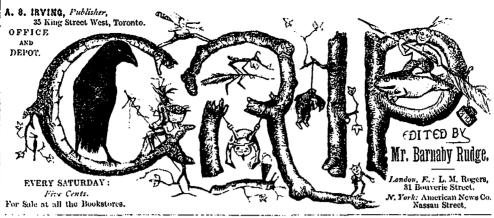
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WHICH WE WISH TO REMARK.

GRIP's Agents in Gorric, Ont., and Ottawa, together with the Education Department, and several others, have repeatedly complained that their papers fail to reach them, although the same are regularly posted at the Office in this City. Will the Post Office people rise and explain?

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THE HOPE OF THE FUTURE.

When the Danbury Newsman, Josh Billings and Jimuel Briggs are under the sod, there is still hope-the Star shineth in Hamilton. Witness this glimmer:

HANGING DOGS.

When Jerry & me wuz boiz, we went 2 the woodz 1 dai 2 hang a dog. The dog wuz no good, & b sides he had inherited a bad habit phrom hiz grandphather, which wuz steeling eggz. I never had hung a dog b-4; but Jerry sade he new how 2 do it. 1 borrowed about 10 pheet of the close line (phor which i phorgot 2 ask permishum), & we started phor the wouldz 2 phind the plaise of exikusium. We went where the hired man waz kutting would, & asked hymn 2 help us bend down a sapling, telling hymn we wuz going to hang old "Tag" (that wuz the dogz maine). John said it wuz kruel 2 hong dogz that wai. He said it would b better 2 shoot hymn; but Jerry & me were bound to hang hymn, & we said iph he woodn't help us bend down a t ee we wood hang him 2 the phence. Jerry said it wuz a easie wai 2 hang dogz, & that the dog wood never no what hurt hymn he wood di so quick. Phinelie John did konsent to help us bend down a sapling, about as big as a manz leg, & we tied it down so that John kood go back 2 hiz work while we perphormed the traggedie. We tied I end of the kord 2 Tagez nece, & wur both setting on the the top oph the tree, & Jerry wuz kutting awai sum limz phrom the tree, when awl at 1-st the nife slipped, & kut the rope that held the tre down, b-4 we had got the dog tied phast. But we wuz both phast 2 it, & we went about 20 pheet neerer 2 heven in the phrisk of a lamz tale. We both hung 2 the tre, or we might halve kum down several rods neerer to home; but, az it wuz, we phound ourselves up a tree about az quich az we had kalkulated that the dog wood go up. It took us an our 2 get down, & then we went home & phound the dog laing under the stove warming hizselph, with the rope on hiz neck. & the wai my maturnal parint kombed mi hare with the broom stick, when she phound I had kut her close line, wuz a koshun 2 sinners.-Peter Pringle.

[We publish this "contribution" for a double purpose: (1), To illustrate the pains and penalties of Humorous Editorship; and, (2), To discover to the Canadian public one of the comic cankers that destroy our national literature, and bring it into contempt. No abstract essayist could, we feel, argue the question so powerfully as the above (very laughable) effusion of the Hamilton humorist does,-Ep.1

REFLECTIONS BY OUR OWN PHILOSOPHER,

The power of lifting a chair depends upon the way in which you take hold of it; and so it is, alas, with a sent in Parliament—quite hopeless to think of picking one up unless you can command a good purchase.

Appropriate name for a President of a Society for the Prevention of Crucity to animals—Argell.

Long words, like long dresses, frequently hide something wrong about the understanding.

It is not true that the Galic initiatory service in one of the city churches on Sanday, was held on the assumption of that language being the vernacular of Hades.

Aursery Rhymes Renovated.

THE NEW MOTHER HUBBARD.

There once was a Knight Whose sole earthly delight Was playing sharp tricks on his neighbors, Disturbing their dreams, Upsetting their schemes And bringing to nothing their labors.

He practiced his fun, Amongst others, on one, DAME HUBBARD (not her of the story ;) And her honest dismay-The result of his play He witnessed with feelings of glory.

For many a year He kept up a career Of trickery, intrigue and blunder-They filled all the papers With tales of his capers-But finally be was knocked under,

"Now," says he, "sure as eggs, I am on my last legs, But I'll play one more prank ere I fall," So without one mord word He relieved the DAME's board Of an hundred "appointments" in all.

Then when NewMother Hubbard went to the cupboard To get her old frieud a bone Lo! to her despair, the cupboard was bare-And she knew 'twas that scalliwag Jons.

AN INTERCEPTED LETTER

Hon, A. MACKENZIE, Ottawa

LEADER OF MY FAITH,-Long I have waited in the hopeless gully of expectation, and never a crumb has been handed to me by the party I have so long supported, and who have just ended their more than miserable existence by making one hundred and four appointments, and leaving me to pine alone.

"Out in the cold world, out in the street, Lonely I tramped around on the beat; Never a crumb they've given to me, And now I'm a Grit, love, and true unto thee."

Your bland expression of countenance, and the winning grace of your kingly form has led me to hope better things from you Your object will be, of course, to secure a working majority in the House. Now, if you will only believe it, I can, with about four thousand dollars judiciously lavished, hump in about nine weak-kneed Tory members; this will fix your little business, and give you a good two years "Office Waltz," without any danger of your being cut out as others have been.

I don't approach you with any corrupt motives; but, if you see any stray sinceure lying around loose, I know you won't forget how anxious I am to have my Schedules rectified.

Your everlasting Stave.

TORY CAMP, Monday.

A. T. RAYTOR.

REGULATING THE STREET CARS.

THE BILL for the Regulation of the Street Cars, introduced at a special meeting of the City Council on Wednesday night by Mr. Ald. Hime, was lost in committee of the whole. The framer of the measure has hitherto shown himself a sagacious and successful municipal legislator, and his failure on this occasion may somewhat surprise him and the electors of his ward. The defeat of the Bill was due mainly to the opposition offered by Ald. Cann, and the support accorded by Ald. Transa. There is little doubt, judging from the style of objection raised by these gentlemen, that the Bill would have passed triumphantly if it had contained provisions like the following:

1.-Aldermen of the city shall have the first lien on sitting space.

2.—Any handsome (young) lady entering a car, and finding it fully occupied, shall sit on the lep of the nearest Alderman.

3.—No ex-Alderman or Street Bailway Solicitor of undue weight entering a car already filled shall allow himself, by any sudden jolt of the car or otherwise, to be thrown violently into the lap of any lady passenger.



THE POLITICAL MOTHER HUBBARD AND JOHN A'S "DYING INIQUITY."

BROAD HINTS

To Mayor Manning .- There is a neat volume on "The Libertfes of the Press and the Danger of Shutting Our Reporters" to be found at some of the city bookstores. It can be had either with paper or calf binding, and the price is very low. The name of the publisher has just now slipped our memory.

To the New Chief of Police .- Dr. Watts' little brochure on "Kindness" will well repay a reading.

To Sir John A. Macronald -The electoral division of West Torento is at present believed to be the most bleak and cold section of this city. Several of the streams are frozen over, and the people talk of nothing but " Pacific Scandal."

To Mr. Mackeszie .- "Cabinet Making Without a Master," a valuable little work, may be had at Irving's bookstore.

FUELISH COMPLAINTS.—The complaints we hear just now about the Fuel Association of this city, are generally unwarranted. Mr. McMcauch is, we are sure, honestly doing his best to make everybody happy.

TO THE GREAT READER.

(Picked up at the Music Hall Door.)

Mr. Bellew! please pardon my passion;
You have captured my heart, 1 declare! But I really don't know which I love most-Your reading, your face or your hair!

A YOUNG LADY.

HIGH COURT OF ASSIZE.

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THE CROWN vs. BINGLES.

Before the Hon, Justice Croaker.

[BY ORD'S SPECIAL REPORTER,]

ONE of the most flagrant cases of cold-blooded cruelty which, for atrocity, far exceeds those exquisite fortures of the Spanish Inquisition, was tried before the Hon, JUSTICE CROAKER last week.

The counsel for the prosecution, Algerron Slasher, Q.C., rested his case upon the following facts:—It appears the prisoner, Henry BINGLES, a Life Insurance Agent, bad been an intimate friend of the deceased, Thomas Jonson, who was a man of good habits, and quiet, inoffensive disposition; delicate in health, and of an extremely nervous temperament. It was proved, beyond question, that prisoner had laid a wager, that he could a talk him out of a Life Policy," and on the evening prior to Jorsox's death, had called upon him with that view. He obtained admission to deceased's room, and carefully locked the door.

SARAH MASTERS, housemaid, stated that she went up to deceased's apartment on the evening in question, and heard the prisoner talking to deceased "in a hard, harsh, penetrating tone of voice." Also heard deceased say, piteously :- "Do, for pity's sake, give me a rest;" but prisoner went on remorselessly

The deceased appeared to be suffering great agony. This occurred about 8 o clock. About 2 o'clock ann, the prisoner called the servant up to let him out of the house, observing, as he took his departure, "He had done for Busques at last; but it was precious hard work." Thinking something serious had happened, witness went to deceased's room, and saw the blood oozing freely from his left ear. He was quite dead. (Here the witness was so affected that she had to be carried out of court.)

Sandy McTavisu, M.D., was next called, I am a medical practitioner. I have a diploma—I bought it. This case is the only one of the kind I ever saw. To explain its diagnosis I must ask the indulgence of the gentlemen of the jury, so that they will clearly comprehend the medical testimony—I will not take up the time of the court longer than is strictly necessary. The ear, time of the court longer than is strictly necessary. The ear, gentlemen, is, properly speaking, a triple member, a trio junctu in you know; the external; the middle, or tympanum and the internal, or labyrinth ("Ear, Ear," by a juryman). The outer portion of the ear, or hap, is called the Pinna, the outer rim of which is named the Heliz, which was supposed by the ancients to have been the Elixer of Life, and doubtless gave rise to the expression "to travel on one's ear," by which means the deceased travelled to a northwest early the early reconstraints. an untimely end. The small promontories over the drum of the ear, or as it is called the concha, collects the sounds, which are transmitted through the auditory canar, and conducted to the middle car or Tympanum. The drum is protected by tafted eminences (Incisura-Intertragica) which are situated between the two trayi,

Coursel for Prosecution-Will you please make a note of that; it

is important, my Lord.

Evidence continued.—To show you the effect of sound, gentlemen, I may say that inside the car are the lamina spirates, upon which

the filaments of the auditory nerve are stretched. The sounds strike upon these luminæ, and cause an impression to be made upon the auditory nerve, and are carried to the brain. In the internal ear, among the membraneous labyrinth, is a fluid, the vitrine auditive, which you can get at any drug store. This fluid answers the same purpose to the ear as whiskey does to the stomach-it gives it tone. In the thick sub-cutaneous tissue of the cartillagenous part of the mealus auditoris externis.-You see, gentlemen, the case is quite simple—the sound travels until it strikes the drum membrane, and when sound is excessive it naturally affects the tympanic branch of the gloso pharyngeal nerve, or more commonly termed "Jacobsen's" nerve; so-called because Jacobsen was the first man who ever had one. Well, gentlemen of the jury, the effect of all this is that the continued excessive sound striking upon the tempanum of the deceased was so great that it caused the arteries to rupture, and produced appoplexy. Thus, you see, gentlemen, the deceased was literally and actually tolked to death. My examination of deceased demonstrated this fact very plainly, f r the drum membrane was completely torn away, so much so, indeed, that I may say that it was completely blown away!

Question by a juryman-Would the rays of sound passing through the aqua ductus Fallopic connected with the carrotid flexus of the sympathetic, produce the same effect?

Witness, (thoughtfully)—Most undonbtedly, and I am pleased to observe the intelligence of the jury, who will, doubtless, understand the indescribable agonies deceased must have suffered.

Coursel for the Prosecution-My Lord, that is the case for the Crown.

Symond Shockhead, Q. C.-M'Lud, after the elaborate testimony of Dr. McTavish, I cannot conscientiously undertake the defence. The horrible barbarity of the crime with which the prisoner stands charged, and which has been so clearly proved by the evidence aforesaid, fully warrant me in my course of action-for, never, M Lud and gentlemen of the jury, never shall it be said that for a mere pecuniary consideration 1 ever took charge of any case so strongly opposed to law and justice as this undoubtedly is; and permit me to add, M'Lord and gentlemen of the jury, that any one who would do so is a disgrace to the legal profession.

The learned counsel sat down amid a tumultuous burst of aplause, which was promptly checked. The prisoner appeared to feel his position most acutely.

His Lordship in summing up the evidence said :- Gentlemen of the jury, you have heard the evidence, it is for you to say whether the prisoner is guilty or not guilty of wilful murder. It is my duty to point out to you that the prisoner did, for the sake of a wager, call upon the deceased and deliberately put him to much personal inconvenience, by carrying on his occupation as a life insurance agent after the usual office hours. You have heard, gentlemen, that the deceased was a quiet, inoffensive man, and was a fitting victim for the rapacity of the prisoner. Not content with merely gaining admission to his room, he locked the door, and, as the witness, Sarah Masters, says, "talked to him in a hard, harsh, penetrating voice," He paid no attention to these abject entreaties penetrating voice. The paid no attention to these abject entreards to stop; but pittlessly, unrefentingly, cruelly and wickedly persisted in his diabolical efforts to accomplish his base purposes. Gentlemen, there are no extenuating circumstances in prisoner's behalf. He has no wife or large family to support. Possessed of qualities which would eminently fit him for an Auctioneer or Member of Parliament, if rightly used, he has prostituted his talents to gratify his spleen. He has nothing to say in his defence, but stands there, gentlemen, with a hang-dog expression of countenance in the felon's dock. Not satisfied with causing the death of deceased, he leaves the house with a wicked leer of satisfaction, saying "he had done for Bixgles at last;" evincing no sorrow, and manifesting no remorse for his atrocity. Can you, gentlemen of the jury, imagine the human mind to be guilty of such baseness. It is almost incredible. It has been stated that the deceased was deaf—but I should say, gentlemen, it is the prisoner who is deaf—yes, gentlemen, deaf to all entreaties to spare his victim's sufferings - sufferings of which you or I have but a faint conception. Time, in this case, has not been taken by the fore-lock, but by the ear, gentlemen, and has led to oblivion. If there is any doubt at all, the benefit of which the prisoner is enentitled to, it is this :- He might not have known of what he was talking about, and become mixed up in his own net-work of 6 mu-th 1 profits" and large dividends. If you think so, gentlemen, he is entitled to the benefit of that doubt.

The jury, after fifteen minutes consideration, brought in a verdict of "guilty of wilful murder," against Henry Bixgles.

The Court having performed its official duties, the unhappy prisoner was conveyed to his cell amidst the execuations of an excited mob.



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