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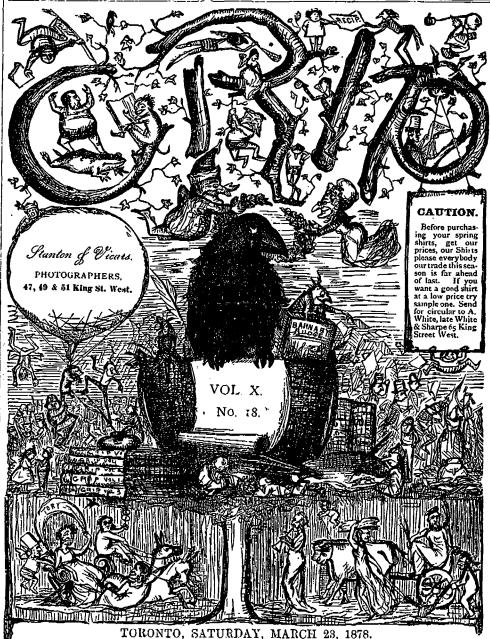
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TORONTO, SATURDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1878.

Answers to Correspondents.

Demea,-Your poem is rather gushing for our columns. J. B. P.—Our only objection to your poem is that it has appeared in another paper.

The Insult to McPherson.

Wad the Lallan pody daur, Insult gie to creat MACPHAIRSON? It maun be accountit for, Py tat CAIRTWREET in her pairson.

SHEMUS MACSHEMUS, pring hither her claymore, Flint up her pistol and load up her gun. She is the Ottawa ganging till slay more CAIRTWREETS tan twanty tree huntret and one.

> Daured they say she was a thief, Wi' an instinct prawditory? Cry upon each Heelan chief!
> Roose Clanranald an' McVourigh!

Pring tae McKenzie's an' pring tae McLeods town.

Ca' up McGregor, and Grant, and ILAY. Pring tae clan CAMPBELL in terrible crowds town. Pit on tae plumes an' tae tartan array.

> When the CAIRTWREET sees the flash Of the proadswords on her faling, Her will think her has peen rash, Names tae Hieland shentles ca'ing.

What if tae chiefs frae tae Heelans expell't us, Stealin' by force a' oor rights to tae lan'? By tae base Sassenach shall it be tell't us? Na; tat te Heelan bluid neffer will stan'.

> Though her did the cunzie cleik, Her an' a' her sires redoubtit. Shall tae Southron daur tae speak? Shall he daur tae talk apout it?

Pring oot tae pipes an' pring oot tae pig standard, Gar tae St. Lawrence ring wild tae tae skreigh.
Gang noo for CAIRTWREET wha basely has slandered Tae sons o' tae Gael—oich! oich! oich! come away!

Scene at Ottawa.

Present-Particular Ministerial Supporters.

HON. MR. MACKENZIE.—It's a mere sorrow o' heart, an' punishment o' the speerit, ta tak office ava'. Was there ever mortal mon sae persecutit as I hae been the day, and no only the day, but three weeks or mair—three months I might amaist say? Ae chiel after anither—sometimes three or mair lug by jowl—speirin', speirin', speirin' tae ken whan wull be the general election. Gin I knew mysel, it wad be some conhad nae policy ava, and tae tell them I ken is the invect cross-examination of the maist barbarous descreention.

HON. MR. MILLS. - I think it due to the country to make public the

information at once.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie.—Ye dae! an' hoo sune wad ye hae them come off, may I ken?

Hon. Mr. Mills.—Certainly, at once. I would not, previous to joining the Cabinet, have given this opinion. But I consider that after the profound disquisitions with which I have favoured the country -the acumen-the historical information-the accurate statistics I have given-the elections should result in certain triumph to the Cabinet in which I hold position. A precisely similar case occurred in ancient Illyria, B.C. 1200, at the time of the building of the Pyramids of Egypt by JULIUS CHESAR and CLEOPATRA—

HON. MR. CARTWRIGHT.—Nonsense! L. They didn't build them. I read it at school. It was Moses'did it for the Shepherd Kings.

HON. MR. MACKERZIE.—Ye'lare wrang, Maister CAIRTWREET.

The Bilde word be tell't us if he bed due:

The Bible wad, hae tell't us if he had dune sae. Mairower, Maister MILLS is probably correck.

HON. MR. MILLS.—People with deficits in more respects than one should not interrupt. (CARTWRIGHT collapses). Where was I? Oh,

yes, I was remarking that, according to the very simple equation xyz minus x, equal abz, taking the hypothenuse of Q square for a guide, and allowing for the motion of the earth and attraction of the moon, the elections should be held-

HON. MR. BLAKE (Suddenly rising from sofa). - Pack of nonsense ! HON. MR. MILLS.-The ignorant deride the Philosopher, but he heeds them not. He alone is mighty. Give him but a place to stand on, and he will-

JOE RYMAL. -Shove any Cabinet he's in out of power.

HON, MR. MILLS.—I expected better from you, sir.

MR. RYMAL.—So did the country from you. Blessed are those who

expect nothing, for they shall not be disappointed.

HON, MR. MACKENZIE.—There's nee use in sic collicshangie amang freens'. Here lees the deelemma: Gin I haud the elections noo, if we winna a majority, we lose a'. Gin I wait till Januar', we mich! cannily pit oorsels in gude berths, whilk are no' just ready the noo.

HON, MR. CARTWRIGHT.—Then wait. We might not get in, you know. And really a bird in the bush—

HON, MR. MILLS.—Why this faint-heartedness? Be bold. Launch

out!

"Nunc vino pellite curas,
Cras ingens iterabinus aquor."
Yes, hold the elections. I will address the people. The glorious results of the course I shall advocate must convince

HON, MR. BLAKE.—Is it to be anything like what you have done?

HON, MR. MACKENZIE.—Maister BLAKE, it is no weel tae sit in the seat o' the scomfu'. Ye did little for us yersel', forbye helpin' us tae promise prospecity in mair magnificent language than the rest o' us possessit, and thereby seemply placing Maister CAIRTWREET'S defectits in a warse licht.

HON. MR. BLAKE.—Oh, could I have done what I would! Could I have infused into the hearts of my lukewarm surrounders the glories of Imperial Confederation. Then, then, indeed, I had not lived in vain. Why make Canada now prosperous? Why not rather keep her poor and iniserable, that she may sooner turn to her real refuge? Ah, do you begin to comprehend my policy? When that is achieved, how easy my the formula of the property of the proper path to Imperial greatness! Member for Toronto in London-elevated to the British Peerage-no doubt in time a British Minister of Stateperhaps allied to the Royal family—what honor for myself, what glories for my race! Ah, how can I, with such ends in view, sympathise with small colonial schemes—

(The door bursts open with a bang, and in strides a tall but shaky figure. Throwing off a plaid appears!

MR. BROWN. Weel, sirs! I see I hae tac tak' chairge, I hae made

sair sacreefices. There are nae less than three coos tae calve at Boo Pairk the morn, and three neist week. Noo, ye mann proceed tae

wark. Deemeenish the tariff on a' foreign gudes at ance—
HON, MR. CARTWRIGHT.—Where will be the revenue?
HON, MR. BROWN.—Direck taxation at ance. Ma freens the cemporters maun be servit—tariffs maun be abolishit. What we want is sures. Fules threep I never institutit a policy—they shall fin' Direck taxation an' income tax, I say. meesures.

HON. MR. BLAKE.—I congratulate you on your plan of ingratiating

yourself in the hearts of the country.

Hon, Mr. Brown.—Did I call mysel' here? Is it no the result o'
yere feckless attempts? What for did I bring ye forrit? Tae gie
mysel rest. Noo I shall tak' command. ALL. -And when will be the elections?

HON. MR. BROWN. - Mind ye'er ain affairs! Dinna daur tae question me. Leave me the papers, gang intill the nearest room, and dinna come in till callit.

(They obey in silence. Scene closes).

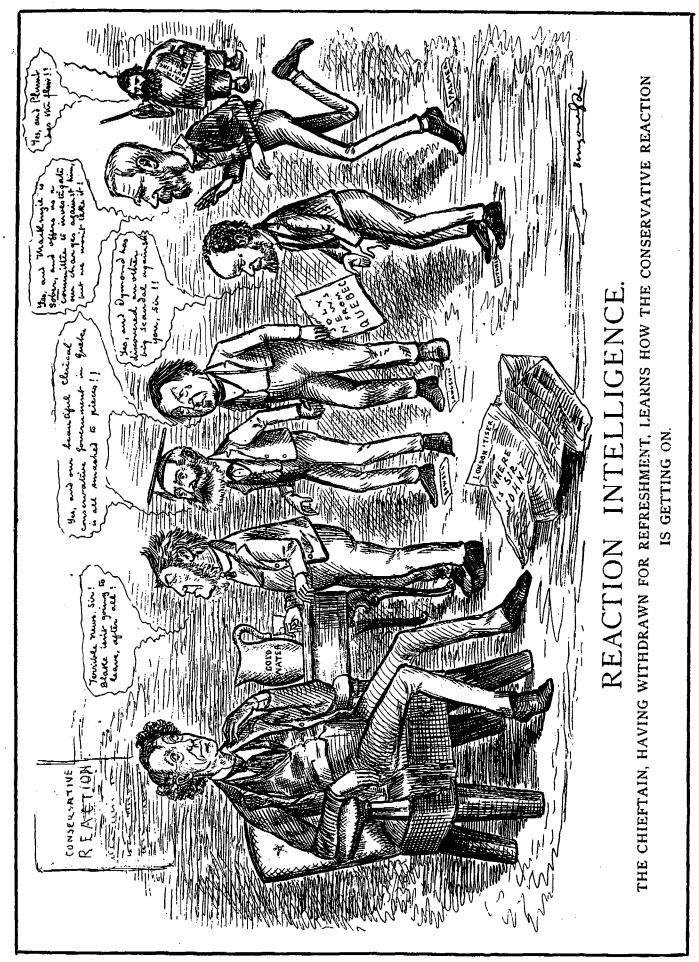
The Mob.

To the Editor of Grip.

Str.—I am a citizen of Toronto. I find I have to pay my share for breakage whenever people think it correct to make a row. Some time back this amounted to some thousands for troops alone. Now what I would say is this. I do not pretend to understand the different religions of the two great tribes into which the ancient and highly respectable country of Milesia appears to be divided, against either of whom, or against their religions—I have too much respect for propriety and my windows to say a word. I am a plain man who never meddles with other people's religions, and being a Christian myself, of course my ideas are widely different from those of the aforesaid tribes. But one thing is very plain. It is part of the highly respectable religious rites of these tribes to throw stones at windows and cause great damage to people who have nothing to do with the matter, moreover to kill and main policemen, to the great loss of their families. I would propose therefore that a wooden house with glass windows be erected in the Queen's Park, and four dummy policemen stood up round it. On the 12th of July let it be destroyed by one tribe, and on the 17th of March have another ready to be smashed by the other. If all parties will accept this compromise, much loss may be averted, and great fear and nervousness dissipated on the part of yours truly,

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JOHN .- Conscience! ALIC what's the matter? ou've grown thin instead of fatter.

Driving does not agree with you. That is a fact, I know it too,
The constant pulling of the rein
Gives my nerves a frightful strain,
Which makes my heart faint and weary
While trav'ling this road so dreary.

John.—Your horses are too poorly fed,

They show it by the drooping head.

They must have oats or they will die, So try and feed them ALIC try, Give better, more substantial food, Not bricks and mortar, stone or wood,
Contract or steal some oats and hay,
Procure them ALIC in some way.
ALEX.—Why! Trade is lame, can hardly walk,
And when I drive her she will baulk.

-Pamper her, pet her as you may You'll never cure her in that way.

ALEX.—She may improve, if, as you say, I give her plenty oats and hay. I'll take the bridle off her head And give her liberty instead,
To roam the fields of my domain,
And she will soon get fat again.
JOHN.—The Yank's will cross o'er forty-five
And take your mare for a drive

Extract the marrow from her bones And let her die 'mid pains and groans.

ALEX.-I'm hourly losing oats and hay My barns are empt'ing day by day Contents abstracted by the load So I must turn her on the road. The wintry months are gliding past And my little stock won't last To bring me through the month April

So she must vegetate awhile.

JOHN.—I know too well what spoiled your hay I know too well what spoiled you And left you without oats to-day For on enquiry I did find It was a pig that felt inclin'd To fatten on the best of grain Under shelter from the rain, So it took refuge in your shed As by a hoggish motive led To satisfy a craving greed To dine upon the best of feed. While eating there with great del While eating there with great delight It ne'er thought 'twas in a bad plight Until captured doing harm Then with fright and great alarm It shew'd it's heels—off for the West A sty of liberty and rest
Where it may view the prairie o'er
And meditate on days of yore, While crushing 'tween its ivory tusks, The Prairie corn from sweeten'd husks, To fill an inward aching void. Now! as you say you lack good food I will send you some, if you would Receive it as a gift from me "Twill fatten any horse—you see. My barns are stack'd full of such grain, My horses cover'd from the rain, Protection like a massive wall Keeps them safely in the stall. When you have fed yours for a while Just take them out-not for a smile,

And give them oatmeal, gruel and bran,

And give them oatmeal, gruet and be And we shall see a dashing span.

ALEX.—At pic-nic parties all so gay,
You always make a fine display,
You're always greeted by the crowd
With acclamations long and loud.
Your prancing horses take the eye, Of every one whom you pass by, Who look—enraptur'd with delight, Become ecstatic at the sight.

Become ecstatic at the signt.

But my lame steed commands no prize
From any one—unless I rise
In self defence her worth to tell—
JOHN.—You always have a blust'ring swell
Of words, of egotistic sham
With which you never cease to cram
The minds of those you wave at will The minds of those you wave at will To take your sugar coated pill.
Thinking it dropp'd from angel's tongue They swallow—then they feel they're stung. With deep remorse and raging ire
They strive to quench the inward fire
Which has been kindl'd in the breast

By your steal-(thy) act suppressed.
-You're not afraid of any draught Won by an artful, planning, craft, Which will inebriate the mind Or in the purse it's level find.

Joun,-Instituations of your kind Are blossoms of a feeble mind
Which tall like snow on maiden earth
Making no impress by their birth.
So faulty, worthless, base, untrue,
They're born to fade like morning dew. You'll want drafts to meet deficit So you must steat or solicit Aid, by increased circulation, Aid, by increased circulation,
To cover loss by peculation.
The Budget has disclos'd a tale
Which makes one shudder and bewail
While thus revolving in the brain
Most anxious thoughts in rapid train
Of the fearful doom impending
Brought about by reckless spending
Of the country's well earn'd treasure
Which was layished without measure Which was lavished without measure Upon a few within the fold

Whose hungry mouths you've shut with gold.

ALEX.—Your words I'll not refute with rage
While driving such an equipage
But merely say a fond "adicu"
While taking thus my leave of you. OTTAWA, 15th March, 1878.

The two P's---Palmer and Plumb.

Two P's that are M. P's, and as like one another, As peas in a pod, or as brother to brother, In a certain respect grow alike more and more, For PALMER'S a grunter and PLUMB is a bore.

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(Scene in Montreal).

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(Scene in Toronto.)

o council).—We must break the Catholic windows.

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age, please.

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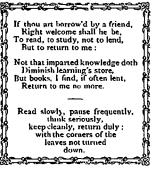
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