

GRIP.

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The greatest Beast is the Ass; the greatest Bird is the Owl;
The greatest Fish is the Oyster; the greatest Man is the Fool.

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From Our Box.

THE engagement of Mr. RAYMOND at the Grand has been a great treat to the lovers of the drama in Toronto. In the early part of the week *Col. Sellers* ate his raw turnips before large and delighted audiences, and on Wednesday night the new play of *Risks* was given, with the great comedian as *Pennington Pembroke*, the life insurance agent. It is needless to say the character was "immense." The main fault GRIP sees in *Risks* is that there is not enough of RAYMOND in it, and there is no reason why such a capital agent shouldn't take the fire and marine branches as well, which might give him more business in the piece. The support was very fair with the exception of Mr. SOUTHWARD, who is scarcely ever as familiar with his lines as he ought to be. We hope the prosperity of the Grand will go on, and that as *Col. Sellers* passes away he may be able to glance at the treasurer's box and say *There's millions in it.*

An Autumn Ode.

Bleak Autumn it has come at last;
The picnic season now is past;
The cold shades now do grow severe,
We need Protection more than ever.

The Great Reaction has set in,
Winter must take the place of spring;
Which proves the Grits will have a Fall,
And our chieftain will be all in all.

The leaves are falling from the trees
Before the blowing of the breeze,
And thus the votes did fall away
From LAURIER on election day.

The landscape looks awful bleak and barren,
And the cattle are put in a warm barn;
So we will stab you under the fifth rib
If you don't let us go in and get fat at the government crib.
I. BURR PLUMB, his x mark.

The Soliloquies of Fitznoodle, of the United Empire Club. I. THE ONE-MAN POWER.

If anything could make me maw proud than I am of being a twue Consawvative, and standing by the Wight Hon. Sir JOHN, it is to gaze upon those wretched Gwits cwinging—aw—undaw the lash of that wickulous and vulgaw fellow BROWN. The gwand principles of free speech and Bwedish libawty of the subject, seawawed to us by the blood of owah faw-fathaws, and all that sawt of thing, is outgawed in the most gwoss mantaw by the Gwit Dictataw, and still the Gwits submit to it without a gwumble. The vewy idea is enough to make a fellow angwy, but I must twy and westwain my feelings out of respect to my cwawat, which would get doocidly dissawwaged if I gave way to wementment. But still I wepeat—aw—this one-man paw is vewy wewpungant to the feelings of any fellow who is not a cwawen wetch, and who pwetends to be a gentleman. Of cawse I know the Gwits do not pwetend to be gentlemen; I am awaway they wewcognize us as the Gentleman's Pawty, and I must give the beggaws cwedit for being fwank and candid with respect to that. But they *do* pwetend that they are not cwawen wetches, and still they cwinge undaw the heel of BROWN and the *Globe*. They don't pwesume to have any mind of their own, all their newspawps wite what the *Globe* wites, and all the Gwit fellows say what BROWN says. No mattaw what cwouption BROWN goes into—aw—no mattaw what political cwimes he may commit, the wretched tools of Gwits follow him like a flock of wretched sheep. It is disgusting in the extweme. It wouldn't be quite so alsawd if the fellow was a twue gentleman, well bwed, and all that sawt of thing; but he is only a gwaw headed fellow with wickulous shaped twowers and big feet. If the Wight Hon. Sir JOHN dwessed like BROWN, I would leave the Pawty without a moment's hesitation. I would newaw so faw fawget—aw—my duty, as to follow such a man. I was speaking with a Gwit the othaw day—-I couldn't vewy well help speaking to the fellow, or I shouldn't have done so,—and he actually had the bwass to say that we Consawvatives were gwewataw slaves than the Gwits. He twied to be vewy witty by asking me when the Gwits ever stuck to any man who went through Pacific Scandals, and Nawthewn Waylaw cows, Secwet Service Money, Owduance Land Swindles, Nawth West Webellion fwauds, wretched slanders and life long cwouption; and he also wanted me to point

out a Consawvative pawaw that ewaw expressed an opinion diffiwent from the Wight Hon. Sir JOHN and the *Mail*. I wewied to all this wretched calumny and Gwit abuse, that the Wight Hon. Sir JOHN was Canada's gwewatest statesman and wore wewspectable twowers. That settled the wretched Gwit. *Waitaw! a bottle of paww wine!*

Advice to a Lawyer.

To Grip.

RESPECTED SIR.—I am a member of the legal profession, and apply to you to solve some doubts which have lately made application to me for a hearing: Your answer is earnestly requested:—

1.—If I am applied to to plead for a criminal, who confesses to me his crime, and offers a heavy fee, what is my course? If freed, he will undoubtedly again enter on a course of crime. He will rob, he will steal, he may murder. Yet it is held to be professional to accept his fee, and assist him.

2.—If I am retained by a company, established for any purpose—say railway, steamboat, manufacturing, insurance, or other. I am put into possession of their secrets. If I observe the objects of this company to be nefarious or fraudulent, should I continue to give them my services?

3.—If I know my client, being a business man, is going to abscond or play any tricks of that sort, should I conceal it? Yours,

LEX PUZZLIBUS.

ANS. OF GRIP.—Lawyers are, as a class, understood to be devoted to the interests of their clients and eternal punishment. GRIP is not at present aware whether the understanding is well based, but he will say this:—If one, being a lawyer, do, conceal, or allow, that which as a private gentleman his honour would not suffer him to do, conceal, or allow, GRIP would not speak to him, nor allow him into his office, unless to subscribe, (when cash in advance would be imperative)—not though the assembled bar of the world (which would be a lamentable spectacle) had just endorsed his conduct, and presented him with a wig; and the assembled Bench, (which would be another) had approved their course.

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