

Correspondence.

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That Awful Reporter.

To the Editor of the Examiner:

SIR,—With regard to the controversy now going on between "Looker On" and "J. Seller," it is evident that each in his anxiety to shift the "odium" to shoulders other than his own, thinks that he can best do so by throwing blame upon the Reporter.

In self defence, the Reporter has only to say that "he is not a prophet nor the son of a prophet," and therefore being unable to devise what the witnesses might have meant to say, he simply took their words as uttered, and if these words differed so newsworthy, or at all, from the impression which the witness intended to convey, the fault is not his.

For information he quotes from the letters as follows:—

"Looker On" says I should have known better than to say that the dog was roasted in the Baptist Church. The words, Mr. Editor, which I stated in my evidence were:—"They roasted the dog in the old Baptist Church, then used as a Hall.—John Seller's letter 13th.

I saw Mr. Seller's evidence as given in the Daily EXAMINER, which reads as follows:—"The first deprecation was that a dog of mine was roasted in the Baptist Church. The next was my plow, etc." If I am wrong it is the reporter's fault. I will leave the reporter and Mr. Seller to settle the case.—"Looker On's" letter, 15th.

Poor "Re." With humility he is compelled to stand—without murmuring—the brunt of every bull to which the Legislator, the Judge, the Counsel or Witness gives utterance. "It is right he should, the vagabond," says an inconsistent and ungenerous public. "No silver-tongued orator of this community is guilty of such misnomers as he oftentimes writes." For instance, if Mr. S. incorrectly says a dog of mine was roasted in the Baptist Church, and reporter, in correction writes: "A dog of mine was roasted in the old Baptist Church, then used as a hall"—that's Mr. S. But if Mr. S. incorrectly says: "A dog of mine was roasted in the Baptist Church," and reporter writes the sentence *verbatim*—that's the reporter. "The stupid fellow!" "He mistook my meaning!"

No matter how incomprehensible may be the speaker's utterance, Reporter must write its meaning in full. If a paragraph will not contain it, foot-notes must be supplied, and sometimes illustrations.

Again, if an individual faints while on the witness stand, it will not do for the reporter to plainly note the fact in common expression. No! He must handle it gently, and say: "The witness, at this juncture, succumbed to the feculent atmosphere which invaded the dingy court-room, owing to a lack of ventilation. Becoming exceedingly delicate, he was assisted from the apartment by two tall, robust police men," etc., etc. If you write, "witness-fainted," the consequence is: An elder brother of that witness, in correction, will write a letter containing—unintentionally, perhaps—"more razor than meaning," adding thereto a "P. S.," giving the definition of the word "faint," and an "N. B." for the editor, to the effect that "his brother did not faint. He only got weak."

This makes the reporter unhappy. His miseries begin; they continue. Can they not be ended? Yes! The remedy is simple, i. e.: Let the legislator shoulder his own bulls; let the judge shoulder his, the counsel his, and the witness his. When this desideratum is attained the reporter will be perfectly willing to shoulder any mistake that may be left; but the present game of making the reporter carry the whole burden is becoming monotonous, and can not be longer tolerated. Men see the absurdity of it, and hereafter when a bull appears the chancellars ten to one that they will be correct if they attribute such to the speaker and not to the

REPORTER.

Ch'town, Jan. 16, 1879.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—Will you kindly allow me a small space in your journal in reply to an article in the King's County Advertiser, over the signature of a "Montague Man," relative to a trial, or a scene as he describes it, which took place at Montague on Christmas Eve.

"Montague Man" says, "When I entered the Court Room, Campbell was pleading with the Magistrate to allow him (the Defendant) the liberty of defending his case. Then an altercation took place between the J. P.'s and the Defendant, which led to the swearing in of special constables."

"Montague Man's" opinion of law and equity and how cases ought to be conducted in Court, compares favorably with the trio who were deliberating on this occasion—that the offender, or defendant, had no right to plead or to be pleaded for; that he was too notorious to get a fair and an impartial hearing. "Montague Man" even invites the villagers to meet *en masse* next Court and have mob law established in place of a British Court, where even justice is meted out to every man without fear or favor.

One of the trio who presided on this occasion was the present nominee of the present Local Government, and it being the first case at which he had the honor to preside, he was so much elated that he lost his equilibrium. He informed the audience that he had taken the oaths of office and that the statutes were placed in his hands, shewing a balance, and that he was empowered and determined to rebuke, and compel the people to bow to his authority; and no doubt assuming to himself the power of one of the ancient monarchs, that whom he will he kept alive; and who he will he destroyed. It is no wonder that a little disorder or rather laughter was created outside the bar, and that a few Christ boxes were exchanged other than those customary on that day. I would advise these would-be lawyers to

try some other calling that will lead to a wider range of thought for their lofty and vain imagination, and leave the business of the law to men who will give the matter a little more careful study.

A BRUDENELL MAN.

Jan. 15, 1879.

Local and Other Items.

W. CAMPBELL, Esq., M. P. P., is in town.

Last night the thermometer registered 19 below zero.

EDWARD HACKETT, Esq., M. P., is in town.

STORM DRUM was ordered up at 12.30 p. m., to-day.

OWING to the storm on the 15th inst., the meeting to be held at the Rustico Bank Hall, is postponed until Thursday, the 23rd January, inst., at 6 o'clock, p. m.

The Patriot is pleased with Sir John, because it is said that he is going to make Mr. Ritchie Chief Justice. But it will not allow that Sir John has won distinction as a lawyer!

THE WHEREABOUTS of Pius McKinnon—the most important witness in the Johnstone-Millner case—is at present unknown. Report says he is living with his relatives in the vicinity of Souris and is unwilling to attend as an evidence at the coming trial.

THE CHATHAM Debating Club will debate the following question to-morrow night: "Was the Imperial Government justified in going to war with the Ameer of Afghanistan." Mr. John Lawson opens the debate. Club meets at 8 o'clock, in Full's Brick Building, up stairs.

DIFFERENT WAYS OF TWISTING 'EM.—The author of the anagram, printed in a former number, "Disraeli—I lead, sir," sends us its companion, "Gladstone—G. leads not." On the other hand, a Liberal anagrammatist puts it the other way, telling us "Gladstone—Doesn't lag, while "Disraeli is—Idle airs," and Beaconsfield, in Latin, "Fidens celabo," and in English, "Coined fables."—Punch.

A CABLEGRAM from London to L. C. Owen, Esq., reports that the barque *L. De V. Chipman*, Archibald, master, foundeded at sea. This vessel sailed from Souris on the 14th December, with a cargo of oats for the United Kingdom. The cablegram does not state whether the crew was lost or saved.

A DISPATCH from Picton Landing reports that the *Northern Light* has not yet arrived, and is not visible from there. The Gulf is full of heavy ice, and no open water visible. The mails are to be forwarded to the Capes to-night from the Post Office in this city, as the appearance of the Gulf from Cape Traverse is reported to indicate good crossing.

We have heard complaints from residents of West River, says the Patriot, about a man named Christy, who was burnt out at Long Creek in December, and who ever since has been going round the country begging, and has succeeded in getting a considerable quantity of money and produce by that means. Our informant tells us that the man's loss by the fire was trifling; that he is quite able to work for his living, but is too lazy; and that he is anything but a deserving object of charity.

REV. R. B. McDONALD delivered his timely, judicious and eloquent lecture on "How to read and what to read," to a large audience assembled in St. Patrick's Hall, last evening. Complimentary remarks were made upon it by the Revs. D. McDonald and J. McDonald, of St. Dunstan's College, and by Hon. A. A. McDonald and Mr. James Hughes. On motion of the latter two gentlemen, the learned lecturer was tendered a unanimous vote of thanks. St. Patrick's Brass Band discoursed good music before and after the lecture.

TOADYISM EXTRAORDINARY.—On Dit.—That an *impromptu* toast of "wine on the lee" and other good things was generously provided by our Grit Railroad Superintendent, in No. 10 car, at Georgetown, in honor of our Minister of Marine and Fisheries, on the eve of his departure for Ottawa, a short time ago. That the said Superintendent, in calling on the guests to fill their glasses for the toast—the health of his honor the Minister of Marine, etc.—ex-patiated on the great advantages to this Province of having such an able man as the Hon. J. C. Pope in the Dominion Cabinet. Could this concentrated essence of meanness and duplicity do more?—Com.

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