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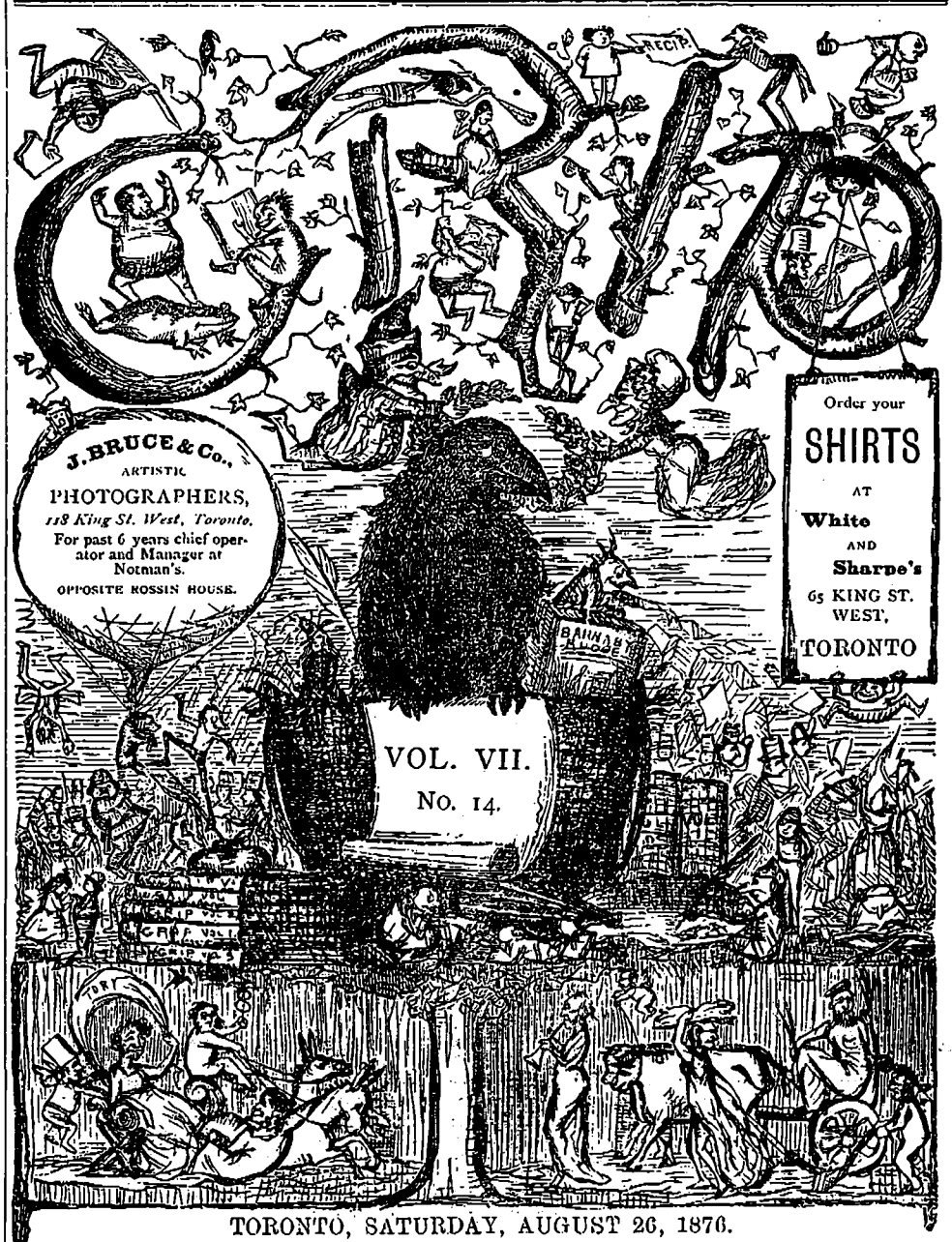
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TORONTO, SATURDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1876.

### Amusement Bulletin.

**THE ROYAL.**—Mr. GORAY's managerial career at this theatre began pleasantly on Monday evening, when a good audience assembled to see Mr. JOS. MURPHY in his new drama, *The Kerry Gow*. Mr. MURPHY is one of the very best exponents of the Irish character now on the stage. He has naturally a liberal share of the "mother wit" of his country, and, though his performances are uncommonly funny, there is no exaggeration or caricature in his acting. *The Kerry Gow* is a pretty and effective piece. Mr. MURPHY appears for the balance of the week in *Maum Cre* and *Help*, which plays afford him plenty of scope for his versatility as a character actor and musician.

**BASE BALL.**—The Tecumseths, of London, who are out on a white-washing tour, are to meet the Toronto boys in battle on the Cricket Ground, Saturday afternoon. Toronto will nearly win, if there is any reliance to be placed on Euclid, to wit: Hamilton all but defeated London, and Toronto badly whipped Hamilton. Q.E.D.

### The Turkish Stocks.

I'm the party called J. B.  
I support humanity  
Stay, though, mind my L.S.D.  
Turkish Stocks.

What, if Russia Turkey thrash,  
Might become of certain cash?  
What might straightway go to smash?  
Turkish Stocks.

If her rebel principedoms all  
Push old Turkey to the wall,  
What is that would quickly fall?  
Turkish Stocks.

Why should folks make such a din  
If I help the Crescent win?  
I've two hundred millions in  
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Turks, we know, when angry, will,  
Mothers and their infants kill;  
Never mind, if intact still  
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GRIP observes that the editor leaves "truthfulness" out of the list of Sir JOHN'S virtues. Perhaps he does so because he finds it hard to reconcile the great Statesman's remark at Colborne, that his mistakes were "of the head, not of the heart" with his own assertion, as above, that it is quite the other way on. Let the *Standard* man get his organ repaired, and quickly too. Farewell.

### The Police Magistrate Solus.

Talk not to me of laws! There is a Law—  
There is a Higher Law. I am that last,  
A law unto myself. They may lay down  
In Parliament their laws, their fines, their terms  
In prison, and the little petty rules  
Relating to each case. My name's MACNAB!  
My foot is here upon my new-built Court,  
And I defy the law!

(Sentences prisoner contrary to statute, and exit.)

### The Last Political Bid.

CONSERVATIVE:

Seedy old Granger, whether are you going?  
Rough is the road; you seem to bear some cares too,  
Keen blows the wind: your eye has got a tear in't,  
Sad is your forehead.

Downtrodden Granger, I know how your woes came,  
Has not great MAC tyrannically used you?  
Was it not CARTWRIGHT ruined you with tariffs?  
Or was it BLAKE, now?

Tyrannized Granger, little do those Clear Grits  
Care for the bone and sinew of the country.  
Sit you down by me, that you may explain your  
Pitiful story.

GRANGER:

Story! God bless you, I have none to tell, sir,  
Only that rust has cut off all my fall wheat,  
And that the spring is ripe, and I want hands much,  
And cannot get one.

I should be very glad to pay you cash, sir,  
If you would help me somewhat with my harvest;  
But, for my part, I never love to meddle  
With politics, sir.

CONSERVATIVE:

I go assist thee! I will see thee d—d first,  
Wretch, whom no sense of wrongs could rouse to vengeance;  
Sordid, ox-driving, snrow-turning reptile!

Base party hater!

(Exit in a transport of political enthusiasm.)

### Current Events.

No. 2.

*Me Darlint Grip:*

I b'lave I nuvver seen such dull times in me loife as we do be havin' at the prisint toime. Av coorse, I'm spakin now as the mouth-pace av the commerchal community and the loikes av thim, for, more power to the Aldermin av the city, I have nothin' mesilf to complain av in the way av bein out av work. And, begorra, I make mesilf perfectly aisy about the Financhal Futcher, dthat the *Monetary Times* does be talkin' so solemn about all the fwhile. And fwhy? Because as long as the prisint Council holds their sates at the Table, there will be plenty av diggin up av sthreads, and puttin down av ditches, and diggin up and puttin down, and sure, dthat makes it plisint for the likes av me, dthat follows the perfession av the Pick and Shovel.

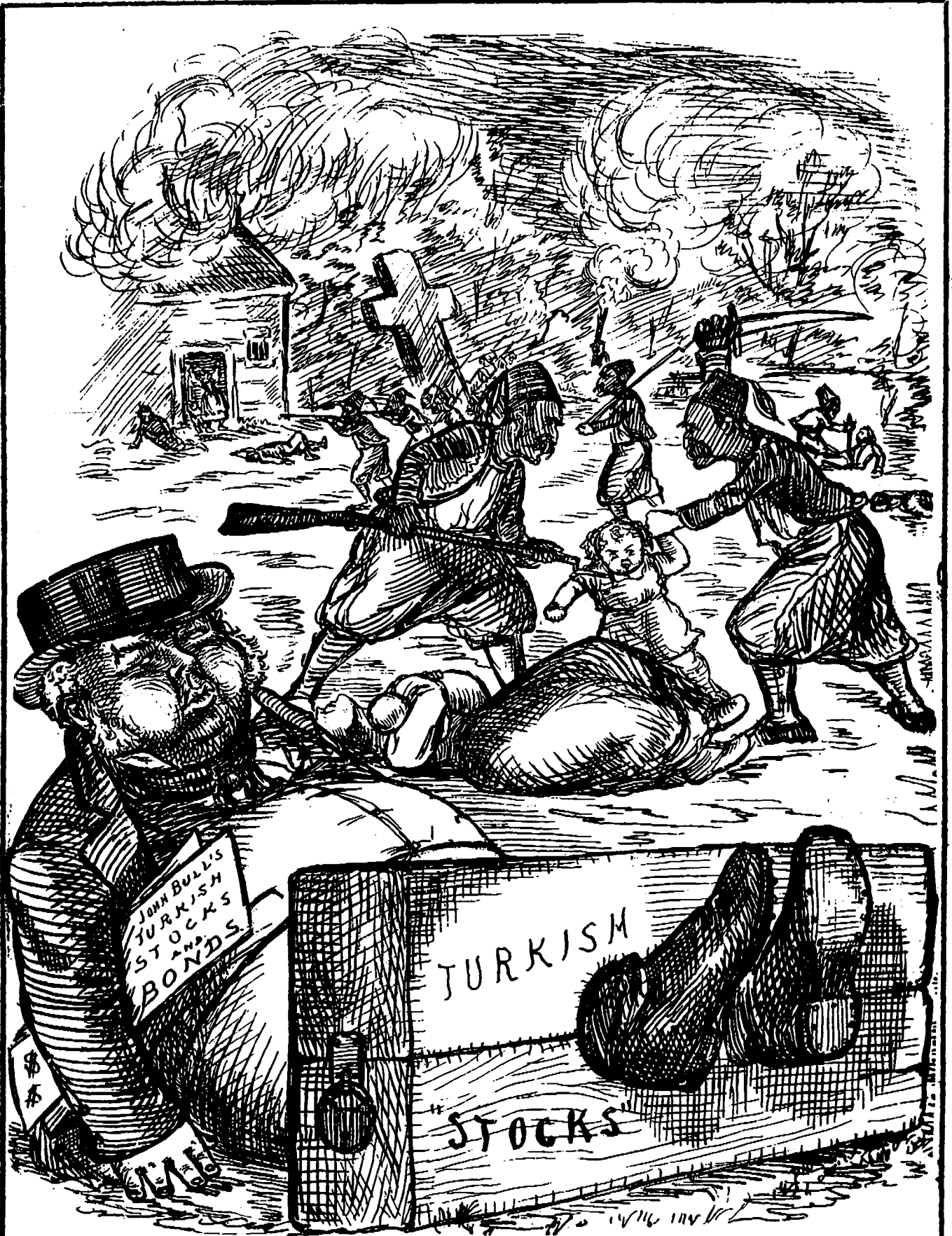
Its my opinion dthat the dulness av the bisnes sayson has tuk hould av the polytitions too. What do we be gettin now in the *Globe* ivery day but JOHN A. all the fwhile. Sure they say he's a harv case, and shmall blame to him fwhin they do be poundin him so long. Thin, in the *Mail*, we have repayted doses av "Big Push," and if air a man was saysick av a thing in this world, its me dthat is sick av Big Push. Me NORAH is av the same mind in this matther, and fwhin I take home the papers, she refuses wid scorn an indignashun to lishten to the contins av the iditorials.

But its pity I think ye iditors deserve inshted av cursin. Sure I don't see haw yez gets out yer papers at all at all, wid nothin goin on to spake about.

There's MACKENZIE, and CARTWRIGHT, and COFFIN, and SMITH and the rist av thim all down at Ottawa beyant, ashlape in their ice-houses, and nare a word av pollyticks out av one av thim. Thin, there's BLAKE away on the deep blue say, and CAMERON and RYKART snoozin under a thre at a peckneck, I suppose. Fwhy don't MACKENZIE do somethin to gev us a resht. Sure, av he was anything av a statesmin he wud have got up a skandle av some sort before this. Fwhat the country wants is Sir JOHN in office wanst more. Thin the papers wud have plinty av kay-notes to play chunes on a different sthring ivery day. Me ould friend, Misher MACKENZIE BOWELL, av the Belleville paper, is axin "Is the Consarvatif Reaction a fiction or a fact?" Bad cess till him, av coorse it is! Let us have no more foolish quistions av dthat kind this sayson, Misher BOWELL.

Spakin av conunthrums, reminds me av that new gossoon in Hamilton; him that writes letters in the *Mail* fornist the name av "Rupert." An now, he axes "Fwhy do the young min part their hair in the cintre?" Fwhat does he mane by throublin the publik wid this, and lavin' the matther in suspinspe, fwhin he might take off his own hat and foind out? He seems to be dthat kind av a man. I obsarve by his lasht afashion dthat he is thyrin to stir up the dandther av the *Times*' man, an av he does dthat same, mark my word, he'll repent. Oi think av Misher BUCKANAN wud take me dandy RUPERT down till Burlington Beech ap put some ice on his head, it wud be a keind action, an moight be thine manes av preventin further throuble.

TERRY TIERNEY.



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**The Inferior Harvest.**

GRIP, whose agricultural knowledge is more than equal to that of six model farms, hears that the whole fall wheat crop is in danger of being lost by rust. He considers this most disgraceful. If it were anything else, there might be some excuse, but to allow valuable articles of this description to get into such a state is inexcusable. Let the farmers instantly get out their bath-bricks and sand-boxes, and proceed to put it in order. After being properly cleaned and brightened, it should be well oiled, to keep it from rusting again. Let this be seen to at once. That farmers should go round talking nonsense at Grange meetings, with every joint of their wheat creaking for need of a little oil, is a phenomenon of laziness hitherto unequalled in the nineteenth century.

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Oh we beg you, good folks of Toronto's good town,  
Don't on us in your fierce indignation come down;  
And don't call us hard names, nor make such an uproar,  
For there's no such harm done; we'll just borrow some more.

Just borrow some more,  
Yes, borrow some more,

Oh! it all will come right if you borrow some more.

We assure you, though you our proceedings think queer,  
With the best of intentions we came in this year;  
We expected, its true, to make more than before,  
But we always supposed that you'd borrow some more.

You'd borrow some more,  
Yes, borrow some more,

Quite absurd to suppose but you'd borrow some more.

Word had last year passed round through the hangers-on all  
That in '76 they should make a big haul,  
And in crowds hungry candidates came to each door  
To get leave it to spend, when you'd borrowed some more;

When you'd borrowed some more,  
When you'd borrowed some more,

Oh, they saw their way clear when you'd borrowed some more.

If you'd only have done it, you know that you might,  
For we drew up correctly, in black and in white,  
Certain by-laws—about a half-million they bore;  
But you voted them down, for you'd borrow no more.

You'd borrow no more,  
No, you'd borrow no more,

Flabbergasted us quite—said you'd borrow no more.

Now invectives at us every citizen flings,  
Talks of actions at law, and malfeasance, and things,  
And retrenchments demand, which would quite run ashore  
All our gain-bringing barks—Can't you borrow some more?

Pray borrow some more,  
Do borrow some more,

We'd make such a good year, if you'd borrow some more.

Talk of cutting down salaries—all very well,  
But you don't know what stories some of 'em could tell.  
The contractors as well, but pray do not feel sore,  
It will ruin your credit—but borrow some more;

Ah! borrow some more,  
Please borrow some more,

Your debentures will fall—but pray borrow some more.

**Edax Rerum.—By John A.**

You've heard of the tooth that eats its way,  
That's me.

Going a gobbling every day,  
Do you see?

And Grits so soft that thought me floored,  
Now cry:

"He'll eat right into the Treasury Board!  
Oh my!"

Just as Samson mowed 'em down,  
As is known;

It shall floor the hosts of BROWN—  
My jawbone.

First it penetrates the beef,  
Mighty slick;

Then goes through each Clear Grit chief,  
Just as quick.

Next disposes of the pie;  
And the game,

With each Ministerial lie,  
Does the same.

If of liquor there's good store,  
Why—I—

Pr'aps as well to say no more,  
Good-by.

**SUPERNATURAL.**—Mr. MACKENZIE is not afraid of ghosts, but it is said that he has been rather disconcerted by the appearance of certain Gobblings in different parts of the country.

**BURGLARIOUS, PROBABLY.**—The *London Free Press* has threatened to lay an information against certain individuals of the Mail sex, who are coming around his subscribers' premises at unseasonable hours.

**Correspondence.***Hon. Mr. Mackenzie to Hon. Mr. Blake.*

DEAR SIR:—

Wad it no be soond constitutional law to stop the practice o' poleetical picnics by Order in Council? The practice threatens the vera warst and maist deabolical consequences to the country. Answer at ance. A. MACKENZIE.

*Hon. Mr. Blake to Hon. Mr. Mackenzie.*

MY Dear Sir:

You surely should be aware that separated from my invaluable authority on constitutional law, Mr. MILLS, I cannot say exactly. But another course lies open. JOHN A. boasts his poverty, you know. Have him arrested at once as an indigent, wandering vagrant, lock him up, and don't let him out. EDWARD BLAKE.

**Advice.**

**FATHER**—JOHN, you are now home for the holidays. I trust, at the school where I have placed you, you are learning to become a rising man, and to succeed in life.

**SON**—Yes, papa. What is it to succeed in life?

**FATHER**—To succeed in life? What a question! What can they be teaching you? Why to acquire property, to get on, to amass a fortune, to make money, in fact.—

**SON**—But, papa, you have four times the property of Mr. JONES next door, and he seems to be much better off than you. His life appears to be more of a success than yours.

**FATHER**—Better off! A success! Why, what do you call a success?

**SON**—I mean that I would much rather propose to pass my life as he does than as you do. He minds his business, and saves money; but he does not seem absorbed in it. He takes an interest in many things, and is well informed on many subjects. You seem to care only for one. His house is a pleasant place, where one meets agreeable people. There is some one there who can talk to one. Ours is a very dull one. Everybody seems to know him and like him. Nobody out of the city seems to know you at all.

**FATHER**—My boy, money can buy friends, attention, amusements, consideration, everything.

**SON**—Perhaps, pa. But it seems to me that you have never bought any. You say you are over sixty; how can your life be a success when it's nearly gone; and you've never had anything from all your money? You go to the store in the morning, and come back at night, from one year's end to the other. If you are a success, why should I want to be a success? It seems to me an unpleasant sort of success.

**FATHER**—My boy, we must change your school, and send you where you will learn the value of money.

**SON**—Pa, I know its value; but what good's its value if it never fetches its value?

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By order,

F. BRAUN,  
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Ottawa, 20th May, 1876. }

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