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land, and you finally concluded to pitch your tent in fair Albion, as a better field for business, for you well knew that the extreme acuteness of your native Townsmen afforded you but little scope for "sharp dealings." In Manchester you did well, and by a lucky venture in shoddy, which you sent out to "the Colonies" as "West of England broadcloth," brought your bank account up to a very respectable figure. Unluckily for such "British Merchants" as you, shoddy speculations don't "pan out." Your consignor kicked most consumedly when his own customers returned their purchases, and your victim commenced to make it warm for you. It was at this time you concluded to come to Canada, and you came, and immediately went into business again. You became a politician of course, a liberal of the out and outest. Loud were your denunciations of the Irish landlords. Deep was your commiseration for the downtrodden poor man. Your audiences have alternately boiled with rage and wept salt tears at the pictures you drew of the state of "me unfortunate County." Now let me ask you, Johnston B. McNulty, Esq., how much cash would you "put up" out of your many thousands to ameliorate the condition of your countrymen? Did you ever once since you came to Toronto let up a five cent piece on the rental

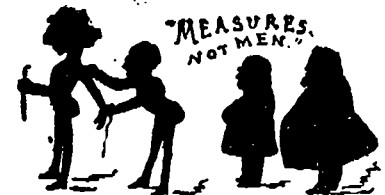
of your squalid tenants. Did you ever voluntarily raise the salary of one of your struggling "Junior" clerks encumbered with a small wife and a large family? In short Mr. Johnston B. McNulty, have you not been as exacting in getting the last cent due you as the most aristocratic of absentee landlords? Yes, you know you have. But you think by your liberal talk to blather yourself into Parliament or the local Legislature! You can't do it, McNulty. Your head, although you don't think so, is too thick; you're not the man! Go to! then stick to your cloths and calicoes and confine your ambitions to your business. You may live twenty years yet and die a millionaire. And then—But I think I have said enough regarding you, Johnston B. McNulty. I hope it may bring you to a proper sense of your true status. DANGER.

Captain Traynor, who once crossed the Atlantic in a dory, now proposes to make the trip in a row-boat. His idea, according to the opinion of an able seaman I interviewed on the matter, is to "git a row-boat and Traynor down so she'll go hunky dory." The able seaman supplemented this opinion with the additional one that there would be a good row-boat lost, anyway.

Some persons, I notice, propose to establish a Liberal newspaper in Montreal. Taken in conjunction with the circumstance that "Mr. Blake's great speech on the Orange Bill" is being printed in French for distribution in the Lower Provinces, it does not seem to me as if a Liberal paper were altogether unnecessary down there. I said a liberal newspaper, mind me. And the printer will please accommodate me to the extent of italic and lower case "l's."

According to the latest statistics, "the absence of high winds has been promotive of health." Whatever the doubts as to other persons, this may, I fancy, be accepted as true in the case of fat men afflicted with asthma and small hats.

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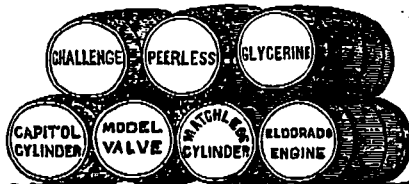


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