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In view of the tremendous battle at present raging between the rival steamboats on the Niagara route, people are beginning to ask "What are we coming to?" and the above little sketch is GRIP's reply to the query. This will probably be the spectacle presented on the Yonge Street wharf some of these fine mornings. The representatives of the boats will become as boldly aggressive as the hackmen now are in cities where their wills are unrestrained, and the moment an intending passenger makes his appearance, he will find himself the object of a three cornered attack that will be entirely new in the history of navigation. His baggage will be seized and pulled in one direction, and his coat in another, and meantime his ears will be assailed with shouts of "Patronise the People's boat!" "Don't you do it—take the old popular steamer!" "Down with monopoly," etc., etc., etc.

The travelling public will put up with this all good naturedly, so long as the rival navigators don't tear their clothes; in fact this war is about the best thing the travelling public have any recollection of. It has brought the beautiful Niagara to our very doors, and there is now no excuse for anybody dying in the city for want of a taste of fresh air.

**The Hanlan Reception.**

Has his worship the Mayor taken any action as yet with reference to the HANLAN reception? If not, surely it is high time that were done, unless Toronto is willing to be humiliated in the eyes of the whole world by having the projected demonstration end in a fizzle. The "boy" is now a good distance on his way home, and there is no time to be lost. Let the Mayor call a public meeting at once, and organize executive committees. There are hundreds ready and willing to work actively, who are at present waiting only for the word of authority. Don't procrastinate any longer!

The papers speak of the little sloop *Uncle Sam* being manned by GOLDSMITH and his wife. Why can't these editors be precise and say manned and womaned.



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