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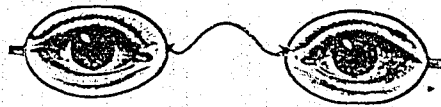
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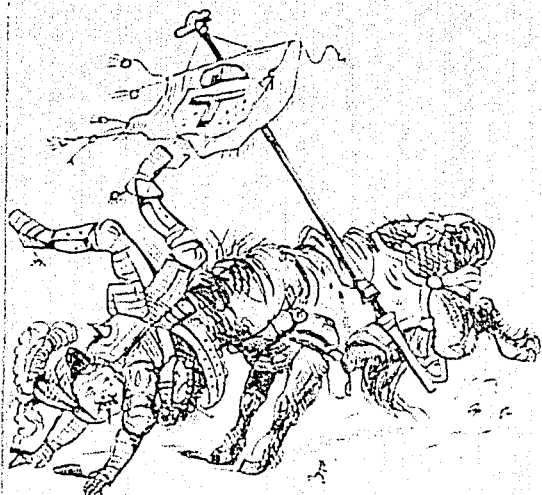
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THE NORTH-WEST NEGOTIATIONS.



HE *poovre* Sir Cartier effected a treaty with the Hudson Bay Company, and grinned as he thought he had got the best of it. There rode the gallant knight (in this case a barren knight), with his beaver up, prepared to enter on his

new possessions; but he found he had acquired nothing but beavers, muskrats, polecats, minks and skunks. The conquest was held in evil odour by the Indians, who kept possession of L'Anse aux Rats, and caught one of the Rats, the Hon. William, who found that he was not Lieutenant-Governor, and was not even left tenant, not being allowed to enter his suzerainty. Sir Cartier, unhorsed, has made an ass of himself,—his *casque* rolled on the ground, meet emblem of his being out of spirits,—his gibes and jests all gone, buried in the Red Sea; while the plundered Canadians groan, in anguish, "Oh! where, tell us where have our million and a half dollars gone?" He tried to get on *sans peur*, but could not succeed *sans Taché*.



RESOLVED not to be outdone in the competition for the prize offered by the proprietor of the *Canadian Illustrated News*, GRINCHUCKLE presents another specimen chapter, which, he flatters himself, is as good as any to be found in the most popular novels.

It was night!

Not that that was by any means an unusual occurrence, having happened repeatedly before in the world's history.

The moonlit sky was gemmed with innumerable stars, and the gentle breeze was laden with the most delicious perfumes. No sound was heard.

None save the croaking of a conceited bull-frog in a mash hard by.

The chastened glories of the landscape were scanned with eager eye by a maiden of fairy form, who leaned, in a graceful attitude, over the balcony of her chamber. Her figure was perfect, and her hair fell a silken mass

of beauty over shoulders of pearly white. Her eyes, and especially her nose [Distracted novelist: What the plague can I say?] were both useful and ornamental. [Thank goodness! there's something new.]

"How seraphic," she exclaimed, "is this hour! Yon stars are Nature's illumination in honour of the nuptials of Night and Silence."

"Croak!" ejaculated the bull-frog.

"Melodious sound!"

When contentment fills the heart, there is music in all things. The inference is that our heroine was contented.

But why was she there, solitary, and at that hour?

People have various reasons for going on the balcony; our limits will not allow us to enumerate them all.

In her case, Love's silken cords had drawn her thither. She expected a visit from the idol of her heart,—the Hon. Augustus Adolphus Percival Humbugg.

He was not in sight. This is partially accounted for by saying that he wasn't there.

"Perfidious swain!" the fair creature exclaimed. It was a natural outburst.

But hark! a stealthy footfall on the gravelled walk, which was shadowed by stately elms.

She listened, and her cheeks glowed with maidenly joy.

"Augustus!" she whispered; but there was no response. Again and again—but only silence answered her.

It was unendurable! Suddenly she withdrew into her chamber: tore the table-cloth into narrow strips, and by joining these, provided herself with a substitute for a rope; unhappily it wanted a few yards. By tying her stockings, she gained two feet—and her waterfall supplied what was yet wanting!

She secured it, and began her descent.

Had any distant traveller beheld her, he would have thought he had seen Jacob's ladder, with an angel upon it!

She alighted in safety, and, with fleet steps, hurried down the avenue, to meet her beloved.

His form was dimly visible in the distance. Now, as it crossed her path, her heart beat high; then, as it passed into the unfriendly shadow, her spirits sank.

Her instinct led her to the very spot where her coy lover was concealed.

"Augustus!" she exclaimed, and all her soul was thrown into that one utterance of affection.

"Ich naw—aw—aw!" was the reply.

It was another jackass!

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- The hail of Columbia.
- A looking-glass.
- A walking stick.

REFLECTIONS OF A DUN.

I wonder how often I've been told that master isn't at home! Are some masters ever at home?—that's a question. If not, why have they got homes? If they have, when and how do they get to 'em? Perhaps they burrow. That's likely. Leastwise I know some who are sneaks enough to do it that way. I do sometimes catch masters at home, but they always happen to be seriously ill. Does being at home injure their health? Perhaps it does. In some cases it's only inflammation of the bowels, in others dropsy; but the general rule is something infectious. It's strange the servants never seem to catch it, and yet they're so anxious about my health that they'll not let me in on any account. There's some good in servants say what you will against 'em. I don't like to see painting and varnishing going on where I've been in the habit of calling. It's clean—no doubt about that; but it's very suspicious-like. People always decorate before they bolt. It may be it's the smell of the paint what makes them bolt, but I think it's the other way. That's my experience. How unkind some people's relations are! I know young fellows who have been expecting remittances no end of a time, and they're so disappointed every mail-day. It would cut you up to see 'em! I've often wondered how some men I'm always looking out for get their trousers. I never see 'em that there isn't a variety. If they make 'em 'emselves, they must be very ingenious and hard-working, both. Have you ever thought much about trousers? They let you into character sooner nor anything I know. Beggars never go to men who wear 'em tight in the leg—their only chance is with the baggy ones. Then as to colour—but that's not what I was driving at. Some of the men who give me most trouble about money, have an extraordinary appetite for trousers;—if I could only get hold of all the pairs I've seen 'em in, it would pay me well, and I've no doubt they would soon get a fresh supply. (*Mem.*—I'll ask Mr. Simpkins to let me take out his bill in trousers.) Considering what my trade is, it's surprising how glad some people are to see me. They're not half so civil to the city missionary when he pays 'em a visit. And the more often I call, the fonder they get. There's one man I could name—when I called on him the other day, I overheard him swearing like a trooper because his gravy was burnt, but as soon as he saw me, his face beamed quite angelical. He almost wrung my hand off. No, I don't like to dun some people—especially women. I can get on well enough when they're saucy or cry, because both them things are natural; but sometimes the poor creatures stare at one so pitiful like, and never say a word, and then it does go against the grain to be cross with 'em. Still business is business, and I suppose I shall be found no worse than others when I'm dunned to settle life's little bill.

Payable on demand—The debt of Nature.

Moral elevation—Raising the devil.

A pit (t)iful complaint—The small-pox.

Do lawyers ever take the will for the deed? If not, why not?

A girl of spirit—A bar-maid.

FROM THE LOWER REGIONS.

MISTER GRINCHUCKLE.—Has yoo promis'd too maik yoor valible paper a wellcom' vissitor to the lower regions (meanin' the kitchen, you funny man!) hall the hinnates o' Rackitt Coort (meanin' the hunder-grounds) presents their comp'ments, and asks you to giv us a corner for won' of our Coachee's Pomes as he rote for our pretti Made Marion, who do's sing like a nightingal' (scuse the pun) to the grate mortification of the ladees as squalls in the parlor (P. S.—Their Shoddee) from mornin' to nite, and companioned by the pianner, wich Coachee sez is as much hout of tun' as the Misseses Grimeses themselves. I wil try an' ax' Coachee (as is Jeemes Plumjam joon'r, blush'n lik' a rose tre in ful bearin') to send awl 'is Pomes to yoo' an we all 'scribes to your jolly face in a Club. P. S.—Jeemes sez the Pomes' too scentimental i sez no, an' a Pos Offis order enclosed.

Ever of thee

ROSEE MORN.

MARION.

Down in the cellar under the street,
Marion toils with a smile so sweet;
Down in the kitchen, all day long,
Marion trilleth a dainty song.

Up in the Parlour, thinking her thought,
Sitteth my lady, all distraught;
Up in the Parlour, languishing,
Sitteth my lady, too grave to sing.

Marion thinks "'Tis a world so fair,
Roses of sweetness bloom everywhere;
So from the Cellar, day by day,
Welleth her heart-song sweet and gay.

Thinketh my lady night and morn:
"O, weary world! that I ever was born!"
Weary of novel, ball and rout,
Every day is an age of doubt.

Shame, shame on my lady, cold of heart!
Learn of the humblest to play your part;
Learn of your maid to say ere long—
Blessed be Marion's heart of song.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES FOR THE WEEK.

Duns may expect a freezing reception any day this week.

It is rumoured that the signs of the Zodiac are to be re-painted in a high style of art.

Persons experimenting in soap-boiling may expect to find themselves in bad odour.

The liability of the temperature being affected by the quantity of electricity used by the telegraph companies, steps should be taken to compel such corporations to consume their own fluid.

Shooting stars scarcely pays for the shot.

There is generally an eruption in cases of measles.

Lazy scholars should be made to understand the vibrations of rods.

Express carts are very generally used as transit instruments.

OUR UNIMPRESSIBLE CONTRIBUTOR ON THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A CANADIAN SENATOR.

The qualifications for a Canadian senator are that he shall know what will please the Cabinet, and act accordingly; that he shall understand the profit and loss on the importation of hardware and dry goods, and should there be any serious difficulty, be ready to throw it upon the patient community; but, should the gains be large, know how to pocket them, and give a portion to the support of missionary enterprises, foreign and domestic. By these means he will secure the admiration and support of the religious bodies who reign paramount in our legislative halls. As the Minister for the time being has the appointment of the senators, who are responsible only to him, and independent of the men who pay the piper, it would be an advantage to him and his master that he should have been in early life an advocate of popular rights, as he will by these means know the hollowness of the public professions of patriotism, and regulate himself by the Macdougall standard of excellence. It will not be necessary that he shall be acquainted with the various questions of public interest that may come before the august assembly of which, by the grace of the Premier, he is a member. If he has penurious habits, and wishes to save the expense of lodgings, he may go to sleep in the House, and save his annual stipend, if he only wakes up to vote when required. If he has any knowledge of the science of politics, he may have views of his own, which will be rather inconvenient, as it will retard his promotion by the man who selected him from the vulgar crowd to do the journey-work of legislation, and be independent of his employers, who must open their mouths and shut their eyes to see what their senator will send them. There are still a few in the Ottawa Senatorial Chamber, who retain inconvenient notions of popular responsibility, but the sooner they are bought up (for that is the Canadian fashion of silencing opposition) or disposed of in some other way, the better it will be for the lath and plaster cabinet at Ottawa. They are an inconvenient necessity—a remnant of the old times, when the people ruled themselves—a sort of lazar spot on the new arrangement. But we look to Quebec as a model of governing propriety, where the senator who replies to the speech from the throne (an old egg chest covered with glazed calico) exemplifies the suggestion of Polonius, when he tells his son Laertes, to go and see with what little wisdom the world is governed. Wisdom, indeed, when that animated strawberry is selected to blow the trumpet of His Majesty Bombastes Furiosus Bellows to demand half a million out of the Provincial funds, to build him an airy castle on the heights, where the demented followers of the Frenchified Fraser, of strawberry notoriety, are to bow low and form a body-guard to His Highness of Quebec, and admire his mink ermine. This is an excellent way of expending the surplus funds,—surplus by anticipation, for the drowsy treasurer has not deigned to inform the inhabitants of Sleepy Hollow of the amount of money that may

some day be at the disposal of our dear, dear local Parliament.

The legislators of Ontario have no such gilded toys as encircle ex-Mayors and Chiefs, have no followers to lead them into extravagance, and consequently they are in a pitiable condition, for they will soon be so unfortunately rich that they will be compelled to make railways, canals, and other public improvements to induce immigrants to settle on their waste lands, and thereby introduce ideas of economic simplicity which will not comport with the qualification for a Canadian Senator.

UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

As gentlemen attending the University are now preparing for the Christmas examinations, GRINCHUCKLE feels it his duty to give them what assistance he can. No student can reasonably expect to pass who is not competent to answer the following questions:—

1. Give the exact value of $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$, and, if you were asked to take a glass of it, would you decline?

2. Translate the following into Attic Greek:—

The celestial harmonies of the tabbies who nocturnally perambulate upon the tiles contiguous to my habitation are often fraught with poetical and salutary reflections. The ace of spades. Three-and-twenty days before Candlemas.

3. Write a sentence in the Somersetshire dialect, and translate it into English.

4. Translate the following sentence from an unknown writer, state who wrote it, and give various readings of the fourth verse:—

Ὁλὸς Μοθίρ Ἰββάρδ
 Ἰντ το ἔρ κυβάρδ
 Το γέτ ἔρ ποορ ἔογ α βων
 Βυτ ἕεν ἠ γοτ θαρ
 θε κυβάρδ ἕας βαρ.
 Ἄνδ εω θε ποορ ἔογ ἄδ ρυν.

5. Give the dates of the following events:—The introduction of Godfrey's cordial; the last purification of the Theatre Royal; Mr. and Mrs. Smith's Economical Council; the birth of little Jack Horner; the invention of Irish stew; the year 1869; the presentation of your indignant landlady's ultimatum.

6. State whether "St. Patrick's Day" is only "in the morning," and if you have no grounds for your opinion mention them briefly.

7. A party of six drive round the mountain; what are the contingent expenses of the whole? Calculate also the rate per unit, supposing the eldest to weigh fifteen stone, and the youngest to be a child in arms.

8. Given the height of Mont Blanc and the mean depth of the Red Sea, find the distance of an inaccessible object—say a degree.

9. Is it correct to describe Neptune as the "swell of the sea?"

10. Geography and Chronology are the eyes of history. If they took to squinting how would you cure them?

11. If your tailor can take your measure in five minutes, how soon can he make the suit? Will it suit you when he has made it, and how long will it take you to pay him?



LUCY : " Isn't he handsome ? Isn't he a love ? "

HETTY : " What a comfort he must be to his mother,—he is so sweet "

LUCY : " Wouldn't I like to kiss him for his mother ! "

CUI BONO.

Though the Drill Shed is not an *ornament* to the City, it may be applied to some useful purpose. The greatest difficulty arises from its size, which is altogether out of proportion with that of the City. The following are some of the uses which have been suggested to GRINCHUCKLE :—

1. As a Corporation safe, for the preservation of very important documents, e. g., Councillor G. W. Stephens' motions, and Ald. David's schemes, relative to the building itself. These, it is probable, would nearly fill it.
2. As a jousting-field for Canadian knights.
3. As a dancing academy, there being abundance of room for ball-practice.
4. As a loafers' exchange, for the negotiation of matters arising out of remittances from distant friends.
5. As a place for private executions, the appearance of the building being in the highest degree suggestive of the most solemn considerations.
6. As a Drill Shed.

A NEW WAY TO PAY *Old Debts*.—When you are sued by a Corporation to pay arrears of taxes, put a police force on it.—(*Dunkin.*)

WHERE ARE THE POLICE ?

(Mr. Chauveau wishes to have a Government Police to make the Quebec Ministry respected).

There is a little Ministry,
Managed with small ability,
Which wants a little armed police
To give it respectability.
In ancient times Narcissus lived,
A very swellish fellow,
Who fell in love with his own face ;
What's he to Narcisse Belleau ?

He has a court with golden sticks
And little maids in waiting,
And keeps a little equipage
To drive about in state in.
His Excellency he calls himself,
For honours little thought of
In his small shop, where members poor
Are very easily bought off.

So to put down the laugh profane,
Of those whose risibility
Is moved by all this trashy state
And sham respectability ;
Sir Narcisse and his right hand man,
Who styles himself prime minister,
Of a two penny half-penny shaving shop,
Resolved on projects sinister.

To form a band, a cohort true,
To make themselves respected
And put down all the sneering crowd,
By whom their claims rejected,
Armed to the teeth they'll break the heads
At every fresh election
Of those who fail to see the worth
Of the Ministry's election.

Some claim respect for lore profound,
Some for their affectation,
Some gain respect for virtuous lives,
In high or lowly stations.
But the strangest claim was ever made
(Queer thing this sham nobility)
Is to be watched by the Police
As a sign of respectability.

A legal conveyance—The gaol-car.

Hair-at-law—A barrister's wig.

A (w)ringing machine—A church bell.



BAFFLED.

CH—V—U.—I TINK I CAN TEACH DIS BEAR TO DANCE TO SOME TUNE. HE'S
BIG ENOUGH TO BE WORTH A FEW DOLLARS TO ME.

(Startling effect of the apparition.)

THE OLD BIRCHEN.

BY WOODWORTH.

How drear to my heart are the scenes of my childhood,
 When sad recollection presents them to view ;
 The orchards I robbed, and the deep-tangled wildwood,
 Where first the sour sweets of the truant I knew !
 The ice-covered pond, oh, how oft I shot o'er it,
 When four o'clock came, and the school was dismiss'd ;
 The thong of my father, how often I bore it,
 Though 'twas nought to the birch in the school-
 master's fist ;
 The nicely trimm'd birchen, the sharp-cutting birchen,
 The torturing birch in the schoolmaster's fist !

The torturing birchen I hailed with no pleasure,
 For often at noon when returned we too late,
 The master would deal out his terrible measure
 To those who shared with me my ill-deserved fate !
 How ardent I feared it, with cheeks all a-glowing,
 As quick on my digits the heavy strokes fell ;
 Then soon, with salt tears my eye-lids o'erflowing,
 I'd vent out my anguish in one supreme yell :
 That nicely trimm'd birchen, that sharp-cutting birchen,
 That torturing birch which was master'd so well !

How oft I've gone up from my seat to receive it,
 And mounted the back of some comrade of nerve ;
 No entreaties would tempt the old pedant to leave it,
 Or prevail on his heart from his *duty* to swerve !
 And now, far removed from the scene of disaster,
 The scars on my back will intrusively swell
 As fancy reverts to the one-eyed schoolmaster,
 And curses the birchen he managed so well :
 The nicely trimm'd birchen, the sharp-cutting birchen,
 The torturing birchen he managed so well !

DARIUS WINTERTOWN.

AGRICULTURAL.

Never employ a rake.

If you wish to make your farm pay you should draw
 all the stumps. Begin with your lower jaw.

Corn alternates well with hops. Get some one to
 jump on your toes, and you can have both at once.
 This has never been known to fail.

Do not overstock. Except on a very large farm it is
 better not to have too large a stock of cock-roaches,
 bull-frogs, or pig-iron.

Keep a bull-dog. People like to be noticed when
 they call.

Make your own candles. If you perspire freely, do
 not work too hard ; you will thus save your dripping.

Every precaution is now taken to have inclement
 winds tempered to shorn lambs, but farmers are recom-
 mended not to shear too many.

You may expect a good crop—of hair if you let
 it grow.

FROM OUR SPECIAL LUNATIC.

Q. Why is a Bishop like a Sheriff ?

A. Because both are appointed to *seize* (Sees).

HINTS TO STRANGERS.

Visitors to our city at the present season by paying
 attention to the following hints will save themselves
 much trouble and inconvenience :

1. In the event of your getting into a difficulty of
 any kind on the streets of the city do not be so imbecile
 as to cry "Police," "Police," but shout "Fire," when
 you will immediately have the Fire Brigade to your
 rescue. It stands to reason that if a policeman is in
 hearing of your cries, he will take to the opposite direc-
 tion, naturally imagining there is a row.

2. If you value your lives do not trust yourselves on
 the pavements. Pavements in Montreal are made a
 receptacle for falling masses of ice from the roofs of
 buildings. Take manfully to the middle of the street.
 It is better to be at the mercy of a sleigh-driver than be
 knocked on the head by a ton of ice.

3. In nearing a crossing be careful to satisfy your-
 self that no vehicle is in sight. Should you attempt to
 cross when a vehicle is in sight you will assuredly be
 run over. It can be of no satisfaction to you after being
 mangled to learn that there is a city by-law regulating
 the speed of carters.

4. Should you venture out at night and find the city
 in darkness, do not be so verdant as to remark "Where
 is the gas ? They surely light the lamps in well regu-
 lated cities!" Remember, that it is the fault of the
 moon, not of the civic authorities. If the moon does not
 shine when it ought to, are our city fathers to bear the
 blame ?

5. Should you walk abroad after dark and find your-
 self at the bottom of an excavation or cavity, with a
 broken leg or arm, do not be so rash as to threaten the
 Corporation with proceedings. But rather bear in mind
 that every well regulated person should be at home, and
 blame your own inclination to be abroad at unseason-
 able hours, rather than heap discredit on a much-abused
 and sensitive Corporation.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

(By our Special Condenser.)

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Council met.

His Worship in the chair.

Ald. Rodden spoke.

Ald. David spoke.

Ald. Rodden spoke again.

Ald. Bernard said something.

Ald. Rodden then spoke again.

Ald. David also spoke again.

Ald. Bernard said something else.

Ald. Rodden spoke again.

So did Ald. Bernard speak again.

Coun. Stephens moved a motion.

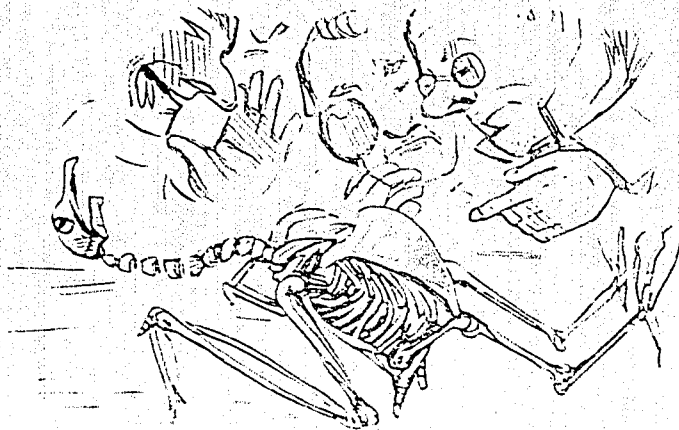
Ald. Devlin made a few remarks.

Coun. Stephens withdrew his motion.

When our reporter left Ald. Rodden was speaking,
 and Ald. David was to follow.

By going to the top of the mountain every young
 man will have a good prospect.

A friend that is sure to stick to you.—BILL STAMP.



POST-MORTEM EXAMINATION.

The supposed remains of a child, lately discovered in St. Henry Street, have been subjected to examination by some of our leading physicians. The above is a representation of the learned gentlemen pursuing their examination.

[If the reader will turn the paper round, he will see the true nature of the skeleton.]

THEATRICALS AT THE THEATRE,

As witnessed during the early part of last week.

SCENE I.

American Actress in high nasal tones.—E-oh, E-oh, me heart. I hae ben tu much the tool uv this villain.

Enter American Actor, (one of the company of rare ability.) Wa'al, I reckon you have ben considerable fooled in taking that man for yer husband I guess.—(Loudly.) Whar is Rip neow?

American Actress.—I hev ben fooled; but, I guess, drunken as he is, he is a darned site a better critter than sich as you.

American.—I see him a-coming. I guess He vamose. (Goes.)

Enter Star Actor.—Nya, Nya, Nya. Lef dat dog.—Well, well. I—Nya, Nya, Nya. Schneider! Where is mine dorg? Nya, Nya, Nya.

SCENE II.

American Actress to children.—I am gwine to fetch the bull to home. I guess it air the last beast we h-a-ave. Call on yer way to the butcher and say I am acomin'. (Exit mother.)

Enter Star Actor.—Nya, Nya, gone to de pullch'r. Nya, Nya, Nya. Mine children.

SCENE III.

American Actress discovered weeping.—Heow keind he was compared with the critter I have now.

Enter American Actor.—Well, I reckon, yu don't put on sich a mighty lot of airs since yu hev ben married tu me. Yer ar'nt goin' to fool this Yank, I speclate. More Nya, Nya, Nya, from star actor.
Curtain.

Audience wonders what it's all about.

THINGS WHICH MAY BE EXPECTED.

That triangles generally will be found to have three sides.

That any one smoking a pipe for the first time this week will be sick.

ESSENCE OF PARLIAMENT.

The Hon. Fraser de Berri is equal to anything. The last product of his versatile mind is an

ACT TO PROTECT THE MANUFACTURE OF CHEESE AND BUTTER.

The first clause makes it fraudulent for any person to take *milk* to a cheese-factory for the purpose of having it made into *butter*. Any one guilty of such folly deserves confinement. It further provides for the cleansing of milk-pails, milk-pans, strainers, or other vessels. How this part of the Act is to be carried into effect without the appointment of a constable to each dairy in the Province it is not possible to say. It is to be hoped that when the bill is discussed in committee a clause will be introduced to prevent the souring of milk during a thunder-storm, and another providing for the annual licensing of dairy-maids. The third paragraph declares it fraudulent for cheese and butter manufacturers to use, or cause any one in their employ to use, for their own benefit or advantage, cream taken from milk entrusted to them to be manufactured into cheese or butter. This will, of course, apply to cats, the keeping of which will be an indictable offence under the statute.

The second clause makes provision for carrying out the purposes of the Act. Proceedings are to be taken before two Justices of the Peace, who, we suppose, will be expected to personally test the milk and cream alleged to be weakened, adulterated or soured. The addition of a clause providing that the Justices shall be supplied gratis with cheese-tasters and tin-basins is all that is needed to make Mr. Fraser's bill perfect—nonsense.

NOTES AND QUERIES.

In the re-arrangement of the tariff ought not animal spirits to be admitted duty free?

When a fraudulent shopkeeper's scales are seized can he be said to lose his balance?

Is it true that a sculptor is always a mean fellow because he gets his living by chiselling?

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

[We must again request our correspondents to let us have their communications earlier in the week. This morning's mail has brought us a batch of articles, etc., which we have not yet had time to look over.]

Declined.—We decline to say how many, but our family is fully supplied with waste paper for two or three weeks to come.

M. P.—Take your production "for all in all," we hope never to "see its like again."

HAPPY THOUGHTS.—Your thoughts have made us the reverse of happy.

W. R.—The versification is very easy, and the subject is good, but you should learn to condense. What you have sent this week would occupy two columns, which is one too many.

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