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MONTREAL WITNESS PROSPECTUS FOR 1874.

The circulation of the DAILY averages at have bred corruption and dissipation to an present about 12,000, or 1,300 a day more than last year,—a circulation 'claimed to be more than equal to that of all the other English dailies in the city put together.

The circulation of the TRI-WEEKLY, formerly Semi-Weekly, has continued steady at 3,600, and that of the WEEKLY has increased from 9,500 to 11,000.

It is evident from these figures that the WEEKLY WITNESS meets with the greatest favor, and to it we would this year call special attention. From our subscribers we have always got more assistance in extending our circulation than from all other means. We therefore request all of them who approve of the general course of the WITNESS to call to it the attention of those in whose families they think it would exert a healthful influence. Those who do not preserve the WITNESS for future reference might serve its interests more than they think by simply forwarding a copy now and again to some friend at a distance, or by "placing it where it will do most good" among their neighbors. Our subscribers will learn with satisfaction that it is intended to enlarge the WEEKLY WITNESS at the New Year to an extent sufficient to cover the existing and prospective increase in space occupied by advertising. This will be the second enlargement within two years. Should the advertising business grow still further, a still further increase in size is contemplated. These changes are rendered possible by the Every increase 1a circulation and advertising. reader has thus a direct interest in developing the business of the paper. Among our best friends are the storekcepers and postmasters, who have, through good will towards the paper and a desire for the good of their neighbors, gone to both trouble and expense in forwarding the subscriptions of their customers.

The TRI-WEEKLY edition is obtainable by ministers actually in charge of congregations, and by teachersactually teaching in schools, at half-price. This, however, invariably means cash. The TRI-WEEKLY edition is held to be two dollars worth when given as a commission for subscriptions obtained. Ministers and teachers are looked upon as friends of the paper who will do their best to promote its interests.

The DAILY WITNESS is unquestionably the leading paper in the Province, and has only one rival in the Dominion for circulation and influence.

Of the character of the WITNESS we need only say it is well known. It aims at maintaining a complete independence of all political, denominational, and social influences, and to use its whole power on the side of Righteousness, Temperance and Evangelical Religion. The need for a disinterested advocacy of truth and righteousness in public life, and temperance and economy in social life, never appeared so great as it does to-day, when prosperity and luxury

alarming extent before unknown. That this duty may be faithfully and competently fulfilled, we ask for the support and prayers of Christians throughout the land.

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION.

DAILY WIINESS	\$3.00]	per an.
TRI-WEEKLY	2.00	44
WEEKLY		**

The DAILY WITNESS is also obtainable from newsmen in almost all towns and villages at 6c. per week, thus saving postage. The WEEKLY may be had through dealers as cheap as through the Post-Office.

RATES OF ADVERTISING.

Advertising in each edition is charged at 10 cents per line first insertion, and 5 cents for each continuance. Special rates for annual contracts according to position in the paper.

These rates, both of subscription and advertising, are, probably, as low as can be found anywhere in proportion to value.

Prospectus of the Canadian Messenger for 1874. This paper, for the money it costs, has more reading in it, and that of the highest class, than any of our other publications. It contains no news, but is a perfect treasure-house of instructive and attractive reading, as gathered from the abundant resources which contemporary literature affords. It is a pioneer, finding its way to the utmost limits of civilization, and to every remote post-office in the Dominion, from Michipicoton to Mainadieu. Circulation 14,000. Itshould double its circulation through Sabbath-schools.

Canadian Messenger, 38 cents per an in advance, postage prepaid by publishers. Club of seven to one address for \$2; 100 to one address \$25. Advertising 10 tents per line, each insertion.

CLUBS.

In all our publications where one person remits for one year in advance for eight persons, he will be entitled to one copy additional for himself. Or any person remitting \$8 for our publications will be entitled to one dollars' worth Any subscriber to the WITNESS or additional. MESSENGER may have the NEW DOMINION MONTHLY to his own address, or to that of a new subscriber thereto, for \$1-if he remits it direct to this office along with his other subscriptions. The reading in the MONTHLY is entirely different from that in the other publications.

The terms for all our publications are CASH IN ADVANCE, and the paper stops when the time paid for expires, unless subscription is pr viously renewed.

All remittances to be addressed, in registered letters, to JOHN DOUGALL & SON, MONTREAL.

Judicious advertising leads to business success

THE QUEEN AND THE ROYAL FAMILY.

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Her Majesty, Alexandrina Victoria, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, born May 24, 1819; succeeded Wil-liam IV., Jone 20, 1837; crowned June 28, 1838; married Feb. 10, 1340, to her cousin, H. R. H. Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg, who died on the 14th December, 1851. The

Feb. 10, 1840, to here cousin, H. R. H. Princes Albert of Saxe-Coburg, who died on the 14th Docember, 1851. The issue of the marriage are:H. R. H. Victoria Addiaide Maria Louias, Princess Royal, born Nov, 21, 840; married Jun, 25, 1856, to H. R. H. Prince of Prussia, H. B. H. Albert Edward, Prince of Ywales, Duko of Saxony, Cornwall, and Rothesay, Earl of Dublin, born Nov. 3, 1841; married March 10, 1853, to H. R. H. Prince Albert Victor Christian Edward, born Jans, 1981; H. R. H. Princes Albert, Derone Frederick Kinset, Albert, Beit, H. R. H. Princes, Brown, Corne Frederick Kinset, Albert, Dato, 1985; H. R. H. Princes, Albert, Derone Frederick Kinset, Albert, Dato, 1985; H. R. H. Princes, Albert, Jans, 1983; H. R. H. Princes, House, New Yictoria, Lexandra Olga, Mary, born April 25, 1843; married July 5, 1858; to H. R. H. Princes, and Charlotte Mary Victoria, born Nov. 8, 1839.
H. R. H. Allee Maud Mary, born April 25, 1843; married July 5, 1858; to Albert, Duke of Edinburgh, Jun Angle, Liss, Lex Princes Christian of Augusteaburg, has issue two sons and two dauphters. H. H. H. Helman, Albert, Duke of Linburgh, H. R. H. Allee, Maugust Victoria, born Mary 5, 1845; H. H. H. H. Helman, Albert, Duke of Edinburgh, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Edinburgh, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Edinburgh, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Linburgh, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Langhters, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Langhters, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Langhter, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Langhter, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Langhter, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Edinburgh, H. H. H. Helena Albert, Duke of Langhter, Jans and Hardh 11, 1851, Married March 13, 1851, Married March 14, 1851, Married March 15, 1851, Marr

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7, 1853. H.R.H. Beatrice Mary Victoria Feedora, born April

HOLIDAYS OBSERVED AT PUBLIC OFFICES.

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Annunciation	81
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Easter Monday	άI
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Queen's Birth-Day	а
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St. Peter and St. Paul's Day 2	н
All Saint's DayNov.	1
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Christmas Day	1
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day, are Bank Holidays in Quebec.

BANK HOLIDAYS IN ONTARIO.

Sundays, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Ash Wed-nesday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, The Oueen's Birth Day, and each day appointed by Royal Procla-mation as a general rask, or thankagiving day.

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DOMINION OF CANADA.

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Prospectus of the New Dominion Monthly for 1874.

Monthly for 1874. This magnine is the oldest and has the largest cir-culation of any literary magnine in Canada. It sims at being Canadian, both in the character of its matter and in opening the way to Canadian writers, to whom such remuneration is given as the income of the magn-zine will warrant, preference being always given to those who have formerly contributed without recom-pense. We do not think our Canadian homes can find thewaires a publication at once so wholecome, so the watters a publication at once so wholecome, so to sustain it. Its circulation is 3300.

New Dominion Monthly, \$1.50 per An. in advance, postage prepaid by publishers. Old sub-scribers sending the name of a new subscriber with their own will get the cold directed separately, for #2. Advertising, per page, #2.0. JOIN DOUGALL & SON, Publishers.

It pays to advertise in the "Witness."

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And fuel is dear, And woods are sere, And fires burn clear; The frost is here, And has bitten the heel of the going year. Bite, frost, bite ! The fires are all the clearer, My spring is all the nearer, You have bitten into the heart of the earth, But not into mines and Tennyyban.

THE NEW DOMINION MONTHLY for January heads our list. It opens the year with an excellent selection, and has one merit worthy of attention : it always fulfils its promises.—Colonial Farmer.

How few persons know the value of raw hide 1. It seems strange to see them sell all their skins for a very small sum. Take a strip or vell-tanned raw hide an inch wide, and a horse can hardly break it by pulling back,---

two of them he cannot break any way. Cut into narrow strips, and shave the hair off with a sharp knife, to use tor bag-strings; the strings will outlast two sets of bags. Farmers know how annoying it is to lend bags and have them returned minus the strings. It will outlast hoopiron (common) in any shape, and is stronger. It is good to put round a broken thill—better than iron. Two sets of raw hide halters will last a man's lifetime,—if he don't live too long.

NEW DOMINION MONTHLY, — The February number of this monthly is to hand, and, as usual, replete with interesting articles. — Picton Gazette.

A YOUNG lady up town was bored to death the other evening by in immovable caller who talked poetry. She finally told him she could think of only one verse at that moment,—something of Tennyson's :---

> "And she said, I'm very weary, He goeth not, she said; I'm a-weary, a-weary, And I would I were in bed."

The "Daily Witness" is decidedly the best advertising medium in the Province.

DOMINION ALMANAC. APRIL. 1874. DESMARTEAU & BOND. SHIRT AND COLLAR STORE. SHIRTS MADE TO ORDER. AND A GOOD FIT GUARANTEED. A magnificent Stock of GENTS' SCARFS, TIES, SILK SASHES, SILK and WOOLLEN MUFFLERS, CARDIGAN JACKETS, etc., suitable for CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S GIFTS. 415 NOTRE DAME STREET. CORNER ST. PETER STREET. PAPER HANGING WINDOW SHADE WAREHOUSE. ROBERT MILLER. Importer, Manufacturer and Wholesale Dealer in SCHOOL BOOKS, BLANK BOOKS INKS. TWINES. PAPERS. 9-lain and Fancy Stationery, 397 Notre Dame Street, MONTREAL. Its circulation exceeds that of all the other English Papers in the City.

6 DOMINION ALMANAC.				
MARCH, 1374.	APRIL, 1874.			
MOON'S PHASES, Full Moon 3rd New Moon 17th Fhird Quarter 11th First Quarter 24th	MOON'S PHASES. Full Moon 1st New Moon 16th Third Quarter 9th First Quarter 23rd			
IS 2nd Sunday in Lent. THE Weekly Witness for the year contains 3.283 ordinary sized book pages, which can be 400 obtained for only one dollar. THE Hindoos extend their hospitality to their FR intends, saying: "The tree does not witndraw its shade even from the wood-cutter." SA 3rd Sunday in Lent. Mo Burk cannot make, but 'may ennoble fate by nobly bearing it. W by Evenynopy complains of his gas bill, sud yet its a light expense. STH THE Neg Dominion Monthly is one of the bestand cheapost magazines publishedNorth Ontario Gleaner. SS 4th Sunday in Lent. A Pose Montress ExaminationOpening a doad letter. TU Fr a man expect to rate as a gentleman, he must not expector to take as a gentleman, he must not expect to take as a gentleman, he must of expect or reposelike friends separated by OFR Mo As the shell taken from its home in the doad letter. Sh Sunday in Lent. As the shell taken from its home in the est of the separated by with so ocer reposelike friends separated by Wey opties of ocera, full murmurs of the ses, so Wey opties of ocera, full murmurs of the ses, so Wey opties of ocera, full murmurs of the ses, so Wey only is of ocera, full murmurs of the ses, so Wey only a so ocer setter the base of the first class of the only only setter. Shall direct thy paths. San Stall murdur, hough far reme cod from olive setter. Shall direct thy paths. San Stall first class of the for olive take	 11. Construction of the construction of the second processing the second proces			
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TABLE OF TITLES. GOVERNOR-GENERAL of Canada to be styled "His Excellency." ieutGovernors of Provinces to be styled "His Honor." rivy Councillors of Canada to be styled "Hon- orable," and for life. enators of Canada to be "Honorable" during office. secutive Councillors of the Provinces to be styled "Honorable" while in office. entlemen who were Legislative Councillors at the time of the Union (July 1, 1867), to retain their title of "Honorable" for life. he President of the Legislative Council and Speakers of the Legislative Assembly in the Provinces, to be styled "Honorable"	 THE night has a thousand eyes, And the day but one, Yet the light of the bright world dies With the dying sun. The mind has a thousand eyes, And the heart but one, Yet the life of a whole life dies When love is done. INTERESTING STATISTICS. THE salaries of different monarchs of Europe are given as follows by a statistician : Alexander - \$\$,250,000, or \$25,000 a day Abdul Aziz - 6,000,000, or \$25,000 if Yancis 200,000, or \$25,000 if William I, - 3,000,000, or \$0,000 if William I, - 3,000,000, or \$0,000 if Yictoria - 2,200,000, or 6,270 if 			

HOME AMUSEMENTS.

MAGIC LANTERN, \$2.00, with CONDENSER, LAMP, and REFLECTOR, yielding a disc of three fect on the wall. A box containing one dozen comic slides (36 subjects), sent free for \$2.50. For larger kinds see Illustrated Catalogue.

BOOK ON THE MAGIC LANTERN : How TO BUY AND HOW TO USE IT. HOW TO RAISE A GHOST, free for 35cts.

- NEW MICROSCOPE, \$3.00. This highly finished instrument is warranted to show animalculæ in water, eels in paste, &c., &c., magnifying several hundred times; has a compound body with Achromatic lenses, Test objects, Forceps, Spare Glasses, &c., packed in Mahogany case, complete. Price, \$3.00, sent free.
- LORD BROUGHAM TELESCOPE. This extraordinary cheap and powerful glass is of the best make and possesses Achromatic lenses, and is equal to a Telescope costing \$20.00. No Rifleman or Farmer should be without one. Sent free for \$3.00.
- WORKING MODEL STEAM ENGINES. The most wonderful and ingenious toy of the age, with copper boiler, spirit lamp, &c., taking steam at both ends of the Cylinder, sent free for \$1.50.
- STATHAM'S CHEMICAL MAGIC, containing chemical re-agents and materials for performing more than 50 CHEMICAL EXPERIMENTS, entirely free from danger, sent free for 50cts.
- OPTIC MARVEL, \$1.00, with a variety of amusing subjects. The effects produced by this little Instrument are really wonderful, and afford endless amusement to persons of all ages. Sent free for \$1.00.

ALSO, BAROMETERS, THERMOMETERS, OPERA, FIELD, AND MARINE GLASSES, STERE-SCOPES AND VIEWS; SPECTACLES AND EYE GLASSES, and a large assortment of OPTICAL Goods, &c., &c. Send for a Catalogue, free for one stamp.

H. SANDERS, Optician, 120 ST. JAMES STREET, Opposite the New Post Office, MONTREAL.

Post Office Box, 927 1/2.

DOMINION ALMANAC.

N.B.-The above articles are sent free (for price named) to any part of Dominion of Canada.

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DOMINION ALMANAC.

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- MAY, 1874.	JU.«C, 1374.		
MOON'S PHASES.	MOON'S-PHASES.		
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IS Trinity Sunday.	30 10 ness punctuality and despatch "Witness" Printing House.		

It is believed by many scientists that the alarming increase of sun-strokes within the last forty years is mainly due to the present use of ice-cold drinks. Certain hot drinks, we fear, are attended with a similar effect.

"THOUGH I look old, yet am I strong and Justy; For in my youth I never did apply Itot and rebellious liquors in my blood; Nor did not with unbashful forehead woo The means of weakness and debility, Therefore, my age is as a lusty winter, Frosty but kindly," —Shakespare.

TRUTH IN BRIEF.—Anybody can soil the reputation of any individual, however pure and chaste, by utering a suspicion that his enemies will believe and his friends never hear of. A puff of the idle wind can take a million of the seeds of a thistle, and do a work of mischief which the husbandman must labor long to undo. Such are the seeds of slander, so easily sown, so difficult to gather up, and yet so pernicious in their fruits.

THE Messenger doubtless contains more firstclass reading matter for the price than any publication in America.

ECHO.

WHAT must be done to conduct a newspaper aright? Write. WHAT is necessary to a farmer to assist him?

WHAT is necessary to a farmer to assist him? System.

WHAT would give a blind man the greatest delight? Light.

WHAT is the best advice to give a justice of the peace? Peace.

Willo commit the greatest abominations? Nations.

WHAT is the greatest terrifier ? Fire.

WHAT against all public wrong bears witness? "Witness."

"WHAT should I talk about this evening?" asked a prosy speaker of one of his expe ant auditors. "About a quarter of an hour would be just about the thing," was the reply.

WHEN is a newspaper the sharpest? When its filed.

The popularity of a Paper is shown by its circulation.

Astronomical Calculation for Eclipses in 1874.

1. A total eclipse of the Sun, April 16, invisible in North America.

2. A partial eclipse of the Moon, May 1, invisible in Canada.

3. An annular eclipse of the Sun, October 10, invisible in America.

4. A total celipse of the Moon on the morning of Oct. 25th, visible in Canada as follows :---

Toronto . . oh. 25m. | Montreal.... oh. 48m. Quebec ... oh. 57m. | Frederickton. th. 15m. 5. A transit of Venus, Dec. 8th.

The Seasons.

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Spring	**.0	1874.	March	20,	1011 54	92	3.0
Summer	••	1874.	June	21,		93	6.6
Autumn	**	1874.	Sept.	23.		89	66
Winter	61	1874	Dec.	21.			

Transit of Venus in 1874.

This year is a very notable one in the history of science, insmuch as on the 8th of December there will occur the phenomenon known to astronomers as the transit of Venus. More than a hundred years have elapsed since the last occasion of this transit; another will happen in 1882; but the next not until the year 2004.

This phenomenon is the passage of the planet Venus between the earth and the sun; in such a position, with regard to the earth's orbit, that Venus is seen to move like a round black spot over the sun's face. The scientific importance of this phenomenon is very great, from the fact that it alfords astronomers the best means of measuring the distances of the heavenly bodies, and of ascertaining their weight and dimensions.

The first occasion on which a transit of Venus was observed for this purpose was in 1761, Dr. Halley having recommended the method and devised plans to be used after his death, as he knew he could not live until the occasion arrived. For the transit in 1769 the Royal Society made complete arrangements, and dis-patched a vessel under command of the cele-brated Captain Cook to the South Seas to make observations; and it was on this voyage that Cook explored the coast of New Holland, now called Australia, and took possession of this island in the name of Great Britain. On this observation have been based nearly all the accepted facts of modern astronomy, as far as the computation of distances, etc., is concerned; but by recent investigations it has been discovered that certain errors have crept into the reckoning, by which the san's distance has been over-estimated by about four millions of miles, which error has necessarily affected all other computations. The coming transit will give an opportunity for all these errors to be rectified, the calculations from which can be checked by the investigations in 1882. The transit of 1874 will be invisible in America and Great Britain, and will be seen to advantage in Northern India, Australia, Mauritius, &c., to which expeditions will be sent.

POSTAL REGULATIONS.

LETTER RATES.-Unregistered letters, posted in Canada, and addressed to any place in the Dominon, and prepaid, 3c, per ½ ounce; if unpaid, 5c, per ½ ounce. The charge on Drop Letters,-that is, letters to be delivered from the offlee in which they are posted, is ic, which must be prepaid, or they will be sent to the Dead Letter Offlee.

To Nowfoundland, 6c. per ½ ounce, which must be prepaid.

To United States, 6c. per 1/4 ounce, if prepaid ; 10c. if not prepaid.

To the United Kingdom, by Canadian packet, Saturday, it propaid, 6c, per 5/ cz.; by Cunard Packet, Monday, prepaid, 6c, per 5/ cz.; if unpaid in either case, 3d, sterling will be charged on delivery, in fiddition to the ordinary rute. Lotters pent,"by Canadian Packet," or "via New York," should be so specially addressed; if not so addressed; they will be sent by the first mail leaving the office.

REGISTRATION CHARGES.—For registration of a letter addressed to any place in British North America, 2c.; to the United Kingdom, 8c.; to the United States, 50.

ALPHADETICAL LIST of the most important foreign countries and letter-rates per J₂ conce (hereto.-All letters to these places must be prepaid :--Austria, Ro.; Australian Colonies, Ro.; Belgium, Ro.; Contral America, Ec., China, except Hong-Kong, %c.; Denmark, Ro.; France, Ro.; Gibraltar, Ro.; Hong Kong, and dependent ports, Ro.; India, "2c.; Italy, He.; Japan, Ro., Maxico, ?Se.; New Zeidand, Ro.; Norwig, 'Re.; Portugal, 2c.; Frussia, Ro.; Sweiton, He.; Switherland, De.; Wrest Indies (British and Danish), via U. S., Zie.; pia United Kingdom, "Se.

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES.—The charge on parcels, by Tarcel-post, to any place in Cannda, is 12/50, per 50 pound (with 5c, additional if registered). No parcel must exceed *Jour* pounds in weight.

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JULY, 1874.		AUGUST, 1874.			
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4 SA 5 S 5th Sund 6 Mo NEWSP. 7 Tu safely pla 8 W Witness p 9 Uplit and	h man's wealth is his strong city, and wall is his own conceit. lay after Trinity. APERS should be such as you can ce in the hands of your children. The ublications are recommended by the press throughout the Dominion.	4 TU 5 W 6 TH 7 FR 8 SA	THE Montreal Witness, always unique in ti newspaper line, has gained a world-wide repu- tation through the pluck and enterprise which John Dougall, its chief proprietor, has show in starting a like paper under the sume nam in New York. Notwithstanding this tax upo his energies, his Montreal paper seems to sho		
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N SA SA SA truly," si SA Th Sund very diffe worth is a 2 W also, but "New"	joth the same signification?" 'No, idd the Quaker; "their meaning is lay after Trinity. rent; as for example, Serjeant Betts- jodge upon the bench, thou art one tot like wike." OMINION MONTHLY."—The Messra-	18 TU 19 W 20 TH 21 FR 22 SA	more pure sublimity, more exquisite beaut more pure morality, more important histor and fine strains of poetry and elequence, the can be collected from all other books.—Sir We Jones. "SWEET is the uses of adversity."		
24 FR which the may just 26 S 8th Sun 27 Mo Wuar	deserve great credit for the spirit in y conduct this magazine, and Canada y feel proud of it.—Weekly Expres. day after Trinity. is the greatest feat in the eating way	-30	EPITAPH ON A PENURIOUS MAN. AT rest, beneath this shab of stone, Lies stingy Jimmy Wyett;		
28 TU ever kno 29 W commence 30 TH swallowe	which are produced that the eating way which that recorded of a man who ed by bolting a door, after which he a window, and then sat down and d a whole story.	128 FR	The Politician's motto" All things to all me you tickle me and I'll tickle you." 13th Sunday after Trinity.		

THE proverb says that a man is known by the company he keeps; but it is a true of books as of men; of tastes as of men; of tendencies as of men; of newspapers as of men. When you ind one taste you are upon the track of an. There are men who always prefer the secondrate. There are others who will have only the best of everything. They read the Winess publications. You must not push the rule too far. But you may be very sure that if Clotilda's hands are usually unclean, the taint does not stop there; and if Clarence is wisely fond' of Milton, he has a lofty mind; that if a man revels in sickly, yellow-covered trash his mind is in a slckly, trashy condition; but if he prefers reading good and instructive, his knowledge shall "grow from more to more."

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"THAT seal is engaged," said a pretty young maid, as I entered a car one day. "To whom?" "A young gentleman," she poutingly said. "Then where is his baggage, I pray?" Her rosy lips opened like rosebuds in spring, her face in deep blushes was dyed, as, muttering crossly, "You hateful okl thing I Why, I am his baggage I' she cried.

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NOVEMBER chill blaws loud wi' angry sough ; The shortening winter day is near a close ;

The miry beasts retreating frae the pleugh ; The black'ning trains o' crows to their repose ; The toil-worn cotter frae his labor goes,

This night his weekly moil is at an end,

Collects his spades, his mattocks, and his hoes, Hoping the morn in ease and rest to spend, And weary o'er the moor his course doth homeward bend.-Burns.

Appearances of the Planets.

MORNING STARS .- Venus until February 23 ; Mars after July 5; Jupiter after October 5; Sa-turn from January 24 to May 4.

EVENING STARS .- Venus from Feb. 23 to Dec. 8 ; Mars until July 5 ; Jupiter until October 5; Saturn until January 24, and after May 4.

PLANETS BRIGHTEST. - Mercury, February 27, January 23, and October 21, setting then after the sun; also, April 18, August 16, and December 5, rising then before the sun: Venus, November 2. Mars, not this year. Jupiter, March 17. Saturn, August 3.

Bugle Song.

THE splendor falls on castle walls And snowy summits old in story ; The long light shakes across the lakes, And the wild cataract leaps in glory.

Blow, bugle, blow ! set the wild echoes flying ; Blow, bugle ; answer, echoes-dying, dying, dying,

> O hark ! O hear ! how thin and clear, And thinner, clearer, further going ! O sweet and far, from cliff and scar,

The horns of Elf-land faintly blowing.

Blow ! let us hear the purple glens replying ; Blow, bugle ; answer, echoes—dying, dying, dying !

O love, they die in yon rich sky : They faint on hill or field or river ; Our echoes roll from soul to soul,

And grow forever and forever.

Blow, bugle, blow ! set the wild echoes flying, And answer, echoes, answer-dying, dying, dying ! -Tennyson.

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