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It is the ADVERTISER's good fortune to be able to bring out a new poet—a brand new Canadian genius. His production appears elsewhere in this issue, and is entitled "A True Woman." Very evidently Mr. R. Ernest Linwood is a very young man, or is singularly deluded. It is not the intention of the ADVERTISER to poke fun at the young bard's venture, for should we try a thousand years we could not produce anything so like a poem; besides our supply of sentimentalism suddenly ran low soon as we fairly entered into journalism. Notwithstanding all we would like to criticize Mr. Linwood's poem in a friendly yet frank manner.

In the second stanza the author depicts a radiant moon sailing across a "sparkling starlit sky." This is visionary; never in all his life has Mr. Linwood gazed on such a scene: comparatively few stars come out on moonlight nights.

The third stanza had better been omitted for the sake of the lady's reputation; or for fear her husband might see this issue of the ADVERTISER and seek out and annihilate our young genius. The next two stanzas are much the same. The seventh makes the title of the poem an incongruity. Although she broke her plighted troth, which, by the way, was not lightly given, the poor credulous author still calls her "a true woman." In the next stanza the poet has the audacity to say her marrying another was a sad mistake. Better let her and her husband make that avowal.

Away down in the eleventh verse the bard takes it again for granted that his idol's marriage was a mistake. Yea, he takes it for granted that she, too, has "an aching heart to carry now and ever."

We have already given too much space to this critique, and for the sake of the author's feelings must admit we have dealt with the negative side of the poem. But we trust our criticism will not serve to blight Mr. Linwood's aspirations. The truth is we shall be glad to hear again from him. But let us advise him "A true woman" delights not so much in sentimentalism as in good common every day common sense and sand. This is also true in the case of newspaper men and the reading public.

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One year ago today the ADVERTISER made its bow to the public, craving the good graces of the people. The first voyage across the "journalistic sea" has been fairly calm, so much so that it is with little hesitancy that we prepare for another. The ADVERTISER was launched with much trepidation for it was by no means certain that the venture would be a success. But we must

thank the people of Hartland and Carleton County for this very generous support. While doing this we wish to impress the people with the fact that at the commencement of another year we need their support really more than ever. We trust we shall get it. Many subscriptions fall due this week and a prompt payment is desired.

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With the characteristics of woman's nature Mrs. Tucker swore she was only 39 years of age, when her looks and the age of her children prove her age at least 65.

L. O. A. COUNTY LODGE.

The semi-annual session of the County Lodge, L. O. A. convened at Woodstock on Tuesday last, Geo. C. Wiggins, C. M., presiding. The regular business was transacted, and the following officers were elected for ensuing year:

Jas. Queen, C. M.
Arnold Porter, D. C. M.
Rev. W. J. Rutledge, C. Chap.
Harley Hannah, C. F. S.
Wm. Simpson, C. R. S.
Shepherd Caldwell, C. T.
C. Wiggins, D. of C.
H. E. Blakslee, C. Lect.

The celebration on the 12th. of July will take place at Middle Simonds.

After the close the C. M., James Queen, entertained the brethren. A most enjoyable time was spent at the supper. Several toasts were drunk which were ably replied to.

GRAND FALLS POWER COMPANY.

At the coming session of the Legislature, the Grand Falls Power & Boom Company will ask to have their charter renewed. This company has it under consideration to build pulp mills and other facilities at the falls. There is another company incorporated by the Dominion Parliament and it is expected one, and perhaps, both will get to work this year.—Globe.

WILL BE HANGED.

Thos. Nulty who slew his brother and three sisters near Joliet, P. Q. has been sentenced to die on the scaffold on May 20. It is said Nulty's counsel will ask for a new trial on the ground that the jury had been tampered with.

Two lady members of the choir of one of our churches shrieked, last Sunday, and clutched convulsively at their skirts. The congregation startled for an instant, knew from the titter that followed the shriek that a mouse had joined the choir, and a broad grin appeared on every face. The parson frowned and looked severely at the choir but it was some minutes before the air of solemnity was restored.—Chat-ham World.

"Pat, you complain of being out of work, and yet I heard that coal dealer offer you a job to drive one of his carts not ten minutes ago."

"Yis, sor; but I'm doomed it I'll freeze meself to death to keep alive, begob!"—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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