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Cartoon Comments.

LEADING CARTOON.—The Franchise Bill has been amended in some particulars, and in the direction of greater fairness, but it may yet be described as a very effective weapon, and, in the hands of a Ministry that saw fit to use it to its full capacity, it would prove a veritable Gatling gun. This is a point that ought to occur to those who are giving the measure an earnest support on party grounds. It is well worth their while to consider what the result to their own side will be when, in the course of human events, the parties change places on the Treasury Benches. Of course the calculation is that this particular "human event" never can, and never will come to pass; the ministerialists stake their all on the chance of getting the bill carried through with its most effective features intact, and once that is done, they entertain no fear of the future. But the man who thinks seriously over the question will duly weigh the possibilities of the gun being by some chance captured by the enemy, and the interesting results that would be likely to flow from that event.

FIRST PAGE.—It is the pleasant practice of the partizans of this country who happen for the time to be out of office, to seize upon every opportunity to embarrass the Government of the day, without much regard to the interests of the general commonwealth. The appearance of a Canadian Minister in the money market of London to negotiate a loan,

is always looked upon as a precious chance of getting in some patriotic Opposition work. Sir Leonard Tilley has found it necessary to interview Mr. John Bull on this delicate subject again, and is now engaged in the task. The opportunity has of course been seized, and already expressions calculated to make the Finance Minister's work more difficult have appeared in the *Globe* and other Opposition organs.

EIGHTH PAGE.—The fact that many citizens who have hitherto been identified with the Conservative party have signed the popular petition against the Franchise Bill stuns and bewilders the straight-out, thick-and-thin adherents of the Ministry. Like the policeman in the *Pirates of Penzance*, they exclaim in chorus, "We can't understand it at all!" It is not wonderful that politicians of the Rykert pattern (and there are many such in both parties) should be utterly unable to comprehend the idea of placing country before party in a grave crisis. Such men, swayed entirely by self-interest, have long since bartered away their political manhood and cannot be expected to recognize it in others.

EXTRA CARTOON.—The session of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge, I. O. G. T., is now going on this city. On Tuesday the delegates were welcomed by the Lieut.-Governor, the Minister of Education, and other representative men, in the presence of a vast audience. The Order represented by this Right Grand Lodge is cosmopolitan, having well-nigh half a million members scattered over the world. In it men and women of every creed and complexion meet on equal ground. The grand work being done by the Good Templars in the cause of "Total Abstinence for the Individual and Prohibition for the Community," it would be hard to over-estimate. The Order is in command of great financial resources, and where money is wanted to sustain the fight in any quarter of the world, it is forthcoming through this channel. Hon. J. B. Finch, who is at present the supreme officer of the Order, is famous as a prohibition orator and worker all over this continent. The other notables represented in our cartoon are Leys (of England), Oronhyatekha (Canada), Hilliard (representing the colored lodges of America), and Copp (United States). Miss Cushman, of Boston, is introduced as a representative of her sex, who, in this Order, as we have said, enjoy the full privileges of the suffrage.



It is a rare thing to notice a concert enterprise which, without sacrificing the interests of art, can claim the advocacy of cultured musicians, and at the same time offer strong attractions to the general public. The projected series of Monday Popular Concerts,

however, seems to be one of these exceptional schemes. The directors, by guaranteeing to have regularly performed excerpts from the best works in the repertoire of classical chamber music, should secure the sympathy and support of all lovers and students of high class music, while in offering to bring forward a succession of star vocalists at reasonable prices of admission, they should win for their concerts the liberal patronage of that large class of the community for whom the singing of popular music by talented artists has a paramount attraction. Circulars explaining the scheme with subscription lists can be seen at Nordheimer's and Suckling's music stores.

SCENE—ANCIENT ABBEY.

Enter American Lady.—Could you oblige me with any interesting little relic of this grand historic country?

Faithful Retainer.—Weel, mem, there's naething on naan the noo; but we're just aboot afore the tourist time to gie the bluid on the stair o' the auld murder'd abbot its yearly coat o' paint, au' gin ye've a phial aboot ye, I micht maybe gie ye a drap.

H. M. Inspector (examining on the "Village Blacksmith").—Now, boy, look at the line "toiling, rejoicing, sorrowing." Tell me, what's meant by "toiling"?

Scholar.—Workin'; attendin' to his smiddy.

H. M. I.—Quite right; and now what does "rejoicing" mean?

Scholar.—Being glad or merry.

H. M. I.—Correct; and now think, and tell me why the blacksmith was rejoicing.

Scholar (inspired by the previous stanza).—Please, sir, because his wife was dead.

(Above really took place in Board School. Inspector smiles blandly and "passes" the smart boy.)



A LESSON IN SHORTHAND.

WOULD-BE INSTRUCTOR (as if making a point).—You see there is this advantage in reading your own notes that you have heard everything said, and so you ought to know the substance of it at least. Don't you see?

PUPIL (thinking of something else).—Yes, yes, but it is not so easy when you haven't been listening.

The would-be instructor has taken a week to find out how this really is.

BALMY spring being upon us, suitable under-clothing is required. K. WALKER & Sons carry a splendid assortment, and have just now some special lines to clear out. Their white and colored shirts are unequalled.