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As clouds must sometimes veil the Sun, Some griefs must come each Year;
But as the swift years onward go,
May each bring joy to thee,
And of Life's sorrow may'st thou know
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Some love the twilight shade,
Some few perpetual sunshine ask,
And some a sheltered glade;
And happy we, if to our hearts
We own this truth condessed
That man in Life plays many parts,
That man in Life plays many And that "what is is best !
May be the joys the Old Year brought,
To us, were only few.
We by that lesson shourd bo taught
To seek them in the New :
In loyal love, I send, to-day,
This wish unto thee, Dear,
"Thornlees be all thy Flowers, I pray
Through all the Coming Year !"

## THE NEW YEAR.

" Ring out the old, ring in the new!" will soon be the message borne upon the air by the hells, the mournfulness of whose parting message to the past will soon be almost at once dispelled as, though they may declare that "the King is dead !" they will stmultaneously peal out "long live the King !"-" King 1892 !" To say that the last twelve months have witnessed wonderful things would be but to repeat what has been said many a time, nevertheless it cannot be questioned that in its succession almost every year has been a more important one in the history of progress than the one which has immediately preceded it. In these days there can be no standing still; for the moment a halb is called, the individual or the
ing us with their capital and their enterprise which, in addition to that which we already possess are making for us excellent headway. We are not only progress. ing, but we are prospering. We are not taking two steps forward and one backward, but are going all the time, and everything that is undertaken by our people seems to have about it an amount of real go that shows stability of purpose.
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But who of us can afford to sneer at the instinct which tells a man that he should make a last and desperate effort to shake off the shackles of a ruinous career? Which of us is not benefitted directly or indirectly by assisting to make these too often empty resolutions a living and practical reality?

Is it not a benefit to the community that a man whose life has hitberto been reeking with hypocrisy and cant, who in fact has been a living lie, should be stung with the little fang of conscience that is left and disgorge the proceeds of embezzlements and robberies, that are beyond the clutch of the criminal law ? That he should make some sort ot reparation in the way of endowing hospitals or charitable institutions, and for the future refrain from the commission of such wrongs, and so render the reparation unnecessary ?

Many there are in our midst who hold themselves up as exemplars of goodness, but who are all the while amassing wealth by all sorts of ungodly means and devices. Do they not forget the reproct of the Divine|

Master to the young man who had " kept all these things from his youth up ?"

Verily, I think that the finest compliment one friend can pay to another ; the best and most enduring gift' that one can make to another on this New Year of ' 92 is the expression of appreciation of a good resolution taken, and the assurance of honest and hearty aid in its fulfilment. If the spring of right. mindedness, which, after all, lies in the bed rock of every man's nature, fails in its upward gush to break through that crust of habitual indifference to higher things which more or less overlays the conscience of us all, is that not all the greater reason for extending a helping hand, instead of challenging with a jeer? When the down grade tippler reflects upon the wreck in store for bimself and family, is it not the duty of his fellow to help him put on brakes and escape the coming doom?

When a young man begins seeretly spending the money of his employer, and who bas been contracting extravagant habits which sooner or later will surround him with iron bars and blue coated turnkeys, says to his heedless spendthrit chum that he intends to call a halt, is it not criminal for the other to laugh him out of his good intentions ? $\qquad$ -

My advice to young men in every station of life is, turn over a new leaf. You may never have another opportunity of doing so. You have contracted bad habits, and you know it. If for no other reason, accept my' advice as a business proposition. Every time you are sees the worse of liquor you compromise your friends. You can make a fool of yourself without employing artificial means to accomplish that end. You say you "can take a glass and ieave it alone." "A fool, a fool 4 I met a fool i' the forest." I violate $n o$ confidence when I assert that the man never lived who could for any length of time use liquor and then leave it alone without a struggle. By bidding adieu folever to strong drink to-day, sou will make this not only a happy New. Year for yourself, but also for jour nearest and dearest friends.

I was attracted to the last sitting of the Royal Commission the cther Cay
mainly out of curiosity to hear what the commissioners would say at the conclusion of the commission, but I was treated to one of the alleged eccentricities of our Chief Justice. He was commenting on some items in a detailed statement of municipal expenditure which before was under the comprehensive reading "Misceilaneous.' There was an expenditure of $\$ 700$ for entertaining the Seattle Mayor and Council here, and to that his Iordship strongly objected, seemingly on the ground that it did him no good indi vidually for the Mayor and Council of Victoria to go over to Seattle "to be filled full as whiskey kess," and return the compliment to the civic board of Seattle when it visited Victoria This was rather a strong way of putting it, but then the Chief Justice is a very strong and a very strange man. He makes some remarkably peculiar statements at times, and frequently brings down the abuse of certain quarters on his devoted head. For myself I cannot see the justice of all the unfavorable remarks that are often made about Sir Matthew. I often come in contact with him in his judicial capaeity and as a private gentleman, and I really cannot
point to one instance where he has not been the soul of affability and good humor. He is a spletitinemensation. alist, is full of anecdote, is sery musical, and is very widely read. In fact, I al ways look forward with pleasurable anticipation to a chat with Sir Matthew Begbie. He is eccentric, perhaps, but I don't think he deserves many hard things that are/said against him.

It has struck me as significant that, since the last issue of The Home Journal the daily papers haverstope ped the back-door editorial sqaubble, without which an issue was scarcely ever published, and have taken the more dignified mode ot discussing pubr lic affairs. I hope the good effect of my few remarks in this respect will be lasting

The yariety theatre, if it is a thea tre, is eyidently going to be a bone of contention whichat the ultra-motalists is intend to pick till the, last: slired of meat has been gnawed off; iand then to pols ish the obare bone. bn Afs Is have ofer marked on a previous occasion, my opinion is only that of oge, \%individual, but I am general enough in forming
my opinion at all times to take into consideration the fact that there are always two sides to a question as well as two ends to a barrel. The variety theatre may or may not be a good place ; there may or may not be, or have been questionable practices car ried on there, but that fact does not justify a professing Christian to go there with slouched hat and turned-up collar, tempting (for tempting it is) already over-tempted and much-fallen girls, " just to see what could be done." Really the man who would undertake a duty so contemptible, so utterly beneath all honorable principles of manhood is deserving-well, certainly not of commendation. I am afraid that the cause of Christianity cannot be very much furthered by such a course. "Lead us not into temptation," says the prayer of prayers ; let us practiss it.
Let it be borne in mind that I am no more a champin of the va:iety theatre than I am of these re igious extremists. If that institution is a stumbling-block to public morality, close it up; but if that is done, the class of young fellows and men who go there will go somewhere much worse. It is sımply a choice of evils; but I see no more reasonableness in the wholesale condemnation of a saloon-keeper or theatre owner for what his customers do than I do in blaming an entire church congregation because one of its members falls away. This is why I disagree with the stand taken by the lawyer employed by the opposers of the theatre license. He works too faithfully for his clients; the engagement gives him ample scope for narrow big. otry and pettiness of mind, which the public can decide whether or not he takes advantage of. His witness was allowed extraordigary latitude in giving testimony from hearsay and opinion; statements of criminal offences were made against the management with how much support I leave to my readers to say, and to thoroughly deprive the other side of any chance of defence, both names and dates were withheld " for fear of disgrace to respectable parties," and the court upheld this course. I maintain it is scarcely fair play. aviqu

While on the subject ot religious tolerance and intolerance f would rer
tolerant enough to allow me some of the sidewalk-just sufficient to walk on. I have to clean my own boots, since our Chinaman went back to Cbina tor the winter, fand I am a little careful in consequence about turning into the stretet this wet weather Aside from that, however, I think the Salvation Army should proceed with a little more care for persons with delicate nerves. That awful howling and unmusical banging of the big drum will not cure a headache, nor will it incite the majority of people to pious thought. It my be that my want of appreciation of the music furnished by the army will be attributed by certain members of the church choirs to my lack of musical culture.

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ing to practice dentistry in this province. Dr. Jones has been president of the board since its inauguration. He is also president of the British Columbia Dental Association. As an cperating dentist, Dr. Jones stands at the head of the profession in Canada. He is thoroughly informed on all matters pertaining to dentistry, and keeps fully abreast of the times. In his office can be found the very latest apparatus known to the profession. We may mention the "Dental Electric Vibrator," which enables the operator to extract the largest tooth without the slightest pain. He has by far the largest practice in Victoria, and is, without doubt, the most expert dentist in this city. Providence has been kind to Dr. Jones, and he is now well off in this world's goods. He is of a speculative nature, and has made a great deal of money by judicious investments. He is interested in some of the largest mining enterprises in British Columbia, and is vice-president of the National Electric Tramway and Lighting Co. of this city. In politics Dr. Jones is a strong Liberal, but dces not take an active part in political strite. He is ably assisted in his practice by his son, T. H. Jones, D.D.S., who is a graduate of the celebrafed Philadelphia Dental College, and now twenty-five years of age.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR.
The Home Journal wishes friend and foe alike "A Happy New Year."

## RANDOM REFLEOTIONS.

LAST week I had something to say in answer to the accusation so often rep: ated that men who live by industrial pursuits, or who make a profession of religious conviction, are less responsive to the claims of suffering humanity than those of openly licentious character who live by revenues obtained by the practice of vice. With the fact that want which makes necessary urgent

appeals to the generosity even of vice and licentiousness, exists in our midst, and whether charity is efficient as a remedy for that want, and it be the special province and duty of industry and Christianity to exercise such charity, it is the purpose of this article to deal.

That serious want and distress among helpless women and innocent children does exist in Victoria, the asse, real estate boomers and political party hacks to the contrary notwithstanding, the urgent appeals and earnest efforts for its relief by respectable, well-meaning citizens is sufficient proof. It is a natural impulse with man, savage or civilized, infidel or Christian, to inflict punishment or exact reparation commensurate with human suffering trace
able to human agency and responsibility.
And the best evidence that the impulse comes from a sense of justice is in the fact that it is in accord with the teaching of almost every form of religious belief. Common sense, natural justice and religious authority point out that the most rational and efficient way to deal with want would be to discover its cause and remove it, and failing in this, to place the responsibility for its existence and the duty of its relief where it properly belongs.

The most blindly prejudiced accusers of industry and Christianity for lack of generosity will scarcely assert that to either of them can truthfully be attributed the existence of want in our midst. This admitted, it necessarily follows that not on them any more than any other sections of society especially falls the obligation tor its relief. While Christianity before all other religious beliefs teaches mercy and sympattuy as the distinguishing virtues of religious character, it in no instance puts mercy before or in the place of justice. Justice is an eternal law, mercy an atrribute of chatacter. The command is, " Do justly; love mercy, seek truth." Are we guided by this reasoning, and do we not torget the first injunction of this command when we apply charity as a remedy to poverty ?

What is the cause of poverty? I have read painfully long arguments written by men who never did a hard day's work in their lives-who wrote in carpeted rooms, sitting in a cushioned chair, their feet encased in richly embroidered slippers, and all their surroundings suggestive of ease and extravagant lexury such as manual toil might never hope to enjoy, to prove to working men that if they came to want, their cman extravagance and lack of encrgy (or, in other words, laziness) was tha cause. And yet on every side are to lee found men who, living in leisure or idler ess, gather more from the possession ct a spot of unused earth or some privilege permitted by law in a sing'e yoar than falls to the lot of a score of the hardest workers in our land.

The temperance enthusiast will tell me that drink, directly or indirectly, is the sole cause of poverty, and if this curse were stopped it would disappear.

But I recall to mind numbers ot men who passed years of their existence in a condition of semi-drunkenness without suffering any loss of comfort or sensibly diminishing the provision they made for those dependent on them ; and there are men in this city who spend more in drink annually than the income of many a working man without any danger of coming to want as a consequence. The truth is, that the incornes of industry leave so small a margin over necessities that misfortune or drunkenness quickly brings it to that condition in which it is a fit subject for charity-and good advice.

How much margin for drunkenness is left from the income of one of Victoria's street-car slaves-for which he toils Sunday and Monday, workday and holiday, wet or dry, from ten to twelve hours out of the twenty-four-after he has paid pluck-me prices for blue clothes when and where his superiors dictate ; has donned at his own expense every new wrinkle of cap wear which catches the fancy of his lord and master; has paid fifteen dollars a month rent for a shelter for his wife and babies, warmed them with coal at monopoly's price, and fed them on beef made doubly precious by tariff and quarantine regulations? And the readiness with which men jump at even this slavery is an evidence that other avocations are either closed to them or offer them but a very little better chance.

Huw can any sane mind advocate charity as a remedy for such a state of things ? Even for the relief of hunger it is but a plaster to the sore that has its origin in the blood. Feed the hungry poor to day and they will be just as hungry to morrow ; and if we continue to feed them without giving them a better chance to help themselves, we degrade them to the condition of dependency upon charity. Even if we relieve completely hunger and destitution, what does that do for those who through the influence of unjust social arrangements are drifting to a like condition?

But some good people believe that God wisely leaves the poor in the care of the more fortunate that the grace of charity may be cultivated among men, and that what we give them is in the nature of an offering to God Himself. If

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any of my readers entertain that icea, how would they like to be regarded as existing to afford an opportunity to their fellow-men to practice upon for the cultivation of the grace of liberality, or how will God regard an offering representing the liberality of sensuality and vice? Let us be honest enough to acknowledge that the responsibil ty in this matter is our responsibility as a people, and sufficiently practical to recognize that prevention is not only better but easier than cure, and with the courage of treemen address ourselves? the task of applying the remedy.

Cresset.

[THE Home Journat would be pleased to recelve the dates of parties and the names of persons attending social gatherings. To insure publication, this information would have to reach this office not later than Thurscay noon.]

Mr. and Mrs. Frank gave a grand "Chanuka" dinner at their residence on Frederick Street, in honor of Dr. Philo and his family, on the 27 th ult. The table was beautifully decorated, and the victuals were of the best and choicest.

The Sunday School children of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Chureh enjoged their aunual Christmas tree and treat last Tuesday night in the schoolroom of the church. A short programme
of readings, recitations, dialogues, voca and instrumental music, was given, after which the audience went upstairs to the schoolroom, where a large Christmas tree, loaded down with presents, was to be seen. The children's prizes were then distributed, and the results of the recent Sabbath school examinations read.


His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will receive visitors from 2 to 6 on New Year's Day at Government House.

The Iolantha social club held their first semi-annual banquet in Harmony Hall last Tuesday evening, and after dinner indulged in dancing to the music provided by the Bantley family orchestra.

The Christmas carols will be again sung after Sunday evening's service at Christ Church Cathedral.

Mrs. Robert Croft, of Seattle, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Williams, of 137 Blanchard Street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ellis gave a card party at their home on Churchway on Tuesday evening last.

Mr. Samuel Matson, the genial inspector of the Pravident Savings Life Assurance Society, bas sent the Home Journal his company's calendar for the New Year. It is unique. A tinted sketch beautifully illustrates each month. They are eagerly sought for by every one who has seen them.

Monday evening the regular fortnightly conversazione will be held in the Cathedral schoolroom, Quadra St.

A grand leap year party is being agitated by the young ladies, to take place early in the New Year.

A large number of young bachelors, for their Christmat diuner, enjoyed the hospitality of family circles, and numbers realized that they were strangers in a strange land.

The society of the Sons of St. George held a smoking concert in their hall
last Monday evening, which was enjoyed by many visiting friends as well as a large number of its members. The excellent programme, in which Mr. Hall and Mr. Kettle took prominent parts, was thorcughly appreciated by the audience, while an inexhaustible supply of refreshments was placed at the disposal of the guests. The members of the society intend to give another entertainment in the near future, and a pleasant evening may be looked forward to on the occasion

Mr. Jas. Lawson, formerly of the Hudson Bay Company's service, returned to the city a few days ago, and is residing at 44 Carr Street. He has been warmly welcomed by his large circle of friends.

The regular fortnightly mecting of the St. Andrew's Y. P. A. will be held Tuesday evening, 5 th inst., and devoted to Robert Burns and Scotch music. Mr. Wm. Allan will deliver the essay of the evening, after which will be a number of Scotch songs and recitations.

Mr. Donald McPhee, of New Westminster, and Miss Eliza Johns, of this city, were united in marriage Tuesday evening by the Rev. Mr. Chalmers at the home of Mrs. A. Wright, Chatham Street.

Townsendites are trying to find out who is the most popular young lady of the Key City:

Mr. Peter Calder, of Warnock, and Mrs. Christena Derrenberger, were married Wednesday evening by the Rev. D. McRae.

Mr. Geo. R. Jackson, the Government Street mercbant tailor, will be married to-morrow evening, New Year's Day, to Miss Stephens, at the home of the bride's parents, 152 Michigan Street, James Bay.

The social event of the week is the New Year's eve party given by Mrs. Erb, of 283 Douglas St. A large number of invitations have been issued, and it will be one of the most enjoyable events of the season. Merry young couples will together dance the old year out and the new year in,

## THE MOCK PARLIAMENT IN SESSION.



HE meetings of the Mock Parliament are growing in intere:.t. Each succeeding gathering develops a new olator. The law makers over at James Bay might take a lesson or two from their less pretentious brother orators. Many amusing incidents transpire during the progress of a


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debate. One honorable member, desiring to emphasize the fact that during the Mackenzie regime times were bad-very had-said that in the constituency which he had the honor of representing on the spot where in 1878 was located a soup

kitchen, now stood a court-house. In reply to an honorable gentle-
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dian hen affords much food for dis uussion on the part of Government members. The Minister of Justice, at a late sussion, treated the house to a feast at the expense of that highly respected fowl.

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THE DRAMA.


THE public were prepared to give Miss Dalgleish credit for almost anything in the line of the ordinary plays, but they were scarcely ready to accept her in such a part as Camille. This play abounds in thrilling situations, and the title role is one in which none but a great emotional actress can ever hope to be successful. Miss Dalgleish proved herself equal to the part, and gave an excellent portraval of Dumas' celebrateri character. The Madame Prudence of Miss Marshall was very good, and that lady has already become a favorite with Victuria theatregoers. Mr. Armstrong has never been seen to greater advantage than in the role of Armand Duval. This gentleman's fine stage presence and magnificent voice is admirably adapted to the part. It is rarely a better representation of this part is seen than that of Mr. Armstrong. Mr. Gray was good, as he always is. Much could be said in favor of Miss Wheeler as Nannie. All the other parts were well sustained, particularly the Count De Varville, of Louis Belmour. The costumes were specially worthy of mention, on account of their elegance.

The Octoroon holds the boards for the rest of the week. The bills for next week are: Monday. Tuesciay and Wednesday, The Galley Slave; Thursday, Friday and Saturday, The Hidden Hand; Saturday matinee, The Galley Slave.

As we go to press, it is announced that a change in the management of the Victoria will take place and that the first booking under the new order of things is for January 9th.

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Hanlon's Superba-April 4 and 5.
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Cora Tanner-2i and 28.
Lilian Lewis-June 1 and 2.
Thatcher's Minstrels- 10 and 11.
Rhea-16 and 17.
Two Johns-22 and 23.
Natural Gas-July 20 and 21.
The Cruisheen Lawn-29 and 30 .
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## PEN PICTURES OF PROMIN-

 ENT MEN.
## F. W. HALL, M. D., C. M.

This gentleman, the associate of Dr. Leitch, was born at Richmond Hill, Ont., Feb. 10th, 1859, and educated at the public schools of that province. After graduating from the high school, he began the study of pharmacy at the Ontario College of Pharmacy. He gradua ted from this institution in 1881, and, shortly after, commencod the : tudy of medicine at the Michigan Medical College of Detroit, Mich. After graduating from this college in 1884, he removed to New York city where he entered the PostGraduate Medical School, and studied there for four month.
At the zompletion of this cuurse, he came to Victoria where he has practised ever since. Early in 1891, he, in association with Dr Leitch, opened offices in the Driard block, and the two have practised together since that time.

As an operating surgeon, Dr. Hall is entitled to rank among the most expert, and, as a physician, he is most capable. His practice is of a general character, extensive and very remunerative. He is of a courtenous, genial disposition, a close student. and has a host of warm personal friends.

## HENRY D. LEITCH, M. D.

Henry D. Leiteh, the well-known and popular surgeon, is a native of Melton, Ont., where he was born March $16 \mathrm{th}, 1859$.

After completing the course at the public schools, he entered the Owen Sound High School with a
view to becoming a teacher. Here he studied diligently until 1877 , and, at the early age of eighteen, we find him imparting knowledge to the youth of Gray county, Ontario. For three years. he followed the occupation of teaching, and, at the end of that time, having determined to adopt the profession of medicine as his life work, he entered the celebrated Trinity Medical School. This was in 1881, and, in 1885 , after a rigorous course of four years study, he graduated from thu Trinity University, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

After leaving college, Dr. Lettch removed to Dundalk, where be engaged in practice with Dr. Mc Williams, After one year's stay in Dundalk, he 'removed to Newtonville where he practised with success for several years.
In the Fall of 1890, Dr. Leitch went to New York city for the purpose of further perfecting himself in certain branches of surgery. In that city. he attended the Polyclinic Post-Graduate College, the Women's Hoypital, and was also under the private tuition of Dr. Chas. Kelsey, the famous surgeon.
This thorough training, under the best surgeons of the country, added to his previous practical study, has made Dr. Leitch a thoroughly competent physician and surgeon in every bianch of the protession. But especially is he skillful in that department of surgery known as Gynæolozy.
In May, 1891, after having passed the Board of Medical Examiners of British Columbia, he began active practice with Dr. Frank Hall of this city, a biography of whom appears in this number of the Home Journal. They located in the Driard block, and were immediately successful, As a surgeon, Dr. Leitch is entitled to rank with the foremost menibers of the profession. He is a brilliant operator, always cool and collected; and firn and skillful of hand in operating. He is a deep student, making books his constant companions, and is thoroughly abreast of the times in all matters pertaining to medicine.

Dr. Leitch is married, his wife being the daughter of the Rev. D. C. McDowell, and sister of Mrs. Hare, wife of the Principal of Whitby College, Ont.

Dr. Leitch is a Member of the College of Physicians and Surgecns of Ontario, and a Fetlow of the Trinity Medical School. He is also

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To the Editgr of the Victoria Home Journal:
Dear Sir-In your last issue, there appeared an article on Music, in which your correspondent stated, in speaking of pianos, that the great Mozart, in the year 1711, wrote to his father praising a particular make of instrument. Permit me to correct your correspondent in this, as the great Mozart was not Lorn until the 17 th of January, 1756, and died on the 5th of December, 1791, it being at the present time just a few days over 100 years since this great musician, at the early age of 35 years, died, at Vienna, of brain fever.

Yours very truly,
H. Kent.

## LOCAL AND CTHERWISE.

We took a look into the store of Macaulay \& Higginbottom, 74 Yates street. It is well called the Lion, as they are certainly leading in prices, and during their Christmas sale are offering great bargains.

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## CHOIR MUSIC.

To the Editor of the Victoria Home Journal: SIr.-A short time ago, there appeared in your interesting papor a paragraph dealing with the Church music of our city. Neither organist, choir master nor chorister received any encouragement from the pen of your contribntor. They did not. in my opinion, even get justice. I presume your contributor was an Englishman, just out, and expected to find here choirs of the same stamp as are to be found in English cathedrals. If he be a musician, (and, if not then, what right has he to criticize?) let him, instead of discouraging choir members, join a church choir and do what he can to improve it so that
imposition. I am serry to say that I cannot say the same of our two daily papers. But, to my subject. I attended, two or three days ago, a sale of furniture by public auction at a private house. There was a person there who was bidding very keenly on some articles. Some of the articles were secured by this person, while other things were bid up to a decent figure and then allowed to slide. I afterwards elicited the information that this paity was the owner of the goods being sold, but the excuse was advanced that the owner was buying in for another party and not for self. Now, I do not consider this a square deal. When an auctioneer sees the owner bidding on his own goods, it seems to me that his duty should be to at once put his foot


THE LAST OF THE VICTORIA JOCKEY CLUB.
newcomers may have even less cause to follow his example in contributing ill-natured growls to local publications. I enclose a clipping from the Times of last evening re this subject which emanater from a gentleman who, it may be, is more familiar with the choirs of the Dominion than your contributor, and, therefore, more competent to pass judgment.

Yours truly,
A Chorister.

## A MAN WITH A GRIEVANCE.

To the Fditor of the Victoria Home Journal:
Sir - I have a little grievance to make, and which I want ventilated and brought to the light of day through the eclums of your paper. I do this for the protection of the public-I mean that portion of the public who attend auction salesfor I have noticed how fearless your pape. is at least in some directions) in denouncing what is an
firmly down on any such action by the owner. If the owner does desire to retain goods, let arrangements be made with the seller not to put them up for auction; but let auctioneers most emphatically object to owners running up the prices of article's on those who patronize their sales.

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