

the very little ones the demonstration often takes the form of embraces, which impede his walking powers. Order reigns supreme throughout the large building, and everything is clean and bright as a new pin. One of the Inspectors is reported to have said that the D. & D. Institution "didn't need to be inspected," and the compliment to its Superintendent and his aids was well deserved. The pupils (of whom, by the way, there are over 200) are just going to their homes for the summer holidays, and we can well believe that they will gladly return again when September comes round. Any of our readers who can at all do so should make it a point to visit this remarkable school and examine its noble work.

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TO SIR THOMPSON.

IF the man who causes two
Blades of grass to spring on ground
Where but one before was found,
Gains much honor as his due,
How much more deserving he
Who in these degenerate times
Makes a lot of brand-new crimes.
Sir J. Thompson, hail to thee!
Had'st thou lived two centuries back,
Then thy pleasure thou could'st take
Burning witches at the stake,
Stretching traitors on the rack.
But now, alas, those cheerful days are o'er,
Be it thy pleasing task their spirit to restore.

PLAYING HOOKEY IN THE EAST.

MADRAS, *June 7th*—A youth of eighteen has offered himself as a victim of a native feast to be held on Wednesday, and has volunteered to undergo the torture of having his body impaled with a sharp hook, and while thus inflicted to be suspended in the air for a considerable period.

HIS co religionists are evidently trying to play this youthful enthusiast for a sucker. The Hindoos often voluntarily undergo torture which would make a European feel fatigued and unhappy, but it is questionable whether observances and victims of this sort ought to be allowed full swing. The Hindoos of the race, as it were, has already been sufficiently tested. The Government ought to compel these hilarious Oriental revellers to sling their hook.

EVEN MORE SO.

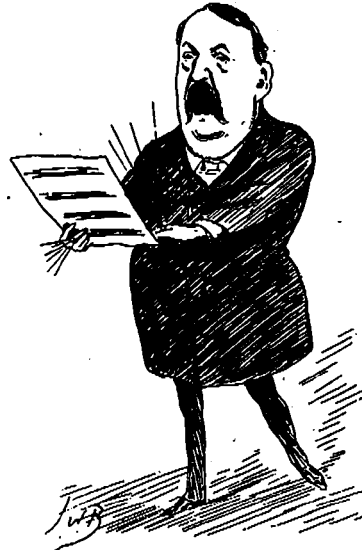
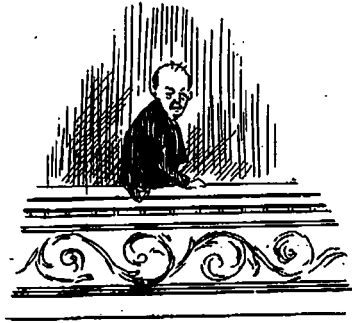
OF "Home, Sweet Home" we've often heard,
Where peace and comfort dwell,
Methinks apartments are more suite
In some first-class hotel.

PROVERBIAL PHILOSOPHY OF THE FUTURE.

ANY fellow can collect existing proverbs, which have been defined as "crystalized philosophy," but it is only he who himself possesses the true philosophical spirit, that can divine (that's the word) from present aspects what form future "crystalizations" are likely to take.

GRIP possesses this qualification in a super-eminent degree—as a bird of omen he can prognosticate, or vaticinate as it were. We are the fowl apostrophized by old Dunbar about 1470 in the lines:—

"Thou sabel brydde withe sparklinge ee,
That from thye perche onne oken tree,
Lookest a doune on mee,
Thou knowest alle thinges well,
And mightst gif thou woudest tell
What will befallen and what befelle."



"SOUND AN ALARM!"

(A reminiscence of the Lloyd Concert at Metropolitan Church, June 6th.)

Judging from the trend of popular sentiment and action to-day, and for many past days, nothing is more certain than that old similes will die out, and the following are samples of what will be substituted:—

As ignorant as a school trustee.
As corrupt as a county judge.
As whimsical as an alderman.
As mendacious as a party organ.
As vain as a provincial premier.
As unpopular as a public library.
As dirty as drinking water.
As amusing as a sermon.
As paltry as a politician.
As lazy as a civil servant.
As deceitful as a cabinet minister.
As slow as a one-horse street car.
As rough as cedar blocks.
Be knighted and be slighted.
Blame your friends when you take a title.
Out of date like an old almanac and U. C. College.
You're always right when on the winning side.

None of these will become popular during the present century, and not more than one or two of them during the next, but in the course of about ten thousand years, all, with one exception, will be "familiar in our mouths as household words."

About that time the circulation of GRIP will be upwards of one hundred million, and we shall look back with pride as we call upon our readers to refer to this page in proof of our claim to pose as a prognosticative philosopher.