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E．A．Macnonard－＂Sir Oliver，I hope that when the next vacancy occurs you won＇t forget my claims for an office．＂
Sir Mowat（astounded）－＂Your claims！Why sir，the only claims we can consider are those of loyalty．＂
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WE give in another column a letter from an esteemed correspondent, signing himself "L Loyalist," calling attention to the attempts of the wicked annexationists to make capital out of the fact that the American Consul's office, in Toronto, has during nine months issued certificates exempting from duty as "settlers' eifects" the household goods of families numbering 7,562 persons, presumably emigrants, from this neighborhood, to the U.S. This would apparently indicate that there is an exodus, though as our correspondent points out, another construction may be placed upon it as showing the depth of depravity of which the annexationist mind is capable. So subtle, in fact, are the enemies of Canada in their machinations, that we give space to his leiter with some misgivings, lest he might be an annexationist in disguise, taking this means to secure additional publicity to a painful state of affairs which our press have hitherto so judi. ciously concealed. But we give him the benefit of the doubt. It's getting very hard to tell who really is loyal now-a days.

W
ITH all our boasted enly...temment, our judicial system remains unspeakably brutaland barbarous. last weck a lady was arrested in this citv on a charge of theft, dragged to the police station, and, with her little daughter of twelve, locked up all night, bail being refused. Now, apart altogether from the social standing of the accused, or the question of her guilt or innocence, such an occurrence is an outrage on all right feeling and humanity. - Why could rot the alleged criminal have been summoned to answer the charge? The law as it stands is villainous enough, but when it is administered by callous martinets, like Denison, and such creatures as the detectives whom it would be fulsome adulation to call thugs and vampires, it is one of the darkest stains on our civilization. It is surely better to run the risk of a small thief now and then sharing the immunity which the law secures to the big thieves, than to place the liberty of every person at the mercy of any malicious informer or official zealot.

HE ban of the hierarchy is still potent in Quebec. L'Echo des Deux Mintagnes, one of the French
newspapers which was lately denounced by the Catholic bishops, has been obliged to suspend publication. $\mathrm{Be}-$ fore we read the French Canadians a lecture on their ignorance and superstition - which are of course extremely irritating-let us bear in mind that it is only within very recent years that a newspaper of independent political views could exist in enlightened Ontario, and that even now we have any number of would-be political popes trying, with more or less success, to curse progressive men and journals out of existence.

NTOW that the French have captured Abomey, it is to be hoped they will put an end to some of the abominable practices prevailing there

THE Prohibition Commission are having a good time of it at the public expense. After travelling all through Canada, they are going to wind up by a trip to California and Texas, where the farce of taking evidence as to the working of Prohibition will be gone through, just as though everything that could be said on the question pro or con had not been given to the public a thousand times over in a far more convenient and readable shape than a bulky Government document, which few will see and nobody read No sane person, of course, expects the Dominion Government to do anything in the direction of Probibition. But what can exceed the political perversity of a Government which is not satisfied with doing nothing, but thinks it necessary to spend tens of thousands of dollars to !provide a pitiful excuse for inaction?

THE revolt against machine rule is extending among the Conservatives. A notable victory for freedom of opinion and action within the party lines was won at the meeting of the Young Conservatives last week, when a resolution, substantially endorsing the position taken by President Armstrong, was carried by a very large majority. Castell Hopkins, of the Empire, who attempted to apply the party lash, obtained few supporters. The Young Liberals have also shown something of the same spirit in voting down a resolution framed to check freedom of discussion. These junior organizations are rapidly superseding the regular party machines in inlluence, and it will be a good thing for the country when they control their respective parties, as they will do before long, and send the mossbacks and reactionaries to the rear.
 HE long-threatened resignation of Premier Abbott has come at last, and the task of forming a Cabinet has been entrusted to Sir John Thompson. The degree of indepeindent progressive public sentiment in the country can be gauged by the force of the opposition to this most objectionable appointment. It has been often said that Ontario would not stand Sir John Thompson, but anyone must be of an exceedingly sanguine temperament who looks for a successful revolt against the machine which has a parliamentary majority at its back and the control of the treasury. The experience of the past shows that Canadians will stand anything in the way of misgovernment.


RUSHING THE GROWLER.

NATURALLY the World is the first paper to give the public an authoritative culline of the policy of the new Ministry, that enterprising journal having practically superseded the Empire as Government organ. The N.1'. is to be strengthened by the creation of a new ministerial department of Trade and Finance. Sir John the Third's policy on the Manitoba School Question may be summed up in one word-delay. That will exactly suit the Romish hierarchy, for if the question is kept open long enough they can eventually get all they want by pressing their clains at an opportune moment. It will require an unusually lavish dispensation of favors to reconcile a large section of the Government following to such a policy.

## NO MORE LEFT.

$\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{L}}$EELER-"If the papers must lie during the election, they should stick to probable lies. The one in this morning's ' Mudscow,' is wildly improbable."

Critikus-"But I fancy all the probable lies must be used up by this time."

## FOR TURNING TO SEE.

A
SKEM-" Have you ever heard of a woman being a celeb:ated sailor?"
Weatherbeat-" History does not record any except Lot's wife. She was an old salt."

## MY JULIA.

My Julia's smile is certainly subline, No angel's smile, I'm sure, could be sublimer ;
But if my Julia's father sees this rhyme,
He'll make me wish I had not been the rhymer.

## A DOUBTFUL CASE.

THE following epigram from an old work is republished by the Empire:
An upright minister asks what recommends a man: a corrupt minister who.

But supposing an applicant was recommended by Dewdney, for instance, under which head would that come?

## TRUE ECONOMY.

M
RS. BAGSLEY (as her hushand comes home)—" Did you ride out by the trolley again this evening, William?"
BagsLer-" Ies. I always do now."
Mrs. Bagsley-"I should think you might walk. We really must begin to practice economy."

Bagsley-" Yes, indeed, that's precisely why I ride instead of walking from town. I save fully a dollar a week by it."

Mrs. Bacsley-" I don't uncerstand."
Bagsley-" Why, there are fully half-a-dozen saloons on the way, and I get past 'em all for five cents on the car, whereas otherwise_-"



OF DOUBTFUL VALUE.
Mr. Sroorenmike-" I thought you said our new cook was a jewel?"
Mrs S.-"So she is, my dear, an emerald. Very green, you know."

Ef it be trew that awl wich iz needed to n.aik a kountri prosperous iz restrickshuns on traid, then what durn phools the peple must bee wich iz trien tew erbolish tole gates an markit fees, instid ov havin ten times as manoi moar ov 'em an all gittin ritch bi the simple process ov taxin our nabors.

Frum a practickle pint ov view thar ma bee tew manni offis-holders in Canada, but somethin must bee aloud fur the sentiment ov loyalti. If it want fur the offisholders wa e kould yew git men tew holler fur the Old Flag?

Ef Yan Horne gits a fare show he will settle the hole question of Canada's destinny i of theze daze bi annexin the Unitid States tew the C.P.R.

Bi keerful kalculashun I hav arrived at the konclushun that the apparentli harmles an easy fraze "frum the Atlantik tew the Pasifick" haz cost this kountri in clean kash in the naborhood of tew hundred million dollars.

## A SURE TEST OF EXCELLENCE.

 SKRIBRLER-"Is there any good poetry in the magazines this month."Hardiead-" Lots of it. There"s a sonnet by Lampman, and a longer poem by Campbell, that I've read half a dozen times over, and haven't the remotest idea what it's all about."

## DEAR HUNTING.

I SHOT and killed a deer, I thought, one day, I found it was a sarmer's only cow; I've got to pay the danages, they say; And so it's mone; 1 ann hunting now.

## A SCANDAL CONTRADICTED.

MRS. DEWSBURY-"What do you think? Mrs. Limberjaw was here yesterday, and she says the goings on at St. Athanasius church lately are something frightful. It's got to be a regular high church."

Mrs. Impsecute-" She'd ought to be ashamed of herself to say such a thing. I was there myself last Sunday, and I know better. It's not a high church at all. Why, it hasn't even got a gallery."

THAWTS ONJPUBLICK AFFARES. By Elder weedlesnick.


HARE iz mannia man wich ronders how Katholics kin be so souperstishus as tu beleeve in the Pope's infallerbility wich finds no differculty at awl in acseptin the dogners uv Toryism an beleevin that thar ain't no exodus.

I onct knew a Canadian wich went to the Unitid States ontew a visit, and wen he kum back wast never onct ackused of havin told a Yankee; intervuer that he waz ripe fur annewation. He waz deef an dum.

CHOLLY-" Dudely carn't waise a moustache."
Chaprie-"Naw, pooah fellah, he never was strong."


## - CONSISTENT.

Embrio Divine-""Mary, don't you think a minister's firsi duty is to practice what he preaches?
Mary-" Why, certainly, John!"


A TYPOGRAPHICAL TERROR.
"He's got 'em on a string."
absolutely no difference in principle between their case and that of the leading journals. Mr. Hugh and his associates, like many other people, appear to think that newspapers are published for fun or philanthropy, and that the publishers are only too well pleased if they can get anybody to read them by furnishing them free. Probably some of the journals which are run on Government pap are responsible for this delusion, as finding it alnost impossible to get subscribers they have to keep up a dead-head circulation by availing themselves of such patrons as the Winnipeg Liberal Club.

Bro. Hugh appears to be considerable of a humorist, and if he particularly wishes to see Grip regularly and feels unable to subscribe, let him send us a contribution or two as funny as his letter and pay for his paper that way.

## A DANGEROUS JAG.

M
AUD_-"I saw Jack this afternoon.
He looked quite kiling."
Tom (a rital)—" Humph! I suppose he was loaded as usual."

## RIVALRY.

OYSTER (hoastfully") "What have you got to compare with my pearls?' Clam-" My silence is golden."

## EASILY ACCOUNTED FOR.

IASPAR—"Brown seems to be very; tender on the subject of money."
Jumpurpe-"Yes. He has been shinned so often."

## THEIR SPECIALTY.

## IT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE.

It is interesting to note the complexity and diversity of the attainments of British statesmen. Mr. Balfour and Lord Rosebery are cases in point. Culture, literature, philanthropy, higher educa. ion, municipal government, political econony or politics pure and imple, seem to be all equally at their fingers' ends.-Emfire.
JUST so. But if their politics, instead of being pure and simple, were impure and complicated, as thes are in Canada, they wouldn't have either time or nclination for all these ornamental attainments.

## HOW TO RUN A CLUB CHEAPLY.

GRIP has received a letter from W. G. Hugh, corresponding secretary of the Winnipeg Liberal Club, stating that that institution has passed a resolution to ask the leading newspapers of Canada to favor the club with copies of their journals, and in pursuance thereof "would esteem it a great favor to our young institution to have our club placed upon your free list."

We should judge that the Winnipeg Liberal Club is a young institution. It seems to have all the freshness of youth. We wonder if it meets its expenses $n$ the way of rent, fuel and furniture in the same fashion, by passing reslolutions requesting that "leading tradesmen" should furnish them a Iree outfit? If not, why not? There is

HON strange that women rarely till
The soil, because 'tis plain to see
Tae greatest study of their lives Fiom girlhood up is husbandry:

E. D.-"You see, Mary, 1 have to preach to-morrow on ' Hold fast the true, the beautiful and the good.':


MUCH OTHERWISE.
Jack-"Don'tyou think Mand simply out of sight to-night ?"
"Tom-" No, but her dress is as far as possible."

## LEAVING THE OLD HOME.

Farmer Adiott (higu.)
T'Skinder gallin', Laury, le feel it bad, no doubr,
Ter see joung folks git sancr; An' fur theirselves strike out.
But 'tain't no use ter argie Wen sech idees they've got,
Fur the more ye try an' change 'em The more their minds is sot.

I reckon it ain't a great way out What these young fellers say,
That I've been rumnin' this here farm In an old-fasbioned kinder way.
I've follered the good old customs Of our great grandfathers' days-
Tnese new-fangled farmin' notions, I notice, seldom pays.
An' ez long ez times wuz easy, An' harvest fairly good,
There wan't no stiddier, better boys In all the neighborhood.

But sence things got some harder, An' crops is sorter slim,
They've made my life a burden By every lind of whim.
They say I've borrowed too heavy, And they cannot understand
Why' I don't turn to an' cultivate $\Delta$ lot of my racant land.
They low that some of my hired men Is allus disposed to shirk.
An' to lay 'round eatin' their heads off, Instid of gillin' to work.

Well, I can't stand sech growlin', I reckon they'd better jo,
But all the same I kin tell 'em
They've a durned long row to hoe.
'Tain't no use blubberin', Laury, Old folks like you an' me,
With these new modern, pernickity ways Can't nohow never agree.

IRLS are very careful about their kisses. They neyer throw them except at good catches.


LEAVING THE OLD HOME.
(Sic poem on oppositc pare.)


AS THROUGH A GLASS, DARKLY.

## AIRLIE'S BALL AND CHAIN.

MAISTER GRIP,-When I sent ye that undertaker's petition a fortnight syne, little did I think that I mysel' would be within a hair $o^{\prime}$ bein' handed ower to them for the last rites, or that your respeckit correspondent was to be laid on the operatin' table in the General Hospital to hae a ball an' chain extrackit frae my stammack, like as I had been a goat, livin' on auld oyster cans an' general truck. "Death in the cup!" Aih! wae's me! Hoo often hae I read thae words, little thinkin' hoo sune they would come true in my ain case, a' through tryin' to please a fashionable wife. For that woman, sin' I've been awa, has fairly gane aff at the nail wi' angsheety to get the latest fashions. An' the latest thing wi' her is a ball an' chain. No a gude honest an' tangible ball an' chain roond the ankle, a thing ye can steer clear o' if ye like, but a terrible danger hidden in a cup o' kindness an' swallowed-but first let me explain. Naething would do but Mrs. Airlie maun hae a five o'clock tea; an' as ill luck would hae it, in I comes, richt in the middle o't. Mrs. Airlie ca's this kind o' thing a function. I never contradict that woman noo, an' when she said I maun come into the function, into the function I went, an' a bonnie business she made o't. There were aboot a dizzen women there, a' wi' their bonnets an' caps in their hands, an' of coorse I graciously bowed to some an' spak by word $o^{\prime}$ mooth to others, an' then Mrs. Airlie brings mea a thimmlefu' o' tea in a Japanese cup o' sic microscopic dimensions that I lookit first at the thing an' then at her, tryin' to find oot what in a' the face o' the earth the woman was drivin' at.
"Have a cup o' tea," she says to me, wi' a wink that
fairly daured me to say a word; but if I didna speak I thocht plenty; an' the $t: a$ in the wee elf cup smelt fine. So I watched my opportunity, an' when naebody was lookin', ower I whups the tea at a'e gulp, thinkin' I needna mak' twa bites o' a cherry. At the self same meenit I sprang three feet in the air, the cup flecin' a'e way an' the saucer anither, my twa hands grippin' my throat an' my een fairly stickin' oot o' my head.

To say that the meetin' broke up in admired disorder, wouldna be speakin' the truth, a thing I'm very particular aboot; indeed, there was very little admiration on either side, for I've heard sin' syne that when the women a' got outside they ca'ed me a drunken brute for behavin' the way I did, ane o' them gaun sae far as to suggest that Mrs. Airlie should apply for a divorce, on the ground o' brutal cruelty.

An' here's me a' the time, puir innocent creatur'! wi' a ball in my throat the size o' a thimble, an' the chain o't hinging doon the inside $o^{\prime}$ my thrapple, kittlin' me to death! Ye sec, this is the new-fangled way o' makin' tea. There's twa wee hollow hemispheres $o^{\prime}$ what they ca'silver, bored wi' little holes; an' in thae hemispheres ye put the tea, an' fasten them, for a' the world like a pair o' cockles, an' wi' the chain an' ring attached to this, ye drap it into the cup an' pour on your boilin' water, sugar an' cream. Kennin' naething aboot a' this, I had swallowed the hale thing holus-bolus! The last o' the company left her handkechief in her hurry, an', comin' back for't, saw Mrs. Airlie thumpin' me on the back, consequently when she saw the ambulance sent for, she drew her ain conclusions aboot oor conjugal relations an' my wife's muscular abeelity. I'm no in a position to describe the operation o'gettin' the thing up, bein' under chloroform mysel' at the time; but I've sent the thing, chain an' $a^{\prime}$, ower to my friend David Boyle's museum, to be put under a glass wi' my compliments, an' labelled, "Death in the cup."

Hugh Airlie.


LOWER SUDBURY.
Mephisto (meditatively)-"I should judge now, from the way that last arrival smelts down, that he was one of these gold cure victims I've beard so much about lately."

baron Front de busuf-"IIa, dog of an unbeliever! I must have of thy gold, for I ween thou has gotten by thy usury ample store of moidores and rose nobles. Give it up, or loy my halidom-"

Isaac the Jew-"Ah, dot vas beesness! Hal you got dot halidom nit you? s'elp me fader Abraham, I haf no monish, but auf dat halidom vas cheap perhaps I vinds a gustomer."

## AN ANNEXATIONIST TRICK.

EDITOR GRIL-SIR,-I ann glad, sir, to see that your loyalty has been vindicated beyond dispute from the malignant aspersions thrown upon it by those who are no doubt themselves annexationists in disguise. As a fellow-loyalist I ask your aid in exposing one of the infanous subterfuges whereby the enemies of British institutions hope to promote disaffection and convey the nefarious idea that Canada is on the high road to ruin. I refer to the statement, to which wide publicity has been given, that families, numbering in all 7,562 persons, have within the first nine months of the present year applied at the American consul's office in this city for certificates to enable them to take their household goods to the States free of duty as settlers' effects. The annexationists seize upon this statement for the purpose of showing that there is an exodus from this country to the United States, and impressing upon the minds of those who are weak enough to listen to them that Canada is not prosperous.
The shallowness of this artifice is apparent. How do we know that the people who applied for these certificales cver realiy left the country? What right have the promoters of ireason to assume that they have actually departed from our shores for the United States? It is altogether probable that the great majority of these certificates were given to people who had no intention of leaving. but simply touk them out for the purpose of aiding the treason-mongers in their scandalous altacks upon the integrity of the Canodian nation. We know that the annexationist propaganda have large amounts of Vankee gold at their disposal: What is more likely than that they have bribed unscrupulous and needy persons to take out such certificates in order to swell the figures of the so-called excdus? This view of the case is strengthened by the fact that not one of the daily newspapers of Toronto - anxious as some of them are to play into the hands of the ainexationist plotters-has dared to print these figures. Could there be plainer cvidence that they know them to be fraudulent?

I trust that any truly loyal Canadians who may have occasion to cross the border in scarch of work will in luture refrain from giving aid and comfort to the enemy by applying to American consuls for exemption from duty on their goods. It is surely better to
patriotically pay a few dollars and make a silent sneak across the border than to have the fact of their going blazoned forth as an evidence of the decline and fall of Canadian greatness.

Yours, for the Old Flag,
Toronto, Nov. ajth.
Lovalist.

THOSE POYS.


Y chimminy, I tink dot some peoples vas got too vresb already. Dey sent dose poys to pring dem fif' cents worth off sugar ant one postage stamp. Dot vas aight shents. Now vot brofit vas by fif' cents' worth of sugar, ant dose poys eat my grackers ant raisins by de pount. But dot vas not all. Dem poys saidt, Schmelzer, dey vas von man rount de corner vat vants to see you. I shay dot vas von goot poy. Chonny, you mint mine sthore till I vas pack in a little vilc ant I shee
dot man.
Now, py crashus, I bunts for dot mans till I vas near grasy, and hini not dere already. Den I tink dose poys dey blay von humpug on Schmelzer sure, so I runs me pack to de shop fast as I goot go, but dose poys vas gone, so vas mine cat Schnider, mit one quard of molasses


ROUGH ON TOUGH.
Uncle Jarison-" Begosh, young feller, I never feltsh (hic) sho lough 'n all milife's I do now.'
Jugcins-"Well, I bet yer don't feel half as tough 's yer look."
dot I leaf on de counder: ant I lose me all mine best gustomers py de sand vot vas in de sugar by dose poys; and poor old Schnider vas de vorst, mit de molasses all py his fur, and sawdust all ofer dot. Now perhaps Schmelzer vas green maype, but dose poys fint out Schmelger nod half so green as he looks.

## Fright.

## HOW SHE FETCHED HIM.



REN"Tyoucomingtochurch this evening, John?" asked Mrs. Wagbustle as she stood in the hall-way buttor.ing her gloves.
"Well, no, Susan, I guess not this evening. I feel kind of tired and I must finish that book, its got to go back to the Library tomorrow."
"I declare, its really too bad, John. I don't believe you've been at church for a month and you used to be so regular. Dr. Groner asked me last Sunday if you were sick or anything, I felt so ashamed."
"Wish the parson would mind his own business. If be wants folks to come to church he'd better preach sermons that are worth hearing. Anyway, I don't see that he needs to worry so long as we pay our pew rent regular."
"Well, good-bye, John, dear," said Mrs. Wagbustle as the bell began ringing. "Its too bad of John," she thouglit to herself; "but he shan't get into this way of staying at home Sunday evenings as if he was glued to his easy chair. I'll cure him of that in a week or two, see if I don't."

It was nine o'clock before Mrs. Wagbustle returned and found John dozing on the sofa.
"The doctor gave you a good long sermon to-night. Glad I escaped the infliction," he said sleepily.
"Oh, no, no longer than usual, but I took a short walk before I came home."
"Humph! Don't see much satisfaction in taking a walk this time of night," replied he, and she changed the subject by telling him all about Miss Plugwinch's new hat and how shockingly Mrs. Gaffick's gown fitted her.

Next Sunday the same scene was repeated. Mrs. Wagbustle asked her husband, as a matter of form, if he was going with her to church and he replied that he felt too tired and lapsed into his casy chair and Zola's latest norel. This time. It was fully half past nine before his wife's re appearance.
"Well, where on earth have you been ?" he asked in a tone that indicated that he was not exactly pleased
"Why you know John, I sometimes take a stroll after church if the evening is fine, and to-night I went a little further than usual, nearly up to St. Clair Avenue. It's a lovely night and I don't know when I've enjoyed a walk as much."
" Nice time for you to be gallivanting around the streets alone, I must say."
"I didn't say I was alone, dear," replied Mrs. Wagbustle sweetly.
"You weren't alone? Then who was"with you?"
"Oh, I shan't tell you."
"But, madam, I insist on knowing."
"Oh, you needn't get in a temper about it. If you want to know who I walk with on Sunday evenings, why you'll have to come with me that's all."
"See bere, Mrs. Wagbustle, I'll not stand this sort of thing any longer! I won't have it, I tell you. I'll go with you to church next Sunday and put a stop to this business of secret meetings and moonlight rambles in a hurry."

Mrs Wagbustle was, of course, too good a diplomat to express any satisfaction at having gained her point, but from that day forth Mr. Wagbustle has never missed accompanying his wife to the evering service.


## INSPECTOR OF CLOUD-LININGS.

Tir?" Watson-" What are you travellin' aroun' the country for?"
Weary Wigeins-" I'm stumpin' fer free silver."

## THE FARMER TO MR. GRIP-THESE WITH RESPEX.



An a farmer of the land, as many farmers knows,
I writes some poetry sometimes, though I converse in prose;
Alad now I takes the liberty some lines to write to you,
Because as how a thing I've done I wants more folks to do.
I've bad my farm this many year, and though self-praise it be,
There wasn't many worked more hard than did my sons and me;
But in one pint we worked more hard than did us any good.
A precious piece of foolishness-we cuts down all the wood.
We didn't know as we was fools, perbaps you've chanced to see,
There's very few folks in the world as can believe they be.
And wise chaps often did remark, "There's lots more wood round here
Than old Methusalem could burn, as lived a thousand year.
But, bless us, we was taken in ; some cut and some cut more,
Till all the country most was shaved as smooth as a barn floor.
Some left a bit of wood to barn, but some left none at all, And when it comes to grubbin' roots it's gettin' rather small.
And coal meant cash, and winter winds they whistled in onc's face Till it were hard a livin' on or workin' round the place. And then a drivin' on the roals, the way the blasts they froze, It were a blessed chance if one contrived to save his nose.
We used to git some pleasant shade when some'summer time'was round, But when the woods was ranished off and nothin' left but ground, That farm it got so blessed hot, with sun a shinin' down, We felt like sausages stuck in a fryin'-pan to brown.
I had a piece of brush, one time, that held a pretty spring, And once supposed as I had done a mighty clever thing. I used to water catile there. I outs iny irees all down. The spring it stopped, and I were done just most uncommon brown.


And worse than that, as chaps cleared up the country more and more,
The ground seemed rather tired and dry, not lively like before With summer-fallers and manoor we tried all sorts of ways, But crops, they warn't the jolly crops as growed in former days.
One night, a settin' round the fire-we'd most got down to chips-Comes in a book from Government, got up by Mr. Phipps.
Jest what I would have wrote myself, though what I said might jest, Because as I'm poetical, been sume'at better 'spressed.
Ilis spellin', too, don't ekal mine, but what he said was fax.
IIe told us as the country side smelled too much of the axe.
"Renew your groves," he writ, "once more rich crops will grow again.
Trees shiek the farm; they feed the hearth; they loring the summer rain
In pleasant showers; on treeless lands while wasting torrents fall." Much more he talks: but cul it short; we listens to the call.
Puts in a week at planting trees; it paid, sir. I allow
I wouldn't lose that there week's work not for no money now.
It's eight year past, and we was bound a row of trees to git
Right round the farm ; they're growin' fast and will be big ones yit.
Got lots a planted to the north. and got a jolly row
Round house and barn, will temper down, same day, all storms as blow.
I haven't changed the climet jit ; but neighbors jinin' in,
Gives hope as how, from what we sees, that pint we yet shall win.
My trees aint got the height they will; but this here thing I know, Mine's twice the farm for livin' on it were eight year ago.
So here's hurray for Government, and Mr. Phipps, we say, You're doin of a good as will outlast your mortal day. I were'nt of that opinion once; but I persuaded be
That all as wants to save the farm must learn to save the trec.


## WOMAN'S INCONSISTENCY.

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