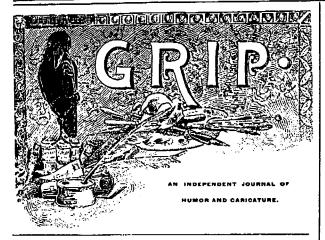
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Comments on the Gartoons.



AN INCIDENT OF A "COLD DAY."-When the wife of a Premier writes an article for a magazine, she can scarcely feel surprised or offended if the knowing ones amongst her readers insist upon finding in her contribution the evidences of inspiration from high political sources. Lady Macdonald has an article in the last number of Murray's Magazine, on the subject of "Toboganning." Most of those who read it will consider it a pleasant chatty account of the popular winter sport by a cultivated lady, whose pen glides as easily as "sliding down a hill." In all likelihood this is all it was intended to be. But the very knowing ones-GRIP, of course, among them-will not fail to regard bits here and there as allegories,

though it is not known for certain that Sir John was around the house when his better half was writing. It is hard to make GRIP, at all events, believe that there was no covert political allusion in the story of the two English officers. What further proof is required than the readiness with which the incident in question may be made to illustrate the astonishment of the Opposition leaders at the way in which Sir John holds on?

THE FALL OF CARDINAL WOLSEY NORQUAY. - Political events in Manitoba are moving with such rapidity that GRIP cannot hope to keep pace with them without publishing a daily edition. Last week we pictured the advent of the new Harrison Government under the similitude of a foundling. Before our lively printers could strike off the edition, the unhappy child had departed to that bourne whence no make-shift Governments return, and a new cabinet was reigning in its stead. The implication of our cartoon of last week, that Norquay was the real leader of the so-called Harrison Government, was borne out by the instantaneous election of that gentleman to the leadership of the Opposition, upon Mr. Greenway being called to office. In the cold shades, the Hon. John may have time to reflect upon the golden opportunity he has thrown away. His miserable subserviency to the powers at Ottawa has lost him his portfolio, and, what is worse, the respect of the people of the Province. Once more is the practical lesson taught that-notwithstanding appearances to the contrary-men of sterling principle are the only ones who really succeed in political life.

ME have been asked to state why it is that whereas the ballot system is in vogue in the election of public school trustees, the open system is still retained in the case of separate school elections. It is well known that the Roman Catholic electors are in favor of the ballot, and have time and again made their wishes known. You want to know the Why and the Wherefore, O, correspondent? Be calm. The ballot is on the way to the separate school folks. Mr. Mowat has it under consideration, and the time-table of future action is being made out now by his confidential clerk. It is as follows: -F ish consideration of subject, December '88; become convinced of justice of granting ballot, March, '89; see expediency of same, July, '90; become impressed with unreasonableness of further delay, April '91; see danger of loss of R. C. votes, February 12, '92; prepare bill, Feb. 13, '92; pass same, Feb. 14, '92. All these great reform measures require time, you know.

HEY had an auction sale of paupers in New Brunswick a short time ago—no; this isn't a misprint. New Brunswick, not New Patagonia. They are regular, legal, annual affairs, these auctions of paupers in some of the parishes down in that enlightened Province. The unfortunate chattels are sold on the Dutch system—you get your pauper for nothing, and a money bonus thrown in. The man who will take the smallest bonus is the successful bidder. He then takes away his slave—pauper, we meant to say-and is entitled to its services for the ensuing year. They come pretty cheap, too. One fellow, at the late sale, bought a fine young woman for nothing, and got seven dollars to boot. Another philanthropist bought a wretched old blind pauper and with him got about \$150. It is with pride that we chronicle these facts. We will not forget hereafter, when blowing about our country in foreign lands, to mention this pauper-selling institution, a branch of native industry which is generally overlooked by the panegyrists of Canada.

MAYOR CLARKE has made a splendid start. On Monday evening, upon formally assuming office, he delivered, as his opening message to the Council, a statement of our civic affairs so able, sensible and thorough, that all who heard—or have since read—it, are inspired with the belief that we have a Mayor for '88 not unworthy of his eminent predecessor. Much to the relief of some good but timid people we know, his Worship did not propose to set fire to the City Hall, and double the number of saloon licenses. He did not even suggest that the front windows of the Globe office ought to be caved in. He was quite moderate, on the contrary. His address displayed a wide knowledge of civic affairs, and a disposition to look after the interests of the city to the best of his ability. In short we are to have an Orange Sentinel at the City Hall.

E are pleased to observe that, now the mayoralty contest is over, Mr. Elias Rogers has become an honorable, straightforward Christian man of business-as. he was up to the day he accepted the nomination.

HERE'S another grievance that ought to be remedied right away. A business man came to us the other day with doleful aspect—(the afflicted of the earth know where to come for sympathy and help)—and said almost with tears in his eyes, that he had a burden he would like to get rid of. In tender tones we admonished him to state his trouble. In response he said that he had a whole hundred dollars in postage stamps, which had been thrust upon him in the course of business. "Now," said he, in broken accents, "I can't work 'em off on other people, and I can't sell 'em in bulk without a license, and I can't get the Government to redeem 'em in gold. What am I to do?" We wrung his hand feelingly and said we would think it over. We have been doing so ever since.

SIR JOHN said some very nice things about Mr. Mowat in his speech at the banquet last week. After giving the matter a few years consideration, the great man from Ottawa appears to have concluded that our Oliver is not a "little tyrant," but a pretty smart Attorney-General of diminutive physical proportions. This is no doubt the result of sundry meetings the gentlemen have had in the meantime before the Privy Council. Says the old soldier in the Lady of Lyons, "It's wonderful what a liking I take for a man after I've fought with him!" Sir John seems to share the feeling. The old soldier got licked, too, if you remember.

THE Press Club of the city had a house-warming on Saturday evening, with which pleasant ceremony the elegant new apartments on Bay Street were formally opened. The move from the dingy little room in the Grand Opera building was in every way well advised, and now that the club has got an abiding place of positively swell character, the membership ought to be doubled before you could say "Jack Robinson." This is not a ribald reference to the popular President, J. Ross R., to whose taste and liberality, by the way, the gentlemen of the Toronto Press are mainly indebted for their present enviable quarters.



IS IT ANY WONDER THAT CANADA IS CALLED A COLD COUNTRY?

A DESPATCH in the Globe says:—"Eight armed men stopped a Mexican Central passenger train." The engine-driver was probably paralyzed with terror on seeing these freaks of nature.



A SIGNAL failure—Railway accident.
The Joggins raft again! Shiver my timbers!
If the sugar war gets very hot, it will end in taffy.

Bismarck-Neuralgia-Chestnut-Oldralgia by this time.

The Queen intends to visit Florence. This will boom the actor greatly.

Stanley has reached Emin Bey; but we can't find the place on our map.

If Mr. John Morley takes his tour through Ireland, it may prove a tour de force.

The fellow whose girl joins a Chautauqua circle finds out she can chat aquardly on squaring the circle.

Mr. Price, Conservative, will be returned for Victoria, B.C., by acclamation. Clearly, every man has his Price in Victoria.

A poet in the *Week* writes a poem asking poets not to write poems. Consistency! thou art a Miss W—— or else a mistake.

General Middleton will back Canadians to fight their guns against any artillery in the world. Will anybody take it up?

Damage to the extent of \$200,000 has been done by fire at the Brooklyn navy yard. We fear the best part of the U.S. navy has been lost.

The war council at Sofia has decided to defend Bulgaria against any invaders. The Bulgarians were not Sofiary about the kidnapped Alec.

The New York Senate threw a million dollars into the State canals. The throwing of cash upon the waters isn't quite like the throwing of bread.

The Powers will ask the Porte to remove Prince Ferdinand. In the present foreboding of a storm in Europe will this porte be of any use?

Reports usually follow blazes; but in firing off the Departmental reports as soon as prepared, the government will get blazes after—in Parliament.

Lord Lytton is fitting up the British Embassy in Paris, regardless of expense. That is how our Tupper fitted up his London house; but who paid?

The Executive Committee of the Council have dropped the name of one of the old auditors in their report to the council. They say his Hughesfulness is gone.

WOMAN'S HIGHER SPHERE.

ALPHONSO DE BROWN was busily engaged waxing the ends of his moustache with mucilage, when the servant brought him a letter. On looking at the handwriting he recognized the well-known blots that obliterated half his name, and his moustachios curled with joy in spite of the gum. The highly scented epistle read as follows:—

"My esteemed Mr. de Brown—You may call on me to-morrow, when Pa will be out all the afternoon. If my hopes are realized all may be well yet. Your old admirer,

ARAMINTA."

A. de Brown did not sleep that night; but sat up smoking all the old cigar stubs he could find in the deserted fireplace, wrapped in a blanket and a lover's thoughts. next day he called and was admitted to the drawing-room -no one was there to receive him, and during the two hours he waited for that unmistakable foot-step he could not help noticing in a rapid glance how entirely altered was the place. The warmth and color seemed to have gone out with the hall-stove, and all was cold and cheerless. In places where stood the easy chairs, ottomans, velvet footstools, fur-rugs, etc., were terrestrial and celestial globes, a telescope, a photographic set, a skeleton and a A dead cat, in the course of dissection, case of fossils. rested on a white marble table in the corner where had once stood a beautiful Wedgewood cabinet; and where the piano used to locate its dulcet strains, the chill ilence of an Egyptian mummy rested in a slant against the dado.

Alphonso thought he had got into the wrong house and was about to escape from the strange museum, when the door opened and revealed the form of Araminta Van Goldstein. So long a time had elapsed since he had seen the object of his heart's affections that he scarcely recognized her in the short haired, gold eye-glass'd, severely dressed matter-of-fact girl, who gazed at him as though he were a newly arrived trilobite or pleiosaurus. He stepped forward, but was instantly checked by the repressive sneer that curled completely around the once smile-enwreathed nose of his only idol.

"You are here, then, Mr. de Brown, and evidently have no idea of why you are here," said the girl, "but you will soon learn. I have determined to marry no one but a profound scholar and scientist, one who will be able, if not to guide and assist, at least to follow and pick up fragments in the noble path of intellectual culture wherein I now tread. If you wish to gain my hand and rest under the shadow of my father's residence, as you have evidently wished for these seven years since, it will be necessary for you to convince me at once of your scholastic fitness to be my companion through a life devoted to the pursuit of knowledge and the advancement of truth. To be brief, therefore, will you tell me at once and as concisely as possible, whether you consider the palseolithic remains of Venezuela to be as old as those of the Belgian caves; if there is any hope of discovering the origin of the Romani in the buried cities of the Eastern plateau of Asia; whether the origin of celestial species as propounded by Norman Lockyer recently was in anyway fore-shadowed by the old nebular hypothesis, and to what extent we may expect the biological researches in connection with the spontaneous generation of animal life may—?"

A loud shriek was heard as Alphonso de Brown jumped from the open window into the conservatory below, bearing with him the undissected remains of the unfortunate cat, which vainly opposed his egress.



MAKES HIS FIRST APPEARANCE ON THE MUNICIPAL TIGHT-ROPE.

THE BALLAD OF GUNHILDA.



GUNHILDA was a maiden fair
Of very high degree,
And 'gainst her papa's wishes
She loved Prince Popingee.
Upon the castle wall she stands
To see his ship sail by,
And planning in her cunning mind
How with him she may fly.



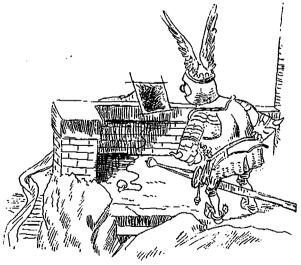
All suddenly her dreadful Pa,
The Baron Boomerang,
Appears upon the balcony,
And pours forth oaths and slang,
"Calm down, dear Pa," the maiden says,
"Your language is quite shocking;
"I am not flirting, as you think,
"I'm knitting me a stocking!"



When he had gone, the maiden cute
Her skilful labor quickens;
For half an hour her needles fly,
A-knitting like the Dickens.
Ha, ha!" she inwardly exclaims,
"I think I clearly see
A little scheme by which I soon
"May join Prince Popingee!"



She signals to her lover bold,
And he draws nigh the wall;
She fastens there the stocking end,
And through the leg doth crawl
Into the arms of Popingee,
Clear out of reach of Pa;
Then both the lovers join in mirth,
And fearless say "Ha, ha!"



The Baron Boomerang came back
Some later in the day,
But no Gunhilda could he find,
Which filled him with dismay.
"If she has tumbled from the tower,
"Her head," quoth he, "she'll crack it;"
But when he saw the stocking end
He tumbled to the racket!

Verses written on the blank leaf of "The Epistles o' Airlie."

WELCOME aye is Hughie Airlie, Ay, as e'er was Royal Charlie, For he has entranced us fairly.

Hugh's a type o' the kind o' Scot Wha kens the value o' a groat, And hoo tae keep a guid grip o't.

Of course, the dear land o' his birth, For wit, for wisdom, and for worth Hasna its equal on the earth.

Hugh's a compound o' common sense, Simplicity and arrogance, Of modesty and impudence.

He's void o' either fear or doot, Lays doon the law beyond dispute On things that he kens nocht aboot.

And yet at times, without pretence, He stammers into wit and sense, And maks for Right a brave defence.

Nor does he lack capacity, Plenty o' Scotch sagacity, But spoils a' by rapacity.

And rather sorry we're to say, There's plenty o' folk in that way, Can equal Hughie ony day.

A politician! woe betide A' them wha are na on his side; The wrang of course he canna bide.

But then he's very often right, And speaks his mind wi' a' his might, And few can match him in a flyte.

Nor is the fallow void o' wit, For he has mony a happy hit At some who in high places sit.

But, puir man! he's like mony anither Meek, modest, unassuming brither, Cursed wi' a horrible gudemither,

So mothers-in-law he despises, And to his full height he arises When their misdeeds he satirises.

In short, through the delineation, The author shows discrimination; Tho' humble Hugh's a real creation,

ALEXANDER M'LACHLAN.

WHAT ABOUT HIM?

A SOUTHERN mother has just sent her son to college to get the blessings of a higher education, and says that in order to get this advantage for him, she—a lady brought up in luxury and refinement, has earned the money picking cotton in the fields. Now that's just like some mothers; it was a great thing, and ne illustration of maternal self-denial—but what GRIP wants to know is—where was the young man and what was he doing while his mother was picking all that cotton—eh?

ANXIOUS ENQUIRIES

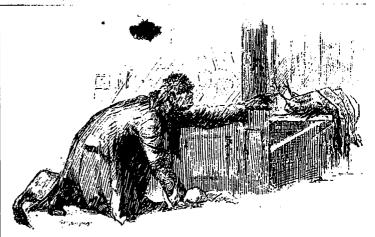
Rev. P. McF. McLeod delivered an address on "Our inheritance in the Northwest."

As Mr. McLeod professes to have some knowledge about it, will he be good enough to tell us who is collecting the rents of our inheritance? Also, if we wanted to go and live upon our inheritance, could we do so without having to pay the guardians of it, for permission to occupy our own?

TORONTO OPERA HOUSE.

NEXT week at the Toronto Opera House the charming young actress and vocalist, Miss Bella Moore. change says:—That the audience present at the California Theatre last night appreciated the excellent performance presented, was evidenced by the liberal applause bestowed upon the leading artists taking part therein. Miss Bella Moore, as the heroine, was all that the part required of her, acting with that easy and refined abandon The story of "A which has made Lottie famous. Mountain Pink," depicts life among the mountains, and is full of telling situations. Coupled with her excellent qualities as an actress, Miss Moore is possessed of rare beauty. Of Mr. Varney as "Jack Weeks," we can only say that he played the part assigned him to perfection. Mr. Frank Hennig as "Harry Wilmot" also deserves special mention, as does also Maud Midgley as "Nondas." Taken altogether, the company is what they are represented to be, first-class artists in their business, and should meet with the hearty endorsement of the San Jose theatre-going public.—San Fose (Cal.) Mercury.

THE BATTLE OF SEDAN.—The grand battle painting of the Battle of Sedan, at York and Front streets, shows the action just previous to the surrender of the French, when, with his troops flying in all directions, the Emperor Napoleon realized that the star of the French Empire had set. The white flag was hoisted on the citadel, the cannonading having ceased suddenly about half-past four o'clock p.m. Eager as the people were to know the cause, they could not leave the houses, as the streets were impassable, and they had to be content with learning the mere facts of the surrender. As night came on the crowds diminished some, and by a little effort one could make some headway. The spectacle offered was more horrible than war. Dead were lying everywhere, civilians and soldiers mingled in the slaughter. In one suburb alone could be counted fifty peasants and bourgeoise, many women and children among them, dead. ground was filled with splinters and fragments of shells which had performed their deadly mission. Starving soldiers cut up the dead horses to cook and eat, for provisions had given out and Sedan abandoned to wreck and ruin. An opera or field glass can distinguish these fearful scenes plainly.



LEA-VING GOODS EXPOSED.

Gem'men from de Ward-Guess dis grocer don't want dem turkeys d'ay've bin layin' roun' careless like all winter!

A SOLUTION DISCOVERED.

MR. GRIP'S PLAN TO SETTLE THE MANITOBA GOVERN-MENT DIFFICULTY.

FOLLOWING the example set by enterprising daily contemporaries, Mr. GRIP has finally decided to settle this Manitoba Government difficulty off-hand, to dispose of the entire stock of difficulty, as it were, at clearing out prices. By publishing condensed and grammatically worded advertisements, enterprising daily contemporaries often settle weighty questions regarding by-laws and things to the perfect satisfaction of several of the persons interviewed.

GRIP takes a like course to get this Prairie Province Political Pot stopped boiling and skimmed. Doing so, GRIP is awake, and, admittedly in a wake—though not necessarily in "a wakened condition," as Bro. Boyle might allow himself to express it, if you were to ask the lofty and copper-toed Irish patriot how Toryism in England would emerge from another general ballot-boxing match.

"What's the right way to establish a popular and presumably permanent administration in the Prairie Province?" was the momentous question that from GRIP's basket went thundering through the mail-bags one day recently, post paid, and caused many a cheek to blanch when the work of deciphering the annexed replies reared up its horrid head:—

THE PROPRIETARY MEDICINE CURE.

My Dear Grip,—Easy as the sublime and exhilarating pastime of falling off a log when you are asleep. "Send up for a lotion a copy of my new Ontario Electoral Division Map. If the fever will not subside quickly with this, and my Indian Franchise Remedy, apply a poultice of Unspecific Promises, and administer a few doses of New Post Office Opiate. I could, if necessary, let Dr. Dunn and a few other trusty graduates of the Returning Officer College, take a look at the patient. Merely a case of political jim-jams, and I—that is to say we, all know how it is ourselves.

Jони A. М----.

HEROIC TREATMENT.

SIR,—What they want in Manitoba is a co-ercion act and more jails.

B—L—F—R.

A SELF-SACRIFICING OFFER.

DEAR MR. GRIP,—I would be willing to give my services for a consideration, not absolutely large if it were lasting.

J. D. E———.

P.S.—Poetical contributions of mine would not be charged for—as such.

WANTS MORE TIME.

GRIP, Esq.,—I am not prepared at this moment to pass an opinion on the subject. "Party is the madness of many at the expense of a few —— leaders."

EDW. B———.

AN EXPERT OPINION.

FRIEND GRIP,—The party managers, I should judge, want to be loaded up the other way.

ALF. B----

HE GRINDS SLOWLY.

Hon. Mr. Grip,—I am prepared to write a volume or two on Constitutional Law, dealing with the several questions at issue, when I get through with Henry George. Till then watch Advertiser editorials and may be you'll notice something in them.

D. M———.

BRIEF BUT -

REFER you to Jim Stephens. J. J. H————.

AT THE VERY ROOT.

BELOVED GRIP,—Adapting the story of the old preacher who prayed to be kept humble and poor, let Manitoba politicizns get the people into that happy condition. They can induce the proper state of humility by letting the Commercial Union agitation go on. For the rest, let them establish a few High Commissionerships on a Provincial basis.

CHAS. T————.

BEGIN AT THE BEGINNING.

HAVE the ministers any giveaway telegrams they need advice about? These must be attended to first.

WM. McD----

LEAST SAID, SOONEST FORGOTTEN.

DEAR SIR,—I would not dare to say anything for fear I might be putting an obstacle in the way to throw the popular government off the track, a simile which I have a dim recollection of using at a former political crisis.

G—--- N S—----

TEUTONIC TESTIMONY.

HERR GREEP,—Dey vants a shtanding army to maindain, in der Nort-vest ouid.

Dot vould odder drouples deir mints offen keeb.

OTTO VON B.————.

HOME TROUBLES.

Don'r bother me, darn you! Haven't we in Haldimand enough of this sort of thing ourselves?

Dr. M-----

ANXIOUS TO AID.

TO THE EDITOR OF GRIP,—I believe in proper legislation to effect a cure. I would put a bill through Parliament ——— if I only could.

D. McC———.

People of Manitoba, you perhaps know what's the matter with you. although Grip has a shrewd suspicion haunting him that you really don't. Anyway, here is your remedy. Either or all of these free receipts are offered to you. Now, go and dispose of your government embroglio, or seraglio, or whatever the correct diplomatic term may be. Don't go on imitating France in this North America of ours. If you find it impossible to dispose of the government difficulty to advantage, why, go to work and dispose of the government. Dispose of something, even if you have to get Coolican back again.

METEOROLOGICAL.

"What fine winter weather—so bright, cold and clear," Said Jones to a friend whom he met;

"Tis not often we have such a steady spell here,
With no intermission of wet."

"Fine weather, indeed," was the crusty reply,
"As I have good reason to know,
But I fancy you'd relish as little as I
To be fined for not clearing the snow.

"'Tis steadily cold—yes, too cold to suit me,
Of my hardly earned ducats bereft;
When you're money has fled you will find it to be
A very cold day when you're left."

In future all the Canada Atlantic cars will be heated by steam from the locomotives. We would suggest that hot baths be supplied to passengers from the same source.

THE CONSUL FOR TIMBUCTOO.

Augustus O'Doode was consumed with an ardent ambition to attain a first-class social position. His father, a worthy butcher, had left him in independent circumstances, so the fact that the receipts of the law office. where he smoked and read the papers for two or three hours daily, to keep up the status of a professional man, did not suffice to pay the rent, in no way troubled him. He had been recently married to a young lady whose parents had also amassed considerable money in the tavern business, and his wife fully shared his ambitious social views. Hitherto the recent plebeian associations of the O'Doodes had proved an insuperable bar to their admission to the more elite circles of the snobocracy. It was in vain that they had toned down the original Milesian patronymic of "O'Dowd" to the softer "O'Doode," which, as Mrs. O'D. remarked, "sounded so much more genteeler, you know." It was in vain that Augustus passed successfully the ordeal of admission to the Toronto Club. and invariably called on the Lieut.-Governor every New Year's Day. The O'Doodes somehow didn't catch on. He was tolerated by the men, as he was liberal in the matter of champagne and cigars, but that was all. The people whose grandfathers had been butchers and tavernkeepers could not be expected to invite to their entertainments a couple only separated from these vulgar callings by a single generation.

It was the day after a very recherche evening party had been given by Hon. Percy Bewuler, a great political and railroad magnate, to which, as usual, the O'Doodes had not been invited, although Augustus had talked high Toryism to him at the club for half an hour, in the hope of making a favorable impression. During the morning a female friend who had been present had filled Mrs. O'Doode's bosom with envy, by recounting the glories of the occasion, and enumerating the favored guests.

"Only to think," said she to her husband, "the McFlunkeys were there—that hateful little snob, Ted McFlunkey, and his pug-nosed, freckled-faced wife. She must be ten years older than he is. She was the daughter of old Zwindler, the Dutch tailor, you know—and McFlunkey is a mere nobody. He came here from England poor, and to day they are not nearly as well off as we are. But they are in society."

"Ah yes; but McFlunkey is Consul for Madagascar."

"What difference does that make?"

"He goes everywhere officially, you know. Ah, I have it! I'm right onto the racket—I'll"—

"Augustus, I wish you would not use such vulgar

expressions."

"I've got it," joyfully continued Augustus, without heeding her remonstrance—"the very thing. I'll be a consul myself. What's the matter with being Consul for Timbuctoo?"

"Timbuctoo? and where is Timbuctoo? and what do they want with a consul in Toronto?" queried Mrs.

O'Doode.

"Well, there is such a country. It's somewhere in Africa, I believe—anyway, they've got no consul here, and they might as well have one as Madagascar or Monaco, or Venezuela, or any of them—especially if it will help us to get into society, and hold up our heads with the McFlunkeys or any of 'em. That's the main point after all. I'll write to-morrow, offering to take the position without salary, and pay all expenses. Then they'll have to ask us to all their high-toned shindigs, or it'll be a grave breach of international courtesy calculated

to result in strained relations and diplomatic entanglements."

O'Doode's brilliant scheme proved completely successful. In a few weeks his modest legal shingle was supplemented by a larger sign, bearing the inscription, "Consulate of Timbuctoo," with the national arms. He got himself a gorgeous diplomatic uniform, and no list of invited guests to any high-class entertainment is now complete without the names of "Augustus O'Doode, Consul for Timbuctoo, and Mrs. O'Doode."

Some things can be done as well as others—if you only

know how.

THE NOVEL OF THE FUTURE.

Considering the fertility of resource of the modern advertiser it is a little remarkable that he has not invaded the domain of fiction to any extent. We have advertising poems and paragraphs and articles in the papers framed so as to entrap the unwary reader. Why not an advertising novel? Something like this, for instance:

GOLD AND GORE.

A STORY OF MODERN SOCIETY.

"No, Ernest Harcourt, I can never be anything to you but a sister," said Arabella De Lacy the daughter of one of Toronto's haughtiest bankers, as they stood in the portico of an elegant mansion on Jarvis St., recently purchased on remarkably favorable terms from Hooperup & Co., real estate agents, who have a number of valuable lots in Deer Park, which they are now selling cheap. "I can never, never be your bride," she repeated, toying nervously with the diamond ring which he had purchased for her a few days before at the well-known establishment of Sparkler & Sons, King St. West.

"And why not, Arabella?" asked Ernest, as the light of hope died out of his handsome intellectual features.

f hope died out of his handsome intellectual features.
"I brook no questioning," she replied firmly. "Twere

vain to give the hand without the heart."

"Ah, proud girl!" said Ernest, "have I then been the plaything of a heartless coquette? Do the faultless robes procured of Mousselin Delaine & Co., the most fashionable dry goods house in Canada, enfold a form thus soulless? I go, but the day will come when you will bitterly regret that you spurned my love."

He turned on his heel and, raising in scornful mockery the elegant hat which bore the label of Higgins and

Swizzletop, hatters, Yonge Street, was gone.

Arabella threw herself on the lounge purchased at the mammoth furniture shop of Schlopwerk & Co., whose brilliant crimson plush covering formed a strange contrast to the ghastly pallor of her features in an agony of conflicting emotions.

"Ah, if he only knew al!," she murmured. "But no, 'tis best as it is. A chasm yawns between us. A dark, a terrible mystery enshrouds my fate, and I must be silent for his sake. But will nothing ease this dull pain at my heart? Ah I will try Kewrall's Kordial, recommended by the medical faculty, none genuine unless the name is

blown in the bottle."

She hastily quaffed a dose of the powerful elixir, and was soon wrapped in a refreshing slumber.

WHEN Professor Virchow was asked if he knew what was the matter with the Crown Prince's throat, he said, "Aye! Cancer;" and when asked if he could cure it, he repeated, "I can, Sir."

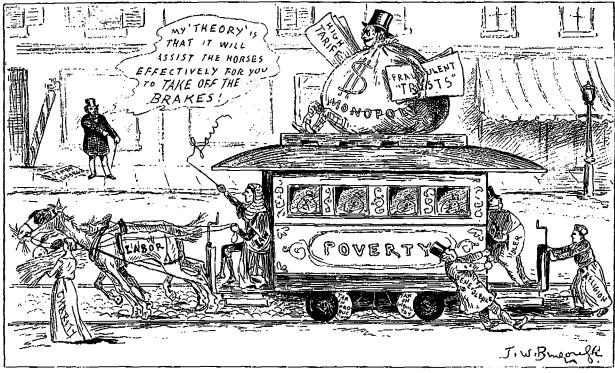


"COLD DAY." AN INCIDENT OF A

"Upon my life," said Brown, of the Rifles, to Jones, of the Line, one cold winter's day about that time, "I don't see how the thing sticks on!"

"Jove!" Jones responded, shaking his wise head, "neither do I."

Guests at a Canadian winter picnic to Montmorenci Falls and Cone, these two, lately "joined" in Canada, stood near the foot of the upper cone, and spoke as a small sled, guided by its daring owner, pitched over the first "drop" at the summit and dashed past them like a horizontal rocket.—Lady Macdonald on "Tobogganing," in Murray's Magazine.



"THE HARD ROAD TO TRAVEL."

THE VOCAL SOCIETY'S CONCERT.

A BANK of young ladies in white, with shoulder sashes of red and blue, backed up by a solid phalanx of broadcloth coats and white shirt fronts; a dapper little gentleman with baton in hand, bowing from an upturned packing box in every variety of bow, amid a storm of handclapping; so opened as usual the first annual concert of the popular Toronto Vocal Society on Tuesday evening. A few sharp taps on the leg of the music stand, and the singers arose. One note from the piano, and then "God save the Queen" was done in a manner to compensate for the thousand and one cold-blooded murders that grand anthem has suffered on all sorts of occasions. Had the audience retired after this opening number they might have considered that they had had the worth of their money; but this was only the foretaste of a plentiful feast of part songs and glees all rendered in equally artistic style. We are glad to note the constant progress the society is making, and congratulate Mr. Haslam on the evidence of his ability and care, which was so markedly given on this occasion. The pianist of the evening was Mlle. Adele Aus der Ohe, a very brilliant pupil of Liszt. As was anticipated from the record of her achievements in other cities, this young artiste made a profound impression. The vocalists were Miss Robinson and Mrs. Agnes Corlett Thomson, both of whom were highly successful. It is too bad, however, for the song writers to give nice young ladies like Miss Robinson such awful nonsense as the following to sing :-

"Thou little youthful maiden,
Come unto my great heart;
My heart and the sea and the heaven
Are melting away for love.
The sea hath its pearls,
The Heaven hath its stars,
But my heart, my heart, hath its love."

Mrs. Thomson's most taking number was an air with variations by Auber, for which she got a double recall. The bouquet business was perhaps rather over-done. The

performers deserved them, certainly, but it doesn't look spontaneous enough when flowers are sent up by special uniformed ushers as a regular item of the programme. We advise patrons of the concerts to bring their bouquets with them, and if they get as much provocation as they did on Tuesday night, rise up and fire them at the deserving artist in the good oid-fashioned way.

A JOKER IN MUSKOKA.

REMINISCENCES concerning Alex. F. Pirie, who has recently severed his long connection with the *Telegram*, are in order. Here is one illustrative of his fund of ready humor. Pirie and a friend were spending a week or two in the wilds of Muskoka, and undertook a long walk through the bush from their camp to Port Carling some six miles distant. The day was warm and they had not gone far before they grew somewhat thirsty.

"Wish there was a tavern round here," said Pirie's

"There is—I know there is," replied Alex—"See that old fellow at work in the bush?"—pointing to a man who was piling up hemlock bark collected for tanning purposes.

"Yes—let's ask him."

"Hello, friend,' said Pirie, "where's the tavern?"
"Tavern—what tavern? Ain't none about here—"

"But there is—there must be. Quit fooling and show us the way."

"Don't I tell you there aint none."

"Why, that's remarkable—most extraordinary. Wha on earth are you doing here then?"

"Me? Can't you see I'm pilin' bark?"

"Of course—it was seeing the bark-heaper that made me think the tavern couldn't be far off."

And the pair continued their course leaving the backwoodsman in a state of mingled bewilderment and irritation, muttering that "them city folks is a lot of goshblamed idiots, anyhow."

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Organs that are weak and diseased are unable to resist the attacks of this poison, and the disease often takes the form of and is treated as a local affection, when in reality the real cause of the trouble was inactive kidneys.

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ing of local effects.

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