

vent animadversion on the writer's mode of dealing with this subject, except that it is wrong to speak of "factors" of the North-West Company, and misleading to say that all the employees of that company who were charged with crimes arising out of these disputes between the rival fur traders were acquitted, for the blood-thirsty De Reinhard was found guilty of the most foul and atrocious murder of his prisoner, Mr. Owen Keveny, and condemned to be hanged on the 8th June, 1818, though, for reasons too lengthy to be discussed here, he was subsequently pardoned, after languishing for several years in jail.

Passing over many minor inaccuracies, we have to face the blow which our history receives when we learn that "*in 1871 all the colonies of Canada were confederated*" and we have had hardly time to recover from this shock when we are practically annihilated by the lordly way in which Mr. Ralph, with a generosity born of an untrammelled mind, and an indifference to consequences equal to his generosity, bestows (in the wrong year) on the "Adventurers of England trading into Hudson's Bay" no less than *one-half* of the fertile belt of Rupert's Land, though their deed of surrender only reserved to them *one-twentieth* of that noble inheritance.

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### Miscellaneous.

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The truli brave man iz the won afrade off being kalled a koward.

Bald-headed truth shuld ware the curl-d wig of sweet circumlution.

*Moral Reflectshun*—What shal it profit a man if he gave the hole world and lose his own soal?

The man who alweighs rememberz a favor and whoo never forgettz a frend, will pla first fiddle in the heavenli orchestra.

Munny will bi awl the luxuries off this world, but itt kant purchase a single necessity. Sho me the shop whare they sel kontentment, luve, conscience, peace, and I'll sho you the necessities off life.

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29th, '59.—Mudd Hen Holler haz fallen upon evil daze. The joiuous levity off its yooth iz past, the bad man iz kno moar, virchew now occupies the first floor and the faro tables iz moved upp stares. Where once the roolet player sang his siren song, the counter jumper hoppeth; and where once the ga revolver did revolve, the ginger ail kork poppeth. Az Sheakspeer sez, these air piping times off peec-. Our suckcess haz been our ruin. The sturdy miners, the horny-handed sun of to l, have awl been eucher-d owt of their mines by slick sitizens, and robbery is now konducted according too the rules off kommerce. Lawyers and doctors hav arrived too komplete our finanshall and physical ruin. Slick Bill has yielded to the demands of morality, and haz put skreen doarz in front of his bar, and many of his customers have reformed, and keep a barrel off whisky in thare cellars, and patronize his plase kno moar. Drug store; have krept in and injured his trade. Deekons patronize the sody watter fountain and wink when tha sa tha will take sum off "the same." I am sadd, mi diari, but I see no ra off hoap. The town grows bigger and better everi da. We shal soon have policeman, a mayor and worst off all, a board of aldermen. Then, indeed, wil our kup be full.

The clever flatterrer konvinces a man that he possesses virchews that he knowz he hasn't got.—*The Great Divide*, Denver, Colorado.

Recently a girl in one of the public schools of this city was asked by her teacher to explain the difference between the words balance and remainder. Her answer was: "You can say 'A man lost his balance and fell,' but you cannot say 'A man lost his remainder and fell.'"

A FRIEND recently wanted to write a sketch of the wife of "Bill Nye," and wrote the humorist for Mrs. Nye's permission and some facts. "She objects, although I insisted," wrote the humorist, "and we had better let her off. She has always seemed to shrink from this sort of thing for years, and yet she weighs over 150 pounds to day."

WHEN the farmer speaks of working at the polls he does not mean labor in a bean patch.