

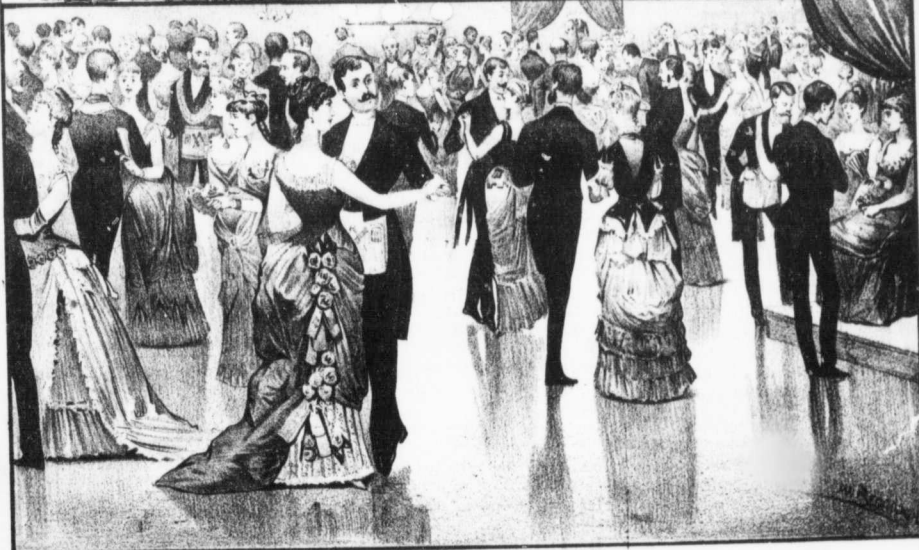
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THE ILLUSTRATIONS.

FIRST PAGE.—The fifth annual conversation of the Doric lodge, held on the 16th inst., was a brilliant success. There were 400 ladies and gentlemen present, who thoroughly enjoyed the excellent programme of music and dances.

FOURTH PAGE.—The ice palace at the Zoo is a very pretty structure, and when lighted up with colored electric lights, presents an enchanting appearance, and is well worth a visit.

THE SUPPLEMENT.—A fancy dress skating carnival. From sketches at the different skating rinks of the city.

FIFTH PAGE.—The Local Parliament in session.

EIGHTH PAGE.—Mayor Manning and his new broom.

MONTHLY HISTORICAL RECORD.

Jan. 15.—Forty-five men killed by an explosion in a coal mine at Lieven, France.

Jan. 17.—Steamer "Admiral Moorson" sunk in collision off Holyhead. Sixteen lives lost.

Jan. 17.—General Stewart defeats the Arabs near Abu Klea Wells.

Jan. 21.—The British flag hoisted on the Louisiades, Woodaik, Huon and Entrecasteaux Islands off the New Guinea coast.

Jan. 24.—Dynamite explosions at the House of Parliament and the Tower of London.

Jan. 24.—Admiral Courbet defeated by the Chinese at Keelung.

Jan. 24.—Two men killed by an accident on the C. P. R. at Smith's Falls.

Jan. 27.—Khartoum taken by the Arabs.

Jan. 29.—Mutiny on the barque Wellington, off Cornwall. Captain killed.

Jan. 30.—Forty passengers killed at a railway accident in New South Wales.

Jan. 30.—Steamer "Arcadia" wrecked in the Bay of Fundy. Nine lives lost.

Jan. 30.—Several buildings destroyed by an explosion of natural gas at Pittsburg.

Feb. 2.—O'Donovan Rossa shot in New York by Mrs. Dudley.

Feb. 2.—3,000,000 cattle died in the Indian Territory from cold and starvation.

Feb. 2.—An earthquake at Osilo, Sardinia, destroyed eight houses.

Feb. 2.—At a gas explosion in a coal mine at Savannah, Indian Territory, three men were killed and eighty-nine seriously injured.

Feb. 3.—The Chinese defeated by the French at the Keelung mines.

Feb. 7.—A collision on the Pennsylvania railway resulted in the loss of four lives and destroyed a million dollars' worth of property.

Feb. 10.—General Earle killed in the Sudan.

Feb. 10.—Thirteen men killed by explosion in a coal mine at the Yale Colliery, N. S.

Feb. 14.—The town of Alta, Utah, almost totally destroyed by avalanche. Sixteen lives lost.

Feb. 15.—The French capture Langson and Kuluwa.

Feb. 15.—The steamer "Holmhurst" sunk by a collision off Eddystone light. Four lives lost.

—The loans contracted by the Dominion Government in England from March, 1884, to Feb. 1, 1885, are as follows: From London and Westminster bank, \$8,760,000, and from Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co., \$815,166; total \$9,575,166. The loans contracted in Canada, were as follows: From the City and District savings bank \$500,000, from the Imperial bank, \$250,000, and from the Merchant's bank, \$560,000, total in Canada, \$1,250,000.

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ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

—The gross debt of the Dominion on the 30th June last, was \$242,482,416—an increase of \$40,323,312 in the year. The net debt is \$181,719,953—an increase of \$23,659,135. The increase of the net debt at the rate of nearly two million dollars a month is something frightful in a young country like Canada and if the C. P. R. loan is changed into a gift the increase in the public debt will be nearly doubled, the railway securities now being held as an asset. To each individual in Canada the increase in the net debt means nearly \$5, or to a family of five \$25. It is exactly the same in result, should this extravagance continue, as if each head of a family mortgaged his house and lot for twenty-five dollars, and next year increased the mortgage enough to pay the interest, and added another twenty-five dollars to the original debt.

—The western end of Lake Ontario is covered with ice and snow for many miles. As far as can be seen from the top of the mountain the ice stretches away down the lake. The extent of the ice is greater than ever before known on the lake from the Beach across the bend to Burlington. City Clerk Beasley's father once crossed Lake Erie on the ice from Port Dover to the American shore, but no one can recollect a passage across Lake Ontario on the ice. A few winters ago Bronte fishermen claimed to have been far enough out on the ice to see Port Dalhousie. It seems probable that the lake could be crossed as far down as Oakville now. Tremendous ice banks are piled high along the shore at the beach, and the ice will remain firm as long as the wind continues from the west.

—The rival American lines of the Grand Trunk, it is said, propose to make an in-road upon the finances of the Grand Trunk system by petitioning congress to oblige the Grand Trunk to

pay taxes for all business done within the domain of the United States, claiming that a foreign road is as much indebted to the United States in the way of taxes and duties as any foreign shipping company or other enterprise. It is taken for granted that such an act would cause the Michigan Central to pay heavily for running its Canada Southern division through Canada.

Notwithstanding the duty of 50 cents per barrel on flour, which was imposed in the interests of the Ontario millers, it is ascertained that the total value of flour imported into Canada during the year 1884 was valued at \$2,434,000, an increase of \$1,098,000 over 1883. The duty collected amounted to \$265,000, against \$32,000 in the preceding year. The duty imposed on coal to reconcile the people of the Maritime Provinces to the duty on flour has not produced the desired results, as, while in the output of the Nova Scotia mines there was a decrease of over twenty thousand tons, the quantity of coal imported into Canada during last year was valued at \$7,459,000, an increase of \$1,108,000 over 1883, while the duty collected reached \$1,108,009.

—The following shows the aggregate result of the Scott Act campaign:—The measure was submitted in 57 cities and counties, there having been two contests in eight of these. The municipalities whose latest vote was in favor of the temperance party number 47; against the act 10. In 28 of the 47 carried counties, the act is already in operation. In 11 of them it will go into operation May 1, 1885, and in the remaining eight it will be brought into force May 1, 1886.

—The unrevised statement of the amount of inland revenue accrued during the month of December last, shows that the total excise revenue amounted to \$509,234, and the revenue from canals, hydraulic, and other rents, etc.,

amounted to \$7,563, making in all \$515,797. The amount obtained from spirits was \$365,420; from tobacco, \$81,323; from cigars, \$17,595. Compared with December, 1883, the excise revenue last month was \$23,210 more of this increase \$21,000, comes from spirits.

—The statement of the Government Savings Banks for November, just published, shows that the deposits of the people at the end of the month were \$16,525,402. The deposits during the month were \$526,893, and the withdrawals \$514,373.

—The circulation of the Government issue of notes at the end of December was \$16,399,194, an increase of \$240,500 over the circulation to the end of November.

—The total amount paid by the Government in 1883-84 as subsidies to steamship companies for carrying mails was \$191,554, of which the Allan company received \$126,553.

—The Colorado experts who have been examining the gold and silver deposits in the Cohuttah mountain, Georgia, announced that they traced a vein 1,500 feet broad, for nine miles through the mountains, and that the assay in some instances showed 80 per cent. of pure mineral. They say the vein is worth twenty millions. The mines will be developed at once by Boston capitalists.

—James Donohue will enter an ejectment suit against property owners in Detroit for 300 acres of property in the heart of the City, valued at \$50,000,000. He claims that his father bought the land in 1832, when Detroit was a mere village, and deeds and other documents were found in an old trunk a year ago.

—The total cost of the Greely relief expedition was \$759,000.

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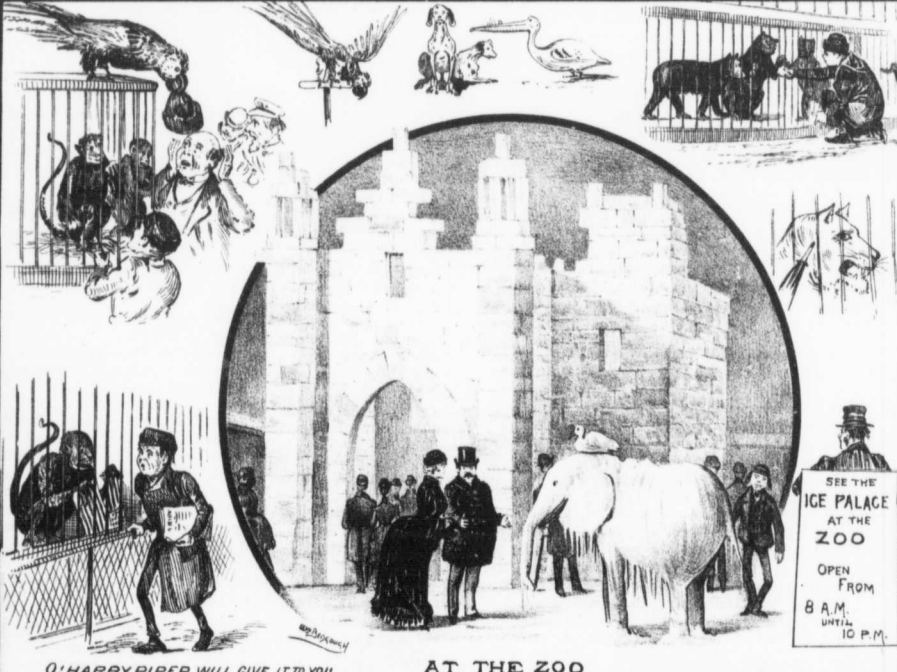
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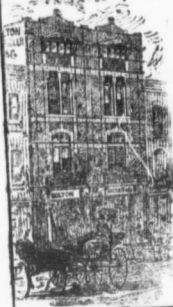
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From the January Century.

Jim knewed all kinds of signs. He said he knowed 'most everything. I said it looked to me like all the signs was about bad luck, and so I asked him if there warn't no good-luck signs. He says:

"Mighty few—an' dey ain't no use to a body. What you wan't to know when good luck's a-comin' for? want to keep it off?" And he said: "Ef you's got hairy arms en a hairy breast, it's a sign dat you's agwyne to be rich. Well, dey's some use in a sign like dat, 'kase it's so fur ahead. You see, may be you's got to be po' a long time fust, en so you

mit git discourage' en kill yo'sef 'f you didn' know by de sign dat you gwyne to be rich bymely."

"Have you got hairy arms and a hairy breast, Jim?"

"What's de use to ax dat question? don't you see I has?"

"Well, are you rich?"

"No; but I ben rich wunst, and gwyne to be rich agin. Wunst I had fo'teen dollars, but I tuck to speculat'n, en got busted out."

"What did you speculate in, Jim?"

"Well, fust I tackled stock."

"What kind of stock?"

"Why, live stock. Cattle, you know. I put ten dollars in a cow. But I ain't gwyne to resk no mo' money in stock. De cow up 'n died on my han's."

"So you lost the ten dollars."

"No; I didn' lose it all. I on'y los' 'bout nine of it. I sole de hide en taller for a dollar en ten cents."

"You had five dollars and ten cents left. Did you speculate any more?"

"Yes. You know dat one-laigged nigger dat b'longs to ole Misto Bradish? Well, he sot up a bank, en say anybody dat put in a dollar would git fo' dollars mo' at de en'er de year. Well, all de niggers went in, but dey didn' have much. I wuz de on'y one dat had much. So I stuck out for mo' dan fo' dollars, en I said 'f I didn' git it I'd start a bank mysef. Well, o' course dat nigger wan't to keep me out er de business, becase he say dey warn't business 'nough for two banks, so he say I could put in my five dollars en he pay me thirty-five at de en'er de year.

"So I done it. Den I reck'n'd I'd inves' de thirty five dollars right off en keep things a-movin'. Dey wuz a nigger name' Bob, dat had ketched a wood-flat, his marster didn' know it; en I bought it off'n him, en told him to take de thirty-five dollars when de en'er de year come; but somebody stole de wood-flat dat night, en nex' day de one-laigged nigger say de bank's busted. So dey didn' none uv us git no money."

"What did you do with the ten cents, Jim?"

"Well, I 'uz gwyne to spen' it, but I had a dream, en de dream tole me to give it to a nigger name' Balum—Balum's Ass dey call him, for short; he's one er dem chuckle-heads, you know. But he's lucky, dey say, en I see I warn't lucky. De dream say let Balum inves' de ten cents en he'd make a raise fur me. Well, Balum he tuck de money, en when he wuz in church he hear de preacher say dat whoever give to do po' len' to de Lord, en boun' to git his money back a hund'd times. So Balum he tuck en give de ten cents to the po', en laid low to see what wuz gwyne to come of it."

"Well, what did come of it, Jim?"

"Nuffin' never come of it. I couldn' manage to k'leck dat money no way; en Balum he couldn'. I ain' gwyne to len' no mo' money 'dout I see de security. Boun' to git yo' money back a hund'd times, de preacher says! Ef I could git de ten cents back, I'd call it squah, en be glad er de chanst."

"Well, it's all right, anyway, Jim, long as you're going to be rich again some time or other."

"Yes—en I's rich now, come to look at it. I own's mysef, en I's wuth eight hund'd dollars. But live stock's too resky, Huck;—I whist I had de eight hund'd dollars in somebody else had de nigger."

I read considerable to Jim about kings, and dukes, and earls, and such, and how gaudy they dressed, and how much style they put on, and called each other your majesty, and your grace, and your lordship, and so on, 'stead of mister; and Jim's eyes bugged out, and he was interested. He says:

"I didn't know dey was so many un um. I haint hearn 'bout none un um, skasely, but ole King Sollermun, unless you counts dem kings dat's in a pack er k'yards. How much do a king git?"

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it; they can have just as much as they want; everything belongs to them."

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"They don't do nothing! Why, how you talk! They just set around."

"No—is dat so?"

"Of course it is. They just set around, except maybe when there's a war: then they go to the war. But other times they just lazy around; or go hawking—just hawking and sp— Sh!—d' you hear a noise?"

We skipped out and looked; but it warn't nothing but the flutter of a steamboat's wheel, away down coming around the point; so we came back.

"Yes," says I, "and other times, when things is dull, they fuss with the parlyment; and if everybody don't go just so, he whacks their heads off. But mostly they hang around the harem."

"Roun' de which?"

"Harem."

"What's de harem?"

"The place where he keep his wives. Don't you know about the harem? Solomun had one; he had about a million wives."

Why, yes, dat's so; I—I'd done forgot it. A harem's a bo'd'n-house, I reck'n. Mos' likely dey has rackety times in de nusserly. En I reck'n de wives quarrel's considerable; en dat 'crease de racket. Yit dey say Sollemun de wises' man dat ever live'. I doan' take no stock in dat 'cuse why? Would a wise man want to live in de mids' er such a blimplamin' all de time? No—'deed he wouldn't. A wise man 'ud take en buil' a bilfer-factory; en den he could shet down de bilfer-factory when he want to res'."

"Well, but he was the wisest man, anyway; because the widow she told me so, her own self."

"I doan' k'yer what de widder say, he warn't no wise man, nuther. He had some er de dad-fetchedes' ways I ever sew. Does you know 'bout dat chile dat he 'uz gwine to chop in two?"

"Yes, the widow told me all about it."

"Well, den! Warn' dat de beatenes' notion in de worl'? You jes' take en look at it a minute. Dah's de stump dah—dat's one er de women; heah's you—dat's de yuther one; I's Soller-mun; en dish-yer dollar bill's de chile. Bofe un you claims it. What does I do? Does I shin aroun' mongs' de neighbors en fine out which un you de bill do b'long to, en han' it over to de right one, all safe en soun', de way dat anybody dat had any gumption would? No—I take en whack de bill in two, en give haf un it to you, en de yuther haf to de yuther woman. Dat's de way Soller-mun was gwine to do wid de chile. Now, I want to ast you: what de use er dat haf a bill?—can't buy nuth' wid it. En what use is a half a chile? I wouldn't give a dern for a million un."

"But hang it, Jim, you've clean missed the point—blame it, you've missed it a thousand mile."

"Who? Me? Go 'long. Doan' talk to me 'bout yo' pints. I reck'n I knows sense when I sees it; en dey ain't no sense in sich doin's as dat. De 'spute warn't 'bout half a chile; de 'spute was 'bout a whole chile; en de man dat think he kin settle a 'spute 'bout a whole chile wid a half a chile, doan' know enough to come in out'n de rain. Doan' talk to me 'bout Soller-mun, Huck, I knows him by de back."

"But I tell you, you don't get the point."

"Blame de pint! I reck'n I knows what I knows. En mine you, de real pint is down furder—it's down deeper. It lays in de way Soller-mun was raised. You take a man dat's got on'y one er two chillen; is dat man gwine to be waseful o' chillen? No, he ain't; he can't 'ford it. He knows how to value 'em. But you take a man dat's got 'bout five million chillen runnin' roun' de house, en it's de diffunt. He as soon chop a chile in two as a cat. Dey's plenty mo'. A chile er two, mo' er less, warn't no consenkins to Soller-mun, dad fetch him!"

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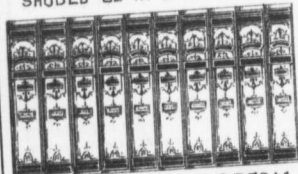
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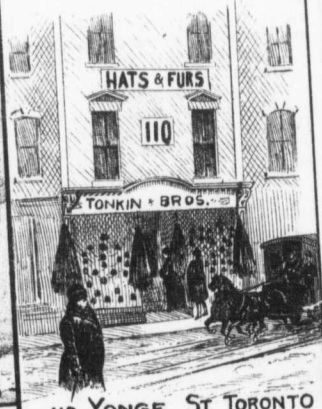
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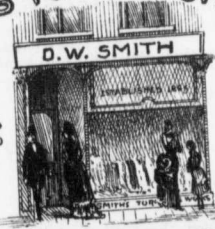


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