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ROBABLT nothing more comical could have rewarded Grinchuckie, in his search of the laughable, than Mr. Glackmeyer's bill against the Arts and Agricultural Association of London. That body seems inclined rather to dance to the piping than to pay the piper. The claim, as every one knows, is for $\$ 2,800$, which most people seem to think rather too much. In the opinion of Grincuuckle it is exceedingly moderate when some of the items are taken into consideration. The actual cost incurred on account of His Royal Highness was nil, but "the accompanying circumstances" were dreadful. Little did Mr. Glackmeyer foresee what he was bringing on his devoted head when he placed his hearth-Lares and Penates included - at the disposal of Canada's illustrious guest. A guard of volunteers, two hundred strong, took possession of the lower regions of his house, and devoured four hundred pounds of grapes-it reminds one of the Peninsular Wars-which hung in inviting clusters in his hot-houses. The apple trees were stripped as clean as if the garden had been visited with a plague of locusts, and two cavalry horses kept their eyes-and their entertainer's mind-on the rack, until the last particle of hay in the loft had disappeared. This was, surely, bad enough, but it was not all. Every cab in the Forest City was in requisition to run to and fro, like the messenger, of truth, and the knowledge of the Association is increased thereby to the tunc of $s t$ an hour for each conveyance. Gkinciuckie, who appreciates champarne does not find much fault with "the assistants of the Prince's suite" for erincing a liking for that beverage but he thinks they showed lack of discemment in indulging indiscriminately " in all kinds of drinks and things. Champagne, if the gentine article, is good enough for Grischuckle, who thinks those gentlemen might have restricted themselves to it. Mr. Glackmeyer discloses more palpable grievances to the sympathetic public. He asserts, on his honour, that he has a bath in his house-special attention is called to this remarkable feature of his domestic conomy-but a military officer, attendant on the Prince, instead of performing his ablutions in the bath, ordered two tubs to be sent to his private room. Why he required two tubs the public has yet to learn ; the Polar bear in the Zoological Gardens, who is probably more aquatic in his tastes, finds one tank sufficient. Nor are we informed what use was made of this prodigal supply of water. Amicl all this painful uncertainty it is gratifying to discover something beyond question, namely, that the external application of water
produces extraordinary effects on the gallant officer, for next morning the tubs were found upset, and the room was flooded with soap-suds, which changed the hue of "a splendid Brussels carpet", on the magnificence of which Mr. Glackmeyer mournfully discourses. What could the gallant officer be doing? Did he imagine himself a mermaid, or a member of the Indian tribe of which His Royal Highness is now a chief?-or was the soap too strong for a sensitive skin?-or was he performing chemical experiments on the transmutation of colours in textile fabrics? The solution of these interesting questions is probably as clistant as the settlement of Mr. Glackmeyer's little bill, which Grinchuckle fixes at a rather remote period. He passes over a long category of losses-unrelieved by a single gain-to comment on an item worthy of remark, namely, the mysterious disappearance of every pair of stockings, save one, pertaining to Mr. Glackmeyer's sister. Who had the meanness to deprive that estimable lady of those rather necessary habiliments? But Grinchuckle is overwhelmed with astonishment and grief, and cannot procced. Even the goblin, who, with his usual audacity, has quizzed the quick movements of GrinCHUCKLE'S goose-quill, can no longer watch for weeping

## NEW VARNISHING ESTABLISHMENT.

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Which is the smallest? A pedant.

## LETTER FROM PAUL CRANE.

## To the Editor of the Montrol Grinchuckle.

Buffalohump, Nov. 24ti, 1869.
OUn Position-Position of the RED RIGER RE-volltionists-United States Agqkandise-MeNT-Gov Macnovgall - What whl THEY DO AT OTtANA?
A full history of this rebellion, still in its infancy, must be left to the pen of the historian. At least it requires the pen of an impartial writer. and it is fortunate that there are several American gentlemen here who are well qualified tor such a duty. They are thoroughly posted in the business of war correspondence, having acted in the capacity of correspondents during their litile difficulty with the South. I shall connine myself to a fow observations-fuller particulars you will obtain from the United States press.

Our position is one of extreme simplicity. It may be described in three words: "We got chased." We are lying at the present, with a large accumulation of baggage, a little to the south of $45^{\circ} \cdots$. Lat., under the protection of the American Eagle. In short, here we are, a Canadian Licut, Governor and party fugities from the fury of our subjects, and finding shelter and safety beneath the Stars and Stripes. Alas. the words of our mihappy Governor, when, years ago, he said he "would look to Washington," were prophetic. Our position at this moment is embarrassing. A man's position always is so when he doesn't know what to do. Ghere is one point, however, on which we are unanimously of one opinion : that is, what we wort do. We won't march further into the promised land at present; so an intelligent American reporter told me yesterday: our position is without a parallel in history ; that at no previous time in the history of the work had a Canadian Governor been chased out of the Red River territory by an army of half-breeds,-and I suppose he is right.

The position of the Red River army is also very simple. They are a litte to the norih of $43^{\prime \prime}$. Lat., and why they will not allow us to go on to Fort Garry, and govern them, causes our party considerable disquiet. Their manner of removing us from our snug quarters at the Hudson Bay post, was quite unfiendly-I might say unfeeling. The scenery in this portion of Canada is very finc, but I do not appreciate the sentiments of the half-breeds. They did not treat us like gentlemen. Notwithstanding, these half-breeds appear to be accomplished linguists, as one of our party who understood the French, Gaelic, and Cree dialects assured me that he could make out from their conversation, that whatever small quantity of hair most of us cultivated on the top of our heads was in danger of being lifted, if we ventured north of the boundary linc.

The Governor, I am sorry to say, seems to feel our position with much bitterness. Our rapid march back to neutral territory has affected all our spirits in a manner not to be guessed at by people who
have never been Governors. We were all ready for a nice little entry into Fort Gary, with arches, and checring, and addresses. \&c., and we had our replies all ready, cut and dry Unfortunately, we had no reply ready for the address of the insurgents who ordered us the other morning to leave the colony: And. these half-breeds, irritated by grass-hoppers and a scarcity of buffiloes, act, morcover, as if they had a personal quartel with the Governor One fortunate circumstance for him is this: the rebels have not heard how he sold the Reform party in Ontario, and jomed the Coalition with all his might. If this should come to their knowlalge it will be the hast of us.
In our bewilderment, we are asking each other, what will they do at Othwa? If Sir John $A$. is not unach, we expect the Dominion Government to take prompt steps to send us on, or order us back to Canada. If something is not done very soon, the rebellion will have fizzicd without any cxertion on our part, and no credit to us. John Brown is at Fort Garry, and dechares that he shall be Governor. I suppose he forgets the flour and money he got last year when the grass-hoppers had nearly. gobbled him. And you know we mast get out of Pembina, -or the U.S. Government will be having a nice sum to add to the dlabama clams, for protection to Governor Macdougall and 1. Cranc, during the rebellion. My carpet bag is packed, ready for a start. Whiz! the wind out here would blow the pimples of a man's nose. I would give all my chances of becoming a half-bred - 1 wonder how long it takes to make a half-breed-just to hear the whistle of a railway engine.

I remain, in great despondency as well as the Governor,

Yours,
PAUL CRANE

## HEATHER AND HAGGIS.

We are astonished to find that the occupants of the Herold office are so easily upset, as appears from the report of a recent runaway, with wo promment city officials, on St. Ardrew's day. The report says: the horse atached to their sleigh took fright, and running away. came into collision with the lamp-post opposite the Horald office, upsetting its occupants." Why they should be upset by the rumning away of a horse in the street, even when that endangered the lives and limbs of the city officials, must be a matter of surprise to most of their readers. "Mr. McQuisten's head struck the lamp-post-being somewhat cut." We know MeQ to be painfully Scotch, but doubt if his patriotism would permit oi his getting cut so carly in the day, even when that day happened to be St. Andrew's. Perhaps the reporter to the Horald may have been hobnobbing with St. Andrew over his haggis, and he-not the worthy City Surveyor,-may thus have been slightly cut.

Why is it ladies love to behold the falls of Niagara? Because there they see their ain beau (rain bow.)

MASTER CRORGHE AND HIS hobby HORSE.


Kide fas:, my loy, if you can only make all the legs-go, you will soon overtake the nasty old wood cuts and beat them entirely.

According to the Whtress these are "visibe signs" that some of the mumerous processes in "ocue will thke the phace of the "old bishoned wood cat in the :mimiting ofacye. The above is an experimeat with one of them.

## NOT HALF GRAND ENOUGH.

The public camnot be sufficiently joyful at the prospect of the Lelltenant Governor of this Province being. one day suitably housed. The modest proposal to erect a residence somewhere on Mount Carmel-lately removed to the vicinity of Quebec-is a favourable indication of the state of public feeling in the matter; but if the proposal should mature into a plan, and the plan be carried out, the necessities of the case will not be fully met. In that event, Grischuchie will feel morally bound to sit in sackcloth and ashes, for had he published his last week's number one day sooner, the calamity must have been averted. It will be remembered by many that he recommended the erection of a strong fortress-keep, portcullis, drawbridge. moat, and everything complete-on the Heights of Abraham; and he feels sure that every man of sense must have felt the force of his suggestion. What is a residence? he would like to know. Every one has that, and a Lieutenant Governor should certainly have something which nobody else has, or how could he fulfit the only end of his existence? It was hinted lastweek that the ending of His Honour's existence misht, in these turbulent times, be the reverse of felicitous unless he was
properly taken care of, and he certainly cannot be unless he is kept in a castle. It is to be hoped that the pro-posal-gratifying in one sense, but altogether insuf-ficient-will be firmly set aside, and something more becoming the importance and wealth of the Province be substituted.

## RED RIVER, HO:

AFTER LONGFELLOW.
The shades of night were scatt'ring fast,
As through Pembina village passed
A man who screamed mid snow and ice,
These words with a stentorian voice,
"Red River, Ho!"
His brow seemed glad, his eye bencath
Flashed like a falchion in a sheath;
And like a battered tin can rung
The accents of that wall-known tongue. -

> "Red River, Ho!"

In happy dreams, he saw the light Of welcome-fires beam warm and bright; Around the snow-drifts wrapped their mantle, White Mac yelled from the Cawsey's cantle,
"Red River, Ho!"
"Try not to pass," a stranger said,

- Dark half-breeds congregate ahead ;

Their muskets' roar bears death to all,"-
This made Mac all the louder bawl,
"Red River, Ho!"
"Oh, stay," a Yankee said, "and rest,
My liquors are all of the best";
A tear stood in the poor man's eye,
But still he answered with a sigh,
"Red River, Ho!"
"Beware the pine-tree tall and bare,
Or you may have to dance on air; loware the tomahawk and knife,
And sing not, if you value life,
"Red River, Ho!"
At break of day, as cross the plain,
A traveller sought his home to gain,
He heard a voice, cry through the air, In accents of profound dispair.
"Red River, Ho!"
He gained a mound, when lo! poor Mac
He saw upon Provencher's back.-
Still gasping mid the snow and ice,
But in a very humble voice,
"Red River, Ho!"
Now in a tavern 'among the fleas, Provencher lies quite at his ease, While from the loft. quite bleak and dark, MacDougall still is heard to bark,
"Red River, Ho!"
Darius Wintertown.


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Sene, —— S.

- Worthy Gther-in-law has sustained a fall. Jones, his sen-in-law, an embryo medico, rushes up to sympathize. - ?
Joses - Mr dear Sir, whereare you hurt? os fontem bonum-
Fathek-IN-Law.-Oh goudness, here inside
fonfs.-Your ribs, d-don't say your ribs.


## BIAKES VICTOKな

It's of no usc. Joe Howe, to be craving for plunder. For we know you are bui a political rake And Ontario will never consent to strike under, While she has ior her leader, redoubtable Iblake.

Old Sandricid, we know, is a premier squeetable. And hes willing to give, and you're eager to take ; Ie would buy up ©our Province by any means feasible ; Eut he camot bur up that redubtable Blake.

By buying, sir John can ceain his position To the weakness of Radicals, he's wicle awake ; And he know, the amonnt that will stay opposition; But, sundield can't manage refractory Bhake.
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When, to kecp it is position, fe voted with Blake
And, the rest of the ministers joined in the chorus. They saw that their places and pay were at stake, And with nerve quite astonishing cane ont before us, And voted to carry that motion by Blake.

We really must own it has caused constermation And the hearts of the schemers, we fear it will break, To think the carcer of Confederation
Should be checked by that motion carried by Blake.

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When snow is on the gromed.

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Wheretron hys ame hiries dwell.
The litte green-coated sprites that dance by moonlight, treading their measures, circling on the grass. leaving behind them the verdant and dew-besprinkled rings that gliter as with diamonds in the sot light of dawn, meet but litte farour in Canada, No tender superstitions are attached to their presence. Never are they spoken of in gentle whispers as the "good people," to propitiate whose favour every littic winning art is tried. No longer does the shy maiden coyly look in the heel of her slipper for the silver groat given to the well behaved. Alas! we have no indigenous faries. No rural fays can live in the deep untroden snow of the wild woods, or if they tried they would pine and sicken for softer climes and batmier breezes. Or if lying torpid till the wam beams of summer came, they would have their homes destroyed, their slender backs broken, and their little green jerkins torn by the crashing fall of the mighty trees. severed from the stem by the sturdy choppers. In summer, fire would rage round their dwellings, as the work of clearing goes on; the nodding fox-glowe shrivel, the delicate blue-bells wither away, and, shricking, they would fly desolate and mourning.

But, stay! one Peabody has been found to shelter the desolate and homeless. Rhodes, famous for im porting sparows, and providing homes for them in the dreary old city of Quebec, has been outdone by the philanthropist who established a "Fairy Land," in which to domicile imputed "laries." The act was a kindly one, but Francois-Xavier street was not a congenial home or "green ones." Gold speculators are to be found not trading but trading in "rings"; where the; congregate, the grass springs not, but withers. It is true they deal in green backs, but they love not the green wood scents, but twenty per cent.; foxy are they, though they cate not for fox-ghoses. They love not in sit on toadstools, though some rise like mushrooms. They foot molively measure, being sore pressed sometimes to foot their bills. And so faded the Fary Land. And on its ruins rose a home of Mammon," Commercial Chambers." For the blue vault of heaven, were substituted fre-proof valts; but, strange to say, each room hat and had not these precious vauls. Was part of the delusion thrown over the eyes of Titania when she cherished the ass' head of Botiom the weaver, still left? For the benewolent guardian of the intended home for the gente spirits affixed a notice of "offices to let, with and without fire-proof vauks," and then sped on his way to seck a sweet litle ile of his own-hight petroleum. It was a noble thought to found a home for the Fairies. But the hope has fled and moumfully comes the sound, sighing like the breath of the ting bugles of the "good people" among the flowers, "where can Fairies hide their heads?". Great Pan is dead, and Coal Oil reigns in his room.

1.S: 1 - D-b-bes, my pet, you shali have it. 1 could not find in my leart to deprive you of it." E. l;-E.-"Your pet! She was not always so, but if you dare I'll tear the lolly-pops from your meddling hancl.:"

## THE SCRAGGS CORRESPONDENCE.

## To Miss Lucinda Lively, Belgrave Seminary.

My dearest Lucinda, - Your cousin, James Lovebook, is, I am glad to say, most assiduous in his studies. This is rery gratifying, as his father, being only a poor, struggling, professional man, can leave him nothing, and so he must acquire knowledge to enable him to earn his own livelihood.

With you, $m y$ dearest Lucinda, it is different. Your respected papa, who started in the race of life unburdened with the mere book-learning so fatal to many promising young men who desire to make money, has acquired a large fortune in trade. It is true that he had trials cluring his earlier business life, and experienced reverses, but he never suffered from actual penury, as he was a fond husband, and provided handsomely for your darling mamma, so that. when he was forced to give up all his property to relentless creditors, he could enjoy the reward of his love and foresight by sharing your darling mamma's fortune, which he had settled upon her in his more prosperous days.

Forgive me, my dear girl, for imparting to you these incidents in your dear papa's life. You cannot have forgoten the dreadful, dreadful fire that burned up his beautiful warehouses. Wieked people said it was done on purpose, and that he suffered no loss, being heavily insured. It was a striking contradiction to their malignant attempts to assail his character, that he becanc so prosperous, and the very people who so causclessly attacked him, are now proud to be noticed by him, and to enjoy his generous hospitality:

Four dear mamma did not enjoy educational advantares in her carlier years, and still retains litue eccenticities in her language and grammar. These, I trust, you will carefully aroid. In the fashionable seminary of Madame Bon-ton, m'c Seroggins, your manners will be cultivated, and the most desirable accomplishments imported. Her admirable system of bestowing a knowledge of the graces so indispensable to success in fashionable life, you camot fail to have appreciated. lour progress, which 1 have carefully watched, has been, indeed, gratifying to the mind of an anvious aunt. No profound, pedantic learning; no deep study: no thorough knowledge of music; no wearisome plotding to fix upon your mind the rules of grammar, either of your own language or of any other. These may be necessary for gorernesses, and low people of that kind, who have to support themselves by their tatomts, the creatures! But, in modern languages, all you require is to be able to sing an latian song. whout knowing its meaning, and to have a few French phrases, which you can introduce appropriately. As to dead languages, history, science or any of those stupid, out-Of-date things, what does a girl of fashion want with them? The fower of conversing fluently on the small topics of the day: an acquaintance with the rules of La Crosse; a very, very little knowledge of the points of a horse; the judicious use of a little
of the fashionable mode of expression among the fast young gentlemen-what ill-natured people call slang-will be found not only useful but necessary. But, you must be able to dance not only well, but brilliantly, you must know how to dress a pavir; to play clance music dashingly, even if the time be not very exact; you must be able to lift your eyes appealingly, and drop them with a sweet air of bashful confusion. Above all things, you must know how to reccive judiciously the attentions of the ineligible - those young gentlemen who have not means sufficient to furnish an establishment complete. They may be used to fetch and carry, but should be under such complete control as not to interfere with the advances of a suitable parti.

I have said nothing of house-keeping. Your dear mamma will insist on interfering with a department which ought to be left to the house-keeper. Anything like household or domestic work must be carefully avoided. You inherit a somewhat large hand. Let it be your earnest study to keep it white, if you cannot make it smaller. Always go as the French say, bien gantée, bien chausée, bien coiffé, and never allow yourself to be caught in an inelegant negligé. After you are married, this will be of less consequence.

> Fver, my darling Lucinda, Your tender aunt,

Samuelina Johnson Scraggs.

## THE PREMIER'S FUDDLE.

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Home they brought the gallant Knight,He'd had hookers not a few; He was more than slightly "screwed," As they brought him into view.
Up the stairs they carried him,
Showed him water, cold and clear;
But he only shook his head,
And he said, "I'm very queer."
Rose Joe Howe, and from his seat, Lightly to the sideboard stept:
"Will not one of soda do?" But he sternly silence kept,
Rose Sir Francis, full of years, Placed a bottle on his knee,
With sudden grasp he eager seized,
With sudden grasp he eager seized,-
I'll drink of thee,
I'll drink of thee.

When is a ship like a lacly getting tight-laced? When she holds in the wind for another tack.

Which gentleman's ornament is like part of an instrumental music lesson? The finger-ring.

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## A FEW WORDS ON THE SERIES.

Grinchuckle is happy to know that his illustrations of Natural History are giving general satisfaction, and that there seems to be but one opinion of their value as contributions to the cause of science. He intends to continue them till he has made mankind familiar with the infinite varieties of animal life, and when he has nothing left in the world of fact to illustrate it is probable that he will begin to draw on his imagination. He is not yet reduced to this necessity. There are some people who affect to despise the study of Natural History, especially of those departments of it which require the use of the microscope. Such persons contend that it is a matter of no practical moment whether an insect, invisible to the naked eye, has sia long legs or only four short ones, and whether the specks which by the aid of a powerful glass are detected on the backs of some entomological specimens are indications of juvenility or of extreme old age. To talk in this way evinces an indifference to the beauties of nature, and sometimes leads to the sacrifice of precious lives. Grinchuckle is confident that any one not acquainted with entomology, who carefully studies the illustrations which appear from time to time in this paper, will never ruthlessly terminate the life of what seems to be a flea (should he ever catch one) without carefully examining the animal, which will thus give a chance of escape to the innumerable insects which have the misfortune to resemble that annoying parasite.

## THE SALARIES OF MEMBERS.

"Nothing for nothing" is a maxim too generally received for any one to say a single word against it, and "A great deal for a very litile," though not so venerable a maxim, has now the high sanction of our Provincial Parliaments. There are some coarse, lowminded creatures, who object to the indemnity which the mernbers of the Quebec Legislature have voted to themselves, but the opinions of such ignorant and ill-bred cavillers will not go for much against the intelligence of the disinterested gentlemen who passed the vote. One thing is certain, the latter are best qualified to know
how much they sacrifice for their country; what remuneration they should receive for being compelled to append to their names the painfully significant initials, PM.P.P,, and how much they can individually carry away from the abounding coffers of the Province. Grinchuckere is astounded that one member, Mr. Ogilvie, should have had the andacity to assert that he and his fellow members were willing to work without indemnity, and that legislation would be better carried on under such an arrangement. No wonder the Speaker informed him that he was out of order. It was contrary to the order of things in Quebee, throughout Canada-to say nothing at all of the universe generally. Mr. Joly's suggestion to fix it at $\$ 450$ was almost as unreasonable, for the acute suffering endured by every sane member during the session-short as it is-demands a far higher scale of compensation. The expenses of members, moreover, are exceedingly high, as will be seen from the subjoined account of an honourable gentleman, for the first week of the present session :-

[Neither drinks nor tobacco are charged for, as the letters M.P.P. are good for these luxurics from officeholders in expectancy. These may, therefore, be classed under the head of perquisites.]

If the expenses of other honourable gentiemen be on the same scale, Mr. Joly's name deserves to be handed down to everlasting infamy. Happily, Mr. Dunkin came to the discussion of the question in a suitable frame of mind. Doubtless he knows more of the state of the Provincial fmances than any man living, and, at least, he knows what serving one's country is worth. If his speech was long, his argument was novel. He objected to underpaying Provincial members, as tending to drive decent politicians to Ottawal As he has a seat in the Dominion Parliament, he must know something of the ecil consequences of being connected with that legislative body, and his benevolence in putting every possible obstruction in the way of those who might be disposed to aspire to that exalted but perilous station deserves the highest praise.

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