



SOME BASSOES OF THE MUSICAL FESTIVAL.

BY ONE OF 'EM.

ADVICE TO A PRINTER

(WHO HAS BEEN WRITING POETRY FOR THE PAPERS).

BEWARE, my friend. It is not safe
To jingle rhymes, whilst thou
Dost click the types and fondly chafe
Thy chin, with self-pleased bow.

Stick, man, to thy "composing stick"—
Yet ne'er "compose a line,"
Keep a pecked eye on "guiding Nick,"
And this "brass rule" of mine:

High on thy three-legged stool, sit down
Before the cases twain;
Then "Follow Copy!"—yea, thou clown,
Compose thy heated brain.

Scant "furniture" adorns thy mind,
More like art thou to groan
A "galley"-slave, than, dying, find
Fame's most "imposing stone."

VARIETAS.

WHY NOT FOR ONE AS WELL AS FOR THE OTHER?

THERE have lately been "great carryings on" in the city and Province of Quebec—especially the former—on account of Canada having got, at last, a cardinal of her own. The following news, which we have received by tellinfun from the ancient capital, tell us of others which form a most suitable succession, as they were connected with events of as great importance to Canada.

The Speakers of the two Houses stated that they had recived letters from the following persons with requests to convey officially to the members the news contained therein:—

From Tommy Granny'spet stating that his grandma had given him such a beauty of a humming top.

From Richard Happyfather stating that baby can now say "Pa" and "Ma."

From Norah O'Flaherty stating that her "mistriss" had given her an "illigant" bonnet.

The reading of these letters was received with great applause. When order was restored—a very difficult thing, as the joy of the members was so great—it was nnanimately resolved to present a joint address to each, to be presented to them next day. The Houses immediately after adjourned in honor of the events.

The Field Battery fired a salute of 19 guns in honor of each. Flags waved in all directions.

Next day, the two Houses of Parliament presented joint addresses to each of the persons aforementioned. The Speakers and other officials were in their robes. The mace was borne in procession. Parliament also returned thanks to Tommy's grandma and Norah's "mistriss."

Tommy, Richard and Norah sent messengers to the Governor-General and Lieutenant-Governor with news of these events which are of so great importance to Canada.

Gossip.

UMBRELLAS enjoyed a wide spread popularity during the first half of this week.—Ex.

WHY is a bald-headed man like a greyhound? Because he makes a little hair go a great way.

THE Will of the people (Liberal definition)—Will Gladstone.

A Will-o'-the wisp (Conservative definition)—Will Gladstone.—Ex.