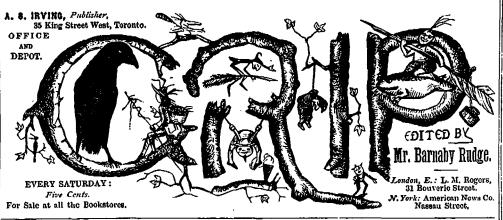
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Toronto, Saturday, October 4th, 1873.

(Acc) The Bells.

(By a Bond Street Posz, whose sleep has been frequently disturbed at unseasonable hours.)



hours.)
AEAR St. Michael's two big bells—

Iron bells!

What a world of vicious thought their monody compels;
In the carry morning light,

How we cass with all our night At the sleep disturbing thunder of their tone!

For every sound that floats from the rust within their throats, There is a groan!

And the people—ah, the people that hung them in the steeple
All alone,

And who tolling, tolling, tolling, in that rousing monotone. Seem to take delight in rolling on the sleepy man a stone. They are neither kind nor gracious,

They are neither kind nor gracious, They don't think our time is precious, They are cruel!

And their sexton 'tis who tolls,
And be, (the neighboring steeper) rolls, rolls, rolls,
And curses at the bells,

And his angry bosom swells at each thunder of the bells,—
And he dances and he yells,

Keeping time, time, time, in profunest sort of rhyme To the banging of the bells keeping time, time, time, In a sort of wicked rhyme, to the throbbing of the bells, Of the bells, bells, to the sobbing of the bells,

Keeping time, time, time,
With the knells, knells, knells, in an impious Rumic rhyme,
To the tolling of the bells, of the bells, bells, bells,
To the tolling of the bells, of the bells, bells, bells, bells,
To the most antimely meaning, and the greaning of the bells.

# BRAVELY SPOKEN!

Undoubtedly the most sublimely fearless and heroic newspaper in the Dominion is the Goderich Star. It is absolutely defiant of fategrand, gloomy, and peculiar! Last week its editor enquired, in black letters—"Is it Wrong to be Loya!?" a question which has possibly racked his mind for a long time. In a wild charge at "rebels" in general, he has decided that it is not. Having spoken plainly, he becomes conscious that an apology is looked for, in the present degenerate state of Canadian journalism, and so rising to the true dignity of his manhood, he declares:

"A spade is a spade, and we ask no pardon for saying so. No Government pap is ours, and we conduct our Paper upon the principle of triumph, Britain, and right, or an honorable death in defence of these."

While we would hardly go the length of saying positively that a spade is a spade, we admire the Stur's grandeur in speaking out; but we do not hesitate to say that there is not another Paper (with a capital P) in this or any other country that is "conducted" on a platform so truly noble, or so wonderfully mixed.

# Letters from Low Latitudes.

NO. II.

Colenzo's Terrace, Sept. 30.

DEAR GRIP.-Bedad, tSur, I'm glad to see the Pashific Skandal has intirely been knocked into the middle av next wake (as wan might say) be raysin of shuperior attrackshuns. The misforshinate raders av the papers git aff wid a bit the lingth av me pipe now, forby the half-u-dozen smutherin columns herebefore piled onto thim. I'm tould the Ryle Commingshiners all av thim wint aff to slape in the middle av the procadins the other day; and begorra, sur, (betwane you an' me), I dunna but that proves the overcomin' karacter av the ividence. . . . . I obsarve wid pain that MAYOR MANNIN' stud up in the Council last maytin night, an' tould me frind, Alderman Hime, that he cudd'nt putt his moshun to devide St. Patrick's Ward. Fwhat was the raysin? Nothin', tSur, but Saxin injustice in a milder forum! . . . The Finanshal Krisis is the chafe thing that has bate out the Skandal this wake. I blave, tSur, we shud be thankful for its prisince, inshted av howlin as I obsarve some av our richest min doin. Lusht Mundy night they had a vilent attact av the complaint in the City Council, an' I see by the Globe it had a powerful effect on some av our mosht merrytorious offishal's salarys. More power to its elbow. May it com d'this way.

Yours wid respect,

TEDDY TIERNEY.

### SOCIAL MAXIMS.

When you invite Mr. Jones to dinner in a quiet way, and there happens to be a good deal of cold meat at table, refrain from talking to your wife about how pleasantly the dinner party went off yesterday, otherwise Jones might be induced to think he does not stand at the very head of your list of friends,

And you, my lady, as carefully refrain from saying that the pie or the home-made bread is not what it ought to be, or Mr. Jones—who would'nt like to think you disingenuous—may be induced to believe you.

## CANADA'S SHAME.

WE read that the ancient Jews were wont to express profound contrition and humiliation by putting ashes upon their heads, and the custom strikes us as being beautifully appropriate. We are not aware whether it was the intention of the namer or inventor of a new style of hat now offered for sale in the stores, that a similar mode of expressing what Canadians ought to feel just now should be adopted amongst us. This peice of raiment is called the "Pacific Scandal" Hat, and is advertised by the merchants of Lindsay, and probably elsewhere. It is not likely that this notion will at all assist the virtuous self-abasement of our people, however; on the contrary, we fear many will buy and wear the headpeice in a spirit of the veriest levity. Indeed, recent experience has so inured us to startling things, that we would not be very much surprised to hear that Sir Joun, Sir Hogu, Sir Francis, Mr. Langevin, Mr. Abbott, and the rest had actually adopted the new hat. In such a case—if it didn't just happen to be a hat—that would be verily 'capping the climax" of Canada's shame!

## A NASTY EPIGRAM.

"Mr. Thomas Nast, the artist, has already made one hundred and twenty engagements to lecture during the coming season."—Daily Paper.

A chance for thriftless Lyceums to 'phomix' with eclat: No slender houses need be feared for Nasr is bound to draw.

FOUND.—A malteese soprano kat, about 12 months old, singing old hundred on a picket fence, late last thursda nite, whichever person owns sed kat will find him (or her according to circumstansis) in a vacant lot, just bak av our hous, still butiful in death.—

Josh Billings.



# "PROGRESSING FAVOURABLY."

MISS CANADA (anxiously)—"DOCTORS, HOW DO YOU FIND THE POOR DEAR PREMIER?"

DR. B—N (for the M.D.'s)—"MADAM, WE'VE JUST HAD A CONSULTATION; THE SYMPTOMS ARE HOPEFUL—WE BELIEVE HE CAN'T SURVIVE OCTOBER!"

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# GUSTAVUS MONTAGUE: A NOVEL.

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### Воок г.

GUSTAVUS MONTAGUE was the lineal descendant of poor but honest parents. His father carned a livlihood by removing the accumulated secretions of metropolitan chimneys, while his mother strove to endow the shirts and collars of the neighbourhood with a portion of the rigid inflexibility which marked her own conduct in life.

Often in the intervals of his laborious but remarkably wholesome profession, she would endeavour to impress upon her idolized Gustavus a few of those axiomatic postulates which seemed calculated to make him a good man as well as a great one.

"Gus," she observed in one of these affecting interviews, "remember that the crust which refreshes honest poverty is, morally speaking, more palatable than the sponge-cake and sherry of iniquitous opulence." Then, with a touching allusion to her own profession, she continued, "and to the well constituted mind, my Gustavus, conscious rectitude revolving its mangle is a nobler object than vice reposing in marble halls, with vassels and serfs by its side!"

To all such observations, Gustavus would respond with a glance of intense truthfulness, "Co-reckt!"

### BOOK II

"Two souls with not a single thought, Two hearts that cheat as one.—Dayben.

No sooner had the Rivulet of Youth become absorbed in the Ocean of Manhood than the fervid soul of Gustavus Montague pined for sympathy. He loved!

LADY FLORENCE MELLVILLE was, in sooth, a glorious creature; her beauty hung upon the cheek of night like an expensive bijou suspended from the ear of an Ethiopian screnader.

The effeminate scion of a corrupt aristocracy sought the smiles of Lady Florence without success.

Such was the being Gustavus Montague madly, blindly loved. But sometimes a hideous doubt would intrude, like a noxious caterpillar sullying the petals of the rose, and whisper "Is thy love returned?"

This fearful thought nearly goaded him to madness, and he resolved either to ascertain the true state of LADY FLORENCE'S feelings, or perish in the attempt.

He sought the mansion of the Melvilles, and obtained a temporary engagement in a menial capacity.

# Book III.

"You could tell by the smoke that so gracefully curled."---Cowien.

Fire! Fire!! Fire!!!

"Tis a fearful cry to startle the silence of night, especially when there is no Ashfield in the neighbourhood.

All was mirth and revelry in the mausion of the Mentunces! The most illustrious members of the nobility glided through the sumptuous apartments, or threaded the mazes of the waltz. Title after title was announced by the pampered menial at the door. That pampered menial is of noble bearing, indeed! He hath the curls and grace of a young Apollo! Dost recognise him, reader? Hush!

The festal scene is o'er, and the last coroneted chariot has rolled away from the mansion and the Melvilles. Gustavus (known alas! as Jeems) seeks his lowly couch at last. His heart beats high beneath his scarlet waistcoat, for something tells him that the lovely Lady Florence's hand is still free. Softly murmucing, "She is mine!" the pretended footman prepared for slumber.

Fire! Fire!! Fire!!!"

GUSTAVUS leaped from his couch, and into his hated livery. FLORENCE in dauger! The thought was madness! He approached the window and looked out. In a mass of terrified faces, all looking upward, he read the terrible story. The manslon was in flames!

The smoke blinded him somewhat as he fled wildly along the corridors. Ha! what scream was that? To burst open the door—to scize his lovely burden—to bear her swiftly adown the blazing staircase—to batter down the street door with a blow of his fist—was the work of a second! The hero and his precious charge swooned and fell together. Duly there was a revival. Blessings showered from all sides of the dense crowd upon the noble Augustus; but there was a joy at his own heart superior to glory; and on recovering his laculties, he first sought a look at the pallid features of the rescued—upper housemaid!

THE END.

### EXTRAORDINARY IMMUNITY OF THE PRESS!

In a circular recently issued to the members of the Canadian Press Association, calling the Annual Meeting at London in the Fair week, we find the following:

Considering that the persons thus to be privileged were Editors, no one will ever think of impugning the magnanimity of Railway Companies, however they may calumniate them on the score of bad management or political partizanship.

### "BACK" NUMBERS SUPPLIED.

Our Ministerial confreres who are ever on the qui vive for facts and scraps derogatory to the "chief organ of the Grits," will be delighted with the evidence of its demoralization afforded by the following advertisement, addressed we presume to the ladies, which is regularly printed in that faithful Opposition sheet, the Lindsay Post:

"The 'Globe' Bustle—the latest and best–just received at S. & O. Bigelow's Cash Store."

We are fully prepared to find the Mail coming out with a leader on this text, for there is quite as much capital in it as in the much paraded intelligence that the Globe had decreased in size a few weeks ago; we only hope (for the credit of the profession) that, as Mr. Cool Burgess would be sure to say: the editor won't make 'too much bustle about it.'

# AN EPIGRAM FOR THE LABOR CONGRESS.

Through this fair land great Joseph marches, Let honest welcomes greet him then, Let working men upraise the arches, For Arch has raised the working men!

# FLATTERING OPINIONS.

THE successful teacher must be a man with a hearty Grip in his hand. A Grip is a good thing.—Baptist Téacher, Philadelphia.

I never knew a man of true sincerity who didnt prize an honest Grip.—Dr. Johnston.

Grip, my friend. - Chas. Dickens.

# THE DIGNITY OF THE "BENCH."

ADDRESSED TO THE MASTER CLOTHERS.

WE Tailors have "struck while the iron is hot," And tis needle-se to coax us you know, You ask us like geese to go back to our lot, Come to terms or we'll never do sew

"CURRENT events"-Stomachaches.

SHAKESPEARE'S "SEVEN AGES OF MAN"—Mess-age, Lugg-age, Sausage. Ramp-age, Marri-age, Parent-age, and Dot-age.

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