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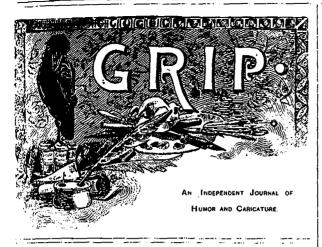
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Comments on the Enrivons.



BROUGHT TO BAY.—Whether or not Mr. Meredith added to his fame as a statesman by the very 'cute' trick he played the other day on the Local Ministry, he certainly succeeded in putting the Treasury Bench gentlemen in a very nasty predicament for the time being. If his object was to make it appear that the Grit party, as represented in the Local House, is in active sympathy with the recalcitrant Bleus on the Riel question, he succeeded entirely. Mr. Mowat and his followers were called upon to vote on an amendment to an amendment; and, in connection with a plea for mercy to the rebel prisoners, to affirm or deny the sentiment that Riel had been justly punished. There was no getting out of it, so they voted in the negative and defeated the motion. Then Mr. Fraser replaced it by another second amendment in which the allusion to Riel was omitted,

which was carried. The reason alleged for defeating the Opposition amendment was that any formal allusion to federal matters on the floor of the Local House was wrong in principle. Vet the amendment as finally carried was certainly such an allusion. The excuse is too thin. Whoever got up the Sol. White amendment had a long head, and deserves credit accordingly. But, that the whole thing on both sides was a piece of arrant hypocrisy and political cant from first to last, is also beyond question.

LO. THE POOR INDIAN!—Hon. Wm. MacDougall has done his country a service by lifting up his eloquent voice against the continuance of the Indian policy now (and for several years past) in force in our own North-West Territorics. That policy seems to be based on the "fraud and force" doctrine, and its administration is in the hands of men for the most part devoid of all principle. Now that rumors of an Indian rising in the spring are rife Mr. MacDougall's note of warning is timely.

FIGURG Up.—As the day of the opening of Parliament approaches there is a perceptible change in the Mail editorials:

"The 'war' that for a space did fail,

Now trebly thundering swelled the gale."

The Bleu bolters do not show the anticipated signs of getting back into the traces, and again the "Race and Revenge" talk is resumed. The taffy dispensed by the Chieftain in London appears to have been thrown away, so the caustic is being dealt out once more. Pile in the coal, O Bunting, but be careful you don't bu'st the b'iler and blow up the Government!

VERY GRACIOUS OF HIS GRACE.—The good Archbishop of Toronto has written a fatherly letter to Protestants, calling attention to the fact that Truth can be found only in the Church which he represents. He expresses a kindly sympathy for those who make the mistake of reading the Scriptures for themselves and thereby land themselves in error. All this is much to His Grace's credit. But it will be lost upon the stiff-necked persons in question unless His Grace can furnish some proof that Leo XIII. is in any way more capable of interpreting the Word than any other person of average intelligence who reads it devoutly.

WAITING FOR HIS ANSWER.—Hon. David Mills, as editor of the London Advertiser, lately published a telegram alleged to have been sent to Sir John Macdonald (at Ottawa) by Sir Adolphe Caron (at Winnipeg) intimating that Kiel must be hanged or there would be more trouble than was anticipated by the Cabinet. If authentic, this telegram would go to prove that the Cabinet disposed of Riel from motives of policy rather than from considerations of justice. The Mail declares the message to be bogus and plainly charges Mr. Mills with having concotted it. The country is awaiting Mr. Mills' answer to this serious charge with much interest.

MORE LIGHT.—The battle over the timber limit business still goes on. It is now shown that of the policies adopted by the Grit and Tory Governments, that of the latter is much more in the public interest as to the terms under which licenses are granted; the price obtained being higher, the period shorter, and the conditions more rigid.

Is We Luss By.



JUDGE ROSE is a flower that Justice is proud to wear in her tiara. By any other name, however, he would smell as sweet in the nostrils of the burglars and ruffians. He has brought to the bench a wholesome moral sense which recognizes that the law should be in fact as well as in name, a terror to evil-doers. Hence, when he is called upon to sentence a criminal he tries like the Mikado "to make the punishment fit the crime." He has just given notice to the interesting members of the burglar

class that hereafter any of them convicted in his court may rest assured of getting the full extent of the legal penalty, and there isn't a burglar in town who doubts it.

As we pass by, no matter what the hour or what the street, on every side is dinned into our ears the fact that "he is going to marry Yum-Yum, Yum-Yum"—and the "he" means everybody we meet. Poor Yum-Yum! Really we shall succumb, cumb, cumb (and in all likelihood she, too), if people do not soon sing mum, mum, mum.

If those who persist in trying to sing Mikado airs and quote Mikado wit will only remember that they never will be missed if they give up the habit—well, it will be a boon to humanity. But if they are still obdurate, the only alternative is to invent a punishment that will suit the crime. Let some one put them on his list.

A LREADY the numerous young and fair who so successfully made their debut at the eventful ball of the 4th are lamenting the fact that a debut only occurs once in a lifetime. Lament not, young and fair; if no

second debut is possible, at least the sweet remembrances surrounding the first will last till this time next year, and what is a year in the lifetime of the young and fair? Nothing—less than nothing often, to judge from the fact that a lady's age, like cheese, grows less by lapse of time, and, like heer, improves by being kept dark.



THE AFFLICTED HUSBAND.

Jobbles (from cutter) .- Hello, doctor. I want to speak to you about my wife.
The Doctor,—Well? What's the matter?

Jobbles.-I don't know. She's lost her voice. Ain't been able to speak a word for three days.

The Doctor.—Indeed! Then I shall—
fobbles.—Er—I was going to say if you happen to be up our way
any time next week you might jest drop in and see what you think

A JEST OF DRAWERS.

I AM a born artist (i.e., I do not belong to the class of artists who never were born); the fact is, had I not been born I would not have been an artist. I might have been born without being an artist, but I could not have been an artist without being born. I am very glad that I was born. My feelings are doubtless equalled only by those of my many friends. I first attracted attention to my qualities when I began to draw breath. In this little personal sketch I hope you will excuse anything like egotism or exaggeration, as in my professional capacity I may be somewhat disposed to draw upon my imagination and not upon canvas. I would like, of course, to draw your attention to my many characteristics. I have been drawing breath for so many years that I do not now pay much attention to it; but do it unconsciously, although my livelihood to a great extent depends upon it. At an early age I began to draw on wood, on a hand-sleigh given me by my father. I would always do it as a pleasure, never as a necessity or as work. I took great interest then in drawing water, and snow and wood, but not making much money out of it, I gave it up. I have not time to pass through all of my many changes and ventures, for my life was beset with many vicissitudes; in one thing always

have I been most punctual, i.e., in drawing my salary, for there is more money in that than in drawing my breath. 1 can draw any man at sight, but I always prefer to draw on a good man at sight, or ten days if preferred. For fear you will think I am boasting, or drawing the long bow, perhaps I had better draw this to a close.

KRAL, B(ORN) A(RTIST).

DIE-JEST-YUN.

I HAVE jest discovered some "fizzyological" facts, and hasten to give them to the world. GRIP's readers of course do not even know that they possess such articles as "stummix," but they may know some suffering indigesting fossils to whom the following facts may be facts. But some of Griv's protigés may be suffering from indigestion through being killed by jokes. At any rate we dish up some food for thought. An English student says: "Food is digested by the action of the lungs. Digestion is brought on by the lungs having something the matter with them. The food then passes through your windpipe to the pores, and thus passes off your body by evaporation through a lot of little holes in your skin called capillaries. The food is nourished in the stomach. If you were to eat anything hard, you would not be able to digest it, and the consequence would be you would have indigestion. The gall-bladder throws off juices from the food which passes through it. We call the kidneys the bread-basket because it is where all the bread goes to. They lay concealed by the heart."

One thing only has been omitted—the indigestible foods are locked up in the alimentary canal, biled soft, and then delivered over to free circulation, but the aorta

-yes, they orter-stop then.

KRAL.



SYMPATHY.

Emily.—How thin and delicate poor Mr. Slimey looks! Mand.—No wonder! He lives on his wits!

RCTICISM has shifted its centre from Montreal to St. Paul, Minn. The ice palace and all its attendant pleasantries, suggestive of a below-zero climate, are powerful educating forces, and we are unfeignedly pleased that our American cousins are content to relieve us of them and the bad reputation they foster. Let it be understood from this time, O intending emigrant, that Minnesota, and not Canada, is the natural home of the toboggan crank.



FIRING UP.

(AS THE SESSION APPROACHES, THE "MAIL" STOKER SHOVELS IN THE COAL.)

TORONTO AFTER DARK.

As you walk along the street,

Have a care,

When a broken board you meet—

None to rare—

For before you scarce can think,

Like a skater's at the rink,

Your heels go tippety-wink

In the air.

There you are, upon your back
In the mud;
Whilst your head receives a crack
And a thud;
And from out your classic nose,
Like the water from a hose,
The gory fluid flows
In a flood.

Now on College Street at night, It's too bad, That there's scarcely any light; Ain't it sad? If your safety you'd enhance, If your bones you'd give a chance, You must fortify your pants With a pad.

For you'll really never know,
In the dark,
If very far you go
Past the Park,
Where a broken plank will spin
Your fine figure round like sin,
And from nose and knee and shin
Peel the bark.

Oh! Mr. Howland, do,
If you please,
Order extra lamps, a few,
Near those trees.
And the broken boards repair,
Which will make a fellow swear,
And the epidermis tear
From his knees.

--Swiz.

" No noose is good news "--to the culprit, certainly.

A MUSICAL ENTHUSIAST.

"FATHER, father, take, oh! take me To the next "Pop," I implore: For I dote on Cherubini. And I want to hear some more.

"I am yearning for Tschaikowstry, I'm expiring for Mozart; If I cannot hear Moskowsky I shall have a broken heart.

"Father, father, take, oh! take me To the Philharmonic smash; For I long to hear the tooters, And the universal crash:

"I will bravely face the music, For my heart is stout and strong; And I love the trombone's snoring, And the drum's romantic song.

" l'ather, father, take, oh! take me To the Choral's festive show, I want to see proud Scotia's daughters Sitting in a dismal row!

But her father didn't take her, (He was rough and coarse and rude With no taste for classic music,) So she went with her own dude.

DOUBTFUL ADVICE.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Varsity wishes to improve the acoustics of Convocation Hall. He says: "All that is necessary is to drape the upper end of the hall in the form of a paraboloid of revolution, having its focus in the centre of the platform, and its axis a straight line from this point to the centre of the hall; the latus rectum of the generating curve being chosen with a view to appearances only."

Now, this is a limpid and practical statement, but we doubt the soundness of the advice given. This "paraboloid of revolution" was tried during the last session of Parliament. Its focus was in the centre of the Tory platform—viz., Sir John A. Macdonald—and its axis was a crooked line of policy extending from this point to the centre of the North-West.

The experiment was an acoustic success. Some members became audible who had never been so before. Besides, the crack of the half-breed rifles was heard with immensely stimulating effect in the Department of the Interior. But it cost a great sum—\$10,000,000, Mr. Chapleau says-and the results were hardly worth the money.

They are still trying it in Quebec, in a modified form, with Bleu drapery, taking Riel's scaffold as a focus, and with several axes—to grind—but the result is yet uncertain.

Possibly with the less expensive focus and shorter axis proposed it might work well enough.

But what we specially object to is the hypocritical suggestion that the "right side" (latus rectum) might be "chosen with a view to appearances only." Too many who have left college do this already, and they always find that the "generating curve" is a facilis descensus Avernia true toboggan slide to Sheol?

THE MAN, THE TOBOGGAN, AND THE GAMIN.

BY HICTOR VUGÖ.

A TOBOGGAN slide! What is it? It is a declivity; profound, vast, precipitous. It is the connecting link between the summit and the base. It is the intermediate space between the top and the bottom. It is the concentrated embodiment of slipperiness; grim, perilous, awful. To slip on the brink of a toboggan article is to be hurled to perdition: to be pulverized beyond recognition.

Now behold the pigmy and the giant; the man, the pigmy; the toboggan, the giant—long, lithe, serpentine. They come to the brow of the precipitous slide, and the man divests himself of his superfluous ulster. But see! a small boy! a gamin! What is a small boy? He is a being, half human, half diabolical; fearful, horrific. He is the incarnation of cussedness. He also appears near the toboggan holding in his hand a bottle.

And now the man is ready and takes his seat, and prepares to plunge into the maelstrom of ice and snow. One moment he is poised on the brink of the frozen cas-

cade; the next —— he is gone!

The laws of gravitation demand that a heavy body on the side of a declivity must descend; for a toboggan to slide up a hill of its own accord is contrary to the laws of nature; but for one to descend is perfectly in accordance with such laws.

Down, down, down! like a meteor shooting across the zenith; like lucifer falling from heaven to the regions of darkness, darts the toboggan bearing the man. The eye can scarce follow them as they fly. They reach the base and glide across the level plain at a speed of a thousand miles an hour, such has been the impetus imparted by the descent of the slide.

Slower and slower moves the ice monster: slower and slower; it stops. But why does the man retain his seat? Behold, he essays to rise. He cannot! He is bound to the toboggan by some mystic hand that is invisible. When he raises himself the toboggan also rises with him. He is in the power of the monster! Men gather round to investigate the mystery. A man chained to a toboggan by invisible fetters! Ha! they penetrate the secret. The small boy! his bottle! he has poured water on the seat of the toboggan and the man is frozen to the monster!

A man creeps through all the back streets on his homeward way; on his shoulder he bears a toboggan from which has been carved a circular piece; on the upper portion of his nether garments clings with invincible tenacity a piece of wood corresponding in size with the hole in the toboggan. The man has been sawn off the

L'ENVOI.

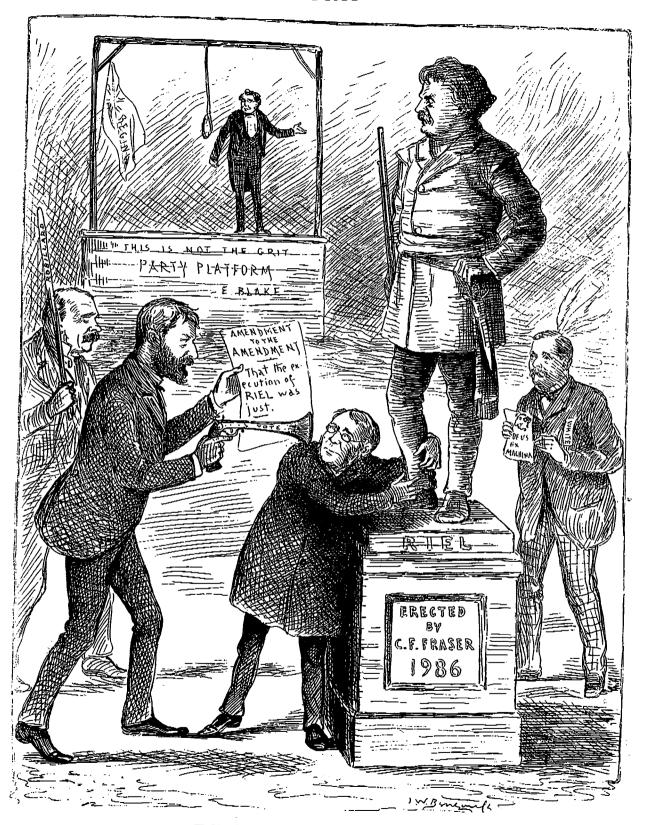
Such is the toboggan. Such the small boy, the gamin!



AT THE CLUB.

First Dude.—Aw—What's up, deah boy? you look dweadfully bwoken up. Been dawneing all night?

Second Dude.—No! Been trying to think!



BROUGHT TO BAY.

A VISIT FROM THE LIBERAL TEMPERANCE REFORMER.

"My dear ma'am," sez he, "our s'cicty—the Lib. temp. s'ciety—doesnt xpect everybody to have ham-aneggs an' fried fish, I on'y mentioned them as a kind o' alleglery like, ef you on'y have very plain food indeed, it'll be all the better fur good cookin'."

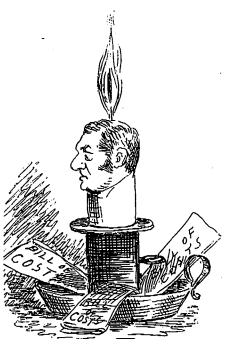
"Wot is needed to cure the evils of the licker traffic,"

sez he, "is not pro'bition, but good cookin'."

"Well," sez I, "I ain't got nuthin' in the house fur supper, an' I ain't got but twenty cents to buy it with."

"Twenty cents, ma'am," sez he, "why that's oceans! Now if you'll just buy half a pound o' nice tender steak, an' two onions, an' a pound o' flour, an' a packet o' bakin' pooder, you can make just a lovely pudden, quite dainty, with lots o' pepper an' salt, and a bit o' mustard, an' cook some nice potatoes, have 'em hot an' mealy, an' a fresh loaf an' a pat o' butter, an' a good cup o' tea with lots o' sugar in it, an' there's your twenty cents an' a delicious supper fur your good husbin an' yourself. The main pinte is to have nice, dainty meals fur your good husbin, ma'am, an' then he won't drink too much."

Sez I, an' I looked him square in the face, "When," sez I, "the s'ciety for the Anti-Suppression o' the Liquor Traffic 'll see that the husbins that supports the s'loons takes home their wages, an' gives a woman a chance to huy a decent meal, it'll be time enough fur them to talk about the cookin'. Sez I, "My good man, I have to wash three days in the wik to get a bit o' food an' a little clo'es fur my children; to-day is one o' them days; I'm a-goin' to have dry bread an' a cup o' tea wi'out any sugar fur my dinner an' my supper, just as I had for my breakfast, an' so," sez I, an' I made him a most graceful curtchy, "I can't ask you to dinner. Good day." Sez he, "Good day, ma'am," an' off he went.



A LEGAL LIGHT

THAT OUGHT TO BE SNUFFED OUT BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

REMARKS OF A NOTED STATESMAN.

ON READING AN ACCOUNT OF THE "BLAKE BANQUET,"

On Tupper! who would wish to rule This changeling crowd, this common fool? Heard'st thou, he said, the loud acclaim With which they shouted Ned Blake's name? With like acclaim the Scott Act vote Strained for the Grits a thirsty throat ; With like acclaim they hailed the day, When first I broke Mackenzie's sway And like acclaim would Edward greet, If he could hurl me from my seat. Who o'er the herd would wish to reign, Fantastic, fickle, fierce, and vain? Vain as Edmund Sheppard's scheme, And fickle as Federation's dream; Fantastic as a Frenchman's mood, And fierce as rebel half-breed's blood. If the Blackfeet rise up in the spring Oh, who would wish to run the thing?

-Tucker Smith.

THE BANKER'S CLERK ABROAD WITH HIS GIRL.

He.—"Yeth, aw, you know, I do think kithing the motht exquithite, aw, pleathure on earth. Don't you? 'Pon my word, I believe I would endorthe the heavietht note of my wortht enemy for a kith."

She (blushing).—" But I feel so ashamed of myself when it is all over."

Hc.—"Oh, aw; you have prethented thuch cheques before. I thall play the part of teller."

She,--" Oh, if you tell-

He.--"Then, aw, will you give me a thmall deposit as a fee for keeping thilence? I will accept a promithory note, payable on demand, if you will pay me in kind."

She.—"Well, if you insist upon it."

He.—" Then, aw, I will discount it now, if you please." But she demanded three days' grace.

HOME CONSUMPTION.

A proposal will be made to the Toronto Council to compel the manufacturers to consume their smoke.—St. John Globe, Feb. 1.

This seems pretty hard on the manufacturers, but perhaps it is a good idea. We think the proposal might with general benefit be extended so as to include pedestrians who smoke. What a lot of unpleasant puffing in people's faces it would save if they were all made to consume their smoke. Then if politicians were made to consume all their own smoke (or gas) what a saving of time it would be to the general public, and what a shortening of sessions of Parliament!

B. O.

HE SUGGESTS AN IDEA.

Peterboro' Jan. 22, 1886.

To the Editor of GRIP.

DEAR SIR,—When a man obtains a new title GRIP is not slow to improve the occasion.

Well! Who was the first Turner? A certain person age frequently represented as the quintessence of craft, decorated usually with horns, hoofs, and forked caudal.

You will easily remember a remarkable exploit of the original which might be fertilized by your genius.

The last Turner might be represented in full mechanic's uniform—apron, paper cap, standing at a foot-lathe with a gouge in his hand and a big job of some kind being turned out.

The word Devilopment might be used.



MORE LIGHT ON THE TIMBER LIMITS QUESTION.

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