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THE "BALANCE OF POWER."

FAMILIAR OUTLINES.



MR. BARRISTER CARSCALLEN,
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CONCERNING THE PRESS.

THE "press" generally means the newspaper press. although, of course, it applies to literature in nearly all its forms. Other examples of the press exist, naturally; but, as a rule, they are of a more private nature. When a young man goes to press with his arm round a neat little waister, the circumstance is usually not intended for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith—or otherwise, as the case may be. The press is the greatest power at work to-day. It can shake the thrones of kings and emperors; and it can convey the sickliest details of a divorce case into the humblest home. In olden days great reforms made slow progress, and when any new truth had been successfully unearthed, a lot of people had to get up and kill each other before it could have a reliable kind of backbone to start with. But now-a-days the press personally conducts the truth around on inclusive terms, glorying with honest pride in its noble mission and doubling its advertisement rates in consequence of the increased circulation.

One of the greatest features of modern newspaper enterprise is the art of interviewing. When a very ordinary man rises to greatness by a new and improved process, a member of the press at once proceeds to get him up in a corner and ask if he can remember anything about himself. As a rule most men can with slight pressure remember a little under the circumstances.

The great business of the press is to spread the truth. Anybody who has got a special brand of the commodity to supply will always be dealt with on liberal terms. The press is a well of truth. In the ordinary kind of well you've got to reach a long way, as a rule, before you get to the business part of it, and it's about the same thing with the well of truth. If you want a truthful account of something that has happened don't listen to idle gossip on the spot, but see what the press has got to say about it. There can

be no doubt that the newspaper of to-day is an absolute necessity in our lives, whether you consider it in the light of wholesome literature or as a convenient medium for concealing a newly purchased bloater from public curiosity.

The press knows everything. When a great actor gets the chance of a fresh engagement, you will generally find that the press has managed to get hold of the news. And if anybody is going to start a new paper or a new magazine, the papers are sure to find it out in their clever way. It is very difficult to keep anything from the ear of the press. And no one is more inexpressibly pained than that projecting journalist when he reads the paragraph and hears people going so far as to suggest that he wrote it himself—because even the truth is painful at times.

THE PARTIES AND THE PATRON.

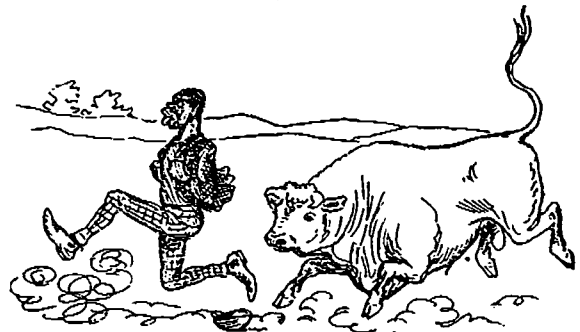
"If you'll listen to me for a minute,"
Says Ryerson M.P.,
"I'll prove that the Grits are not in it,
But 'tis Tories with Patrons agree.
Our speeches, amendments and motions
Are all of the true Patron sort,
We're precisely alike in our notions—
Yes, Codlin's your friend, and not Short!"

"No, Short, is your friend—that's *our* party,
Called for "Short" the Grit Party, you know,"
Cries Sir Richard, in manner most hearty,
"So forward together we'll go.
Our platform sets forth your opinion,
The platforms are like as two peas,
So give us, throughout the Dominion,
Your vote and your influence, please!"

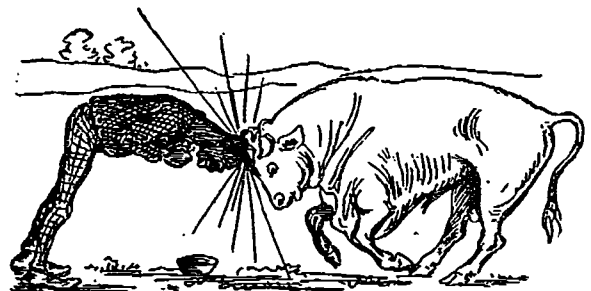
"Now this is most queer and amusing."
Says the Patron, "You Tories and Grits,
Though each other you're always abusing,
Are really doubles and quits.
If you're each just like me, it must follow
You're just like each other, of course;
I'm afraid your both artful and hollow,
And it's hard to say which is the worse."

THE AMEER of Afghanistan is a very great potentate in his own country, but the world is a big place, and news of his death is Ameer two line paragraph in the papers.

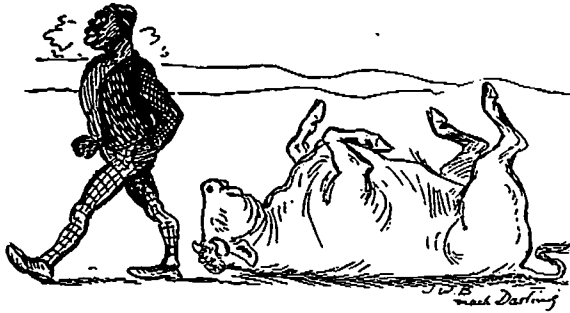
WON BY A HEAD.



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CANADA THE FREE.



SIR John Thompson has gone to the Old Country, and a lot of vulgar curiosity is being exhibited by the common people to know the why and wherefore of his trip. The "masses" seem to imagine that because they indirectly supply the money for the official outings of Cabinet Ministers, they have a right to pry into the public affairs of which these gentlemen are the custodians. They go so far as to broadly hint—if they do not openly assert—that members of the Government are extravagant, and frequently go abroad for

the personal pleasure going abroad affords, merely pretending that they have State business to look after. Such impertinence as this is very deplorable, but it is the natural result of "free institutions," and Cabinet ministers must endure it as part of the penalty which they pay for greatness. We have noticed some ribald allusions of the kind to the Premier's present mission. Some of the papers also have been mean enough to suggest that Sir Charles Tupper is paid to transact Canadian business abroad and might very well be called upon once in a while to save the trouble and expense of these ministerial jaunts, especially as he does not seem to have anything else to do. We call attention to these remarks simply as an illustration of the "liberty of the press" as it exists in Canada. It is a pretty faithful reflex, it will be observed, of the freedom of speech we have just alluded to. That Sir John Thompson has not punished it by suspending the journals which have thus criticised him, is a great tribute to his good nature. In Russia the journalists would have been sent to Siberia.

A FABLE.

ONCE upon a time there was a coal and wood Dealer who was also a Christian. He had a somewhat extensive business and employed a large number of men as shovellers, weighers, carters, etc. As the Fall of the year drew on and trade began to grow brisk, the Dealer gathered all his employes together one day and addressed them saying: "I want to have it clearly understood by every man in my employ that this business is carried on, from top to bottom, in accordance with Christian principles, and these principles as applied to the coal and wood business mean good quality and full measure or weight. Now the first man who has any hand in sending out a short ton of coal or cord of wood from this yard will be discharged forthwith. I have no objection to a little over-measure in the case of poor people, but short measure will not be tolerated." And having thus spoken he dismissed the workmen, every one of whom became a church member before the winter was over.

BY MR. LAURIER.

MID banquets and rallyings, though we may roam,
And score many triumphs there's no place like home.
Though courteous the people and whoesome the fare,
We would rather be home than a-touring out there.
Home, home, sweet, sweet home,
The great West is nice, but there's no place like home!

A MODERN COMEDY.

THE following outline of a comedy is given gratis to any aspirants who wish to become famous as playwrights. They should remember that no dialogue or plot is necessary in a play of this kind. In fact the audiences of to-day feel discouraged when they attend a play that has anything but incident in it. The first act should open thus:

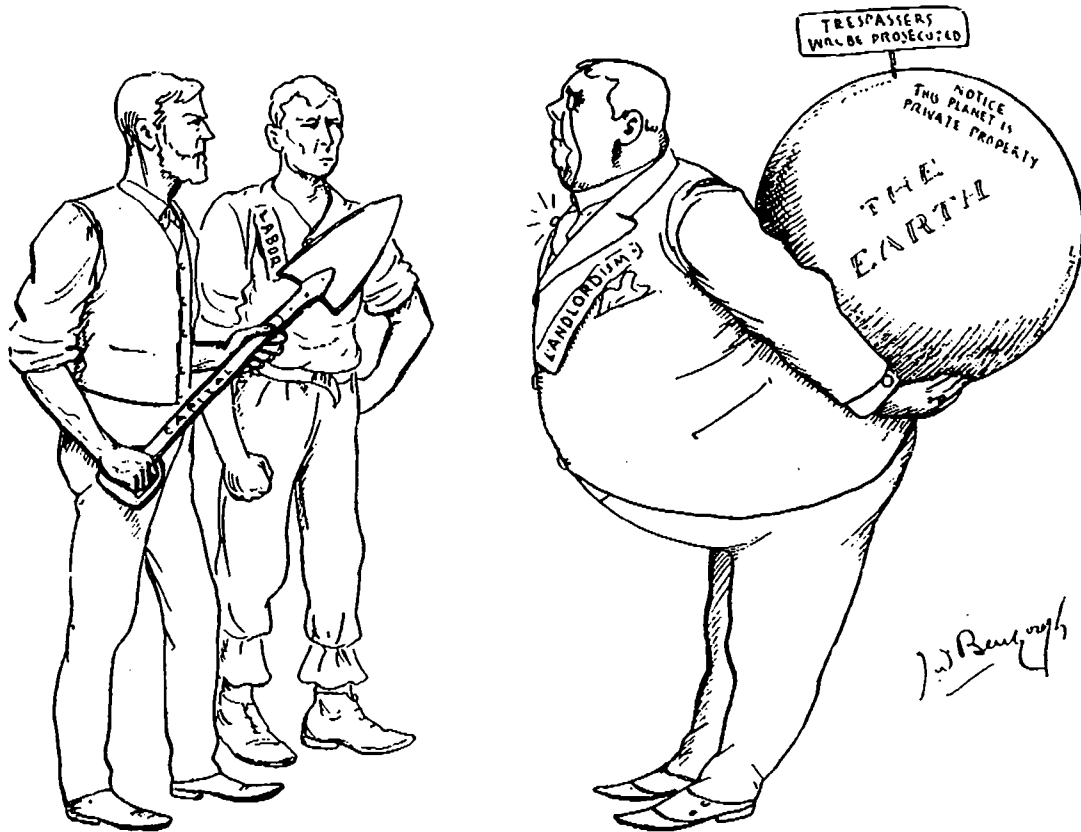
Elderly gentleman enters and sings "Oh, who will hold the dog?" He then sits down, as he supposes, upon a chair, but there is no chair there, and the floor saves him from falling into the cellar. (Uproarious applause.) He throws the chair through the window. Policeman standing outside catches it with his face, (More applause.) The policeman shoots at him and the bullet flattens against his face. (More applause.) This always brings down the house. Here exeunt both and enter lover playing banjo and singing serenade. Then enter goat with chestnut bell tied about its neck. It straightens itself and sends the young man over the foot-lights. This is so new and novel that it never fails to bring peals of laughter. If a goat cannot be procured a bull dog will do, but a bull dog has been used before. Then let the curtain down with an invisible chorus singing "Baby's with the Angels."

The second act should be varied somewhat. It would be well to introduce somebody stepping upon a tack with his bare feet or getting killed while struggling with a barrel upon the cellar stairway. There are numerous funny situations which may be introduced, such as having a man putting up stove pipes and breaking into profanity. The rest must be left to the reader. If we have given him a pointer which may serve to win him fame, we can die in peace.

LET the Patrons keep a sharp eye on their official editor, Mr. G. Weston Wrigley. He has begun to part his name in the middle as thus. This is an innovation the farmer's party should stamp out at once.



AT THE END OF THE WESTERN CAMPAIGN.



THESE ARE THE "UNSATISFACTORY ECONOMIC CONDITIONS."

"Your committee has recently considered the fact that even in Chistian lands distress and destitution prevail to a large extent in the large centres of population. This destitution and distress seem to be increasing rather than diminishing. While we admit that these things are largely due to the prevalence of indolence, improvidence, and especially intemperance, we think that they are naturally the result of *unsatisfactory economic conditions.*"

[Report of General Committee on Social Conditions, Methodist General Conference.]

"UNSATISFACTORY ECONOMIC CONDITIONS."

TO this, as the fundamental cause, may be referred the spectacle of poverty and distress which presents itself in all our populous centres, according to the committee of the Methodist Conference. The adjective is certainly mild enough. To the man willing to work but denied the privilege, who sees his wife and children starving before his eyes, the economic conditions must be, to say the least, unsatisfactory. But what are these conditions? The committee did not venture to go into particulars. This is a pity, because it is eminently desirable that they should be exposed, to the end that they may be altered. To GRIP they seem clear enough. They are the conditions which would prevail in the domain of fishes, if the sharks held possession of the water and insisted on the smaller fish basking on the beach. This would be quite unsatisfactory to the latter. It is not less absurd and fatal when the land animal called Man owns the earth and has the right to keep his fellow land-animals off. Because land is as essential to human beings as water is to fishes.

IN THE VALLEY.

"AND yet I suppose a literary life has its drawbacks, too?" she said. It was at a reception, and she was in conversation with a distinguished author.

"Yes, it has its moments of flatness, as for example when one sits with a lot of copy-paper before him, a full equipment of writing material, a nice, quiet room, apart from all possible interruption, and there sits, and sits and continues to sit, laboring in vain to find some topic to write upon! The literary life seems a hollow mockery at such times."

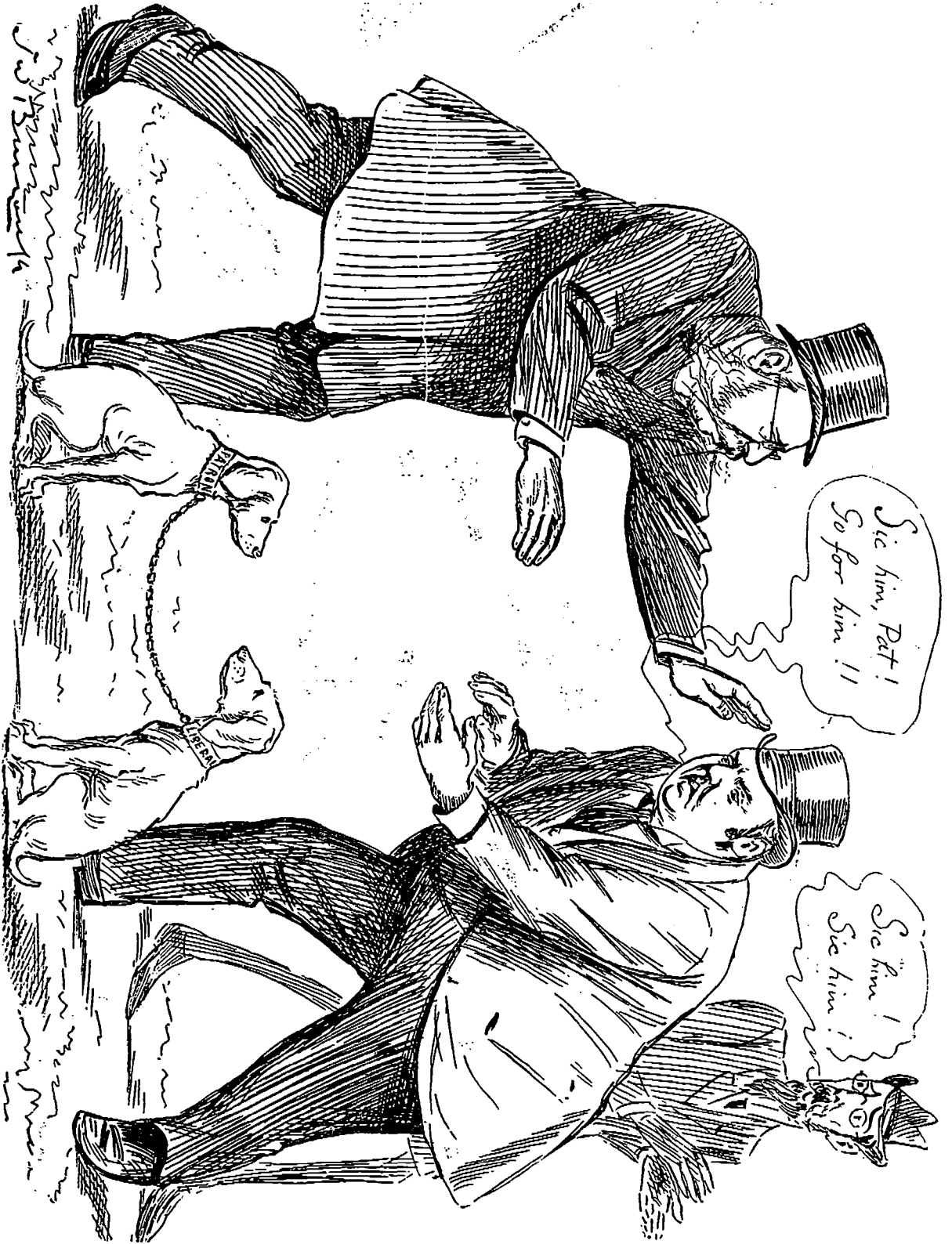
MOST'S DRAMA.

A DESPATCH to the papers of last Monday says—"Johann Most and his band of anarchist actors were not permitted to produce the play 'Die Weber' in Newark last night."

This is another interference with the liberty of the subject, and goes to show that the United States is no longer the home of the free. The performance of Mr. Most's drama was prohibited either because it was believed to be a work calculated to incite the spectators to unlawful acts, or through the influence of rival authors who fear to stand comparison with Mr. Most as a dramatist. The latter is the probable explanation. Instead of the tame business of leaps-for-life, rescues from burning buildings, etc., etc., every act in 'Die Weber' probably concludes with a genuine dynamite explosion in which real supers are torn into real pieces, and as a grand finale the tyrant, Law, is extinguished in a blaze of blue fire. Professional jealousy may prevent this drama from being performed, but we feel sure the general public would like to have it put on the stage, on condition that John Most would play the part of Weber and really "Die."

WAT Tyler's rebellion was no circumstance to the one that Sir Henry Tyler had to face at the meeting of G.T.R. Shareholders.

WHY couldn't arrangements be made to tie up the Canadian Senate, United States Senate and House of Lords in one bundle, and make a single job of the abolition?



WANTED: A FIGHT.

"The one thing which the Advocates of Protection desire more than ought else, is for the Patrons of Industry to quarrel with the Liberal Party."

—Sir R. Curzon Wright, in a published letter.



"UNION IS STRENGTH."

Temperance Reform proposes to bind together a three-
ply club with which to knock out the Liquor Traffic.

AN INTERVIEW WITH CONAN DOYLE.

LEARNING that Dr. Conan Doyle, author of the Sher-
lock Holmes detective stories had landed in America,
Mr. GRIP lost no time in sending his Literary Inter-
viewer to call upon the distinguished visitor.

"Upon sending up my card," writes our representative,
"I received a polite request to take a seat in the parlor, and
presently Dr. Doyle came in. He is a tall, stout, well-built
gentleman, with keen, observant eyes, and a pleasant
manner.

"Glad to meet you, sir." was his greeting. "It was kind
of you to come so far to see me, especially as I observe that
you have just recovered from a severe cold. You will ex-
cuse me for mentioning it, but I note that on the way here
you had a casual conversation with an undersized, red-
haired man, who had a wart on the left side of his nose, and
who insisted on boring you with his ideas on the tariff. You
also have an engagement to meet a friend at half-past four
this afternoon to discuss a literary project in which he is
interested, but of which you have some doubts. You are
right. There is really nothing in it, and I would advise you
to have nothing to do with it. Anticipating the question you
were about to ask me, I may say that I had a pleasant voy-
age, and am enjoying my visit to America thoroughly. I
see you have had some experience on the lecture platform
yourself, so I cannot tell you anything new about my experi-
ence in that respect. If there is anything you would like to
ask me, fire ahead."

"Well, Doctor," said I, "I am naturally amazed at the
statements you have just made, and I would like very much
to know how you arrived at the knowledge of myself and my
movements you have just exhibited. I am quite sure you
never saw or heard of me before."

"Quite true," he replied. "These are inferences I have
drawn from observations I have made within the last few
moments - from little things that nobody excepting 'Sher-
lock Holmes' or myself - same thing - would notice."

"So I assume," I replied, "but that does not explain the
mystery, Doctor."

"Perhaps not," said he, "but I must beg to be excused
now, as there is another party on his way up to see me."

"Tell me at least how you know that," I begged.

"Because I have his card here," he replied, goodhumor-

edly, "and he had an appointment for this hour. Besides I
hear his footstep now."

Under the circumstances I thought it best to conclude
my visit. So, thanking the eminent novelist for his kind-
ness, I retired.

KNEELING AT ONE'S FEET.

HOW glad a sight to see a man
Come kneeling at one's feet,
I often dreamed that one would come,
And the dream was very sweet.

I hoped and prayed that he would come,
And at my feet would kneel,
And I've imagined many times,
The thrill that I should feel.

And he has come and he has knelt,
And if the thrill I've missed,
'Twas very nice to have him there -
The old chiropodist.

-Pick-me-up.

DEFINITIONS BY THE EMPIRE.

PATRIOTISM - The P.P.A. campaign against the On-
tario Government.

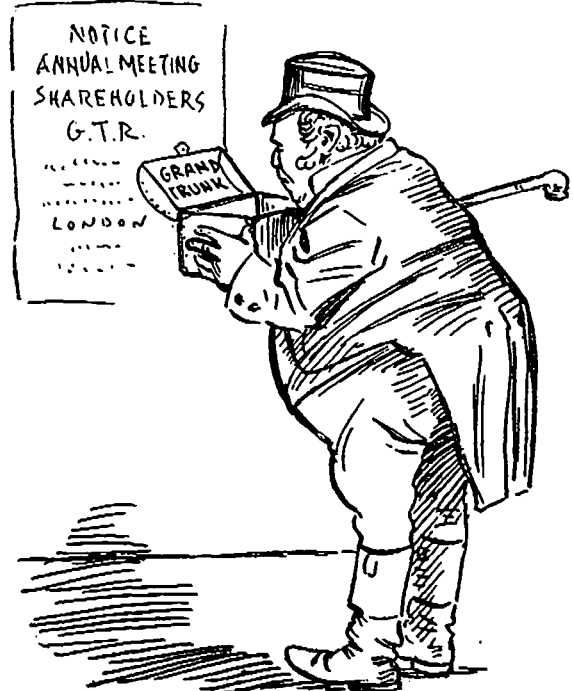
BIGOTRY - The same, when directed against the
Dominion Government.

The *Monetary Times* is of opinion that a dog that would
deliberately seek to rid itself of fleas is too mean an animal
for decent canines to associate with.

"PAPA," said little Tommy, as he and his idolized parent
walked up Jarvis street in the lovely October afternoon,
"Why do the leaves fall from the trees?"

"Because," replied Tommy's papa, with the readiness of
exact knowledge, "the stems become detached from the
branches, and then the force of gravitation acting upon the
leaves, renders it impossible for them to stay up. They
accordingly come down."

It ought to be clear enough by this time that the Grand
Trunk cannot be effectually managed by long-distance tele-
phone.



LOOKING INTO HIS INVESTMENT.

JOHN BULL. - "Empty again!"

[And this is likely to be the record until the Canadian manage-
ment is clothed with adequate powers.]



A SUCCESSFUL TRIP.

MRS. BLANK—"Was your husband's lecture tour in the West successful?"
 MRS. SHOUTER—"Oh, yes; quite so. He got back entirely uninjured."

RARITIES.

THE Girl with beautiful teeth who is not easily amused and made to laugh.

THE elegant penman who ever sits down to give a specimen of his chirography without complaining about the quality of his pen.

THE man with a diamond collar button who does not think that neckties are going out of fashion.

THE contribution box which proves too small when passed around in church.

THE maiden lady of uncertain age who has never *never* tried her hand at poetry.

THE hotel keeper who can and will tell you where you can stop to get a decent meal in the next town.

THE "drummer" who does not frankly acknowledge himself to be a heartless villain on account of the many beautiful innocent damsels in every town on his circuit who, ensnared by his subtle fascinations, are weeping, hopelessly weeping, sighing and dying for him.

THE doctor who, on hearing of the death of a rival's patient, says that no professional skill could have saved the life.

THE defeated candidate whose fatal weaknesses were not known to his party leaders from the beginning, and candidly pointed out by them.

THE successful candidate whose triumph was not clearly foretold by the same sagacious gentlemen.

THE young lady so near sighted that she cannot perceive the smallest defect in her rival's beauty at the distance of six hundred yards.

THE author who, on having his pet manuscript returned with thanks, has an amiable opinion of the literary acumen, taste and judgement of the editor.

J. N. Johnston.

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1.—His Perplexity.



2.—His Inspiration.



3.—His Combination Garment.



4.—Adapted for Town.



5.—Of—Country

PEOPLE ONE DOESN'T LIKE.
THE MAN WHO WON'T ARGUE.
VII.

TO tell the truth, he is not as numerous as our other pet aversions. At first sight you might think it strange to see his name on the category of People One Doesn't Like. In a world where people are perpetually insisting on your swallowing their views whether you will or no, it would be a positive relief to find one who accepted your theories without protest, but the "Man Who Won't Argue" doesn't do that by any means. In a metaphoric way he uses the conclusive argument of the Irishman who declared he got the best of a wordy warfare, by "knocking his opponent speechless."

This fellow doesn't quite do that but he becomes dumb himself, all of a sudden, in a discussion, generally when you have brought the conversation to such a point as just proves

you right, and arrayed your facts to conclusively and logically show him how entirely mistaken he is. Then he begs you to "drop the subject," and remarks with a good deal of unnecessary emphasis that he "never argues." No more he does, when he's getting the worst of it. If he doesn't walk away and leave you and your proofs to yourself he puts suppers in his ears, and a wooden expression on his face that is quite as aggravating and which you cannot break, if you use the eloquence of an orator and the subtle tongue of a lawyer. His unconvinced silence makes you long to punch his head, or ask him "if he ever fights." If you insist on it you can sometimes make him hear you out, but it's not much of a satisfaction, there's a look on his obstinate countenance which says plainly enough "you're wasting valuable time, and that a man of his calibre won't stoop to bandy words, when he makes up his mind he sticks to it."

You may try and sooth your ruffled self-respect by mentally saying that the making up of so small a thing as his mind is no great thing, but you still crave the satisfaction of piercing the thickness of stupidity that envelops the infinitesimal brain he possesses. You take incredible trouble to do so, to be rewarded with a reiterated "I never argue." He doesn't either, he merely asserts and contradicts and whets an unconquerable desire in you to enlighten him. Your best plan would be to abandon him to his darkened intelligence, but some how or other you hate to do it, although in the end he makes you.

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