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SOUNDS AND ECHOES.

ONE night as old St. Peter slept,
He left the door of heaven ajar,
When through a little angel crept,
And came down with a falling star.

One summer, as the blessed beams
Of morn approached, my blushing bride
Awakened from some pleasing dreams
And found that angel by her side.

THE days are so short now that they are trying to negotiate a loan from the sun.

THE financial troubles are so nearly over that the rich man is getting to be almost as comfortable as his poor neighbor again. Blessed be nothing.

WHEN Helen Gould gets up in the morning, she rings and calls for one of New York's enterprising newspapers to see to whom she is engaged for the day.

THE World's Fair attracted hundreds of workmen to Chicago, and now that the fair is over and all incidental employment stopped the city is full of idle, starving men. Their condition is so serious that extraordinary steps have been found necessary to relieve the distress among them.

THE intelligence is brought to us that short debates will be a popular feature of home entertainments this season. If there is anything calculated to fill a man with a mad longing to go and hang himself to a water-spout it is a debate, short or long. It engenders bitter feelings, and it encourages oratory, which is one of the crying evils of the age. Oratory is the great danger that threatens us. The desire to exercise the mouth, blocks the legitimate business of our houses of legislation, establishes new and crazy parties, originates panics and is at the bottom of the hard times.

Hon. Justice McCreight, of Westminster is spending a few days in the city.

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PERSONAL GOSSIP.

J. H. Brownlee has been visiting Vancouver.

W. F. Topping, of Vancouver, is in the city.

Mrs. J. E. Coombs is visiting friends at Los Angeles, Cal.

Lieut. Col. A. J. Kane is able to be about the city again.

Capt. and Mrs. Stott were passengers by the Arawa for Vancouver.

Mrs. W. F. and Miss Coates, Almonte, Ont., are visiting in this city.

Mrs. D. W. Morrow will spend a portion of the winter at Los Angeles.

Rev. Mr. Coombs has resigned the pastorate of Calvary Baptist Church.

S. E. E. Pebbles and wife, Oak Park, Chicago, are guests at the New England.

James Hunter was married to Miss Clara, third daughter of Ald. Baker, Thursday evening.

Miss Agnes Dawson, R. A. M., has decided to move to Victoria, where she will open classes in musical instruction.

The wedding of a prominent young barrister to an equally prominent society belle will be the matrimonial event of next week.

The concert in aid of the Centennial Methodist Church at Institute Hall last Tuesday evening was well attended. A glee, Hail, Smiling Morn, was the first number on the programme, and was sweetly rendered by Mrs. McCandless, Miss Heathfield, Mrs. Rowlands, Miss Humber, Miss Gilmore, Miss McMicking, Mr. Shedden, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Brownlie and Mr. Rowlands. Mr. Rowlands, the popular baritone, was heard to advantage in The Wolf, and Mrs. Clarke sang sweetly I Cannot Sing the Old Songs. Mr. Wolf played a selection on the violin with his usual art and Mr. Brownlie sang with great effect Madeline. A character song by Mr. Richardson completed the first part. In the second part Mrs. Rowlands sang Saved by a Child, very sweetly, and

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Mr. Rhodes gave The Owl in strong voice. Altogether the concert was a great artistic success.

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"That," said he, with as much dignity as he could command, "is a souvenir of the World's Fair."

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