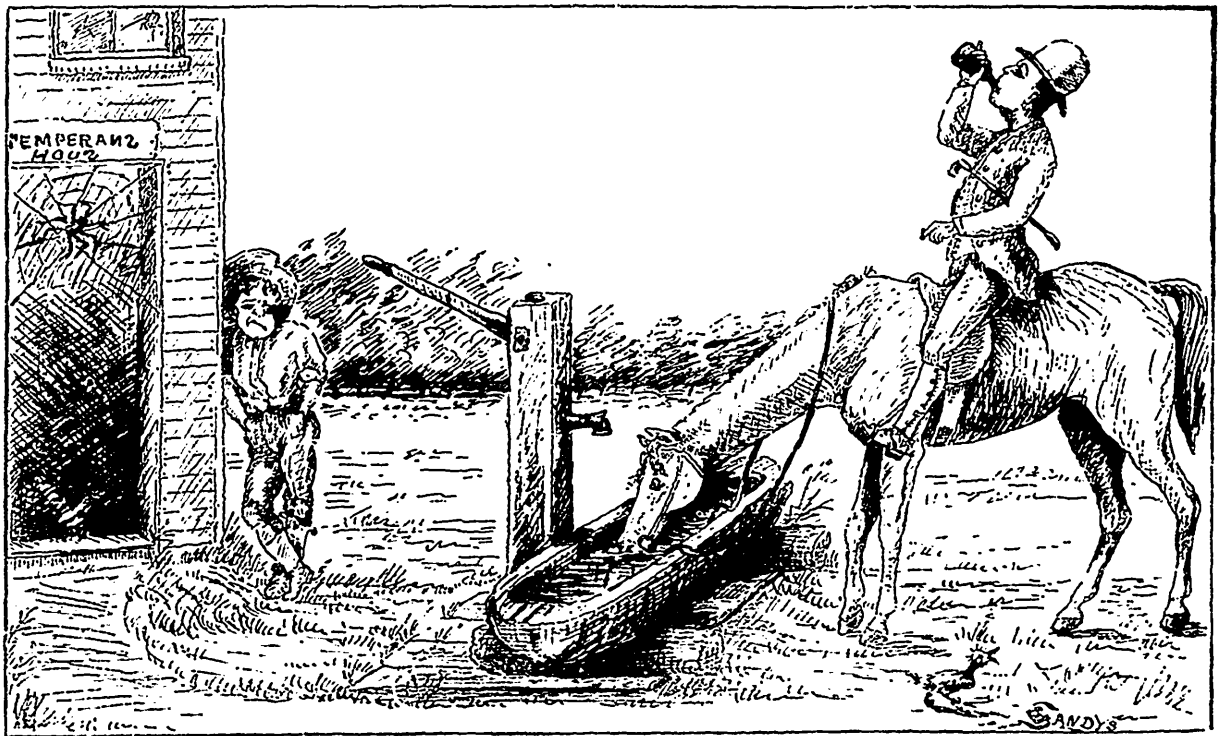


— THE ARROW —



Good Scott Act entertainment for man and beast.

SUCH a convention would rouse the enthusiasm of many, and convert into active workers those who through the want of some such stimulus are inclined to be indolent. We may make up our minds that the next campaign will be the bitterest ever fought, for the real question will be, no matter how our opponents may try to gloss it over in certain constituencies, shall we remain loyal to the Confederation and to the British Empire, or shall we not?

SIR JOHN'S magnificent reception in the North-West is a source of gratification not only to himself but to the whole Conservative party. It is not so very long ago since the *Globe* said that the whole North-West was in a state of seething rebellion, Conservatives as well as Grits, and that Sir John dare not show himself in Manitoba. I always doubt the statements of the *Globe* on principle; so I doubted this in the ordinary course of business. The events of the last week show that the chieftain is as popular in the Prairie Province as he is in the East; and it is noticeable that the Grits were as enthusiastic as were his own followers in tendering a reception to him. The West is a progressive country, and the Western Grits are pretty nearly all converted through the opening of the C. P. R. from ocean to ocean. They are compelled to admit by the logic of events that theirs is the party of faction, fraud and fossilization, while ours is the party of perseverance, principle and progress.

IN spite of Mr. Mulock's statement that Judge Morgan has been entirely fair in his administration of the franchise law, the *Globe* continues its villainous attacks on that gentleman. For years the Judges have been vilified by this paper, and the only time it has been brought to book was when Chief Justice Wilson made the late

Hon. George Brown eat the crow, feathers and all. It is about time that journalistic scoundrels were taught a sharp lesson; and I would like to see the ball opened by Judge Morgan bringing an action for defamation against John Cameron and his fellow swash-bucklers.

WHAT opinion must a stranger have of our judiciary after reading some of the Grit attacks on the revising officers? What opinion would the average man form of the kind of justice likely to be dispensed by such Judges, if he only read the *Globe's* articles? Would he feel himself safe in going before any one of them, either as plaintiff or defendant? Not very likely, for if the judge is corrupt and a perjurer in one matter, what guarantee is there that he will not be equally guilty in another? Perhaps it is part of the Liberal policy to bring the Judges into contempt. This policy is such an extraordinary hotch-potch that one never need be surprised at any plank, no matter how insanely ridiculous, being introduced into it.

THE subject of wife-beating is again to the front, as this contemptible crime seems to be on the increase. Imprisonment, as a punishment, inflicts more suffering on the injured wife and family than does the original offence; because it entails starvation to those outside the bars, while a short term of imprisonment means to the offender plenty to eat, a rest from habitual debauchery, and a general physical recuperation. The cat was effective in England in suppressing garroting and other forms of robbery from the person. By all means give the hounds who are base enough to strike a woman a dose of their own medicine. A good flogging or two will have a wonderfully deterrent effect on others inclined to this particular form of amusement.

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