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COMMENTS ON THE CARTOONS.



THE POLITICAL CIRCUS.—It is officially announced that Mr. Chapleau's kick is over. That eminent statesman has simmered down and agreed to continue on as Secretary of State. Mr. Abbott has reason to feel as proud as the occasional venturesome spirit who succeeds in riding the clown's kicking mule in the circus. Mr. Chapleau has felt it his duty to make a public statement through the *Hamilton Spectator*, to defend himself against the charge of being a disturber of the party peace. This document is highly characteristic, being frankly corrupt. The writer says it is an injustice to him to say that he has been actuated by selfish motives. The good of the Conservative

party—that is, the retention of power in its hands—has been his single object. Briefly, he puts the position thus: The Quebec vote is essential to keep the present Government in power; and the only thing that will hold that vote is boodle in the form of liberal Federal expenditures in the Province. Hence it is necessary that he, as the recognized French leader, should be at the head of one of the great spending Departments. This, and only this, is why he wanted to be made Minister of Railways. Mr. Chapleau seems to forget that there are some people in Canada who do not consider it absolutely essential that the present Government should be maintained in office. To such his candid statement will appear eminently Gall-ic. It will also add to the satisfaction they feel that he did not get the position he was after; and justify them in keeping a particularly sharp eye on the Quebec man who may ultimately be chosen.

IN THE HANDS OF JUSTICE.—Mr. Thos. McGreevey has been formally cited before the bar of justice to answer a charge of boodling, but no action is to be taken against Sir Hector Langevin, without whose assistance, either actively or passively, he never could have exploited the Public Works Department.



HE *World* is nothing if not philosophical. "Ontario," it says, "is referred to as the milch cow of Confederation. Well, what of it? It does a cow good to be milked, and the cow likes it." This illustrates the danger of trying to carry an illustration too far. Ontario certainly doesn't share the bovine satisfaction in the milking operation. Or, if we must stick to the simile, the people of this

Province feel very much as the owner of a cow might feel if he saw the neighbors systematically carrying off her lacteal product.

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ARCHBISHOP CORRIGAN, of New York, has startled the common sense world by laying down the doctrine that the utterances of the Pope are to be accepted unquestioningly as an end to all controversy, not only on religious questions, but on questions of every other kind. Hereafter, according to this eminent prelate, Catholics *must* believe that private ownership of land is right, because in his late Encyclical the Pope goes on that assumption. They are equally bound to believe in all the other politico-economical ideas set forth in that document, and thus to give in their adhesion to State Socialism. When His Holiness wrote his letter he probably did not dream of such a use of it. It was not an *ex cathedra* utterance, and so did not come within the scope of the Infallibility doctrine. Moreover, it contains some teachings which are unquestionably erroneous. The Pope may be an infallible authority on spiritual matters, but he knows no more about political economy than any other man who has not made a special study of the subject.

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IT is related that when Col. George T. Denison read the report of the Young Liberals' meeting in yesterday's papers he drew his trusty sword and called for the hired man to turn the grindstone.

This cruel gibe did not appear in that vile traitor print, the *Globe*, nor in that unpatriotic sheet, the *Mail*, nor in the ribald *World*, nor the unspeakable *Factor*—it was uttered by the truly-loil organ of the Jingoese, the *Empire!* Let us hope it was done in a moment of weakness by some deputy sub-editor, and that it has been handsomely apologized for. Otherwise, the editor of the *Empire* may have an opportunity of becoming more intimately acquainted with that "trusty sword" when it comes off the grindstone!

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THE *Empire* stands accused, apparently, of trying to subvert Mercier institutions in Quebec. We plead guilty right here.—*Empire.*

You may plead guilty "right here," but you'll have to stand your trial "right there," which may make quite a difference.



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**T**H**ERE** is one respect at least in which Mr. James Beaty, Q.C., shows the superior intelligence and business tact which a Mayor ought to possess. He has the sense to advertise in *GRIP*, knowing that he will thus reach the most enlightened and progressive of the electors, and the men who take an interest in public affairs. See his announcement elsewhere.

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"Full soon me foe shall feel ye;  
I'll tache good manners to the dirty liar,  
Fur I'll welt the devil out av Healy."

Tim Healy came, and in vice-like grip  
The stern avenger bound him;  
He grabbed Tim's collar as he raised the whip,  
And twined its cord around him.  
"Slanderous cur," cried McDermot bould,  
As he plies the whipcord on his victim,  
"Take that, an' that, for the lies ye've tould"—  
How Healy capered as he licked him!

**C**ANADIAN Jingoism is all in a flutter of excitement and enthusiasm because Lord Aberdeen, as the guest of the National Club, condescended to say a few flattering and pleasant things about Canada, after the usual fashion of visitors from abroad who desire to make a favorable impression. Lord Aberdeen is an intelligent and observant gentleman, no doubt, but he cannot know nearly as much of Canada and her prospects and resources as any ordinarily wide awake Canadian. What earthly difference does it make to us what Lord Aberdeen, or any other visitor, thinks, or wishes it to be supposed that he thinks, about us? Really great and self-respecting nations do not look eagerly for fulsome compliments and after-dinner taffy from visitors from abroad. The fuss the self-styled



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THE Mayorality Candidates' Association held their first meeting last week, about two dozen of the members being present. It was decided to dispense with a President, on the ground that it would be almost impossible to elect one, as every member would naturally vote for himself, and that if any choice could be arrived at, it would give the successful aspirant an undue advantage over his competitors in the election. On motion by R. J. Fleming, seconded by Mayor Clarke, it was resolved that the meetings be presided over by a temporary chairman, to be chosen each evening by lot. This plan having been adopted, Mr. John McMillan was declared chairman *pro tem* amid a silence so profound that the growth of the civic debt was distinctly audible.

The chairman, on taking his seat, made a few remarks congratulating his fellow-candidates upon the formation of the Association under such favorable auspices. In an age of organization, why should not the large, increasing and influential section of the community, who were candidates for the Mayorality associate to advance their common interests, and compare notes regarding their respective booms. As regards himself he could only say that his was in a healthy condition, having been carefully nurtured for many months, and he hoped soon to enjoy the fruits of his forethought.

E. A. Macdonald had no doubt that his distinguished fellow-candidate's experience in the fruit business, had taught him the importance of cultivating the Orange element. He was afraid, however, that he would find the grapes were sour. He claimed to be first in the field and would incidentally mention, that the next member of the *Factor*—

Ald. MacDougall rose to a point of order and the *Factor* was ruled out as extraneous.

E. A. MACDONALD—"All right, gentlemen, I am the in-suppressible. I may never be Mayor of To-onto, but I

have Bellamy to fall back on, and unless the people elect me I'll make that the centre of Ontario." (Laughter).

JAMES BEATY, Q.C.—"He's only got to move the *Factor* out there on a hand-cart, and it'll be the biggest factory place in the province. There is one thing which reconciles itself with all our aspirations—the question of salary (unanimous applause). Four thousand dollars is entirely inadequate to the dignity of the position."

R. J. FLEMING—"Leaves nothing for the boy, eh?"

MR. BEATY—"Just so—the readiness with which you catch on to the idea is encouraging. All candidates should sink personal feelings, and impress this essential truth upon the public." (Applause.)

R. J. FLEMING—"My boom is in fair working order. I suppose I shook hands with about five hundred people yesterday. Treating is wrong, and besides it costs money. I prefer the Cordial Grasp. As a Cordial Grasper I have few equals."

E. B. OSLER—"Candor obliges me to confess that I'm not in it, in this respect, with Bros. Fleming and Beaty. When I made up my mind to run I did think of taking a course of lessons in hand-shaking, but I'm afraid there's hardly time to acquire the art that you old heelers have been practising so long. No; I shall assume an entirely new role."

E. A. MACDONALD—"Roll of bills?"

E. B. OSLER—"An entirely new role, and one more congenial to my instincts as a gentleman—that of dignified hauteur and isolation. The Cordial Grasp is too common, and some people's hands are so dirty! I run entirely on my merits as a man of property and a



### QUANTITY vs. QUALITY.

ADOLPHUS LIGHTWIT (*the prolific humorist*)—"Ah! I see you're looking over my stuff." I wrote sixty of those at a single sitting last night. That was pretty good, wasn't it?"

EDITOR (*dropping the last of the batch into the waste basket*)—"Yes; but the jokes were pretty bad."

financier. I shall take my cue from the body which nominated me and ignore the *hoi polloi*. The very novelty of the thing will impress them, and they will regard me as a Superior Person."

ALD. MACDOUGALL—"I find so much hand shaking rather wearing on the hands. Can any member prescribe a remedy?"

JAMES BEATY—"Rub your hands with rosin every day. That will toughen them."

MAYOR CLARKE—"Little suggestions of this sort, show the benefit of this organization, which is assuredly a step in the right direction. Nothing, I assure you, pleases me more than to see that there are so many of us. I need hardly say that my racket is the still hunt, and that I'm a stayer to the last, as I hope you all are (applause). I hope at next meeting to see the membership of the Society largely increased, and among those who ought to be Mayoralty candidates, if they are not, I might mention the names of Col. James French, John Ross Robertson and E. E. Sheppard. The more the merrier. And now if you will accompany me to the Albany Club, I will give you a practical exemplification of the manner in which a Mayor's salary is swallowed up, literally speaking, in extending the hospitalities incidental to his position."

**THE "COMIQUE."**

AIR—"MOET AND CHANDON."

I'M a popular star in the comique line,  
Well known on the local concert stage,  
In many big affairs I shine,  
In short, I am something of a rage.  
The stuff that I sing is the veriest bosh,  
O-hi-o! O-hi-o!  
Yet it certainly goes with a regular rush,  
O-hi-o! hi-o!

CHORUS—I wait till after the prelude's played,  
And then I come on with a swell crush hat,  
And between the verses I walk about,  
And attitudinize like *that!*

I form my style on the vocalists great,  
Who sing in the London music halls,  
And I use their songs, yet I rarely fail  
To bring down the house and secure recalls.  
Even people who pass for intelligent cry,  
"Core, encore! 'Core, encore!"  
And ladies exclaim, "How clever, oh my!  
'Core! Encore! Encore!"

CHORUS—I wait till after the prelude's played, etc.

Macdermott, Vance and Jolly Nash,  
These I worship as heroes grand,  
Their topical songs I always get,  
Tho' they're utterly foreign to this land.  
They generally deal with the omnibus,  
O-hi-o! O-hi-o!  
Or 'Amstead 'Eath or Bank 'Oliday fuss,  
O-hi-o! hi-o!

CHORUS—I wait till after the prelude's played, etc.

Some of my songs are a little broad,  
And a little more broadness I infuse—  
Poking fun at my wife and my mother-in-law,  
And extolling the charms of the midnight booze.  
Yet respectable audiences stamp and cheer,  
"Core, encore! 'Core, encore!"  
You may think their artistic taste is queer,  
O-hi-o! hi-o!

CHORUS—I wait till after the prelude's played, etc.

JUDGING from the amount of beer-drinking that is done now-a-days this must be the glacial age.



**AN UNREASONABLE IDEA.**

AUGUSTUS (*about to go out*)—"Can you lend me an umbrella, deah boy?"

REGINALD—"Why, you have an umbrella."

AUGUSTUS—"Yaas, deah fel, but it took me thwee hours to woll this umbwella up pwoperly, and I don't intend to open it for any beastly paltry shower, doncherknow."

**IT BROKE THEM ALL UP.**

AT a social gathering the other evening, where all went merry as a dinner bell, Bro. Samjones who had been immersed in thought for a minute or two, suddenly remarked: "Can anybody tell me why the Pope's recent utterance on the labour question is like the chuckling of an invalid chicken?"

There was a period of painful silence for a few seconds:

And the boldest held their breath  
For awhile

as the incorrigible, gazing triumphantly around the circle, said: "Because you see its a hen's-sickly-call—Encyclical. See?"

A wave of chastened melancholy passed over the lately hilarious gathering, and one by one they sought their respective hats and overcoats and passed out into the chill star-lit night.

Oh, humor, how many crimes are committed in thy name!

**IN AN UNEXPECTED FASHION.**

FIRST COWBOY—"Say, is Red Peter the Terror around Poker Gulch yet?"

SECOND COWBOY—"Oh, no; feller got the drop on him last fall."

FIRST COWBOY—"Yer don't say. Must have been a blamed good man to get away with Pete."

SECOND COWBOY—"Good nothin'! He was a durn sherif."

**AN UNDESIRABLE QUALIFICATION.**

JIMSONWEED—"I see you have a vacancy in your office. Let me recommend Pilcox as a good all-round man."

PUGSLEY—"I've no use for him. Last man I discharged was one of that kind. Had to hunt all round for him when he was wanted."



"YOU'LL RE-'MEMBER' ME!"

Mr. Charley Rykert is spoken of as a probable candidate at the forthcoming election in Lincoln. We have pleasure in placing him before the high-minded people of that constituency, platform and all.

#### A TORY "PATRIOTIC" ARTICLE.

*From the Bungtown Blazer.*

CANADA is the grandest, freest, most glorious country on earth, and shame be to the traitor who dares to say otherwise. Everything goes to prove it. Look at our immense territory, larger than the United States! Look at our public debt, larger in proportion to our population than that of any other civilized country! Does not that speak volumes for the stability of our credit? Poor nations don't have the chance to incur a magnificent debt like ours. Consider the vast volume of emigration steadily pouring across the line. What a splendid tribute to the prolific character of the Canadian people and the hardihood and enterprise which prompts them to compete with Americans on their own ground! All the great nations are emigrating nations. Look at Greece and Rome. Look at England and Germany. Probably there were pessimists and grumblers in the days of Augustus and Plutarch and Cacoethes Scribendi and those fellows, who were continually making a fuss over the exodus, who would have been if the Government of that day would have stood any such nonsense.

We do not deny that corruption exists—it would not be any use to—but what of it? Wasn't Walpole corrupt? Wasn't Bacon corrupt? Wasn't Pericles a corruptionist? And they were all great men. Doesn't corruption go to show the extent of our resources? Isn't the fact that our rulers can go on stealing millions of dollars, year after year, and the people never know it, a conspicuous proof of the national wealth and prosperity? No nation ever escaped corruption except some pitiful, one-horse communities, such as Switzerland, where there isn't anything worth stealing. Why, if there was no boodling going on, it would be the most melancholy sign of national poverty and decadence imaginable.

We have everything to be thankful for: We have a larger area of land per head of the population than any other country! Let the pessimists and carpers think of this fact and hide their diminished heads in shame. Our government displays a prudent regard for the future. Instead of recklessly and impetuously developing our resources with feverish haste, we proceed with dignified calm, and caution in the matter, and judiciously leave most of the work to be accomplished by future generations. The N.P., the wisest measure of modern statesmanship, imposes a salutary check on the unbridled ambition of the people to become unduly wealthy, and tends to preserve those class distinctions between the poor and the rich, so essential to the maintenance of a monarchical form of government.

Hurrah for Canada, and down with the pessimists!

#### RESPECTING CLOCKS.

A CLOCK can afford to go on strike, because it goes entirely on tick. Clocks usually have fine open faces and good figures. They have good figures even when they are run down, which is not the case with ourselves, who become altogether too thin. And yet there is something shamefaced about a clock, for it constantly holds both its hands over its face. The tower clocks look down on some pretty strange sights sometimes, and perhaps it may be modesty. The usual ornaments of a clock are a bell at the neck and hear-rings. They are very hollow chested as a rule, which may account for their faces being so white. The minute hand is better developed than the hour hand, because it has more exercise; it goes faster. Clocks stop sometimes, and I will follow their example in that particular.

#### TOO GOOD A THING TO DECLINE.

TEACHER—"Decline bonus."

PUPIL (*son of manufacturer*)—"Guess not. I ain't no such sucker as that. Here's dad been working for more'n a year to get a bonus out of this town, and if ever I get a chance at one I'm going to hang on to it."

#### HER MISSION.



"WHERE are you going, my pretty maid, In floppy-floppy mantle arrayed? As you scurry along with twinkling feet, Looking bewitchingly natty and neat; Where are you going, my pretty maid?"

"I'm going," in short-o'-breath accents she said,  
"Pray don't detain me, I'm late I'm afraid—  
I'm going to buy—please excuse my back—  
A copy of GRIP'S COMIC ALMANAC."  
"But it isn't out yet, my pretty maid,  
It isn't yet in the hands of the trade."  
"But it will be shortly, and then land sakes,  
It'll go off flying like hot cakes!"  
"May I go with you, my pretty maid?"  
But she didn't seem to hear what he said.



THE POLITICAL CIRCUS.

JOHNNY ABBOTT, THE CHAMPION ROUGH-RIDER, SUCCEEDS IN SUBDUING THE CELEBRATED KICKER.

## THE SOLE SURVIVORS.



## THE MOST POPULAR ONE.

TERRY—"What route would you prefer takin' if you was leavin' de city, Bill?"

BILL—"Wot root? W'y, de Root of All Evil, o' course."

## THE RICH MAN'S CANDIDATE.

FIVE and thirty money-bags met in the Board of Trade,  
Five and thirty swollen heads their arrogance displayed,  
Bound to show the power of wealth and justify their boast  
To let the common people see who rules the civic roast.

Four and thirty vacant wits wool-gathering in space,  
Couldn't seem to hit upon a man to fill the place.  
One smart wire-puller deftly leads them by the nose,  
E. B. Osler, C.P.R., 's the man that they propose.

Five and thirty money-bags now, with pride elate,  
Pose as social saviours who have found a candidate.  
Candidates are thick as thieves, but only E. B. O.  
Bears the stamp without which none are genuine, you know.

E. B. Osler, C.P.R., is a financier,  
He'll get rid of city debt, though how does not appear.  
He alone can save us from the bankrupt's wretched fate,  
All ye small-fry citizens support our candidate!

Trade and Labor Councillors, K. of L. and such,  
Formerly in these affairs you've had your say too much,  
But we're not vindictive, and we therefore beg to state  
We'll allow you to support the rich man's candidate.

E. B. Osler, C.P.R., can run the city best,  
He's a man of property, and what is all the rest?  
There's only just one drawback to his making a good mayor,  
The slight consideration that he can't get there!

## EASILY ACCOUNTED FOR.

FIRST NEIGHBOR—"Isn't it a shame of Mrs. Lamkin to make her daughter scrub the steps?"

SECOND NEIGHBOR—"Yes, it's outrageous; but, you see, it's her step-daughter."

IT happened at a literary gathering in a leading American city. Among the company was a gentleman whose locks were whitened with the snow of some eighty winters, and a lady, also well advanced in years. The two, who had never met before, were drawn together by some subtle sympathetic instinct, and during the reading of a paper on "Samjones as a Humorist," sat apart conversing in low, thrilling tones.

"Do you know," said the venerable gentleman, "that during the course of a busy and not uneventful career, I have never met anyone to whom I felt drawn so strongly by some over-mastering influence as I am towards you."

"Ah!" sighed the lady, "do not speak of it. I, too, feel the same impulse. It is strange, is it not, that, though we have never met before, we should find ourselves *en rapport*?"

"Probably it is that we have so many tastes and sympathies in common, such as a love for poetry. From my earliest childhood I have been passionately fond of it, and in my younger days I occasionally wrote poems, some of which have attained more than a passing celebrity."

"Ah, indeed!" said the lady. "I, too have known the pains and pleasures of authorship, and shrunk from the cold and sneering criticism of a heartless world. To a sympathetic heart like yours I may confide a secret long concealed from others—I am the author of 'The Beautiful Snow.'"

"You are!" cried the old man, as, overcome with emotion, he wrung her hand in his withered and ineffectual grasp. "Why, so am I! I knew that there must be some link of unison between us. Ah," he continued, sadly "to think that you and I are probably the only surviving authors of that beautiful poem! When I think of the many brilliant talented men and soulful women who once shared with us that glorious title to fame, and have now gone to the silent tomb, it inspires me with melancholy."

So runs the world away.

## A GOOD OLD STAND-BY.

SUBSCRIBER TO RURAL WEEKLY—"See here, Mr. Editor, the paper seems to be kind of fallin' off. I dunno as I want it any longer."

EDITOR—"Why, my dear sir, what's the matter? I do hope you'll reconsider it. I hate to lose an old subscriber."

SUBSCRIBER—"Well, that's all right, but you ain't attendin' to business like you ought. I hain't seen nothin' in the paper this fall about it's goin' to be a hard winter, because the muskrats are building their houses of an unusual thickness. I've read that item every season regular for the last twenty years an' more."

EDITOR—"Dear me. Hasn't that item appeared yet? How very careless of me! It's a mere oversight, I assure you. I've been so much concerned over Quebec politics and McKinley's election that I'd quite overlooked it. Make your mind easy—it shall appear next week, without fail."

## BERNHARDT'S LATEST.

AMERICAN—"Have you seen Bernhardt in that new play of her's, 'Pauline Blanchard,' where the heroine cuts her husband's throat with a sickle?"

FRENCHMAN—"Ah oui! Mais it was brutale!—horrible. Zat sickle do remind me of—vat you call him?—Jack ze Reaper."



#### A PHYSIOGNOMIST.

MR. FOX (who is trying to persuade Mr. Goldstein into a business venture of which the latter gentleman does not wholly approve)—  
 "You must admit, Mr. Goldstein, that it were better for you to go into this venture than to have your money lying idle."

MR. GOLDSTEIN—"Mine friendt, did you ever see a man with a nose like that who let his money lie idle?"

#### NOT UP TO DATE.

ACTOR—"What do you think of this new play of Bernhardt's?"

MANAGER—"Slow, me dear boy. Altogether behind the times. Won't draw in this country. Not realistic enough."

ACTOR—"Not realistic! Why, I should have thought that murder scene——"

MANAGER—"That's just it, dear boy. Too old-fashioned. Sickles are out of date. Whole thing ought to be re-written, introducing a real reaping machine as the instrument of murder. Then it would go."

#### A TOUGH ONE.

"WHY should the navy be supplied with tough beef, and the army with tough mutton?"

"Because it is the duty of sailors to attack the bul-warks while soldiers assail the ram-parts."

#### AN EXCUSABLE MISCONCEPTION.

THEOSOPHIST—"You cannot judge of Theosophy by anything to be seen on this continent. Occultism must be studied in India—the atmosphere of America is not congenial to it."

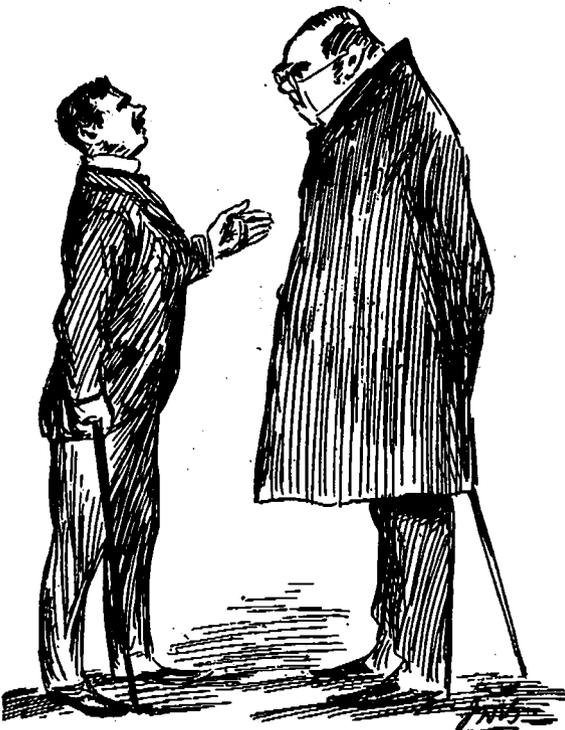
UNBELIEVER—"Oh, that's all nonsense. Isn't old Occult himself an American?"

#### TEN DONKEY-POWER.

YAWPER—"I never could agree with that fellow Higginthorp. There's no convincing him—he's as stupid as ten jackasses."

JINGLESNAP—"Yes; I've noticed that he holds to his opinion with ten-ass-ity."

LITTLE FREDDIE (attending an Episcopal Church service for the first time)—"Oh, pa, how funny! Men really do 'talk through their hats' here, don't they?"



## UNPROFESSIONAL.

BOLUS, JR., M.D.—“Congratulate me, father. I cured my first patient with the very first prescription I gave him.”

BOLUS, SR., M.D.—“Tut, tut, sir! That will never do! The profession would simply come to ruin if we worked on that line!”

## NOT IN IT.

(A TOPICAL SONG FOR THE TIMES.)

THE ratepayer howleth that taxes are high,  
I'm not in it.  
To elect a good mayor they've determined to try,  
I'm not in it.

I haven't myself got the ghost of a show,  
I think all their meetings are splutter and blow,  
There's nothing for me in the business I know,  
I'm not in it.

Whether Chapleau stays in or goes off in a huff,  
I'm not in it.  
The Tories and Grits may vent oceans of guff,  
I'm not in it.

Let them rave of corruption until they grow hoarse,  
That the public are robbed is a matter of course;  
But whoever is caught stealing I feel no remorse,  
I'm not in it.

Goldwin Smith made his farewell appearance last week,  
I'm not in it,  
As I never go onto a platform to speak,  
I'm not in it.  
He stirred up the loyal to fury and rage,  
Col. Denison wants to abolish the sage,  
And nothing but gore can his anger assuage,  
I'm not in it.

I don't see the point of friend Samjones' puns,  
I'm not in it.  
When my office is haunted by bailiffs and duns,  
I'm not in it.  
I never take drinks that cost more than five cents,  
I don't need to wear shoes out collecting my rents,  
I don't undertake to tell future events,  
I'm not in it.

## HARD LUCK.

HE was a singular appearing individual; looking as if there was a dark cloud following him. Arriving at the railroad depot, grip in hand, he inquired as to the departure of the train—

He had lost it.

Dejected-looking he waited the arrival of the next one, and boarded it. The engine whistled, the train pulled out. He thought of his grip—

He had lost it.

The conductor appeared on the scene with his familiar salute, “Tickets.” Our friend immediately commenced search for his—

He had lost that.

The conductor demanded fare, which the poor unfortunate ransacked his pockets for, but—

He had lost his money.

In an aimless, spasmodic mood, as if looking in vain for something, he poked his head out of the open window, and—

Lost his hat.

Rushing madly from his seat to the platform after the hat—

He lost his seat.

He was now frantic, and his brain being in a whirl—

He lost his mind.

But the end to all this was near. In two minutes more there was a collision, and the singular appearing individual was the only passenger who—

Lost his life.

REX.

## SCRAPS FROM OUR WASTE BASKET.

WHAT are our laws we scarcely know,  
Nor where our heavy taxes go;  
Because the days gone by will show  
We did elect the lawyers.

A heavy mortgage weighs each farm,  
To keep it down from doing harm;  
Yet we go on (nor take alarm)  
But still elect the lawyers.

—which happened last week at a party here. There was a young lady which said Oh I do love acting so, I'd like to go onto the stage. Well, says George Hurlburt, says he—Why dont you go onto the Richmond Hill Stage the fair is only 10 cents and then they all laughed.

PAT—“Bedad an' I wudn't enlist in the Highland regiment.”

MURPHY.—“An' fwhy not I dunno.”

PAT—“Becase I don't want to be kilt.”

I'll send you some more, Mr. Editor, if you put this in.

—“Yes,” said the drummer, “some of our own politicians is no better nor dogs.” “Yaw, that vas so,” said the Dutchman, “und vot gind of togs. Vy boodle togs.” And then the Tories got mad.

## A NEUTRAL TINT.

COCHONVERT—“Avez vous vu *Passepartout*, journal comique?”

GOMMEUX—“Non. Est il Rouge ou Bleu?”

COCHONVERT—“Ni lim ni l'antre.”

GOMMEUX—“Quel couleur doux.”

COCHONVERT—“Sorel.”



"THEY ALSO SERVE WHO ONLY STAND AND WAIT."

—Milton.

### THINGS HAVE CHANGED.

1776.

**CAPTAIN LIPPINCOTT**—(ancestor of the Denisons)  
—"Aha! Traitor! We will make an example of you in short order. Away with him, men, and hang him to the nearest tree. Thus perish all traitors!" (Traitor is hanged accordingly).

1891.

**COL. G. T. DENISON**—"What! Do I read right? Another annexation lecture from the Professor! And he escaped unscathed, nay worse, applauded! Oh, this is too much. But the time will come when outraged loyalty will be avenged. Just wait till the first snow storm, and if the sidewalk in front of the Grange isn't cleaned off as smooth as a billiard table I'll hang—I mean I'll fine him to the full extent of the law." (Paces the apartment with a hasty stride, gritting his teeth).

### TO AVOID ERRORS.

**NEVER** judge a maiden by the beauty of her hair,  
Never judge a chappie by his ever-vacant stare;  
Never judge a banker by the jingle of his change,  
Never judge a cook-maid by the blacking on the range.

—N. Y. Judge.

Never judge a candidate by how he shakes your hand,  
Never judge by agents' maps the value of their land;  
Never judge by labels when you're buying a cigar,  
Never judge the liquor by the fixings of the bar;  
Never judge a paper by its competition schemes,  
Never think that anything is really what it seems.

MOTTO FOR A TAILOR—We rip as we sew.

### "JOSIAR."

**T**O see light where they wuz none shone  
Josiar took the cake,  
His temper ever even run,  
Asleepin' er awake;  
I never seen Josiar riled,  
Ner ever heerd him curse,  
No matter what misfortun' come  
He'd say, "It might be worse."

That fall the lightnin' hit our barns  
An' sweep' nigh everything,  
Leavin' us scarce enough of corn  
Ter do until the spring,  
When all the tools an' sich wuz burnt,  
An' all things wuz reverse,  
Josiar smiled, ter choke a tear,  
An' says, "It might be worse."

An' then at Mander's raisin' bee  
He fell an orful hight,  
His arms wuz broke and both his legs,  
He wuz indeed a sight.  
But when he come to consuzness,  
Says he to me, his nurse,  
"It's durned hard lines this time, ole gal,  
But then, 'It might be worse.'"

An' so the things has just gone on,  
You'd never see him frown,  
He'd say, if prices had fell low,  
"They mout fall lower down."  
It wan't no use ter argify,  
Josiar's answer terse  
Wuz, "Things as is, is got ter be,  
By gosh, they might be worse."

A. L. McNAB.

### RATEPAYER'S ASSOCIATION.

**A**T the weekly meeting of this Association the following resolutions were more or less unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*: That with a view of preventing tramps and paupers aspiring to the position of Mayor, the salary hitherto attached to that office be abolished.

That the Assessment Commissioner and his thirteen satellites having brought this city to the verge of ruin, are recommended to go and drown themselves, the city having no further use for them.

*Whereas*: Since the appointment of five Medical Health Officers the prevalence of disease has increased, we would recommend that the Medical Health Officers be dismissed and believe this step will restore the city to its former healthy state.

*Whereas*: There are four chiefs and nineteen foremen in the fire brigade, and only fifteen fire halls, it is recommended that eight more fire halls be built to provide those eight lonely officials with proper accommodation.

*Whereas*: The city water works have laid bran new pipes on every street, lane and alley in the city, this committee would recommend that a compromise be made with the Superintendent before he loads us up with duplicate mains and pipes in the whole county of York.

### THE COLLECTING FAD OUT WEST.

**MISS FADDLEY**—"I suppose the collecting mania has not reached Montana yet?"

**WESTERNER**—"Oh, yes. Some of the boys have a notion of makin' collections."

**MISS FADDLEY**—"What do they collect principally?"

**WESTERNER**—"Ears mostly, though some have quite a fancy fur noses and fingers."



“EXTREMES MEET.”

### THE RESOURCES OF CIVILIZATION.

MRS. CADDINGTON—“Oh, Charles, this is the day for that hateful Mrs. Hotong’s garden party you know—the wretch that snubbed me so badly when we met at the Willoughby’s, and the weather is positively delightful. It’s really too bad. I did so hope it would rain.”

MR. C.—“Yes, my dear, it is provoking I admit, but it can’t be helped.”

MRS. C.—“Can’t be helped, indeed! Of course it can. They can make it rain to order now. Telephone to the Rain-making Company at once an order for a first-class thunderstorm for this afternoon. Never mind the expense.”

### PLAINTIVE DITTY.

(As sung by Messrs. Trow, Gibson and other unseated Liberals.)

OH, the political agent’s a very bad man,  
A clumsy, awkward duffer,  
And for his crooked goings on  
The truly good must suffer!

The candidate who fights the cause  
For the high-toned Liberal Party  
Denounces wicked Tory games.  
In a manner warm and hearty

He’d never think of giving bribes  
Or treading pathways devigus,  
But the chaps who act as Agents are  
As a general thing too previous!

The candidate says “Now look here,  
My fate is in your keeping,  
So don’t you contravene the law  
When anybody’s peeping;

We want to fight this fair and square,  
For that’s our Party’s glory,  
So mind your eye, but don’t forget  
We’ve got to beat this Tory!”

And then that wilful, wayward chump  
Forgets about his honor,  
And goes and does some side-line work,  
Whereby he’s made a goner!

### CHATTER.

JOHNNVKID—“How many legs has a fly got?  
PAPA (who feels one crawling on his bald head)—  
“About seventeen thousand.”

HE (at the tragedy)—“Doesn’t it seem strange to hear  
Julius Cæsar speaking in English?”

SHE—“Why, no. Cæsar probably learned to speak  
the language when he conquered England.”

SHE—“What will it matter if we are poor as long as  
we are rich in love. Now, if we marry, I will do all our  
cooking. What will you do?”

HE (bravely)—“I’ll do my best to eat what you cook.”

JOHNNY—“Why do they always have spirit-rappings  
at spiritualistic seances? What do the spirits want to  
get into?”

PAPA—“Into people’s purses, my son.”

JASPAR—“I am an advocate of Freethought.”

JUMPUPPE—“I suppose you think that if thoughts  
were free you would get one occasionally.”

THE man who sighs for what is far away usually over-  
looks what is near at hand. If instead of weeping be-  
cause he couldn’t lead his army up to Mars or Jupiter,  
Alexander had hustled around and discovered America,  
he could have found enough fighting to do to employ  
him the rest of his natural life.

ETHEL—“Do you think, Clara is in love with herself?”

MAUD—“I should say she is. Yesterday when I  
called on her she was standing before her mirror looking  
at herself with an opera glass.

ETHEL—“What do you think of my new bonnet?”

MAUD—“It isn’t worth the amount you paid for it.”

ETHEL—“But I haven’t told you yet the amount I  
paid for it.”

MAUD—“I know, but it isn’t worth it.”

THE ladies who are fishing for husbands have learned  
a few tricks from the sterner sex. Instead of patiently  
sitting by the social stream they go the European market  
and buy what they want.

MRS. VERIGOOD—“I don’t believe in the notoriety  
hunting of the present age. A woman shouldn’t appear  
in the papers except at her marriage and death.”

MR. VERIPERT—“Not even in curl papers, eh?”

MISS ROMANTIQUE—“I do not think men are as gal-  
lant now-a-days as they used to be.”

MISS CAUSTIQUE—“Well, really, my recollection  
doesn’t carry me back farther than the present generation.”

SEEING that actors have such a dislike for hen fruit, it  
is strange that so many of them are eggotistical.

DR. HARVEY’S SOUTHERN RED PINE for coughs and  
colds is the most reliable and perfect cough medicine in  
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