IN CITY NEWSPAPERDOM

TALK ABOUT THE DAILIES AND THEIR STAFFS.

The Men Who Talk of Other People - A Newspaper Breaker and His Career-"Talk" of Another Evening Daily Which May or May Not Materialize.

Every man and woman who reads the newspapers, and in these days the recluse and imbecile are the exceptions, takes an interest in some one favorite journal and locks with eagerness for anything relating to its regular or special contributors. Newspaper men and women rarely write of themselves, and from this fact, in part, arises much of the misunderstanding which is said, he proposes to issue an evening ed the public has of them and their vocation.

Perhaps in no business carried on in this city are employes changed so rapidly as in the various departments connected with a rializes, Mr. Reed will probably be its theorem. daily newspaper. This is true not only of logical guide and keep the books of the printers, who as a class are perhaps more nomadic in their habits than any other, but of editors, reporters and, to go to the extreme, of the carrier boys.

A St. John newspaper rarely notes any changes within itself, and in this it differs greatly from its live and aggressive American daily contemporary. An editor or any member of the staff may leave, and though he has been for years a part of the paper's life and vigor, the chances are equal that his outgoing is unmentioned, and consequently unknown to the men and women who have read his articles with pleasure.

Progress believes that the people like to read of the movements of the men who give them their daily quota of news and information, and in future, when occasion requires, will talk about the newspapers as freely as they talk of other business and people.

Within a few months the staffs of the daily press in this city have changed considerably, and from present appearances the end is not yet. Four of the staff of the Daily Telegraph a year ago are no longer with it. One of them, Mr. John Boden, is in New York, and is regarded as a firstclass man upon the bright protective journal-The Press-which has secured his services. The hundreds of people who have listened to "Jack's" fearless Bostwick hall eloquence and his impassioned appeals to a crowded Institute will smile to learn that he is writing "protection guff," but protection and free trade are alike to every real newspaper man, so long as the cash comes with Saturday night. The present editors of Progress left the local staff of the Telegraph, some months later, to embark upon their work of today, and about a fortnight ago R. G. Larson, a bright young fellow in his teens, who had been in morning newspaper work for a year, left it, and after a short rest will probably engage in less arduous employment in the same

Mr. John B. Jones, formerly of the Globe, assumed the duties of city editor of the Telegraph, and associated with him on the local staff at present are W. A. Brown, who looks after "Portland News"; J. B. McA. Baxter, who contributes "West Side Items," and W. A. Kerr, who deals in supreme, county and equity courts news, and keeps legal bulls from the columns. Mr. Jones is painstaking and energetic, and when he gets a trained city assistant should let nothing escape him.

Fewer changes have taken place in the Sun office. Mr. A. M. Belding, of Apohaqui, whose work the public was already familiar with through "The Ancient Order of Office Seekers," has proved a valuable addition to a rather weak staff. His "Milicete Philosophy" is now a feature of the paper and for brightness and humor equals anything that has appeared in a St. John paper for a long time.

Mr. Payne, the popular associate editor of the Sun, would not, rumor says, object to a good government appointment. Mr. Payne says rumor is correct for once, in so far as it refers to his feelings, but he hasn't heard anything of the appointment.

In the Globe the staff is as steady, reli able and unchangeable as the paper. Since Mr. Jones' departure Mr. Frank Ellis has been regularly engaged on the writing staff, preparing himself for better and more responsible work in the future. Taking into consideration the fact that the Globe is without the spur of opposition, it is an ex cellent evening paper.

Rumor says that opposition will not long be wanting, but that report has been sprung on the public so frequently that no person will believe it now until he hears the newsboys shout the paper. The individual who is credited with its authorship is endowed with more wind than brains and has a better right to be called the "champion newspaper buster" than any now in Canada. His career in this line is a remarkable one. While in his teens he succeeded in duping a confiding type foundry and was able on the credit of his friends to publish a scurrilous sheet of filth and scandal, called the Penny Dip. The horsewhipped editor could not stand the clamors of an indignant public and numerous creditors and the Penny Dip died. Its proprietor, who forgot to pay

for his type or return it to the foundry, after a time went to New York and succeeded in getting on and off most of the papers in the metropolis. He returned to St. John and worked for a time on the Sun and Telegraph.

In November, 1886, with an associate of as agile principle as himself, he started the Daily Standard, an eight-page paper with a "patent inside" and an outside devoid of originality. The paper was issued 30 days and when it died left many an employe and creditor in the lurch. Some four month later, with the aid of the "plate matter and the old Standard advertisements, l started a "weekly scrap-book" of which, tion. Rumor associates Mr. Thomas Reed ex-Secretary of the St. John Building s ciety, with the venture. If the paper mate

The Gripsack is the name of a new monthly which Joe. Knowles and W. K. Reynolds will present to the public. There's nothing wrong with the originality and brains of these gentlemen and it can be depended upon that any production of theirs will be worth all it costs. Gripsack will be for the traveller and will depend largely upon hotels and railroads for its advertising patronage.

Smoke "Derby Cigarettes. Buy "Derby" Cigarettes. "Derby" Cigarettes only 5c. package. Equal to any 15 cent imported.

"Progress" Wanted to See It, but Spectators Were Not Allowed.

TRULY A GREAT GAME.

That was a remarkable game of ball which was played at Long's lake, Tuesday afternoon. The Jubilees and the Seldom feds were the contestants, and the score, a the end of nine innings, was 33 to 33.

The feature of the game was the presence of ladies, not as spectators but as players in both nines. They filled the bases and the outfield with life and beauty, batted with great perseverance and vigor and stole bases as pluckily as any professional could -and they do say Miss C-, second basewoman of the Jubilees, caught captain F-W— out in a fly!

They did some vigorous coaching, too. When the Jubilees' popular pitcher showed signs of going to sleep on a base, they drove him of with sarcasms, and when the handsome catcher took fright and refused to run, they caught his arm and dragged him around. The young ladies of the Seldomfeds say that they were just as energetic as the others, but they didn't have so much chance to show it, becouse their male assistants were smarter, anyway!

W---, of the Nationals, and T ____ cf the corner drug store were the Jubilees' battery; F-Walso of the Nationals, and A- Dof the I. C. R., served in the same capacity for the Seldomfeds. The Jubilees allege that their opponents had a tenth man in the field, in the person of the umpire, but this may be a base slander.

If that game could be repeated on the C. and A. club grounds, with the same players, I would engage to fill the grand stand at \$1 a head.

Trouble About the Hose Tender.

There is a fuss in the fire committee and it appears that there is lots of cause for a fuss. The fire committee, a tew days ago, asked for tenders for Jacket hose, and three city firms, Messrs. Estey, Allwood & Co., T. McAvity & Sons and Wisdom & Fish, put in tenders for Jacket hose. Messrs. W. H. Thorne & Co. put in a tender for three-ply hose, and a Toronto firm named Candee put in a similar one. To the surprise of every one, the majority of the committee voted for the acceptance of Messrs. W. H. Thorne & Co's tender, which was 90 cents, while other St. John firms made it 85 cents, and guaranteed the hose for five years. The chairman of the committee will not, it is said, sign the acceptance of Messrs. Thorne & Co's tender, and the same rumor threatens action against the city if the tender is not accepted. Others say Messrs. Thorne & Co. represents the Toronto firm, and contend that the contract should be given to a St. John house.

Smoke "Morton's Choice."

It Ought to Be Done.

The Halifax Critic suggests that the rear instead of the front, platforms of street cars should be reserved for smokers, pointing out that under the present plan the smoke blows through the car every time the door is opened. The change would be desirable no doubt, though one fails to see why it should be necessary to make any concession at all. Surely there is no smoker who would find it so very hard to put away his cigar during the short time he was on a street-car!

The event of July 2 will be St. Andrew's Church Picnic at Day's Landing.

OUR OWN BOYS IN BLACK

SING, JOKE AND LIFT THE ORATO-RIO SOCIETY OUT OF DEBT.

Good Conundrums in the First Part and Good Acting for the Rest of the Show-Something About the Successful Performances Given by the Amateur Minstrels.

FIRST PART-OLIO.

Opening Chorus, Anvil Chorus......Minstrels

Comic Song, Jenny Johnson.... Mr. Thomas

Song, Travelling Back......Mr. Murray

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he	Comic Song, Dem Chickens Roost too High,
	Mr. Blackadar
it	Song, EvangelineSig. Ronconi
li-	Grand Finale, Cake-WalkMinstrels
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	SelectionsOrchestra
0-	SECOND PART-SPECIALTIES.
e-	Clog Dance
0-	Stump Speech
	JigMr. Stafford
he	Baujo SoloMr. Dinsmore
	Song and DanceMessrs. Madigan and Collins

	A MANAGER'S SCHEME.
Manager	Mr. Masters
Ephraim	Mr. Blackadar
Henry Irving	Mr. Cleveland
	hildMr. Busby
	ellMr. Deforest
	r characters by the company.

Plantation Songs.... Messrs. Matthews and Stafford

"Gentlemen, be seated!"

The six end men indulged in a sweeping courtesy and then they, and the 20 minstrels behind them, sought their chairs. Interlocutor Cleveland announced the overture and the orchestra dashed into a rattling selection. As it died away, the gentleman in the middle called for the opening chorus. It was the Anvil chorus, and Pro- with Clare bowing his thanks. GRESS is prepared to make affidavit that it clothes-and for three hours every person in the audience laughed as often as he or

she could find the breath. "Say, Grover," asked endman Busby, after Blackadar and Harrison had brought down the house with their jokes, "how does the supreme court of New Brunswick resemble a very poor sportsman?"

"The supreme court—a very poor sportsman-I don't know. How does the supreme court resemble a very poor sportsman, William ?"

"Because it went all around the Globe to bag one Hawke!"

"Hi, Jenny Johnson," as sung by Jack Thomas, gave the audience an opportunity to get rid of some of the surplus enthusiasm which this conundrum raised.

Endmen Thomas, Masters and Harrison joked their way through the next interlude. Then Mr. Murray sang, "Travelling Back to Georgia," and Clare Deforest unloosed some dreadful puns.

"Say, Mr. Cleveland," he began, "do you know that notorious character, Billy

"Yes." "I met him the other day by Doc Rankine's pie-foundry, an' he was expirin' aw-

fully — "Perspiring, you mean."

"Yes; that's what I said-expirin'! I told him to go into the New Brunswick railway office to get cool."

"Indeed. Why did you tell him to go into the New Brunswick railway office to get cool ?"

"Because there's Snow up stairs and I saw a man Freeze in there the other day. (Pause and applause.) But he told me I couldn't Cram that story down his throat."

"You might have told him to go up to Chip. Smith's corner," added endman Masters; "there's always a Breeze across the street. If that wasn't enough, he could go into the common council and find Blizard."

This last was pretty bad, but Masters took the curse off by singing "Hush, Little Baby." Then endman Thomas told the audience about his beautiful young lady and endman Masters called attention to the wax model in Turner & Finlay's window and asked "Grover" how the model would resemble the state of things if the minstrels didn't have a good house Thursday night.

model is a sham dame. If we don't have a upon a background of shot, plain, and good house tomorrow night it'll be a ____" striped silks and satins, while in another board of health to take a walk through Before anybody had time to look shocked, window was suspended a large Easter bell these streets. If they do nothing after and will be an inducement for the owner the minstrels lifted their hands and yelled, and when the yell ceased endman Harrison talked about his girl and Mr. Mills sang, "The Old House Far Away."

endman Blackadar's sympathy. He had lost \$300 and wanted to know if he had better advertise. All the endmen had some advice to give, but all agreed that it would pay to advertise. Finally an idea struck endman Blackadar and he asked:

"Whar'd you lose dat money?" "In Carleton."

"You want to get it back?" "Of course I want to get it back." "Advertise for it and offer a reward of

Endman Deforest wanted to know bound to have it some time or other-and where, if the devil lost his tail, he should the younger the better."

go to get a new one, and, after everybody had given it up, named Moncton as the

"Why should he go to Moncton?"

"Because they re-tail bad spirits there." Endmen Busby and Masters punned about the appointment of Dr. Berryman as coroner, and endman Blackadar brought down the house with "Dem Chickens Roost too High," the chorus coming in with fine effect. Jokes by Masters and Thomas were then in order, and Harrison closed the feast of reason and the flow of puns by

"Why is the chief of police—the old man

"I give it up. Why is the chief of police like a rainbow?

storm is over.

might be presented him, and answered:

Thomas, as the endmen skipped off the

While they were absent, Sig. Ronconi sang "Evangeline" with fine effect. When they returned, Deforest, Busby and Harrison were in feminine costume and the cakeunique kind was shown by all the contest- they have a good time! ants, but Deforest took the cake, of course, and the curtain went down on the first part

was never more magnificently given by the interesting as the entertainment given by and the people, that a superintendent's son same number of voices. It ended all too the circle. Mathews danced an excellent is not viewed with favor as the assistant soon. Then the fun began with Fred. clog, though unfortunately he neglected to Blackadar's remarks about his \$25 suit of stop when he got through. Clare Deforest gave a great stump speech, taking his text, "He'll get there just the same," from Barnes' almanac. Stafford's jig was firstclass. Billy Brown's banjo solo proved as taking a feature as always heretofore. The vulgar song and dance by Madigan and Collins deserved to be hissed off the stage, but Mathews' and Stafford's plantation act was very properly applauded. The entertainment closed with a farce that sent every-Blackadar did fine work and Busby specially distinguished himself by his impersonation of a local character.

Was it a good show? Of course it was-except for certain vul-

garities which were contributed by individuals, of which the minstrels as a body knew nothing and for which, therefore, they are not responsible. And these are the gentlemen whose hard work to make it good deserves the thanks of everyone who

Interlocutor—George M. Cleveland. Bones-Fred. Blackadar, A. W. Masters, jr., W. L. Busby.

Tamborines-J. U. Thomas, C. W. Deforest, C. F. Harrison. First Tenors-H. G. Mills, A. Finlay P. Clinch, A. Lindsay, G. Dean, T. Ludow Robinson.

Second Tenors-John Wilson, John Hegan, F. H. J. Ruel.

First Basses-T. Murray, M. Guillod. Second Basses—A. Thompson, A. D. Smith, A. Adams, A. J. Glazebrook, F. H. Hartt, Sig. Ronconi, G. C. Coster, G. B.

Specialty Artists-W. A. Brown, Matthews, J. Stafford. Leader of Orchestra-J. M. White. Conductor-E. E. Gubb.

More fashionable audiences have hardly ver been seen in the Institute than on Wednesday and Thursday nights, and few ever went away better pleased with the entertainment offered them.

Take the Street Cars to St. Andrew's Church Picnic Boat at Indiantown, Monday, July 2.

The Compliment is Deserved.

The Canadian Journal of Fabrics prints an interesting article on Window Dressing, which it illustrates by the following allusion

A correspondent describes the Easter window decorations of a large Eastern dry goods house, which are worthy of special idn't have a good house Thursday night.

Mr. Cleveland gave it up.

"Why," said endman Masters, "that beautiful centre piece, which was placed composed of plain and colored satins composed of various hues, carefully blended, a cluster of roses forming the tongue.

St. John people do not need to be told that the Easter decorations referred to in At this point the interlocutor asked for the above paragraph are those of Messrs. Macaulay Bros. & Co.

Measles Are Ripe. "The measles, which is sweeping through

the juvenile population at such a lively rate, is a queer disease," said a medical man, yesterday. "I found a lady, yesterday, who had never had it, though she had been in the house with it eight times. Another lady patient, who had been exposed to it nine times, has just taken the disease from her little boy. I think everybody is

BON VOYAGE, GENTLEMEN

DR. STEEVES, Jr., GRANTED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

For Four Months—He Will Sail on the Same Steamer with Provincial Secretary McLellan for England-An Assistant Superintendent Appointed Temporarily.

A somewhat lengthy and important meeting of the asylum commission—the local government—was held in the city a few days ago, and several matters of moment were discussed. Among the interesting business of the session was the receipt of a communication from Dr. James I mean, not the new one-like a rain- A. Steeves, jr., asking for four months' leave of absence from the institution!

The commission was given to understand that the assistant superintendent wishes to "Because he always appears after the visit the old country, and while there visit institutions for the insane, and get in-Endman Blackadar wanted to know what | formation for the guidance and use of the is the difference between Tremaine Gard | medical staff in our own institution. Some and John Rankine, and when asked to tell | people are uncharitable enough to suggest he got in position to dodge any bricks that | that such information is greatly needed; but however that may be, the application "One sells watches and the other watches | was granted, and it is understood that the applicant will leave New York for England "That's Rankin 'nough," commented in the steamer which will carry the provincial secretary.

The provincial secretary is going in the interest of the provincial board of agriculture; the assistant superintendent is off for a pleasure trip, and in the meantime will keep an eve on the insane of Great Britain. walk began. Considerable grace of an Bon royage to both gentlemen, and may

There has been an interesting scramble for the position of assistant superintendent for the next four months. The applicants The specialties in the olio were quite as realized, from the opinions of the press superintendent, and who knows but the temporary may prove a permanent appoint-

> So far as the commission is concerned the question was settled at their meeting and a member of the general hospital staff was appointed to fill the vacancy.

The question: Should Superintendent Steeves practice outside the institution and be the acknowledged medical director of an insurance association? is agitating the commission. It is understood that the body home happy in which Masters and majority of these gentlemen disapprove of Dr. Steeves' course in this regard. They are probably waiting for his own action in the matter before hinting their prefer-

The matter was put in a nutshell by a prominent citizen yesterday when he said, "Dr. Steeves is the servant of the people and is not only supported by them, but paid a salary and provided with an assistant. If his work in the institution allows him to practice outside and be the medical director of an insurance association, what need has he of an assistant? He is employed by the government for the people to look after the 500 inmates of that institution. That duty requires all his time. Is he not on the same footing as any employe in any business and what employer would pay his superintendent full wages for half time? It occurs to me that a word from the government would save the province the assistant's salary, or if that be impracticable the superintendent could employ his spare hours looking after the welfare of the institution which, according to all accounts, needs it."

Smoke "Old Chum" Cut Tobacco. "Old Chum Cut" Tobacco, 10c. package. 'Old Chum" Cut Tobacco. Equal to imported 15c. package.

For the Board of Health.

While the council has been thinking of laving a sewer on North street the people living in that locality have been making a sewer of the street. On Sunday last the air in that vicinity was very obnoxious, and one had to walk a good distance before breathing freely. North street has been holding up its end during the week, and if the council doesn't make a move very soon tha place will be so odorous that men will not be able to work there long enough to

Smythe street is also in a disgraceful condition. The only sewer the people on this street know is the gutter and they make every use of it. Progress requests the that-well, there ought to be a new board.

Rogers' Oration Should Be Printed.

Wednesday was commencement day at the Maine State college, Orono, and five of the base ball players who are so well known and liked here, were among the graduates. A programme received by a St. John friend of theirs gives their names and addresses and the titles of their orations as follows:

William Philbrook, Shelburne, N. H .-History and Biography. Edward Henry Elwell, jr., Deering-Im-

Hiram Bertrand Andrews, Cape Elizabeth-Progress in Civilization. Seymour Everett Rogers, Stetson-Our National Game.

GOOD NEWS FOR HORSEMEN.

Entries for the Dominion Day Races at the St. John Driving Park.

The following is the complete list of entries for the races at the St. John Driving Park, Monday:

4- Year-Old Class.

D. J. Stockford, Fredericton, bay filly, Maggie

George Carvill, Portland, grey filly Lady Max, by Sir Charles, dam by Royal George-Red. M. G. Murphy, Portland, black stallion Frank Nelson, by Flying Dutchman, dam by Lord Nelson

C. W. Bell, St. John, bay stallion John A., by Rampart, the by Almont, dam Topsy by Foster

Palmer, he by Gideon-Blue Harry C. Lydiard, Kentville, grey mare Cleopatra, by Prince Lambert-White.

2.50 Class.

Thos. Clark, Simonds, chestnut stallion Mambrino Charta, sire Mambrino Charta, dam by Southerner

W. H. Bowen, St. John, bay mare Duchess, sire Mambrino Charta-Green. W. M. Gordon, Portland, chestnut gelding H. B. Gordon-Red and white.

James Boden-St. John, chestnut mare Buctouche Beauty, sire Flying Frenchman-Black. D. J. Stockford, Fredericton, black gelding Black

Running Race.

Mac-Orange.

A. J. Gross, Moncton, bay mare May Queen, by Neptunus-Old Gold. Hugh McMonagle, Sussex, bay mare Ida Grey,

aged, sire Climax, dam Minme Grey-Blue. Walter McMonagle, Sussex, bay mare Twilight, sire General Ewell, dam Lulu Grey-Red and Blue.

The Official Programme and Rules of Races Arranged on the New Brunswick Circuit.

On Tuesday afternoon and evening, a meeting was held at the Queen hotel, Fredericton, for the purpose of forming a circuit on some of the trotting tracks in the pro-

At that meeting delegates were present from several tracks, St. Stephen being represented by W. F. Todd and C. H. Clerke; Houlton, by A. T. Putnam; Woodstock, by A. Gillman; St. John, by S. T. Golding and J. M. Johnson, and Fredericton by A. A. Sterling and W. P.

Flewelling. W. F. Todd was appointed chairman of the meeting, and W. P. Flewelling secre-

It was decided to form a circuit, to be known as The New Brunswick Circuit, and it was agreed to offer purses for the different classes, and on the dates mentioned

Moosepath Park, St. John, 12th and 13th Sept, 1888. -minute Class......Purse \$125 2.50 Class..... " Free for All Class..... "

Reserved for Special Races..... 250 Entries to close 5th Sept., 1888. St. Stephen Park, 19th and 20th Sept., 1888. 2.40 Class.....

Reserved for Special Races...... 150 Entries close 12th Sept., 1887. Houlton Park, Sept., 1888. 3-minute Class......Purse \$100

Entries close 20th Sept., 1888. Woodstock Park, 29th Sept., 1888. Entries close, 22d Sept., 1888.

Free for All Class.....

Fredericton Park Association Track,

3-minute Class......Purse \$125 Free for All Class..... " Entries close 27th Sept., 1888.

strictly by the rules of the National Trotting association. Entrance money will be 10 per cent. of the purse payable 5 per cent. with nomi-

All the above races will be governed

nation and 5 per cent. the evening before A horse distancing the field will receive first money only. Horses starting in the circuit will be eligible in the same classes,

throughout the circuit. Purses will be divided with 60 per cent. to first, 30 per cent. to second, and 10 per cent. to third.

Arrangements will be made, it is expected, to have American horses brought in in bond and special freight and passenger rates will be applied for on all the different lines of travel.

This arrangement will give the owners of trotting horses a much better chance than was ever before offered in New Brunswick,

of a good horse to have him handled. At the Fredericton meeting there will be additional races for foals of 1886, of 1885 and of 1884.

Going, Going, Going, Up.

There are 75 newsboys selling Progress, and every hour of the week each of these circulation boomers is planning how and where he can sell the most papers. The result last week was that all previous records were broken, and this week the edition is increased 400. The street sales of Progress last week were 1,519 copies, Frank Llewellyn Small, Freeport-Coast of which number Joseph Irvine sold 268 and Douglas McCarthy 253. Notwithstanding these facts, there was not a paper left in the office at 11 o'clock on the morning of publication.