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## LANCE.

SINT SALES SINE VILITATE.

TORONTO, SATURDAY, MAY 18TH, 1878.

### Notice to Subscribers and News Dealers.

Our friends in Millbrook having made us a liberal offer of assistance to start a weekly paper in that town, we have decided to accept and will consequently move our office to Millbrook at once. This will necessitate an intermission of two weeks in the publication of the LANCE. The first issue from Millbrook will consequently be on the 8th of June.

This change will greatly reduce the expenses of the publication of the LANCE and we feel sure our subscribers will not find fault with the intermission in the publication, necessary upon the removal.

### THE NEWS DEALERS

Who have heretofore got their supply from this office direct, will hereafter be supplied from the Toronto News Company, Toronto and Clifton. Accounts will be sent in for the LANCE, including this number, and we trust prompt remittances will be made in each case.

### OUR EXCHANGES

Will also be kind enough to address hereafter Millbrook instead of Toronto.

### Party Punishment.

Questions touching Brimstone torment LANCE will leave it to the Fates, Yet that some effective squelching's needed is, as "sure as rates!" We the burning quest would settle, how corruption to put down? When so cropping out we find it, from Mackenzie to George Brown! For example, there's corruption spreading wide in the North-west, Ask of Nixon, Ballantyne, friend Oliver, and all the rest.

When the Premier sets example. Subs will follow in the race— Another Mack in Nova Scotia buys his way to Speaker's place! Speaker Anglin by job-printing never let himself so low— As Queens County's loyal voters see their mock-reformer go! While with Simony so blasting mid the Leaders of our land, Brimstone punishment, or worse one, must such selfish ways withstand! Can Mack plead that he but follows on his chief Mac-kenzie's plan? That his partner in corruption is a Liverpool FREE-MAN? Such excuses argue simply, men devoid of worth or means— With whom honor can prevail not, represent the County Queens! If the Premier's bad example, helping his pet Grits to rails— (See Ferris of N. B.) jobs, contracts, Neebing lots and their entails! Bring all other Macks to follow—out the policy of pelf, Printing, nabbing, contracts grabbing, each one taking care of self; Such inferior Legislators should, like Cartwright, have their shields, And, they, beating shields to ploughshares, should be sent to stump the fields,

Should be taught that bad example leads to punishment severe, Nor should Premiers, shirking censure, hide behind *An Engineer!* Or a Valuator supple—instance Oliver's man Brown— Who advised to pass slab-lodgings! "sell" the Premier by the town! Sure this vile insipid madness, if allowed to run its course, Must entail a world of sadness, sin soon followed by remorse! First in politics we find it, next in avenues of trade; Sugar sanded, coffee candied, butter changed to oleo-grade, Merchants soon will sear the conscience, take from politics the cue! And the cry be—"they all do it!" You cheat me and I cheat you. If the Grits in sleight of hand tricks follow up their reckless work, It must rank with *Hell-erism!* now the fashion in New York. What a tale for the Marines now—bad as Banker Simpson's case— Heaven send, that next election, honest men may win the race!

"A Romance of Rum Light" is the title of a new romance. For particulars enquire of W. A. Thompson.

### The Chiels in Glee.\*

Another sound of revelry—at eve  
The Constitution-alists evinced defection,  
Grits of their senses in Quebec took leave,  
Such Joly times they looked for at election.

Another victory for jug-handle trade—  
Though causing many industries dejection,  
Another sale of office—for cash—made!  
Another dash at railways and protection!

Another chance for "lots" and slab hotels—  
For *treble* valutors—no objection!  
To jobs, commissions, purchases or "sells,"  
Provided only Grits—secure protection.

Another chance "the standard" to run up,  
To elevate Mac's brotherly affection  
For Charles—still "on the make"—defying Tupper's  
ever vexing policy—PROTECTION!

Another chance some slander new to spring,  
Too sudden and too vile to meet detection—  
Another day for Goff false charge to bring.  
Then G—him off, by falsehoods and protection.

Dymond had dropped the Moylan slander, quick  
Under effects of conscience—plus dejection—  
Had turned to read his letters, coming thick  
On that grave topic—the Quebec election!

Down from the Senate message came in haste—  
"Together, gather Grits!" a rare collection!  
The Pipers raise the wind! no breath to waste,  
Here BIG-PUSH leads the van for Grit protection.

'Tis a gran' victory! but it cost a mint!  
To put down bribery and push detection,  
But glee-ful chiels we did it without stint,  
And made for old Quebec a new selection!

Then let us dance and sing and pipe and *blow!*  
Take in all comers bearing loose connection  
With Tory ranks! the rest we'll overthrow,  
And by Quebec swell our clear Grit connection!

\* See our last issue.

### Mythology in Brief.

BROMU OR BROWN.—It is generally supposed that the name Brown is of modern and plebian origin. This is a sad mistake, as it is but an abbreviation of the mythological *Bromu*. *Bromu* was one of the Centaurs, a race of creatures half men, half horse. They were the offspring of Apolo's son Centaurus by Stilbia. Once Hercules had some little business to attend to in the part of the country inhabited by the Centaurs, and one of them, named Pholus, treated the old chap to an eye-opener of first-class wine. The breed was avaricious as far back in their history as the time referred to, and after Hercules had lowered down the wine, the Centaurs were sorry for the loss of it. They at first upbraided Pholus for giving away the wine, but he excused himself by saying that he did not suppose that Hercules would have drunk it, but thought he would gain favor in his eyes by appearing *Liberal*. Hercules was the wrong boy to say "no" when invited to liquidate, and so they concluded to go for him. However, Hercules was more than a match for the whole lot of them, and put them to flight. They have somewhat developed since those days, but they still hate Hercules and have a special hankering after good things. They are now scattered into almost every country, and even in Canada *Bromus* is the Centaur of his party, and there is a little of the horse about him still, but it is generally known as the Protestant horse.

LUCIANUS or LUCIUS was a Greek. For some time a sculptor and did some very fancy work in copper. He afterwards became a lawyer, preferring this calling as one that gave his one peculiar talent—which shall be nameless here—greater scope. He travelled some, and was a successful hand in organizing companies. He is said to have been a very fair writer, his style being attic, or upper story, and his dialogues—in which he principally wrote—comprised attacks on philosophy and religion. His successor is very much of a muchness.

MEMORANDUM.—Premier Mackenzie, our "truthful Jeames," stated that in April, 1878, when P. J. Brown was appointed valuator of land, Neebing hotel, &c., he did not know him to be a partner in the firm of Oliver, Davidson & Co. Yet in February, 1875, he, the Premier, had given a contract to that black and BROWN Company, wherein the said Brown's name appeared as a partner! Liars shall have their part in the Lake!—say Superior!

Go ahead Alexander, keep prating on purity while practicing corruption; elevate the standard; put down corruption with lots of money; whiten the sepulchre on the outside, ask brother Charles, Fairman, Walker, Goff, Se. Flamme, Deveber, Kullom, Sanderkin, Huntingdon, Cook, Cameron & Co.



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The Contest in Quebec.

Though long had ceased the clang of noise and strife,  
That marks the fever of our public life,  
Still rare excitement at "The HOUSE" bore sway!  
What's the majority? men asked each day—  
The fierce Rouge organs named the number twenty!  
Mackenzie thought it more than margin plenty—  
But Huntingdon all lingering doubt to shelve,  
Agreed with Smith to put it down at twelve!  
Burpee thought, counting "independent" men—  
That Lucius Seth had better call it ten!  
Laurier declined to draw the point too fine,  
And begged of Blake to settle it at nine!  
Scott felt that he would not the truth mis-state,  
If his addition simple, made it eight!  
While Coffin, not so deep in the *Rouge leaven*,  
By Coffin measure sawed it off at seven!  
Laflamme in view of personation tricks,  
Was satisfied if he could fix it six!  
Jones to the new position seemed *alive*,  
And named a friend who once *got in by five*!  
Lelletier took French leave, and *Saxon* swore,  
He could not figure it as more than four!  
And Mills, with gritting teeth and savage grind,  
Profanely vowed, he only three could find!  
While Cartwright—facing the dull side of Shield—  
Made *two* the figure the returns must yield,  
And "cat-call Dymond," clownish in his fun,  
Cried, for a won-der, let us call it *won*!  
Why, Oliver exclaimed—"you bet" on Jolly,  
I stake a town-lot, he has *one*, by golly!

Now LANCE still thinks, so many doubts eathral,  
The Joly *Rouges* have not *won* at all!

Our Orchestra Chair.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE.—"RAINBOWS."—Miss Safford's new play affords excellent opportunities for a display of that dramatic power for which this accomplished lady is justly celebrated. Her impersonation of *Helen* is a very clever piece of acting, especially where, in the second act, she claims her child from her inhuman husband. Her descent of the rope in the old tower scene was watched by a breathless audience. The child actress, little Ruby, in the character of *Little Goldie*, sings several pretty pieces in charming style and renders her part in a very natural manner. Mr. Allan Halford was even better than usual in the character of *Clarence Worth*. The cast included Miss Bradshaw, Miss Dollie Banks, Mr. J. Storey, and Mr. J. T. Dalton. A matinee will be given on Saturday.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—A Backwoods Romance, entitled "Brigham Young's Angels," was announced for the latter end of the week, at this theatre.

Pitty the Gritty.

To *Lance*, comes a note from a *Rouge* or a Grit—  
Who says he has studied our paper a bit,  
Where by turns all his JOLY companions are hit,  
And he thinks it's no joke to be worried by wit!  
We tell him, there's nothing like mirth for the blues!  
But the Premier and Cartwright, can *pass* if they choose,  
Till Rothschild, the latter a loan shall refuse—  
So we'll still mingle fun with political news!

He refers to the one-sided news of the *Globe*—  
That a globe has two sides—'tis a puzzle to probe!  
Joseph's coat was the *Globe's* emblematical robe—  
It's consistency taxes the patience of Job!

SIMPSON voters *in batches*, could once mesmerize,  
And Bank-customers canvass, by notes that surprise;  
So the Maskinonge voters should open their eyes,  
When M.P.'s of two "Houses" joint measures devise.

Or take P. A. Fateux, of *Banque Ville Marie*!  
Who has paid his addresses to Ho-de, M.P.P.,  
In a letter so like, that it Simpson's might be!  
Would news topics like these suit Rouge Grits such as he?  
Or of Smith, whose "trawl-fishing" takes no heed of *spaxon*!  
When into his *cranium* light fails to dawn!  
Who forgets three-mile limits are not worth a thought!  
Fish *at sea* do not spawn, and near hand may be caught!

But avast! though not *Rouge* we don't rank Grits as foes;  
The *Lance* may be jolly, yet JOLY oppose;  
And news of State secrets *Lance* must not disclose,  
Since Quebec has gone JOLY, as all the world knows.

A *bas* to the *Rouges* but hail to good Grits;  
To them we give "pepper" and *salt* for "tit bits!"  
Tho' since drawing Grit news from official *on dits*,  
It's only when saucy, would *Lance* spoil their ease!

The Coming Harvest—of what?

"The sower shall reap, and the spinner  
Shall gather the work of the loom,"  
But Canadians want for a dinner  
And employment—yet *want* is their doom!  
The Grits give the States free connection,  
And our chattels sell but for a song!  
But our products will get no protection  
While "Grit whips" can handle the *thong*!

Notes by the Way.

The first straw hat was out to-day.—*Ex.* Out of reach probably.  
We presume the Day of Judgment will have to settle the war question.  
The Sultan ought to appoint the Bey of Fundy his finance minister.—*Exchange.*  
The Canadians are getting alarmed.—*Am. paper.* Yes, we are getting all-armed.  
Rum blossoms indicate an early fall.—*Ex.* This chap evidently "nose" all about it.  
Foxes are becoming very scarce in Great Britain.—*Spec.* England will have to *hear* it just now.  
San Francisco has about 100 gambling houses.—*Am. paper.* "Shade of Pharoah" can such things be?  
The Duke of Westminster's income is \$10 a minute.—*Exchange.* This is making a "note of time" in earnest.  
An exchange says: "Shall we have truth?" "Not if I know it," says Mackenzie, "at least not from me."  
An exchange remarks that Mr. Cole is a fluent and ready speaker. No doubt of it; it is from *coal* that we get all our gas.  
Mr. Dawes wants a different kind of Washington monument built.—*Am. paper.* Perhaps he's after a "venerable pile."  
A war would evidently benefit Canada.—*N. Y. Com. Advertiser.* Doubtless, but Miss Canada don't want a benefit just yet.  
Falstaff enquires "What is honor?" To say the Tories were all drunk and the Grits all sober. Ask Dymond if it aint.  
Very wide belts are coming in.—*Fashion Notes.* If the ladies wear wide belts, they will probably want to do a good deal of "buckling."  
They can now photograph a heart beat. That beats anything out in the way of perfecting a science, excepting the Grit science of letting contracts.  
The Beecher scandal is as limp as a cheap style of door mat.—*Com. Advertiser.* Still the public like to get a *g-limps* of its features occasionally.  
Athens, Ga., is crying for a mint-julep, we suppose.—*Am. paper.* We suppose she is so inflated with pride that nothing but a paper-mint will do her.  
If Polly ropes us in through rose-scented blandishments and pie crust blandishments, and we marry wont the *law* look at it as a Polly-gammon-us marriage?  
Edison, of telephone fame, is only 31 years old.—*Ex.* When he gets older he will perhaps know better. We couldn't expect much from a Neddys-son.  
The Cherokee Indians are civilized enough to possess a public debt of \$187,000.—*Am. paper.* No doubt this was owing to the swinging pace of the war club.  
"Prince Arthur Duke of Connaught is to marry Louise of Prussia. Arthur is the best of the family." The American who wrote this paragraph is evidently a Connaught man.  
A clergyman lately removed from his foot a piece of glass that had been 40 years working through. Ge whillikens, just think of the pane.—*Ex.* He surely wasn't a native of Glass-go.  
Agents of the English government are in this country buying war-horses.—*Ex.* If they would only buy up the owners most of them would make heavier charges than the horses.  
Tennessee's tobacco crop is estimated at 60,000,000 lbs. This is outrageous, and an anti-tobacco society established in Montreal. Now is your time to raise "Cain," and particularly smoking cane.  
It is said that Hogarth would sketch any face that struck him on his finger nail. If he had ever met our Lucius Seth he would have found it impossible to have sketched him on anything smaller than a copper.  
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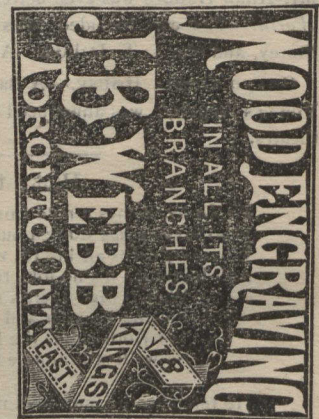
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