Poor Erin! there she lay, her spirit crushed,
Her best and bravest children dead or
vanish'd.
While scanoids threw their shadows forth and
hush'd
The patriot's cry for law and freedom banish'd.

Poor Erin! every sigh appeared her last, The vultures swoop'd above in expectation; Her friends—the few still left—look on aghast At what they thought a fast expiring nation.

Twas when despair had settled on her heart, And knaves and scycophants pronounced her doom, The clouds above her drifted wide apart, Two stars revealing, where before was gloom.

One was O'Connell, tribune of his race, Whom threats could frighten not, nor bribes whole the foeman squarely in the face
Who looked the foeman squarely in the face
With steel grey eye—the other star was Moore.

I would 'twere mine—a spark of genius fire That I might render tribute to a hard Who thrilled a fallen people with his lyre, Awaking strains on tyrant's souls that jarr'd.

And if he did not write a Marseillaise It was because the spirit was not there. Without a fire one can't produce a blaze, No more than build a castle in the air.

'Tis said that Orpheus, with his magic lute,
Drew after him the trees and shrubs and
stones,
And with celestial music charmed the brute.
And made the damn'd in Hades cease their

But Moore did more; his harp gave out such strains
That despots and their minions, as they listen'd.

ten'd. Felt for their victims, penalties and pains. And tears of pity on their cyclids glisten'd.

The nation heard the bard's imdignant song; With throbbing heart, the panted while he

fold Of days gone by, when Ireland's arm was Ere Norman touched her soil, or traitors sold.

A brighter wit the world has seldom seen; A sweeter bard the world has never known; A soul inspling verse, or satire keen, He stands alone, no rival near his throne.

The peoples of the earth have caught his name, And stamped it on their history's brightest and there it shall be read; immortal fame Telling the story to each coming age.

One land there is will shrine his memory dea: Within the deepest clumber of her heart.
And centuries hence she'll say—" When all was
drear
A brilliant genius rose to take my part."

-J. C. FLEMING. Montreal, May 28, 1879.

HOME READING

Fireside Sparks.

Headquarters-A pillow. A vane fowl-A weathercock. It's a good artist who can draw pay. A popular stakeholder-The gridiron.

The first person singular-Adam.

The highest approbation-Applause from the gallery.

It isn't a good way to attempt to settle an account by letting it stand, nor by letting it run either.

Erskine puzzled the wits of his acquaintance by inscribing on a tea chest the words, "Tu doces." It was some time before they found out the wit of this literal translation-"thou teachest.'

The latest sweet thing in verdicts has been returned by a coroner's jury at Tunbridge Wells; "The child was suffocated, but there is no evidence to show that the suffocation was before or after death."

Two geese were recently drawn by the rapids above Niagara, over the falls. They soon appeared in the stream below, and swam leisurely to the shore. These fowl are tough enough to put on a boarding-house table.

Sir Richard Jebb, the physician, was very rough and harsh in his manners. He said to a patient to whom he had been unpardonably rude, "Sir, it is my way." "Then," replied the patient, pointing to the door, "I beg you will also make that your way."

When a snowball as hard as a knob hits you in the back of the head as you are crossing the street, no matter how quickly you turn, the only thing you can see is one boy with the most innocent face and the emptiest hands that ever confronted a false accusation.

President Lincoln once listened patiently while a friend read a long manuscript to him, and then asked: "What do you think of it? them that all honest work is honorable, and How will it take?" The President reflected that an idle useless life of dependence on a little while, and then answered: "Well, others is disgraceful. When a boy has learned for people who like that kind of thing, I these four things, when he has made these think that is just about the kind of thing ideas a part of his being—however young he they'd like."

often noticed that when a certain tall, so- things he ought to know when he becomes a lemn-looking man, aged about fifty, boards a man. With these four properly mastered, it full car, he always holds a whispered conversation with some man, who at once gives him a seat, and retires to the platform. The tall man never has to stand and hang to the strap, simply because he understands human nature. Glancing around the car he selects his victim, bends down and confidentially whispers, "Make no move to attract attention, and listen carefully to what I say. You have an ink stain on your nose, and your necktic is unfastened. Step out on the platform a moment and brush up." The victim steps out there every time.

Deterioration of Ghosts.

There can no longer be any doubt that the breed of ghosts is running down and out. There was a time within the memory of many a grandmother when a ghost had some style about him, as well as considerable individuality. If he wished to manifest himself he would stalk in skeleton form into a crowded room and clank a chain that had the ring of true metal about it, or he would dash, with gleaming eye-sockets and grinning jans, through a town at dead of night, on a white horse which snorted real fire instead of breath. Sometimes he would choke misers to death, scare drunkards into sobriety and in other wavs show himself to be worth talking about. When he had any communication to make he did it by word of mouth, and in fine, vigorous English. But how are the mighty fallen! Nobody sees a ghost nowadays except at the theatre. Instead of talking, ghosts rap idiotically upon tables to express their meaning, and even then it requires some one equally idiotic to determine what they mean.-N. Y. Herald.

Items. VARIETY.-Amongst the religious sects registered in England at the close of the year were the following: "Baptized Believers,"
"Believers in Christ," "Believers in Divine Visitation of Joanna Southcote, Propheters of Exeter," "Christians owning no name but the Lord Jesus," "Christians who object to be otherwise designated," " Christian Eliasites," "Convenanters," Christian Teetotalers," "Christian Israelites," "Glassites," "Glory Band," "Hallelujah Band," "Humanitarians," "Protestant members of the Church of England," "Protestants adhering to Articles 1 to 18, but rejecting Ritual," "Recreative Religionists," and "Seventh Day Baptists."

WHISKEY AND TOBACCO.-Hard times? No Wonder there should be. In the United States | McGee's Weekly.

last year there were (by report of the Commissioner of Federal taxes) smoked 1,905,-063,000 cigars and 25,312,433 pounds of tobacco. There was paid by the smokers of these cigars the enormous sum of \$190,506,-300, and for the tobacco \$15,000,000. But even these items hide their diminished heads beside the figures for drink. There were 317,465,600 gallons of fermented liquor drunk last year (seven gallons a head for a man, woman, and child) at a cost of \$596,-000,000. Just think of it! Over eight hundred millions of dollars, in one year, paid for smoke, sickness, poverty, sin, crime, and

A MONSTER FOSSIL REPTILE.—Three slabs of sandstone from the Connecticut Valley have been lately presented to the American Museum of Natural History. On two of the slabs are impressed large foot-prints of some amphibious animal, which was in ancient times a reptile of enormous size, as is shown by the prints of his feet in the slabs. The theory of the geologists is that this monster was formed something like a frog; that he walked mostly on his hind-legs, only using his fore-legs when it was necessary for him to drop down to rest. It is estimated that he lived about 12,500,000 years before the appearance of man on this earth. The third slab is covered with the marks of the feet of some insect which is unknown to the present generation.

Child's mirth is easily croused. How still is the house when the little ones are all fast asleep and their pattering feet are silent. How easily the fun of a child bubbles forth. Take even those poor, prematurely-aged little ones bred in the gutter, cramped in unhealthy homes and ill-used, it may be, by drunken parents, and you will find the child nature is not all crushed out of them. They are children still, albeit they look so haggard and wan. Try to excite their mirthfulness, and ere long rings out, as wild and free as if there were no such thingas sorrow in the world. Let the little ones laugh, then-too soon, alas! they will find cause enough to weep. Do not try to silence they should be thinned out, so as not to in-them, but let their gleefulness ring out a terfere with each others growth. At the same gladsome peal, reminding us of the days when we, too, could laugh without a sigh.

A NEW TABLE DELICACY .- Mr. J. G. Wood ecently delivered the first of a series of lectures on natural science in Dr. Chaning Pearce's Geological Museum, Brixton Rise. Having in the course of his lecture to allude to the hedgehog and the squirrel, Mr. Wood observed that it was well known that these animals, when properly cooked, formed excellent articles for human food. Few people, however, were aware that, when similarly treated, the fiesh of a rat had a finer flavor, and was altogether a greater delicacy than either of them. There was literally nothing of which he (the lecturer) was so fond as a rat pie. This was a dish which frequently made its appearance on his table, and was greatly enjoyed by all the members of his family. He had several friends, too, who, like himself, had overcome their prejudice, and thoroughly enjoyed a good helping of rat pic.

WHAT TO TEACH BOYS .- A philosopher has said that true education for lovs is to teach them what they ought to know when they become men. What is it they ought to know then? First-To be true; to be genuine. No education is worth anything that does not include this. A man had better not know how to read; he had better never learn a letter in the alphabet, and be true and genuine in thought and action, rather than being learned in all the sciences and all languages, to be at the same time false at heart and counterfeit in life. Above all things teach the boys that truth is more than riches, more than culture, more than earthly power of position. Second-To be pure in thought, language and life; pure in mind and body. and impure example, is a moral ulcer, a from society and compelled to cry "unclean," as a warning to others to avoid the pestilence. Third—To be unselfish; to care for the feelchildhood; to be industrious always, and selfsupporting at the earliest proper age. Teach ney'd like."

People who ride on the street cars have has learned some of the most important will be easy to find all the rest.

HOLINESS AND GOOD BREEDING -"Catholics are not as well bred as other people," said a very fastidious young lady. "Protestants never rush and crowd in church as Catholics do." There is some truth in this. There is seldom any need for pushing and crowding in Protestant churches. Mothers de not leave impatient little children at home in order to attend "service," and fathers and brothers, with that impatience which is one of the dearest prerogatives of men, are not waiting for breakfast in order to attend "service" themselves. But Catholic wives, who go to the early Masses, have not the time to saunter languidly down the aisle after Mass. They are not absorbed in thinking of their clothes or of Mrs. so-andso's new bonnet. They have not time to study grace and ease, and it their elbows do happen to come in contract with their neighbours' ribs, it is because they are not thinking of their neighbours, but of their own duties. Some Catholics may not be as well bred as "other people," but then it is probable that some of the Apostles were not, in manners, as perfect as the Sadducees, and other "high-toned" sectarians among the Hebrews. It is very unimportant whether the rind of a fruit is rough or not, if the kernel and in part be but sweet. It is not likely that St. Paul, who was accomplished in all from the sea shore, not only promotes fertility the "minor-virtues," looked down on his but it is very useful in destroying worms and humbler brethren because they did not break their bread in the latest Roman fashion; or, be applied with advantage, especially to sandy haply, wiped their beards with their sleeves, soils. Soot is excellent to drive off insects as we have seen many a saintly old Irishman and vermin. Very little of this can be obas we have seen many a saintly old Irishman do. Fastidious Catholics should remember | tained, but it should be carefully preserved, that it is not recorded that Our Lord ever and applied in small quantities to cabbages shrank from the rudeness or uncouthness of turnips, cucumbers, melons, squashes, and the poor; and when He told us that we should all plants infected with insects. Charcoal always have them with us, he did not make a | renders the soil light and friable, and gives proviso regarding their dress or manners. No doubt some of the children whom He bade come unto Him were not as clean and as neatly clothed as even the most unkempt child who, on Sunday, goes to Mass, to have her week brightened and blessed by a glimpse of a higher and holier life. Before grumbling, the fastidious Catholic, who has had advantages of education and culture which have been denied his brethren.

should not forget that, while the "lower'

class of Protestants never attend the carpeted

and cushioned churches of the sects, all

Catholics go to Mass, high and low, rich and

poor. All are bound by the golden chains of the august Sacrifice around the feet of God .-

AGRICULTURAL.

Formation and Management of Gardens

It often happens that seeds are planted in a fresh-dug soil, and the above change in the properties of the seed takes place, but the earth not being pressed upon it, are buried melons and all broad-leaved plants.

too deeply, and though the seed swells, yet cold FRAMES. sufficient warmth and air are not obtained to give it life. The first thing in sowing, is a suitable preparation of the soil, so that the young roots thrown out, may easily penetrate it. It must be made more or less fine for

different seeds. Peas, corn, beans, and coarse seeds do not require the soil to be as finely pulverized, as small seeds. The seeds must also be firmly fixed in the soil, and pressed by the earth in every part, in order to retain moisture sufficient to encourage vegetation; but they should not be so deeply buried as to be deprived of air, or to have their ascending shoots impeded by too much soil above. In all cases, seeds should be sown in fresh-dug soil, that they may have the benefit of the moisture within; but they should be put in when the soil is really wet, as the ground will bake, and they will perish. Moist weather in Spring or Summer is excellent for putting in seeds, provided the ground is mellow. Just before a light rain is the best possible time for sowing most seeds. When the seeds are planted, the earth should be usually pressed upon them with a roller, or by treading with the feet, in the case of large seeds, or by smoothing the surface with the back of the spade, or by walking over them on a board, for the smaller kinds. Light must be excluded until the roots can derive nourishment from the soil. When they come up, keep them from weeds, and thin according to the requirements of each plant.

CULTIVATING THE SAIL.

The surface of the soil cannot be too frequently stirred. "If I had to preach a sermon on horticulture," says Downing, "I should take this for my text: 'STIR THE SOIL!" As soon as the plants are well above the ground, time, the soil may be loosened a little about them, so as to break any crust that may have formed, without injury to the young plants; and the weeds may be removed. A little later, stir the soil with a narrow hoe, taking care not to cover the young plants. Every weed should be cut down or pulled up, no matter how small. It is not enough to keep the weeds down; digging deeply among the plants admits the atmosphere, and actually manures the young plants. In dry weather, it is very essential that the soil be stirred often. The air vates the fresh-dug soil much more effectually than we can do. A man will raise more moisture with a spade and a hoe in a day, than he can pour on the earth out of a watering pot in a week. If the ground be suffered to come close and compact, the cool surface exposed to the air for the reception of moisture is smaller, and what is deposited does not enter into the earth far enough to be appropriated; but if the soil be loose and porous, the air enters more deeply and deposits its moisture beneath the surface. Almost any soil, in which a seed will germinate, may be made, by continued hoeing, to produce a crop. Above all, cut away every weed that appears. "One year's seeding makes seven year's weeding." The only use of weeds is to make a necessity of tilling the ground more frequently. Weeds will come up in spite of our care, but much can be done to prevent their spreading or maturing.

MANURES.

Anything, which, being added to the soil directly or indirectly promotes the growth of plants, is a manure. Manures directly assist vegetable growth, either by entering into the language and life; pure in mind and body. composition of plants, by absorbing and re-An impure man, young or old, poisoning the taining moisture from the atmosphere, or by society where he moves with smutty stories absorbing from it nutritive gases. Manures indirectly assist the growth of plants, either plague-spot, a leper who ought to be treated by destroying vermin or weeds, by decomposas were the lepers of old, who were banished | ing in the soil, by protecting plants from sudden changes of temperature, or by improving the texture of the soil. The manure from cows and all animals that chew the cud ings and comforts of others; to be polite; to is considered cold, and suited to a light soil. be generous, noble and manly. This will in- All new and fresh manure engenders heat clude a genuine reverence for the aged during fermentation, and has a tendency to and things sacred. Fourth—To be self-reliant and self-hopeful, even from early thought to render it more compact and firm. The manure of birds is richer than that of any other animals. Three or four hundred weight of the manure of fowls, turkeys, etc., is equal in value to from feurteen to eighteen loads of animal mauure. Guano is a manure of this class. It is well to apply about two hundred weight per acre, with one-half the usual quantity of other manure. Guano should never, in a fresh state, come in contact with seeds or the roots of plants, as it is sure to destroy their vitality, A thick coat of hogpen or barn-yard manure, spread on the garden and turned in every spring, will enrich warm and lighten the ground better than any application of other manures. The principal animal manures are those of the horse, the dog, the cow, and the sheep. Of these, the horse manure is the most valuable in its fresh state, but it should be exposed as little as possible, as it begins to heat and lose its nitrogen immediately, and may be perceived by the smell : mix it with other manures, and cover it with absorbents as soon as possible. That of the hog comes next in value, while the cow is at the bottom of the list., The richer the food given to animals, the more powerful is the manure. If animal manures are employed in a fresh state, they should be well mixed with the soil, and given to coarse feeding crops, such as corn and the gardenpen; but nearly all plants do better if the manure is composted and fully fermented before use. Bone dust, mixed with ashes or pulverized charcoal, and sown broadcast over the ground at the rate of three bushels per acre, is very beneficial, and the most valuable for turnips, cabbages, etc., and the quantity needed for an acre is so small that the expense is less than almost any other application. Common salt, at the rate of six bushels per acre, sowed in the spring, on lands distant from the sea shore, not only promotes fertility slugs. Marl, where it can be obtained, may it a dark color and additional warmth for early crops. When composted with night soil, it becomes poudrette, and is second only to guano as a fertilizer. Leaves, straw, and rubbish, thrown together, and moistened with a mixture of lime and salt, if kept damp until decomposed, forms the best known manure for trees and shrubs. Swamp muck, mixed with salt, lime, or leached ashes, is of value where it can be obtained, but of still more value is the leaf mold, or black surface soil of

the woods. For the vegetable garden, it is

shavings, covered with soil, are, of great advantage to potatoes. Wood ashes, leached or unleached, may be used with decided benefit, as a top-dressing, to most growing vegetables, especially onions and turnips. sown upon the growing crop, is good for turnips, cabbages, beans, cucumbers, squashes,

A cold frame is a simple construction of boards for planting out early in the spring, cabbage, lettuce, cauliflower, brocoli, etc. Select a dry, southern exposure, form a frame from four to six feet wide, and as long as is required. The back should be fourteen inches, and the front six inches high, with a crosstie every six feet. The soil should be well prepared and smoothly raked before planting. Admit air freely on all pleasant days, but keep close in severe weather. HOT FRAMES

In order to secure a supply of early vegetables, a hot-bed is indispensable. It can be constructed by any handy man, at a very small expense. Its consists of a wooden frame, generally six feet wide, and from sixteen feet long, according to the supply of early vegetables required. One side should be at least six inches higher than the other-the frame sub-divided by cross-bars, and each division covered by a glazed such; the sides and ends should be joined by hooks and staples, to admit of its being taken apart and stored away when not required. The frame should face the south or southeast. After completion, place it on the manure bed, prepared in the cllowing manner: Fill in about ten inches of rich, pulverized soil: and allow it to stand a few days, giving it air by slightly raising the sashes, so that the fiery vapor, or steam may escape. The seeds of cabbages, cauliflowers peppers, tomatoes, and other hardy varieties may be sown, and the plants planted out as

soon as the weather begins to be warm. PREPARING MANURE FOR HOT-BEDS.

Fresh stable manure, in which there is plenty of litter, is most suited for this purpose. There should be at least one-third litter in the heap. If this is not in the mass in sufficient quantity, add leaves or tanbark; shake it up, and mix it well together, adding water if at all dry and musty, and throw it into a compact heap to ferment. Let it remain a week, and then work it over thoroughly, as before, and add water, if necessary. Where the ground is quite dry, a very good method is to dig a space about eighteen inches deep, and put in the manure, tramping it firmly and evenly, and place thereon the frame or sash, and put in the rich earth, and, in about four days, sow the seed, having previously stirred the earth freely, to destroy the seeds of weeds therein.

TRANSPLANTING.

In transplanting, the main points to be regarded are, care in taking up the plants so as to avoid injury to the roots, planting firmly so as to enable the plant to take a secure hold of the soil, reducing the top to prevent evaporation, and shading to prevent the hot sun from withering and blighting the leaves. Transplanting should be done in the evening, or immediately before or after a rain. Give each plant a gill of water, and shade with a tion as a manufacturer; therefore the public can

The best time to water plants is at sunrise, or in the evening, and always use rain water when it is to be had. If well water must be used, it should be exposed to the sun a day or two, till it rises to the temperature of the air, before it is applied. Water may be given to the roots at any time, but should never be sprinkled over the leaves in the hot sun, for it will make them blister and become covered with brown spots wherever it touches. watering a plant has been commenced, keep on until the necessity ceases, or more injury than good will result from it; one copious watering is better than a little and often. The use of the hoe should always tollow the water pot, as soon as the ground becomes dry.

ROTATION OF CROPS. As different plants appropriate different substances, the rotation of crops has considerable influence in retaining the fertility of the soil If the same kind of plants are continued upon the same soil, only a portion of the properties of the manure applied is used, while by a judicious rotation, everything in the soil or in the manure suitable for vegetable food, is taken up and appropriated by the crop. Auother reason for a rotation of crops is, that some crops are so favorable to weeds, that if continued long upon the same ground, the labor of cultivating them is much mcreased, while if raised but once in a place, and followed by a cleaning crop, the weeds are easily kept under. Again, many crops planted continually in the same soil, are more liable to be attacked by the insects which are the peculiar enemies of those plants; and different plants derive their principal nourishment from different depts of soil. Hence, deep-rooted plants, such as beets, carrots, parsnips, salsify, turnips, etc., should be followed by those whose roots extend but little below the surface, such as onions, lettuce cabbages, cauliflower, spinach, etc. However plentiful manure may be, a succession of exhausting crops should not be grown upon the same ground. In these rotations, it is not necessary to apply manure to every crop; but for bulbous roots, as the onion, and plants cultivated for their leaves, as spinach and asparagus, the ground can scarcely be too rich, and the bulk of the manure may be applied to them.

UNDERDRAINING.

There are but few gardens in our country that would not be materially benefitted by being thoroughly underdrained with round, brick tile, two or three inches in diameter, laid say three feet deep, (we should rather say four. Ed.) and from one to two rods apart, and inclined so as to carry off the surface water from the subsoil. The result would be that the ground could be worked earlier in the spring, the plants would resist drouth better, would not be injured so much by a wet season, and, as a rule, would double production. We have over 50 miles of tile laid on our seed farm, and think thorough underdraining one of the best investments a gardener or furmer can make.—From D. M. Ferry & Co's Seed Catalo-

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MISSIONARIES IN FOREIGN LANDS find the Pain-Killer a powerful auxiliary in introducing the Gospel to the heathen; with it they heal their sick, and so gain the confidthe best composted with fresh animal manure, ence of the poor people,—this done, they then but can be applied directly to most plants in tell them of the wonders of our precious the flower garden, many of which will not Gospel, and are believed. Missionaries have factory in Kingston; perhaps he will explain flourish unless this material is present in the introduced this article in every country of the what motive we could have in circulating soil. Tanbark, decayed chips, sawdust and earth.

LETTER FROM WEBER & CO.

Some time ago a letter appeared in the

TO THE PUBLIC.

Canadian papers, over the name of Albert Weber, of New York City, to the people of the Dominion of Canada, in which a most shallow yet presumptuous attempt was made to advertise his foreign wares by an unjust and untruthful attack upon us. We looked upon it as unworthy of our attention, but being urged by many of our customers and friends, and having received several letters expressing strong indignation that such an attack should be allowed to pass unnoticed, we have therefore concluded to stoop for once from the high position to which we, as manufacturers, have attained by fair and honorable means, to show how utterly false and unworthy of notice are the efforts Mr. Albert Weber and his agent are making to obtain notoriety at our expense. We have probably sold forty of our piacos for one sold by him or his agents in the Dominion of Canada, notwithstanding his frantic efforts to post his goods by ways we have never des-cended to use. We have always regarded the pianoforte as a work of art, a triumph of genius and intelligence, worthy of being treated, even in its sale, with a share of the dignity such a production should merit. But we regret to say that Mr. Albert Weber and his agents here have placed it in the category with "Quack Medicines" and "Yankee Patent Notions" reduced it to the level of Helmbold's Buchu or Redding's Russia Salve, and we sincerely hope, for the honor of legitimate trade, they will not degrade the instrument furtherby daubing its name on the rocks and fences along the lines of railway, side by side with "Sozodont for the Teeth" or "Spalding's Glue." As to the statement of Mr. Albert Weber,

that the Kingston Weber was once a Fox Piano, they are not correct; it is true, however, that Mr. Fox commenced the business in Kingston, and his pianos had a rapid sale, Mr. Albert Weber's statements to the contrary notwithstanding. As to its merits, we question if Mr. Albert Weber's Pianos at that time were in the least their superior. However, Mr. Fox died, and two of his workmen continued the business under the name of Rappie, Weber & Co., and with success, until Mr. Rappie retired from the business, when Mr. Weber, in connection with some other gentlemen, continued under the name of Weber & Co. Ir. the meantime, a complete change had taken place in the Piano, from the Fox scale to that now manufactured by us, which makes it as much superior and different in appearance to the Fox as Mr. Albert Weber desires the world to believe his own is to those of Hale or any other cheap instruments placed on the Canadian market by his Agents; consequently his assertion in his letter that we are sailing under false colors is as absurd as it is untrue; for, at that time, Mr. Albert Weber's name was seldom heard of in Canada; thus the name has come in a natural and legitimate course of events, and has justly attained to a valuable celebrity from a point where Mr. Albert Weber had no reputaeasily see who is the party desiring to "filch" the good name and established reputation of another. In all our business we have never interfered with other manufacturers, but have relied solely on the merits of our instruments, being determined to produce a genuine article at the lowest possible price; neither have we infringed upon the patents of others or attempted to steal their improvements. Can Mr. Albert Weber say as much? We are credibly informed that a suit is now pending against him in | 75 cents. the United States Courts for an infringement of Steinway's Patents. Mr. Albert Weber tries to by speaking of the vast expenditure of time, capital and labor he has made to place his instruments before them. Now we have, as above stated, always relied on the merits of curi instruments and have not always relied on the merits of curi instruments and have not always relied at the relication of the article, and gives the number of names sent in at the regular cash price of \$1.50 a year that will secure any Premium article. work on the sympathy of the Canadian people our instruments, and have not made the sacrifices Mr. Albert Weber is said to have made to obtain celebrated names for the purpose of advertising. Perhaps he would hesitate to tell the public at what sacrifice he obtained two lines of a certificate from Johan Strauss at the time of the Great Jubilee in Boston? "We" have never presented planos to professors or artists in order to obtain their names as advertisements, nor do we insinuate the first planes as advertisements, nor do we insinuate the first planes as advertisements, nor do we insinuate the first planes are the first planes as advertisements, nor do we insinuate the first planes are the first planes as a discount in Premium given if less than \$1.50 be sent for one year's subscription. names as advertisements, nor do we insinuate that all the names on Mr. Albert Weber's list were obtained by great gifts; but should such have been the case, the expense of Mr. Webr's notoriety must, indeed, as he says, rise to an enormous figure. And here we would offer a word of advice to the people of Canada, not to be prepossessed in favor of any foreign article as against their own production, on the strength of high-sounding assertions and great names of recommendation without trying it for themselves and judging intelligently of its merits. Mr. Albert Weber continues in his letter to make his readers suppose that we desire to conceal our individuality, the more easily to be mistaken for him.
Look at the facts: Weber & Co, Kingston,
Ontario, is certainly distinctive enough from Albert Weber, New York; yet, not satisfied with that designation, we have the name, Weber & Co., Kingston, Ont., cast in large raised letters on the "iron plate" of every instrument manufactured by us, which it is impossible to obliterate, and instead of Kingston, Ont, as Mr. Albert Weber falsely states, being placed below the keys, it is placed in full sight on the bar above the key-board, in gilt letters, where none who can read can possibly overlook it. Mr. Albert Weber's statement, therefore, that we wish to confound the two names is thus proved to be a base slander. Mr. Albert Weber continues with an eulogium on the honesty, independence, &c., of the Canadian people and their ancestors, to prepare them by a little flattery for the climax of presumption contained in his epistle; perhaps such a request, as he makes, has never been written or spoken before. If Mr. Albert Weber was not a German, we would say that he has cultivated to the highest and most aggressve point "the element of pure cheek." when he hopes the Kingston people will change the name of their Piano. Our Gov-

Mr. Albert Weber follows his letter with a statement some musical programmes still shamefully false, that the report was started by us of his intention to start a branch factory in Kingston; perhaps he will explain such a report.

ernment allows Mr. Albert Weber to ex

port his Pianos to the Dominion of Canada

under a moderate tariff, but he is not satisfied

with that without making this preposterous

request, which, if acceded to, would give him

all the reputation we have gained by many years of honest effort and close attention to

business. We can further inform Mr. Albert

Weber that, were it not for the prohibitory

tariff adopted by the government under

which he lives, we could repeat in his own market the success we have

obtained in Canada. This is no idle boast,

as we hold large orders for our pianos from

merchants in the United States, who could not

possibly confound the names, offering our

own prices, if we would pay the difference of duties, but the United States tariff renders it

impossible to fill their orders.

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