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Strange old fellow this Santa Claus! To judge from all the good things he does in one night he must be the busiest, kindest, dearest old creature that ever lived, His brow may be wrinkled, and his long beard snowy. but his heart is joung, and his limbs are as active as those of any juvenile chimney-sweeper. Old as he is he does not seem to care very much for old people; perhaps they are too wide-awake for his habits. What a stealthy way he has of doing good! That is the best thing about him ; he makes no fuss in doing a thousand kindnesses. He springs noiselessly to the crib-side, where the gaping stocking-the longest in the househangs ready, and in a trice pours into it dolls, bon-bons, tops, marbles, till it is overflowng, and away he skips as silently as a butterly fluttering among pea-blossoms. A word of advice to our young friends; don't keep awake on Christmas Eve to catch a glimpse of Santa Claus. No one ever has seen him, and you are sure to be disappointed. Then it is not polite to try to catch him if he does not wish to be caught. He has good reasons for wishing to keep out of sight. Perhaps he is very ugly, and knows it. Perhaps he is afraid of making a row in the bed-room, and disturbing the housc. Perhaps he carries so big a sack of toys and sweets that he knows if he were seen the children would
make him rummage it to the bottom, and then shake the bag, so he would not finish his work by the time the Christmas joy-bells began ringing.

## CHRISTMAS.

A time of feast and revelry, Of mirth and giddy joy,
When llows the wine, and in the cup All cares cease to annoy.
The madness of the jovial band Rises each moment higher,
Till all a-glow, their veins are filled And burn with liquid fire.
Poor hungry wretches wistful look For help-to them-in vain;
These "jolly dogs," what care they for A hapless brother's pain?

A time of dull self-righteousness, When bigots call profane
The claiming of one day of rest From toil of hand and brain.
"What's this one day to us," they cry, "Of all days of the year?
"Why should we cease our daily work? "Why should we others cheer?
"'Tis plain that in the winter time "No shepherds watched by night.
". 'Tis the wrong day, why then should we "Make one poor sad heart light?"

A time of chastened thankfulness For countless mercies given; A day for deeds of purest love, Like choicest gifts from Heaven.
Why should men waste in vain disputes, And poor religious strifes
The few brief days which this world's cares Leave for a higher life?
Then let your heart be open thrown,
Give of your plenteous store
To clothe and feed and warm the poor Who shiver at your door,
For the sake of Him who came to earth One night in the times of yore.

## THE SCRAGGS CORRESPONDENCE.

## TO MRS. TATTLENELL.

The Prospect.
Montrlas.

## Me Dear Frievo,

After a very pleasant journey to Quebec, in the Direciors' car, and they-I name no names, -were all so kind going down, and had nice lunch, and-wasn't it wicked?-Some sparkling champagne in oh! so cum ning a cupboard, that I felt quite exhilarated, and did not sufier the least fatigue all the way.

What a dear delightul place Quebec is to be sure. You know, since the seat of Government has been taten there the people do not consider it necessary to think of doing much business of any other kind. You cannot imagine how delightful the society of the sweet place is. There is none of that shabby penuriousness that characterises the pitiful set in Toronto, Mones is not thought of in the same way at all. As that delightul creature, the Right Honourable P.J.O.Ch-I must not mention names lest I should be aecused of breaking Govermment secrets) says in his beautful, beatifit English, and with his elegant little lisp, My dear Madam, we leave the petty considerations of economy to those valgar bourgeoiste in the other Province. As for us, we are gentlemen, the righiful possessors of the soil. We shall have a gentlemen's govemment, and if we make not, as you other descendants of shopkepers say, the two ends to meet, why, we shall apply to the Dominion Government for fresh supplies. Toilu zowt." and he smiled so gaily, that he looked charming. He also said they always would manage to get a soff, casy Treasurer, of English extraction, on pretext of respecting the rights of the minority, and added, with his charming smile, "We always contrive to get one who has the tenderness of heart, and the softness of head to do as we tell him," and he laughed so good naturedly, "and then every one applats our liberality: Oh!" assur:: you, it answers a morville! The last little man was very good, and if this one had not been also very squeczable,"-here he stopped and pleasanty whistled softly, as if to himself, a few bars of the street air, "Not for Joe." Still, he has his cares, poor man! What siation, however high, is exempt from these? He complains that in spite of the very high state of cducation shown by his reports, the $\mathrm{Fr}-\mathrm{ch} \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{n}-\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{n}$ people are su modest that they will not write, and dechine to read, in case they should be thought conceited; and those who have overcome this diffidence, and venture to show the benefits they have derived from the admirable school system, are all anxious to devote their talents to the service of Government. Kind and worthy gentleman! he has done cuerything possible to gratify this desire, -has a host of clerks, an army of pages. messengers and principal and deputy chaff-waxes, crown lands' officials, fire marshals, and lately tried to get up a grand army of police, - not that the Province requires it, for he assures me it is very quiet,-but to satisfy the just claims of his friends who look to him for support. I remarked h.s liberality in giving so many offices to Englishmen, when he laughed his peculiar light-hearted
joyous hath. "Yes my dear Madam." he sad, "we are very liberal : it is good policy. We make a point of putting in good English. Scotch and Irish names. But," he said mysterionsly, "they are all true offans du sol. One got his Seotch name because he succeeded to the tavern of one of the Samages IEossais who go sans culotes, and, as he kept up the old name on the sign, he came to be known by it, and so retained it. Par eremple, there is our noble friend the Hon. $\mathrm{Fr}-\mathrm{s}-\mathrm{r}$ de 1 -rri, whom the mocking call Fiscur, how much Scotch blood is in his veins? Fet does it not look well for our liberality when returns are asked for of the nationalitics of those cmployed, to point to long lists of Frasers, Munroes, Rosses, and such others." And he smiled, and retired humming on rutant mobotl: Dear, amiable soul. How he must be beloved.

But I must reserve a description of my interview with Rogaly for another letter.

## Your devoted friend,

Samurhma jonsson Scracios.
P.S.Be sure, my darling Mrs. Tatlewell, that you do not repeat what I'tell yon, as my letter may in some sort be regarded as containing state secrets.

## SHODDY TRIUMPHANT.

Although it is a strict rule with Geincmecele never to use the paste and scissors in the preparation of his valuable sheet; there must, on the present oceasion, be an infaction of the rule, tor the purpose of exhibiting the Jenkins of the luaton fonmal in all his mory:











Although it is painful to Getncmuckif to drag Miss Payne before the Canadian public by her nut-brown hair; yet, when his confree dons the Republican plush, to thaut the folly of plethoric shody, the former feels it a duty to have a fling at it "as it fles." The extract warrants the supposition that Miss Payne is a member of the Corps de Rallet, and appears in her professional capacity to exhibit her "marvellous toilettes" to the youthful despot. In that casc, the marvel of the toflete must be, like Nanny's under garment, in longitude "sairly seanty." Jeames descrses thanks for the information he supplies with respect to Mrs. lagne's juvenile appearance. We suppose she fulfis the function, of what, in theatrical parlance, is termed a "" dresser," and is uccasionally cmployed to fill up the back-grounds of the tableaux. Still it is an important piece of information that the American mother of a matured daughter looks young. Shemust be a rara aris; and if Bamum should again venture in the show business it is to be hoped he will secure her services and bring her to Canada, Jeames, of the foumat, wishes it to be inferred that one of the three ballet women stands a chamee of being selected by the Imperial lad, that Republican America will supply an Empress to Imperial France, and that, should the lot
fall upon Miss Payne, and she should prematurely go the way of all flesh, if such flesh could ever go, and as the parent is an crergreen, why should he not marry a deceased wife's mother that is, if her locks retain their chestnut hue, and the youth should be inclined to choose a wife, as a man sometimes chooses a horse, by the colour of her hair.

Jemes does not favour us with the colour of Miss Parson's hair, or the beatty of her dresses. All that we know is that she is gay and lively, and possesses other attractions of an American character, Perhaps, like Consin Sandy's heroine in "A Tale of the Sea," "she has a slight draw throngh a classical nose." But, Miss Jerome is a vegetable gem , with carotor hair, which, the scrabe admits, is not so much to be admired as her "good dancing and pretty dresses." There is a rumour that the flumey of the Boston fournal was formerly a "devil" on the London Aloming Post, but was discharged for sumeptitiously altering the type to make the orisinal Jenkins, in his descriptions of the follies of fashion, "protest too much," and the fournal retains himas a sort of connterpoise to the American republic for the losses sustained by the ravages of the Alabama.

## THE KING OF THE NOR-WEST.

Grent William Acclougall, he's brave and he's needy, King Willian McDougall, he's hungry and greedy:
To be a great potentate William is hot,
Yes, whether his subjects will have him or not.
With his army of savages, Willam wont tarry,
And he's of with his cohons, to harry Fort Garry,
With the work of rebellion, the time will be brief, For William has made up his mind to be Chief.

Great William the Conqueror great is in action, And he means to subdue, with his Indian faction, And the land of the Nor-West the King means to ravage, With the Scottish claymore, and the knife of the savage. The half-breeds, they s.ys, are begiming to quake, For a right royal despot King William will make, And the road-making poet has orders to sing The praise of the renegade Radical King.
King Willian is mounted and rides through the land. Like a monarch that fait would subdue and command, Though alone in his glory, he sometimes feels dull, When he fears they may fancy the skin on his skull. King William all thoughts of submission must spurn, For he's lost his snug place, and dare not return,
Though it's feared that King William may yet end his days Without being "Monarch of all he survess."

## OUR CHRISTMAS GUIDE TO STRANGERS.

So numerous have been the "Fireside Companions," " Fireside Guides," and Almanacs, more or less voluminous, but all very obscure, that have lately made their appearance, that we are foreed, to be in keeping with the enterprise of our neighbours, to publish the following short directory to strangers, of places of interest and notoriety in and about the city. Copies
may be had wholesale or retail, to suit purchasers. Orders from the country, punctually attended to. Clergymen and invalids, half price. Medical men, double fare. A liberal reduction will be made to heads of very large families.

1. The kiver-This is a large stream of water, running south of the city. $1 t$ differs from all rivers of its size, in that it is liquid in summer, and solid in winter.
2. Tue Town Pump. - This venerable relic of a past age for very long stood in the centre of the city, but as the age grew older, and the number of milk dealers increased, it was found, so much was the pump resorted to, and so diluted did the milk become, that it was absolutely necessary for the preservation of the health of the city, to remove the pump to the Lachine Road, where it now stands, and may be seen.
3. Nelson's Monument.-A venerable wreck, situate at the head of Jacques-Cartier Square. The monument was crected in memory of one Nelson, a great salt-water hero. The present delapidated condition of the structure is entirely owing to the fact that the sailors in Canada are of the fresh water kind, aud it is hardly to be expected they should entertain an appreciation for that they know nothing at all about.
4. The New Boher-House at the Court-House. -This magnificent structure lies buried behind the Court House. The boilers it shelters were originally placed in the ground foor of the large building, they generate steam to heat, but owing to some miscalculation on the part of the engineer, whose mistake on that occasion may be explained by the fact that he was a corporation contractor, the boilers did not heat the water hot enough, and the consequence was that during the very cold nights the pipes, water, boilers, and all froze tight as a drum. It wa then found necessary to remove the boilers, and the present elegant structure was put up to accomodate them. The style of architecture is severely rough cast. In fact it must be seen to be appreciated.
5. The Custom House.-In writing of buildings, particularly of this kind, it is customary to say one or two things derogatory to their elegance, accomodation, \&c., \&e. On this occasion, however, we have to guide the stranger to a building, which, we can safely say, is afproachicd by few. As there is a danger, however, that the stranger who has seen the Custom Houses of other countries might pass our Custom House umoticed, in his search for the Custom House, we may state that it is situated in Custom House Square, opposite the river. To sce this building to advantage, the tourist should visit it on a fine summers day, when the building is surrounded by the washing of the care-taker's wife. The contrast of the white male and female garments with the sombre appearance of the building, and the heads of the clerks now and again popping out of the windows, is particularly gratifying and cnjoyable.
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A riding whip.
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## PREDICTIONS.

It will be unfortunate for any person to catch $A$ siatic cholera any day this week.

The Alabama claims will not be settled this week. Several smaller prisate accounts will also stand over.
A. Bore, Esq., will probably aphly for permission to sound for a 20 -foot channel.

John's bunions will prove a great hindrance to that pilgrim's progress.
Athletic sports in the Drill Shed. "Hope" may be expected to "spring eternal," and get the first prize.
A grand steeple chase is announced. "Knowing ones" predict that the English Cathedral will win by a length.

Collars will be stiff if properly starched.
Europe, or Mirs. Smith's baby, (the oracle is rather ambiguous,) will be convulsed by hidden causes.

Navigation, daring the whoic of this winter, will remain open-in the middle of the A tlantic.

Christmas will probatly fall on the 25 th. If nothing
nccurs to prevent it, Christmas Ere will be on the preceding day.

Crops in some paces, whll be semously injured by ringworm.

## THE CIVIC ELECTONS.

The following will illustate the ereat political as well as sucial progress made by the working classes during the past few years.-

For two years, we have had a Workmas for Mayor.
In the coming clections, a Weaver will run for $S t$. Antoine Ward.

In the West Ward, a Smorn will be a candidate for Municipal honours.

## JPIGRAM.

The golden hair that Delia wears
Is her's-(who would have thought it ?)
She swears tis hers; and true she swears, For 1 know where she bought it!

From "Luchlius."

"IS THIS A DAGGER THAT I SEE BEFORE ME?"
Peaceful and law-abiding citizens were thrown into consternation, on Saturday last, by reading the following piece of dreadful news in the telegraphic despatches from Quebec
-The second mumber of the Damerbas appared toctay It attracts consirkeable sttention, but whether for its merits or demerits deponent saycth not.
"rhe injuries milicted on the man Woodcock, who was stabbed on T"Mmadas, seem likely to be suribus."

Poor Woodcock! it is really too bad. If it had been an ordinary fowling piece, charged with small shot, it would not have been so hormble, but a dagger! Who cver heard before of slaying woideocks with a dagger? Surely the telegraphist is making game of us!

And then this dagser seems to be automatic, or wielded by an invisible hand.

This is the second time, ioo, it has made its treacherous appearance. No wonder, indeed, that it should attract attention. What will it do next, or where will this bloody pleasantry end? Really, what with the City Council and bankrupt Maycrs, the East Ward, and Colonel Gugy, and Mr. O'Farrell, Quebec must be an awful place to live in.

The people seem to pass their time in chronical excitement. Why, the half-breed scalp hunters of Red River are not a circumstance to this invisible dagger business.

It is high time that Sir Cartier were doing something with his litle army.

## ALMANACS.

The comnection between Christmas festivities and advertising almanacs is intimate if the grounds of it are not obvious. The return of the jovial season has brought Gkinchuces a shower of these publications as numerous as snow-flakes. Their pretensions are various. Some go on the assumption that everybody is suffering acutely, and is likely to be seized at any moment with a colic, and a desire to know the date. Others are eloquent on Saints days and Baking Powder. Others, again, teach us to number the days of the month, and apply to this or that Insurance office. The most interesting publication of the class is

## The Domino Almanac,

which has been prepared" 10 be an agrecable fire-side companion." When Gkincheckle states that of a humdred pages over fifty are filled with advertisements, and several others with a "Guide to Montreal," the principal features of which are a description of a gas-fitter's shop, and a list of the fire-signals, it will be evident that the work is adapted to the end. Grinchucke gave his copy to the housemaid. who is clamourous for another "fireside companion," as the first was so dry it lit the fire in less than one half the usual time.

## TAVERN LICENSES.

Mixing the liquors.
Teasing the bar-tender. Geting intoxicated
Steps ought to be taken to have all these licenses suspended.

## AN IMPORTANT:ONDIT.

We have heard that a few well-known citizens are about to apply for amendments to the City Charier. The leading features, so far as they have leaked out, are, That the City affairs will be managed by a Council of five, who are to be paid a liberal salary, say \$5,000 per annum, each. A property qualification of not less than 550,000 will be required. The electoral vote to be limited to those who pay not less than $\$ 500$ a year taxes. No one to be compelled to pay taxes unless he votes. which latter privilege will be optional. It is expected that these reforms will be immediately followed by greater economy, and a material lightening of the Taxes Bill.

We venture to predict that this will be the most popular measure ever laid before the public, particularly when we remember that it is quite optional for them to pay or not, just as they please. All strife, contention, and bickering will cease. Notices of motion will be out of place. Universal satisfaction will prevail, and a Civic Millenium be inaugurated.

## STATISTICS.

The following raluable statistics will be welcome to the curious :
Number of public monuments in Montreal... Celebrated Canadians-according to Morgan . - $19,621 \frac{1}{2}$ Of the conundrums sent us during the last month there have been-

| Useless | 111 |
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| Stale | 64 r |
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(But more if necessary)
Mothers who think their latest "dear duck" the finest baby in the world . ................ . 100 p.ct.
Number of people who agree with them ...\& $\ddagger \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{ct}$.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

During the week the mercury will have a heavy time of it ; it will then come up to the mark, but what mark nobody knows.

Shouk frost succed thaw there will be some curious illustrations of the velocity of falling bodies.

People who are in a position to know predict a tremendous run on the banks of the St. Lawrence.

Immigrants are cautioned not to cxpect the Indian summer for a few weeks. Arrangements are in progress for its production at the earlicst possible date.

The Evening Telegraph will shortly be eclipsed by the Trade Revico, but the intensity of darkness in this city will not be greatly increased by the occurrence.

MR. FITZ-STUMPYSVACATIONTOUR.
(First Series.)


At 7 oc lock one fine morning. Mr.
Reginald Adolphus Fizz Stumpy (a young man of good expectations and refreshing innocence) was in bed.


At 7 . 30 he was brushing his back hair.


At 8.45 be completes that operasion, and commences putting on his Oxford Military

llaving finished his filet te straps on the newly invented, high
 to hold cueruthine seizes his in visible unlseria and saris ar s Scotia.


Hearing a shrill whistle he thinks it is the'steamer, and runs.


But on turning a corner, be dis. covers, with mingled feelings of relief He experiences some diticuly in and disgust, that he is mistaken. the first seeps of his excursion.

laying reached the deck of the steamer, he sands in a majestic attitude. calculated :onsrike with awe the snots who are laughing at him.


The effect being some what marred by the sudden tightening of a shore line.


The "innocent" cause of the ca:. as:rophe (Mr. Mhos. Tug) is greatly concerned.


As is also Capt. Rowhard, on the paddle-trox. anas,"


To show his unconcern, he tries one of the steward's "real Have through, in order te contemplate through, in order to co
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