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Comments on the Cartoons.

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DOOH !! WHO'S AFRAID ? "-The Hon. Oliver Mowat has been visiting his constituents in the county of Oxford, and devoting most of his time in the speeches he has delivered to the twin issues of French Language in the Public Schools and Undue Influence of the Romish Hierarchy. He conceives -and no doubt correctlythat upon the indictment involved in these two topics, he and his Government will shortly be tried. The prospect does not seem to terrify him in the least; he

expresses himself as under no apprehension that he will have to 'go.'' For why? He puts in a plea of not guilty upon both counts. As to the first, he carries the war into Africa by declaring that his Government is the first in Ontario to make an effort to Anglicize the French Public Schools of the Eastern section. The policy inaugurated by Mr. Ross has this as its object, and the only question is whether the people of the Province will give that policy a fair chance. On the second count, Mr. Mowat waxes as wroth as he is capable of waxing, that his Government should be charged with unduly favoring the Papacy while, he says, the fact is that, strictly speaking, less than justice has been meted out to the Ronan Catholics, if political offices are supposed to be distributed amongst Protestants and Catholics in proportion to numbers. Then Mr. Mowat waxes sarcastic, and points out that he quite understands the situation. All this "No Popery" talk is simply a conscienceless scheme of the Tories at Ottawa and Toronto to get a good Government turned out and allow the hungry horde a chance at the comfortably-filled treasury of the Province. "These are the same fellows," quoth he, "who in the last campaign were charging me with being the worst enemy of the Catholics. Everybody sees their little game!" Meanwhile it may be noted as a fact which helps the Hon. Oliver's logic, that Mr. Meredith has openly declined Mr. Hughes' invitation to step officially on to the Equal Rights' platform.

THE WHEAT-FLOUR DUTIES .- The Canadian millers and the N.-W. farmers are still pleading and praying with the Government to make the duty on imported flour equal to that on the raw.material ground in the native mills. But as yet the Government is deaf, dumb and blind to the pleading and praying, There are interests on the other side which outweigh these—the people of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces will not hear of a higher tariff on flour-which extra cost they would have to pay and the C.P.R. does not want to lose the large business of carrying American flour which it enjoys under the present ar-rangement. To take the duty off altogether would be a blessing to the mass of the people, but that would of course involve the abolition of the coal duties and taxes on other necessaries of life, and open the eyes of Canadians to the fact that freedom and not restriction is the law of national prosperity. As a logical result of the abolition of taxes on labor products, we would have to come down to the true plan of getting the necessary revenue by taxing privilege—the one privilege of holding for exclusive individual use any portion or portions of that which by nature belongs to allthe land. But civilization has not yet developed sufficiently in Canada for this. We are still going on the remarkably intelligent theory that the best way to assist a bird to fly is to clip its wings !

WE have laid President Harrison's message to Congress aside to be read sometime when we feel an appetite for literary curiosities. That it belongs to this class we gather from the comments of the newspapers, in which it is described as "a plain business document, well written, and for originality, grasp of public questions and sense of perspective in the statement of the condition of national affairs, comparing unfavorably with President Hayes' first message ": " its most striking characteristic is an absence of pretence, exaggeration, and rhetorical flourish; " "it records the events of the time, but throws no light upon them—refers to acknowledged evils, but suggests no remedies," and while it is "a plain, candid and entirely unpretentious review of public affairs," " it is a disclosure, and what it discloses is a President without ideas and an Administration without a policy."

THE Giole correspondent at Ottawa (who, of course, is in the confidence of the Government) announces that next session will see sweeping reductions in the tariff. Of course this can be nothing but a scandalous Grit libel on the Cabinet. The able statesmen composing that body are well known to believe that Canada's prosperity is due to a high tariff, and the allegation that they are about to deliberately knock a hole in our Protective wall and let in the "deluge of foreign goods" is tantamount to saying that they are cold-bloodedly plotting the ruin of the country. It is too preposterous ! The Globe correspondent ought to be arrested.

WE also learn from the same source that Sir Charles Tupper lately visited Morocco, with the probable object of negotiating a Reciprocity treaty with the Moors. This sounds more reasonable. It preserves the unities, and does not conflict with our knowledge of the character of the Government. We would not be unprepared to

hear that the men who so persistently reject the overtures of the United States for freer trade relations, have sent the High (living) Commissioner down to the valley of the Congo to talk up trade with some of the pigmy tribes lately discovered by Stanley. Or perhaps they would prefer to have this subject investigated by a select commission of expert jobbers with, say, Judge Clark as chairman ?

A GOOD man in this city (he desires not to have his name published) has offered to provide the funds to pay for a plain substantial meal for 250 of the very poorest children that can be gathered together every Sunday evening for an indefinite period. This is a specimen of genuine Christian charity which may be commended to the emulation of others who may be blessed with means. And, so long as present conditions obtain, there will be hundreds and thousands of little ones in our midst who will be dependent for their meagre share of the good things of life on the charity of kind-hearted people like this unknown gentleman. But how comes it that this is so?

NOT all of the poor little creatures who will eagerly apply for admission to the free supper next Sunday night will be the children of parents who are in abject poverty because they are drunken or lazy or incapable of doing honest work. Some, if not most of them, will represent the homes that are squalid and wretched in this fair city, because of *injustice*—the long-continued and abominable injustice of the present system under which a great number of human creatures are robbed of their share of the heritage God meant for all. If these children are not trespassers in this world—if they had a right to be born—then they have just the same title to life that any king possesses. And as atoms of the community they have a right to their share in whatever wealth the community, as such, creates.

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THE community called Toronto creates wealth amounting to about \$13,000,000 annually in land values, which ought to be collected as a tax and put in the city treasury for the benefit of all; but under the name of ground-rent it now goes into the pockets of certain citizens who "own" the land upon which the city stands. While we assert the right of these "owners" to hold and use the land so long as they pay the value thereof to the community, we deny that they own it in any other sense than that in which the poorest waif at the free supper owns it. Charity is thrice blessed; but nothing will cure this hoary-headed injustice but justice, and on behalf of these, our little brothers and sisters in rags, we demand it.

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COL. ELLIOT F. SHEPARD, of New York, came over to play a star part at the meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, and was received with all the honor due to an eminent soldier, journalist and Christian. We would be sorry to qualify Canadian hospitality in any way, but we are anxious to know how it comes to pass that the *Mail and Express*, which is edited by the gallant Colonel, and announces itself as "the greatest tempererance paper of the Union," lately advised its readers to vote a certain ticket upon which were the names of about a dozen disreputable and notorious New York saloon keepers. Was it because the text over the editorial column that day was "Select for yourselves good rulers, men of clean heart," etc.—or because the ticket in question was the "straight Republican" article? It's pretty hard, after all, for a truly good man to edit a Harrison organ.

I DON'T B'LEEVE IN DIVORCEMENT.

DON'T b'leeve in divorcement. 'Taint Scripter, an' 'taint right,

So me an' Joseph lives united, an' we're always bound to fight; We ain't one bit alike, so we never can think the same, An' when two is contrary-minded, they ain't so much to blame; He is as sot as the hills, an' I've go't a determined will, So when we do get convinced, we're the same opinion still.

You might find many worse men, and not go far to search— He's honest in his dealings, and belongs to the Baptist church He ain't a very bad father—don't drink, nor smoke, nor chaw : The greatest fault he has, he thinks that his will is law. Still, I don't b'leeve in divorcement ; 'tain't Scripter, an' 'tain' right.

If a man can't agree with his wife, let them live together an' fight.

Women who get divorced, more than nine times out of ten Don't seem to feel disgusted with the common sort of men; Divorced men are worse—they are brimming full of love, And coo to other women, like a love-sick turtle-dove. That's why I always say, divorcement can't be right. If a man can't agree with his wife, let them live together an' fight,

And every one of the children agree with their father and me That when folks once get married, lawyers can't set them free, For we've brought them up to know that marriage ain't a joke To be lightly put one side with a little judicial poke; And *they're* agin divorcement—'taint Scripter, an' taint right. If a man can't agree with his wife, let them live together an' fight



A RECOMMENDATION,

MISS PRETTYPERT—" Hallo, Tommy, so they've put you in knickerbockers. Do you like them ?"

TOMMY-" Awfully. They're lots better than frocks; why don't you'take to 'em? "-Fun.



SOOTH TO SAY.

FORTUNE TELLER-" Er-you will be poor until you are thirty.'

SCRAWLY-"Yes. And then ?" FORTUNE TELLER-" And then you will be used to it."

PASS IT ALONG!

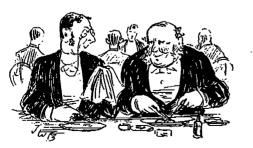
OLD Mr. Mossback MacTavish, a devout and consistent Reformer, calls the present Dominion Parliament "The House that Jack Built-after plans and specifications by Jerry Mander."

Miss Canada, GRIP supposes, is the "maiden all forlorn"-at having to do the house-keeping for the establishment.

Somebody else please take up the thread of this narrative and pass it along.

ANOTHER AWFUL INSTANCE.

ONE of the Barrie editors not long ago scarified a local entertainment, in the course of which one of the performers exclaimed in loud, fierce tones : "Jamais !" The truly good editor fancied the expression was profanity veiled in French. Thus do we see the frightful inroads which the hated foreign tongue is making in this fair, free country-a land in which no patriotic man ought to even part his hair in more than the one language.



OVERHEARD AT THE MEDICAL DINNER.

DR. A.-"[Did old Coupon's case yield to your treatment?" DR. B.-" It did. I treated it for six months and it yielded something handsome."

HABIT IS A SECOND NATURE.

MISS SOMEYEARS—"How some people do fish for compliments. Now, I don't care for them at all."

MR. STANDBY-" Oh, it's all a matter of habit. Those who are not accustomed to receiving them do not mind not getting them."

EASILY ACCOUNTED FOR.

SPACER-" Penner has just been telling me that he has written a story."

HUSTLER-" Is that so? What is it about?"

SPACER-" It is a ghost story, and is so powerful that he was telling me he actually felt frightened while writing it."

HUSTLER-"Ah! He probably felt afraid that he wouldn't be able to get it accepted."

FOUND ON THE TRAIN BETWEEN REGINA AND PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.

OTTAWA, Nov. 21, 1889.



Y DEAR DAVIN,-I read in the Regina Leader all you say about Larry Herchmer, the Commissioner of the North-West MountedPolice. If I understand you right, you would like people to believe that when a beggar is once on horseback, his first endeavor is to make the impression that he never traveled otherwise. However, such is not always the case, as it is well known that my friend Larry wasnever seen travelling on foot. Why, even when

he was peddling beer in Winnipeg he used to drive an express wagon.

I have read carefully all you say against him, and, as

my friend Pope used to say, "there ain't nothing to it." The only thing wrong I can see in your numerous complaints is about that spree at Banff, and I would even overlook that, did the charge not come from a man like you, who I know never drinks anything himself. When the Commissioner's brother Billy was in trouble in 1886, I got Larry to investigate the charges against him. He proved equal to the occasion. Now, what would you say if I got Billy to investigate Larry? The ends of justice would be served as well, and the washing would be done in the family.

I ask your advice because I know you do not prefer such charges through any motive of personal malice, but solely in the interest of the people's welfare, which has always been your prominent characteristic ever since you entered public life.

I see your libel suit is coming on shortly. I hope you will not be too hard on poor Atkinson. Since he got to the North-West Territories he seems to have forgotten what party he belongs to. So long as he remains that way he suits us. Verb. sap.

The House meets in January, so I may hope to see you soon. I suppose you will put up at the Russell House again. I dropped in there yesterday, and I found them getting the elevator ready. Yours truly,

J. A. MACD.

DIARY OF OUR MAN ABROAD.

Oct- 29 - An all night ann lands Norb. - We get back to us in Vinden, which is a bright little Winnipeg in time to four for town, Mingh, alas 1 this season it is with the truly good fulls of the the centre of a district which has that Capital in the services of "Anjoined a user poor harvest" DIVING (AR 1° enjoyed a very poor harved Thanksquing Day - and not in a Card and Sunday Oct- 31 - Brandon - Emile a city, but not quite Unquestionably one of the big places of the not for distant future. I large number of people from the world in gen eral are here making them for tunes, but for particulars as to find the "how are the anxious engined must be referred to this duly ap. pointed rep. resentative, M. L. S. The Wal MP W Rules Using. by Use Way - the Med S. M. C. Brandon, Nowles published when here us a first weekley - is coorded upon here us a first Daly paper. The Sum and Times are for most will that way. Nov I.- We find ourselves once more in martine wille - ortherwise Know nore in martine since a ortenwise than The citizens of morris as Potage la Prairie. Things have op. The citizens of morris parenter gone on as well as could have in prescially the hawie (lieen expected in our absence 2 hold leen expected in our absence. In fael: "Jamilies. Dince the Hon. Joseph lifted the town out: I Wor II - This date finits of the slough of Financial Despond, it is in Maniton. There has been booming - and will no dough are other good towns to will continue to have a double of the other other good towns to Continue to boom after we have and further west but as t Where notes on our first call) is Month a fine farming country pretty well wooded for manitobas you may have to travel in a greight if it happens to be an Walnusley is in command zon wile enjoy the Caboose the as much as if it were a Pullman. On this road are

Our 28 - aride from its A! liotees - Mintle. Neepawa, minnedora it has two of direct grade - Qu'app. and other. Minwine towns and elle is chiefly boundors for its Villages, inhalmted yor three straight out Production paper, The most part by hard empowers of progress, a unique product of Tony from Ontaino. couls exhibit a more liecoming deput. ment tran. does this alleged Wild western fr and city. wild western ? Demust now take Nor 8 .- We Lat Southern Man. a brief geance Lat Southern Man. toba, which we reach via U.S. Pembina branch (May the C PR. First Pembina branch (May the C PR. First we wood in on Morris This town is built all over the Prance, so as to give the land "majorin love of the Com. we look in on mercial room to get about -" 41 is slightly dull at present, but, as they have now got railway number 3 to the place, lively times are meperted willie the opining of Sprine Tleft the Province. The portrait the water supply is said to be poor. Jos the trandsome young man we decide not to visit them at pres. Who polits the hiberal here to but. Water is to visit them at pre-which somehow we omitted for This difficulty is the principal me which somehow we omitted for This difficulty is the principal me is the principal me s manitobe has in the content with given in no 2 above Nor 4 - From Portage la have the MAR Railway carries you well woodeed for maintobe well woodeed for maintobe nay have to travel in a formation of the last with the Rovince promising places in the knowince. Nov 12 - Morden, however, action, land we defen any remaints. about it to the next - and last - chapter 2 or this trasty history . Just





FANCY PORTRAIT OF SIR WM. HARCOURT.

(Drawn by Harry Furniss, of "Punch.")

OUR FOREMAN.

OW, out of every score men, Who are journalistic foremen, You'll find at least nineteen or so exceeding wicked men. Who swear and curse and caper, When getting out the paper, Who make the air around them blue and the "devils" quake again! But we have Number Twenty-A most delightful gent, he Is never in a passion, and he's always oh, so nice ! Why, if you should pie a galley He would only say "ah, really ! "---You'd poor gette bilt with the say of the source of the bilt with the source of the say of the source of the source of the say of the source of the You'd never catch him using any stronger verbal spice. If the comps. are very lazy, This overseeing daisy Approaches most politely and suggests a little haste, And when blundering Slug 30 Sets proofs exceeding dirty, The foreman only sheds a tear o'er "type so much misplaced." When giving out fat copy, He smiles and looks so happy,

But when the opposite's the case he's sad and ill at ease : And when he gives an order, It has a pretty border-

I mean he bows and waves his hand and whispers, "If you please ! "

Now, it would not surprise us If printers of all sizes Should come in scores and hundreds upon this man to stare, We're sure they'd like to know him, And we'd be glad to show him, But somehow he vanishes-such foremen are so " rare."

SCIENCE IN SHORT CHAPTERS.

CHAP. I .- THE OVSTER.

'HIS is a subject so palatable to the general public, that the scientist cannot with impunity treat it with contempt, it having a large number of friends ready at all times to take up weapons in its defence, especially when these weapons are in the shape of certain utensils which are found on any well-regulated dining-table.

Although the oyster cannot he said to be conceited, it is nevertheless very much wrapped up in itself. It confines itself strictly to its own affairs, is at homeduring business and all other hours, and will not open its portal to any man except on compulsion.

One of its distinguishing characteristics is the apparent total absence of brains or intellectual organs. It is not on this account, however, to be regarded as a dude, this being the only feature which it possesses in common with the latter creature. Nor must it be supposed, from the well-known adage, "as dumb as an oyster," that it is exclusively masculine.

Although it makes but little noise or disturbance in the world, it is closely related to a clamorous family, and although, as a general rule, it does not participate in broils, it not infrequently gets into a stew. In spite of its popularity and the general favor in which it is held, it may be often said to be " in the soup."

It cannot be said either to be of a social disposition, or given to conversation or communicating its ideas to others, yet it participates in most of our social entertain-

ments, and is in more or less demand at all state and private dinners.

From its customs and habits of life it would appear to be of the most democratic nature, and no respecter of persons; nevertheless, we find among the clan a well-defined and recognized "select class," among which are numbers of genuine Counts,-not the bogus Italian species.

In religion he is a hard-shell Baptist. In philosophy he belongs to divers schools. In politics he is a freetrader. But whatever he has to offer is generally swallowed cum grano salis. F. N.

LATEST REVISED VERSION.

W. LAMB TON.

MOWAT had a little "Lamb," Whose vois Whose vote was dear as gold ; And everywhere that Mowat went That "Lamb" was quickly sold. E. P. RODEN, "The Children's Friend,"

AT BOSTON.

FELLOW citizens," shouted a Republican orator Γ who was speaking in opposition to John L. Sulli van, the Democratic nominee, "this man is not fit to sit in Congress. Why, gentlemen, he has time and again got drunk and chewed his wife; and he has never ex pressed any contrition for the act !"

" "On the contrary," retorted Mr. Sullivan's supporter, " the champion is glad-he-ate-her !"

The crowd at once broke up in disorder.



"FAREWELL FOR-R-R EV-AR !!" (Climax of the Great Quebec Drama of The Ultramontane Triumph.)

HE WAS LONG-SUFFERING.

PROPRIETOR—"Come, sir, we are going to close up. You will have to get out."

PHEEDER-" What is that ? "

PROPRIETOR (impatiently)-"You will have to get out."

PHEEDER-" Well, this is getting business down pretty fine. I came in here two hours ago and ordered a stew, and while I am peaceably waiting for it you order me out. But I am a patient man, and will go as you bid me. I will be back to the city in two years if nothing happens, and if you have the stew ready for me then I will be satisfied. Good-night."

WOODBRIDGE, ONT.

(FORMERLY BURWICK, AFTER ROLAND BURR.) HIS town at first was Bur-wick called. When woods so wild waved all around ; But now that Wood-Bridge is its name, How strange! Not woods but burrs abound,

T. A. A.

THE SONG OF THE STAMP.

TTH fingers weary and worn, with eyelids heavy and red, A poet rigged out in poetical rags sat scratching his frowzy head.

Rhyme! Rhyme! Rhyme! in poverty, hunger and damp, And still with a voice of dolorous pitch he sang the song of the stamp.

"Rhyme! Rhyme! Rhyme! till the brain begins to swim, Rhyme! Rhyme! Rhyme! till the eyes are heavy and dim.

But still in vain, in vain, I nightly vigils keep.

Alas I that stamps should be so dear 'and glowing thoughts so cheap."

With fingers weary and cramped, with cyclids heavy and red, A poet rigged out in poetical rags sat scratching his frowzy head. Rhyme ! Rhyme ! Rhyme ! in poverty, hunger and damp, And still with a weird and dolorous screech

(Would that its tone would the editors reach),

He sang the song of the stamp.

"MAN wants but little here below," as the clansman remarked when he donned his kilts.

"I AM enjoying a Highland-fling," as the muleteer said when his mount tossed him over a precipice.



WHAT IT'S COMING TO.

OFFICER (on racing Occan Greyhound)—" Captain, the wave that swept our decks a few moments ago carried off seven passengers."

CATTAIN—" Throw their trunks and luggage overboard; that rascally *Ethiopium* is gaining on us!"

NORTH-WEST ASSEMBLY SHAKESPEAREAN MEDLEY.

ACT 1.

SCENE I.—Room in Government House.

Enter Brett, Richardson, Betts, and Jelly.				
Gov. ROYAL-Gentlemen, I have summoned you for				
	Business of gravest import-Brett,			
	Can I repose full confidence in thee?			
Dr. Brett-	Doubt thou the stars are fire,			
	Doubt thou the sun doth set,			
	Doubt truth to be a liar,			
	But doubt not Dr. Brett. (Bows.)			
ROYAL	And you, Betts, wilt faithful prove?			
Betts-	Faithful? While there's a job to let,			
	I'm your right-hander, you can bet. (Bowing.)			
Gov-	Richardson, your face doth wear the seal of honor.			
RICHARDSON-	Ah, sir, from day to day I would my duty do			
	E'en though I walk in paths untried and new			
Gov-	Come hither, Jelly. O, my gentle Jelly,			
	We owe thee much. Give me thy hand ;			
	By my troth, I think then lov'st me well.			
ELLY-	So well, that what you bid me undertake,			
5	Though that my death were adjunct to the act,			
	By heaven, I'd do it! (Botes with hand on			
	hcart.)			
	SCENE II.—Committee Room.			
CAYLEY-	'Tis rumored that, with powers circumscribed,			
	To fit His Honor's pleasure, a new Board			
	Has been by him approved.			
HAULTAIN-	Why, say you so? We'll fight with them to-night.			
THORBURN	Arms, gentlemen, to arms!			
	For I will hurl a brave defiance			
	In His Honor's teeth.			
TWEED-	We'll to the Assembly Hall.			
	SCENE III.—Assembly Hall.			
Enter new Advisory Board, seating themselves at right of Speaker. Clerk reads :				
"His Honor hath appointed these four trusty				
	men, with whom he will advise."			
CAYLEY-	Methought, when with abominable air			
	Of nompowerses, they same within the hall			

AYLEY-	Methought, when with adominable air		
	Of pompousness they came within the hall,		
	These be the Esaus.		

	HAULTAIN-	I, too, took notice of their coming, as Dress'd in a little brief authority,
	Brett-	They strode within the hall. But yesterday Haultain himself Strode with the self-same air before the House.
	HAULTAIN-	Say you so? I wore the garb with which my Brother members clothed me. Ye do wear The livery of the Governor alone.
		ACT II.
		SCENE 1.—Street in Regina.
		Enter Citizens.
	1ST CITIZEN-	Hast heard the news? The new Advisors of His Honor having by a large majority been Refused the confidence of the House, have re- signed.
	2ND CITIZEN-	Methought the sun did wear a sickly hue.
		SCENE II Ante-room.
		Enter Felly.
	JELLY-	'Tis done. But yesterday on the Board, And now ———
	RAEMAN	Good sir, have patience—I yet remain Thy constant friend.
	Jerra-	Raeman, I charge thee, fling away ambition. O Raeman, Raeman!
		Had I but served Heaven with half the zeal I served His Honor, he would not at this hour Have left me naked to my enemies.
	SCENE 111	Assembly Hall, Present all the members,
•	Haultain-	'Tis nearly three. Secord, there still is hope, for "While the lamp holds out to burn, The vilest sinner may return."
	Secord-	Rash man, forbear! Thy roaring farce is o'er, For now behold the Governor's at the door.

Enter Governor, attended ; seats himself in Speaker's chair.

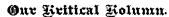
Gov. RoyaL— Gentlemen of this Assembly, you have in Many ways behaved most nobly, and history Will record that lacking supplies of money, You have evoked from sources dim and shadowy Supplies of brains never revealed before— Still further draw from thence, and now "Disperse, ye rebels!"

THE TALE OF A TRAMP.

H, I am a tramp, all tried and true, A riff-raff rover I. No social con., nq pent-up U., Makes me bow to the where ? when ? why I am free ! Jubilee ! Ha, haw, he! Say, cull., don't you wish you were me ? travel the track, I roam the road, I go where gout says "Get!" I sport two suits, but non a la mode, Nary one's in a trunk as yet ! Double-decked ? Yer k'rect! I'd interject-Which you wouldn't, first sight, suspect. l've a bully big pull on the public pap, I crunch at the civic crib! I nibble my nuff— 'Sh ! verbum sap., Et, vig. is the price of Lib. ! Go slow ! Lay low! H-h-h-ello! S-s-s-ay, cop, d-d-don't m-m-angle so ! See here, your Honor, perhaps my plea Is nulla, nix, n' good,— But a two months' trip and h. l. to b,— And the jail-yard full of wood !— Air's it bard Ain't it hard. Old pard ? Oh, ill-starred _____ ! All right, cop,don't yank ! I'm good !



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THE scenic display made in "Twelfth Night" at the Academy of Music was equal to anything ever given this city. in Marie Wainwright was a star worthy of such a heavenly setting. lent and well patronised. "CAPTAIN Swift," which

is now being played at this house, is a great dramatic tri-

It may not be generally known that umph. this piece was written by an Australian journalist only about twenty-three years of age, and is his maiden effort.

THE doors of the Academy being closed for next week, advantage may be taken of the intermission to congratulate Mr. Percival Green on the success of his managerial efforts up to date. Though G---n at the business—but we forbear, no trivialities are to be admitted into this column.

" PAOLA," a work by the author of Erminic, with the librettist (Harry Paulton) in the principal comedy role, enjoyed a week of high favor at the Grand. It is a good comic opera as such works go in these days, outside the Gilbert and Sullivan style of thing.

RHEA, in her new play Josephine, this week dazzled her thousands of admirers at the Grand with her beauty and her pretty Parisian accent and dresses. The Bostonians, a light opera company, including Marie Stone, Tom Karl, the handsome tenor, and other artists of wide fame, will fill out the balance of the week in a popular reportoire.

 $A\tau$ the Toronto Opera-House the week is being devoted to The Blue and The Gray, a drama of the American rebellion. We must defer critical remarks thereupon until our next number.

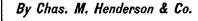
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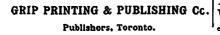
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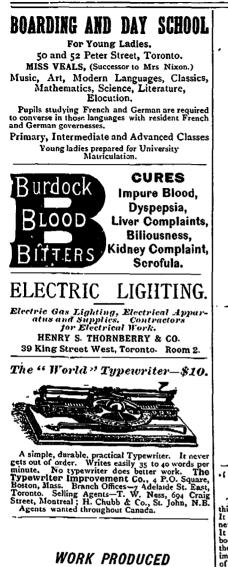
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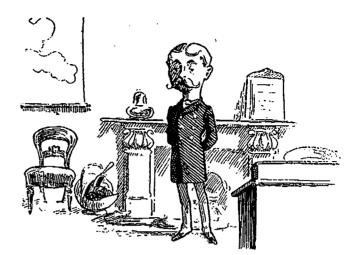
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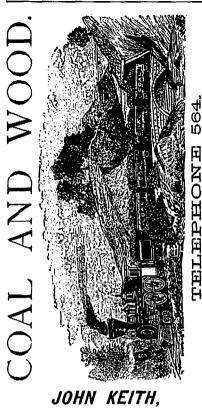
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