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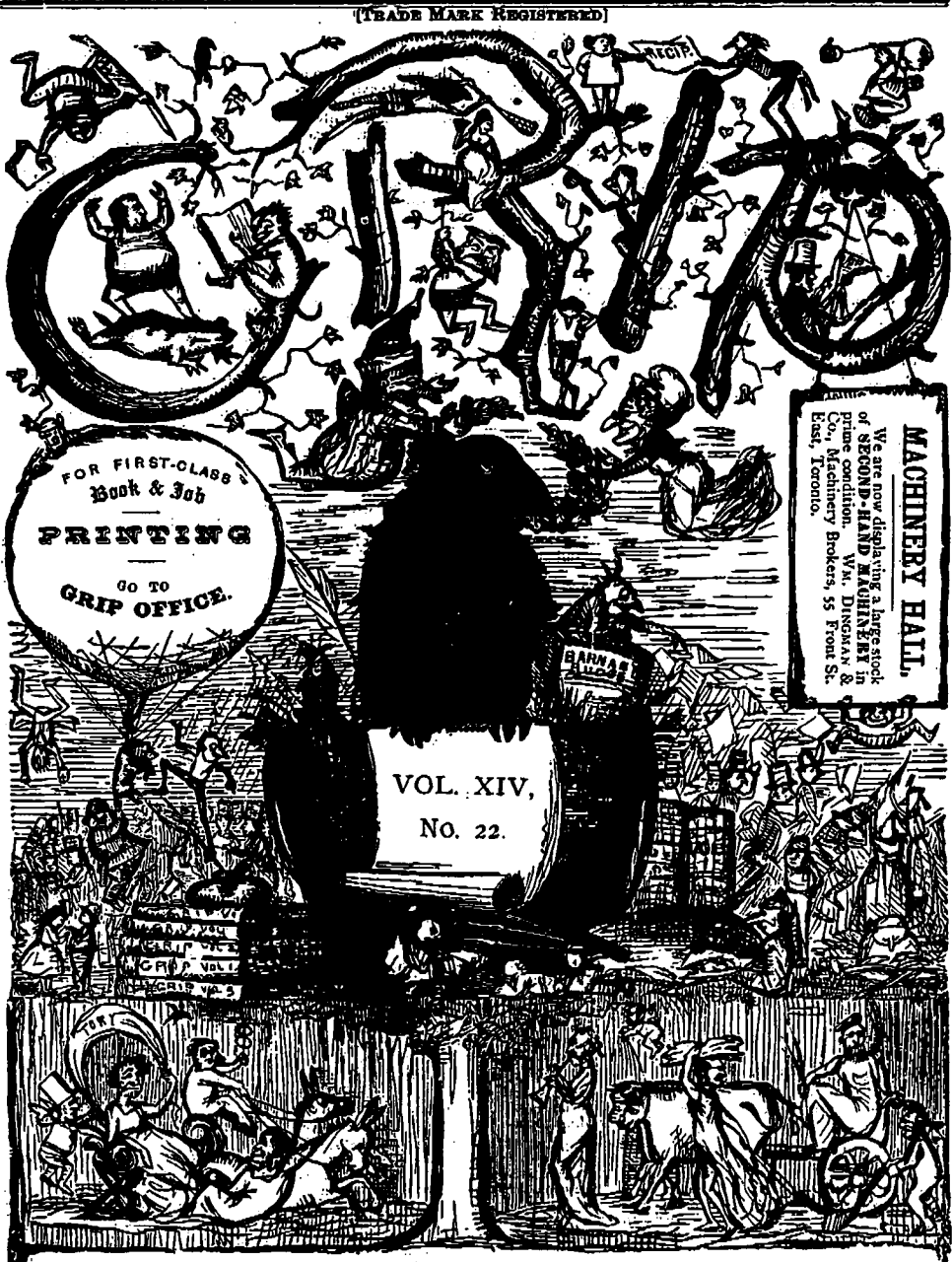
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Literature and Art.

JAMES E. MURDOCK, the actor, will soon publish his "Recollections of Actors and Acting."

A POINT AUX TREMBLES artist has opened a small exhibition of oil paintings in the Parliament House, done by himself.

The average cost of the engravings in a single number of either *Harpers'* or *Scribner's* magazine run anywhere from \$5000 to \$8000—enough to frighten a French or English publisher of a \$4 magazine.

Mr. ROBERT SEARS, for many years a well-known publisher in New York, whose illustrated books were sold by tens of thousands, is now enjoying a ripe and genial old age at Toronto, with children and grandchildren around him.

CHARLES B. LEWIS ("M. QUAD") of the *Detroit Free Press* disclaims the authorship of the play "Our Bijah," recently played in Philadelphia, and attributed to him. He says it is an old and worthless play, "the property of a snide actor who makes his headquarters in Detroit."

The publishers of *Scribner's Magazine* have offered three premiums \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively, to the first, second and third best specimens of wood-engraving, produced and sent to that office any time during the present year, by pupils in any art school or under any private teacher in the United States.

VICTOR HUGO's daily walks are taken after the most aimless fashion. He sets out for a stroll through Paris, takes the first omnibus or car he comes across, getting out whenever the fancy strikes him, walks along with no definite goal in view—a lounge who is in no hurry, and who takes an interest in everything about him.

The *Gazette des Femmes* has obtained some interesting statistics as to the number of women in France who have entered the literary and artistic professions. The lady writers are given at 1,700, of whom 1,000 are known to be the authoresses of novels or tales for the young, 200 poetesses, and 150 compilers of educational works.

There will shortly be published in New York for the benefit of the Irish relief fund, a literary and artistic curiosity called the *Art Autograph*, to which prominent men have contributed autographs and leading artists have furnished illustrations. The idea was suggested by a successful Paris publication for the benefit of Spanish flood sufferers.

The art lecture on "Ireland," given in Shaftesbury Hall, on Monday evening, by Mr. J. L. MONTUSON, was attended by a large audience, and proved a most pleasant and instructive entertainment. The views illustrated the scenery and manners of the Emerald Isle, and were supplemented with interesting comments of a critical and anecdotal character. Mr. MONTUSON has kindly consented to repeat his lecture, in the same place, next Monday evening, in aid of the Ladies' Society for establishing Workingmen's Coffee Houses.

JOHN RUSKIN has resumed the publication of his monthly, *Flora Clarigera*, and thus speaks of his attack of illness of two years ago: "The doctors say that I went mad from overwork. I had not then been working more than usual, and what was usual with me had become easy. But I went mad because nothing came of my work. People would have understood my falling crazy if they had heard that the manuscript on which I had spent seven years of my old life had all been used to light the fire with, like CARLYLE's first volume of the French Revolution. But they could not understand that I should be the least annoyed, far less fall ill in a frantic manner, because, after I had got them published, nobody believed a word of them."



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Plans, Specifications and General Conditions can be seen at this office on and after THURSDAY the 20th day of MAY, next, where forms of tender can also be obtained.

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The cheque thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

For the due fulfilment of the contract the party or parties whose tender it is proposed to accept will be notified that their tender is accepted subject to a deposit of *five per cent.* of the bulk sum of the contract—of which the sum sent in with the tender will be considered a part—to be deposited to the credit of the Receiver General within eight days after the date of the notice.

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This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

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Stage Whispers.

THEODORE MOSS has purchased the American rights to "Forget Me-Not," and will produce it at WALLACK'S Theatre, with JEFFREYS LEWIS in the leading part.

Mlle JEANNIE BERNHARDT will appear, with her more celebrated sister, Mlle SARAH BERNHARDT, in the forthcoming series of French plays at the Gaiety.

KETTES, the pianist, is to sail to Australia in a few days, and after a brief tour in that country will go to Paris and finish an opera upon which he has been engaged for some time.

A new play from the pen of FLORENCE MARRYAT, and founded on one of the clever lady's novels, is nearly completed, and will probably be heard in public in the course of the summer.

SULLIVAN and GILBERT made while in this country about \$18,000. Of this sum \$12,000 went to GILBERT, who made money outside of the production of "The Pirates." But their profits still continue on, as they get 10 per cent. of the gross receipts wherever the opera is played.

The necessary arrangements have now been completed with HERR RAFAEL JOSEFFY, and the great Hungarian pianist has been engaged for one grand concert, on the 19th April. With the view of keeping the price of admission down to one dollar for reserved seats, the Pavilion of the Horticultural Gardens has been engaged.

ALFRED TENNISON'S unsuccessful play, "The Falcon," has been withdrawn from St. James Theatre, London. On the day of its last representation the falcon of *Sir Frederigo*, falling from its perch and becoming entangled in its chain, was killed. A new play from the pen of the laureate is said to have been accepted by Mr. IRVING, of the Lyceum.

Mr. W. T. CARLETON, baritone, and W. CONLY, basso, are the only two engagements settled thus far for the STRAKOSCH and HESS Grand English Opera Company for next season. The question of prima donna is divided between KELLOG, HAUCK and MARIE ROZE. Mr. MAAS is the most prominent tenor spoken of. In any case the venture is certain to be a great success.

A musical society, entitled the Toronto Orpheus Association, under the direction of Madame STUTTFORD, was organized in Toronto a short time since, for the purpose of meeting weekly, and practising music from the compositions of WALLACE, VERDI, DONIZETTA, BALFE, &c. Its members are limited to about twenty-five in number, and have now in rehearsal the greater part of WALLACE'S "Maritana," which it is understood will, in the course of four or five weeks, be given to the public.

Actors who have reached the ripe age of 100 are seldom to be seen actively engaged in the exercise of their profession. According to the *Paris Pate*, however, one of these *rara avis* may now be witnessed nightly at Toulouse. He is a comic actor named GRAFFETOT, who was born on the 2nd of July 1780, came out at fifteen years of age, when the Revolution was at its height, and appeared successively at Bobino, at the Montanier Theatre, at the Gaito, and at Toulouse, where he settled for good.

Mr. STRAKOSCH'S engagement with ADELAIDE NELSON ends with the beginning of the New York season at Booth's Theatre. The engagement has been both satisfactory and profitable to all concerned. Miss NELSON has played one hundred and fifty times, and she has made \$50,000. Mr. STRAKOSCH'S profits have been \$12,000, and those of Mr. FRED. SCHWAB \$8,000. NELSON will make about \$10,000 during her three weeks at Booth's Theatre, swelling her total profits of the season to \$60,000.

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The Hum in Snagsville.

The Snagsville *Trumpeter* promised to disprove the recent assertion of the *Globe* that the merchants of that enterprising town were not prospering under the N. P. and now publishes the following information gleaned by the untiring and sleepless activity of its reporters.

Mr. G. DEAL, the energetic lumberman of this rising town, says that the erection of board fences has been so stimulated by the demand for space on which to paste notices of Sheriff's Sales, that his business is in fine condition. He paid half cash to two hands last week and the money thus put into circulation must soon have a great effect on business in this neighborhood.

Mr. HOE says that he looks for good times in his business, (the manufacture of agricultural implements) in a few months, when the tariff shall have produced its full effect on the crops. Last fall he did a large trade and he is sure that what invariably happens at that time of the year will go on happening under the N. P.

The Redhead Flour Mills have been grinding up to their full capacity of late, the farmers coming in rapidly with grists. The appetite of the agriculturists has so much improved under the N. P. that they eat more bread than formerly, hence the new activity in the flouring trade.

KITCHEN & BUSTDRUM, biscuit and candy manufacturers, say that their business has increased fifty per cent. during the last twelve months, and that it will be twice as big as formerly if it increases fifty per cent. more. They say that the people require a great deal of sweetening since the N. P. came in.

D. LEJUNE, confectioner, says his trade was dull in February, but owing to the demand for maple sugar cakes produced by the N. P. has largely increased during the present month. He is greatly indebted to Sir LEONARD for keeping out the pauper maple sugar of Europe.

SHORT BROS., confectioners and pastry-cooks were doing a good business last December during the holiday season and predict that the demand for their goods will

be as great this year in the same month. Their trade on market days and on Saturdays, when the children are out of school, is generally brisker than on Sundays. They hope to do a large trade with their soda-water fountain during the summer, the tariff effectually prohibiting the colic from entering Canada.

JOHN GRAVY, groceries, liquors, etc. His business has not fallen off, and he says he hopes it won't do anything of the kind. If something had not prevented he is satisfied that trade would have been much better than it was in February. On Saturday night the full effect of the N. P. is evident in increased sales. From various causes he thinks that business prospects are very promising, but not more so than customers. A good crop under the N. P. will induce the farmers to purchase more groceries and liquors than a bad one under CARTWRIGHT's fly-on-the-wheel policy.

Mr. MOORE says that his trade has been larger so far this year than it was before he went into business. He is of opinion that the roads would have been better had not sleighing been bad, but he remembers worse roads when MACKENZIE was in power. He says that trade is brisk on market days and always will be hereafter owing to the curiosity of farmers' wives to discover by experience whether goods have been raised in price by the N. P. They purchase large quantities of articles that have gone up in the hope of finding one which hasn't. As the search will never be rewarded by success he believes it will continue indefinitely. Thus the N. P. has an excellent effect on purchasers and the confidence of merchants is rapidly being restored.

The taffy and pea nut trades are very prosperous, considering the season, and altogether Snagsville may be congratulated on a great increase of business owing to the N. P.

Bray to Ingersoll.

Quoth INGERSOLL,—"There is no Deity
All good and powerful ruling o'er the earth,
Else poisonous marshes there would never be,
Nor pain and famine, pestilence and dearth.
My God is Nature—beautiful and fair,
The towering crag, the happy laughing hill!"
Well, BOBERT, what improvement have you there?—
You have the marshes and the famine still!

A Great Event.

It is not often that GRIP has to chronicle a joke which is the offspring of the disordered brain of a member of the Police force, but he now takes pleasure in immortalizing such a *rara avis* in his columns.

It is currently reported that while the Policeman—whose endeavour to break a telegraph wire which obstructed the street was recorded in the morning papers some days ago—was rolling in the mud in exquisite agony, he was heard to make the following touching appeal:—

Oh, take it off, oh, take it off,
My nerves are fearful shatter'd,
I thought I was a Peeler bold,
But I find I've joined the *Battery*;
I tried to break this wretched wire, the end
I did not see,
Alas! instead of doubling it, the blame
thing's doubled me.

A very little time ago, I was English heart
and soul,
But now—how can these things be so—I'm
a mere Electric Pole!

The operator shut off the current at this juncture and our informant passed on, leaving the gallant Constable hunting round for his scattered fragments.

As a brain-bewildering puzzle, the game of 15 has to stand aside for RIGGS' *Meriden Recorder*.

Serenade a la Idiotique.

I.

Awake! oh fairest BETSY JANE, arise,
And cause the blushing stars to screen
For shame, their faintly radiant eyes
And own thy planet orbs, their queen.

II.

This is no season for repose,
High overhead the moon in silvery sadness
Lamps up my lattice, and she throws
An influence on me, akin to madness.

III.

Beneath thy casement, I, thy fondest slave,
Am kneeling mid the soaking moonlit grass;
For love of thee, a "death of cold" I brave—
(I do so though I know I am an ass.)

IV.

Is it no proof of love to brave the ire
Of the old termagant who keeps this school,
Thy wrathful ma, your heavy-handed sire?
I do so though I'm conscious I'm a fool.

V.

Should'st though unmoved thy lover hear,
And from his manly bosom shrink,
Soon will you see him on his funeral pile,
Brought to the same by alcoholic drink.

VI.

So BETSY JANE, oh hesitate no more,
Thy egress let no scruples dire retard,
Contiguous to thy window and thy door
Suspensively I supplicate regard.

Dead letters—R. I. P.

Men of note—Reporters.

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De mortuis nil nisi bonum. How many
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tones!

Mrs. ALLEN's Hair Restorer—the young
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Cannibals believe that secret societies—
or rather the members of secret societies,
should be put down. A returned missionary
says that every man eaten, so far, has proved
to have been a gnawed-fellow.

An up-country paper frantically propounds
the conundrum, "What is Money?" Money,
my dear sir—why, money is what people
formerly paid their subscriptions in—before
the cordwood plan came in vogue.

Niagara Falls and a buffalo hunt are the only
two things in America worth the attention of
the aristocratic British tourist. And it was
manifestly to oblige these people that the mighty
cataract was built so close to Buffalo.

It is in the springtime of house renovating
that the average editor can get his work in
to advantage. A thorough knowledge of the
manipulation of scissors and paste is necessary
to the successful hanging of wall-paper.

MARK TWAIN is not so good at "Roughing It"
as he was. He got wet the other day and the
experience caused a severe illness. Some of
MARK's recent alleged humor would stand a
good deal of moistening, without becoming
much sicker.

A portion of the clergy oppose the bill to
legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister.
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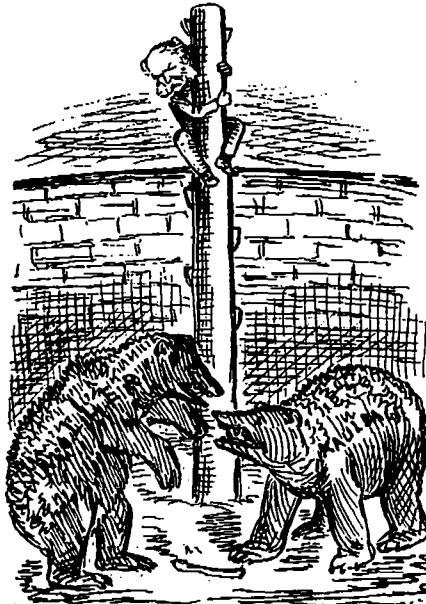
Those outsiders who are under the impression that Prof. G. S. is a glowing cynic whose features never relax, and whose mind is constantly occupied in devising stinging aphorisms descriptive of the hollowness of Beaconsfield, should have seen that learned gentleman's expression of countenance on the announcement of Gladstone's glorious victory. The picture above gives but the faintest idea of the happy contortion, and it gives no notion at all of the explosion of joyous laughter which followed. Residents near the Grange recall a peculiar noise which they heard about that time, but whether it was really the echo of the Professor's laughter, or the sound of a car coming down street will ever remain a mystery.



The Free-Thought Martyr.

Mr. GARR, whose heart is cosmopolitan, and whose quill is ever at the service of the oppressed or persecuted, whatever be their creed, colour or nationality, feels called upon to extend his commiseration to poor Col. INGERSOLL, who is being made the victim of a most cruel and relentless persecution on the part of the *Globe* and *Mail* newspapers. It has been denied that the spirit of Christianity is essentially a persecuting spirit, yet the behaviour of these journals, which profess to be conducted upon Christian principles, tends to prove the contrary. Col. INGERSOLL came to Canada a few weeks ago on a purely business mission. He was engaged by responsible and respectable managers to do a certain amount of blaspheming for a certain amount of money, and it was requisite for the financial success of this benevolent enterprise, that the leading organs of public opinion should render him a reasonable amount of assistance by attacking him furiously in their columns. He had a right to expect this, and made all his arrangements accordingly. But what, on the contrary, did he experience? Why, as we have already intimated, he was met with the most

villainous of all the forms of Christian persecution,—he was severely left alone by these newspapers. Not a solitary tirade of abuse was poured upon his devoted head; not a single word of his lecture was reported; not even a line of his advertisement was published. And what has been the result of this cruel treatment? Simply that his business has been a financial failure, and the country has been left to grovel on in the darkness of its religious faith, going to church, keeping its Sabbaths, and cherishing its old hopes of a glorious future beyond the present time. We sincerely commiserate poor Col. INGERSOLL's business managers, though we must congratulate the gallant colonel himself that he has secured the martyr's fame so cheaply.



The Senate Bear-Garden.

Mr. T. N. GIBBS was made a Senator the other day, and no doubt he accepted the appointment as a compliment. He must have begun to think by this time, however, that it was a very questionable kindness on the part of Sir JOHN to place him in such a veritable bear-garden as the Canadian Senate Chamber is getting to be. To a person of tender susceptibilities a Senator's is not a happy lot, when he is obliged to spend his time in the midst of growling and squabbling which would be undignified in a country school-yard. Knowing Mr. GIBBS to be a gentleman of fine feelings, GARR surmises that he took a position analogous to that depicted above during the late MILLER-KAULBACH ruction, which is reported substantially as follows:

Mr. MILLER said that Mr. KAULBACH could not write or speak twelve sentences of decent English, and had to come to him (MILLER) for assistance in abusing a political opponent. The noble MILLER had refused to aid in blackguarding a person against whom he had no hostile feeling. Mr. KAULBACH could not write a letter fit to be seen in print, and so applied to him (MILLER) for aid to finish it.

Hon. Mr. KAULBACH.—That's false!
Mr. MILLER called Hon. Mr. DIXON to witness that this report of a private conversation was correct.

Hon. Mr. DIXON.—Hear, hear.
Hon. Mr. MILLER then said that Mr. KAULBACH had accused somebody of forgery, arson, and murder. And this was the high-toned gentleman who made unjustifiable attacks on him!

Hon. Mr. KAULBACH said that he was just as good as Mr. MILLER, and that the latter had no moral or social position in Nova Scotia, and had

sold all his principles in succession. He also said that Mr. MILLER got drunk often.

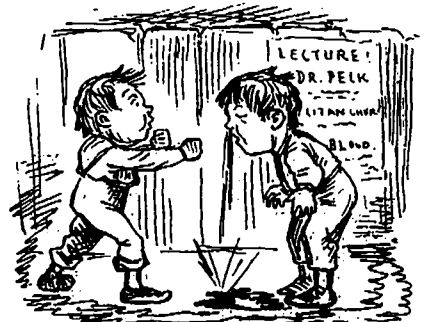
When the debate had reached this interesting stage, the Speaker directed strangers to withdraw.

[And Mr. BLAKE, instead of moving, as he promised, for the political extinction of these old twaddlers, proposes clap-trap resolutions to the effect that Canada should break her pledged faith.]

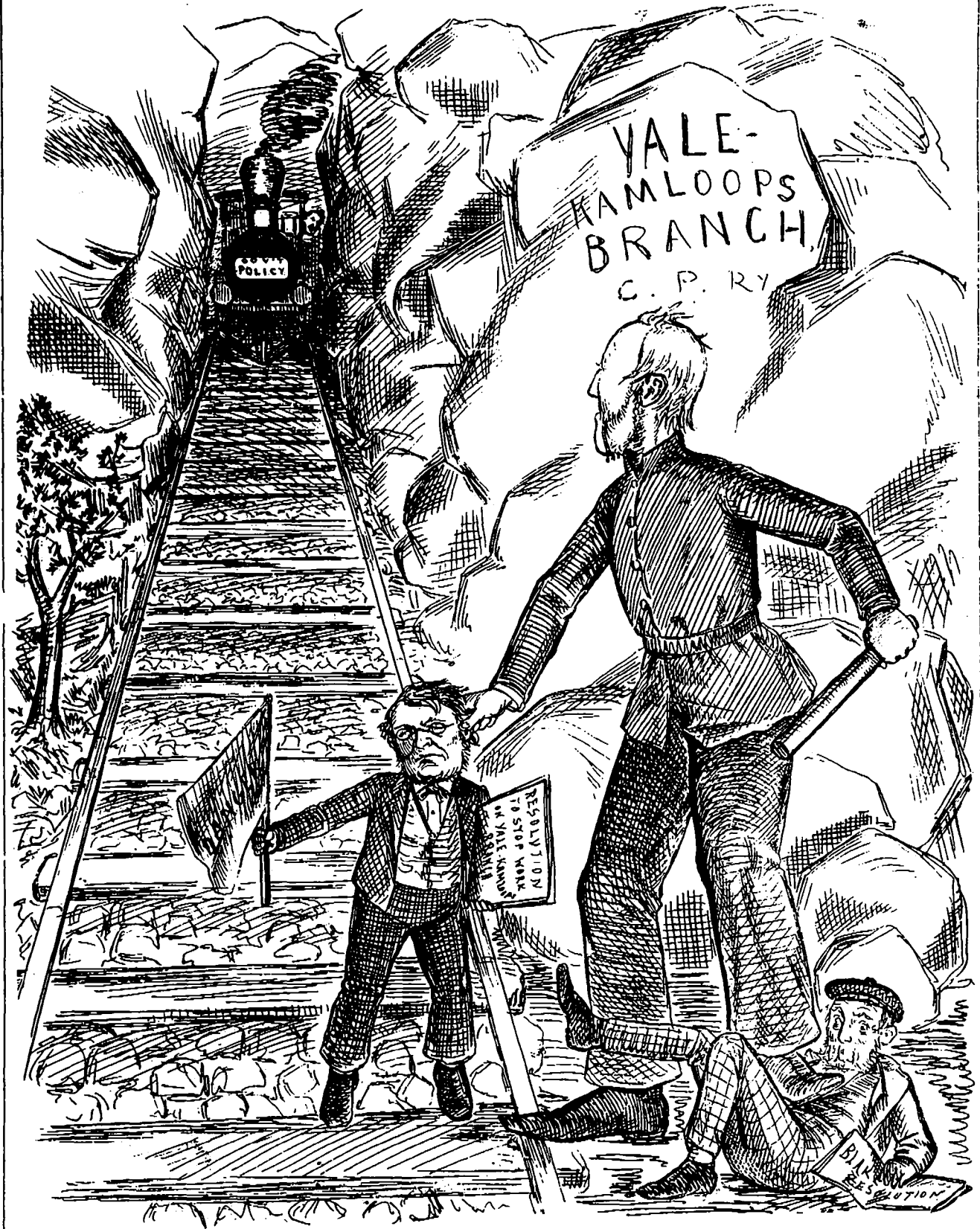


Pope's Organ.

Conservative journalists who,—to their credit be it recorded—do not flatly defend the jobbery revealed in connection with the Printing Contracts, are congratulating themselves that at least the Cabinet Ministers stand clear of all blame in the matter. But this is a flattering unction which they mustn't lay to their souls without certain reservations. Mr. Minister of Agriculture POPE is morally, if not practically, implicated in the discreditable transactions, by occupying the position of a prominent stock-holder in the *Citizen* establishment, which pocketed a handsome amount by means of the crookedness. The degree of guilt attaching to the hon. gentleman under the circumstances is one of the nice points of moral ethics at present occupying the pens of the Opposition editors. As it is proverbially difficult to make fine distinctions clear to the popular mind by the pen alone, Mr. GARR brings his pencil into requisition as above, and presents the whole subject at a glance, resolving it all into the simple question: What do you think of the honesty of an organ-grinder who permits his monkey to dip into questionable speculations, and never so much as utters a word or gives the string an admonishing pull?



"Young Blood."



DRIVE AHEAD, JACK ; NEVER MIND THE "DANGER!"



THE JOKER CLUB

"The Pun is mightier than the Sword."

An old wiseacre—a decayed wisdom tooth.—*Puck*.

Dead issues—old newspapers.—*Steuenville Herald*.

A good side-show—A pretty check.—*Goconda Enterprise*.

The home stretch: Putting up a clothes line.—*N. Y. News*.

Just as the pen is bent the paper is ink lined.—*Ed. Adams*.

Domestics belong to the hire class of society.—*Yonkers Gazette*.

Dumb-belle exercise—Talking with a deaf and dumb girl.—*Salem Sunbeam*.

It is in a base drum that two heads are better than one.—*Cin. Saturday Night*.

What this country wants just now is less Colonels and more corn.—*Owego Record*.

Whiskey is a bad juice, and you can't make good use of it, either.—*Marathon Independent*.

The man who brews beer brews trouble for many a poor fellow as well.—*Ottawa Republican*.

A dairyman could furnish clean milk if he would only strain a pint to accommodate you.—*N. O. Picayune*.

The reason that persons file their marriage intentions is that everything may pass off smoothly.—*Yankee Strasser*.

The best Boston culchaw now says: "I'm wretchedly, thank you," if it has the toothache.—*Philadelphia Bulletin*.

The piano makers of New York city are on a strike, but the manufacturers still hold the forte.—*Waterloo Observer*.

"I say stranger, can you tell me how far it is to the asylum?" "Just 13 blocks, sir! 13 blocks!"—*Yonkers Statesman*.

Let the frogs have a monopoly of croaking this spring, and every man make the most of his business.—*Fon du Lac Reporter*.

"Honesty is the best policy," but too many people claim that they can not afford the best of anything.—*Modern Argo*.

A man who had a bad cold said he had just set up a rig of his own. It was a little hoarse and a hack.—*Meriden Recorder*.

Fishes go in schools. And it is asserted, by persons with piscatorial tendencies, that some play "hooky."—*Yonkers Statesman*.

If brooks are, as the poets call them, the most joyous things in nature, what are they always murmuring about?—*Danbury Globe*.

You can always tell a clerk in a dry goods store from the millionaire proprietor, by the good clothes the clerk wears.—*Steuenville Herald*.

"Life on the Plains," a book just out, won't be much of a success. Only six Indians killed in the first chapter.—*New York Express*.

The youth who speaks of his incipient fozz as his moustache, is "giving to hairy nothing a local habitation and a name."—*Salem Sunbeam*.

"No cash paid out after business hours," said SMYTHENS to the midnight highwayman who suggested the transfer of his purse.—*Salem Sunbeam*.

If it is true that the proportions of the human figure are six times the length of the feet, what gigantes the Chicago girls must be!—*Somerville Journal*.

"Is it amphibious?" the visitor asked the keeper of the museum. "No, it swallows its food whole," responded sed intelligens keeperis.—*McGregor News*.

In reading the personals and departures in the newspapers, one discovers that distinguished visitors like loose powder go off with a puff.—*Steuenville Herald*.

Here is spring again, and how to come out in a brand-new suit without spending any money is a problem that knocks most young men dizzy.—*New York Express*.

Four thousand piano makers are locked out in New York, says a despatch. Why can they not take their piano keys and let themselves in?—*Cincinnati Saturday Night*.

"Hump!" said a young gentleman to a play with a young lady. "I could play the lover better than that myself." "I would like to see you try," was the naive reply.—*Boston Journal*.

The total cost of the Zulu war is £5,138,000.—The total gain is—pshaw! we have mislaid our memorandum. What did you say the total gain was, Mr. Beaconsfield?—*Albany Journal*.

"I'll teach you to tear your clothes so," said an irate father reaching for the family urehin chastiser. "It is unnecessary," said the mother. "He knows too well already."—*McGregor News*.

The lady poets of Vassar are very refused about their art embroidery. When they want a fresh supply of sage-green worsted, they always ask for a Henry—they consider "hank" vulgar.—*Puck*.

The butcher who sent tender lines to his sweet heart is now disconsolate because the maiden has rejected his suet.—*Lowell Courier*. It's tough to steak one's all and meat such treatment.—*Boston Globe*.

"Soled again," as the cobbler said when he finished tapping a pair of shoes.—*Rome Sentinel*. "Got the tin," as the dog remarked, when he flew down the street with a kettle attached to his tail.—*Salem Sunbeam*.

Washington never told a lie, but if the gem puzzle had existed in his day we fear that he might have—said, "Oh, I've done it, done it lots of times; but I can't tell just how."—*Boston Transcript*.

A citizen of Rachine, we learn from one of the papers, who was working on a model which he designed getting patented, filed his caveat. People can not be too careful while working with edged tools.—*Peck's Sun*.

"Nothing overcomes passion more than silence," says a philosopher. Yes; and it is said that time will overcome it too; but a good raw-hide has been known to work pretty well in some cases.—*Rome Sentinel*.

A red-dy answer: Very red-haired passenger—"I say, guard, why on earth don't the train go on?" Guard—"Good gracious, sir! put your head in, how can you expect to go on while the danger signal is out?"—*Fun*.

Heavy Swell.—(to a customer of the house)—I think I have seen you before; your face seems quite familiar to me.

Customer.—Very likely, sir; I was long a Sheriff's officer. (*Gent collapses*).—*Glasgow Bailie*.

On the Emperor WILLIAM's birthday, congratulations flocked in as thick as the cheers when a ball-player makes a tally on curved pitching. It means something now-a-days when a King scores another year.—*Rochester Express*.

The *Marathon Independent* says "the difference between a railroad ticket and an egg is that the ticket is good until used." And so is an egg if you live in a district infested with book agents, and know how to properly apply them.—*Oil City Derrick*.

"We men of the Bourse," said a Paris stock broker to his friends, "are much calumated. I have now been at the Bourse for more than ten years, and I never knew but two rascals who amounted to anything." "And who is the other?" asked the friend.

Mr. GLADSTONE writes: "I am placed in constant difficulty by calls to deny unproved charges which have been denied over and over again." He ought not to complain. American statesmen are continually being called upon to deny charges that have been proved.—*N. O. Picayune*.

Young men and maidens who are holding back from getting married until they are rich enough should remember that Adam and Eve had no such squeamish notions.—*Buffalo Express*. What ignorance! Why, they were the undisputed owners of the whole world.—*Philadelphia Bulletin*.

"Milk—What is it? asks the *American Agriculturist*, with evidently an honest desire to learn. Sometimes it is water and chalk, with just enough extract of cow to take off the rank taste. Sometimes it is eight cents a quart. Either of these answers would satisfy the committee.—*Rockland Courier*.

A young man may know that his girl is in need of a tooth brush, and yet if he gives her one she'll take it as an insult; but let him give her a bouquet that will wither in a few hours and she'll think he's just too nice for anything. But that fellow will marry that girl, because he wants a practical wife.—*Boston Post*.

A small boy, whose deportment at school had always ranked 100 per centum, came home one night with his standing reduced to 98. "What have you been doing, my son?" asked the mother. "Been doing," replied young hopeful; "been doing just as I have all along, only the teacher caught me this time."—*American Punch for April*.

The rage for old and next to worthless furniture has become so great among American bric-a-brac lovers that an enterprising Yankee has started a manufactory to supply the demand, and he will make you a chair brought over by the Pilgrim fathers while you wait for it. P. S.—Name this paper when you visit his shop.—*Norristown Herald*.

THE CHINAMAN'S REVENGE.

I.

—Chinaman, Chinaman,
Allee samee Melican,
Hangee upee sock.
Thinkee gettee rats and mice,
Any way little rice;
Lougee come
Melican bum,
Puttee in rock.

II.

Bimeby Melican
Sendee washee Chinaman—
Shirtee, collar, cuff,
Chinaman him gettee crack,
Tearee shirtee upee back,
Lose a collar,
Charge a dollar,
And ironce buttons off.

—*N. Y. Star*.

Idyls by Our Own Idylor.

NO. 6. "HOMME, SWEET HOMME."

"Twas in the Arctic Ocean, 'neath the Oriental skies,
The captain of the "Seagull" went aloft to scrutinize,
And what he saw when there was calculated to surprise.

He put his capstan to his eye and spied upon his lea
An isle to windward, on its shore a solitary tree,
And fourteen pristine blacks enjoying *homme-la-fricasse*

He ordered out his binnacle and rowed unto the land,
Intending to communicate with all that foreign band,
But found *signs* were *sine-qua-non* to make them understand.

And so he told (in signs) about the country whence he came.

He blew about (in signs) his wealth, his rank, and world-wide fame.

He signed his height, his age, his weight, and then he signed his name.

Their feast was spread beneath the tree, to shade them from the sun,
They asked the captain to partake, and said they'd just begun,
He'd find that thigh-stake tender tho' a trifle underdone.

The captain, tho' he felt their hospitality a bore,
He thought he'd pick a bit of thumb or toe, but nothing more,
To say he'd tasted man, a thing he'd never done before.

He tasted; then he helped himself and made no *twos* about it,
And wondered much how civilized mankind could do without it,
That man-flesh was a sweet meat none that tasted it could doubt it.

He dearly loved his joke, and as he sat upon that beach,
It struck him 'twould be just the thing to make a funny speech—
Of course he'd made the *jest* in signs—*gesticulating* each,

So rising to his feet, he said, "My friends it would be most
Uncomfortable for us all, if now our dinner's ghost
Appeared to haunt your *guest*, and—may I call you all—the *host*."

Then fourteen groans rose on the air in one wild, warlike whoop,
And fourteen outraged blacks advanced, a fierce and vengeful group,
And of that joking captain made a good *digestive* soup.

The "Seagull" lay a mile away, and when her gallant crew
Who waited for their captain, saw dismayed, his awful *stew*,
Set sail, and *weighing* anchor, found it *weighed* a ton or two,—
(I merely mention this just incidentally to you).

And when they reached their native land with faces thin and white,
And broke it to the captain's wife, she nearly died with fright,
And shrieked in accents tender, with a dash of wifely spite,
"What! *served* in *stew* for dinner, Oh! the wretch, I think he quite
Deserved it all, in point of fact, those niggers *serv'd* him right."

ROBERT AWDE's anti-INGERSOLL poetry, published in the *Telegram*, seems to have Awde the great doubter into silence. And it would be rather Awde if it didn't.

Go west, young women, go west. Your mission is in Great Lone Land. Without your presence there the young pioneers of the country are in imminent danger of being Cree-mated.

The Galt Reformer says the Grand River "flows along in a deep wide and yellow stream five or six feet above its usual level." We did not know that the Grand River passed through Ayr.

The exodus from Ontario is assuming alarming proportions. We are assured by a sober and truthful person, who has the means of knowing whereof he speaks, that even the trees are on the point of leaving.

Fashion note.—Breach-of-promise suits are now much affected by ladies who are being courted. A singular circumstance in connexion with these suits consists in the fact that they are all of Assize.

The lager loving people of the County of Waterloo are not by any means Waterloo-natics.

JOHN BUNYAN keeps a Guelph Hotel. His Pilgrim's Progress is of the rail fence pattern.

Winter lingers in the lap of spring; but a go-as-you-please tramp says it is the old boy's last lap.

A new serge factory is to be established at St. Jerome, Quebec. Thus does SIR JOHN'S N. P. surge on.



INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

Tenders for Rolling Stock.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to Noon on TUESDAY, the 20th APRIL, instant, for the immediate supply of FOUR LOCOMOTIVES.

Drawings and specifications may be seen and other information obtained on application at the Mechanical Superintendent's office, Intercolonial Railway, Moncton, N.B.

By order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

Dept. of Railways and Canals, }
Ottawa, 6th April, 1880. }



**WELLAND CANAL.
NOTICE
TO
BRIDGE-BUILDERS.**

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned (Secretary of Railways and Canals) and endorsed "Tender for Bridges, Welland Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Western mails on TUESDAY THE 15th DAY OF JUNE next, for the construction of swing and stationary bridges at various places on the line of the Welland Canal. Those for highways are to be a combination of iron and wood, and those for railway purposes are to be of iron.

Plans, specifications and general conditions can be seen at this office on and after MONDAY, THE 31st DAY OF MAY next, where Forms of Tender can also be obtained.

Parties tendering are expected to have a practical knowledge of works of this class, and are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and—in the case of firms—except there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation, and the residence of each member of the same; and further an accepted bank cheque for a sum equal to \$250 for each bridge for which an offer is made, must accompany each Tender, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

The cheque thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

For the due fulfilment of the contract the party or parties whose tender it is proposed to accept will be notified that their tender is accepted subject to a deposit of *five per cent.* of the bulk sum of the contract—of which the sum sent in with the tender will be considered a part—to be deposited to the credit of the Receiver-General within *eight days* after the date of the notice.

Ninety per cent. only of the progress estimates will be paid until the completion of the work.

This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, }
Ottawa, 29th March, 1880. }

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BALDNESS!

Neither gasoline, vasoline, carboline, or Allen's, Ayer's or Hall's hair restorers have produced luxuriant hair on bald heads. That great discovery is due to Mr. Winter-cornby, 144 King-street, West, opposite Revere Block, as can be testified to by hundreds of living witnesses in this city and Province. He challenges all the so-called restorers to produce a like result.

Send for circulars. xii-12-1y

A Hint for the "Intellectual Centre."

High School Teacher to Pupil.—What is the meaning of *tautology*?

Pupil.—It means uselessly expressing the same idea repeatedly, Sir.

Teacher.—Very good. Now can you give me an example of *tautology*?

Pupil.—Horticultural Gardens, Sir.

Teacher.—What? Oh!—yes. I never thought of that. Now explain what you mean.

Pupil.—*Hortus* signifies a garden, and I think there's the word *cultura*, meaning cultivation.

Teacher.—Very well, put all together then, and what have you in English?

Pupil.—Garden-cultivating or cultivated Gardens, Sir.

Teacher.—Just so. Now, Master SPROUTS, can you remember any other examples of *tautology*?

Pupil.—Old veterans; a graminivorous grass-eater, a floricultural flower-garden, an—

Teacher.—That will do. Now, as you have been so sharp perhaps you will suggest a better name for those gardens. What would you call them?

Pupil.—The ALLAN Gardens, Sir; or the Citizens' Garden; or the People's Gardens; or the Floricultural Gardens; or the City Gardens; or the Arboricultural Gardens; or—

Teacher. (*pedantically*)—Hold on, that's too long a word; but any one of these would be more worthy of a seat of learning like Toronto than the appellation now in use. You may go to your seat, Master SPROUTS. *Aside*.—Smart boy, that.



WELLAND CANAL.

NOTICE

TO

Machinist-Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned (Secretary of Railways and Canals) and endorsed "Tender for Lock Gates, Welland Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Eastern and Western Mails on THURSDAY the 3rd day of JUNE, next, for the construction of gates, and the necessary machinery connected with them, for the new locks on the Welland Canal.

Plans, Specifications, and General Conditions can be seen at this office on and after THURSDAY the 20th day of MAY, next, where forms of tender can also be obtained.

Parties tendering are expected to provide the special tools necessary for, and to have a practical knowledge of, works of this class, and are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and—in the case of firms—except there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same; and, further, an accepted bank cheque for a sum equal to \$250, for the gates of each lock, must accompany each tender, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into the contract for the works at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

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By Order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, }
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For a GOOD SMOKE

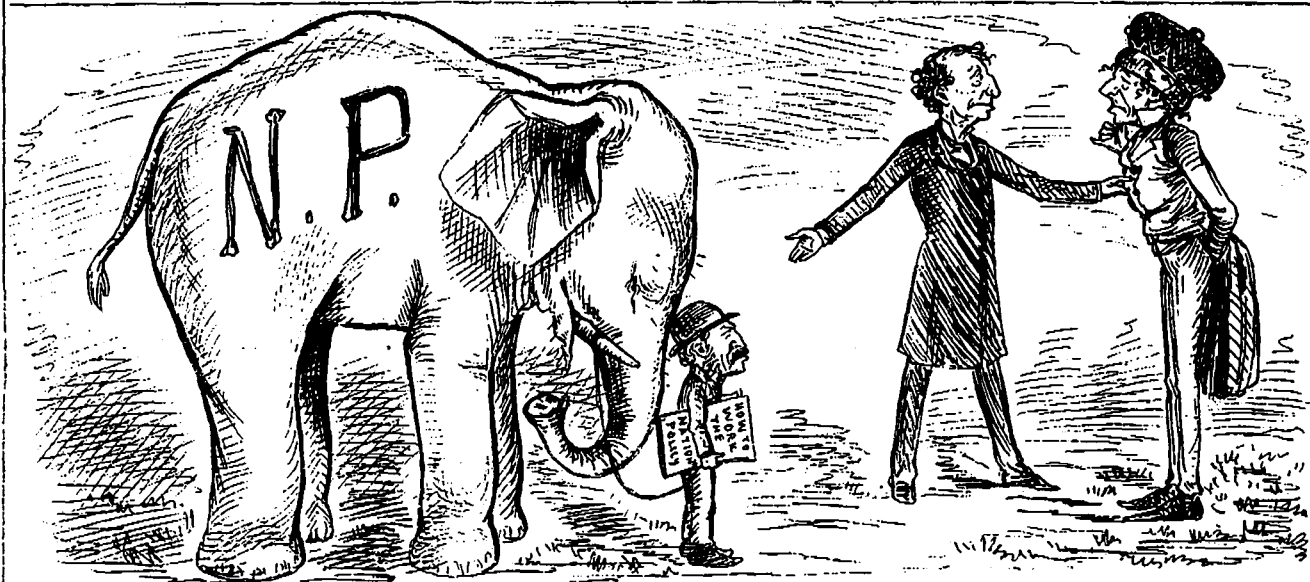
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But what's to be done when they blows-es?
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Two handkerchiefs daily, refuses
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Because it prevents her
Indulging in jolly "Kerchews-es."

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