

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Chiefly Concerning Ourselves and Friends.

Several runners for St. John firms have signed for THE JOURNAL.

A stranger friend from St. George sends in his subscription and that of a gentleman in Montreal.

Although we have sometimes to put up with abuse and reprimands from a few who do not know what true loyalty means, and who are that thin skinned and narrow-minded as to take honest out spoken opinions (which are written in all candor without the intention of offending anyone) as personal affronts; we have on the whole, a list of subscribers, the number and character of which we feel justly proud. Although some are slow in remitting needful amounts; some are careless, and neglect to notify us when they change their address, and a few, very few, are actually dishonest and beat us out of one or two year's subscription, we have more than enough good, honest fair minded subscribers to atone for these little inconveniences, and are daily adding to our list. Without wishing to single out any among so many friends, we cannot help alluding in terms of the highest praise to fish warden Harry S. Miles of Oromocto, who paid us a dollar the other day on the street, which with what he had paid previously run his subscription up to Sept. 1901.

The following letter from a new friend in Hillsboro, Ohio is particularly gratifying from a stranger.

Hillsboro Ohio, March 12th, 1896

Mr. Martin Butler: Received March number of your JOURNAL and like it very much. Will have our papers here make some extracts. Your "Wayside Warbles" are interesting and many editors would sympathize. I think your tone as to Canada and Cuba is temperate and in good taste and no one can take offense. Your notion of Post Laureates is also correct. I would like some extra copies of your March paper, simply to hand to friends to show them how a liberal minded man thinks on current subjects. I send you \$1 00 in U S currency which I presume is current in New Brunswick, for which mail to my address: Hillsboro, Highland Co., Ohio, U S A. some extra copies of March No. Am glad you gave my friend Lockhart's poems so neat a notice. He is well known here and highly esteemed.

Respectfully,
CHARLES H. COLLINS.

We thank our contributor, Henry Harvey Stuart, teacher at McAdam, for two new subscribers, also our Zionville friend and contributor for one new name.

A friend of ours at McAdam asks us the singular question:

if we would receive a subscription from an Orangeman. Why, bless your soul! a third of our subscribers are Orangemen, and they are among the best we have. Our best agent and most valued contributor is an Orangeman and if we had a dozen hands instead of only one we could not count our Orange friends on the fingers. We are opposed on principle to secret, oath bound societies among either Catholics or Protestants but so far from antagonizing or speaking ill of either Protestants or Orangemen we count them among our warmest personal friends, and our candid and outspoken opinions have been resented and misconstrued only by those who were unworthy of the name of Protestant or Orangemen.

And this, from the excellent proprietors of that excellent medicine, Burdock Blood Bitters: T. Milburn & Co., Toronto, Ont. accompanied by a bank draft for a year's advertising. We thank them heartily for their generous patronage and the kind words they have of our little paper, which are prompted by a discerning mind and a warm, generous and open heart, and trust that the pleasant relations that have hitherto existed between us will long continue.

Toronto, March 20th, 1896.

We have renewed contract one year, same terms. Draft will be paid. We esteem your bright and spicy paper highly.

Yours truly,
T. Milburn & Co.

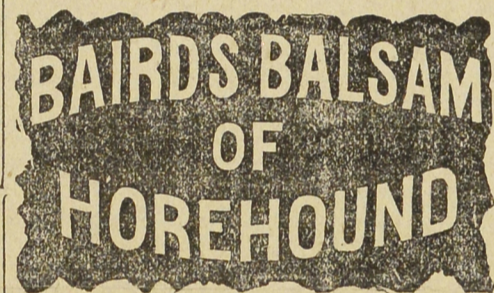
We regret to learn that the new books, just from the press of the Peter Paul Book Co, Buffalo, N. Y., "Beside the Narragansett" by Rev. A J. Lockhart, and, "The New Year Comes My Lady"; by Charles H. Collins of Hillsboro, Ohio, were all consumed, and extend our sympathy to our friends in their loss.

Still another letter from our new found friend Charles H. Collins, containing a remittance of another dollar for copies of our book of poems has lately reached us. We acknowledge ourselves under lasting obligations to this true and noble soul, and shall be glad to use the letter for publication, as it contains certain self evident and incontrovertible truths. We thank him also for the sweet little poem, "Clermont Days" which appears in this issue.

The death of Mr. E. H. Wilmot, which occurred recently is a loss to the community, not only for the benefits he conferred upon it but for his honest straightforward, simple and unostentatious character. Although not on intimate, we were on very friendly terms with the good old gentleman, who has taken our paper from the first

issue up to his death and always treated us and our dear lamented mother with kindness, especially the latter during her sickness. His conduct was always governed by a high sense of honor and moral consciousness, and entirely free from any pride or superciliousness, not believing as many persons of wealth and influence, that riches and position are the only true tests of respectability. He has gone in the fullness of years, leaving a clean and unspotted record behind him, with many to praise and none to blame. The world has been better for his having lived in it. Many have been benefited and none injured. This we consider to be very important to him as pass ports to a better life.

We have removed our residence from the Scott's Barracks, to King St. next door above our office as being handier to our business and the general public. Friends from the country will please notice the change. The number of our P. O. Box has been changed from 309 to 333.



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