



**HIDING FROM THE GREAT UNEMPLOYED.**

Fee-fo fi fum,  
I fail to hear the N. P. hum.

Where's John A., the man who said  
We'd all have plenty work and bread?

They say—but faith it made me bauld. I can see the brass in ma face every time I look in the glass, my tongue has grown twa inches longer sin I tuk tae the business—noo, Wullie, —dinna be doon i' the mooth, I'm no a high-way robber, nor yet a leer—though I maun confess I'm next door till my dear brither—I'm—(bear up noo)—I'm a **BOOK AGENT**! Next week I'll tell ye something o' what I saw in my travels round the toon—Yer Brither,  
**HUGH AIRLIE.**

MR. ARTHUR COX, A.R.C.A., has placed a number of his original Etchings on sale at the Art Gallery, and at Matthews'. These works are highly creditable to the artist, and have additional interest in being the first works by a Canadian Etcher ever offered for sale here.

**TOPICAL TALK.**

THE newspapers are making frequent reference to Gordon Pasha's English spy. Very likely Gordon Pasha's English pie is of the mince variety.

THE Montreal Witness dubs Prince Bismarck "Nebuchadnezzar." "Job" would be a more appropriate name, if the Scriptures are to furnish one. Job, you know, was always boiling over.

HAS it ever occurred to any one, save myself, that the difference between Mother Mandelbaum and Mrs. Lofty, immortalized in song, is that

Mrs. Lofty has her jewels.

It is stated that in New York two gentlemen out of every three are wearing corsets. These must be the stayed old bachelors so often spoken of.

AN exchange has an article on "How the Telephone Talks." But everybody knows how the telephone talks. The real question at issue most frequently is, what the mischief the telephone says.

A "mouth-organ contest for the championship—presumably of the world—was the latest thing here. I always thought that Mr. C. E. Courtney was the undisputed champion at this kind of thing."

"Don't suffer with indigestion," is the counsel contained in a pateat medicine announcement. No, don't suffer alone, if you really have to. If indigestion wants to do any suffering let her enjoy it by herself.

TALKING about titles and things, why should not Mr. Erasmus Wiman be invested with the Order of the Bath at the hands of the city council? A resolution conferring it ought to pass through the council swimmingly.



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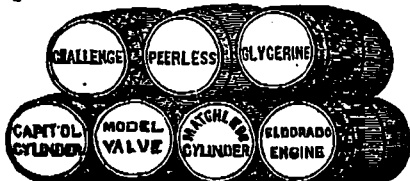
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