

GEORGE BROWN.

THE SOLILOQUIES ON THE RESULT OF THE HAMILTON ELECTION CONTEST.

Oh, ever thus from childhood's hours,
I've seen my fondest hopes decay,
I never wish'd the victory ours,
But they were sure to gain the day.

I never had a piece of bread,
On one side buttered nicely o'er,
But as I raised it tow'ards my head,
The butter'd side fell on the floor.

I never made a telling speech,
But sure it was to tell against me,
And thro' the *Grumbler's* columns reach,
Each hamlet in this Countree.

I never call'd a good man "bad,"
Or tried his name to blacken o'er,
But sure it was to "turn me mad,"
And make him better than before.

AMUSEMENTS.

Report says that the Lyceum has been leased for the summer season, but as to the truth of it, we cannot say. Anyone that takes the Lyceum has got to put his shoulder to the wheel, if he intends to make a "piece."—Mr. W. Hill, a talented member of the Toronto Dramatic Club, (Apollo Hall, King Street West,) takes a complimentary benefit tendered him by the Members of the Company, on Tuesday evening next. The programme is a good one and, doubtless, Mr. Hill will have a crowded house. Miss Julia Vincent has kindly volunteered and will sustain two characters.—George Vandenhoff, the celebrated Dramatic Reader, has been giving a series of readings under the auspices of the Re-union Committee of the Mechanics' Institute. His selections are given in a style that stamps him as the first dramatic reader on the continent. The Music Hall was filled to overflowing on each occasion, and we are certain that the coffers of the Mechanics' Institute have not suffered by the engagement.—Martin Murray's Music Hall, Hamilton, is looking 'upward and onward,' and bringing lots of the "o be joyful," to Martin's pocket. Fanny Archer is "warbling" there, and is very popular. The Antonio family are also under an engagement with Murray.

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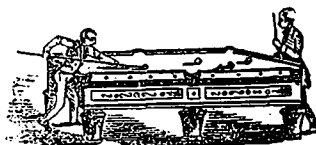
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THE "GRUMBLER."

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

It must be satisfactory to the lovers of fun to see the improvement of our sarcastic and wittily contemporary, the *Grumbler*, or *Canadian Punch*.—*B. C. Canadian, Brockville.*

This spicy publication has a very good engraving as a frontispiece in the present number. The hits are as good as usual. Grumble away, old fellow.—*Union, Ottawa.*

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Saturday's *Grumbler*, the only real *Punch* in Canada, comes to us embellished with a caricature of Sandfield Macdonald, Cartier, and George Brown, in which the attempt to catch Cartier is very cleverly shown up.—*British Whig, Kingston.*

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This piquant little sheet contains an excellent cartoon. The whole thing is well done, and if these cartoons are kept up from week to week, without fear or favor, will render the *Grumbler* a greater favourite than ever.—*Home Journal, St. Thomas.*

This laughter provoking little sheet is a welcome visitant to our sanctum. It deals its growls all around, irrespective of parties or persons.—*Eastern Townships, Gazette.*

This little sheet continues as spicy as ever, and has firmly established itself as an "institution" in our community.—*Leader.*

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