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VERY beautiful, is the comment which continues to be made on the views of the Columbian Exhibition, given away to the patrons of the Toronto Evening Star.

GRIP has to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Canadian Almanac for 1901. This is an old and valuable publication, as full of information as GRIP is full of humour and sound sense, and, if our modesty may be excused, that is saving a great deal. If you want to know where a post office is, or what denomination a clergyman belongs to, or if there is a bank at Financialville, or the address of any government or municipal official, or when the next eclipse will take place, or whether the 1st of March falls on Sunday, have a copy of this almanac at your elbow. Published by the Copp, Clark Co., Ltd. of Toronto.

THOUGH lighter matters than finance and insurance are more in his line, GRIP is pleased to see these important subjects and "Risks," the somewhat unique but nevertheless appropriate name given to the successor of the Budget. Success to it.

GRIP is generally credited with being a wise bird, but there are certain things which cannot be expected to know. For instance, some one sent back the other day, through the St. Joseph St. post-office, several copies, marked "Ret'd, not to who they came from." Result, he must continue to pay his weekly visits till something further reveals who it is that does not appreciate his wisdom.

By an error in this column last week, the date of the Nye-Smith entertainment at the Pavilion was given incorrectly. It is Feb. 15.

THE Undergras of our University are going to suspend their cramming of foot-curling, dumb-bells, and other studies on the Greek play "Antigone" at the Academy of Music on the 15th, 16th and 17th. No one who speaks the language should fail to take in this show.

MR. BOB BURDETTE will be along shortly to explain to a star course audience all about "Our Mission in Mars."

THE Temple Male Quartette of Boston pleased the audience immensely at Association Hall last Tuesday evening.

Don't fail to make a note of Mr. Bengough's entertainment at Association Hall, 22nd inst. Keep that date free, as the programme will be new and original.

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THOSE who saw the Greek play of the Antigone as produced by the students of Toronto University some years ago have not forgotten the excellent way in which it was rendered. That it is to be reproduced is cause for satisfaction, and as the principle of University education for women is now recognized, the additional attraction is added of having the female characters represented by lady students. The preparation of such a drama involves a vast amount of labor and expense, and it is to be hoped the people of Toronto will manifest their appreciation by full houses on each of three nights. The dates are the 19th, 20th and 21st of February and the place the Academy of Music.

PRESS COMMENTS.

It was like meeting a dear friend from the farther shore to find GRIP among the exchanges this week. Not that the merry bird had any disembodied or ghost-like look, for he is, indeed, very much alive. The publishers apologize for the first number, for a first number was never yet produced in which a score of mishaps did not occur to mar the plans of the projectors. But in this case an apology was really not needed, for it is altogether a very creditable initial issue. The letter-press, cartoons and other illustrations are quite up to the best mark of GRIP's palmy days, and doubtless a host of old friends will welcome a pleasant companion back to their homes and offices.—The Globe.

THE many lovers of Canadian wit and art will be glad to learn that GRIP has been revived and will appear as before from Toronto. Mr. J. W. Bengough, the former leading cartoonist is at the head again and his presence indicates that the little weekly will be as entertaining as ever. Mr. Bengough has many friends in all parts of Canada who will doubtless hail with delight the fact that he is again in a position to make merry with the great and wise men who live at Ottawa and elsewhere. His sketches have always abounded in humor and never give offense to the subject.—Press, Amherst, N. S.

THE first two numbers of GRIP under the new management have been received, and we must say that Mr. Bengough and his associate, Mr. Bell, are to be congratulated on the handsome appearance of the paper typographically, the excellence of the cartoons, most of which bear the imprint of Mr. Bengough, and the feast of good things making up the letter press. As a cartoonist Bengough is head and neck ahead of all competitors.—Journal, Gananoque.

GRIP is on deck again, and a hearty welcome the noble bird has received from all quarters. It did not come to fill a "long-felt want," but "an aching void," which was caused by its temporary suspension. Mr. Bengough's withdrawal from the staff was undoubtedly the cause of the sudden eclipse, but it has emerged with the old hand at the helm, and its future is assured.—Templar, Hamilton.

REARMENT, le spirituel crayon de notre artiste canadien J. W. Bengough a eu le trait plus juste que dans le croquis qui orne cette page—"Protective."

Trois personnages seulement, mais comme c'est finement touché! Un énorme policeman entre deux ecclésiastiques, l'un tout petit et l'autre redoutable. L'autre un grand handrin bâti comme un colosse. Le petit gamin est la minorité catholique, le grand la majorité protestante, et le gros policeman est la "P. P. A." C'est un monstrueux non-sens, comme l'Electeur l'a déjà dit et répété, et nous sommes heureux de voir un protestant libéral comme M. Bengough prendre ses crayons pour illustrer notre pensée d'une façon aussi saisissante.—L. Electeur, Quebec.

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