

MUSEMENTS, ETC.

POSTPONED—BRITISH LION (S. O. E.) anniversary and supper postponed. H. HORNE, secretary.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—MATINEE and night—Saturday, Dec. 1. G. G. Rogers, manager. Tickets, 10c to 50c.

REV. ANNA SHAW WILL LECTURE on "The Kingdom of God is Within You" on Monday evening, Dec. 3, at 8 o'clock, Silver Collection of not less than 10 cents, at the door. All welcome.

WESTMINSTER HOLLER RINK—Skating Wednesday and Friday nights and Saturday afternoon. Band Monday, 26c.

PALLADIUM DANCING ACADEMY, THE—Recognized leading school of Western Ontario. Second term commences week of Monday, Oct. 22.

MEETINGS. Not less than 15 words. 1c. Word

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TO LET—FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED—rooms, with or without board, in respectable home. Address 127 Horton street, sixty

TO LET—OFFICES AND LARGE ROOMS—upstairs in Ontario Loan and Debenture Company building, corner Dundas street and Market Lane. Apply to Wm. F. Hill, N. Manager.

TO LET—LARGE HOUSE IN OCALLAGHAN TERRACE, 6, 418 1/2 rooms, bath room, W.C., gas, summer kitchen, good cellar and wood house, city and soft water, all in best of repair. Inquire at same house. 4717

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W. H. LUSCOMBE—BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, etc., 109 Dundas street, near Richmond. Money at lowest rates.

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WANTED.

WANTED—ONE PAIR LIGHT AND ONE PAIR HEAVY second-hand sleighs. Address "W," 231 office.

WANTED—MEN TO BE CLEANED, RE-PAIRED and pressed at H. WILLIAMS' Mens' Cleaners, 215 Dundas street, upstairs.

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D. R. WEEKS—47 DUNDAS STREET, near Colborne; office hours, 11 to 3 and after 7 p.m. Telephone 1002.

D. R. MACLAREN—OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, 290 Queen's Avenue. Special attention paid to diseases of digestive system. Telephone 822.

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MR. STANLEY J. WEYMAN

WHAT THE MOST POPULAR OF THE NEWER NOVELISTS IS LIKE.

How He Drifted From the Law Into Literature—What Work He Has Now in Hand—His First Conspicuous Success—His School Career.

Mr. Stanley John Weyman, who has suddenly become one of the most noted of contemporary novelists, will be 39 in the present year, having been born at Ludlow in Shropshire, where his father was a solicitor and coroner, in 1853. He remains a bachelor, living with his mother in the little town of his birth, and cultivates, with an amateur's moderation, several of the most characteristically English branches of sport. He rides to hounds a little, not with any extreme vigor. "I have," he says himself, "a very keen eye for gates," he is particularly fond of boating, and spent the last summer in a houseboat on the Thames. He has, moreover, seen a little traveling, having made a winter's expedition into Egypt and enjoyed a leisurely period of exploration in Spain and Southern France. Indeed, he is very familiar with the Western Mediterranean, and declares, pleasantly, that to get the good of travel it is by no means necessary to be up in Continental languages. For he has no claims to being a linguist. He has seen some adventures on his journeys, too, of which more anon. "In person Mr. Weyman is small and slight, troubled somewhat by a shortness of sight, and not much above the middle stature. He is a type of the student whose sympathies are not confined to books; who is, first and foremost, a man of letters, but has so much of the country spirit about him that he will never, in all the pressure of his engagements, decline into a dry-as-dust. He feels that to keep the brain clear the body must be given free play, and his work amply manifests the advantages of this, the surest system for success.

In a word, Mr. Weyman is a typical example of the child of England, public school and university education, when that education has been allowed its perfect work, when classics have not drowned out athletics nor the claims of the running ground prevented distinction in the schools. Mr. Weyman was educated at Shrewsbury School, that source of learning at which, half a century ago,

every boy was supposed to write Greek verses with the fluency of a Kynastor. No details of his school life are known, but when he passed in due course at Christ Church, Oxford, he left a more indelible mark behind him. He was no great worker, it is true, but met at the head of the class list are not always the best grounded for after life, and Mr. Weyman had other claims.

He did nothing conspicuous upon the river or on the cricket ground, but among the men of his time he was a familiar figure on the athletic path. During the winter he ran pretty regularly with the Christ Church boogies, a pack that still continues to be the bugbear of the farmers about the Hinkseyes, and occasionally brings a too ardent sportsman under the eye of the Woodstock magistrate, with a charge of breaking fences and retarding the crops. In the spring the trials were the winter told, and in 1876 Mr. Weyman won the mile and two mile races at his college sports, finishing his career by carrying off the latter event a second time in the succeeding year. At the close of 1877 he took his degree with the creditable, but not brilliant record, with the exception of modern history. He had taken a third in classical moderations the year before.

A large proportion of Oxford graduates, as soon as the degree is taken, turn to tutorage for the moment, while they are looking round for some more permanent employment, and Mr. Weyman followed in the common stream. He was out of a job, or more after leaving Oxford, he took a mastership at King's School, Chester, where he filled in the intervals between school hours and the games by studying for the bar. In 1881 he was called to the bar at the Inner Temple, and joined to the common law, with the practice of the law for ten years, with varying but moderate success. "The dusty purities of the law" were not congenial to him; for a long while he had set his heart upon literary work. While at Oxford he sent a short story to a London magazine (Chamber's Journal); it was accepted; a cheque for £4 followed. "That," says Mr. Weyman himself, "visions of opulence followed." Reality, however, did not come up to the dream. His first experience in journalism was a failure.

He had written some skits which appeared in the St. James Gazette, and Mr. Frederick Greenwood, who was then editing the paper, was taken by his humor and sent him down to Windsor to write an article on Prince Leopold's wedding. Mr. Weyman had a good view of the proceedings and wrote what seemed to him a good enough account, but it never issued from Mr. Greenwood's waste-paper basket, and that," says Mr. Weyman, "was the end of my writing for the press."

But in fiction he has been more successful. Mr. James Payn is proverbial for his skill in discovering young talent; was he not the first to recognize the merits of Mr. Anstey, and one of the first to print Mr. Barry Pain? To his only discovery Mr. Weyman must now be added, for in 1888 a short story, "King Peppin," appeared in the Cornhill Magazine (which as everyone, I suppose, is aware) Mr. Payn is the editor. Mr. Weyman always speaks with gratitude of that early recognition. In the same year the English illustrated printed "Dab," and "The Story of a Courtship" appeared in Longman's. In 1885 and the following year he determined upon a more ambitious flight, and set himself to write a full-length novel. But the result was unsatisfactory, and, when two pub-

lishers had refused the manuscript, Mr. Weyman had the courage to destroy it. Some of the material, however, he afterwards used in "The New Rector."

His first conspicuous success was (as so many successes are) the result of an accident. Spending an idle afternoon at the club in 1888, he chanced upon a copy of "The Rise of the Huguenot," and was greatly interested by it. The idea of a romance upon the subject framed itself in his mind, and within a week he was off upon "The House of the Wolf." A year later the story was published in the English Illustrated. Messrs. MacMillan & Co., the publishers of the magazine, did not, however, see their way to issuing the story in book form, and several other houses were approached without success.

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