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that he did.

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For the TORCH.] WHEN O'MADIGAN DIED. The widow and children, they sat down and

And Teddy and I drank whisky and sighed,

On the night after Patsey O'Madigan died.

The widow said, "Oh, there was nivir a man

Like Patsey !"-the tears down her pretty

While Teddy reached over to me for the can.

'Neath his vest in a twinkling. Then turned

Ow, and said, "that's good whisky ye kape"-

A pint of the whisky, begorra, he hid

SELECT SCINTILLATIONS.

BY "scissors."

A MEMORY

I remember, I remember the day that I was born,

Or if 1 don't you never did, so spare your sneers and scorn ;

Madidn't go to market, nor never cooked a meal. But merely laid and listened unto my baby

squeal, My daddy was delighted, I looked so much

like him, Poor sister's nose got out of joint, while brothers Joe and Jim

Found they were small potatoes, and went off in a huff -

That's all I know about it, and think it quantum suf-ERFATIC ENRIQUE-N. Y. News.

It is stated that "Dr. Mary Walker cuts her own trousers.", Now that she has recovered from a serious illness, it is hoped that she will "cut" all her trousers, and don garments that are slipped on over the head.—*Norristown Herald*.

Chicago men can scarcely believe the evidence of their own census.—Danbury News.

Sir Isaac Newton was a profound philosopher, but he never investigated the chronic courtship of congenial cats -N. Y News.

One of our Whitehall butchers is such a stringent temperance man that he refuses to sell his customers "corned" beef.—*Truthful Times.*

Miss Hanlon, sister of the Canadian oarsman, offers to row any woman in the United States or Canada for a purse of \$500 on a three mile course, and it is svid she can beat her brother in a mile race.—*Whitehalt Times*.

A THOUGHT.

If flowers could always bloom at eve

As sweetly as they bloom at morn; If joys could ne'er take wing and leave

Our hearts to languish all forlorn-

Then flowers would ne'er seem half so bright And joys would ne'er be half so dear. The sweetest dawn of morning light Is that we gaze on through a tear !

Don't you always notice that when you spill a bowl of gravy at dinner, that the attract-

ion of gravy-tation is strongest towards your lap.—Whitehall Times. Young lovers by moonlight are naturally short-sighted, i e, they take a fine-night view of things, you know—Commercial Advertiser. WORDS AND TONES.

- It is not so much what you say, As the manner in which you say it:
- It is not so much the language you use, As the tones in which you convey it.

The words may be mild and fair, And the tones may pierce like a dart ;

The words may be soft as the summer air, And the tones may break the heart,

Her husband had been playing base ball and when the doctor came she explained: "Poor Adolphus! He got a pitcher in his centerfield, and he can't walk." The doctor thought it more likely that he had been playing short-stop to a jug.—*Rome Sectionel*.

Many people cannot keep dry with their rum-brella ... - Whitehall Times.

The imperative mood. Stand and deliver! --St. John TORCH. When the old cow moo.'d it was its indicative mood.--N. Y. News.

"Why, how is this? Didn't that fisheries award settle the finny'un question.-Graphic.

Never try to whistle a diamond back when it is out of ear-ring. -N. Y. Mail,

We sometimes hear of public men taking care of themselves, but Sitting Bull knoweth how to take hair of his enemies.—Stamford Advocate.

In India the towns communicate by means of signals by candles—a sort of tallowgraph.— *Graphic*.

A sharp sighted Hibernian is our old friend Mike Roscope.-N. Y. News.

The New York News is not distinctively a sporting paper, but "Erratic Enrique's" column is decidedly racy.—Stamford Advocate.

A contemporary inquires: Why is it that when a man wishes to allude to a newspaper in terms of withering contempt he calls it "a sheet?" Wo suppose it is because he regards the remark as a "comforter," and as being calculated to "bolster" his feelings.—Catskill Record.

No, isn't it because these ignorant people imagine that it's something on which editors lie?-St. John Torcu. We always supposed that the fellow wanted to blank it.-Boston Porcupine.

The spring overcoat, like the oyster, has nearly reached its pawning season.—New York Herald.

What is the difference between the tide when its rising in the Petticodiac river and a certain instrument of punishment? One is rushin' in and the other's Russian Knout.

Then I, Terence O'F laherty Michael McFinn, Put me arms round the waist of the widow, and

thin Said, "Patsey's at rest, and to mourn is a sin."

"There's as good men on top of the sod as below it—

- "So weep no more, Bridget, I'm sure that you know it.
- "And if you still doubt, I'm the man that can show it."

Then the widow she wiped all the tears from her eyes,

She choked all her sobs and she smothered. her sighs,

While Teddy looked on with a dale of surprise

- Says I, "Ould Saint Peter was nivir so glad a man,
- As when he scooped Patsey !"-and as you're not so bad a man,
- I acquaint you with Mrs. McFinn-late O'Madigan.

MAURICE O'QUILL.

A woman says very few men have the slightest idea how to hold a baby. And we don't suppose one man in a hundred has the slightest desire to hold one. If it is a female baby he is willing to hold it after it reaches the age of seventcen years, we've been told. The best way to hold one under six months is to hold yourself aloof from it.—Norriston Merald.

Ed Gillespie of *The Stamford Advocate* admits that O'Leary is a fast walker, but thinks that a hungry tramp is a faster.

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HOW STRANGE IT WILL BE.

How stringe it will be, love - how stringe when we two

we two Shall be what all lovers become ? You rigid and faitbless; 1 cold and untrue; You thoughtless of me, and 1 careless of you; Our pet bames grow rusty with nothing to do; Love's bright web unravelled, and rint and woru Love's bright west through, And life's took. left empty—ah, hum ! Ah, me ! How strange it will be !

How strange it will be when the witchery goes, Which make me seem lovely to day: When your through to me loses its colear de rose; When very day serves some new fault to dis-

close, And wonder you could for a moment suppose-When you find I've cold eyes, and an everyday

I was out of the common-place way ;

Ah, me! How strange it will be!

How strange it will be, love-how strange when we meet

With just a still touch of the hand;

When my pulses no longer delightfully beat, At the thought of your coming, and sound of

your feet; When I watch not your coming far down the long street;

When your dear loving voice, too, so thrillingly weet,

Grows harsh in reproach or command ;

Ah, me! How strange it will be!

How strange it will be when we willingly stay How stratige it win or when we writingly say Divided the weary day through: Or getting remotely apart, as we may, Sit chilly and silent, with nothing to say, Or coolly converse on the news of the day, Ia a wearfsome old mirried-folk sort of way! I shrink from the picture-don't you ?

Ah, me ! How strange it will be !

Dear love, if our hearts do grow torpid and cold,

As so many others have done; If we let our love perish with hunger and cold; If we dim all life's diamonds and tarnish its gold; If we choose to live wretched and die uncon-

soled.

'Twill be strangest of all things that ever were told

As happening under the sun!

Ah, me ! How strange it will be !

MRS. MUFFIN'S MISGIVINGS.

He was a genteel young man of pleasant open countenance, intelligent and polite. Most boarding-house keepers would have admitted him at first sight as a most eligible candidate, but Mrs. Muffin had misgivings that must be allayed before a decisive answer could be given.

given. "My boarders is a mighty particular set," she said, "and I have to be careful who I take or some of 'em is sure to get huffy and leave. I can't say as I so much object to music myself, but some folks won't stand it no way at all. I but some folks won't stand it no way at all. hope you're not learning to play on the fiddle,

blue solue to learning to play on the fiddle, are you ?"
"Oh, no," said the young man.
"Well, I'm very glad to hear you say so.
That would never do at all. You might as well try to keep boarders on one kind of meat as to put a green hand with a fiddle in among 'en. Do you blow any sort of horn ?"
The gentleman shock his head.
"Well, then, tell me, do you belong to the Festival chorus? I had one of 'em but he had to mosey. His rehearsals almost ruined my prospects, and I had to send him away. I felt bad about it too, for he was a light feeder and never grumbled. You never sing? Well that's pleasant. I didn't much think you did, but it's best to be on the safe side. I hope you don't practice on the 'cordeon ?"

TORCH.

"I was almost broken up by one of them brain-rackers getting smuggled into the house once last Summer, and it makes me cautious. Four of my best boarders left before the first week was out, and nobody would have dreamed of any harm in him either. He was a real innocent solem looking young man, with blue eyes, as quiet as a body could want, till he got into his room all alone with that cordeon. and then, mercy, what a villain he

with blue eyes, as quiet as a body could want, till he got into his room all alone with that 'cordeom, and then, mercy, what a villain he was! And that wasn't the worst of it either by a good deal. He not only drove away nearly all my bourders, but got in debt to me for five weeks' board, and then si.p.ed. "I tell you, sir, we have to be careful, and that's why I've made held to ask, you so meny quest ons. I'm very glad to bear, though, that you don't waste your time that way, and if you don't waste your make your home with us. I know there's lots of people who claim that must is soothing and elevating, and all that sort of thing, but it's a mistake, sir, a mighty big mistake, so far as boarders are con-cerned, any way. They'll put up with a good deal in the way of having things warmed over, but they won't stand music no way you can fix it up, and get away from it as quick as they wou'd from the small-pox."

For the TORCH |.

WHY MOUNT HECLA BURNS.

In the Norland, legend says,

Plain loved hill that stood upon it,

From its grandly swelling base To the cloud that formed its bonnet ;

Each to each was kind again. For (as freedom is love's fountain),

The mountain loved the sweet champ sign And the champaign loved the mountain.

But the warm plain loved not lightly-Locked and flung its arms around,

CI pped and clasped the mountain tightly. Clung and held it to the ground ;

When plain's heart grew all too fond

Warmth grew heat and heat gave flashes, Till lava seethed, and burst beyond

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rowels. [bowels.

Great hearts have oftimes wild fire in their II. D.

For the Tonen .. ENRIQUE-ISMS.

-The favorite musical instrument of a fisherman is a try-angle.

-You need not go to sea to see 'retch-ed pcople. Is not a miser able to make himself more misera ble on land ?

-Professor of languages to pupil :--- "What's hunger in French?" Sharp scholar :-- " Don't know sir, and never care to learn."

-If the world is round how can it ever come to an end ?- Current conundrum Easy enough. Can't the end come ' round also ?

The most novel feature about Great Britain. It produces more writers of standard fiction than any country in the world.

Emerson says-" character gives awe to wrinkled skin and gray hairs." What an awe-ful character Ralph Waldo must have. NEW YORK CITY.

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Hanlan's (and everybody else's) Lament

On the Island drear, deserted, Perched upon a dry, hard stone, Sat the prince of all the scull, rs.

Sad, dejected and alone ; Tears were glistening on his evelids, And a cloud was on his brow,

As he moaned in piteous accents Who will care for Ilaglan now ?

Who will back him 'grinst all comers ? Who will glory in I is fame ? Who will give him graceful prestige By the favour of a name Linked unto his own and giving

Passport whereso'er he go? Who will be a father to him? Who will care for Hanlau now?

Who will be his generous patron, Standing by him day and week, Answering all addresses for him When he feels too full to speak? Easing him of all the trouble. But to simply make the bow ; /here can such a friend be equalled ? wi Who will care for Hanlan now ?

O, this world is full of changes. And the best of friends must part-But to lose this noble Consul Wrings the city's heart of heart;

Every manly cause and calling In our midst will feel the blow.

Colonel Shaw is going to leave us Who will care for Hanlan now ?

-Grin.

As effort is being made to erect a public drinking fountain on the Market Square. Happy thought.

THE new clock on the front of the Sheffield House is in its place and will be found a timely convenience. At least that is our hour opin-ion, hence we make a minute of it. Who seconds the motion?

Yesterday was "The Oaks" day in England. A Cockney residing in this city says, "The first of April would be the most appropriate 'Hoaks' day.

The Freeman quoting from a Halifax paper, says :---- "To say that Miss May Howard as 'Galatea' the Animated Statute, looked beautiful would hardly convey the idea.'

An Animated Statute is good.

IN THIS NUMBER we commence a series of contributions under the heading of ENRIQUE-ISMS, by "Erratic Enrique," the brilliant para-graphist of the N. Y. Daily News, and an occa-sional contributor to the Danbury News.

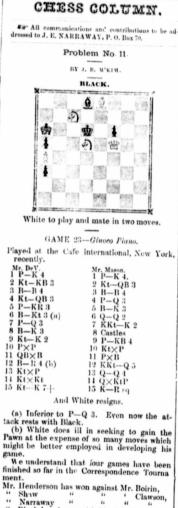
NOTMAN'S PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO. - Messrs. Notman, the eminent photographers, whose commodious premises were destroyed by the great fire, have now the finest and most complete suite of rooms for photographic purposes that can be found in Canada. They are situatthat can be found in Canada. They are situat-ed in Judge Ritchie's Building, on Princess street, and have been arranged, during the construction of the building, under the direct supervision of Mr. Hammond, the gentleman who has charge of the St. John branch.

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And drenched them both in fire and ashes.

Steed needs free head to whom you give the

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Black has drawn with Mr. Wylde. "

Solutions to Prob'ems unavoidably detained till next week.

Was chess first played in Chess-hire ?

PUZZLERS' KNOTS.

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Contributions and answers are cordially in-Contributions and answers are containly in-vited from all interested in whatever pleases the young, and also from every reader of the TORCH, and the Pazzle fraternity in general. All communications for this Department should be sent to its Editor at the above address.

106 --- METAGRAM.

Whole I'm a man of pleasure ; change my head and I become a mass of matter concreted; again and I am a single turn of cable; again, a sea fish; again, a color; again, to reanimate; last, a final cause. SIL V.



107.-REBUS. Oh! Oh

Oh ! Oh Oh ! Oh ! Oh! Oh Oh ! Oh! Oh!

CLARA BELLE.

108. -RIDDLE. Sometimes I am small, sometimes I'm large. I accompany every man, I accompany every man, I'm oft high sounding, vain and proud. Not move nor speak I can ; I'm owned hy every person ever born, By them I'm seldom chosen, I'm owned by e'er the most forlorn, I'm owned by e'er the most forlorn, In death I'm never frozen. MURIEL.

109.-CROSS-WORD ENIGMA.

My first is in Little Fraud, but not in N. V. My second is in Passepartout, but not in N. V.; My second is in Passepartout, but not in Sil V.; My third is in my whole, but not in Geo. E. A; My fourth is in Lewinda, but not in fair May; My fifth is in Glen Lyon, but not in Clara L; Now a puzzle's name my whole will tell. Feiry

110.-NUMERICAL ENIGMA. The whole, composed of 8 letters, was the pride

of Rome.

The 1, 2, 3, is a vessel. The 4, 5, 6 is a particle. The 7, 8 is forward. PASSEPARTOUT.

111.-UNION JACK.

Across: A continent; to help; a church. Across: A continent; to help, a thread Down: A yearly account; to lay up; a Turk-ish province. Diagonals: Juice of unripe grapes; a mineral. GLES LYON.

112-WORD SQUARE.

A noted trade-mark ; exists ; an animal ; to call forth ; to repeat. FUN DAX.

113 .- DECAPITATION.

Take away one fifth of what you find on the beach, And have what's denied by Beecher.

BRUNS WICKE.

114.-CHARADE. Known well to travellers far and near, Revered by those who love it dear, Far placed from anything like fear, My first is

Boisterously welcomed by small boys Whose spirits find a vent in noise, The most of all our childhood's toys,

My second is. Warmly greeted by every nation, A noble land's grand consummation

Of Art and Nature's vast relation, My whole is.

CLARA L.

115 -DOUBLE DIAGONALS. An annual product; a medical term; a com-panion; a bracelet; a hollow; a fowl. Left diagonals name a well known Canadian. Right diagonals name a lately deceased judge of our BRUNSWICKER. Province.

116 .- STAR DIAMOND.

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A letter; a unit; arrive; a fish; a letter. (Answer in two weeks). FOSTER.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN MAY 25. 89.—Runic tunic. 90.—Penguin.



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Samuel Leonard Tilley. George Etienue Cartier.

PRIZES.

For the first best list of answers to the Knots norths number we will send the Torch two months. For the second a handsome pen-holder.

CHAT WITH KNOTTERS.

CLARA BELLE, St. John .- We are always Data belle, St. domin-we are aways pleased to have a regular reader write to us, and return thanks for your excellent Rebus. Your answers to Nos. 91 and 94 are accurate. BRUNZ WICKE.—We wondered at your con-

tinued silence, but were nevertheless glad to hear from you. You have rightly solved all but No. 93.

EPHEV, St. John.-T anks for very good in-stalment. Yours are always acceptable. Please

come again. MrassL, St. John.—A youthful knotter is always welcome to our ranks, and in yours we find but little below the average, Of your so-

find but little below the average. Of your so-lutions all are given accurately. PRIZES.—Every reader of the TORCH—regular or casual—is cordially invited to compete for the prizes offered in our columns. Notice.—In sending puzzles our contribu-tors will please be careful to state they are in-tended for insertion in the Torch. If any have sent us puzzles and heard nothing of them they will belase write area. they will please write again.

- Tell me not in sparkling numbers Jokes that fairly make one scream ; For the soul is dead that slumbers
- O'er your paper ream by ream.

"TORCH ' is fanny, often earnest, And instruction is its goal ; Dost thou think our efforts turnest Void, and pall upon the soul?

Let us then be up and doing, Striving early, striving late ; Wisdom gaining, lore persuing In the TORCH, so for it wait.

THE ROCKLAND COURIER.-Last evening we received the first number of the revivided Courser, which has been in a trance for four months. The refreshing sleep has had a beneficial effect, judging from the vigorous tone of this number, and gives promise of ably sustaining its former deserved popularity. We grasp fraternally the hand of Brother Fuller, congratulate him on his journalistic pluck, and hope his efforts to permaneutly establish his spicy and entertaining journal may be an undoubted success.

The "Chevalier De Brassey" sends us the following on a postal card, which is not too bad :-

The Torcn's printer man says "The Begum Of Bhopal's ready if a war should come," A most begum-ming man-like course, d'yr see? The more begum-ming because this he's a she.

DEXTER SMITH's for June just received. Will notice more fully next week.

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TERMS:

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ST. JOHN, N. B., JUNE 8, 1878.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Newton Wilson has lost three children within three weeks by diptheria.

THE Freeman, although en accorde with the Borderer on Dominion politics, goes for friend Reynolds red hot on the "Sectarian question" in connection with the Local election in Westmorland

DURING the past week the posts around the King Square have been re-set and other improvements made, which are creditable to the energy of the Square Committee.

WE observe on Mr. John Horn's new building, on Prince William street, an infringement of our patent Toncu letters We forgive him, of our patent Toncu letters We forgive him, however, in consideration of his good taste in admiring the building, yesterlay, said her city." We hagree with im

DR TUPPER and lady arrived by train from Fredericton, on Wednesday evening, and stop-ped at the Park Hotel. They left in Thursday morning's train for Amherst, N. S.

Four young men, who happened to be tellers in various banks in the city, walking down King street the other day attracted the observation of a thoughtful youth, who turned to his companion and asked him why they were like astrologers? "Can't guess, why are they ?" "Because," replied the youth, "they are four-tellers."

THE LOCAL ELECTIONS .- The nomination of Local candidates will take place to-day and Local candidates will take place to-day and the poling will be on Wednesday next for the County and Thursday for the City. As there don't appear to be any party combination it's a sort of "every man for himself" fight, and consequently difficult to determine upon whose banners victory will perch. After the nomi nation speeches to-day we may be able to form some idea as to who are the favorites in the are certain, that, although twelve will start, six of them will be distanced.

TORCH.

The Freeman is watching the movements of Dr. Tupper with distrust.

THE MCCARTHY CASE - After a long, tedious and exhaustive investigation of this mysterious affair, and a clever analytical summing up of the evidence by Coroner Hannington, the jury did not agree and were discharged. Five of them were of the opinion that the Osbornes committed the deed, and the other two, although feeling that McCarthy had been murdered, could not feel satisfied that they were guilty. The Osbornes have been remanded to jail pending further action. It is not perhaps right to pre-judge, but a vast amount of circumstantial evidence has been produced to corroborate the remarkable direct testimony of Annie Parker.

CLIPPINGS CRITICISED.

A correspondent asks "Will some of the raders of the ENTERPRISE please inform me through your columns, what part of the ocra or okro plant is used for thickening soup?" Will some of our readers give the lady the information ? - Gowanda Enterprise.

We never remember of having tasted o'crow soup.

There is a place in Michigan called Bad Axe. Helve name.—*Turners Falls Reporter.* Ax-cent on first syllable.

Boston thinks its diet very beanfishal .---Graphic.

We always thought it a pork kind of diet.

The liver complaint-that it costs so much to live. - Lowell Courier.

After getting the gas bill, a man is more apt to complain of his lights.

In the grave there is no poll tax. - Danbury News. And no carpet tacks.-Gowanda En terprise.

Kerrect no man will carp at tax after he's dead.

The origin and etymology of backgammon is in doubt .- Er

The youth who wrote the above has evidently never heard of a bustle.

A vein search-that of the leech .- Gowanda Enterprise.

We always found it a suck-cess.

John Morrissey has gone to meet Pharo — Chicago Times. There was Aaron on the bank, you bet, when Eau him.—Hawkeye. And Mo-ses he waiting for him.—Syracuse Sunday Won't E-noch 'em right and left when Times. he meets them with the club.-Gowanda Enterprise.

Will the Pharo-"see" him or "pass 'on the other side ?

Courtney is the noblest row man of them all. -Whitehall Times.

We have one here he hasn't come acc-Ross yet. We think he Wall lace him when he does

It is the last day of spring- unless you are a school boy and sit down on a bended pin tomorrow. How be responsible for the season then?-Gowanda Enterprise.

Would that he a pin itent bench ?

The bell punch notes even the fall of a swallow.—Chicago Times Yes and its dulcet tin-kle mingles sometimes with the music of men out on a lark. The authorities say there is much robin under it .- Boston Traveller.

It evidently does not prevent liquor dealers sel-linnet.

Poisoned apples have been picked up on London streets. -N. Y. Herald. We have often had apple pies-in-us.

There isn't a vegetable that can ketch up with the tomato.—Ex. Wrong, we'll bet one years celery that a "scarlet runner" can beet Tom-A-to all hollow .- St. John TORCH. This sort of thing is so meloncholy that it ought to be squashed at once or we shall feel inclined to-martyr the next beat who attempts to turn up any more such cucumberous jokes, -- Porci nin

We know a pun-kin beat the above all hollow, but we don't carrot the present time to mublish it

Miss Kellog, the singer, says that men are fit only to be squeezed like an orange, and then thrown away .- Ex.

An exquisite young man of our acquaintance says "that would be an neck-squeeze-it death to dia "

The American Agriculturist laughs down the idea that eating tomatoes tends to cancer. -Ex. You are wrong, we have often seen them in a can, sir. Hope you can sur vive after reading this.

Wild Oats, a humorous journal, is now published weekly. R. K. Munkittrick, a graceful poet and clever humorist-and a success in the way of giving "credit"-has assumed editorial control, and is making a very bright paper.-Norristown Herald.

Wheat tender our corngratulations and hope it may ryes to the highest pinnacle of newspaporial fame.

We have a paragrapher's photograph case, and the latest additions is a *fac simile* of "Er-ratic Enrique" (II. Clay Lukens) of the New York News, and T. W. Greenslitt, of the Danielsonville Sentinel. We hope to be able to have all the "boys" in the group ere long.— Gowanda Enterprise.

We congratulate you on having secured such a good Lukens set of photographs. Gow an-do likewise with us.

Dr. May Walker has invented an invisible buckle to take the place of suspenders -Boston Post.

No gay young buck 'll be without one. Lukens, how would you like her ah em-braces?

Socks will be very much worn this summer. - Boston Post.

The last Canadian Illustrated has a front page cartoon called "Canada's Homage to our Be loved Queen on the occasion of her Sixteeth Birth-day." Hasn't Her Majesty more than six teeth ?

There is a girl up in the country by the name of Hattie Rack, but her people call her Hat of natue nace, ont her prople can her hat Rack for short—Gowanda Enterprise. Some nice young man should "set his cap' for such an hat-rack tive young girl.—Token. It will be mi-Rack uolus if some young man doesn't fall in love with 'Hat girl.—Gowanda Enterprise.

Was Tom Thumb called a-Tom because he was so small ?

Have by-ways anything to do with scale selling?

When you see a skye-terrier playing does it remind you of a sky-lark ?

A religious parent, on Sunday last, while imparting Biblical information to his six year old, was expatiating on the Antediluvians. The youthful prodigy listened attentively until his papa had got through, and, with a thirst for knowledge said, "And now pappy, wont oo tell me about de Uncle Dluvians ?"

Advice to a boy who is anxious to fight-If a hig boy insults him let him strike one of his size (his eyes).

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THE CORNET NUISANCE. LETTER FROM "A VICTIM." ADAMS BLOCK, CARMARTHAN ST., ?

June 5, 1878. DEAR TORCH,-I am a quiet peaceable young man and not, naturally, viciously inclined. I try to love my neighbors and live on amicable terms with them. I am not unusually nervous. Can bear patiently the piano playing of the landlady's daughter in the adjoining house and listen contendedly to "The Maiden's Prayer with accordeon accompaniment. I do not ob-ject to an occasional "hurdy-gurdy" grinding out "Old Dog Tray" in front of our mansion ;] might learn to appreciate the effort of a love sick youth trying to play "Thou hast learned to love another" on a husky flute, and can refrain from slinging old boots or other handy projectiles at itinerant cats who make night hilarious with their infernal caterwaulings. Canine pests may howl incessantly till early morn. I can grin and bear the unearthly screeches of peacocks just before a rain storm Locomotive whistles may shriek and the fog horn keep up its monotonous dismal moanings and I can "suffer and be strong;" tion infinitely worse than all these pests, is a nuisance in the house adjoining my boarding house, which, if not removed very soon, will transform me and several others into incurable raving lunatics.

The pest to which I refer is a youth who is learning to play an instrument of exquisite torture called the CORNET, and of all the dis-mal, doleful, disagreeable, diabolical, discordant sounds that I have ever heard, this is in comparably the worst IIe commences tooting as soon as he gets up in the morning, but the full strength of the pandemonium is not let out until evening when he gives free scope to his pent up lungs and makes the evening air hi-dious with his horrible hootings.

Now, dear TORCH, I don't want to be unne cessarily severe on this imbecile youth, nor do I wish to interfere with his liberties, but having een requested by several of the neighbors, who have been driven nearly crazy by this awful noise, to see if something can't be done to remedy the evil-I appeal to you.

Cannot an injunction be procured to restrain him? Or can the house be indicted for har-bouring such a nuisance? Or is its removal within the jurisdiction of the Board of Health?

If he would only go on some desert island and practice, there would probably be no objection, but to have such a never ending nuisance in a respectable neighborhood, is a little much of a muchness

other evening, during a lull (he must other evening, during a full (ne must been out to a party) in the music (?), I ground out a few doggerel lines which I dole fully dedicate to this poor misguided youth, hoping it may be the means of weaning him frem this horrible practice.

YE CORNET.

There's a youth who is learning to " toot," At all times of night, and at morn, it Annoys me so much I could boot

That id ot who plays on the cornet. My language is sel tom profane,

But I couldu't help snying "gol dorn" it Last night when I lad there in pain, And heard that young "guff" on the cornet.

You think there is naught to annoy

You so much as the sting of a hornet, But if misery true you'd enjoy, You should hear that "galoot" on the corne!

- There's a point at which patience must cease, To that point I quite meekly have borne it,

And, although I'm in favor of peace, I could shoot that chap learning the cornet.

If this tooter should sicken and die,

The neighbors. I'm sure, woaldn't mourn it; You couldn't find one who would cry O'er the death of this youth and his cornet.

Hoping this appeal on behalf of the tortured neighbors will influence this young man to give

his cornet " a rest" I remain, your's afflictedly,

"A VICTIM."

TORCH.

MECHANICS INSTITUTE.

A first class audience assemble1 at the Institut: or Monday ovening to see the initial performance of the Dramatic Company unler Mr W. Nannery's managenent. The piece presentel was a comean matter Brass," by G Fawcett Rows, with the author as the Brass," by G Fawcett Rows, with the author is the he Rowe of the play. The part of Waifton Stray is very amusing one, and as he related his Munc' ausenish adventures an I demonstrate I his wonderful lie abilities he was loudly applauded.

Miss Girard, as Sybil Hawker, quickly established her claim to a first place in the dramatic ranks. If a charm ing face, beauti'ul form, sweet voice and careful acting, onstitute an artiste, then we " doff our castor" to Kate as our beau ideal of a bright and shining light in the dramatic firm unent.

The bluff, stortay, but gool hearted Almiral Hanker, found a worthy representative in Mr. Phillips, reminding us of our old frien | Fuller.

Mr. Fe'ix Morris, in make-up and acting was a clever impersonator of the Rev. Horatio Ti'bets the nervous young English parson He gives evidence of possessing extra g od abilities as a character etor. Mr Gassin di well as Lawyer Armstrong, and Miss Susie Cluer, an old favorite here, was deservedly applauled for her cureful and arti-tic representation of the lawyer's daughter. Mr. P Nannery is deserving of a ribute of proise for his ex-collent rendition of John Masham, the brewer, "" congratulate Mr. Nannary on his improvement sizes hi last appearance here. The other laties and gend men sustained their various parts commendedy, and if it is a source of pleasure for them to know that the Toren applauds them, we die happy.

The music under the lead rship of Prof. Muller, y first class, and constitutes q site an interesting feature of the entertainment, particularly the beauti al solo of the picolo player, and the B ra Yard Imitations of Prof. Multer, both of which were rapturously encore l.

Brass" has the true ring, "fuet I assure you," and is vastly superior to such Soc atv gush trash as "Divores," "Pink Dominos" and "Stratog."

On Tuesday evening "Little Emily" was put on, east to the full strength of the company, with Mr. Rowe in his wonderful impersonation of the irrepressibly and impe-canions Micawber. The "Great Expectations" formed of him in this role were more than realize I f r in make up, action and voice, he was the ilentical party, immortal.xei by Dickens, who wis always "waiting for some-thing to turn up." The coavival scene, where he brews a jorum of punch for Copperfit 1 and Traildles as a thank offering for something having at last "turned up" in his favor was capitably done the gradation of inebriety being quite natural. In his seens he kept the and inne convulsed with laughter. He was also very happy in the office scene, where he turns the tables on Heep. In fect the character is artistically sustained throughout, show ing a keen perception of the peculiar orginizition of the immortal Micawber.

The honors of the play were, however, fairly divided between him and Mr Morris, sho represente i th mean. eringing, by ocritical feen so naturally as to unke one feel uneasy while he was sheaking around the stage washing his clammy hands with myre bus oup and water. His make up was very gool and his facial acting was diabolicaly fine. We heard one young lady behind us say "Oh, I wish that horrid, nisty wretch would go off the stage." This was ene of the bet tributes, to his genius, he could have had

We thought Mr Gossia's Peggety, which is an exceedingly diffiguit part, was very truthful, although some thought h's declamation was rather boisterous when he discovered that Little Erally had ran away with Steerforth. In our opinion this was not over tone, as a rough uncultivated good fellow I ke him, who was strong in his love, would naturally be equally demonstrative in his unexpected sorrow Miss Girar I place? "Latha, the outen t, very eff etively

throwing the requisite amount of pathos into the part, particularly so in the Cathedral scene Miss Su ie Cher's particularly so in the united rate scene arises su to their a Ress Darite, was clever. She was the cold, heartless, unsympt hetic society bells, and did some fine seet is in the scene between her and Little Emily when Emily returns penitent. Miss Wood deserves a word of praise for her truthful depiction of Little Em'ly. She was particularly good when she app aled for forgiveness to the marble-hearted Rosa Dorde. In this scene she was deservedly applauded.

Betsey Trotwood, by Mrs. Jor lan, was very good : Mrs. Arnold's Mrs. Micawber, passable, and the other characters, al hough rather unimportant, ware cleverly sustainel

On Wednesday evening " Little Em'ly" was repeated to a good house with a sub-titute for Mr. Suth rland, who was indisposed, as "Dav-I mean M i-s-t-e-r Copper.

"The Exiles" drew a fair house in Thursday evenin and was well played. We are sarry that our limited space prev ats us giving an extended notice

Last night was Mr. Rowe's bezefit which we presume was well attended.

way well attended. At the Matimee this afternoon "Little Em'ly" will be put on and the "Ticket of Leave Man" this evening On Monday evening the beau-j'ul and em tion d ar-

tiste. Miss May Howard, will make her debut before a St. John audience, and we hope she may be greeted by a full house. The piece selected for the occasion will be ull house. The piece selected Pygmalion and Ga atea."

DOCKRILL'S HALL.

Healey's Ministrels and Panorama of Ireland, commenced a short season at the above place of amusem nt, on Wednesday evening to a crowded house. The entert inment openel with a "circle" in white faces, with Billy McGann and) ryan O'Lynn as end men. The songs and "endgags" were good and loudly appluded.

e second p rt, during the unrolling of the beautiful and romantic scenes of " Erin's I le." the audience were treated to an olio of eccentricities, commencing with Bryan O'Lynn in character songs and donces, which appeared to strike the popular taste, julging from the applanse. The Marrisseys, Maul and Tommy, in their Lis Flagmant'sketch sang nicely, and "battered the " in such good sigle as to secure a decided encore. Mr. John E. benshaw did a negro act which was londly Miss May Ten Broeck, a you glily of conapplaude. siderable personal attractions, sang a medicy of popular sharatore person is attractions, song a medicy of popular airs quite article y, and reserved an encore; Billy Me-Gan; delighted the unlineae with his amusing Irish songs and dances, and Miss Marriscey's clever seriocomic songs were well received. The entertainment closed wi h " Law in the Lower Courts," an anusing representation of Justice as it is supposed to be administered in New York.

Mr He ly his been greeted with crowled houses, and as the entertainment is first-class, with nothing introducel of an o'jectionable nature, we cheerfully recommeniall, who have not been there, to go and enjoy a good laugh. They will remain here during the coming

MODEST HALIFAX !!

The virtuous and modest Haligonians are trying to find out whether the drama presented to them by McDowell, is leg-itimate or not. The H raid thinks that females, who make such a liberal display of their limbs in public, should be put in limb-o, but the Mayflower and Chronicle have definitely settled the question of immorality by espousing the ballet-girls' cause. Baker is good authority in a question of this kind, and we cheerfully abide by his decision. When Mrs. Shoddy, the leader of the soi cisant ton of Halifax, flads out that Lady Dufferin patronizes the b dlet, everything will be au fast, and Mr. and the Misses Shoddy accompanied by the Masters Codfish, will shine conspicuously in the most arominent seats, regardless of the pious appeals of saintly Mrs. Grandy.

Moneron, N. B., May 7th, 18:8. . ROBINSON, ESQ. St. John, N B.

Moscrov, N. B., May 7th, 18:8. J. - Rontssov, Eso, Si. John, N. B. Perus N: ---In January last J erume to Man tan from Memanook to compute the first as I we in the I st stages of consumption. When I in, as I we in the I st stages of consumption. When I in, as I we in the I st leave it. A physician was called who promoted to prove it. A physician was called who promoted to leave it. A physician was called who promoted to interact it. A physician was called who promoted to interact it. A physician was called who promoted to interact it. A physician was called who promoted to interact it. A physician was called who promoted to interact it. In third it was the first of the first does it interact a both and affinished the first does I wanted if ever since and am physician the first does I wanted if ever since and am physician the physician does are afficient in the sum to here for your til I condit have been in any way you wish, as I. Mon are at liker y to use this in any way you wish, as I. Mon are at liker y to use this they too may resit it. Sum way, Know to let others who are afficient in the sume way, Know to let others, who are afficient in the sume way. Row to let other the bope that they too may resit it. George (this X mark) sew ELL. I remain, dear sir, yours respectively. Montenses - Physical Construction of Col Liver Off with Letto Physical Coll is physical to H. Arbinon, Physical Coll is physical to the start off H. Robinon, Physical Coll is a sum base of the start off any 25

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JUST DROPPED IN.

Neighbors are an excellent institution if they only keep their places. But neighbors out of their places are quite another thing. Every rural neighborhood has one or more of troublesome people who are continually dropping in. Your female neighbor comes over while you are at breakfast and begs you won't mind her, and she sit down in the dining room and stares at you while you eat and fixes her eyes on the patch on the table cloth, and shows by her expression that she knows that your forks are plated. If you have bacon for breakfast she tells you she dislikes pork, and insinutes that it is un'it for Christians to eat, but she will add as a sort of qualifier, that if you like it. it is all right. Then she will want the pattern of little Joe's apron, and she will go into your parlor to get the last fashion magazine, to save you the trouble, when you know she only does it for an excuse to pass by your bed-room door to see if the bed is made. You never can have or do anything without your back-door neightor's cognizance. Your new spring suit, that you yowed she should not see until you had appeared in it at church, she spies out by a piece of trimming in your work basket and she guesses at its cost and asks where you got it, and how many yards you had, and who cut it and you made it yourself, and says she likes blue but then green is all the style. But she supposes you got blue because green is so try-ing to a sallow complexion. When she finds out that you purchased the material at Smith's she says she always shops at Jones'. Jones is to be relied upon, but then Snith tells a good story, and knows just how to handle customers who do not understand goods. And then she asks again what you paid for your dress, and you dare not tell her a cent more on a yard than it really was, for you know she will go directly and ask Smith all about it.

AN IMPORTANT DUTY. When young men are brought to

ruin by extravagant expenditures. the fault is not often wholly their own, and this is especially true of those who are living with their parents and are under age. The fat-her and mother, if they do their duty and are not culpably negligent will know the amount of the income of the son, and the source from which it is derived, and also pretty nearly what his expenditures are, and the knowledge that they are giving attention to these matters will be a strong check against wrong doing, if any check is required. They will also know how he spends his evenings, and what his associates are; and if he is spending money freely they will find out where it comes from. And the employers of the boys, and especially of those holding re-sponsible positions, neglect a duty they owe both to themselves and

to those in their employ, if they do not inform themselves as to their habits and associations, that they may grow up frugal, industrious, and honest. It would be well, indeed, if there could be a return of the old relations between merchants and their clerks, but if this is not possible now, employers can very easily by their oversight and care do much toward rightly directing the lives of those who are, even under the present system, brought within the circle of their influence. Direct inquiries, kindly made, by the head of a firm to a junior clerk, as to the manner in which he spends his evenings, and whether he is improving his mind by study, are manifestations of interest in his welfare that have an effective influence in shaping the life of a young man, and at the same time make him more useful and faithful in the position in which he is placed, while those who show no more intesest in a young man thus employed than they do in the horse of the corman who hauls their goods, should not be surprised if their indifference and neglect produce unfaithful servants.

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GENTLEMEN. -

ri ce I had the h nor to iefo m you of my intention to off r as a Candid ste at the ensating 'Election of persons represent you in the Assembly of this Province, Dis Honor the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to sammen me to his Council, and to appoint me to the importent office of Provincial Sceretary. My acceptance of this appoin ment is unject to your ratification, and I respectfully soli it your onfid nee and support in this new sphere of labor and responsibility. While it shall always be my especial pleasure, if elected, to watch carefully the interests of the City of Saint John, and strive to promote tham in every legitimate way. I shall also endeavor so to perform my duties as a Councillor of His Honor and Provincial Secretary, as to pr mote a f ugal and wise administration of Provincial affairs, to the general advancement of the public service and the dispensation of equal justice to all classes of the people.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, Your obedient servant may 11 WILLIAM WEDDERBURN.

To the Electors of the City of Saint John. GENTLEMEN.-As you will shortly be called upon

G to select members to represent you for the next four years, I respectfully offer myself as a Candidate for your suffrages. I assare you that I am fully sensible of the high honor that has been already done me, in selecting me as one of the representatives of this large and roving Commercial City, and I trust my conduct in the Legislature has been such as to justify you in giving me

Determine the been such as to usually you in giving me your support in the approaching contest. I determine the elected L will endevor, by every means in may need your representatives. I have the honor to remain.

Faithfully your obedient servant, ROBERT VARSHALL,

To the Electors of the City of Saint John,

GENTLEMEN, -

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I respectfully offer myself as a Candidate for the honor of representing you in the General Assembly of this Pro-

Should you favor me with a majority of your votes I shall, without regard to policial parties or considerations, use my best undgment to advance the interests of this City, and the Province generally. Yours truly,

may 11

CHAS. A. EVERETT.

To the Electors of the City of St. John.

GENTL'MEN,-

In compliance with the wishes of my friends, I shall be a candidate for the position of your representative in the General Assembly.

If elected, I will, to the best of my ability, endeavor advance the interests of the City and Province generally. I espectfully soliciting your support. I have the honor to be, gentlemen.

Yours traly, JOHN C. FERGUSON. may 18

To the Electors of the City and County of Saint John.

GENTLEMEN.-

At the request of many of my friends I shall be a Candidate at the coming election for representatives to the General Assembly of this Province, and would most respectfully solicit your support may 11 ASAPH G. BLAKSLEE.

To the Electors of the City and County of St. John.

GENTLEMEN :

may

A T the ensuing General Election, I shall be a Candi-didate for the representation of the City and County of St. John in the General Assembly. Respectfully asking the favor of your support, I am yours, faithfully,

DAVID MCLELLAN.

County of Saint John.

GENTLEMEN,-

At the approaching Election of members to serve in the General Assembly of this Province, I shall again be a candidate for your suffrages,

My views on matters within the sphere of the Local Legislature, and my votes and acts as your representative, are so well known, that it is needless for me now to receptulate them. You are the best and the only con-stitutional judges of the way in which I have attended to the various mitters entrusted to my care, as well as of the manner in which I have fulfilled the pledges made by me at the time of my election. If you are satisfied with my conduct in these respec's. I trust I may receive from you, at the polls, a renewed expression of your

As between the Government and the Opposition, in what I may by anticipation, call the late House of Assembly. I felt that the best interests of the sountry and my pledges to you were alike involved in my hearty support of the Executive. Should I again be elected, I shall feel it my duty to assist the Government of the day in passing all good measures, while I shall deem it no less incumbent upon me to oppose all legislation which I may regard as adverse to the best interests of the constituoncy and of the country,

It is my belief that the independence, utility and infuence of the Local Legislatures can be best maintained by excluding from the local sphere questions relating exclusively to Dominion politics. It would be with deep regret that I should see any other course forced upon this Province.

The revenue of the Province, under good management, an be made suffi tient to uphold the public credit and maint in the public services. It will be my aim, if elect-, to conserve our financial condition and to provide that the moneys appropriated for public works and other public services shall be so expended as to do the greatest possible amount of good. In these expendie the gravest positive amount of good. In these excendi-tures, besides public works, properly so called, I include all moneys granted for the laudable purpose of advancing the great interests of Agriculture and Manufactures, in so far as this can be done by Agricultural and Industrial Exhibitions and kindred means.

While the debts and expenditures of citi's and other municipalities for whatever purpose contracted or made, are primarily matters of only local concern, they nevertheless affect the general credit and interests of the country. I therefore regard it as one of the most important duties of legislators to scrutinize very carefully ali moa sures brought before them for imposing increased burdens upon the tax-payers, and to sanction only such as are absolutely necessary in the public interest.

I have the honor to be, Gentleman, Your faithful servant, WILLIAM ELDER.

St. John, May 11, 1878.

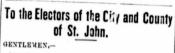
To the Electors of the City and County of Saint John.

GENTLEMEN :

I hereby inform you that at the urgent solicitation of a large number of electors I shall be a Candidate at the approaching Election of persons to represent you in the General Assembly of the Province, Should you honor me by selecti g me as one of your representatives I shall endeavor to be worthy of your confidence. Respectfully soliciting your support,

Gentlemen, I am your obedient servant.

may 11 R. J. RITCHIE.



I hereby inform you that I shall be a Candidate at the coming Local Election to represent you in the General Assembly, and if elected shall use my best judgment to advance the interests of the country. Yoars truly,

JAMES ROURKE. St. Martins, N. B., May 13th, 1878. may18



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