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THE World has had a series of sensational articles concerning the newly established Political Union Club of this city, and the growth of annexation sentiment. The tone of its utterances is a sufficient testimony to the reality and importance of the agitation. Until lately the loyalists loftily affected to pooh pooh the whole business, and treat it with silent contempt as the fad of a few busybodies and notoriety-scekers. All of a suiden the World has swung round to the opposite extreme, scents annexationism everywhere, predicts bloodshed if the discussion of the subject is allowed, and calls on the authorities to put detectives on the track of those suspected of being annexationists. Obviously, if the traitors are anything like so numerous as the World declares, it would require Pinkerton's whole army to take care of them. ls the World man himselt a traitor, seeking an excuse to bring a horde of foreign mercenaries into the country fur the overthrow of our institutions? The Ottawa Government had better make him a Cabinet Minister at once, be ore the thing gocs any farther.


OOIISH as the World's utterances are, to do it_justice we do not suppose that there is a single member of its staff, from editor down to the freshest reporter, who is capable in his individual capacity of making such a superlative ass of himself as the paper las done editorially in its loyalty vaporings and threats of violence to all and sundry who dare to discuss Canada's future. The proprietor, with a shrewd eye to the main chance, is simply willing to trade on the narrow-mindedness and prejudices of a large but fortunately decreasing element, who pride themselves on their oldfogyism and who retain the ideas and traditions of the eighteenth century. The ascendancy of such survivals of the mediæval epoch is one of the penalties of living in a colony.

$\mathrm{N}^{\mathrm{N}}$O intelligent person in these days-unless hired to think otherwise-regards government as a sacred, inviolable institution. Divine right is an exploded notion. Government exists mercly as a public convenience, by the consent of the governed. There is no more sacredness attaching to it than to a bank, an insurance company, a trade union or any other association of men for practical business purposes. Any citizen of any country has a perfect right to urge upon his tellow. citizens changes in the form or scope of the goverament, a transference of the sovereignty from one government to another, or the abolition of all government whatever. And any one who denies him that right, or secks to interfere with him in its exercise does not know the meaning of the word " liberty," and is unfit for citizenship in a free country. If it will give any satisfaction to the World, we are perfectly willing to admit that there are any number of Americans just as superstitious, as nar-row-minded and as prone to bow down and worship the lilag fetich as the most besotted of Canadian loyalists.
| T' is true also that a century or so ago in England people were hanged for talking treason when they expressed dissatisfaction with the reigning dynasty. Yes, and thousands of poor old women were burned for witchcraft and men strung up at every assizes for sheep. stealing and similar offences. The class of people for whom the World caters are just about on a par as regards common sense, enlightenment and humanity, with those who perpetrated such acts of savagery in the name of justice.

THE extent to which the consumers of this country are robbed by the protected industries is shown by the recent action of the Dominion Cotton Mills Com-pany-the combine which owns all the cotton mills in the country-which has decided to water its capital to the extent of ninety-five per cent. The object of this is to conceal from the public the extent of its profits. If the company acknowledged paying twenty-five per cent. dividends to it shareholders, even a Tory could realize that he was being plundered by the cotton barons. But by calling into existence by a stroke of the pen $\$ \mathrm{r}, 350,000$ of new "capital," and dividing it up among the stockholders in the ratio of their present holdings, the ostensible rate of dividend is reduced, and in case the public complain of high prices or the employees of low wages, the subsidized organs of the monopolists can point out that the company realize only twelve per cent. or so on their investment. It is an old dodge, but there are still plenty of people who can be fooled by i:.
THERE is serious trouble ahead for Sir John Thompson over the Roman Catholic demand for remedial legislation in Manitoba. Mr. Chapleau, whose retirement from the Ministry to accept the Quebec Licut. Governorship has been announced, intimated in a speech at Hochelaga that a refusal of the Ultramontane demand would re open the whole question of Confederation. Ur. Lachapelle, the newly elected Tor; member for Hochelaga, took occasion to intimate his entire subserviency to the dictates of the clergy. He deserves credit, at least, for his frankness. These people have, at all events, the courage of their opinions, and in this respect set a worthy example to a lot of shifty, weak-kneed and truckling Ontario politicians of both parties, who, while professing a belief in equal rights, are ready to sacrifice their
principles for votes. By all means, let the question of - Confederation be re-opened as soon as possible. We may then have a chance to get rid of the Senate, the subsidies, Separate schools and other burdens and anomalies.

## SHE THOUGHT SO TOO.

" WOULD I were a bird," he cried,
"That I might By to thec."
"I would so too," the maid replied,
You'd go to roost at eventide,
And not stay up till threc."

## THE MODERN GOVERNMENT ORGAN.

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HAT is a Government organ?"
"A newspaper which, in consideration of financial support from the party in power, agrees to suppress political news as long as possible, in order not to injure the administration."

" $A$ N Island Paradise and Reminiscences of Travel," Riddell, Toronto, is received. The first portion of the book is devoted to Hawaii, the inhabitants, scenery and features of life being felicitously described. Mr. Howell is a keen observer, and bas made excellent use of his opportunities. He has a flowing, easy style, and, in addition to being interestingly written, the book embodies a great deal of practical information concerning the various countries visited, which include Canada, the United States, India and Australia. The work, which is got up in the best typographical style, comprises about 300 pages, and is profusely illustrated.

Those who are fond of the wierd, mystic and occult in literature will appreciate the psychological novel entitled "Phantom Days," by George T. Welch, published by J. S. Ogilvie, New York. It is a perfect literary nightmare, the plot being wonderfully vague and involved, full of phantom characters, mysterious purposes and blood-curdling glimpses and suggestions. It is as eeric as a mule. Hardened Theosophists and Spiritualists can read it with impunity, but it would not adorn a Sunday school library or cheer the couch of convalescence to any extent.

The Labor Reform Songster, by Phillips Thompson, published by the Journal of the Knights of Labor, Philadelphia, contains thirty songs, nearly all nerr, adapted to popular airs-not ircluding "Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay" or "Little Annie Rooney"-suitable for labor or social reform gatherings. Price, fifteen cents. It can be procured from Grip Printing and Publishing Company.
 Jollick, like the recent John L. Sullivan, is a talented expounder. As the pulpit was vacant, a large number farored giving him a call.

Every seat was occupied. The choir girls looked their prettiest, and paid unusual attention, some of them even going so far as to refrain from the customary tittering, and gun-chewing which is always regarded as a necessary accompaniment of the service of song. The preacher had finished his introductory remarks and got about half way through the first head of his discourse, when the first soprano, craning her giraffe-like neck over the choir-rail to get a good look at Mrs. Gallivan's new ostrich-feather, espied a small mouse which was moving slowly down the aisle.

She drew back with a start, tucked her skirts round her pedals, and looked nervous. The singer next her being short and also curious, deliberately stood up to have a view. She sat down again rapidly, and tucked in her skirts like a startled fawn, as it were. Her seatmate, following ber example, took in the situation and also her flowing robes. And so on, and so on, until the whole choir were popping up and down like wax-works, and girding up their loins in truly scriptural fashion.
Mrs. Peduncle, in the front seat, during an eloquent pause while the preacher was turning over his MS., thought she would take in the choir gallery to see if the singers were as reprehensively flippant and inatentive as usual. She beheld the commotion and its innocent cause, gave a start, stifled a shriek, hauled in her skirts and crossed her kuces.
All in ber neighborhood were seized with a common impulse, and a perfect hum of rasping feet and rusting skirts ensued. The mouse began to look scared, and suddenly made a dive for a leg he saw still in the aisle, and climbed inside its covering for safety. The possessor of the limb jumped up and began swinging and wav-



Jumpurye-" I am a self-made man."
Kinochout-" What a pity some one didn't serve an injunction on you before yeu completed the contract."
ing it in the air in vain attempts to dislodge the brute concealed, while his wife, halffrantic with fear, beat the leg unmercifully with the handle of her parasol, and yelled for assistance.

The minister, seeing the disturbance, began in a voice full of tears and false teeth to beg for silence. "What is a harnless mouse, my brethren, as compared with the devil, who as a roaring lion goeth about seeking whom he may devour?" But his remarks were cut short, for the mouse, dropping from his lair in the trousers, fled frantically towards the pulpit, dodging blows from hymnbooks, hats, parasols, boots, etc., made straight for the minister. The divine kicked frantically at the intruder, and in the confusion landed his foot heavily on the shin of Deacon Todger, who had rushed to his rescue. The latter yelled that his leg was broken.

In the midst of it all the gas went out, and pandemonium reigned supreme. The people made a mad rush over seats, bonnets, babies and corns for the door, leaving the church to darkness and the mouse.
"So." said a townsman of Rev. Dr. Jollick shortly
afterwards, "I hear you are not going to St. Athanasius church, after all."

The doctor smiled sadly, and shook his head. "It came to nothing," he replied. "Parturiunt montes nascitur ridiculus mus."
A. L. McNib.

## NO ROOM FOR DIFFERENCE. <br> T maters little, if at all. Their policies are both so small The difference can't le great.

## WALES' BAD BREAK.

VICTORIA-"I don't know what to do about filling the laureateship. Swinburne has vilified us shamefully, Morris is a Socialist, and I hear that Sir Edwin Arnold is no better than he should be."

Walles-"It's an awful pity, don't you know, that Ella Wheeler Wilcox is an American. Her poems are awfully jolly and fetching."

Vicrorla (sezerely) -"Albert Edward, what do you mean? You ought to be ashamed of yourself. 'The idea! Never let me hear you make such a suggestion again."

> TOO OCCULT TO BE PRACTICAL. W HO revels in discourse sublime, And scoff at distance and at time, And visits of the nooun and Mars, Then to get home hails trolley cars? Mahatma. Who can send letters to the poles Swifter than vivid lightaing rolls, But oft-times yields to vulgar sense, And buys his post-stamps with his pence? Mahatma. Who sets himself mankind to save From every ill this side the grave, Then with claborate profusion Sajs all is Mlaya and illusion? Mahatma. And siting all the evening-who Loves talking till the air is blue, Of elves andl astrals foating light, Taen soundly sleeps throughout the night? Mahatula.
D.F.T.

Bent on mischief-a pin.
Samones suggests that they made Daly a Minister to even things up -so many of the others being knightly.


A STORY WITHOUT WORDS.


Bunker-"Great Scott, man, where did you get thase trousers?"
Hunker (antriously)-"Then you think they'll do?"
Bunker-"Deperds on what you want 'em to do."
Hunker-" Well, you sec I'm trying to break my engagement with Miss Goodform. She's awfully particular about dress, you koow, and if these pants don't disillusionize her on my shape I'm afraid it's a hopeless case."

## TEN ANNEXATIONISTS.



Aik: "Ten lithe Indiass."
EN annexationists standing in a line,
One read the Daily IWorld, and then there were nine.
Nine annexationists feeling quite elate,
Premier Mowat bulldozed one, and then there were eight.

Eight andexationists secking Yankee heaven, One lost his customers, and then there were seven.
Seven annexationists planning cunning tricks, One got an office, and then there were six.
Six annexationists who for union strive, One joined the exodus, and then there were five.
Five annexationists feeling rather sore,
One met with Denison, and then there were four.

Four annexationists talking very free,
One was chosen alderman, and then there were three.
Three annesationists looking very blue,
Ernest Albert doesn't count, and so there were two.
Two annexationists now upon the run,
One got scared to death, and then there was one.
One annexationist couldn't stand alone, Got protection for his trade, and then there were none.
Tariff monopolies, granted by the score,
Tide annexationists of very many more.

FLOATING A LOAN.
B
ORAX -" City Treasurer Coady has just returned from the Old Country. He went there to float a loan."

SAMIONES-" But why did he wish to float alone? Wouldn't it have been better to get into the swim ?"


Miss Canada to Farmer Thompson-" Weli, if That is a Fair Sample of theibag You're Going to Supply me 'With, I Don't Think Much of it."



TOO LATE.
$\beta^{\text {OR her so admired }}$ By many a beau,
There are bachelors waiting A long, sad row.
Sonc are fat, and some are lean, And some have theic faces shaven clean, In hopes that this dark Canadian queen will perhaps imagine their age a dream And their thin blue blood to be youth's red stream.

But still they are waiting That fossilized row, Their prospects debating In accents of woe.
And I fear they will wait, and wait, and wait, Till Time has denuded each thinly-clad pate, As the years pass away without finding a mate, But such is, alas, of the ruling of Fate With those who defer things until it's too late, And Rowers their tombstones decorate, And the parson in sermon most ornate Tells how they've passed through the pearly gate.

## SKAGGS' STOVE PIPES.

 tend to have a stove put up in this sitting room, or am I to freeze around here all minter?" was the first remark with which Skaggs greeted his wife when he came home the other evening. "It's plain to be seen if I was not here to manage this house it would all go to the dogs."
"Why you know I asked you a week ago to step in and tell the tinsmith to send two men over to put the stove up," calmly remarked his patient wife.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{Ob}$, you did ask me, did you; and you supposed that I was going to have two men come up here and spend two hours putting up a stove that I can put up in
fifteen minutes with my eyes shut. You hustle around now and get the pipe down from the attic, and, let's see, I will want the hammer, some nails, and a coil of wire."

Mrs. Skaggs started on her errand while her worthy spouse gathered all the dinner knives in the house and placed them on the mantel where they would be within reach.
"Let me see," he remarked when his wife appeared with the pipe," I numbered all those pipes with chalk when I took them down last spring. Yes, bere are the numbers plain enough. I'll get them up in two shakes of a dead lamb's tail, if you will just hand me that chair."

Having placed the chair on a small table, he proceeded to perch himself on top of it.
"If I was going to put up that pipe I would commence at the stove first," meekly remarked Mrs. Skaggs. "That's the way father always put our pipes up at home."
"Who is putting this stove up," yelled Skaggs; "me, you or your relations? Do you think I got up here to be bossed and bullied into your way of doing things? I tell you I know more about putting up stoves than you and all your relations put together. Now hand me number two pipe."

Mrs. S. handed him the pipe, and went after some newspapers which she placed on the carpet to catch the shower of soot that began to fill the air.
"What are you putting those papers down there for? Do you think I am going to get dirt on your blamed old floor? I'll tell you right here, that there is going to be trouble if you don't go and mind your own business. You have done nothing but poke fun at me the whole evening, and I won't stand it any more."

Mrs. Skaggs cast one anxious look at the soot-bespattered floor and left the room. She had been out about


OVERHEARD IN THE HIGHLANDS.
First Chieftain-" I say, old chap, what a doose of a bore these games are!"
Second Chieftain-"Ah, but my dear boy, it is this sort of thing that has made us Scotchmen mhat we are!? "-Punch.
five minutes when she heard a yell, a crash of glass and pipe, then all was still. When she arrived in the room Skaggs lay on the floor, his face white with rage, that he had been defeated by a stove pipe, and as his wife gathered him up and helped him on the lounge be mumbled something about his not going to stand being henpecked any nore. Fright.

## POSSIBILITIES OF THE REFERENDUM.

THERE are infinite possibilities in the Referendum. The practice of asking the municipal electors to express their opinions upon things in general, as well as issues of immediate consequence, is growing. Several thousand electors are petitioning for a reference to the citizens of the question of establishing municipal coal-yards, and the annexationists are asking that a vote may at the same time be taken on the most desirable future for Canada. Certainly-why not? There is no reason that we can see why such votes should be confined to political or municipal questions. Why not use this simple and inexpensive machinery as a means of definitely ascertaining the drift of public sentiment upon all sorts of debatable issues?

The following are a few of the questions which might be submitted to the suffrages of an intelligent electorate :-

Is marriage a failure ?
Did Bacon write the works of Shakespeare?

Is there a personal Devil?
Does Home Rule for Ireland mean Rome Rule?

Do goats reaily eat tomato cans ?
Does novel-reading tend to perniciate the mind ?
Have we a Canadian literature?
Would you sooner be a bishop or a capitalist?
Is it possible to communicate with the inhabitants of Mars?

Are alleged spiritualistic phenomena genuine?
Should ladies ride bicycles?
Many others might be suggested, but these will suffice. This extension of the referendum into the domain of history, literature, sociology, and in fact all departments of intellectual activity, would certainlybepopular. Nothing tends to produce a proper feeling of self-esteem and a healthy appreciation of the rights and responsibilitics of citizenship like the act of voting, consequently it foliows that the more ballots each elector is called upon to cast, the greater will be the development of these qualities, Anyhow, it is time these questions were settled somehow and put on the retired list of dead issues, and the referendum seems the only feasible way to do it .

Col. Denison's family tree-the "Nearest Tree."

## NEVER TOO OLD FOR THAT.

PLUGWINCH-"What's this I hear about Jenkinson retiring from business?"
Bostwick-"Yes, it's true. He's made his pile, and he's getting pretty old."

Plugwinch-" But what'll he do with himself?"
Bostwick --" Well, he intends to devote his leisure to politics, and take an active part in the Young Liberal Association."

## PERSONALLY INTERESTED.

THE subject of Old Age Pensions is being discussed in England. As the Young Liberals profess to be a progressive body, they might very well take up this question, which, moreover, is of present and practical concern to a large element of their membership, whose names, under any comprehensive scheme of the kind, would be at once placed on the list of bencficiaries. And if the progressive character of the measure doesn't appeal to the Young Conservatives also, the personal considerations are equally weighty in their case.


A FAIR CRITIC.
Ounen Towae ( $w$ ho writes nowis)-" And may I ask what part of my ; late:t book you like best, Miss Sevier?"

Mass Sevier-" The illustrations are good, and the typography is excellent: but I think that, taking it all in all, I prefer the binding in anj other part."

## DE MILLENIUM.

discourse by very rev. archobacon diaphanous DIXIE, D.D.

BELUBBEI) BREDERIN ANT SISTERN,-Dis maunin' we gadder agin into de sanctuary whar prar am wont ter be made on de most reasonable terms, to prognosticate de question dat am agitatin' de mos' lequacious intellects ob the age. Durin' de past week I hab made de Millenium de subjec' ob circumloctution, an' in my humble way hab endeavored to conciliate de mos' perfunctory authorities, wharby to felicitate my lucubrations. Onless Sistah Billison will spontaneously cease chawing onto dat wad of spruce gum, an' tryin' to mash dat lop eared jellow dude in the contagious pew, I shall be compelled to draw de attention ob de congregation to de fagrante delicto, wich am Latin, my brederin-Selah!
De fus' aspec' ob de all impotent question which appeals to de conscientiousness ob de inquirer, am as follers :-Am dis de Millenium ? $\Lambda \mathrm{m}$ de present epoch de period spoken ob by de miner prophets durin' de intervals ab dar deciduous toil into de bowels ob de airth -wen de voice ob de snappin' turtle shall be hearn into de lan', an' de whited sepulchres shall rejoice in de mountains ob Mesopotamia ? Am de era arroven wen de language ob de prominent an' sanctimonious Hyperbole shall be fulfilled? "Behold de sound ob de accordion $\mathrm{an}^{\prime}$ de psaltery in de tabernacle ob de faithful, an' flee ye to de wilderness."

No, deah brudderin, dat salutary time hab not yet arroven-an' ef dem small niggers in de gallery don't quit frowin' peanut shells down onto Purfessor Dorsey's bald head, Deacon Pussey will kindly proceed to extrude dem. Den de nex question wich arises am - Wen will de Millenium come? I shall now, widout further abbreviation, unfold to your pachydermatous intelligence de obvious results ob my theoretical ballucinations. In the fust place de diameter ob de earth froo de he-Quaker am 7,912.04 miles, wile de diameter measured froo de polcs am thirty-four miles, less. If we accept de Scriptooral crow-knowledgy-an' de crow, my bruddern am one ob de most knowin ob de animiles - de age ob de world am 5,596 years. Cose I doan mean de Hon. Mistah Maclean's World-but de earth on wich, as de poet set, we lib and move an' hab our beans-wid or widout pork, as de case may be.
On de udder hand, some of de mos' compendious arkeologists estimate de age ob de globe at 7,021 years, an' scein' dat de ark was dar at the time of de food, I reckon de arkeologis:s kaint be tur out. Now, as de earth resolves on its aves, de greatest friction obtains at de poles-jest like at 'lection times. Darfore de surface ob de earth am continually bein' cut away by de axes, as, seen by de essential difference between de equatorial an' polar diameters.
Now, if it has already taken seven thousand an' twentyone years, he de same mo' or less, to wear away thirtyfo' miles, how long am it gwine to occupy fur de planet to wear itself clar down flat? 'Cordin' ter de claborate calculations I hab undertaken, an' excludin' de vulgar fractions in ordah not to offend agin de proprietaries, de Millenium will arrive in de year twelve billion seven hundred an' ninety fo' million, one hundred an' twelve thousand nine bundred an' fory five! I'se willin', fur de sake of unanimity, to frow off de fo'ty-five, not a day mo'.

Now, dearly belubbed fellow-simers, you will see dat dars plenty ob time afore de great sublunatic consummation, an' dars no knowin' wat might happen in de meantime. IV) fore den de new cote house mout be finished, $\mathrm{an}^{\prime}$ Purfessor Golden Smith miter made his las' final,


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