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THE QUERY OF THE DAY.
Protissiatr Exquiker-"What I want to know is, what is your programme? What do you mean?" THE: P.P.A. (Mrstektoustiv)-"IIa, ha ! don't you-wish you coukl ind out!"


MR. MEREDITH GETTING A POLICY.
Fortuna-"Open your mouth and shut your cyes and take what Fate may send you!"

## DOWN WITH BRIBERY I

THE Patron of Industry Wolf accosted the Mowat Lamb at the stream in Middlesex the other day. "The Mowat Government must go!" roared the Wolf. "The farmers have awakened to their own interests, at last !" "Please, Mr. Wolf, do me the favor to read this marked passage," replied the Lamb, tossing over a copy of the London Advertiser containing a speech by Minister Ross, with a blue pencil circle around the following"Under one Government, for every wagon or plow or harvester or harrow you use in farming operations you have to pay a substantial tax to the Dominion Treasury. Under the other Government for every advancement you make in the growth of fruit or grain and dairy products, you receive a bonus by the way of prizes at the agricultural fairs." "Humph! Well?" queried the Wolf. "Well," replied the Lamb, " that means, don't you see, that whereas the Thompson Government takes money out of your pocket, our Government puts money in." "Exactly!" cried the Wolf, with a horrible roar, "so you think I can be bribed do you? You would insult me to my very face, would you? all the more, after that, Mowat must go! Just wait till election day comes."

The "Globe" can't stomach so much Tarte.
Prorific Fruit.-Mankind descended from a pair; mankind's troubles from an apple.

Note by Our Own Ornithologist. - Infants delight in crews, but hate the thrush; gluttons are fond of swallows; gan: lers like pigeons; fast men go in for a lark; and some lunatics go raven mad.

A CHIRURGEON SENDS HIS PHOTOGRAPH.
(To Prof, A. C. Bryan.)

HER l:'S my picture by the sun, For the sun has been my painter; Here his strokes and shadows run, Growing duskier and fainter.

On the Crystal, silver-laid, Sofily were the oullines jotted; Years shall fy, nor shall they fade, Storms shall blow, nor they be blotted.

To the IIesperides, with light, Swepl the sun's gold chariot back ; Uver isle and sea his flight Tracel the starry zodiac.

As he passed, a tablet blank Was held up beneath his blazon ;
So he sketched me, you may thank Titan tor the muy you gaze on.

This divine amanuensis Did it in the finest weather ;
From Chicago to St. Francis So they rhyme and print together.

You remember how Calypso Offered youth to King Ulysses?
l'rinting with her tender lips so All the spell of woman's kisses.

Sor Calypso, or some goddess, Gave me the ambrosial philtre Of immortals-nor like Odys. seus had I the knack to jilt her.

Thus, you see, I still look rather Boyish-twenty-mine alack ! And my patients call out-"Ah there! Will the doctor soon be back ?"

Eara Hurtburt Stafford.
GRIP'S QUIPS.


A certain youth of this town who tries to do the swell act on limited means, went into a barber shop one day. He was shaved, hair cutted, shingled, trimmed, etcettry, and then the barber lowly said, " 32.65. ." "Pooh," said the youth, emptying his purse to liquidate the bill. "That," said the Tonsorialist as the youth went out, " was a case of Sham-Pooh."

Geoghegan says the only tax collectors in town are not at the city hall, and that he has two in commission cvery night when he takes his boots off.

Wiping out old scores-The orchestra leader destroying his band compositions.

Bigroot. - "Jones made a reflection on my boots to-day." The Otherone. - "What did he do,-shine them ?"
Talbor DrWitt says he is now in the market garden business, since the reception his new play got the other night.

Soots him right down to the ground-The chimncy sweep's descent.

A medilm for disposing of the silver question-The darkey waiter.

Strange, is it not, that a tight individual should so often be a loose character ?

## FAMILIAR OUTLINES.



MONSIEUR VILLENEUVE, THE NEW MAYOR OF MONTREAL.

## JOSEPHUS, THE LONGHEADED. A ROMANCE.

CHAPTER 1.

"NO, sir, you shall not marry my daughter !" said the old man, drawing himself up haughtily, "none but her cqual in wealth and social position need aspire to her hand, so get thee gone!"
"Oh, sir, listen to me," pleaded the enamoured youth, who was a noble specimen of manhood, standing over two yards high, with lovely piecrust coloured locks falling in artistic disorder over his manly shoulders.

But the old man would not listen to him, and stamped his foot with anger as he cried, "Begone, I say."

Then the impassioned youth fell on his knees, and with the tears streaming down his classic countenance pleaded with the old man. "Oh, sir," he cried, " you cannot know me, I am an artist, a genius-I shall lye famous; I am of noble blood, I am 7 th cousin to a baronet; see, here is a picture -'The Boy stood on the Burning Deck'-I did it myself, I-"

Then the old man, drawing himself up scornfully, said : "Genuis! nobility! what care I for these? Shall my daughter marry from sordid motives such as these? Never sir! it is money, and money alone we want.""
"I will earn money," said the artist, "listen sir,___"
"I will not!" cried the old man in a tremendous voice, and catching up the artist in one hand and the 'Boy stood on the Burning Deck' in the other, he cast them both through the window.

## CHAPTER II.

Sixteen long and weary years have passed away. Almira Moseley is still unmarried, and is as beautiful as cver. Her cheeks are rosier than in the old days, but she is often sadshe is almost as young as she used to be; 16 years ago she was 21 ; she is only 23 now. Since Josephus went away so abruptly 16 years ago, she has had plenty of suitors, dowered with heataty, genius and nobility, but they were one and all ignominiously cast into the cruel world by her father. They had no money.

Almira dresses in sombre hues, and does not bang her hair so often as she used to, but the neighbours say that she bangs the piano more than in the old days, and sings in acrompaniment, "Come, love, come and fly away with me." And when anyone comes her avaricious father finds out if he has any money; and if not, an effusive dismissal follows.

## CHAPTER III.

One day as Almira was sitting pensively at the piano, warbling the ditty mentioned in the foregoins chapter, the door suddenly burst open, and a figure darted into the room crying "Almira! Almira!' my love!" Almira turned, and then rushed into the arms of Josephus.

Yes, Josephus returned after 16 years to reclaim his Almira! Josephus was little altered ; he was still handsome, though a little stouter, perhaps, and his head was clean shaven and shiny on the top; he had on a new tie and a 15 dollar black coat: some of the blush which suffilsed Almira's fair cheek came off on his coat, but he did not mind, and it was a new cont, too-such is love.

When Almira's father entered the room and salw her talking to a strange man, he rushed savagelvat the intruder. But Josephus, turning, faced him and cried, "Hold: I am Josephus; 16 years ago you spurned me from jour window -I fell on my head- lo, I now return your equal, - your superior. I have londs of money-heaps, and I know where to get plenty more," and in proof of what he said he jerked out the fattest roll of greenbacks the old man had ever seen.
"What do you do? What is your business?" gasped the old man in a hoarse voice.
"I am an Alderman,'" said Tosephus, sticking out his chest.
"Shake!" said the old man, "it is a good busincess. Where are you an alderman?"
"Montreal," said Joseplius.
This was too much for the avaricious old man, he fell on his future son-in-law's neck and wept tears of joy:

Josephus and Almira were married the next day.



## ANYTHING FOR IRELAND!

Dominick.-Am I ashamed to beg, is it? Sure I glor-r-r-y in it, so I do. Look at the Cause l'm sarvin', will yez!

## PEOPLE ONE DOESN'T LIKE.

(. THE MIN WHO NETER DOES IN BEBT.

HESS an irritating prosperous person, one you hate to meet as you come out of the post-office with a handful of New Year's bills. Point him out to me and I'll show you a man who is as conceited as if "it was all his own fault." Of course he has an account look, and his wife and daughters never contract the habit of entering "sundries," like those of less fortumate people. He has always had a stated salary, and known to a cent how much he had to spend, yet is he alsolutely certain that his own individual merit has made things balance. To do him justice he is always ready to help a friend to advice, and preaches a good deal on the theme of c:use and effect, but he doesn't in the least understand that his clock-work system of paying bills depends on his salary being always on time, he can't conceive the possibility of a careful man being in any business that doesu't pas up-to-date. Truly one half the world doesn't understand how the other half lives. Not that we wish, for a moment, to insinuate that half the world is out of debt; we haven't got nearly so close to Utopia as that, it was a mere figure of speech to show how impossible it is for The-Man-Who-Is-Never-In-Debt, to sympathize with ordinary mortals.

He neither borrows nor lends at anything less than fifteen per cent. He is a distinct species in himself. In the year '933 he was almost as extinct as the buffalo, in fact he became so unpopular that he seems to have vanished from the haunts of men, or at least hidden his identity for fear of being despoiled of his stated salary. The financial position has taken a good deal of the aggressive conceit out of him, but curiously enough as we miss him in our daily walks and business life, we grow lenient to his faults, and envious of his standing, and sadly wonder if we shall ever tread in his footsteps. We see good in him absent that we would resent in his presence, but perhaps he is wise to keep in hiding. I
don't think just now he would dare to "strut his virtues," before our cyes, and we whose nights are haunted by mpaid bills and overdue i. o. u.'s could not stand the recital of his mid-up liabilites.
J. M. Leres.

## PURE GOLD.

GRIP is not supposed to give phace to anthing but "funny" stuff," aud yet the following sentences from the lips of the athor of the Wilson Bial in his closing speech on that measuri in Congress, are so yrod, and of so rare a quality as statesmen go, that he caunot resist the temptation to republish them. Desides, he has no doubt that such Christian-like sentiments uttered out of church, and on a common week day, and by a layman, will srrike some of our politic:ans as lecing decidedly fumy.

Mr. Willson suid:
"We are trying an experiment whether in God's name we can estalish a country where every man born into it will be born with the possibility that he can raise himself to a degree of ease and comfort and not be compelled to live a life of degrading toil for the mere necessities of existence. That is the feeling which animates all who through danger and defeat have steadily labored for tariff reform. We wish to make this a country where no man shatl be taved for the prixate benefit of another man, but where all the blessings of free govermment. of education, of the influences of the church and of the school shall' be the common, untaxed heritage of all the people, adding to the comfort of all, adding to the culture of all, and adding to the happiness of all."

## a MARTYR TO LOYalty.

OLI) . isop wrote one of his famous Fables to illustrate the moral that it is out of the question to please everybody. Guir comes flatteringly near to accomplishing this impossibility, but eren he frils to quite get there. Once in a decade or so some great but supersensitive public man orders us to "stop his paper," and semioccasionally we inadrertently step nu the corns of some more obscure but not less estecmed reader. We are usually sorry for these mishaps, but in the very latest instance we camot say that we feel very bad. Here is a gentleman who writes more in sormw than in anger, to tell us that he camot renew his subscription because he camot support any paper that is not in favor of-Annexation! In reply we can only murmur, "Rah for the old Flas!"


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Ill slay this Dragon of the tay
As champion of the I.I.A.,
ILis dark carcer Ill end, I vow,
For l'm the chap that knoweth how:


I'll use mis best bi-nocular,
(A weapon nell to modern war)
His race nepolic, rool and branch, I'll bury like an avalanche.
I'm scion of a fighting race, And to no foeman will give place, Ask of the reliels of Batoche If I'm a sluuch in war, begosh :
Behold me in my coat of mail, And let my craven foes turn pale, No wonder Mowat's pluck doth ooze, And Hardy's shaking in his shoes!

> So forward go I to the fray;
> This huge Chimaza to slay:
> Tomorrow hell no longer be,
> My country, kep your eye on we:

## girls AND politics.

Dear Me. Gril. -

PEOIPLE think that because girls like balls, pretty frocks, and chocolates, they're no good at politics. Perhaps We're not, but we're just splendid at canvassing, and it can't be harder to get votes than it is to collect dollars for bazaars and charity concerts.

Of course we don't understand much about reciprocity, Free Trade and Boodling, and haven't the faintest desire to vote, but we're awfully good judges of the nicest men, and most of us know how to get round the most disagreeable oncs. lle've lots of ideas, too. but out of Boston, you know, society girls don't parade them. We keep them for occasions, or the decorating of rooms, even our best young men don't get more than the fringe and accordian plaits of them, until after we marry them; they are our reserve forces kept to prevent the weary monotony of the time when we leave of being angels. It wouldn't certainly be much use sending us round to canvas for the votes of old ladies; they'd prefer substantial, agreeable, middle-aged gentlemen to ask them, -but we conld do great things for budding aldermen and mayors if they got us to canvas the young men of their wards. It seems queer to us how little men understand women. You've only got to see all the comments of the newspapers on their not voting largely for the Plebiscite to know that.

In the first place people (that is feminine people) don't like names that are hard to spell and may mean anything, as one of the girls said she "wouldn't join the thing for anythins, even if she had a vote, because it reminded herso much of Roman History." None of us blamed her, for the wags would besure to guy us and call us Plebs, which would be a great trial to our nice patrician natures, and tend to make them disrespectful to us. Surely, too, if woman are admitted into political life, it's rather hard to set them irst thing to pulling up weeds with such old roots. Whatever old ladies may like, young ones don't care for violent work, and if we can't get the casy part of political life, perhaps we're better out of it.

Polly Pencherman.
Declinen With Thanks. - After one of the Hon. John 1)ryden's successful elections in South Ontario, he was escorted to his home by an enthusiastic crowd of friends and supporters. Refreshments were aboudantly servedMr. Dryden's eldest daughtermakingherself a most charming and attentive hostess to the guests. In the speechmaking and cheering upon the occision, her ears were saluted with the cry; " . Liss Dryden for cver!" "Thank you, gentlemen," she replied, smiling and very demurely; "but I really; cannot asree with jou; I do not wish to be Miss Dryden forever." The young lady has since become a happy wife.

About $\mathbf{\Omega 0 0}$ dead mens names were left on the voter's list in Mrontreal until lately. Perhaps this is the reason Montreal so seldom returns a live Alderman.

There is a dwarf in Montreal who is said to be so small he has to get on a chair to lace his boots.

A new bicycle has been invented with runners attached for riding over ice. Johnny suggests that it be called an icicle.

We take authority to deny that Mr. John Creran, Q. C• has accepted the Editorship of the Hamilton 7 iomplar:

The prohibitionists see quite clearly the Mowat in Ontario's eye, but what about the beam in that of the Dominion?

"HE MOTL BERTRIDE: OUR HARBOR IKE A COLOSSUS."

Sir Hibbert-"Yes! and by my Family-Crest, Cll make these varlets pay to the last Sou the penaltics for infringing the Masters and Mates Aet for the ten years past-erery-Sou of $\$ 75,000,000$ :"

## SIR HIBBERT ON DECK

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IR CHARLES HIBBERT TCDPER has decided to discipline the Bluenose mariners. They have not been handling marine affairs to his liking, especially at St. John, where they appear to have got the impression that the clause of the Masters and Mates Act relative to certificated officers did not apply to the ferry steamers on St. John harbor or the little tugboats that towed rafts down river and vessels around said harbor. A few months ago, just before the close of navigation, Sir Hibhert issued imperative orders that the law must be complied with at once. Seeing that the thing had been going on for over ten years without anything serious having occurred, the people thought no greai harm would result if the time were extended at least till navigation closed on the river, considering that a few rafts of logs had yet to be brought down. They, as well as their three conservative representatives in the Commons, were daring enough to say so to Sir Hibbert, and talked back, both conservative and liberal papers joining in the protest. But the fiat went forth, and, not only that, but Sir Hibbert instructed the Department of Justice to proceed against the city, which owns the ferry steamers, and against all the tugboat men. The penalty is $\$ 100$ for each trip, and assuming that all the penalties for ten years infraction of the law will be collected, the St. John Sun (conservative) estimates that if Sir Hibbert wins the city will have to pay $37 \overline{0}, 900,000$ on account of the ferry stemers, which make 51 trips each way, or 102 trips or "voyages" per day; while the tugboat men will be in for from. $\$ 250,000$ to $\$ 400,000$ each. The cases will come up shortly for trial in the exchequer court at St. John. As a final and master stroke of policy, Sir Hibbert stopped his subscription to the St. John Sun, conservative, because it criticised his action. That ought to settle the matter, surely.

IR Hibbert bold his cutlass drew,
And on it vowed a knightly vow ;
Those tugboat mutineers should rue
That they did not in homage bow.
" The like of it," Sir llibbert cricd, "There never was since time beran : A minister to be defied 13y what?-i harber ferry man:?
"Ay-more than that - tis further said, Atugbont captain me deties:
Ilis uncertificated head
Ife flants before my very eyes."
It mate him mad. It stirred his bile, 1 lis choler rose- as well it might:
A dreadful thing it is to rile A man who fairly aches to fight.
"I'll tine them all !" Sir Hibhert cried, -.." The ferry man, the tughoat men :
St. John itself-and woe betide If cer they bave my wrath again."

An awfol warning this to all
Who dwell leside the sounding sea :
A fearful thing it is to fall Afoul a great man's dignity:
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## OUR CULCHAW.

HON. GEO. W. ROSS asserts that the Public Jibrary Act which was passed by the Mowat Govermment some ten years ago has had a very marked effect ; it has. in short, changed the intellectual tone of the l'rovince. "With the exception of Scothand," he says, "no other cometry having free libraries for which statistics are available, now shows a lower ratio of fiction reading, or a higher ration of substantial reading," though at the time the Act was passed over 60 per cent of the literature circulated by the free libraries was fiction. The statement is one which must be gratifying to every patriotic Ontarioan, and none but the very' meanest of people would be capable of suggesting that it is owing to the increased culture of the masses that the popularity of the Mowat Government seems to be on the wane.

"THE PIPING TIMES OF PEACE."

## SOME NOTES ON THE ORIGIN OF NAMES.

THE origin of the names of places is an interesting study, and the ommiverous heak of Grir, in pursuing it as a diversion from serious thoughts, has picked up many a curious bit of local history. He has been able also to clear away many cobwebs of local misconception and error regarding the derivation of Canadian names, and has pleasure in giving the reader the benefit of these investigations, which can he absolutely relied unon.

It was supposed by some that Orillia was an unknown Indian word, a:ad by others that it was of Spanish origin, there being a tistrict of that name in Spain. The true derivation was this The oldest inhabitant was a man named $O$ 'Reilly, who became ashamed of his old lrish name and changed it to O'Riella, to sive the impression he was of foreign extraction. The people soon dropped the apostrophe, and O'Rielly soon dropped dead - a solemn warning to those who get ashamed of a dacent, honisht Irish name and want to put on frills.

The St. Lawrence River was mamed after St. Lawrence Ward, Tormin. Most of the grond things in Quebec are imported from Toronto. Toronto is a most importing centre.

Hamilton is so called from Fearman's Hams, of which none are genuine without his trade mark.

Pulmico, N. S. took its name from one of Gr112's most esteemed subscribers Probono Publico, who settled there many yars ago. The spelling was afterwards slightly changed - for the sake of euphony.

The origin of Port Credit is interestins. Before the rebellion of $\operatorname{sis}$ farmers who wanted tick went there to trade. This was the beginning of the Credit system, and Port Credit never amounted to much, while Toronto, which would have nothing to do with the Credit system went forward "by leaps and bounds." If writers in trade papers would leave off arguying on this subject and go back, to the simple historic fact, there would be some chance for the poor merchant to reform.

It is well known that Halifax was formerly spelt with twol's; and was founded by an Englishman who knew it all, and therefore assumed that he had Hall-the-fax.

A few people of the family of St. John will insist on pronouncing their name Sin-jin. It was one of these dudes who founded St. John, N. 13. But nature had her revenge, and twice the city has received such a singin' as will never be forgotten. The place will be completely burnt up again
_-at the end of the world. To anticipate this catastrophe the corporation have recently erected an elevator of large capacity, and at great outlay have acquired "the finest winter port in Canada," in order to have an ample supply of very cold water. Neantime they have repented so far as to call the city plain Saint John.

It was generally thought that Toronto took its mame from an Indian phrase, signifying "Trees-id-the-water," but the true origin was more like "snakes-in-his-boots." The "oldest settler" once got drunk and went down King strect with his legs so tangled that a man called out "he walks like a Parantula ?" The word stuck, and became corrupted to Taranty, and finally to its present more poetic form. It seems strange that Dr. Scadding and other local historians have glossed over or completely ignored this fact and its obvious deduction, yet the circumstances are fully set fourth in the old records of the License Commissioners.

When old McGouche decided to leave his native settlement in Nova Scotia and took ship for the distant harbor of l'ugwash, the settlers gathered on the shore and with much emotion sobbed "Tra-ta! McGouche!"' Hence the name of the charming sea-port village of Tatamagonche, N. S.

Of course there are many places the derivation of whose names is self-crident, such for instance as Antigonish from old Aunty Gonish; Merigonish, from Mary Gonish; Beeton, from the numerous beets that were found theresome are now dead-: Don, from the editor of Sirturden Nisht; Pakenham, where the business of packin' ham was first started; Aurora, where Northern Lights were first discovered, but wherc, alas' they have not even electric lights now.

We have never been able to trace the name of Lake Erie, but it was so called long before the present lirie.


THE CRUELLEST YET.
She.-"Is your mother-in-law danscrous/lי ill?"
He.-"Yes; the doctor says she is quite certain to recover, now!"

## MATCHED AT LASTI

THE action of the I'rohibition Convention was another illustration of the adage that it is "the unexpected that happens." The Attorney General's pledge that he would bring a Bill for Prohibition if the judicial decision enabled him to do so, was received with cheers and enthusiasm. The Government is now definitely bound on the great issue, and all further dodging made impossible. That is apparently regarded as a sufficient victory' for the present.



Those whosaw the Greek play of the Antigone as produced by the students of Toronto University some years ago have not forgotten the excellent way tn which it was rendered. That it is to be repro-
duced is cause for satisfaction. and as duced is cause for satisfaction. and as the principle of University aducation for women is now recognis d. the additional attraction is added of having the female characters represented loy lady students. The preparation of such a drama involves it is to amonnt of labor and expense, and it is to be hoped the people of Toronto Will manifest their appreeriation by full houses on each of three nights. The February and the place the Academyof Music.

## PRESS COMMENTS.

Ir was like meeting a dear friend from the farther shore to find Grip anong the exchanges this week. Not that the merry bird had any disembodied or ghostlike look, for he is, indeed, very much alive. The publishers apologize for the first number, for a first number was never yet produced in which a score of mishaps drojot occur to mar the plans of the projectors. But in this case an apology a very creditable initial issue. The letter-press, cartoons and other illustrations are quite up to the hest mark of Grip's palmy days, and doubtless a host of old friends will' welc rme a pleasant companion back to their homes and offees.--The Glove.

The many lovers of Canadian wit and art will be glad to learn that Grip has been revived and will appear as befere from Toronto. Mr.J.W. Bengough, the former leading cartoonist is at the head again and his presence indicates that the little weekly will be as entertaining as ever. Mr. Bengough has many friends in all parts of Canada whn will doubtless hail with delight the fact that he is agam great position to make telive at Ottaw and elsewhere. His sketches have al ways abounded in humor and never give offense to the subject.-Press, Amherst, N. S.

The first two numbers of Grif under the new management have been received, and we must say that Mr. Bengough and his associate. Mr. Bell. are to be congralulated on the handsome appear ance of the paper typorraphically, the excellence of the cartoons, most of which bear the imprint of Mr. Bengrough, and letter press. As a cartoonist Bengough is head and neck ahead of all competi tors.-Journal, Gananoque.

Grip is on deck again, and a hearty welcome the noble bird has received from all quarters. It , did not come to flll a which was caused by tts temporgry sus
pension. Mr. Bengough's withdrawal from the staff was undoubtedly the canse of the sudden eclipse, but it has emerged with the old hand at the helm, and its future is assured.-Templar, Hamilton.

Rabement, le spirituel crayon de notre artiste canadien J. W. Bengoumh a eu le trait plus juste que dans le croquis qui orne cette page-(" Protective.")
Trois personnages seulement, mais comme c'est finement touche ! Un enortont petit et $:$ uere redoutable. I'autre un grand flandrin bati comme un colosse. Le petit gamin est la minorite cathlique le grand la majorite protestante, et le gros policeman est la "P. P. A."
Cest un monstrueux non-sens, comme relecteur l'a deja dit et repete, et nous sommes heureux de voir ull protestant iberal conme M. Bengough prendre ses crayons pour illustrer notre pensee d'une facon aussi saisissante.-L. Electeur Quebec.

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