CENTRAL FOOTBALL CUP.

TROUBLE BETWEEN THE ASSOCIATION AND QUEEN'S COLLEGE CLUB.

The Bard's Record—Harry Wilkes' Great Performance—Pigeon Shoot—Baseball and Other Sporting Notes.

The annual meeting of the Central Football Association held at the Rossin House Saturday was a decided success, and the committee are to be congratulated on the increased interest taken in its welfare by outside clubs. Not having a cup in their possession now, a resolution was passed to the effect that the association having learned from its secretary of the refusal of Queen's College Football Club, Kingston, to restore to him, as provided by the rules of the association, the championship cup won by the said club in the final tie of 1883, and having learned moreover, that the reason for so refusing rests solely on the grounds that the association finds itself unable to meet the expenses incurred by Queen's College Club in playing the tie of 1884, which expenses amount to $96.00, including $6 interest; and having heard furthermore that the individual members of Queen's College Club were under no expense personally in visiting Toronto, the club's expenses having been borne by the citizens of Kingston, and, moreover that Queen's College Club have paid no fees to the secretary of the association since 1884, that the association condemn the unsportsmanlike conduct of Queen's College Club, and refuse to have any further communication with the club regarding the championship cup until such time as the club has complied with the rules of the association as regards the surrender of the cup (the property of the association) into the hands of the secretary on or before the date of playing the final ties.

In 1883 Kuox College were defeated by Queen's College at Kingston, and the next year the Torontos and Queen's played a draw game. On account of each requiring different terms these two teams were unable to meet again and the dissolution of the former prevented the championship from being settled that year. In 1885 the Kingston players did not enter the association and therefore were not entitled to be called champions, as they were styled in photographs hung in the reading room of Queen's College. As Queen's have treated the association anything but gentlemanly, those present thought that they should be exposed.

The prospects for the coming season are exceedingly brilliant, and if each club will do its utmost the Central Association should have a prosperous year before it. It was considered to the advantage of the association to increase the number of Vice-Presidents to five and appoint a certain district for each such officer. As they have been well chosen a gratifying result may be looked for. The next meeting of the association will be held in Toronto the second Saturday in March. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Honorary-President, Prof. Pike, University College, Toronto; President, John Galt, Toronto; Vice-Presidents, A. G. Henderson, Whitby; J. C. Herstone, Lindsay; H. Bewell, Norwood; — McCaul, Belleville; W. H. Libby, Napanee; Secretary-Treasurer, A. W. Bell, Toronto, 30 Oak-street. After moving a vote of thanks to the proprietor of the Rossin House for the use of his parlor the meeting adjourned.

A Railway Magnate's Great Horse.

The Chesterbrook Stable, property of A. J. Cassatt, Berwyn, Pa., stands fourth on the list of winners for 1886. Mr. Cassatt is a great railroad magnate, and one of the heaviest capitalists in Philadelphia. Some years since he established a breeding farm at Berwyn and also commenced to race under the name of Mr. Kelso. Owing to the death of Mr. G. L. Lorillard, a new president was wanted for the Monmouth Park Association this year and Mr. Cassatt was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Cassatt appreciated the honor to such an extent that he discarded his racing disguise and this season his horses have run under his own name. The winnings of the stable, published in this column last week, amounted to $83,945, of which The Bard won $41,835. As a 3-year-old, it is safe to state that The Bard is not only the best of the season but the best 3-year-old that ever faced starter in America, and all good judges of racing who saw him perform this season will admit that the events he lost were not lost through the fault of the horse, but were thrown away by bad riding. When Hindoo and Luke Blackburn were on the turf they did not have the combination of the Dwyers' brains, horses and jockey to contend with. When the Dwyer cracks beat The Bard they started two horses against him, and besides, McLaughlin is at least ten pounds better rider than Fisher. At the Jerome Park spring meeting, in the race for the Belmont Stakes, witnessed by several Toronto gentlemen, the Dwyers started Inspector B. with McLaughlin, and Buffalo with Fitzpatrick in the saddle. Fisher riding The Bard. As regarded the merits of the horses, it looked as if The Bard could not lose, but when taking into consideration the fact that McLaughlin and Fitzpatrick were against him, it did not appear so sure. When the flag fell Buffalo went to the front and cut out the work for Inspector B., who just lay on The Bard's quarters till they turned into the stretch, when McLaughlin worked up along side of Fisher. They ran head and head to the seven furlong pole, where it looked as if The Bard would win; but McLaughlin proved too much for Fisher and landed Inspector B. a winner by half a length. There is no doubt that if Hayward had ridden The Bard he would have won in a canter, as races later on in the season proved. He is what you would call a big little horse and one that is never beaten until the race is over. He is by Longfellow. Should he winter well he has in all probability a still more brilliant season before him.

The Pigeon Shoot at Eglinton.

McDowall's tournament was continued at Eglinton Saturday, it being the fourth day of the shoot. The shooting was the best ever done hereabouts at artificial birds. The event consisted of 20 Canada blackbirds from five screened traps at 18 yards rise, for $100 divided into 7 prizes. The following were winners: J. Wayper and T. London 19 each. In the shoot off Wayper took first and London second. W. Stroud was third with 17. W. Felstead, I. Quarrie, W. Scott and W. McDowall tied on 15 and in shooting off won in the order mentioned. Mr. Wayper also wins the Canada Blackbird Company's cup for the first time. It has to be won three times by competition. The team shooting, which also commenced Saturday will start at 1 o'clock to-day instead of 10 a. m. as had been arranged.

General Notes.

Davis will pitch for the Torontos again next season.

Utica has secured Sixsmith of the Bridgeports.

Catcher Bagley, late of New York, has signed with Binghamton.

Syracuse is after Alexander, a young pitcher from Latonia, Ohio.

George will play with the New York club, and not the Metropolitan.

It is rumored that the New Yorks will get Denny to play third base.

Richard Tucker, champion sprinter of Kingston, has decided to make Buffalo his home.

Decker has been released to the Torontos by Washington, which saves him from the blacklist.

Derry has been scooped in by Newark. He and Hughes will make one of the strongest batteries in the International League.

Heifer, the old right-fielder of the Actives of Reading, has been signed by Manager Powers to cover first base for the Jersey Citys.

The Hamilton Collegiate Institute Football Club has had a successful season, as so far they have defeated every club opposed to them in the fight for the district championship.

George Latham will be found again on first base on the Utica team. He is at present employed on the Hudson River Railway in that city.

Charles Alcott, third baseman of the Jersey Citys of 1885, and of Syracuse and Oneida of 1886, is an applicant for the position of International League umpire.

The Rochester team has been completed by the engagement of C. L. Zimmer, who led the Hudson River League as a catcher and batter last season.

The chances are that the Oswego Club will not sell its franchise to Scranton, but will remain in the International League.

The Newarks have signed John Henry of the Hartford and Washington clubs last season. He is a fine all around player and is a handy man in the pitcher's box. This is the man Manager Cushman was after to complete the Toronto team.

The London police prevented a prize fight for the championship which was to have taken place there Saturday between Jem Smith and Jack Knifton. Seventeen persons were arrested.

On Thursday evening a heel-and-toe pedestrian contest for a purse of $500 was begun at Utica between the veteran Dan O'Leary of Chicago and W. A. Hoagland of Auburn. It closed Saturday. O'Leary won by three laps.

Geo. A. Watkinson, the celebrated half-back of the Yale Football team, is lying at the point of death at New Haven. He is suffering from typhoid malaria and the terrible exposure which he, like all the other football players of the Yale and Princeton teams, suffered in the storm at Princeton on Thanksgiving.

The six days, forty-eight hours' bicycle race for the championship of the United States closed at Omaha Saturday night and was won by John S. Prince, who made 767 miles and 9 laps, beating the championship record, made in Minneapolis last month, by 27 miles. Frank Dingley of Minneapolis covered 755 miles, Albert Schock of Chicago 746 miles, Tom Hardwick of Kansas 745, and E. N. Bullock of Omaha 672.

The gold and silver medals offered as 1st and 2nd prizes in the Stallion Championship Stakes, to be trotted at Ottawa in February, have been forwarded to Toronto in care of Mr. M. H. Gotshen. The idea of presenting medals as championship trophies to the fastest stallions originated with the "Old Man," who is President of the Winter Trotting Club. Mr. Jacques says things are rapidly getting into shape for the big ice meeting.

M. K. Kittleman, champion sprinter of America, has settled on Detroit as his headquarters. It is probable he will go to Australia in February and enter the great event there. It is a race open to the world, a purse of $30,000 being offered. The races will be 75, 100 and 120 yards. The man winning the most heats in all the events gets $20,000, the second $4500 and the third $2500.

A national colored league of professional baseball players was formed at Pittsburg last week with clubs from Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore, Boston, Pittsburg, Cleveland and Louisville. Officers elected: President, Walter S. Brown, Pittsburg; Vice-President, J. J. Callis, Baltimore; Secretary, Nelson M. Williams, Washington; Treasurer, Gilbert A. Ball, Philadelphia. The new rules of the National agreement were unanimously adopted, and Committees on Constitution and Schedule were appointed.

The Quebec Turf Club has decided to reduce the added money for the "Canadian Derby," of 1888, to $300 instead of $500, as it has hitherto been, with $75 to second horse, third horse to save his stakes. It was also decided to have a 2-year-old sweepstakes of $10 each, $5 forfeit, with $200 added, to be called the "Homebred Stakes," and to be run for in the autumn of each year, for horses foaled and raised in the Province of Quebec, weight 110 pounds, entries to close Dec. 31, distance one-half mile.

WHY THE GHOST DIDN'T WALK.

Pete Baker's Manager Skips Out With a $1200 Boodle.

"Give it to me easy or I'll faint," exclaimed "Pete" Baker, of "Chris and Lena" fame, when he was told by a clerk of the Palmer House on Saturday afternoon that the managers of his company had paid their bills at that hostlery and had, he presumed, carried out their avowed intention of leaving by the 3.55 train for Uncle Sam's domains.

"With them," said Mr. Baker to The World last night, "went the boodle, and therein lies the cause of the abject woe from which all the members of my company are to-day suffering. It is the old story of a dishonest management, represented in this instance by Charles D. Draper and F. B. Goodrich, of Bradford, Pa. Both are well-known there, Draper being the proprietor of a saloon appealing to the patronage of lovers of the national game by its title 'First Base,' and Goodrich has figured as the active manager of one or two insignificant 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' companies. We played in Albany, N.Y., week of November 29, business being splendid, but for some unknown reason the ghost did not walk on Tuesday last. The company were given to understand that salaries would be forthcoming in full to-day, and we were all confident of being paid as promised. Draper looked after the box during our engagement here, as Goodrich was laid up during the earlier part of the week with rheumatism.

"At this point, the dark-featured exponent of the widely-known character of Chris unbutoned his Prince Albert and vented his indignation upon his late managers, which he said was the only means he had of "getting even.

"In unceremonious skip, you say? Yes, and a most unexpected one. I never suspected such a denouement when I started out after the matinee to look them up. Draper failed to meet me in the dressing-room, to furnish his customary statement, after the house had been counted. I thought this somewhat strange, but concluded he had gone to purchase tickets to Hamilton for the company. At the Palmer the clerk's statement left no room for doubt that the boodle, amounting to about $1200, was gone, and that the company had been left in the lurch to the tune of two weeks' salaries and board bills incurred this week. Our business in Albany, as I told you, was big, and though we had to contend with big counter attractions, we played at the Toronto to paying houses.

"What am I going to do, you ask? What can I do? There is no redress for us, so far as I can see. The company will, however, fill all dates as arranged, leaving for Hamilton this morning. He will be a sharp manager who succeeds in playing the trick again on me."

Proceedings in the Big Arbitration Case.

The Conmee-McLellan-Canadian Pacific Railway arbitration was continued Saturday. The lawyers continued the argument on Mr. Robinson's application to the board to rule as to whether or not the plaintiff had made out a case in the question of procedure, which was a preliminary one, and, as it were, before the race for the $500,000 stakes came on. The board decided not to give an opinion until the main case had been heard.

Musical Lectures by Mr. Kerrison.

Mr. Davenport Kerrison gave his second in the course of lectures on the "Lives of Great Composers" on Saturday afternoon in the Normal School Theatre to a small but appreciative audience. The subjects were Haydn and Mozart, the latter being especially interesting, as each epoch and event in the life of the wonderful genius were dwelt upon. At the close Mr. Kerrison showed the peculiar style of each by playing selections from their different works upon the piano.

Changes in the Grand Trunk Staff.

Mr. James Tandy, formerly through Freight Agent of the Grand Trunk at Detroit, has been appointed General Freight Agent of the whole Grand Trunk system, instead of Mr. John Forbes, resigned. The appointment takes effect on Jan. 1. Mr. J. E. Moore, formerly General Manager of the Great Eastern freight line, takes Mr. Tandy's place.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Cleveland is to be supplied with natural gas by the Standard Oil Company.

The Chicago, Santa Fe and California Railroad has been incorporated in Illinois with a capital stock of $30,000,000.

Miners of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company at Shamokin struck on Saturday against a reduction of 10 per cent.

Reed, embezzling treasurer of the South Boston Railroad, on Saturday pleaded guilty to embezzling $160,000. Sentence deferred.

Judge Gresham has issued a temporary injunction restraining the Chicago and Atlantic Railroad denying express facilities to the United States Express Company.

M. Lewis of Schulenburg, Tex., was called to his door and assassinated Friday night by an unknown person. His son-in-law, C. D. Slayton, is suspected, but has fled.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals affirms the three-year sentence of Lawyer Connellson for cowhiding Judge Reid, who was so humiliated at the chastisement he committed suicide.

The twenty-four miners convicted in Pittsburg of conspiracy during the strike of 1883 have been ordered to give themselves up and serve their sentences. It is thought the board of pardons will release them.

A case of smallpox has developed in the county jail at Springfield, Ill.

Matt Andrews, a Buffalo teamster, was run down by a train on Saturday and his head completely severed from his body.

Two New York boys, William Egan and Michael Callahan, stole a check for $19,500 from the messenger boy of a firm of bankers on Saturday, but the amount was so large that they dared not try to pass it and tore it up.

The Bold Knobbers is a secret organization that has been terrifying the people of Southwest Missouri. On Saturday five of the leaders were arrested by U. S. officers, and a vigorous effort will be made to put an end to the society.

Frank Nagel, alias Harry Drummond, an insurance agent of Brooklyn, N.Y., was arrested on Saturday, for the robbery of $500 worth of diamonds from Florence J. Lawrence of Chicago, on a requisition of Gov. Oglesby of Illinois.

Don Golden, a driver employed in an uptown livery stable, was instantly killed by the fall of an elevated platform at Buffalo on Saturday afternoon.

Hon. John Baker, an Illinois Congressman, was fined $5 and costs on Saturday for assaulting a reporter at Belleville, Ill.

Mrs. Mary Chadek, who was accused of murdering her husband, Thos. Chadek, Postmaster of Deerbrook, Wis., was acquitted of the charge at Milwaukee on Saturday.

Josephine Schoorens, who was detected smuggling laces at New York, has confessed and given the names of firms who encouraged her. She was released, and will be used as a witness in the cases against those who encouraged her in the crime.

Cutting, the Texas editor, says that 2000 men have been enrolled to carry out his Mexican colonization scheme. A syndicate of Chicago capitalists is ready, he says, to furnish $18,000,000 to pay the expenses of the undertaking.

The proprietor of the Belleville laundry, Newark, N.J., discharged all the Chinamen in his employ, at the demand of the Knights of Labor.

The Co-operative Board of the Knights of Labor, Philadelphia, has decided to invest $40,000 in concerns under control of the board.

A Fort Worth & Denver train was boarded by thieves Saturday morning and the passengers relieved of $104 and eight watches.

Ben Smith and Wm. Reed quarrelled about the spelling of a word at a spelling match at English, Ind., on Saturday night, and Smith shot and killed Reed.

The woollen mills at Clinton, Mich., the largest mills of the kind in the State, were burned on Saturday; loss $200,000; insurance $30,000.

A boiler in Hazlett & Underhill's dry house and box factory at Cambridge, Mass., exploded on Saturday, killing one man and injuring seven.

The brother of Oscar A. Simons, the Fort Wayne bank president who committed suicide on Friday has become insane through grief over the occurrence.

THE PEDLAR'S PARADISE.

THE LATEST ADDITION TO THEIR RANKS IN ST. JOHN'S WARD.

The Woman Who Sells the Glove-Fitting Corset on the Instalment Plan—"Rounder's" Record of Passing Events in the Queen City.

A man from Hamilton came to me a day or two ago with a grievance. He said he was a manufacturer of water motors which he was introducing into a number of stores in this city for elevator purposes. When he applied at the Waterworks Department for leave to put in one of his motors he was asked if it was made by a certain firm in this city. On being informed that it was made in Hamilton the Waterworks official said they would put in a meter in each place he put in a motor, and the rent would be $28 per year. If this scheme of the Waterworks is carried into effect it will shut out the Hamilton motors altogether, as those made in Toronto are permitted without meters. Perhaps some Waterworks official will explain, as the Hamilton man says he is being discriminated against.

There is no ward in the city to which pedlars give more attention than to the Noble Ward of St. John. The housewives there and thereabouts are kept on the jump "from early morn till dewy eve" answering imperative knocks at their cottage doors. No one likes to let the knocker go without seeing who he is; so every knock is answered, and the good wives lose much valuable time. Leaving out the milk (and water) man, the vegetable man, and the saucy butcher boy who jumps from his cart and without ceremony opens the door to shout in "butcher," the following are among the callers: The clothesline pedlar; the stove polish man, who leaves a sample; the woman with the hooks and eyes, and socks that would fit a Samson; the individual with the mat, payable in weekly instalments; the tea broker; the never-get-left sewing machine agent; the ubiquitous life insurance agent; the man with the Family Bible, with a fly leaf for the births and deaths in your family; the election agent, I know your husband is going to vote, and a hundred and one others.

A Mongolian, too, has of late made his appearance pedling men's braces, but the woman with the newest style of easy, graceful-fitting corset, knocks the life out of all the others. She generally gets admittance, for, mind you, the mechanics' wives in the Ward are as proud of their shapes as the ladies on Jarvis-street. When they are informed, therefore, by the corset woman that she will make them a corset to fit—none of your ready-made affairs—and which will show off the figure to advantage, the care of the children and the suds in the wash tub are forgotten for the time being, and the woman with the corset gets her work in. She declares she will sell them on the easiest terms; in fact the purchasers can pay as they like. A few days after the corsets come home the account comes; in a few days more a dunning postcard arrives, and still later a threat of a law suit. The corsets meanwhile turn out to be of the shoddiest make, but, rather than have her husband know how she has been taken in, the deceived-on-her-shape woman foots the bill.

I mentioned some time ago in this column that it was likely some speculative builders in town were likely to come to grief. One of them has just skipped out, leaving a large number of sorrowing creditors, among whom I regret to say is my friend "the plumber," who once more finds himself at the bottom of the heap. The missing builder was particularly hard on the plumbers. It may be because he wanted to get even, but at all events two plumbers are interested in his departure to the amount of as many thousand dollars. A meeting of the builder's creditors was called recently at a law office in Manning's Arcade. The builder promised to be present and lay a statement of his affairs before the meeting, but he did not show up, and the proprietors of the law office in question now call him an "absconding debtor."

This builder came here about two years ago with a few thousand dollars capital. He immediately purchased some lots in the north west part of the city; put up shoddy houses on them; borrowed large sums from loaning companies; kept on erecting other buildings, getting debt with all the trades; fell into the hands of the two-and-a-half-per-cent.-per-month sharks, who in this instance got left, and finally, it is said, after disposing of six stores he had recently erected on College-street to two different parties, he pocketed the proceeds, folded up his tent, and like the historical Arab stole silently away. The last sale will likely be set aside, but the creditors will get little or nothing, and the plumbers, who usually wear a jolly appearance at the approach of winter, are clothed in sackcloth and ashes. As I said before, I say again, all tradesmen should have the privilege of a lien on buildings till they are paid for their work.

Now talking about money loaning sharks, I will give the actual experience of an acquaintance of mine who recently advertised for a loan of $50, which he announced he would pay in six monthly instalments of $10 each. This was tremendous inducement, for he wanted the money badly, and did not like to make his wants known to his friends. In reply to his advertisement he received a cautious, worried note from a solicitor in the city to call at his office, and if the security was satisfactory he was informed "a client of mine" will advance the money. He saw the solicitor, who carries a briefless bag up and down town every day, but who never appears in Court, as his sole business is that of a money lender. He produced his security which was in the shape of jewelry, worth at auction $200, and was told he could have the money provided "the client" was satisfied. Next day he called again and was told "the client" was satisfied. Then he signed a note for the amount and the $50 was counted out to him—all but $5. "This" said the solicitor, "is my fee for putting the loan through."

My friend of course objected, but the shark, who was himself "the client," knew he had his victim, who now on undoubted security pays within six months $15 for the loan of $45. This is an undeniable fact, and in view of such extortions, I would ask why should people object to pay my uncle at the sign of the three balls 10 per cent. a month. The latter class are licensed to loan money, but the sharks loan away without any license, and get fat on it. An ordinary pawnbroker has, besides paying a license, to pay a big rent for a store on a main street, while "my client," with the Judas bag, hides himself away in a top flat and catches the unwary as they make their needy wants known through the daily papers. Only for my friend's feelings I would give the name of "my client" away.

Perhaps it will not be out of place for me to remark, right here, that I had not been up in "Yorkville" for many years till the other night, when I was attracted to the old Town Hall by a announcement that a political meeting was in progress. I stayed at the meeting till I was tired, and with a confused idea that my children—if I had any—were paying more for their school books than they ought to, I strolled down to the corner of Bloor-street, where in my young days I was wont to refresh myself with a tankard of beer at the foot of the big horse trough. What was my surprise on my arrival there to find that in place of the old tavern were a couple of modern stores, and where the "sun burst" formerly swung its sign to the breeze, an hospital for umbrellas flourishes on the one hand, and a cigar shop on the other.

Old traditions in "Yorkville" are not, however, yet abolished, and it is to-day, so far as some of its business places are concerned, a separate municipality, enjoying its old-time mode of living. Before I left our former northern suburb, I found, what I am always on the hunt for, an old-time hostelry. As I entered and noticed the surroundings, my spirits rose. Here was the old-time bar and the venerable decanters, backed up by a strip of fly-blown mirror; here was the ancient bartender dozing by the stove, surrounded by a number of congenial spirits, who gazed at me as some intruder from another hemisphere. The bartender wore a cap with a racing peak, and as I leaned up at the bar he awoke fully enough to enquire if the meeting was broke up, as he wanted to shut up. I invited the company to come forward, and to a man they responded. A few minutes afterwards the foaming tankards stood on the bar counter; in another moment they were emptied, and before I had time to fill my pipe, bartender and all had resumed their places by the stove, waiting for "the meeting to break up."

Still Yorkville progresses. She has to-day her block-paved streets; electric lights flash here and there; the down town banks have opened up agencies north of Bloor-street; the privates of the finest police force in the world (bar Hamilton), patrol among the back yards and avenues; plate glass windows have taken the places of the small panes that formerly flourished; the mounted "bobby" on his fiery untamed, does duty for the old-time night-watchman with his single-barreled pistol and bull's eye lantern, and the five minute street car service has superseded the half-hour waits of twenty years ago. Yet, as I cross the north side of Bloor-street I cannot but call to mind the days when we boys used to raid apple orchards in the northern part of the city, and feel secure from harm from the "cops" after we had passed the Bloor-street dividing line, and rested in the hollow to enjoy our stomach-aching feed.

I was talking to a prominent physician one day last week and, as usual, I found he had a grievance. He said he wanted a law passed prohibiting druggists from prescribing for sick persons. "We lose nothing by this practice," he remarked, "as when the druggist's remedies fail to effect a cure, the patients are brought to us with their maladies when it is frequently too late. This is especially the case with children, and I have had myself recently several cases of children brought to me who were suffering from what is known as a mild form of typhoid fever, who had been treated by the druggists as ordinary cases of measles. Let druggists keep to their legitimate occupation of compounding prescriptions—and let them do that well, and the number of deaths, especially among children, will be reduced."

Now this advice of the physician is no doubt worthy of thought. There are many druggists in Toronto who pose as cure-alls, but the physicians should remember that the high charges are too often the cause of recourse to the druggists. There is a vast difference to a laboring man between a two dollars doctor's visit and the cost of his prescription, and a druggist's advice thrown in with his medicine. Of course if everybody could afford it a physician's advice would be asked instead of a druggist's; but then everybody can't. For my own part, while I often apply to a druggist for a headache reliever, I always consult the "family physician" if anything worse threatens. But then everybody is not as well fixed as I am. You must know I write for a daily paper. ROUNDER.

—Wire mats may be left out of doors in the rain, as all the parts are thoroughly galvanized and japanned, and will not rust or injure carpets or painted floors. 136

AMUSEMENTS.

Melodrama to be Served at Both Theatres This Week.

"Alone in London," a new melodrama by Robert Buchanan, the English poet, will be put on at the Grand Opera House to-night to run for a week. It is said to possess great dramatic strength, being well constructed, rapid in action and supplied with all the incidents which go to make a successful and popular play. The company, with Miss Cora Tanner as leading lady, is said to be a good one, and the scenery and mechanism all that they should be. The story is of a rustic maiden whose marriage to a scoundrel brings her almost every misfortune. The husband attempts to drown her in a shipwreck and turns the waters of the Thames upon her, but she is saved by the intervention of an old lover, and the husband, who again tries to kill her, is foiled and kills himself.

"The Black Flag."

This favorite melodrama, with Edwin Thorne as the hero, will be played at the Toronto Opera House this week. It is too well known to need description. The scenery has been repainted and the play will be put on in good style. It will be sure to draw large houses.

Indignation.

Editor World: I see reported that at a meeting of workingmen held on Friday last considerable indignation was expressed over the action of Mr. S. R. Heakes speaking for the Conservative candidates, but very little said about Mr. Heakes being sold by the workingmen when he ran as a Labor candidate four years ago, when out of about 4000 or 5000 labor votes only 200 were polled in his favor. If the workingmen had not deserted Mr. Heakes on that occasion he would be their champion to-day. If Mr. Heakes was a fit and proper person at that time, why was he not given a second opportunity to again stand as a candidate in the interest of labor? A little more honesty and fair dealing would be more consistent than so much vaunted indignation. NEMESIS.

Exhibition Men off to Chicago.

Mr. Hill, Manager, and Mr. McGee, Treasurer, of the Industrial Exhibition Association, and Mr. Wade, Secretary of the Agricultural and Arts Association, leave for Chicago to-day to attend the annual convention of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions.

Money Saved is Money Gained.

—Intending purchasers of Christmas presents should not fail to call on Woltz Bros. & Co., 5 Leader-lane, and secure goods at bottom prices as they have made a specialty of fine watches, gold chains, fine gold jewelry, diamonds and precious stones, enabling them to sell at very low prices. Every article is fully warranted as to quality and workmanship. x

Steel wire Mats are now in use in all our principal churches, schools, banks and public buildings. Offices and factory, 6 Wellington west. 136

Japanese.

Toronto now possesses a Japanese store worthy of the name. When The World a day or two ago referred to Ichi Ban a splendid collection was seen: queer lanterns, painting pictures, lovely screens, and, most curious of all, portieres made of small pieces of bamboo and glass beads, worked into intricate floral and other designs. These portieres, vases, bowls and plaques delight the eye with varied charms of hue and contour. Ichi Ban, 81 Yonge-street, is par excellence the place for intending purchasers of Christmas presents.

Not Satisfied With Mr. Blake on Prohibition

From the Ottawa Journal.

With Mr. Blake we are not disposed to quarrel, because in honorable fashion he has distinctly stated his attitude with regard to prohibition, and in unmistakably frank terms has settled the immediate course of his party on the subject. There is also much truth in what he says, yet we cannot help feeling disappointed at the declaration, which is one that Prohibitionists or the friends of that reform will never make, even to themselves. It is contrary to the principle of persistent and sustained enthusiastic effort to confess that final success is a long way off, and that the labor of the present Co. is a thorny and rather hopeless business. This is dispiriting, and we fear Mr. Blake's words are calculated to have that effect. He might have remained silent; he has done so before, and upon this occasion there would have been no impropriety or bad policy in taking refuge in safe non-committal. That on the whole his assurances are beneficial to the temperance cause there is ample room for doubt.

Free Trade.

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