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The Case Settled.

WONDERFUL UNANIMITY!

The "Confession of Faith" is a pretty big book, And its table of contents is long: Its definitions outnumber the stars, Its statements are many and strong; Each word has the weight of Divinity's will, Each sentence will challenge your thought, And the whole is so deep that 'twould take a man's life To comprehend all that it taught.

And yet the' they tell us no two human minds Can in many such matters agre If we look at the council in Halifax met The marvel of marvels we'll see; For there we find hundreds of grave, thoughtful men Who every small tittle and jot Of what is contained in that wonderful book Believe without shadow of doubt !

In all the Assembly there's now not one man Who can honestly say he don't hold Every doctrine taught and in it laid down, By the reverend Fathers of old. But all, it would seem, can sincerely affirm, In spite of the adage we quote,
That they see eye to eye and believe heart to heart, Each sentence the good Divines wrote.

The Strike.

JACK .- Hold out, and we'll bring the bosses to their senses.

TOM .- But they are comfortable at home, and don't feel it a bit. My wife tells me she can't get any more credit, and the rent's not paid this two months.

JACK.-We musn't give in, \$2.50 is little enough.

Tom.—But this cutting us out of half the summer is going to make it \$1.25 instead of \$2.50. Don't you think we had better staid on us we

JACK.-Well, perhaps we had. But now we're in, we must hold out. Tom. -Yes, but what if one's stomach won't?

The Credit Valley Line.

Toronto paid a bonus big, Four hundred thousand near, For LAIDLAW shouted "Dash my wig. The thing's entirely clear.

"By bonusing this road of mine You'll make with you to stay The traffic which the Grand Trunk line Rolls off another way.

"You'll have an independent line, You can't be humbugged then, So now this small demand of mine, Shell out, my merry men."

They shelled it out; but now 'tis seen, That shellers look awry,
'Tis whispered that the Grand Trunk mean
The C. V. line to buy.

Lines to a Slauderer.

"IF CANADA'S comic paper, Grip, must steal its ideas, might we suggest that it would display greater discretion not to steal from such a well known author as Cornelius O'Dowd."—Guelph Herald.

When the Herald of Guelph calls his neighbour a thief, But don't state any facts, he's unworthy belief.

Man and Wife.

SHE.-The pattern is perfectly faultless, my dear. Such a lovely green; and the crimson such as one never sees in carpets. Just what I have been long wanting for the front drawing-room, and I'm sure the thing we have there is a disgrace to the room. Such a bargain, too! Only seventy-five dollars, with a piece over size, which is always so use-

ful for patching.

HE.—But, ma'am, where is the seventy-five dollars to come from?

At this very moment I am asking an extension on my paper, failing to get which I am bankrupt.

SHE.—Oh, indeed! But there's another thing. The Reverend Mr. Begwell has been here, wishing our help towards building a new church. Such a plain building as he now uses is a burlesque on religion, poor man, he says. No steeple; not a single groined arch about the building; no pillars, no carved work, not a painted window. He half hinted at leaving for the congregation in Chicago, which sent him a call. He said, indeed, that \$100 each from a few of the prominent members could be the said, indeed, that \$100 each from a few of the prominent members could be the said. settle matters; but otherwise he was afraid that the outpouring of the spirit was not sufficiently evident to induce him to remain here. I put your name down for \$100.

HE .- Good heavens, ma'am! Dont I tell you I am asking an exten-SHE.—Yes, of course, but we could not be mean in such things. And, let me see, the man came about the plaster statutes for the lawn, and the fountain in the centre. I let him go on with them. Only \$250, and we must be a little stylish, you know, for the sake of the girls, if we ever intend them to marry.

HE .- Bless my soul! Don't I tell you I am asking for an exten-SHE.—Certainly. But one must live. And I want another riding horse. Only one for two girls does not do., I am offered such a perfect beauty, almost an Arabian, for \$400. Could you let me have a cheque for \$700? I must give a party next week, and the dress-maker and confectioner are unpaid for the last.

HE .- Ma'am, you will certainly drive me mad. Dont I tell you I am

asking an exten-

SHE.—Oh, yes. But everybody is better able to spend after that than before. See Mr. KITEFLYER across the road. Failed three times, and keeps a splendid establishment all the while; gave all his daughters \$2,000 apiece when they married to start with.

HE.—But, ma'am, even if I did meditate securing anything from the wreck, why spend it all in extravagance beforehand?

SHE.—Secure a little more, my dear. But let me have the cheque. (And she gets it.)

The Soliloguy of the Alderman's Cow.

"For some time past it has been whispered abroad that notwithstanding the fact that the aldermen had put off the letting of the grass at the Crystal Palace, there were several cows in the inclosure day after day. It was further biated that Ald, Close had not only put his own cow to grass here, but that he had, on his own responsibility, given orders to other parties entitling them to enjoy the same privilege."—Globe.

Under a tree in the Palace Grounds, The Alderman's cow serenely stood, Switching her tail in ecstatic joy, And reflecting thus as she chewed her cud:

"Well, now, this is comfort, and no mistake, This grateful shade from the heat intense, And this fresh green grass, and pure, cool drink, And this whole affair—it is simply immense!

When I think on the state of the times outside, And the lot of most of my tribe just now, bless from my heart of hearts the day When I became an Alderman's cow!

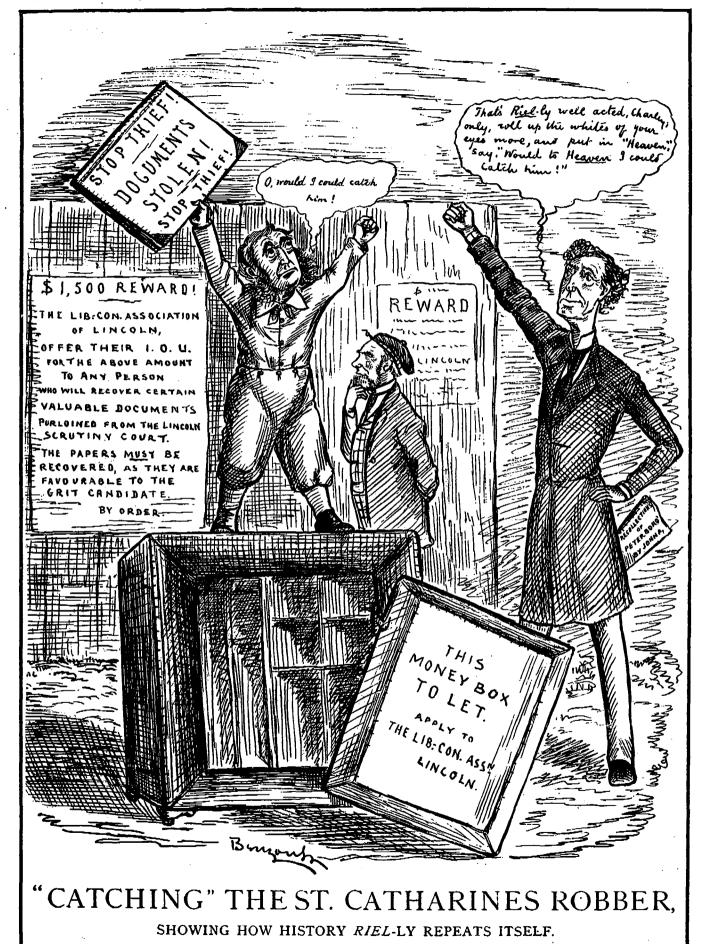
Alderman! all that the term implies To put into speech I am at a loss, You cannot know the fulness thereof, Unless you yourself should become a boss.

For instance, look at this Palace ground, This grazing patch so rich and rare, It belongs to the Public, but observe The cows of the public don't graze here.

It's reserved for me and a few more beeves Whose luck it is to be Aldermen's kine, Or belong to keepers of taverns and such, At whose houses said Aldermen drink their wine.

There's no use in any mere citizen chap Attempting to rent a pasturage here,— His cattle would "injure the pic-nic ground," That's what our bosses would tell him sure.

So if there's a cow that would like to come And graze in the Palace Grounds, she can— Provided only she first will go And sell herself to an Alderman!"





The Calf's Tail Philosopher.

THE Editor of the Leader is puzzled at the MURPHY Wave movement. He can't understand why there should be any excitement in the work of rescuing men from the curse of strong drink. He is utterly at a loss to account for the fact that hundreds of the victims of intemperance in Toronto have been liberated from their degrading vice within the past few weeks. In fact, he occupies about the same attitude as the philosopher in our picture, who studied the call's-tail protruding from the auger-hole in the wall, and almost ruined his intellect in trying to conjecture how in the name of sense the calf had got through so small an opening. The Leader says that RINE is crazy. Moreover it says he advocates legal prohibition and the Dunkin Act, which it knows is a deliberate misrepresentation. RINE does no such thing; his movement has its beginning and end in moral suasion and individual reformation, as the man who wrote the Leader's article knows perfectly well. The journal, in a Christian country, that would raise its voice against a purely moral movement deserves the pillory, and GRIP thus publicly inflicts it.

The Turco-Russian at Home.

(Concluded from last week.)

JIGGES cast a contemptuous yet triumphant glance at the gory array of baffled invaders outside, and then coolly lighted a fragrant Havana. The lonely Christian on the inside was just becoming heart-rendingly familiar with JIGGES' left ear, when a cannonade of smoke was opened upon him. The demon laughed and begged for more, swallowing it greedly to the astonishment of JIGGES. A determined man is not easily baffle l, however, and JIGGES filled his room with a dense puff of battle, all fired at the grinning Cossack who was emitting sounds like a cornet in an asthmatic brass-band, or a dying dog in a sausage-machine. A howl of rage came from the outsiders at this cruel treatment of their colleague.

JIGGES puffed. He knew that narcotics would win the day yet over his solitary adversary. The warbler grew dizzy in his warbling, staggered, squinted, licked his parched jaws, yawned, nodded, and finally settled down on the corner of the table, near JIGGES, with an

imploring moan on his lips.

JUGES gazed out of the window. The bottoms of a billion stamping feet, more or less, and frothing trunks, met his eyes. He laid a knile upon his prostrate foe and then gazed out again. The Russians were making preparations to cross the Danube, marching round cannon and iron-clads, issuing proclamations, denunciatory of the awful Turk within, to the cowering small fry about, and the white moths in the sea within, to the cowering small by about, and the white moths in the sea of leaves. The suffocating Russ within sent a wild, throbbing appeal into JIGGES' eyes, which went to his soul, and he could not kill the Cossack for the present. The dreamy little insect had charmed him and was whispering *Thanatopsis* and passages from *Faust* into his ear, when he related, in a confidential way, how he was a decendant of MARK TWAIN'S *Celebrated Jumping Frog*, although now a Russian, JIGGES' romantic heart beat a response and he frowned all malice into the next Centennial, and fell upon the dear creature's neck.

Then JIGGES heard the iron-throated artillery without. himself an impregnable Constantinople and the roar of the impending battle sounded doleful. But it grew fainter, and JIGGES knew no more.

It was morning when JIGGES roused hinself from the table on which he had fallen asleep. He tubbed his nose, but oh horrors! it was swollen to a two-fold size, and itching, and groaning for pain-killer. He rubbed his eyes, gazed into the looking-glass, smiled a ghastly flicker, and moved and seconded that he was in a dream. But he wasn't. Presently he looked up and made a discovery. At one corner of the window sat the little Cossack, as plump as a beer-barrel and grinning

like a drunken owl. On the outside were encamped a hilarious crowd of Russians, all under the influence of blood. Among them was the Colonel, sitting upon an imaginary Turk, the prostrate and disabled Captain Yow-w-w-w, and singing a national hymn while be punched the unfortunate 243 times, to slow music by the surviving cymbals of the band. It all became clear to JIGGES now. The little viliain had drained him at the nose and delivered the red beverage through a crack in the window pane, while he was snoring from the effects of his big smoke. JUGGES did not stop to debate whether the crack was a breach effected through the cannonade. No. There was a rush for the little outlaw; a murder and a funeral were performed fifty times over, and a war dance which might have made the Man-who-wears-the-bear's-shirt envious, was executed over the grave of the Cossack. The enemy without were next scattered to the winds, by means of every movable object within fired through the pane of glass; and the night's campaign was ended. Then JIGGES descended to breakfast and had his feelings once more harrowed by such remarks as, "Uncommon fine blossom, that of yours, JIGGES." "I've a receipt that can demolish all the boils in creation, dear." "That's a temperance tract, I'll bet," &c.

The Pic-nic at Brampton.

By our Irishman.

Were you niver at Brampton?—then it's you should be stamped on, Not by this time to have faisted your eye On that nate countliry village, surrounded wid tillage, Paratees and turnips, and cabbages likewise.

An the iligant mansions, wid their lawn ixpansions, Tastefully bordered wid a painted fince; Sure a hermit wise there might moralize there Through the summer sayson, livin' like a prince.

As you'd have said there, whin the tables spread there, Bindin' wid weight down, did your view surprise; An' the bafe an' musthard inthersparsed wid custhard, Hams also an' sirloins, puddins too an' pies,

Green boughs all a swayin', in the breezes playin', All beneath them dinin' coolly in the shade; Folks in cities livin' thinkin' then of givin' Up the town complately, country lives to lade.

Fine young ladies waitin' on the people aitin', Graciously dispensin' coffee out and tay, Shure that crayture CUPID is extramely studid Or he would be takin' more av thim away.

There SIR JOHN was dinin', and his inside linin', Jovially laughin', and makin' lots av fun; Just as if Globe writers—it's thim is the inditers— Hadn't tould the public all the wickedniss he done.

While his chafe physician, an' grate politician, TUPPER an' MACDOUGALL-did their dinners take, Busily preparin', for the wear and tearin' Av the mighty spaches they wor about to make.

There was Misther DAVIN, too, his dinner havin', Ividently quite in some deep poetic drame, Chafe av all the writers an' descindant av the fighters, Wid a big shillalah like a waiver's bame,

Whin the faist was inded, thin we all attinded Where tin thousand people waited in a crowd, Thin MACDOUGALL takin' the lead comminced the speakin', Faith it was himsilf had to shout out purty loud.

After him kem TUPPER, and 'twas time for supper, Yis, or mighty near it, whin the two were done. Ayther they were prosy, or mesilf was dozy, But I wint to slape there sittin' in the sun.

But a noise like thunder woke me up in wonder, 'Twas SIR JOHN resavin' a great applaudin' shout, Spakin' av Protection, for the nixt election, He said that he would give it, av it put MACKENZIE out.

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