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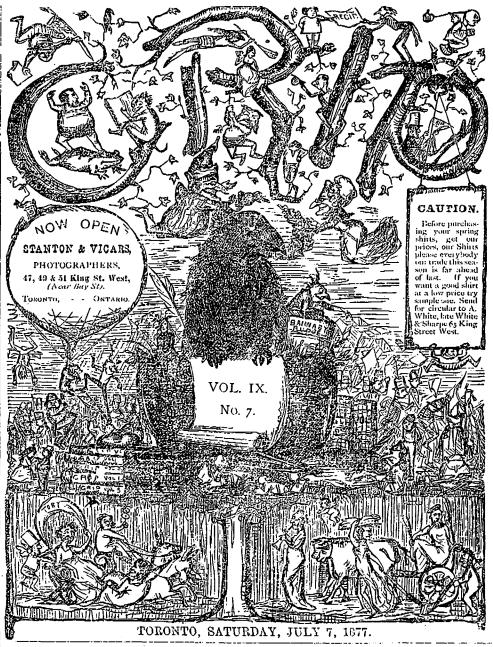
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TORONTO, SATURDAY, 7TH JULY, 1877.

The Heathen Chines Outdone.

Which I wish to declare,
That if Mr. BRET HARTE
Thinks that doings unfair
And tricks that are smart
Are confined to AH SIN the Celestial,
Let him listen to what I impart.

Concerning the acts
Of our Water-Works Board,
I state a few facts
That he perhaps hasn't heard,
And if he don't call them "peculiar,"
I want him to just send me word.

This Board, let me tell,
Numbers five, the names are,
ALLAN, GREENLES and BELL,
(The last named in the chair,)
And the frilled, festive, frivolous Angus
And PLATT (who appears to be square.)

At a meeting of late
There was sent in a bill,
The amount claimed was great
For the work done, but still
The Board said, "We'll pass it as usual;"
When PLATT said, "No, not by my will!"

"I want to be sure
That this thing is all right;
Let somebody pour
A little more light
On this matter, for twelve thousand dollars
In the present hard times isn't slight."

Then ensued a great fuss,
And the others, alas!
Called Platt a mean cuss,
And a stubborn ass,
And said they would do something desp'rate
Unless that small item should pass.

But SAM didn't care
Whatever they said.
So finally the Mayor
This queer motion read:
"Whereas, PLATT won't give the twelve thousand,
We'll give fourteen thousand instead."

And they carried the game-Which is why it strikes me,
In regard to,the same,And Bret Harte will agreeThat for "ways that are dark" our Commissioners
Out-rival the Heathen Chinec.

A Temperance Question.

ONE is constantly hearing of the difficulty of obtaining money for commercial purposes, and the numerous evils which arise from that sad cause. Now we suppose one great cause of this misfortune may be that the Money Market gets tight when the Members of the Stock Exchange dime together. If this be the melancholy case, would it not be as well if those gentlemen were to join the temperance movement before they get fined by the police magistrate for their reprehensible conduct.

WHAT tradesman would be a fitting companion to a sea-dog? A bay-cur (baker) of course.

THE sort of Platt-itudes one is never weary of hearing of.—The gift of salary from a water commissioner to the starving poor.

WHEN is a "rooster" like a flower? When he is a crow-cuss (crocus)

Save Us from Our Friends.

Perhaps they have been—it is impossible to say—in this remarkable world no one knows what people will be accused of next—or in fact what they will do next—but has any new Conservative Scandal arisen? In all seriousness, Grip wishes to know whether it is the Hon. MACDOUGALL, the Hon. Tupper, or the Hon. Cameron who has been hooking watches; or is it the Hon. John A. who has been insinuating his historically clean hands into pockets. This fearful idea has been aroused in Grip's mind by observing that, on the morning of the London Conservative pic-nic, the London Free Press, the Conservative journal of the West par excellence, actually warned its readers, gravely and editorially, to "leave their watches and chains at home, and look carefully to their pockets." What can the Conservatives have been doing at their jic-nies? Is it possible that they have been raising funds for the campaign in this manner? Grip sees it all. Simplest thing in the world. Sir John holds the masses spell-bound and immovable by his eloquence, while Tupper, Macdougall, and Cameron relieve them of their valuables. Well might he tell them they were in need of Protection! Awful! No doubt the returning trains had a baggage car full of pocket books, watches, and chains, while private Tories staggered under their ill-got gains (Gripsaw a fellow staggering). Grip demands a full explanation and investigation; and if it is refused him, the appalling consequences are unknown.

CLOSE QUARTERS.—An old inhabitant of Toronto, writing to the Leader, describing the ancient residents of the city, mentions the remarkable case of one gentleman, who resided in a small cottage with a large orchard of apple-trees.

This is the time of the strawberry, he cometh in boxes, glorious to behold; his garments are red as the grapes of Bozrah; he smileth at us from all the windows; he yelleth in all the streets eight cents a box. Buy him, carry him home, pick off his stalk, drown him in cream, smother him in sugar; eat, drink, and be merry, for to-morrow we die, and the place of our abiding knoweth us no more.

The Song of the League.

An' did the two B.'s, who as quiet as mice is
Pokin' round the Globs office beyant in the town.
Think on ancient Milaysians to come their devices?
Faith, it nades more nor iver you wor, Misthur Brown.

An' that other raycrayant, the crayture MACKENZIE— Would he dare to play thricks on the great Celtic race? Whoo! yer sowls, it's owld Arin shall rise in her frinzy, An' shall kick the base spalpeen from power an' place.

Sure, our hearts is red-hot wid the burnin' disgraces,
Piled upon us in hapes like a pyramid tall,
Flwy! we wor to be mimbers, wid oceans ov places;
But the divil a place are we gettin' at all.

There in ivery Department the Clear Grits git rich in; In Ixcise an' Post Office their pleasure they takes, But it's beggin' we may go to some mane soup-kitchin— Us!—the sons of St. PATHRICK, who banished the snakes!

But it's straight to Sir John we'll be off in the mornin',
An' it's we that will mate wid more dacency there;
Our asshistance an' hilp it's himself won't be scornin',
An' we'll see if MACKENZIE an' CARTWRIGHT won't stare.

Sure thin we, the ould Tories of mighty extraction,
Who once fought for King JAMES all through Britain and Gaul.
Med a blunder to join that contimptible faction—
Clear Grits, wid no anshisters no where at all.

Ye may laugh, but it's time that shall bring our revinges,
Whin we nail the Conshervative flag to the masht,
It's ourselves is the byes that will mighty soon ind yiz.
An' ye'll grin from the shilf, where we'll soon stick ye pasht.

Sure our blood in our veins might wid rayson be bilin',
Whin we think in the dusht we've been trailin' our name—
Wid a paltry alliance our glory defilin'!
An' no raymuneration obtained for the same.

Do they thin't that we care for their wretchid Commission, When they gev us a few Justiceships of the Pace? Just a chance of some fees—no sure pay—no position—Do they think for that same that our outcries will sase?

No, we'll join the proud banner that TUPPER is wavin', An' allaygiance we'll yow to Sir JOHN in a crack, An' whin CARTYRIGHT an' BLAKE at our loss is both ravin! Sure there's no knowin what we'll be paid to come back.



The Rural Pic-wickers.

Scene. - A high-road. Enter a Pic-nicker. To him enter another

Ist PICKNICKER.—Good-morning friend,
In whose small carpet bag and dusty clothes, Combined with that short-windedness which tells Thou hast been speechifying much of late, I do a brother spy. Tell now to me What hast thou been and done.

2nd PICKNICKER .-- Frae Kingston I. Whaur I did a' ye're wickedness unfauld;
Disclosed ye're hailt corruption; rose the ghaist
O' ye're Pawceene Scandal, and contreeved
To bring the kintra loons tae sic a peetch
O' gran' morality and purity, Of public specift, honor, virtue—a',
The total stock in trade o' sic-like things,
Whilk do tae talk aboot—I roosed them sae,
I'll wad ye the haill pack wad take on aith, I had the things I spake o'. Puir SIR JONE! He need gang there nae mair.

tst PICKNICKER.—'Twere best not count Your chickens ere they hatch. Why, look you, I Have been at Markham. If you had but seen The people gape and shout, when I exposed The black recital of your dreadful deeds— Steel rails, mismanagement, Free Trade-the whole Of what we have against you - had you seen How thoroughly we into pieces knocked Your every argument, you had resigned Your office then and there, and ashes pitched And dust upon your head.

2nd Picknicker.—Na, na, we shall resign When we canna keep in. Ye suldna be Sae greedy for it yet; we haena had But half a chance tae fill the empty pocks We carried wi us in.

Ist PICKNICKER.—Come, come, you have done well.

2nd PICKNICKER. - A paltry twanty thoosand, or at maist, Thretty or sae, as I'm a leevin mon Hae I yet scrapit up.

1st PICKNICKER.-Well, well, when I was in, I had to leave with less. But what is there? I had to leave with less. But what is there? A comfortable looking public house.

Come in and dine. In public though we fight And swear the rest are black and we are white, We are but strolling actors in our way, Abuse the villain of the piece to-day,

To-morrow act him. In and out we go;

The public still must pay us for the show.

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MRS. O.—Ah. And if I do considerable towards building it, what good will it do me?

MISS M.—Oh. give you a place for the considerable towards.

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Miss M.—Oh, give you a place for your farmers to emigrate to.

Miss. O.—Emigrate to! Why, I'm paying ever so much yearly for farmers to emigrate here; I don't want to less them again.

Miss M.—Oh, but to help me, you know.

Miss. O.—How will you repay it? Will you trade with me? Will you come to me for all your dry goods, machinery, groceries, hardware

Miss M.—O, but you know we will get them so much cheaper and nearer from the States, from St. Paul, by Pembina, as soon as the line

is connected. MRS. O.-Well, if I am to build you a line and get nothing for it,

you should make the cost a first lien on your farms, in my favour,
Miss M.—Injustice! Crucity! Tyranny! I'll get annexed (goes into hysterics.)

Caxton and Claxton.

"The CAXTON celebration?" she repeated, looking over her newspaper. "Well I always did believe that a girl who has been burnt up so many times and still escaped with her life, ought to have some mark of respect shown her. But why celebrate her in Montreal? Her home's in Chicago or St. John, I believe.

Too Much Health.

SCENE .- A Tavern in one of the Small Villages on the Great Western Railway between Toronto and Hamilton,

Тіме. — Уипе, 1877.

LANDLORD. - Well, mister; been taking a look around?

STRANGER (gloomily).—Yes. L.—Awful healthy place, this.

L.—I with a succer).—What's that you say?
L.—I say this is an awful healthy place to live in.
S. (with a succer).—Oh, it is, is it?
L.—Yes; dreadful healthy. Nobody dies in this village. ever gets sick.

S.—No consumption?—no liver-complaint?—no spinal-disease?—

nothing of that kind?

L.—Bless you, no! The only disease in this place is old age, and, some how or other, nobody ever dies of that, either. Why, my dear sir, we have no less than seventeen men here, each of them claiming to be "the oldest inhabitant"—strong, hearty old sinners, every one of em.

S. -- Don't the children get sick?--or the women.

L.—Why, bless your heart 1 I never heard of such a thing. There was a pair of twins born here last Saturday; and on Monday morning the mother of them took 'em around to show to her friends. know what sickness means in this village.

S. - Are there no undertakers here? - no stonecutters? - no grave-diggers?

L.-Why, NO! The last undertaker that started up here had to sell the tops of his coffins at fifty-cents apiece for ironing-boards. Oh, I tell you this place whips creation for health. You just stay here a couple of weeks, and when you go back home, you'll be so strong and frisky your own wife won't know you.

S.—Are there no doctors in the village?

L. - Doctors? Good land, no! A doctor would starve in such a place

as this,
S.—That's all I want to know. I guess I'll pay my bill now. (Takes out pocket-book.)

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I. (surprised).—What!

S.—How much do I owe you? I'm going out on the next train.

L.—Why, what's the matter? Aint you going to give the place a trial? I tell you it's the healthiest village in Canada.

S. (savagely).—Oh! confound the health! I'm sick, sore and weary of healthy places. Why, you old fool, I'm looking for a place where they have small-pox or scarlet-fever or cerebro-spinal-meningitis in every other house. I'm a doctor!—that's the only complaint I'm suffering from. Hurry up and give me the change out of this bill. I want to catch that train, and go on to the next station. catch that train, and go on to the next station.

L. (satto voce). - Sold, by George!

(curtain.)

The Pic-nic at Markham.

(From our Grit contributor.)

Speaking of the recent Conservative pic-nic at Markham, the Mail says: "an audience of five or six thousand people, 'all of them with erected ears,' listened to SIR JOHN," the august and benign chieftain, who had the "extraordinary power of identifying himself with his audience."

The secret meaning hidden in these words becomes obvious when pro-rrly dissected. What animals delight in long and erected cars? Why perly dissected. perly dissected. What animals delight in long and erected cars? Why should the Mail thus basely stigmatize its party who made the Markham pic-nic a success? Oh, base ingratitude! See the kick, forsooth delivered at the venerable form of the Pacific and lamb-like Knight. "Identifying himself with his audience"—aha!—becoming like unto them, full-fledged and clad in gigantic ears, and a hyper-musical voice. The organ heartlessly concludes: "It was a pity the train left Markham so early, for the audience would have liked to listen to SIR JOHN MAC-DONALD for an hour more and he himself was speeding before a good oratorical breeze when time pulled him up." Have we ever beheld the festive mule flapping his wings in an oratorical breeze—noticed how his whole being was wrapped up in his frightful groans of delight, and how crest-fallen he became when the driver cut his rejoicings short? The comparison is sublime, and we all, as conscientious followers of MAC-RENZIE, appreciate it, but take care, PATTESON, or the scorpion which gamboleth about recklessly may sting itself. "Music hath charms to smoothe the savage beast," let it also charm you into an appreciation of the crumbs which fall to faithful servants.

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