

greatest enemies sent messengers to him beseeching him for his portrait, that they might copy and print it that they might make money thereby.

26. And Wallace wondered much whether those who had acted as they had done were entitled to accuse him of "cheek," or whether the beam in their own eye obscured their vision.

LOCAL LACONICS

In Answer to Correspondents.

WE have received numerous letters, many of which we have not time or ability to answer. We will answer, as far as we can, and correspondents not finding their letters answered may infer that we decline to do so.

"Pedestrian."—Yes; we believe with you that the traffic at the door in Market Street ought to be stopped, but it has been so often complained of already through the press and otherwise that the insertion of your letter would do little good. However, as you say, when some "big bug" is hurt, or some youngster killed, it may then be time to take the matter up.

"Observer."—Look to your spelling. You say you have

heard the "cookoo" already. That is nothing strange. We, ourselves, heard the Cook(oo) in November last, and several times since.

"Licence."—No; you are not bound to treat a detective if he fails to nab you. Of course, you can treat him with—civility.

"Economy" says—"We ought to take the offer of an enterprising merchant in the city, who makes 'no charge for cartage,' instead of making a railway to the gasworks."

"St. Crispin."—No; don't believe it, it is all fudge. He has had a "giving-up business sale" ever since he commenced business.

"(S)masher."—1. Yes; you may in a select company only but not promiscuously. 2. No; Mr. B—— is not the author of the new dance, though indirectly he may be said to be so.

"Ignoramus."—No; Mr. Thom is not the Provost of the city, at least not yet.

"Inquirer."—Of course,