

IN AN EASTERN ONTARIO PUBLIC SCHOOL.
Mr. Minister of Education Ross (to the Tcacher).-" Of course, as I stated to the Legislature, the children are taught English in this school?" Teacher.-" fic uc comprend pas!" $^{\text {a }}$
Mr. Ross (to Attorncy-Gcucrat).-"There, are you satistied now?, He says Janey comprehends it pat. Janey, I presume, is one of the youngest pupils."


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The Political "Queen's Own."-Major-General Gkir, having drawn up the gallant Thirteen, the Parliamentary "Queen's Own," addressed them in the following terms; Soldiers, I congratulate you. Though overcome, for the time being, by superior numbers, you have really; achieved a brilliant victory, and your names will shine brightly in the annals of the nation. In the hour of battle you stood true to the interests of the Qucen and Constitution, casting aside the considerations of party expediency which proved too strong for one hundred and eight $y$-cight of your colleagues in the House of Commons. You thus nobly earned the title of the "Queen's Own," for the vote you were called upon to give was really a decision as between the Queen and the Pope. You stand firmly upon solid ground, and the vast mass of the people give you their cordial thanks and support. The near future will decide the political fate of those who proved recreant to the trust reposed in them. You, on the contrary, as patriots tried and true, they will advance to higher honors.
In An Eastern Ontario School.-Evidence is accumulating to prove that Mr. Ross was widely astray in stating, on the authority of certain Inspectors, that the English language is now taught in every public school of Ontario. It is boldly declared by newspapers published in the Eastern counties that there are still many schools in that section in which no attempt is made to teach English, for the sufficient reason that the teachers themselves are entirely ignorant of the language.

THE growth of Toronto is a theme of comment all over Ontario. We are certainly progressing famously, and, what is better, our prosperity is, for the most part, bascd on solid values. Many causes are assigned for the phenomenal development of the city-such as our advantageous situation, good civic government, etc., etc., but the real cause has not as yet been touched upon even by the Protectionist press. How it has escaped mention by these profound logicians is a mystery. It must be plain as a pike-staff to those who are in the habit of attributing the prosperity of the country at large to the Tariff. Reasoning along these lines it must be clear that Toronto owes its magnificent adrancement to the Yonge street toll gate.

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R. T. P. THOMPSON, more familiarly known to the Canadian public as "Jimuel Briggs, D.B." is with us once again, after a well-meant but unsuccessful attempt to reside in the Old Country. One year of the distressful climate and constrained social relations of the tight little island was all our genial colleague could endure, though he bravely struggled against the ennui by writing good things for these pages during his absence. The fact is, that to a man in sympathy with the life of this continent and imbucd with its spirit of freedom, the air of Europe is stifling. Few, indecd, are the cases in which Americans settle down to live out their lives in the old land. In this instance what is Punch's loss is Grip's gain, and we welcome " Jimuel" back.


OWEVER genuine the Globe's desire may be to save the country from the Jesuits, its anxiety to "down" the Mail is evidently stiil greater. Day after day its readers are nauseated with rant about the "Bunters and Smashers," and with childish twaddle about a nefarious but very transparent "plot" that is being worked from the office of its hated rival against the Mowat Government. All this is only weakening the influence of the Globe. The people are quite competent to judge for themselves the purity of the Nail's motives, and the popular verdict seems to be that they are at least as much above suspicion as the Globe's. For ourselves, we do not observe any cvidence in the ATail's columns of the consuming desire to "save Sir John and his Govermment" which the Globe sees so plainly. Evidence that the Globe is exccedingly anxious to ward off all criticism of Mr. Mowat and his colleagues would be much more easily produced.

A PARLIAMENTARY Committee, appointed to reduce the expenses at Ottawa, have cut off the chaplain of the Senate, thereby effecting a saving of $\$ 400$ per year of good, hard money. Some pious people, we observe, are horrified at this drastic action of the committee. But aside from the well-known fact that the present brand of Ottawa statesman is ready to sacrifice anything for economy, there is really something to be said in defence of this apparent sacrilege. The business of the Senate chaplain is to conduct Christian worship in that chamber, which is very pretty and proper, but what is there to show for it? There is certainly nothing in the proceedings of the Senate to attest that Christian prin-


THE ANSWER OF THE DEFENDANT,
Jedge-" The next case is that of the jesuits wis. The Mail. Are you ready to go on?"
Bexting-" I'lord, I don't sec how we can, as there are no plaintiffs. If you'll just look through this document you'll find that the Jesuit Society has no existence."
ciples weigh with the majority of its members. It is a sickening fraud in every respect, and to gloze it orer with a mockery of payer is to make bad worse. The chapiain is accordingly dispensed with as not merely unnecessary; but a positive living contradiction which can no longer be tolerated. We can hardly bring ourselves to approve. however, of the reduction of Black Rod's salary, which the committee has also recommended. This functionary (if we may judge from his personal bearing towards ordinary mortals), is one of the main pillars of our national fabric, and we tremble to think what may be the consequences of cutting down his salary which at present is only a paltry $\$ 1,350$.

## POLITICAL FABLE.

THERE was a large river running round a piece of land and a certain bend of it went into the land. Now a bear lived on the banks and a certain fish-engle dwelt near, and would sometimes draw its food from the water. But the bear, not liking this, said : "This is my river." Then the eagle said, "No; the river is free for all, though the land on its banks may be thine, and I shall take all the fish I want." A long time after the bear went away and the eagle built its nest on the same land. Then came along some beavers, who had always swum in the river, to catch fish, as was their custom. The eagle, sceing them, said, "This is my river"; but the beavers said, "You told the bear long ago the river was free for all." Then the eagle said, "I was hungry then for fish." The beavers then replied, "We are now hungry for fish." Then the eagle struck them with his sharp bill and the beavers went away sad and were sore afraid. And the eagle laughed in his wing feathers. But the little beavers went and complained to a sea lion, who came to the bend in the river and took fish when it liked. The eagle was angry and fluttered round, but was afraid of the large teeth of the sea lion. Then the little beavers, seeing the sea lion was not hurt, followed, and always after came every day with hini to catch such fish as they wished. And the fish eagle sat on the banks and cried.

Moral-Some things are past Behring.

## THE IRISH JAUNTING CAR.

$\mathrm{C}^{\circ}$ONNOISEURS and Sassenach alike allow this to be the most perfect vehicle of energy. So devoted are its worshippers that they refer to it as an inside kear, in deference to the fact of the wheels being protected from the inclemency of the weather, and arrogantly oblivious of the mute appeals of the passenger who is forced to brace against the said inclemency outside. If the occupant is alone, he is at liberty to turn up the adjacent seat and rest his weary head against the step; if in company, by an almost involuntary movement, he can obtain fi!? possession of the oil-skin-it is invariably wet in Ireland -and leave his co-partner unprotected, or, if the latter resent this treatment, he is perfectly liable with another involuntary movement to be left on the road-side. The car is uncrceptionable for lad roads, as it is patently re-versible-at the discretion of the horse. It is invaluable for shooting parties into the spongy arms of a neighboring ditch. As a bog-trotter it is in its element, being so constructed as to make use of its floor as a species of toboggan, and its axles to mow down aboriginal forests of bog oak, whilst the horse picks out his way with a lighe and fantastic toe. The stone walls in Ireland are specially prepared for rapid transition, and are furnished with a bedding of turf on the top, so that the car can heep up with the horse in a migratory and airy manner in whatever direction that rolatile Pegasus choose to direct his attention. Indeed it is no uncommon sight to see Nora following the hounds for two or three miles in a style of conveyancing worthy of legal pre-eminence.

As aerial plant-The Eiffel Tower.


## ORGANIZED CHARITY.

First Tramp-"'Ere comes a bencvolent lookin' old clan, pard. Let's tackle 'im for the price of a night's lodgin'.'"

SEcond Ditto (something of a philosopher)-"Don't ver think of it, Bill : let's wait for somebody that's half full. 'them ben-evolent-lookin' ducks always wants to organize theirselves into a socicty, elect a board of directors, and 'irc a horfice afore they gives you a cent. T'other sort is the sort to lay for."

-. Sar, Jack, s'posin' we take these rotten eggs and fire 'em over the wall?"
" All right, Bob; bet I kin sling 'em furder'n you."

. Angelina, this is a lovely spot. isn't it, beneath this romantic old wall? Now we can have our lunch in full harmony with mature. We hear the river's gentle ripple, we see the bircis as they flit to and fro in their glee, and, wafted on the soft breezes. we simell-"

'Goodness, alive, Algernon, what do we smell? ''.

## THE HISTORY OF A JOKE.

0NCE upon a time, not so very many ycars ago, I started an allcged high-class society and literary journal, and endeavored in a meek and lowly way to promulgate the truth that the better half of life is echoed in love's laugh. It will readily be seen, when I make this statement, that the young man of this country who goeth about seeking whom he may devour, under the mistaken impression that nature built him funny, proceeded to load me up with alleged jokes and witticisms with a persistency as pitiful as it was useless.

The editorial rooms, or room, were, or was, way up in the top story of a ramshackle building on Adelaide street. It was not particularly highfalutin, but it was a nice, long drop for a poet from the window to the sidewalk, and in that way came in handy. One day the clump, clump, clump of ascending feet smote $m y$ ear, and a tall, lank, raw-boned man, with red hair, freckles and a paper collar, stepped languidly inside.
"Are you the editor?"
"res."
"I bave a joke here."
"Yes."
"If you think it's worth it, I would like to see it in type."
"les."
This was the "joke":
"One swallow doesn't make a summer any more than one beer makes a swallow."
"Is that the joke?" I asked.
" Mes."
"I don't see anything fumny in that."
"I don't either."
"Then what did you loring it here for?"
"I thought perhaps you would."
"Would what?"
"See something funny in it."
"Well, I don't."
"All right-good day:"
"Good das:"
By and by I discovered that the people were not receiving my high class journal with that appreciation which I thought it deserved, so I sold out. I was doing the night editing shortly after, high up in the over-heated rooms of a morning paper, when I heard the clump, clump, clump of a man's feet on the narrow stair. A moment atier the gentleman with the joke sauntered in.
" Good erening."
"Good evening."
"I want to see the cditor."
"He's not in."
"Who's in charge?"
"I am."
"I have a joke."
" Yes."
"Here it is."
Herc it was:
"One swallow doesn't make a summer any more than one beer makes a swallow."
"Haven't you got rid of that yet?"
" No."
"That's not fumns."
"I know it."
"Then why don't you drown it?"
"I can't. Look here," he said, coming over and whispering low, "that's the only thing I ever wrote. It haunted me for jears before I wrote it down. I've been trying for years to get it printed. But it's no go. I would give anything in this world to see that in type-I would indeed."
"You would;'ch ?" I said, touched by the pathetic look on his face. "Well, give us a rest for the rest of your life and I'll put it in for you."
He bowed himself out with profuse thanks, and I never saw or heard of him again. But I got a note from the managing editor next day saying: "That squib you had in this morning about the beer and the swallow and the summer, is the best thing you've written in a long while. Keep it up." That's what it is to have a reputation for being funny.

Hennery Shoff.


SHUTTING UP THE HOUSE.
Sir Jons (loq.)-"Er-now, lat's see: I don't think of anything I've left undone that I shouldn't have done, nor anything that I should have left undone that I haven't performed."

## N. F. D.

"A N Epic of the Darin, and other looms "-hold up, this is a slight misreading; on closer scrutiny it is "An Epic of the Jawn, etc.," by Davin-Nicholas Flood, M.P., Regina's meteoric statesman. We are referring to a daintily-printed little volume which has just been deposited on our table, and which contains as a frontispiece a very truthful and consequently attractive portrait of the author, attired in a classic bald head and a Rideauclub overcont ; and as contents a collection of poems which show that the cares of State have in no degree dulled the poetic faculties of our genial friend. The work deserves a much more careful and critical review than our space will at present permit us to give, and a thorough reading of it will, we doubt not, reveal many striking beauties of thought and expression. Opening at random, however, we happencd to strike something which a captious critic might consider equivocal, to wit, the opening lines of a sonnet addressed to Sir John Macdonald:
"The child of love, and power, and fame, you came, An Empire's sunshine on your classic brow."
The question arises bere whether the word Empire should not have been printed in italics, to make it clear
that Brother Creighton's newspaper is indicated. On the next page we find some " Lines to lady Macdonald," in which occurs the following:
> " We build men statutes: but, did Justice speak. She'd say, Do likewise for those gentler lives.
> Who, hid away from public gaze, but seek The selfess guerdon won by faithful wives."

Perhaps the author meant statues ; or perhaps this is the spirit of the law-maker breaking through the poet. If the latter, we are glad to note this plain announcement of Mr. Mavin's conversion to the doctrine of Woman's Rights.

## A COMMON CASE

THE story I've to tell's Quite plain and unromantic.
Momus with Cupid joined
To play an antic.
1 saw too much of her,
My peace of minkl was busted:
She saw to much of me,
Was bored, disgusted.
At length there came a time
My mind its peace recovered:
And what became of her I've not discovered.

Dick bedloe.


ABSENT, BUT NOT FORGOTIEN.
THE CASE OF MR. COGGE.
A Cinadin Commomon in Three Parts and a
Hintus.
by w. C. NICHOL.
Part I.-(Continued.)

THE agitation reached its height in the Autumn of IS95. Meetings were of daily, almost hourly, occurrence. Press, pulpit and platform deluged the country with opinions, suggestions and ideas. All manner of schemes were proposed and immediately rejected as wholly impracticable. The girls were growing thin and desperate. They wanted to be kissed, and coddled, and loved with a wild, whole-souled ardor which would stop at nothing so that it pleased the sweet object of its affection, but there was no one nigh to kiss, coddle and love consumedly. They became pale and anxious. They were almost afraid to walk down the street, for fear the scoffers would jeer at them and contemptuously refer to them as old maids. Affairs had reached this pitiable stage, when Sir John A. Macdonald, who was, of course, Premier of the Dominion, came to his country's rescue, and, carrying out the policy of Protection which his Government farored, suggested that American girls be added to the list of dutiable articles. "We must," said Sir John, in speaking of the proposition, "encourage home producers as against foreign manufacturers, and the alarming importation of American girls is seriously interfering with the native indusiry. This, gentlemen, must not be allowed. We must encourage and develop our own institutions, and build up the country from our own resources. leet us give our girls a show. The proportion at present is twelve marriageable girls to every unmarried man, and I fancy all of you who are fathers will agree with me in thinking that this state of affairs is reprehensible and bad for the girls, the country and ourselves." There was some objection to the proposal, because it would debar
all American women from even visiting in Canada, but it was seen to be the only means of effecting the object sought, and in the end a protective duty was put on. It was decided that in future no American woman could come into Canada unless a duty of $\$ 100$ for cach pound of her weight be paid by her or on her behalf; and 100 pounds was fixed as the minimum weight. If the girl weighed less than that, she was to be registered as weighing a hundred pounds, and the duty collected accordingly. The nation applauded Sir John, the women worshipped him, and the country settled once more into its normal condition of peace.

## Part II.

Early in the Spring, two jears preceding the events recorded above, the wife of Mr. Philip Cogge, merchant, Toronto, died from an attack of phemmonia. At the time of Mrs. Cogge's death, her husband had reached his forty-second year. He was a plump and prosperouslooking gentleman, with a florid face, a benign smile, and an air of being quite satisfied with himself and the world at large. He had been a good, affectionate husband, kind, considerate and tender, and at the last moment Mrs. Cogge had clasped his hand lovingly, and looked up at him with fast-dimming eves which yet seemed to send him a message of thanks for the life he had made happy. But Mrs. Cogge had never known of certain circumstances in the far past, in which her husband, herself and another, of whom she had never heard, had played the leading parts. When Mr. Cogge had passed his twenty-fourth year, he had fallen desperately in love with a brown-haired, bluc-eyed maiden, many years his junior. Mr. Cogge was at that time a clerk in a wholesale house, and his salary was the munificent one of $\$ 8$ a week. On this, it is perhaps unnecessary to say, Mr. Cogge was quite unable to marry. The brown-haired, blue-ejed maiden, Bella Asherton by name, was also very poor, so that their prospects were not of the most roseate and alluring description. They became engaged, however, and indulged in dreams of a future golden and blissful. But these dreams were only dreams. Mr. Cogge was not faithful to the ardent vows and impassioned sentiments which are familiar to every lover, and entirely unnecessary to chronicle here. About a year atter their engagement, he made the acquaintance of a certain Miss Belinda Bushton, who was not only yood to look upon, attractive in face, form and manner, but had a snug little


A MEAN TRICK.
Old Mr. Baldwin is in an ill humor. He went to the theatre to witness the spectacular performance of the "Nymphs of Arcadia," and, being slightly deaf, you know, wished for a seat as near the stage as possible. "What row can you give me a seat on?" he asked of the man in the box-office. "First row," answered the ticket seller, " Good," said Mr. Baldwin. But when he got in he found that his ticket called for a seat on the first row from the cutrancc. Mr. B. considers that a mighty mean trick to play an old man.
bank account as well. Mr. Cogge did not love her, but he liked her-he liked her very much, and he liked her bank account more. The end of it was that he was off with the old love, by a little judicious engineering, and shortly afterwards was on with the new. He paid ardent court to Miss Bushton, she liked him at first, finally grew to love him, and they were married shortly afterwards. Mr. Cogge resigned his position with the wholesale house, and, with the capital supplied by his wife, began business in a humble way. He paid attention to it, was affable and polite, kept a satisfactory stock, was content with a profit of something less than a hundred per cent., and the business prospered. They made a comfortable living out of it, and were able to lay by something each year towards the proverbial rainy day. The sole regret of Mrs. Cogge's life was that no children came to bless their union. But she consoled herself for that by taking an active interest in church work, and so devoting herself to her hushand, to district visiting, and to the manufacturing of flamel underclothing for the benighted heathen, her life passed peacefully and happily:

In the meantime, Bella Aslerton had gone to the States. Her father had been offered a fairly good appointment there, and, after considerable hesitation, had accepted it. Mr. Asherton had a large family to support, and the expense of moving from Toronto to Philadelphia was a serious obstacle in the way of his taking the proffered position, but the matter was fimally arranged, and he went. The increased living expenses in the States, however, left him but little better off than he was before. It was a constant struggle with him to make ends meet. For all that, they were happy and contented enough in a humble way. Parents and children were of cheerful and affectionate disposition, and the few plensures that came to them were all the more delightful because of their rarity. There is nothing like poverty to give us a proper appreciation of life's joys and blessings, and if there is love, and pearc, and happiness by the fireside, what does the rest matter? These things money cannot give, but what is life without them?
(To le continued.)

## TOO BIG FOR ONE WORD.

FPELICIA-"Oh ! I have heard of the cutest idea to day. Mr. Dewde told me that one should be pre paring to pronounce some word when having a photograph taken, so as to have one's mouth in pretty shape. I am going to have my photograph taken to-morrow. What word would you advise me to use."

Malcta (acridly)-"I would advise jou to be preparng to speak a whole sentence."

## A POOR PLAYER.

SPARLLE-" I tell you on the dead quiet, old chappie, I had a dismal time at the party last night. I played whist for two long, lonely hours with Miss Lighthead, and she would persist in returning our opponents' lead, and seemed to take a fiendish delight in rrumping all my aces."

Pumpley-" I can sympathise with you, old man, for I played with Miss Noodle, and we had a ghastly time and were slaughtered from the start."

Sparkle-"How does Miss Noodle play?"
Punpley-"Play! Great Cresar! Play! Judging from last night's dismal exhibition, I should say she played altogether by ear."


POETRY vs. PROSE.
Mr. Smith-" Why that mourninl. rmantic look in your cye, Miss Adeline?"

AUELINE-" The cloctor says I'in ging to have a sly."

## NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the I.egislature of the Province of Ontario, at the next sittings thercof, for an Act to incorporate "The Fenian Brotherhood," for the teaching and disseminating of sound views upon the Irish Question, and for the furtherance of the cause of liberty in that suffering country by military and other means.

Datid M-atis,
Solicitor for applicants.


## SCRIPTURE AT THE CITY HALL.

Ald. Baxter (with pious indierntion)-"Mr. Mayor and gentlemen, I rise to denounce this lot-drawing system as a method of deciding disputes in this council. The last case mentioned in Scripture where lots were clrawn, was to fill the place vacated by Juclas Iscariot."

Ald. Wagge (sotto zoce)-"I protest against the comparison of Ald. Galbraith with Judas."

THE MArok-"It was-ahen-a somewhat unhappy allusion." (Baxter, bosom friend of the: abscut Galbraith, collapses.)


HER PRACTICAL MIND.
Mr. Scrmpek -" I tell you, my dear, we must cut down expenses. I have limited myself to five dollars a weel pocket-money ever since Christmas."

Mrs. S.-"How good of you! Why, you must have saved nearly enough to pay for mos spring outfit. The bill will come in to-morrow, I expect."

## SONNET.



IMET a youthful nation of the world Out on this western main, and saw it cr; Against all rules of true philosophy; And thus I spaike unto the golden-curled High-brow'd young people." Why are thy tears hurled Into the deep Atlantic....tell me why?" The child-race opencd wide one bloorlshot eye And in its jaw some maple sugar twirled,
"I have no books to read and have no name ; Behold, an orphan of the earth am I."
And then I said-"I'oor youngling! forthwith dry
Your optic bleard and think not of the shame : For I will write a book of things Canadian, And then your name and fame will be allowed by mon."

## LOUISA PRING ON WEDDING PRESENTS.

YES, l've said it before, and I say it again, it's a mean thing, that because a woman doesn't marry, she should get cheated out of the pleasure of all the presents. and having a trousseau. It isn't for an old maid like me (who needn't have been one, either, if she'd taken the men that did offer themselves), to say whether husbands are blessings or not, but I do say that the loneliness of a lone life is added to, when friend after friend gets a ivedding present from you, and you know there isn't a chance of getting one in return, and I do believe every living woman would enjoy having entirely new clothes at least once in her life, even if she hadn't a man all her own
property to show them off to. Hard as it may be to get a husband-to your liking-most women could get gowns and bonnets to suit them if they were given the chance. Now, why shouldn't a lady of a certain agewhat age that is I suppose she'd better decide for herself -inform her family that shell take her troussean and issue cards to her friends something like this:


That would give people an opportunity to repay the gifts they get from their unmarried friends, unless, indeed, people are prepared to prove that "it is more blessed to give than to receive" was written exclusively for the benefit of unappropriated maidens, or that they make a. strike to do away with this social tax altogether.

Why cannot an oak tree walk ?-Because it has a corn.

OWN."
Major-General Grip Reviewing the Noble Thikteen. The Jesuits' On: may be seen in the Distance.

Promecting Herself.-He-' Satah, I love you. Will you be my wife?".

She-" Did your mother die when you were young?"

He-"I was but a baby."
She-"Then you don't remember anything about her cooking?"

He-"Not a thing.'
She-"I am yours forever."
" Well, Jack, what's the matter with you?"
"I have a horrible cold."
" Let me recominend a cure. Drink a Iot of warm water : that sounds absurd, but it's really a reliabic cure.'
"I'll try it: I'm going to my hoarding house now and I'll take some hot soup."Lincoln State Journol.

Messrs, Rominson \& Baley, 97 Richmond St. E., Toronto, have made arrangements with Mr. John Heap, to manufacture and handle the Heap's l'atent Dry Earth Closets for Canada east of Winnipeg. They have also intro. duced several important improvements in the "Fregis Refrigerator" this year. The special features referred to are a peculiarly constructed ice pan, doing away altogether with the necessity for outside ventilation, and thercby economixing ice; and a rubber-cushioned groove, making a perfectly air tight closure of the door of the refrigerator. Parties intending to purchase should write for R. \& B.'s illustrated price lists.

## THAT OFFER OF $\$ 5,000$.

OUR readers will doubtless call to mind the offer so widely advertised for the past ten years by H, H. Warner \& Co., the proprietors of Varner's Safe Remedies, that they would pay $\$ 5,000$ to any person who would prove to an impartial referce that they had ever published a testimonial that was not genuine so far as they knew

This offer had the ring of honesty about it, and as the matter has an especial interest just now, we give a copy of the offer as it appears in the Messrs. H. H. Warner \& Co.'s pamphlet:

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Eacry Tistimonal publishod by us is Boma Fide, and, so far as ace kmoo, is absolutily true. To any one who will prove the contrary to an impartinl reforec we will giact \$5.000. H. H. WARNER \& CO.

Rochestcr, N.Y., Yamuary $3,1888$.
We ask the reader's careful attention to the following testimonials, as bearing on the offer, and their unbiased opinion of the same with reference to the $\$ 5,000$,

Straticlair P.O., Manitoba, April ifth, 1885.-As I have been cured of Bright's Disense I know a great many more who could be cured by Warner's Safe Cure, if the medicine was brought before their no-tice.-Join L. Wilson.

Harillon (roj Elgin St.), Ont., July 6th, 1888.-I have been troubled with Kid. ncy Disease in its worse form for from three to four years. For six months I could not attend to my business at all. As a last resort I tricd Warner's Safe Cure, and found almost instant relief. I consider Warner's Safe Cure the best medicine known for all diseases of the kidneys.-A. J. Diamond.

Port Hore, June 21st, 1888 .-Between two and three years ago I was suffering a great deal of distress across the loins and
kidneys. I was recommended Warner's Safe Cure, and before taking two bottles I passed a stone from the bladder, very hard, and have suffered nothing of any account since.-E. Phits.

Ningeston, July 2 sth, $1888 .-T w o$ years ago my wife was confined to the bed for eight months the most of the time. She suffered great pain across the kidneys with a burning sensation in the abclomen. Her case was pronounced by her attendant physician to be one of the worst cases of diseased kidneys and prolapsus uteri. I advised her to try Varner's Sale Cure, and before she had taken two bottles was much better. She continued its use until she had taken over a dozen, and is now well and strong and able to attend to all the cares of our home.-Thos. Heionh (Lumber dealer).

There is no getting away from such testimony as the above. The offer is genuine. In fact, Messrs. H. H. Warner \& Co. have always requested that doubters should write direct to persons giving testimonials (enclosing stamp), and who are of necessity, in the great majority of cascs, totally unacquainted with the firm.
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Is other years my visions day by day
Were fraught with finest fancies, such as throng
The wondrous pases of immortal song:
Through primrose paths of poesy I'd stray:
The throstle's note, the roibin's roundelay.
Upon the ambient air a-ling'ring long.
Stirred in me such a rapture, deep and strons.
I could but bow to their enchanting sway.
But now, one thing alone inspires me-
Not song of birds, not flowers of sweet scent.
Not fitful passion, nor abiding love.
The clazzling sun, or moon's refulgencs;
Not e'en a maiden's kind encouragement,
Hut just the symbols that you sce above.

- Judge.

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