

Little Puffs.

Most of our advertizers are also exhibitors, and most of them are good, sound firms and have something more or less new to show. We would like well enough to go through the list and say something good for each of them, but this issue has already swelled beyond the limits originally intended; and it is now impossible to add to it an exhibition catalogue. Our readers cannot help agreeing with us when we contend that we have displayed one and all of our ads. to the best advantage, and when this is done our contract is carried out. Notice that this is a puff for Messrs. JAMES BOWES & SONS as well as for ourselves.

The name of MACKINLAY is a household word for anything in the shape of school books and supplies. They are now introducing a revolution in the way of pens:—an English patent called the "Centric" pen, which is almost perfectly flat, and seems destined to be the pen of the future, though no doubt many of you will be conservative enough to hold on to the "round" pen nib till it is fairly driven out of the market.

CRAGG BROS & Co's ad. speaks for itself. No shop in Halifax contains such an assortment of novelties in the way of hardware and little labour-saving machines for use in household work.

THE PIANO & ORGAN Co. have extended their operations enormously during the last few years, and rank among the soundest and most enterprising firms in the city. Though agents for the best pianos in the old country, they are exhibiting instruments of Canadian manufacture, that, in the opinion of our best musicians, compare favourably with any in the world, and can give them a long start in the matter of price.

Go to Boston by the "Halifax" or the "State of Indiana." This is a very difficult question to answer. The only way to get out of the trouble is to advise five journeys by both, and then say which you like best.

To say anything about JAMES SCOTT, the Grocer, would be absurd. Might as well attempt to puff the Citadel. Of course, there are other grocers—and good ones, too; but James Scott is James Scott.

LORNE HOUSE, kept by the cheeriest and most respected of mine hosts.

OLAND & SON, vie only with KEITH & Co. in brewing the best unadulterated malt liquor in the city.

SABRE.—Beloved of Wanderers, in fact, he may be well dubbed Our William in contradistinction to Our William in England.

CUTLERY COMPANY.—This is a new venture in the Province. They show knives—the largest and the smallest—ever made, not only in Nova Scotia, but also in England—the larger 3 feet long, the smaller 2 in. Besides this, different parts of knives will be made before the spectators gaze, and the steel used by this company in making the blades may be tested with any so-called cheap knives. We are glad to notice this advertisement, showing as it does, that Halifax is not dead yet, and can turn out as good work as can be produced. Mr. Parkins, the manager, will be pleased during the Exhibition to show "how it is done."

CIGAR FACTORY.—This is another venture emanating from the home-made brain. Their advertisement is erratic, but their cigars do not err on that side, they belong to one category, good. The company certainly deserves to succeed apart from its intrinsic merits, from the fact that the capital subscribed is purely Halifaxian.

LEAMAN & Co.—When we state that this firm does nearly half a million dollars per year, employ 9 horses and about 25 hands to conduct that business, irrespective of agents buying in different sections of Canada, we must own they are the biggest meat dealers in the city. To one agent alone for slaughtered beef they paid between Nov. 1st. and May 1st., more than \$2,000 com-

mission for buying beef alone. As all Halifax know, they premises on both sides of Bedford Row, and carry on not butchers business, but also a large trade in canned goods.

FORBES & Co.—We have recognized this name for years only in Halifax but also in England, as a skate manufacturer. These certainly reached an "Acme" of success, but it seems they are trying to beat even that.

T. C. ALLEN.—This firm is really too well known to need advertisement at all, but still "needs must when the devil an" and that was the case when canvassed. The advertisement show what kind of goods they sell, and our advice is, if not a sample send them back.

EGAN, T. J.—As a gunmaker and all that pertains to gunnery, say that for Halifax, if not anywhere else, the above is *princeps*. He is not only theoretical, but what is still more practical—using as he does the gun himself. As regards the collection of birds in his museum, we can only say the beauties are only to be seen to be believed.

GODFREY SMITH—Sells drugs and other things that are at —or otherwise—for the health. He is especially noted for making up a comic song or a taking advertisement at the stated notice.

BOSTON HOTEL—Should be patronized, having been taken by young and enterprising people.

HATTIE & MYLUS—One of the most satisfactory firms in business with; prompt and careful, and extremely obliging. What is wanted in the family druggist.

MADAME LAMBERT

Gives Private and Class Lessons in the FRENCH LANGUAGE at the CAMBRIDGE HOUSE, HALIFAX, N. S.

Halifax Hotel

HALIFAX, N. S.

THE largest and finest equipped Hotel in the Maritime Provinces, has just completed the addition of another large wing, running the entire width of the block from HOLLIS ST. to WATER ST. With this addition it has accommodation for 350 guests. It has just completed its handsome Conservatory and Promenade for the guests; and has been handsomely re-furnished.

Every room lighted with incandescent lights. The large corridors being very wide, lofty, well lighted, thoroughly ventilated, and easy of access.

H. HESSLEIN & SONS,
Proprietors