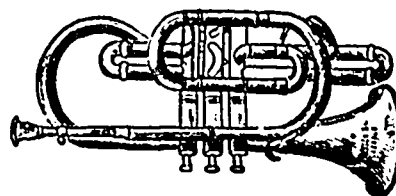
WITHOUT wishing to appear discourteous, we must again repeat that we have decided once for all not to publish any articles that are not accompanied by the names of the senders. It is a guarantee of good faith which we have a perfect right to insist upon, as our only protection against giving offence unwittingly. Many a trap is set for the unwary editor, and many a nasty hit may be given by an anonymous contributor of which the editor cannot appreciate the full force. Not that we suspect any such in "mater's" extremely kind and motherly warning against offering wine to young men on New Year's Day, and appeal to society matrons to make home more homely for their boys.

Nor, again, in a little effusion entitled "Drink and Pudding Day," from the pen of "Harry Stockings, Philosopher," which breathes good will to all men, and to the editors of OUR SOCIETY in particular.

"May you, dear sirs," says the Philosopher, "all live to see
Your modest infant paper spread
Both far and wide, and largely read.
'Tis my desire and your desert,
For who are they found more alert
To present social wants!"

"Should you continue, sirs, to run
The lit'ry race as you've begun,
You'll be, though yet unknown by name,
Renowned as editors of fame."

Many thanks, Philosopher, for your good wishes, and may you never be disappointed in us! We would fain hear more of your philosophy, but it must in future be accompanied by your name.



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WE have to thank Mr. Dickens, Junior, our Bridgewater correspondent, for an excellent article on "Christmas," which was unfortunately too long for insertion in last issue, and, from the nature of the subject, is now out of date. We hope to get more from the same pen before long.

WE have to thank a correspondent in Lunenburg County, for a defence of our paper against the attack made in the *Recorder* a short time since. As we have already announced our intention of 'ting the matter drop, we cannot very well re-open it; but we would like to remark that we did not look upon that effusion as emanating from the *Recorder* itself, but from a particular correspondent of an eccentric turn of mind, and no very remarkable critical powers. It is enough that our readers in Lunenburg County do not see things with the same vision:—"People here are much pleased," says our correspondent, "with your paper, and consider it is going to be quite an addition to the metropolitan press. We sincerely hope you may continue to make it as interesting and acceptable as your first numbers appear to be."

Correspondence.

To the Editor of "Our Society."

SIR.—Have you any influence with the Editor of that spiey little paper, the *Evening Mail*? If so would you kindly use it for the sake of the public, and the welfare of the journal itself? Get him if you can to give "Bab" a holiday on Saturday nights. Her "Babble" is very "bright"—for a while. But how many years is it now since she began to entertain us with her sprightly talk? I forget whether it is six or seven, but do you not find it a little monotonous? Personally I don't want ever to hear any more about the American woman, or the dinner tables of New York, or the fashions of Central Park, or English husbands, or French daughters, or any of the subjects in which Bab is so everlastingly proficient? I was interested in these things once when Bab was fresh and new—but Oh! how tired of them I am now. Bab herself is, I believe, a bright, brave, little Southern woman—but even so, one can't go on reading her works forever.

There is another bright, brave, little Southern woman whom I should gladly see taking a vacation from her labors in connection with the Halifax press. I mean the author who writes under the initials "J. R. L." As I never read her contributions I am not quite of her line, but I think she is an Agnostic, or something of that sort, and writes against the church. I know she has the Bible at her fingers ends, and quotes it most inappropriately. Anyhow, perhaps your influence would persuade her to leave off writing, and devote herself to good works. With no "Bab," and no "J. R. L!" it would be so refreshing to read the papers.

Yours truly,

ELIZABETH DE LA BERE.

A. & W. MACKINLAY,

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