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## G R I P .

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

TORONTO, SATURDAY, JULY 12th, 1873.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

MUSICIAN; If you find the piano is not your forte, try some other instrument; the jew's-harp or triangle for instance.

CHAMPION; The qualifications for a Champion Lacrosse Player are, according to the latest definition, muscle, nerve and conceit, accompanied with a sufficient proficiency in Bilingsgate to abuse and insult every one with whom you come in contact.

CAVE CAEM; If your dog takes plenty of water it is pretty certain he can't be afflicted with hydrophobia. The safest way to insure him an abundance of that indispensable fluid, is to anchor him in about 7 feet of water, so that his head will be from eighteen to twenty-five inches below the surface.

D. T. wishes a safeguard against fits. Deal at a second-hand clothing store.

PHILOSOPHER asks, "what is least generally known?" Poor people.

FARMER enquires how to make beds for onions? Ask some housemaid. We don't make beds.

ALMONSO.—Your poem is good—very good; it imparted quite a peculiar flavor to the cigar we lit to compose our mind after reading the first four lines.—Send us more.

Several communications lay over till our next.

In the current number we present a larger quantity of original matter than in any previous one, and we are now making arrangements, which when completed will make "*Grip*" a thoroughly enjoyably little sheet. Our cartoons will be of the most important current topics of the day. Like Artemus Ward, our politics agree with those of any person with whom we come in contact; neither fearing, nor currying favour, we intend to use the lash of ridicule in whatever direction abuses call for it.

In this spirit we hope our numerous friends will peruse our paper, and if the laugh should be against their political standpoint on some occasions, recollect that their risible faculties will have an opportunity of being exercised at their opponents on others. Having had our croak, we now withdraw to give place to matter more appropriate to our pages.

## NEWLY COINED WORDS.

[To which our contemporaries the "*Globe*" and "*Mail*" are welcome, and which they will find convenient during the Pacific Railway mania.]

JONATIATE.—To wriggle—prevaricate—recriminate—procrastinate.

ALLANISE.—To scheme—to subsidise—to affidavitise.

BROWNIC.—Ambiguous—muddy—in fact *brown*.

PACIFIC.—Boisterous—ill-omened—suggestive of sinking.

HUNTINGTONIC.—Inquisitive—prying—impertinent.

HINKSIZE.—Stick in the mud; that's the size of that.

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-SIX OF THEM.

The *Antigonish Casket* says:—"Of the qualified electors in the county of Antigonish, there are 386 Chisholms, and 410 McDonalds."—*Gl-be*.

This is as good as Smith, in a Scotch way. I suppose it would be hard to knock against a man that wasn't one or the other in Antigonish. If all wore Smith or Jones, or Chisholm or McDonald, the expense of directories would be saved; but then would confusion worse confounded begin.

It is gratifying that Antigonish has got a name now. It has two names, and we hope it is prouder of them than the French are of Sedan or Waterloo. We hope the escutcheon of the Chisholms is clean, and that the face of every McDonald can smile in conscious integrity, as innocent as a little baby's well sponged, and fearless as a statue of brass, with merely a little more expression.

We hope the Chisholms and McDonalds of that district will never fall out with one another, or their young ones out of a window, and that if one is praised as a benefactor of the human race, each will be ready to say "that is you—same name!"

We hope they will keep cool, now that affairs are red hot in the un-Pacific discussion of the day; and that they will always poll a vote that will reflect credit on the poorest. We hope that each will be the right man in the right place, and that their business will not get mixed by their getting each other's letters or post cards. We also hope that they will not jam each other in crowds; or jar in opinion; or get each other into a pickle; or preserve bad feeling; or live on their pride, which is food only fit for dogs, and not a marked feature by any means of even that race. Let us drink a good bumper of cold water to the health of the 796, and may they never drink anything worse!

SAM SLOCUM, *Item-monger*.

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

To-day being the anniversary of the battle of the Boyne, it is to be expected that a larger number of "*Grips*" will be passed from hand to hand. It is a remarkable fact that though the ORANGE WILLIAM was successful A.D. 1690, in Ireland, the ORANGE BILL received a temporary check in Canada in 1873. We hope, however, this check will be dishonoured at the next meeting of the Provincial Government and the BILL restored to circulation.

A foot race came off in the east end of the city the other night, which was participated in by a large number of respectable citizens, who all came out ahead of the drunken man who was chasing them with a carving knife.

A remarkable phenomenon was observable in Toronto on Saturday, July the 12th—the appearance of "*black knight*" at 12 o'clock noon.

A contemporary asks: "Why are we not represented at the Vienna Exhibition?" Probably his circulation is not sufficiently large.

It appears that Capt. Armstrong has been defeated in his native haunts [Hunts]. It is to be hoped that the similarity in sound between the American verb "to gouge," and the name of the successful candidate will lead to no unpleasant misunderstanding.

The Menonite emigration delegates were attacked by French half-breeds this week. This was wrong. Men on itinerant investigating committees should be encouraged.

Why is a drawee's paper after the three days of grace like saying good-bye to Shakespeare? Because it is adieu, Bill! (a due bill.)

Cockney Conundrum.—Why is an elevator like a shell-fish? Because it's a *hoister* (oyster.)

Why is a donkey behind a door like Vinegar? Because he is an *ass-hid* (acid)

Why is a cat so quiet over a saucer of milk when the commonest symbol of noisiness is a mill clapper (milk lapper.)

Why are good husbands like dough? Because women need them.

In what color is a secret best kept? In-violate.