

IN MUSICAL CIRCLES.

Although we have been very quiet lately ments which are to come off in this month, the children's chorus numbers over 100. and in the easter holidays. These combined with the easter church practices will keep us poor choir people pretty busy for sometime to come.

Last week a portion of the St. John's church choir, assisted by other talent, gave a concert in aid of the Springhill sufferers which was very well patronized. I was unable to attend, myself, but hear that it passed off remarkably well. I had heard most of the selections beforehand, and can safely say that it must have been a most enjoyable programme. Mr. J. S. Ford contemplates giving an organ recital on either the 17th or 18th of this month. I do not think that the date is quite decided as yet. Among the selections are the following: Adagio, E. H. Turpin; Grand Offertoire, Batiste; Chopen's 2nd Nocturne Pastorate, Wely; G. Minor Fugue, Bach; Andante variations, Hayden; Allegretio and Finale from 4th Sonata, Mendelssohn. March, "Silver trumpets" Rimbault, Christmas offertorium, J. S.

Oliver Ditson & Co. have just published a song by Mr. Ford, entitled, "Pretty Little Maidens Mine." It is written for a soprano voice.

The concert in St. Stephen's church, on the 10th of this month, gives promise of being a treat. The Philharmonic club will assist, and some of our best local talent, including Mrs. Gilchrist, Mrs. MacIntyre, (nee Dunn) Miss Jennie Young, Mr. Titus, Mr. Daniel and others. One of the concerted things to be sung, is "Schubert's Serenade" for six female voices.

I believe it is quite decided that we are to lose Mr. Daniel, as he has accepted an engagement to sing in some church in Boston, the name of which I am sorry to say I have forgotten, but it is wherever Mr. H. Dow is organist. Mr. Daniel leaves on or amateur, in the audience, to come on the 1st of April, but he will sing in St. | the stage and put up the dumb bells." The John church the remainder of his stay in the city. And now the emergency quartette will have to look out for another

Next Monday evening is the annual meeting of the Oratorio society, when officers will be selected for the ensuing year. After this meeting the rule that the ladies are to pay a fee of \$1 a year will come in force. The pictures of Beethoven and Mendelssohn where on view last Monday evening, and were greatly admired by the members of the society. Work is progressing rapidly on Romberg's Lay of the Bell which

increases in favor with every rehearsal. I think it has been almost decided to have the entertainment and musicale in St. James' Sunday school, on the Wednesday following Easter, so as not to clash with the Church of England institute sale, which will be on Thursday in Easter week, and will probably have a musical programme

The people of St. John's Presbyterian church, assisted by friends, gave a nice little concert on Tuesday evening last and raised about \$50 for the Springhill suffer-

"The Parish Notes" of St. John's church was published this week, and the in one of its columns.

I give way to the election now; it has driven all else from the field this week, and I, with others, must submit. TARBET.

A Parlor Concert in Fredericton.

Fredericton, Mar. 3.—A very enjoyable parlor concert, in aid of the Springhill widows and orphans, was held on Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. David Hatt. An excellent programme was presented, the various numbers being announced by Mr. C. H. B. Fisher.

Mrs. Lemont sang "Old Murie" with for it. her usual sweetness, while Mrs. Fisher's selection, "Home, Dearie, Home," was new to many of her audience. It is a ideas of St. John, and think it a greater charming little song for a mezzo-soprano. Words by Matherley, and the setting by Molloy.

"Marguerita," and Miss Emma Shenton gave a pleasing rendition of "La Zinga- send a recommendation. Acting once a rella," by Campana, although suffering day is as good as a holiday to the majority, from a severe cold.

Mr. Duff sang a fine bass solo, and "The song that reached my heart," was well rendered by Mrs. Lugrin.

thought" with much expression, and Mr. in the Bijou, to ponder over. Duncan, of Marysville, a rollicking ditty about a worthy named McCarthy. The accompaniment to this was one of the real old Irish jigs.

Miss Johnston, who has just finished a course at the Toronto conservatory, played only been necessary on one occasion to an "Impromptu" by Chopin, and Miss use extreme measures-the imposition of Binley a violin solo, "Keine Valser."

dolin) and Miss Ethel Hatt (guitar) met fresh and talkative on the stage soon peated.

The amateur orchestra, which has been team to be "sat upon." lately organized, contributed three numbers to the programme. They played well, and the closing galop was especially good.

It is quite probable that you may need the ser pone the time indefinitely by keeping your blood cure .- Advt.

The concert was a great success, and upwards of \$60 was realized. I hear rumors of other concerts, which will come off in our musical circles I am glad to say in the near future. One is announced for that I hear of quite a number of entertain- the 14th. It is to be in the city hall, and

"KAYE." TALK OF THE THEATRE.

The Bijou opens Monday night with an entire new company, with the exception of Jim Curran, who seems to be looked upon as a permanent fixture. Even Professor De Lorme is no more. The Bijou patrons all know "the professor," although he never appeared on the stage. He sometimes took a turn at the piano, however, people. He played in Kingman, Me., four and those in the back seats who, perhaps, could not see him, always knew he was there by the expression of disgust on the faces of the performers who had to act and sing to his music.

The trip to Fredericton and Calais was a success, although in the capital the elections monopolized everything. At Calais, however, the company got a grand reception, and made a big thing of it.

An amusing incident occurred while the company was at Fredericton. Prof. Ashley's company, which, it will be remembered, showed at Berryman's hall some time ago, had been giving performances at the capital, selling medicine, pulling teeth, and doing a number of other things too numerous to mention. When the Bijou company opened there, Prof. Ashley's "stars" were on hand, and being professionals, were admitted to the show free. They apparently enjoyed it immensely until Prof. Blatt came on to do the heavy lifting, and made his stereotyped request for "any gentleman, professional invitation was not accepted. The next day, however, the little fellow in Ashley's | thrust by the Corsician Assiani." company, who balances anything from a plow to a piece of paper, on his chin, met Blatt on the street and wanted blood. He claimed that he was the "professional" referred to in the invitation, and that Blatt was trying to injure his reputation. The difference in the size of the two men had something to do with the peacefulness of Fredericton until the show left town.

Mr. Mackay is endeavoring to make dates with Atkison & Cooke's minstrels, an organization which is said to have a good reputation. They have a full brass band and a number of new features. If arrangements can be made, Mr. Mackay will take them to Fredericton, Calais and perhaps other provincial towns.

Breaking horseshoes seems to be all the rage, now-a-days, and the boys think it isn't as hard a feat as might be supposed. doings of the choir are duly commented on Hugh McCarty, who looks after the gallery gods at the Bijou, called at the office the other day, with half a horseshoe in each pocket. It was one of Prof. Blatt's, which McCarty found on the stage and pulled at with his bare hands until, to judge by his hair, one would think he had been in for a swim. But he broke the horseshoe fair in the centre and thinks of putting it in a glass case. I hear that several other people accomplished the same feat, and I know a number who worked hard and long, but the horseshoes are none the worse

Variety artists seem to have strange gold mine than the opposition candidates did while running the election. This is the impression one gets from a glance at Miss Lugrin sang Meyer Helmund's the figures they ask for one week engagements. And some of them don't even and that is all the work they do at the Bijou. Yet some of them want \$75 a week and expenses as an inducement to leave the hub. This is something for Mr. Racey gave "One sweetly solemn those who think there is a mint of money

Then again easy times do not seem to agree with some of them, and the managers have to exert themselves in order to keep up the reputation of the house. So far it has a fine upon the performers. The Felix and A duet by Miss Blanche Tibbits (man- Claxton team had to pay it. They got with great applause and had to be re- after they made their first appearance, and had the "honor" of being the first

> Talking about the way the Bijou is conducted, reminds me of the institute. When one thinks of the order kept in the gallery of

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the high priced house as compared with that of the Bijou, it causes a smile. Mr. McCarty, the coming horseshoe breaker, is responsible for the order at the latter place; although he says he has to go against the law to do it. The ruling of the magistrate in the case brought before him, in which McCarty was fined for putting a man named Carney out of the hall, left the impression that so long as a man paid his money to see a show, he could stand up, sit down, or do anything he pleased. If the patrons of the Bijou gallery took this view of it, and imagined they had the law on their side, it is quite probable that there would be a more interesting performance in the gallery than

One of the attractions next week will be the Scotts. They will have something new to St. John, in the way of shadowgraphs, introducing a naval battle.

The versatile Webber is in Maine doing a splendid business. Calais gave him good houses and the opening of the new opera house at Danforth afforded a week of successful and popular entertainment to the nights and is at Winn now; Lincoln next week and Bar Harbor, March 14-21.

ROUGH ON THE OLD MAN.

He Lost His Bet, but Saved the Countess

Aime Millet, the French sculptor who died a few weeks ago, was an habitue of the Divan Lepelletier, a Bohemian club in Paris frequented by artists, authors, and newspaper men. His best friend in the club was Paul Duplessis, the novelist, who long edited the feuilleton in the Patrie. The two men had a standing engagement to meet at the club every evening shortly before dinner. One evening when Duplessis was late Millet strode impatiently up and down the reception room, striking his hands before and behind him, and eagerly eveing his watch every five minutes. Finally Duplessis arrived, forty-five minutes late. Millet sprang to him and caught him by both shoulders.

"What's the matter?" ejaculated the "A question," answered Millet. "My father reads your serial novel in the Patrie with tremendous care and interest. Yesterday you left the countess in a most critical position. She had fallen into an am bush of those who were intent on getting her out of the way. Must she really die?" "Yes," answered Duplessis, "she must

Millet dropped into a chair, struck his fist on the table, and exclaimed:

"I have no luck-no luck at all." "But what has that to do with my coun-

tess?" asked the novelist. "Everything. My father bet with me that the countess would die. I took his bet, because I thought you would be obliged to rescue her from her perilous position so as to use her in the rest of the

"How much did you bet?"

"Ten louis d'or." "The devil you did! That's too much." "Yes, yes, too much, and I with all my debts," wailed Millet. "Can't you help

Duplessis reflected a minute, looked at his watch, and said: "It is nine o'clock. The page on which my story appears will go to press in half an hour. If we hurry we may reach the office

in time to save the Countess." In an instant Millett was in the street shouting for a cab, and Duplessis was close behind him. Both men were hatless. The cab came, they jumped in, and drove off like mad to the office of the *Patrie*. They arrived there at the last minute. The section of the novel prepared for the next day inward nearly touching the chest. The was hastily withdrawn and a harmless African story was shoved into its place. Duplessis worked all night saving the Countess, and appeared on the following afternoon at the *Patrie* office with a revised edition of the next chapters of his novel. The Countess had been saved, and with her Millet's ten louis d'or .- N. Y. Sun.

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Simply Monstrous.

From the Sunday Globe, Boston, Mass., Oct. 19, '90. "Jimminy Cricket h'aint that a big 'un" was the street, a few afternoons since, as the writer stood conversing with a gentleman near the Albany railroad bridge not far from the junction of West Chester Park and Boylston street. The cause for the boys surprise was found to be an announcement upon thelong bill-board, lately erected for a famous theatrical company, opposite from where we were standing. A few minutes observation convinced us that the boys were not the only persons attracted to this enormous spread of matter. The board is the very largest in the world, and the amount of paper used to cover it would make the fortune of every Italian Count rangicker upon the streets of Roston. very largest in the world, and the amount of paper used to cover it would make the fortune of every Italian Count rag-picker upon the streets of Boston. Laborers stopped work, horse cars stopped, pedestrians halted in wonderment, as Mr. J. W. Black, Boston's old, well known photographer focused his famous thousand dollar, wide angled lens upon the great bill-board, to obtain by the sun's mysterious chemical touch an enduring photograph of the statements and familiar legends thereon. Among the chief of which was the following. "It holds the fort while Old Jed Prouty is away!" "Every mother should have it in the house for Autumn colds, soreness, lameness in body or limb;" Think of it, Johnson's Anodyne Liniment unlike any other was orignated by an old family physician in 1810;" "without real merit, could it have survived for eighty years?" These in bold letters, some of which nearly six feet tall, proved to be what astomshed the boys. This big sign demonstrates one point clearly; the courage and persistence requisite to be successful advertisers, like I. S. Johnson & Co., the proprietors of Johnson's Anodyne Liniment; nothing daunts them. But after all, it is their forcible, persistent, courageous style of advertising which has made them successful, until they are now classed among the foremost advertisers of the day.

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And yet her manner had been kind, But he no further speech could find Than those two simple words,"Good night."

But he had softly pressed her hand, And met with his her glance, half shy, And thought, "She'll surely understand The language of the hand and eye.

And as he homeward took his way With this bright hope his heart was light;
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Poisoning in India.

The Bengal police have published the following extraordinary warning to passengers at all the stations on the Eastern Bengal railway: "Passengers are hereby cautioned against taking anything to eat or drink from unknown persons, as there are many who live by poisoning travellers.

"They first of all court acquaintance with passengers in an inn or some other place, and then gain their confidence on the plea of being fellow-travellers going to the

"When they reach a place convenient for the purpose, they poison the water or food of the passengers, who become insensible, and then they decamp with all their property.

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Mrs. Porkly-"I often wonder how people manage to understand each other in France."

Mrs. Gotham-"How absurd!" Mrs. Porkly-"I don't think it absurd at all. Both my daughters speak French, and they can't understand each other."-Harper's Bazar.

A lawyer was pleading before a Scotch judge, and his cliaet happening to be present, whose name was Miss Tickle, com menced his speech in the following strain: "Tickle, my client, the defendant, my lord——" The audience, amused with the oddity of the speech, were almost thrown into hysterics by laughter on the judge very innocently replying—"Tickle her yourself; you are as well able to do it as I."—Ex.

A story is told of a man who was horrified to find his son imbued with Darwinism. There was many an argument between father and son on the subject of evolution. One of them, the old gentleman, wound up by this excited remark-"Well you may have had a monkey for a tather, but I want you to understand that I hadn't."-Ex.

Sir William Brown, a pompous sort of a man, being at a parish meeting, made some proposals which were objected to by a farmer. "Sir, do you know that I have been to two Universities?" "Well, sir," said the farmer, "what of that? I had a calf that sucked two cows, and the observation I made was the more he sucked the greater calf he grew." Sir William never heard the last of that .- Ex.

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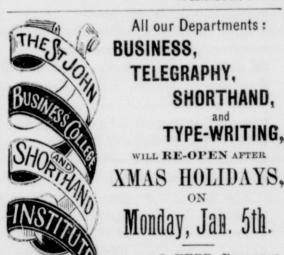
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