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Comments on the Cartoons.



OUR HIGH-BILI-DISTRIBUTOR.—Having been sent to Sir Charles Tupper—no doubt with a significant wink (which can readily be cabled) the Canadian “Home Rule” resolution is not likely to be of much service to the cause it professes to uphold. It may be doubted whether it will ever reach the hands of Gladstone and Parnell, and in any case it will certainly be destitute of the force which it might have had if it had been sent direct. The conduct of the ministry on this matter was such as to excite the contempt of both parties to the Irish question. Already that feeling is being formally expressed by Home Rulers, who disapprove of the mutilation of the original motion; and Loyalists have equal cause to condemn the dishonesty and hypocrisy displayed by the Government in passing any motion in favor of Home Rule when it is notorious that they don't believe

in it. It may be true that Blake took action for the purpose of catching votes—but it cannot be said that he was absurd enough to try to catch both sides at once. This attempt was made by the man who is generally thought to possess more tact than Blake.

A SIGNIFICANT “AD.”—It has of late been frequently alleged by the Independent press, that the leaders of the Reform party have alienated many of their followers by their want of a definite, aggressive policy upon living issues, and that the discord now existing in the ranks is owing chiefly to a feeling, on the part of a certain section, that, if success is to be achieved, a more energetic leader must be found. All this has been condemned over and over by the *Globe* as mere Tory bosh. That journal has emphatically declared that the Reform party is united and harmonious, and eminently satisfied with its leader. In the face of this, what does the *Globe* make of that ad. in its columns the other day, calling a meeting of the Reform Association of Toronto for Thursday night, and stating that “all supporters of the Party leaders” were “cordially welcome.” What does it mean, if everything is lovely?

THE FISHERY TROUBLE.—For the benefit of those who are too busy to read the voluminous and learned essays on the present Fishery trouble between Canada and the United States we have endeavored to simplify the question in pictorial form. A glance at our cartoon on page 14 will show that all the fuss is over a very plain and easily understood event. A Yankee fishing smack went in to Digby and bought bait. But according to the Regulations now in force, it is not lawful for a Yankee craft to buy bait in a Canadian port. This boat was accordingly seized. Uncle Sam doesn't like it. Hence these tears.

PECKS.

JAY GOULD remarks that while approving the union of fellow-workmen, he sees little good in the Knights of Labour.

This news item will likely appear in the *World* with the heading:

No rogue e'er felt the halter draw,
With good opinion of the law.

“COACHMAN wanted.—Apply at Elevator, Dominion Bank,”

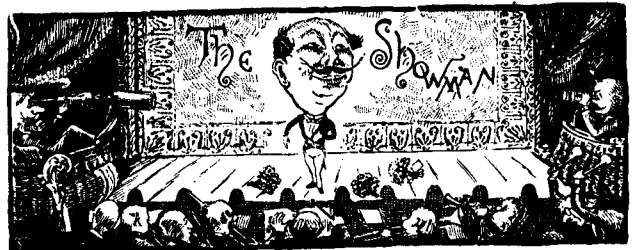
is the way a “Situations Vacant” advt. in one of the dailies reads. Distinguished modern coachmen have been known to first take the job and apply at “the elevator” later on, by asking the daughter of the house to elope, and thus socially elevate them. This kind of man merits elevation—pedal power.

We note with positive exultation that while “Major Draper was passing the corner of King and Toronto streets yesterday, he saw James Jackman, of 20 Edward Street, kicking a horse. He took him to No. 1 Police Station.” Here is a fitting rebuke to carping critics who mean to say the Toronto Chief of Police is a mere figure-head. Let this daring act convince such wretched growlers once and for all that it is no use trying to make the intelligent citizens think that Chief Draper doesn't earn his salary! Why, an ordinary policeman wouldn't have thought it worth while to notice the kicker; and as for a detective—one of these able officers would have contented himself with handing the prisoner over to a subordinate cop. They need to put the Major out on the beat—if they don't mean to put him out of his office.

ONE of the funniest announcements of the season is this, taken *verb. et lit.* from the *Globe's* advertising columns:—

“We have pleasure in announcing that a New Story by Mrs. Oliphant, entitled “The Son of His Father,” will soon be commenced in the *Daily Globe* next Saturday.”

The joke will be regarded as an offset to the free advertisements.



“SHADOWS OF A GREAT CITY,” a new American melodrama of considerable merit, is the present attraction at the Grand.

MR. BELFORD's readings last week were highly successful—so much so indeed that there is a general desire expressed for another evening of readings before he takes his departure for England. If this can be arranged for, due notice will be given in the daily papers.

OUR base-ball team this season appears to be a cracker. On Monday they “got away” with Buffalo in great style. To-day they play Rochester, at the Rosedale grounds. Take the K. of L. busses and go up and see the match. The placards on the street cars are the work of the Company—not the Base Ball Association. The boys staid by the busses, every one of 'em.