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Mr. Osler's Chances.

Mr. Joseph Simpson yesterday criticised our position in the matter of Mr. E. B. Osler's candidature for the mayoralty, and expressed surprise that we should not warmly support so good a man, nominated by good men with a real good object in view.

Our position is easily explained. The World is heartily in favor of municipal reform. Mr. Osler is nominated and we have found no fault with him. He is said to be the right man and we know he is an able man, a man of much business capacity and strong character.

However, we know that he is at this moment on the ocean going to England and will not return until Dec. 20, some ten or fifteen days prior to the election, by which time eighty per cent. of the electors will have determined for whom they shall vote.

We know too that the Ratepayers' Association, which, like the Citizens' Association, has municipal reform for its watchword, has declared against him, and that these two organizations of good men will squander their energies in a side fight.

We claim that, while Mr. Osler should not be expected to dog the footsteps and haunt the doorsteps of the citizens to secure electors, he should, as a man who enters the field as a municipal reformer, ascend the platform and outline his views. The World may know and the members of the Citizens' Association may know that Mr. Osler is a good man and all that his admirers picture him, but there are thousands of people in this town who have votes and who will record them, and they never heard of E. B. Osler or Mr. Simpson and—such is the impious democracy of this town, mark you—care not a fig for the Citizens' Association. They will not vote for a Great Unknown on any person's recommendation. While two organizations of good citizens are fighting for and against Mr. Osler—while he is absent in England and not fighting at all—while a machine candidate rushes in, baby-kissing, hand-shaking, wire-pulling—under such circumstances we foresee Mr. Osler's defeat. It is certain and guaranteed by all experience of elections.

We know that Mr. Osler has been nominated under such auspices that the best element among the ratepayers will support him. Those who are making for municipal reform will group about him, but they are deficient in numbers and will be trampled under foot by the great, careless multitude that requires to be canvassed and patted on the back. We have protested because we foresee that a commendable movement is going to fail through poor judgment and neglect of the ordinary precautions of practical politics. There is more danger in this than would be found in the defeat of Mr. Osler under ordinary circumstances by an ordinary sort of man. Suppose there are three candidates in the field—all the best men will waste votes on Mr. Osler, allowing the very worst element to elect the worst man of the three. To save the city from this we have spoken. It is the probable outcome of the mixed situation of the present.

Mr. Osler should be here to address the public, to show himself on the streets, to exert all the personal force he possesses, and without these adjuncts the efforts of his friends will be futile. Failing now this sort of popular movement will become discredited. Mr. Osler should have been told that, in view of his unexpected tour abroad, it would be necessary to withdraw the requisition tendered him.

Quebec Must Be Rescued.

It is very certain at any rate that Quebec has reason to be dissatisfied with things as they are, and that something must be done and that soon to rescue her. Will the Tories who scout unrestricted reciprocity kindly tell us what their remedy is?—Globe.

The first thing to be done is to rescue Quebec from the family of bloodsuckers of whom Mercier is father and which is absorbing the vital fluid of the province by night and by day. Until that is done the condition of Quebec cannot be improved, for what profit will there be in purifying blood for these leeches to draw out, leaving the veins dried up and the body limp and emaciated?

It will not do for the Reform organ to say that Mercier is issuing unscathed from the Baie des Chaleurs investigation and but requires to renounce Pacaud. Renounce Pacaud, indeed!—his henchman, his agent, his political valet, the twin of his own soul! This would surely be cutting off the right hand that offended thee in the clumsy commission of an evil act with which thou charged it.

But aside from the famous atrocities contained in the Baie des Chaleurs matter Premier Mercier is condemned an hundred times over. Look at him as he was previous to gaining office, then shade your eyes and look upon his stunning splendor of the present time. Once a shabby nobody—a habitue of decent but purse-lean social retreats, a shrewd political adventurer garbed in genteel neediness, a combination of circumstances tossed him into high office. Look at him now and say can he be the victim of Pacaud's rascality! A prince among the people, the social lion of his race, the giver of munificent gifts to right and left, the present owner of large estates stocked with sheep and horses and cattle, and with liveried men-servants and maid-servants to heed his imperious nod—living right along at the rate of $50,000 per annum, and not a cent less, say is he a victim or a victimizer, sinned against or sinning?

Who dare defend him and attempt to honestly account for the $1,000,000 which he has made use of since becoming Premier—squandered in part in that high life so seductive to a parvenu, and in part invested for present comfort and as a precaution against future reverses of fortune? His legitimate salary as Premier, though large compared with his previous income, is but a tenth of his present cost of living. His legitimate salary as Premier is only half that of a bank manager and equal to that of the average judge. It is the same in round numbers as that enjoyed by the editor of The Globe, who resides in semi-obscurity somewhere about this town. By what honest means could Mercier manipulate his limited income to amass such wealth and maintain such splendor? It would be impossible to any genius of financing and would tax the magicians' arts of olden fable. He snaked that money, boodled it, stole it—what you will!

"Something must be done and that soon to rescue" Quebec from such organized and enormous robbery. No state could stand it. Why think of it: Mercier's name was found subscribing $500 to an hotel fund and the Royal Commission pressed to know whether the Premier had signed that himself or allowed Pacaud to sign for him. The Premier impatiently replied that he was bothered with so many applications for subscriptions about that time that he could not recollect whether he signed or not. A paltry $500 subscription was nothing to him—he was evidently signing away such sums every day to this, that and the other thing, and thought it ridiculous that this commission should expect him to recall the triviality. His legitimate income as Premier of Quebec would not suffice such a man for the quietest month in the year.

Before anything else is done Quebec must be rescued from the robbers who in a few years have brought her to the brink of ruin by a methodical route as though her financial ruin was their political object—intending to fashion from the chaos a condition more to their fancy.

Illegal Deer Slaying.

Two New York gentleman were so impressed with Mr. Rolph's account in October Harper's of a moose hunt near Mattawa on the Ottawa River that they went on a similar hunt, had great success and give a lively account of their trip in the last issue of Forest and Stream. The sportsmen reached their destination by way of Brockville, penetrated to a point beyond Mattawa, bagged a couple of moose and returned home via Brockville. They report that others had still greater success and that Mr. P., a New York lawyer, had shot a magnificent moose from the steamboat going up the river a day or two before.

What we wish to point out is that the shooting of moose is illegal in Ontario until the 15th day of October, 1895. An amendment to the Act respecting game and fur-bearing animals, contained in 51 Victoria, 1888, fixes the date for deer shooting and enacts as follows:

Deer, elk, moose, reindeer or cariboo between the twentieth day of November and the fifteenth day of October; but the period hereinbefore limited shall not, as to moose, elk, or cariboo, apply before or until the fifteenth day of October, 1895, and no moose, elk, reindeer or cariboo shall be hunted, taken or killed between the first day of April, 1888, and the 15th day of October, 1892.

This seven years of a close period was thought necessary to prevent the total extermination of the varieties of deer mentioned, and Canadian sportsmen submitted to it with more or less grace. If New York hunters come in and evade the inspectors one would think that a reputable sporting journal like Forest and Stream should not lend itself to their cause and incite others to such unsportsmanlike lawlessness. Judging by the account given in Forest and Stream moose are being shot down every day along the Ottawa River in defiance of the game law, and the provincial inspectors should make a determined crusade against these hunters.

Houses and Tenants.

Editor World: Few people are aware of the vast number of families in this city that live in rented houses. It must be considerably more than half the population. Now this part of the population has many grievances that are never heard of. The matter of rents is the chief of these. Nothing regulates these rents. If a man has a house leased for one or more years and finds the same class of houses all around him renting for $4 or $5 less per month what can he do? I would like to know if there is anything he can do but quietly stew. If an owner finds his property assessed too high by comparison with surrounding property he can attend the Court of Revision and get his grievance redressed. But while this is true, the tenant cannot get his rent reduced, but must abide by his lease, though it is far in excess of the rents of his locality.

Another thing that a house-hunter discovers is that while he may strike certain localities where vacant houses are numerous, where streets in all directions are dotted with them and have been so dotted time out of mind, yet the owners persist in keeping rents away up in the clouds, beyond the reach of ordinary people. TENANT.

The Troubles of Zion.

Editor World: Permit me through the columns of your valuable paper to say a few words in regard to the recent disturbance in the Queen-street Methodist Church.

Infidels do not make many other infidels by their teaching, but poor Christians do. By poor Christians I mean those who profess Christianity but fail to live up to their belief. Now, if all accounts are true, and I believe Mr. Paull's statement to be a correct one, it looks pretty shady for the pastor. Where does his Christianity come in, and where is the example as a follower of the humble Nazarene? Of course it is true every man will be judged according to his own works; but it is also true that by our example we influence others for good or evil. We do not purpose judging any one, but at the same time we cannot close our eyes to plain facts. No one is perfect, but we naturally look for something higher from a minister of the Gospel. Such conduct is, to say the least, out of place in the Christian Church and among believers and will never win one soul for Christ. M. J.

Extraordinary! Deadly Strychnine Removed.

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What the Country Has Escaped.

No one need fear cholera or any summer complaint, if they have a bottle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial ready for use. It corrects all looseness of the bowels promptly and causes a healthy and natural action. This is a medicine adapted for the young and old, rich and poor, and is rapidly becoming the most popular medicine for cholera, dysentery, etc., in the market.

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A Popular Physician.

The popular physician is unassuming, pleasant and successful in treating disease. Such an one is Burdock Blood Bitters—unassuming—only a dollar a bottle—pleasant, agreeable in taste, successful in nine cases out of ten. In truth it may be said B.B.B. is the popular physician to the people, a tried and trusted family friend in all diseases of the stomach, liver, bowels and blood.

Sandwich.

SIRS,—For five years I suffered from lumbago and could get no relief until I used Hagyard's Yellow Oil, and must say I find no better remedy for it. John Deshordan, Sandwich, Ont.

A lady writes: "I was enabled to remove the corns, root and branch, by Holloway's Corn Cure." Others who have tried it have the same experience.

IN THE REALM OF SPORTS.

THERE'S STILL A RUGBY MATCH ON THE PROGRAM.

Can Osgoode Hall Win At Montreal on Saturday?—Curling Enthusiasts Take Advantage of Early Ice — Hanlan and O'Connor Will Row Hosmer and Teemer—Gotham's Horse Show.

The champion Rugby team of Ontario meets the champion Rugby team of Quebec in Montreal Saturday to contest for the championship of Canada. Critics who have seen Osgoode Hall and Montreal play are willing to wager that the local men will lose. The managers of the lawyers' fifteen recognize that if they win they must resort to a new and probably desperate style of play. The team practised Tuesday on Trinity's Lawn when their unique disposition of men worked admirably, and if the same "comes off" Saturday in Montreal Osgoode Hall will likely return to Toronto with the coveted title.

In an interview with The Buffalo Times the new Gotham baseball manager, P. T. Powers, was asked if the Giants would capture the pennant next season, whereupon Genial Pat actually refrained from claiming that his team would capture the rag. Powers as a baseball manager in this respect is very original.

There is much rivalry among the strong men now located in London. The writer saw the four biggest 'uns there last month. They are all engaged at music halls. Hercules and Samson are at the Trocadero. In the regular performances they lift all the big weights, Hercules winding up by lifting a cart horse weighing 1500 lbs. Samson does not perform this feat. Then there is the Samson who visited Toronto last winter. He is breaking chains at the Aquarium. Sandow shows at the Tivoli. He is a marvelously well-knit blonde man with perfectly clear skin. He does all his feats with peculiar grace, including carrying a pony off the stage with one hand and turning a somersault with a 112-lb. weight in each hand. Louis Cyr, the French-Canadian, has recently gone to the Metropolis and if cable reports be true will, no doubt, defeat any of the above at straight lifting, as he lifted a 2619-lb weight this week. But Cyr need not expect to make a clean victorious sweep, as those chaps have all styles of their own and the Montrealer will, no doubt, be invited by challenges to test his strength thereat.

Peter Jackson and Frank Slavin have agreed to meet in the prize ring. The purse offered is $10,000, by the National Club of London. Yet there may not be a fight between them there, as the California Athletic Club now comes forward with a $12,000 purse, of which $2000 is for the loser. The prize ring of to-day resembles the French battlefields on which William III. of England fought, when advantage was gained even by defeat.

At a recent race meeting in Australia the principal event of the day was won by a short head, but the judge, who, by the way, is one of the most respected men in the district, gave it a dead heat. A personal friend of the judge owned the horse that had really won and he was not slow to tell his judgeship his horse had won by about a couple of feet. To the owner's surprise the judge replied: "Well, Bill, I know he did; but what is that in a two mile race? We'll have it over again."

Jockey Martin, at Guttenburg Monday, was charged with riding Irregular irregularly. Judge Burke, on investigation, was satisfied that there was an irregularity and the matter was referred to the Executive Committee for investigation.

Big Purses for Big Trotters.

GRAND RAPIDS, Nov. 18.—D. J. Leathers, president of the Grand Rapids Trotting Association, offers $100,000 for a great week of racing at the meeting of the Michigan horse breeders in Grand Rapids the last week of August, 1892. He comes out with a $50,000 purse for a race for the stallion championship, all ages, to be trotted by Palo Alto, Stamboul, Allerton, Nelson, Axtel, Delmarch and Pat Downing. Also $25,000 for a race for Arion (2.10¾), Monbars (2.18), Ralph Wilkes (2.18) and Bermuda Boy, the four great 2-year-olds of 1891.

Costa Rica a Double Winner.

Chicago: Merry Girl, Zed, Costa Rica, Galbanum, Costa Rica.

Gloucester: Birthday, Foreigner, Young Lottery, Philly, Vevay, Repeater.

Guttenburg: Onaway, McKeever, Toano, Joe Kelly, Ville Marie.

HANLAN DEALS IN OARS.

In British Columbia's Superior Spruce—Ned Will Row McLean.

"Hanlan will leave Vancouver in a day or two for San Francisco," says Vancouver Times of Nov. 12. "Mr. J. A. Healy was yesterday engaged in collecting the subscription toward the purse to be given to the winner of the Hanlan-McLean race, but the success he met with was indifferent," continues that paper. Hanlan's visit to British Columbia will be of some little use commercially. He has been examining the oars made from the spruce of this province and has come to the conclusion that it would be impossible to find any wood anywhere so strong, light and free from knots. He yesterday left an order with Leamy & Kyle to saw out roughly 5000 pairs of oars, which he intends to sell to American and Canadian oarmakers. When he goes east he will get patterns of oars for four-oared boats, double sculls and singles and send them forward to Vancouver as a guide to sawing the oars. Stephenson also concedes that British Columbia spruce is superior to anything they have in New Zealand, and will make arrangements with some of the mills here to send down the material for oars to the Australian oarmakers.

Stephenson has gone to New Westminster, where he will remain a few days. He telephoned Hanlan yesterday that Dutch had sailed by the Alameda for Australia again, sickness having broken out in his family.

A race has been arranged between Hanlan and Alex McLean of New Westminster, B.C., the conditions of which are as follows: To be rowed on Alameda course, three miles with turn, Hanlan and McLean to exchange skiffs used in race at Vancouver. McLean getting 100 yards start, stakes $500 a side, the full amount of which is to be placed in the hands of Mr. A. B. Mackenzie not later than Thursday evening next. The winner is to receive 65 per cent. of the gate receipts, and the loser 35 per cent.; race to be rowed on 29th inst.

Archie Mackenzie will probably act as referee in the race.

An Extra Race for the Champion Double.

Yesterday Hosmer and O'Connor came to an agreement whereby a double scull race would be rowed next spring between Hanlan and O'Connor of Toronto and Teemer and Hosmer. The men in town had the authority from their partners to make such a race, which will be the usual 3 miles with turn for $2000, to be rowed over a course mutually agreed upon. It is expected that O'Connor and Hosmer will sign the articles to-day. Then they will be forwarded to Hanlan in San Francisco and Teemer in Pittsburg.

What to Do During the Evenings.

Every young man and business man particularly likes some recreation after he leaves his daily business pursuits, and perhaps it has not before occurred to him that the most pleasant and profitable way is by participating in some of the many indoor athletic sports. A "pass" with the foils, a bout with the gloves or a pull at some gymnasium apparatus, such as H. P. Davies & Co., 81 Yonge-street, have in stock and show to customers with pleasure.

Mr. Puck Heard from.

With the first appearance of frost comes the news from the hockeyists. The bankers, as usual, are to the fore, and to-night the annual general meeting of the Bankers' Hockey League takes place at Keachie's Hotel, starting at 8 o'clock.

The Granite Colt Hockey Club held their first meeting on Tuesday last, and elected officers for season of 1891-2. The secretary's address is Mr. W. Windeyer, 261 Wellesley-street.

JACK FROST WITH US.

And the Roarin' Game Begins—Games Played On Three Rinks Yesterday.

The curling clubs were prepared for Tuesday night's cold snap and had their rinks flooded for the frost. So yesterday afternoon and evening practise matches were played at Victoria, Granite and Prospect Park. At the Park a score of enthusiastic members disported themselves both afternoon and evening who thus early in the season did some remarkably accurate shooting.

The season also started at the Victoria Rink and good games were indulged in at night as well as in the afternoon, thus beating the record at this club. The old hands were well represented and all look forward with pleasure to the prospects of a good season.

Perhaps the best inaugural was at the Granite, where a friendly match was played between two five-rink sides selected by Messrs. Anderson and Dempsey, the scores of which were as follows:

C. M. Scott.		W. Hubbell.	
G. A. Munson.		C. A. Flecker.	
H. C. Schofield.		C. A. B. Brown.	
W. Crooks.		W. B. Hamilton.	
T. O. Anderson, skip.	15	C. Dempsey, skip.	15
A. Nicoll.		W. D. Willoughby.	
C. Badenach.		J. Walker.	
W. Littlejohn.		W. H. Bleasdell.	
G. H. Gooderham.		W. C. Matthews.	
F. J. Carling, skip.	18	J. W. Carroll, skip.	14
Total	28	Total	29

Majority for Mr. Dempsey's side, 1 shot.

A JERSEY RACING DISASTER.

The Tracks Must Go—McGill's Decision—New Legislation Looked For.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—A special to The World to-day says that the much looked-for decision in the Court of Errors and Appeals in the case of John L. Haring, the Patterson pool-seller, was made to-day, Chancellor McGill rendering the decision.

The case originally came from the Passaic County Quarter Sessions in 1887, when Haring was convicted of keeping a disorderly house. It was proved that he kept a room in Paterson, where he sold pool tickets on the races at Guttenburg. The decision of the Supreme Court, which was against defendant's appeal, was affirmed nemine dissentiente.

Gotham's Horse Show.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—The seventh annual horse show began in Madison Square Gardens yesterday morning. There are upwards of 600 horses on exhibition. Among the most noted are: Mr. Cassatt's The Bard, by Longfellow—Bradamente, once unchallenged as king of the turf; S. S. Howland's Arabian stallion Leopold; C. J. Hamlin's Manbrino King, "the handsomest horse in the world"; Belle Hamlin, and George Pepper's jumper Roseberry of Toronto. The Bard captured the thoroughbred stallion prizes Matchless of Londesboro was the best hackney.

Yesterday afternoon C. J. Hamlin's Calumet was the best yearling trotting stallion Darling's Monitor got the prize for the best 2-year-old and Hamlin's Heir-at-law for the 3-year-olds. For hackney stallions 15.2 or over, first prize Eastman's imp Beau Lyone. For hunters and jumpers, Griswold's Lors Langford. There have been enormous crowd at all performances, New York sweldom turning out en masse.

To-day S. S. Howland's hunters Faust, Ontario and Bachus were given a go at the hurdles. Ontario scored a leap of 6ft. and Bachus cleared the fence at 5ft. 9in.

Turf and General Topics.

Thieves tapped the wires at New York on Tuesday and tricked Pool-seller Steinmetz out of $3000 before they were arrested.

The get of Electioneer now holds the world's record for yearlings, two-year-olds three-year-olds, five-year-olds and the world's single harness record of 2.08¾ and the world's stallion record. Of these Sunol holds four.

Local Jottings.

The Public School Board meets to-night.

James Armstrong, on charges of larceny, was yesterday committed to the Central for six months.

The prizes won by the Royal Grenadiers at the recent rifle match will be presented this evening.

Archbishop Walsh will lecture in St. Michael's Cathedral on Sunday evening on "Christ, the Great Social Reformer."

Edgar J. Wells, a boy, was yesterday sent to jail for 10 days for larceny of money from Fanny Vineberg, York-street.

Surrogate Court proceedings took place yesterday in these estates: William Blight, $15,845; William Robert Boler, $11,614.

The Board of Managers of the House of Industry declines to endorse the proposal to establish a general board of management for the relief of the poor.

Lawrence O'Connor, who has just completed a term of 60 days in prison, was yesterday sentenced to 60 days in the Central for theft of cloth.

A. C. Winton, secretary of the Ontario Water Meter Co., is complaining that the recent test of his meter by the Waterworks Department was unfair. He told The World yesterday that it was impossible for any company to get a show here except the Crown Meter Company, whom he says have a monopoly, although his meters could be procured at less cost.

Have You Tried

a Rialto Cigar? If not get one at once, they are first-class. L. O. Grothe & Co., Montreal.

Wisdom from the Sages.

The secret of success is constancy in purpose.—Lord Beaconsfield.

The lazy man aims at nothing and generally hits it.—James Ellis.

The world has a million roosts for a man, but only one nest.—Holmes.

Pity and forbearance should characterize all acts of justice.—Franklin.

The ornament of a house is the friends who frequent it.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

The more one endeavors to sound the depth of his ignorance the deeper the chasm appears.—Alcott.

The better part of every man's education is that which he gives himself.—James Russell Lowell.

The keenest ax with which to hew the human heart into a piece of ice is that of ingratitude.—Cadetta.

Men are the builders of their own destiny and more especially of the destiny of their children.—Lyof N. Tolstoi.

Our grand business in life is not to see what lies dimly in the distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.—Carlyle.

Every great man is always being helped by everybody, for his gift is to get good out of all things and all persons.—Ruskin.

An Introduction to the Queen

Is an honor conferred upon only a favored few. But every lady of the land may have ready access to the Queen of Remedies—Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Once known, always a valued friend. It promises to positively cure every form of weakness peculiar to women and confirms this promise by a written guarantee of satisfaction, guaranteed in every case or money returned. This Royal Remedy is carefully prepared *for women only*, and its efficiency is vouched for by countless happy homes and countless thousands of testimonials. A trial will convince you that it is invaluable in correcting all irregularities and weaknesses for which it is designed.

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You must be healthy. Would you be healthy, always keep within reach, ready for any emergency, Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, the perfection of physic! Headache, biliousness, constipation, a coated tongue, always indicate a torpid liver. These magical Pellets act directly upon the liver—the fountain-head of many ills—correcting all disorders, driving out all impurities, stimulating healthy action. The best Liver Pills; mildly giving all the benefit and none of the discomfort of other pills

THE DICKENS FAMILY.

CHARLES DICKENS, THE YOUNGER, TELLS OF THEIR DOINGS.

The Great Novelist's Son Inclined to be Pessimistic—The Editor of "All the Year Round" Says Literary Life is Hard and Poorly Paid.

To an interviewer of The New York World last week Charles Dickens, the younger, editor of All the Year Round, in answer to a question as to what the members of Dickens' family are doing at present, said: "People continually write to know what my sisters and brothers are about, and I am glad to be able to let them know in this way. My sister Mary, the second of the family, is unmarried and manages a typewriting establishment in this very building. My second sister, Catherine Elizabeth Macready, married Carlo Pellegrini, the artist, and is an artist herself, as you may know. My elder sister does not do any literary work. She edited my father's letters, but at present she has nothing to do with literature. I have two brothers in Australia. The elder, Alfred Tennyson, is in business as a merchant in Melbourne. The youngest, Edward Bulwer Lytton, is connected with the sheep-farming interest, and is a member of the New South Wales Parliament. I have also another brother in London, Henry Fielding, who has a very large practice at the bar. Those of my brothers who are dead were Walter Lander, Sydney Smith, Francis Jeffrey, the latter of whom died at Moline, Ill., and is buried there on the beautiful bluff overlooking the Mississippi. All my brothers were named after literary men. My second sister was named after Macready, the actor. With regard to myself, I edit All the Year Round, and Household Words as well. I have also a large printing business, and in the winter I travel all over the country giving readings from my father's works, the same as I gave in America. They are those that he used to read himself."

He also said he thought his father's works sell well, and that all the copyrights down "David Copperfield" have expired. That is not out yet. He did not know exactly when it will be, but thought next year.

His father, he said, left no papers at all, although it is often reported he did. He had a quantity of letters from eminent people, but he burnt them all. He did not keep them. He thought the public was getting to take their fiction in small doses. They haven't time to read much. This is a very busy age, and a novel to sell must be strong. He did not think people buy a book because it was sold for a shilling. Any book would sell if it has a good name to it.

He said he had done his share of newspaper work; in fact he had had a turn at every branch of literary work. He had been at it for four and twenty years. There is no doubt that it is a very hard life, and it is not too well paid. More fail than succeed. It is precarious. However, he could not object to literature as a bread winner very strongly, as his son is sub-editor on both periodicals, and his daughter writes novels.

He did not think the standard of literary work was as high as in his father's day. To use an expression that Americans will understand very well. "We have some pretty good tall hills, but there is no Mount Shasta." That is about what the matter is on both sides of the water.

"America," he said, "has produced very many good poets. For myself, I have always been fond of Longfellow. I think he was the best poet America has produced. There is, however, a very poor demand for poetry. I don't think the present generation cares very much for poetry. There are so many people who can write decently good verse, which passes for poetry, that there is no demand for verse unless the writer strikes a new note. Take it all in all, writing for the public is not what some people imagine it to be. One must have great talent to succeed."

And so the son of the Wizard of Gadshill chatted on, showing that shrewd common sense all the while which was a characteristic of his father in all his business transactions.

Charles Dickens, jr., has not at all inherited his father's genius. He says so himself. But I could not but think, as I saw him literally up to the elbows in work, that the energy, tact, force and intuitive capacity for business of his father had certainly fallen to him.

Queen Victoria's Old Cook.

One of Queen Victoria's lovable traits of character in her kindness to her servants. Among those who visited her Majesty during her stay in France last spring was M. Tasteur, who for a quarter of a century filled the post of head cook at Windsor Castle. About twelve years ago he resigned his office and withdrew to Colle, a little village in the vicinity of Grasse. A few days after the Queen's arrival at the latter place he called at her hotel. Being informed of his presence her Majesty summoned him to her apartments and received him with the utmost kindness, going so far as to even insist on his sitting down by her side—an honor rarely conferred upon the highest nobles and dignitaries of the Empire—while she chatted with him at considerable length, referring several times to his long and honourable career in her service. M. Tasteur is in receipt of a handsome pension from the royal civic list—a pension amounting to more than twice the amount of that granted to Generals, Admirals, or literary celebrities for distinguished services to the crown.—New York Recorder.

The Wooing Art in Portugal.

The Portuguese are very conservative in their ideas of the position of women in society, and they get their ideas from their Moorish masters in bygone centuries. Consequently girls lead a very shut-in life; they go regularly to mass Sunday mornings and take occasional walks during the week, always accompanied by one or two chaperons. Young men never call at the house, and, if they did, would not be admitted "except on business." This strictness leaves but one way open for an interchange of sentiments, and that is the window, and it is quite the thing to make use of it. It is not considered ill-bred to stare in Portugal; a man may stare at a girl he does not know as long as he likes; he must not do so to a girl he has been introduced to unless she gives him some encouragement by returning his glances. A girl will sit at her window all the afternoon looking into the street, and her adorer from the street looks at her, and that is so much the custom that it attracts no attention from the passers-by. From looks they proceed to bows, to smiles, to a few words, then he follows her to church, finds out if she is going to the theatre, and goes too, serenades her with his guitar on moonlight nights, and finally makes an offer to her father. He is then received by the family, and allowed to come to the house in a quiet way until the wedding, and after that the young couple usually live either with her parents or with his, and the even tenor of their life continues.

In a Short Time.

Mr. Andrew Browes, Alma House, Oronfield, Derbyshire, Eng., writes: "For many years I had been sorely afflicted with rheumatic gout; some of the time so badly I had to get up stairs on my hands and knees. I could not walk nor do any work. I had tried a great many remedies without obtaining any lasting benefits. I employed medical men, but they did not seem to do me any good. My feet were at times swollen to twice their natural size, and I suffered the greatest agony. I had about given up all hope of ever being well again, when my attention was directed to your infallible remedy, St. Jacobs Oil, which I applied with most marvelous effects. I was in a very short time free from pain, and I have in a large measure regained the use of my feet and limbs."

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