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and seasonable things in letter press next Saturday. Among the contributions will be a "Christmas Ghost Story" by Col. HUNTER DUVAR, and "Jerry's Christmas" by a young lady of this city. We do not put this issue forward as a holiday attempt but simply in the line of our usual work. It would be a difficult.perhaps an impossible, task in the hurry and rush of printing the large edition of PROGRESS every week to give the attention necessary to the publication of a satisfactory Christmas number. While it was under consideration the people themselves took the matter out of our hands and by their generous and spontaneous patronage forced us to enlarge the paper. A special Christmas number was then certainly out of the question. We make this explanation because very many of our friends have sent in requests for "the Christmas number" to be forwarded to them. While thanking them for their kind recollection-which must be regarded as complimentary to our previous efforts-we must at the same time tell them that our facilities, which we thought last year would be ample for a long time, will not permit us to undertake much extra work. With us the year 1890 has been more successful than we could have hoped for. Much of this is due to the energetic, painstaking and interested efforts of the staff, but more to the people who have supported us in every undertaking. With their aid the growth of the pa-

per has been unexampled in these prov-

THE BROKER.

inces.

If there is one thing above another that modern trade conditions have brought forward and most completely developed it is the city broker. He is now to be found everywhere, offering all sorts and kinds of goods. There is nothing he cannot sell, or at least try to sell. With the merchant he fills, so to speak, "a long felt want." He takes up what little of his time there is left when the commercial traveller gets through with him. At doing this he success, especially that species of him that drops leisurely into one's office and begins talking about the weather, or some equally foreign topic, as if he was the only man who had been in or was expected in that

day. Then the broker always knows so much. He can usually tell just about when, what. and how much of it to buy, and, some-

by the imprudent conduct of the students who could not refrain from playing Hallowe'en pranks upon Mr. WILMOT. Deeply incensed and irritated, this gentlem

has written a characteristic letter to the college organ and the Fredericton press, must observe Hallowe'en in their own posed to be customary in Irish plays The edition of Photensis is now so large that it is necessary to put the inside pages to press on THURBOAT, and no changes of advertisements will be received later than 10 a. m. of that day. Adver-tisers will forward their own interest by sending their copy as much earlier than this as possible. backward glance at his own collegiate days States. Mr. Lytell was very funny as Barney and his songs and dances were highly appreciated. Miss Celeste is rather among all students on Hallowe'en.

a clever little soubrette and did her part as MEETINGS of the common council are Peggy very nicely. held at the call of the mayor, and the first Bye-the-way I wonder it all Irish peasant intimation some of the aldermen have of girls go round generally with their dresses the meeting is a stereotyped notice to be no lower than their knees. It is a pretty present at such a date. This method-or lack of method-has many disadvantages. style from the male point of view, and would be a very popular one too if introduc-An alderman, who is unaware that anyed generally. Only a fair house was assembled at the

thing is "on the tapis," may be out of town, or have engagements for that date that cannot very well be broken, whereas We will give our readers a least of good | if the meetings were held at stated periods he could make his arrangements accordingly.

PEN AND PRESS.

their lines.

Mr. Belding, late of the Sun, was not allowed to go to Montreal without substatial remembrances from his office associates and his friends. The Youth's Comparison Christmas number is as beautiful as it is good. This paper is always leading the advance guard of the weekly publi-cations, and never retreats from its position. The death of T. Albert Fallis, of the Globe com-posing staff removes a bright and promising roung not read of the Anort Panish and promising young man from the newspaper field. Mr. Fallis was an expert compositor and a valued and for a time a frequent contributor to the columns of Phoorass. There was a bright catchiness about his matter that made it always welcome. He was only 23 years old and his death adds another to the long hist of con Webster and his sister, at the end of which

and his death adds another to the long has of con-sumption's victims. The Christmas number of the Dominion Illustrated is rather a disappointment to those who bought it with the tholiday issues of the Star and Globe. There is a good deal of Donglas Sladen about it. It is long delayed and much talked of poem-by courtesy-Lester, the Loyalist, finds a place in its pages. It will puzzle the average loyalist who has sufficient courage to read it. Some of the fillust, attoms are good, but many are only lair, and two of them, at lest, have appeared in former numbers of the paper.

The paper. The paper. The Farmer, of Fredericton, comes to us this week in six page torm with plenty of evidence of the enterprise of the firms of the Capital, and a "fatt take" for the publisher who has without duot taken full advantage of the fact that Christmas comes but or Thue World occupied the Institute stage or Thue World accupied the Institute stage

on Thursday and Friday nights, and will once a year Another interesting publication-for farmer be produced at the matinee this afternoor Secretary of Agriculture Lugrin's Crop Bulletin for November. Mr. Lugrin's news is not as cheertul and encouraging as it might be but that is not his fault. The report is valuable and timely. and tonight. the best, taking it all round, that the Lytell company has done since their season

PERTINENT PERSONALS.

opened. The scenic effects were not up to Mr. A. W. Masters, better known as "Capt." and the "Equitable Hugtler," was calling upon his old friends this week, Pracotarss among them. He is looking vigorous and, judging from the figures in his note book, has been vigorous since last January. Up to Turseiday his year's work amounted to \$301,000 which is about \$60,000 greatr than last year. To do this Mr. Masters has had to do some travelling, about 5,000 miles. During the winter he will make his annual trip to Newfoundland, when Mrs. Masters will be the guest of Mrs. John G. Robbins, of Yar-mouth, in which town it is probable she and her hus-band will locate permanently for the future. Manager Phelan, of the Canada Railway News Co., in this city is making an extended trip to the upper provinces. During his absence, Mr. Frank Curran, whose popularity with travellers seems to increase with his years of service, has charge of the agency. the mark, the difference in the size of the Mr. A. W. Masters, better known as "Capt." and steamer as she lay at the pier at Cape Town, and the appearance of her deck at sea being very marked, and there was a shifting sunset effect in the first act that was rather startling. The raft scene was, however, very well managed, and reflected credit on the staying powers of the stage hands.

the agency NOUVELLES FRANCAISES.

Bebe mange une glace. La trouves—tu bonne? lui demande sa merc. Oui reponde Bebe, elle est bonne, mais je l'aimerai

Simple Question Entre egaux qui doit saluer le premier? Le mieux eleve. Sur le Boulevard.

Mon pauvre ami, excusez-moi, je ne savais rien. Et depuis quelle epoque etcs-vous donc veut? L'autre d'un ton penetre :--depuis la mort de ma pauvre femme.

Mlle. Nini vient chaque matin au bureau de poste reclamer une lettre aux initials Z \ldots T \ldots Reponse immobile.

TALK OF THE THEATRE. The Cruise of the "Sarah Jane, Maum Cree was presented on Friday and Saturday evenings of last week. It is rather a weak drama of the usual Irish It was the tow-boat Sarah Jane, And a right smart craft was she; The skipper his name was Whiskers And a bad old man was he. ensational style, and served as a medium He dammed the sea, he dammed the shore, On cloudy days or clear; His hat was ancient, and his pants Came up beneath his car.

PUEMS WRITTEN FOR "PROGRESS."

For fifty years he'd dammed his luck And dammed the flies—and fleas; For fifty years those pants had borne The battle and the breeze. sses" shivered at his rour And madly onward sprung; e damned most everything that moved But couldn't dam his tongue.





From Sunpoke Lake to Pokiok He plowed the stormy main, And swung the sweep along the dee Aboard the Sarah Jane.

And when no cargo came aboard Of hay, or beef, or lambs, He'd load the scow from stern to bow With miscellaneous dams

The wind was driving fast, The Sarah Jane flew like a bird Before the raging blast.

She went at such a tearing gait Before the roaring wind That soon the hosses on the tow Were towing fat behind. In vain did Whiskers howl and swear,

In value due we make the team, In value due the dammed the team, The hosses soon fell off the bank And raced along mid-stream. And still the Sarah swept along

The torrent fierce and wide— The hosses now gave up the ghost And floated in the tide. Still fast and faster flew the Jane, Like comet o'er the blue, And yet the louder Whiskers roared The faster yet she flew.

He dammed the wind, he dammed the flood, He dammed the wind, its damined the hood, He dammed the Sarah Jane, Ie dammed the mast and dammed the team, And dammed his luck again. He day

O sirs, it was an awsome sight To see that flying craft, As Whiskers raked her with his oaths Broadside and fore and aft.

His hair and beard in tatters flew, His pants were split in twain, His knees were smitten in the grasp Of that fierce hurricane.

Not until now did Whiskers' eye Towards the tiller turn, When lo! there stood a gruesome shap Betwixt him and the stern.



It had two horns, it had a tail, Its eyes were fire-brands, It had a fierce and mocking smile, And a bellows in its hands.

There came so strong a gale As never smite the sea before, Or bellied out a sail.

O! never, since he swung the sweep

IN MUSICAL CIECLES. Practices and rehearsals are still in order, but there is very little else going on to record. Everyone seems too busy getting their Christmas work of, to jive-anything very startling in the musical line. After Christmas, however, there will be several things to look forward to, notably, Saint Saev Noed, which will be given in St. John's church on the Sist of December (New Year's Eve), and the Messical in Trinity church on the Th of January. The choir of Trinity is rehearsing a nice anthem the lists of our city churches would send me lists of their Christmas music, sometime during the list of their Christmas music, sometime during ne lists of our city churches would send me lists of their Christmas music, sometime during the were veriched with the sub-set shot the sub-sott week. The choir of Trinity is rehearsing a nice anthem by Mm. T. Best, *While Skepherds Watched*. I think have already given the anthem at St. John's Ats Andrew's choir; it must be for a very short while home in Montreal, and will leave here some time in January. The tak about a conservatory of music in con-IN MUSICAL CIRCLES.

Think we had better containe water or key et a white and not into a conservatory here which is atmost its mere not pay.
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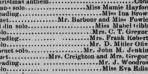
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I have seen during this engagement, Mr. Edwards being very well suited to his part of the persecuted baronet. Mr. Murray. as usual, did the heavy villain, Mr. Lytell repeated his former success as the Jew, and the other male members of the cast did their duty and doubled parts manfully. The ladies were the weak part, Miss Goode evidently having an idea that a loud tone of voice and rather extravagant gestures

denote all kinds of human passion, and Miss Edwards was not strong as Mary Blythe. Miss Celeste made a pretty boy The Institute will be vacated on Monday

night by the Lytell company in order that the Laurier-Davies Combination may have a chance, but they will re-open on Tuesday night with Hoodman Blind. From out that bellows fast and free

PROSCENIUM.

raising of the curtain on Monday night last, when the Great Metropolis was played by the Lytell company. On this occasio the title of the piece might have been changed to "The Unfamiliar Lines, or the Rattled Prompter," for it was simply un

pardonable the way in which a number of the company reached round the stage after

The main incident of the play was spoiled by the property man lorgetting to fire the pistol, and the scenic effects were a long way short of what was promised. The day was wending to its close, although a morning paper announced that

times, if his advice is not taken, he gets angry. This seems unavoidable; particularly if the merchant has a sort of indefinite idea that he should run his own business

Great indeed is the broker. And it is so easy to be one, too. It only takes a rubber stamp and a post-office box-and, on a pinch, the latter can be done away with. It takes no capital and the returns are sure-what there is of them.

There are various other steps in the upward and onward career of a broker which cannot be here enumerated. One thing, however, should be done-as soon as possible he should get a type-writer and a clerk—quite a small boy will do—and dic-tate all his letters. By adopting these and other precautions, and working hard, some brokers, in the course of time, get so they can make a living. There are no rich ones. When they do get rich they stop being brokers.

MR. E. H. WILMOT, of Fredericton, is very indignant at the university students, and perhaps justly so. He is one of the oldest and richest graduates of the institution, and from the fact that he was for 40 years connected with it in the official capacity of registrar, and since his resignacapacity of registrar, and since ins resigna-tion and retirement has taken a great in-terest in the students and their sports and exercises. There was a natural hope among those closely interested in the college that he would remember it in a substantial fashon. That hope has been sadly shattered

Il n'y a rien. Rien . . . c'est desolant. If faut que ça finisse, grogna l'employe de la poste restante . . . je vous en cerirai une pour demuin. "Un jour A. Dumas recut la lettre suivant

"On jour A. Dumas recut in reture suivane signe d'un conte français. 'Monsieur, j'ai l'hon neur de vous proposer de nous associer pour la composition d'un drame. Votre nom figurera a cote du mien. Vous composerez seul le drame et je ferai seul les depenses de la premiere representation. Vous surce tous les benefices, car je ne traville que pour la gloire." M. A. Dumas repondit: "Monsieur, je n'ai pas l'habitude d'atteler ensemble a ma voiture un cheval et un ance. Je regrette donc de ne pouvoir accepter votre aimable proposition." Le comte repliqua: "Monsieur Dumas, je tiens note de votre relas d'uni nos travaux litterieres, mais ne vous permettez plus a l'avenir de m'appeler un cheval." La reminon française aurà lieu cette semaine chez d'un comte français

La reunion française aura lieu cette semaine chez Mile. Kaye, 10 Rue Peel. UNE ELEVE.

The Stay.

"The best of all, God is with us."-John Wesley The best of all, God is with us. — God I have one comfort, - only one, — That I have God to lean upon: I feel the human arm give way; The kindred presence cannot stay; Were not his gracious spirit known, How soon my soul must stand alone!

How soon my soul must stand alone: His guardian hands my steps attend, Though deeps arise, or floods descend; Though herisoned in the blank wal'd night, Or walking darkly without light; With this sure word I can control, The motions of my trembling soul: So, ny firm purpose well endures, Amid a thousand weights and lures, To do, with constancy sincere, The will of Him who piaced me here. Parton FRLIX.

Neur Christmas Bouks, and Funry Goods of all kinds-lowest prices, at McArthur's Bookstore, 80 King street.

The performance of this melo-drama was

The acting was better on the whole than

and played her little bit acceptably

PROSCENTUM. Preparing For Christmas. Many Christmas things, besides plum-cake and mince-meat, are made long before Christmas. We can speak positively for preparation all the year, and the number for 92 is actually entered upon before the number for '91 has been distributed. Much of the work done upon Christmas numbers and Christmas books is executed in the bottest days of July and August, when the people who are going to buy them are in the gounty. — Two the flowers that bloom on Christ-mas tables are gathered many days before the happy morning. Some of them are put away in layers between flannel in dark drooms or refrigerators. In this way it is made possible for the florists to supply a large part of the demand for flowers Christ-mas to the demand tor flowers Christ-mas to the demand tor flowers christ-mas to the demand tor flowers christ-mas to the the demand tor flowers the drooms or refrigerators. In this way it is made possible for the florists to supply a large part of the demand tor flowers christ-mas down are cut and stored away in good these, too, are cut and stored away in good these too, are cut and stored away in good these too brittle for transportation. The woodmen therefore like to get their work foreward, and pile their trees in the work toreward, and pile their trees in the work toreward to the last of December. The woodmen therefore like to get their work toreward to the last of December. Some knowing gradmothers and igranious untat to say nothing of uncles and grand-thers, are on the lookout all the year for Christnes surprises, which they lide away in unathomable recesses, sometimes for-

O! never had such fear Been seen on sea or shore.

"What are you, fiend and whither bound?" Cried Whiskers, as they flew, "You're bound for hell," the fiend replied, "And fifty years o'erdue!"

At that bold Whiskers shrieked with fear, And leaped into the tide— And leaped into the tide— And rose to find it but a dream— "Thanks be to heaven," he cried.

. And yet doth Whiskers ply the sweep, Upon the raging main, And yet he stands upon the poop Aboard the Sarah Jane.

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But now, as pass the sunny days, Instead of dreadful dams, He times the swinging of his sweep To Hardshell Baptist psalms.

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