

Theatre Royal.

The London Literary Dramatic Society performed on Wednesday evening, to a very full audience, and with great success. The first piece was the *Robber's Wife*, by Poole. We only witnessed the last scene of this piece, which brought all the dramatic personae together, and was on the whole very effective. Both the *Robber* and his *Wife* were good specimens of the Melo-dramatic school. The rollicking *Larry O'Gig*, who settled every difficulty with a most despatch shillelagh, was a very clever performance.

A Sailor's Hornpipe and a "Nigger" Dance, done with great spirit, were much applauded. A well dressed Highlander followed for a Fling, but the noble thistle drooped his head to the droning fiddle, and sighed for the inspiring pibroch. Then came a glorious ballad singer—one that insisted upon singing "whether his mother would let him or no." A wicked wag helped him to convulse the audience by giving a nasal accompaniment, after the manner of the Surrey delirious. So great was the mirth, that this "Glorious O'Gig" concluded to sing again, and again the affluo go accompanied him, to the great amusement of the delighted audience.

The laughable Farce of the *Man About Town* followed. The versatile *Skirts* was admirably represented, especially in the scene where he becomes for the nonce the representative of *Lord Aubrey*. *Top* was smart; and *Lady Aubrey*, a most graceful and fascinating creature, elegantly dressed; nor must we forget gentle, modest *Fanny Bates*, who was "not so bad neither."

CAUTION.—We are receiving constant complaints from persons in London and its neighbourhood, respecting mad dogs. Mr. Richardson, of Mark Lane, and a neighbour, were disturbed last week, just in the grey of the morning, by a great noise among their geese. Upon Mr. R. going out to see what was the occasion of it, a dog rushed out from among the geese, and turned upon him; but being a powerful man, he laid the dog dead at his feet with a blow of his fist.—Our contemporary, the *Times*, last week noticed the subject with reference to the Town. He should have given a more definite notice, by informing the public who the owner is of the dangerous animal. We now add, that the dog belonged to Dr. Cornish; and it is quite time that it was denounced.

In our last number we noticed briefly that several counterfeit English shillings were in circulation. We have now received some additional information. It appears that a person of the name of Gideon Bullen was hunted out of Michigan some months ago, and escaped into Canada, and has taken refuge in the woods near Delaware. Messrs. Bennett and Robinson, of the Town Council, assisted by the High Bailiff, Mr. Peter McCann, have for several days been most actively engaged in the pursuit of Bullen, and have succeeded in discovering one or two of his haunts, and in taking possession of a portion of his coining implements and several pieces of counterfeit coin. There is still a great probability that he will be apprehended.

The Magnetic Telegraph.

To the Editor of the *Hamilton Spectator*.

Ma. Editor.—For some time past I have been much annoyed and disgusted by a most inappropriate quotation from the Holy Scriptures in the *Toronto British Colonist*, at the head of the news received by Telegraph. The passage is taken from the Book of Job, 38c. 35v., being the words of the Almighty himself speaking to his creature to subdue his pride, by giving him a sense of his weakness and nothingness, as compared with Him who maketh lightning for the rain, and bringeth the wind out of his treasures. The passage could not have been applied, or rather misapplied, as it is in the *Colonist*, except by a mind incapable of appreciating the immense value of a Revelation from God to man, and utterly ignorant of the vast gulf, the incalculable distance, between the infinite wisdom of the Allwise, and that comparatively glimmering spark of light and knowledge, imparted from out of the stores of wisdom, to a worm of the dust.

In old times, if a man were a silent witness of guilt, he became a partaker in that guilt, and this was long before the light of Christianity was given to us; and shall we now, with all our additional advantages, and means of improvement and refinement, quietly witness a profane publication bearing the stamp of falsehood on its very face? For what can be inferred from the quotation alluded to, placed in such a position, as it occupies in the *Colonist*, if not this, that we wise men of the 19th century of the Christian era have completed a portion of a tower whose top may reach to Heaven; that we have done away with many of those distinctions between man and his Maker, which existed when men were comparatively barbarous and uncivilized, which make himself declared expressly to be a distinction, and a vast one.

It is, in fact, the very essence of rebellion, and calculated to do infinite mischief to the minds of the young whose eyes it may meet. Were that humility and reverence for Holy Writ, which proceed from a sense of our ignorance and blindness more general, a public print containing such profanity would be banished with indignation from the houses of its former patrons. In the name of common sense—for the honor of the age—let not such pride and conceit any longer disgrace us; but using with gratitude all the means put into the hearts of men by a gracious God, for their advancement in civilization and the scale of being, let us not abuse them, to our disgrace and condemnation.

It may be charitably hoped that the passage alluded to, has been inserted in ignorance and thoughtlessness, and that the evil being pointed out it will immediately be got rid of, as too glaring to be tolerated for a moment in a Christian community. Considering it one of the most important duties of the press, to lash the vices of the times, to expose ignorance, bring truth to light, and keep up a correct standard of public opinion and sentiment; and taking it for granted that the usefulness, as well as extended circulation of the periodical, is an object of your desire, I venture to occupy a small portion of your valuable space with the above remarks, trusting that they will meet with a response in every honest breast, and that the evil complained of will continue no longer, an eye-sore to all who witness it.

I am, Sir, VERITAS.

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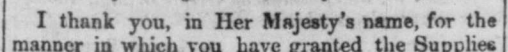
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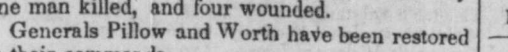
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