

IN MUSICAL CIRCLES.

After the long period of stagnation we have put in during the summer months, anything in the shape of concert or opera will be doubly welcome. And apropos of opera, we will all be glad of the opportunity of hearing Miss Dora Wiley in Vera next week at the Mechanics' Institute. Miss Wiley's impersonation of Patience, and Phoebe in Billee Taylor will long be remembered, and with her name memories arise of the time when St. John was occasionally favored with a fairly good opera company, and not left to languish for two and three years at a stretch without anything of the kind.

On Tuesday evening the "old musical club" (I call it that still for want of a better name) met at Miss Clinch's, King street. There were a good many visiting musicians outside the regular club members who helped to make the programme a success. Miss May Elise Fellows, of Boston, contributed three very delightful violin solos. A Romance by Loendsen Raff's, Cavatina and something by Paginini. Miss Drake, also of Boston, sang "Oh, promise me" by de Koven, and a pretty little song called "Celeste." Father Davenport's selections were "My heart ever Faithful," by Bach, and Valentine's song from Fayst. Mrs. J. R. Armstrong sang "Would I were with Thee," by Lassen. Miss Jarvis and Miss Clinch gave as a piano duet the overture of Tannhauser, and Mr. Geo. Wilson performed two piano solos, I am sorry to say I have forgotten what the first was, but the second was Gottchalk's "Dying Poet." Miss Homer gave a charming Valse Impromptu by Moskonski. Before commencing the programme Mr. I. Allen Jack read a most interesting paper on Richard Wagner and his works. A very pleasant evening was spent and I fancy the club people were all pleased to know that the series of musicales had once more begun. good many visiting musicians outside the

begun.

At the service to be held in St. John's on Sunday evening, when the rector will take church music for the subject of his sermon. Dr. Boyce's anthem, "Oh! where shall wisdom be found!" will be sung and also the setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis by W. A. C. Cruickshank.

Among the soloists of the exhibition concert are Miss Anna Mack, of the Ladies' college, Sackville, Mr. J. M. White, Miss Emma Shenton and Mr. L. W. Titus. Rehearsals are being held every week and Mr. Hall expects to make his concert a great success.

Miss May Elise Fellows, Mrs. Fellows, Mrs. W. G. Lawton and Miss Martie Lawton were passengers by the State of Maine on Wednesday morning.

Miss Sarah Drake, who has been making an extended visit in the city, left for her home in Boston on Friday marning.

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Miss Lizzie Smith is visiting in Digby.

Mrs. Wm. Bowden is expecting her daughter,
Mrs. Babbitt, of Parrsboro, the first of next week.

She will be accompanied by Miss Flossie Bowden.

Miss Hitchens' school of music is open after the summer vacation. Miss Chaffee will not teach in the school this winter as Miss Hitchens had hoped.

TARBET.

#### SPORTS OF THE SEASON.

All the local athletes will take part, and some from outside the province. Secretary Ferguson has been busy making arrangements that will satisfy those who visit the grounds during the afternoon, and has made changes in the programme that should meet with general approval. The still events will be sandwiched in amongst the races, which will do considerable to relieve the monotony. For the 440 yards which is expected to be the event of the day, O'Rielly and Vincent are both entered and the expectations for a good race are well founded.

Another new idea that will meet the approval of the people will be a large blackboard placed in full view of the grand stand, on which will be placed the number of every contestant, the event, and the time made. This will add to the interest been engaged to furnish music.

The medals for the sports are very handsome, and no two have the same design. In all the events second prizes will to time of writing indicate that they will be worth trying for.

The A. A. club has had a great season, the membership being larger than ever, and the finances in a good condition. Base ball has helped the latter somewhat this year, as the 24th of May games netted quite a sum, and there were no unprofitable games to absorb it.

Secretary Allingham of the Union lacrosse club arrived home Saturday from a trip to Montreal where he had an opportunity of seeing several good exhibitions of his favorite game. He also met some prominent members of the Montreal amateur athletic association, who were very much interested in maritime province athletics. They say that an effort will be will please remember that the stock list is made to increase the interest in inter-provincial sports. Last year the Montreal association sent a number of its athletes to compete in some Ontario cities, and as a result a number of strangers appeared on annual sports, among whom was Frank White of this city. The association now proposes to send men to take part in sports held in the maritime provinces and some of the wax figures, keep there faces and necks clean and brush their clothes. This is supposed to be done out of business hours, but occasionally some of the helpers hours, but occasionally some of the helpers and gested itself as a plaything.

association have decided to have two days racing during exhibition week, viz., on Wedr lay and Thursday, October 7 and 8, for which \$1.100 in purses will be offered. Following is the programme:

fore a funny coincident that on the day the young German emperor accepted the resignation of the old iron chancellor, the

class, \$150; 2.40 class, \$150; 2.30 class, \$300; running race, \$150. Entries will close with W. P. Flewelling, sec'y, on 1st October. No money will be required to be forwarded, but each entry will be held for

at St. John and Fredericton, any horse collar.

eligible to start in any class on the 22nd Sept. will be allowed to enter in that class.

A Fredericton correspondent writes: The prospects for a particularly good show of horses and cattle at the Fredericton exhibition are excellent, and between the exhibition, the races, and the other attraccensions, which are being arranged for, and other amusements, it is expected that a large number of people will visit Fredericton during the week. The wonderful horse, Linus, will be exhibited here, and, as a counter attraction, a Shetland pony colt, now about 10 days old, which will not weigh over 25 pounds, owned by the Messrs. Edgecombe of this city, will be shown. Notwithstanding the fact that considerable canvassing was done against it, the directors of the park association have decided to apply for membership in the national trotting association, and their races will be conducted under its rules.

#### Excursions To Boston and Eastport.

The International Steamship company is offering liberal inducements for those who want to spend a vacation in the very best possible way. The autumn is the most desirable time to visit Boston. The air is cool, the theatres are open, and everyone is in good humor. Another trip and one that will suit people whose time is limited, is a sail to Eastport, and return the following day. There is much of interest in Eastport and vicinity and there is an amount of pleasure in a sail down the bay.

#### The Halifax Exhibition.

The exhibition to be opened at Halifax on Sept. 29 promises to be the best ever held in Nova Scotia. The committee in charge has been very active, and has received the hearty co-operation of the leading men in the province. The programme for the exhibition season includes music by kindly spirit, aroused no doubt by the military and volunteer bands, cricket wine they had drunk, proposed to her pro-The sports on the A. A. grounds today matches, grand concerts, fireworks, horse tectors to place her in the conservatory as promise to be of more than usual interest. races, and a number of other features which should draw a crowd.

### Ready for the Line.

The Star line of steamers will not be behind the times during the exhibition. Excursion tickets at one fare will be issued to all points along the river, and no doubt very many people will take that opportunity to visit the city. The Soulanges has been taken from the Washdemoak route and placed on the excursion route again.

# An Exhibit From Abroad.

Messrs. J. A. Rudd & Co. of Brockville, Ont., manufacturers of Rudd's patent carriage top and Rudd's hand-made harness so well known throughout Ontario and Quebec, will make an exhibit at the fair of the sports. The Citizens band has which is but a preliminary step toward enlarging their trade in the maritime prov-

# It is Well Worth Reading.

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# The Latest Now on Hand.

Mme. Kane has returned from a visit to the United States, where she has been making herself familiar with all the latest styles in millinery. Her store on Union street will be an interesting spot for ladies looking for fall and winter millinery.

# Only a Few Days Left.

Those who are thinking of taking stock in the Wilmot Spa Springs Co. (Ltd.) only open till the 22nd Sept., when all applications must be considered by the known for centuries, was not discovered to directors, and this is final.

# A Wax Figure of An Emperor Beheaded.

hours, but occasionally some of the helpers gested itself as a plaything.

Thus is the world indebted to chance for get caught. One of these things which The Y. M. C. A. ball team has been in communication with a Halifax tears with a view of arranging games in that city and if terms can be agreed upon, will make the trip. The directors of the Fredericton park went among the crowned wax heads with brush and comb. The heads of these figures are fastened on in such a way that they can be easily removed. It was there-8, for which \$1.100 in purses will be offered. Following is the programme:

Stake race for foals of 1889, added money, \$50; foals of 1888, or younger, trotting, purse, \$150; foals of 1887, or under, trotting, purse \$150; 3-minute class, \$150; 2.40 class, \$150; 2.30 class, before them beheaded.

This recalled to the manager's mind the fact that on a recent occasion it became The following are among the local horses that are mentioned as likely to take part in these races: D'Arcy, Frank E., Sir Wilkie, Bessie Clay, Harry M., Dred, George All Right, Claymo and Sir Garnet. Of these, three or four will probably be entered in the St. John races. In order to allow horses to trot in the same classes at St. Laboratory of the soiled linen was removed. The soiled linen was removed linen was removed. The dresser discovered that the fresh collar was too small and went out to get one that would fit. He was called away from this mission before he got out of the building and forgot it afterward. It was noticed later in the day that Mr. Gladstone had been standing in the pressure of blood and skin diseases than all other remedies combined. Sold everywhere. Price, Cuticura. 75c.; Soap, 35c.; RESOLVENT, \$1.50. Prepared by the Potter Drug and Chemical Corporation, Boston, Mass. Send for "How to Cure Skin Diseases."

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CHANCE IN LIFE.

Many Great Inventions Born of Strange Circumstances.

It has been remarked by various writers as somewhat singular that the curiosities of chance have never suggested themselves to any writer enticingly enough to give the world a book under that title. That such a book would prove a romance of interest no one who reads can doubt, for how many great concerns have been begun or ended, how many momentous battles won and lost, how many great discoveries made and secrets lost, how many things great and little done and undone, by chance happenings in themselves nothing? It has been said that there never was an individual born whose whole career did not hinge upon a chance or accident. Whether or not an assertion so broad ond sweeping be tions of torchlight processions, parade of true, it is a fact that the history of men the knights of pythias, bands, balloon as- who have stood in the foremost ranks is rich with instances of the effect of happy chance or accident.

Wallenstein, the great captain, who never lost a battle, was, until the age of manhood, little better than an idiot, until a chance fall down a stone staircase injured his head, but cleared his clouded intellect. Mohillon was a mere idiot until a similar happy chance fall restored him to reason. The golden genius of Charles Dickens might have remained unsuspected but for chance. Dickens in early life was enamored of the stage. After many attempts he succeeded in gaining a promise from the manager of the Covent Garden theatre to accord his histrionic powers a private hear-

A chance exposure to a rainstorm brought on a cold which prevented Dickens from keeping his engagement, and thus the stage lost an aspiring actor, while literature gained a king. Thowaldsen, the great Danish sculptor, after working for months unrecognized in Rome, determined, in despair, to return bome and lay down the sculptor's chisel forever. A chance error by a careless clerk in drawing his passport detained him twenty-four hours. During that interval of waiting Mr. Hope walked into his studio, admired his Jason in clay, and aroused the despondent Dane's hope by ordering a copy in marble. Ther-waldsen unpacked his boxes, and never afterward in his long career lacked patron-

Rachel, the great tragedienne, was, when a child, a street singer, and as such might have passed into womanhood and old age had not a party of critics dining together chanced to hear her loud, clear voice beneath their windows. They observed the child's wonderful face and eyes, and in a

Of Benjamin Disraeli there was a story longer support the expense of a seat in cian. -A. parliament. Accident or chance threw him in the way of a noted money lender in London, who liked the brilliant young dandy on first sight, and did what he had never done before nor ever afterward to any man, lent Disraeli £5,000 on no other security than his genius and ambition. Disraeli never forgot the service, and never tired, so the story goes, of returning it in the various ways which his after influence enabled him to do.

Of all the thousands who every day glanced at the swinging lamps suspended from the roof of the Cathedral of Pisa, not one saw any principle involved in their regular motion until Galileo, searching for a means to regulate the movements of a clock, chanced to behold them, and instantly hit upon the idea of the pendulum. Montgolfier, the father of æronauts, chanced to see a piece of paper placed on the top of a coffee pot swell and rise as the steam distended it, and conceived the idea

Schanward, a Nuremburg glass cutter, chanced to spill a drop of aquafortis on his spectacles. Attempting some time afterward to wipe it off, he found that it had corroded, and the idea of etching on glass dawned on him. The chance lack of pen and ink to a lazy author caused him to jot down words on a rough stone, which, on trying to clean, he found transferred its impressions to paper. Thus was the in-calculably valuable discovery of the lithographic stone made. Glass, according to Pliny, was discovered by an accident. A party of merchants. travelling with niter for lack of stones to build a fire on, used

What was their astonishment to behold, as the fire grew intense and the niter was burned, a transparent fluid running over known for centuries, was not discovered to exist as a universal force until chance threw together a combination of elements which made the fact clear to an observing which made the fact clear to an observing

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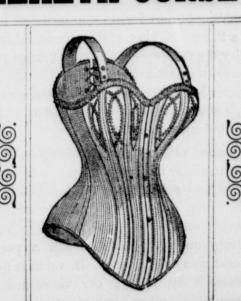
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