

## The Rockwood Review.

American newspapers are funny reading in these days of the gold fever, and it is really difficult to get at the true American point of view. The U. S. first passes barbarous protective laws worthy of the Middle Ages, abuses everything having the word British or Canadian, and then calmly expects the whole world to offer her free trade, and quietly accept all the tall talk her rather crude "tail twisters" and jingo diplomats care to indulge in. Canadians have been very patient and forgiving, and have returned good for evil, and while even among Canadians there is a difference of opinion as to the wisdom of the Government in exacting a royalty at the Klondyke, still Americans should not object, as anything savoring of protection can not be odious to them. As far as the bluster about American miners taking possession of the Klondyke for the United States is concerned, they will find Major Walsh and his Mounted Police quite able and willing to manage the details of caring for Canadian interests. For the enthusiastic Americans who wish to run the whole world, a quiet study of the history of the war of 1812, will show them that the people who successfully resisted and defeated a heartless and bullying neighbor, who endeavored to steal our country by force, can repeat the lesson if necessary. In the meanwhile a perusal of the Golden Rule would not come amiss to some American statesmen and editors.

Miss Mary H. Smart, the well known cantatrice, visited Rockwood House in August. She has severed her connection with Moulton College, and has decided to give private lessons in Toronto, at her Studio in the Arcade. As Miss Smart is one of the most accomplished of our Canadian singers, we wish her success in her new venture.

The Granite Football Club will be an active organization this year. At present the boys are very busy getting up a Minstrel performance, in which the best local talent will take part. An Orchestra of sixteen pieces has been organized, and a clever little society play, called the "Revolving Wedge," will be put on the boards. This is a humorous skit on the popular craze for football, and is immensely funny, and at the same time devoid of roughness or objectionable features. The football teams will be strong, and should give a good account of themselves in the coming season. Practice will be commenced early in September, and already some of the boys are getting into condition.

Mr. W. Shakespeare Shea and Mr. A. Abernethy left in the middle of August for an extensive bicycle tour of the United States and Canada, during which the following cities will be visited if possible. Collingsby, Port Hope, Frenchman's Bay, Toronto, Hamilton, Buffalo, Syracuse, Rochester, Cape Vincent and Barrifield. We expect to hear glowing accounts of things in general on the return of the wanderers.

"Hope deferred maketh the heart sick"—such was the motto on the flag flown by Dr. Websier when he attempted to take a yachting cruise in the Bay of Quinte recently. Better weather next time, Doctor.

Our Business Manager and the members of his crew on board the Viola, return thanks for many kindnesses shown by Mr. Clark Wright and his family, at Stella Point, while on their cruise up the Bay.

The Glencairn victories are more than popular this year, and are particularly gratifying to those who have watched the evolution of the small yacht in Canada.