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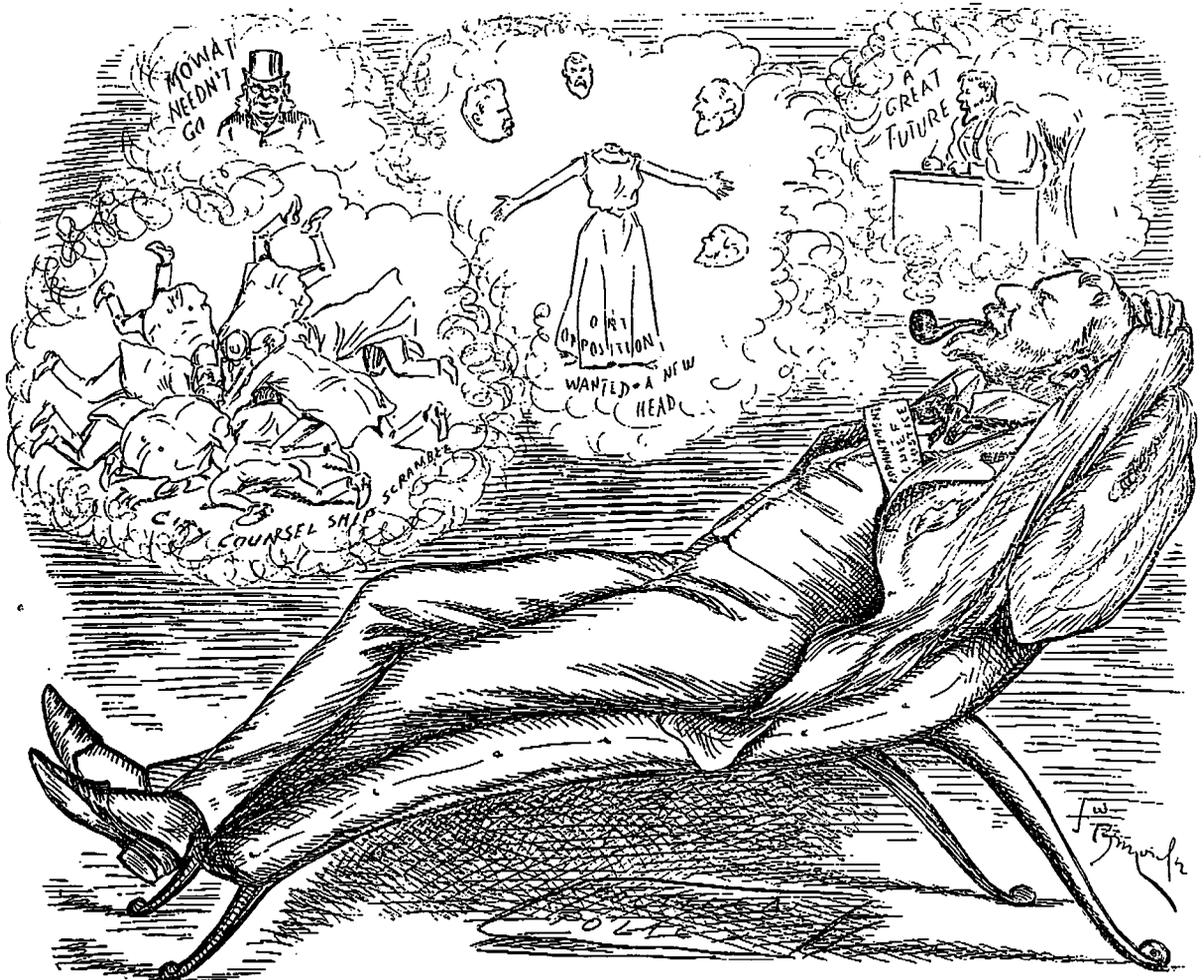
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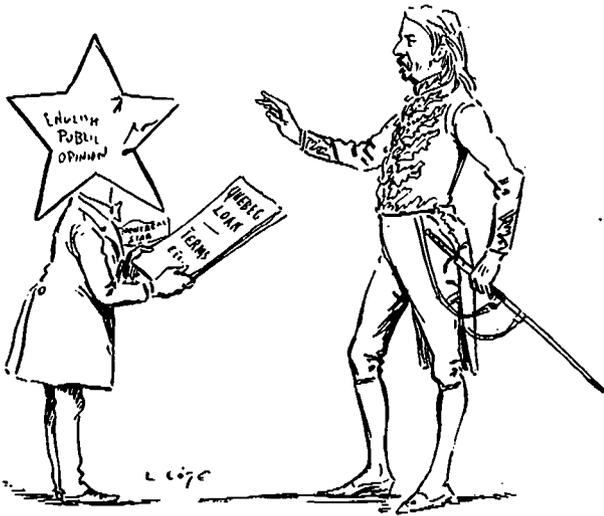
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"SHELVED."

"Mr. Meredith was seen at his home in Rosedale last night, smoking his pipe with a more contented face than he has worn for years."—*World*.



" NATIONALISM " WITH A VENGEANCE.

MONTREAL STAR. — " As to this loan, I have a few critical remarks to make. In the first place—"

LT.-GOV. CHAPLEAU—" Stop! That loan was negotiated by a French Premier in the French money market, and we cannot tolerate any objections to it from an English source."

SUSANNAH IN TOWN.

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CITY folks hev a mighty good time in most things. Lookin' at 'em some ways, they're richer'n farmer people. Some ways they're freer, too, but mostly they've got to mind each other, an' o' course the more people livin' around their neighborhood—all chock full o' their drefful equal rights—the more mindin' there is. Now there's their scraps—they can't do what they want with 'em. Ef they don't fix 'em jest so, there's a paper comes in through the hole in the front door, an' I tell you they've got to mind what that says or else they'll git fined some money. Now farmer folks they jest toss their peelin's an' scrapin's into the swill bar'l an' it gits fed to the pigs, an' there's good pork of it, but these poor rich city women they ain't got no pigs to feed their swill to, an' it's more trouble to 'em than the pigs would be. The paper says that the garbage (that's what they call the stuff) must be put in the lane before seven o'clock two days a week, an' that the scavenger (he's the swill gentleman) he'll take it away ef it's put in "suitable vessels" an' the ashes is separate. 'Round where I live jest now, they went to a lot of fussin' to git "suitable vessels," an' the man came an' emptied 'em 'fore we could git 'em in the woodshed door. Pervidin' new "suitable vessels" twice a week, will be kinder expensive fur most folks—a good deal expensiver than pigs. Takin' it all round that paper's a big bother, an' the country's ahead.

I've been gettin' to the theatre consid'able lately, an' I think a person oughter be more satisfied with livin', after seein' how them poor folks in the plays hev to suffer. They seem to take everything so hard, too, an' there's so much goes wrong all at once. Ef one person dies, seem's ef it was ketchin' an' the first thing a body knows the whole fambly's killed off. That's the way it wuz in that painter play of Mr. Mantell's. When it come to green curtain time at the end, the dead folks was cumberin up the floor, an' Mr. Mantell himself wuz ravin' crazy. 'There aint no funny feller in that play—no place to laugh, 'cept you git in a little snicker of your own at the love-makin,' an' it don't do fur old maids to laugh at that—folks always seem to think you're jealous. Ef they jest knew how we despise it all, they'd stop sneerin' at us in comp'ny an' makin' the funny papers so personal, we can't read 'em 'fore folks.

Mr. Moody's comin', I see by the papers. Seem's ef he wuz expectin' to come to the new music hall, an' when they come to settle the thing, the rent's so fearful high, it would keep 'em bustlin' round fur the pay. Seventy-five dollars a day! Aint it awful! It took my breath away, an' I thought sure it wuz seven dollars and fifty cents, and the proof-readin' man had took it from figgers an' didn't know where the little full stop oughter go. I don't see how we can afford to git Mr. Moody here with all the pinchin' poverty there is among workin' men out of work, an' on account of the low wages that's bein' paid. But I guess they know—the folks what's runnin' the thing, an' I don't need to worry. It's drefful handy to shift the heft of these things on other folks, an' then you kin grumble, no matter which way they go.

SUSANNAH.

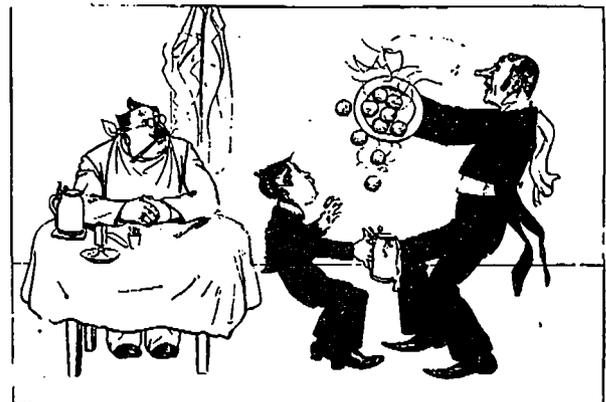
GENERAL BOOTH.

G R I P is proud to extend a greeting to General Booth, the chieftian of an army that is a blessing and not a curse to the world. The time for laughing at the S. A. is long past, most of those who once jeered are now its earnest friends. We notice still in some quarters a tendency on the part of writers to use the belittling quotation marks when referring to the "general," the "commandant," the "captain," etc.,—implying that these officers are merely playing at military work. But when the matter is looked at truly, is it not really the "sure enough army" that is playing? At most its ultimate purpose is the slaughter of human beings—a purpose which is surely not entitled to more praise than that of the S. A., which is to save them, body and soul. The red shirt means more to the world than the gold bedecked uniform, and it should be honored accordingly.

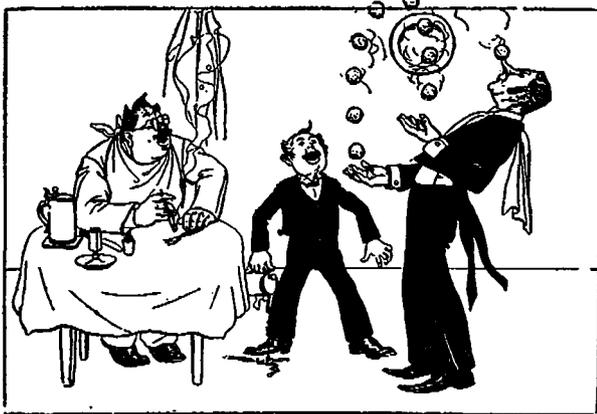
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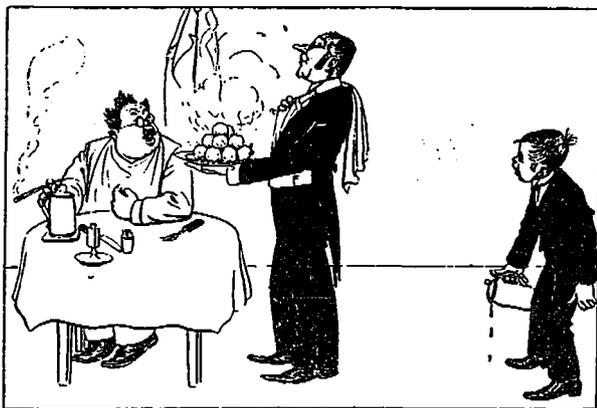
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LITERARY GOSSIP.

MR. Goldwin Smith uses his right hand, generally, in his literary work.

Rider Haggard sits at a desk when he is writing. He says he prefers this to standing up and placing his paper against the wall.

Robert Louis Stephenson is very eccentric in his habits. He never takes dinner or lunch until after he has had breakfast. When engaged in literary work he is accustomed from time to time to dip his pen into the ink-bottle.

William Wilfrid Campbell, the Canadian poet, performs his literary labor when he is not doing anything else. He says this habit, which he has carefully cultivated, accounts for much of the success which he has achieved.

Frank Stockton writes his famous stories with a steel pen when he is not using a pencil or some other variety of writing utensil.

William Dean Howells has a habit of thinking between sentences while he is at work. It is a plan which might be recommended to young men who are ambitious to become literary celebrities.

Mark Twain never laughs at his own jokes, nor at other peoples', unless they happen to affect him in that peculiar way.

Bob Burdette does not care about lecturing, but says he prefers staying at home. His audiences say they feel much in the same way.

"PA, what do they call Mr. Wallace a Controller for?" asked Tommy.

"Because he takes charge of the Orange lodges for the Government, my son. I thought everybody knew that," and Tommy's pa went on reading the *Globe*.

A THIRD EDITION!

IF is true as frequently alleged that Canadians never show any practical appreciation of their native poets, then John Imrie is either no poet or no native. He would probably admit the latter impeachment, as he is in point of fact a chiel frae the lan' o' cakes. What would have been the fate of his poetic works if he had not had the gumption to be born in Auld Scotia (or elsewhere outside of this Dominion) it is impossible to say. They would have shared the fate no doubt of other Canadian efforts in the same line,—cold neglect with consequent financial failure, as hinted above. As it is, John has the felicity of getting out a third edition, a copy of which reaches our table this week! It is a prosperous-looking book, too, fatter than ever by nearly a hundred poems, and gay with red lines round the pages, appropriate illustrations, and musical settings to several of the songs. GRIP has already passed judgment on the literary merits of Mr. Imrie's lyrics, and has now only the pleasant duty of congratulating him on the success he has achieved with the Canadian public aforesaid. There may be Canadian poets who are superior to John Imrie so far as the divine afflatus and that sort of thing is concerned, but where is the man of them who has sold two thousand of his volumes, and is now disposing of the third? They are not in it with John from a commercial point of view. They made the mistake of being born in their native land, and not abroad!

IN THE DARK.

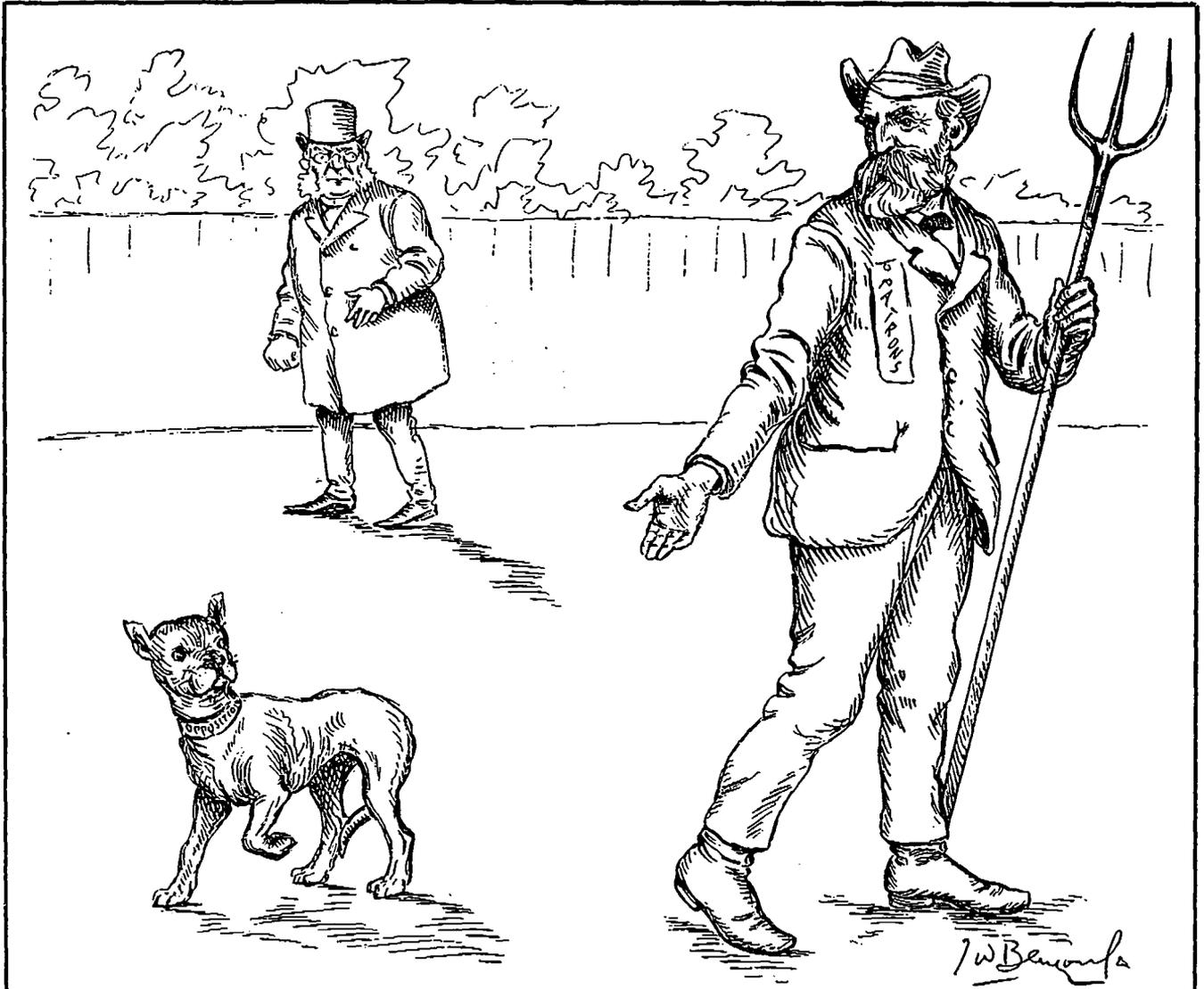
THE "boodle charges" made by some as yet unknown party against some as yet unknown aldermen are to be referred to the County Judge for investigation. This is not in accordance with the fitness of things. An unknown judge should have been selected who could summon unknown witnesses, render an unknown judgment and hand in a bill for an unknown amount.



CHRONOLOGY.

TOURIST: "You must have lived a good many years, my friend!"

HODGE: "Yes, Yew're roight there, sir—ever since Oi wer a little lad."



THE OWNERLESS BOW-WOW.

HAYCOCK—"Poor critter, an' so Meredith has deserted you, has he? Well; what's the matter with you follerin' *me* now? Come along!"

THE PRAIRIE FIRE.

SEE, along the western sky
The smoke cloud rolling dark,
The heather is ablaze—some hand
Has thrown a kindling spark.

Yes! Laurier's hand has done the work,
Or rather, Laurier's tongue—
For he's been on a "sparking" tour,
And Free Trade he has sung.

The West, parched dry by many a year
Of blighting tariff drouth,
Has blazed responsive to the touch
Of economic truth.

And now from far Pacific Coast
To Manitoba's bound,
The cry goes up for tax reform
And policy more sound.

The flames, extending league on league,
Sweep on with gathering might,
Protection and its votaries
Will soon be put to flight.

"What can we do," cries Thompson brave,
"To stop this holocaust,
If we don't overcome this fire
Our cause for sure is lost!"

"I'm much afraid 'twill hardly do
To work our usual game,
And make a blanket of the flag
To smother out the flame."

"And I," cries Foster, "greatly fear
It's little use to try,
Two pails of water do not seem
An adequate supply!"

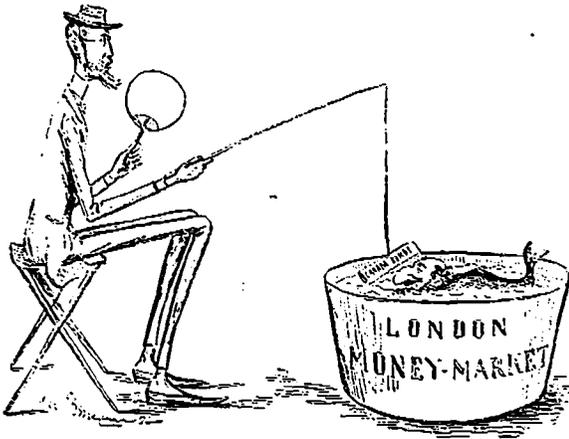
"There's just one way to save our skins
In such a case, you know—
To start a similar fire ourselves,
And let Protection go!"

"No!" thunders Thompson, "use your pails,
Work them with all your might,
While I display the grand old flag,
And we'll come out all right!"



THE PRAIRIE FIRE!

SIR JOHN—"I'M AFRAID WE WON'T BE ABLE TO SMOTHER IT WITH THIS BLANKET
NOR EXTINGUISH IT WITH THAT WATER SUPPLY!"



THE "LOAN" FISHERMAN.

[Mr. Foster has left for England on a financial mission.]

THE LEADERSHIP.

MR. MEREDITH'S elevation to the Bench has suddenly bereft the Conservative Party of Ontario of a leader. That there will be little difficulty in filling the vacancy may reasonably be inferred, if the following letters which have reached MR. GRIP are genuine. It is presumed that the applicants for the position have sent their letters to GRIP in his capacity of ex-officio Secretary to all Political Parties. They are herewith submitted for the consideration of the Opposition:—

TORONTO, Oct. 6th, 1894.

Office of the School Board,
York Street.

MR. GRIP,

SIR: Noticing that the position of Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition of Ontario has become vacant by the resignation of Mr. W. R. Meredith, I beg to apply for the same. I may say that salary is no object, and I will be willing to make myself generally useful, my chief motive being to gratify an honorable ambition I have long cherished to shine in public life. I enclose a few of the thousands of testimonials which are at my disposal, and remain,

Yours truly,
J—M—S L. H—GH—S.

(TESTIMONIALS.)

I.

To whom it may concern—

I have known Mr. J—m—s L. H—gh—s for many years, and regard him as a rather aggressive young man. He entertains strong opinions on many subjects, and has extraordinary capacity for making himself disagreeable to his political opponents. He is an excellent speaker with a free—very free—delivery.

Respectfully,
G—O. W. R—SS.

II.

DEAR MR. H—GH—S,

Understanding that you are about to apply for the position of leader of the Conservative Party of Ontario, it gives me pleasure to testify that you are a man of great public spirit and foresight. The fact that you have given the influence of your name to the grand project of the Aquaduct Power Company while other public men of alleged intelligence have stood aloof, is a sufficient indication of your enterprise and patriotism. I trust you will get the leadership.

W. F. M—CL—N.

III.

To the Public:

I have known Mr. J—s. L. H—gh—s for some time and regard him as a sound Protestant. He has talents for political leadership not greatly inferior to my own, and if appointed to the leadership of the Opposition would, I believe, achieve as great success in conducting the Party to Office as was achieved even by Mr. Meredith himself.

Yours etc.,
CL—RK W—LL—CE.

Ottawa, Oct. 7th, '94.

IV.

To the Conservative Party of Ontario:

Mr. J—s. L. H—gh—s is, I believe, an applicant for the vacant leadership of the Ontario Opposition. Personally I do not know of a better man for the position. A Loyal party ought to be led by a Loyal man, and I can testify that there is no more thoroughgoing hater of Yankees in this country (apart from myself) than Mr. H—gh—s. His experience as commander-in-chief of the Young Brigade of the Toronto Schools, would, I should say, eminently fit him for the post to which he aspires. You cannot do better than appoint him.

Yours, for the glorious old flag,
G. T. D—N—S—N, Lt. Col.

TORONTO, 5th Oct., '94.

MR. GRIP,—

SIR,—I hereby make application in due form for the Ontario Opposition leadership. Believing that a man of energy and action is wanted for the position, I think my claims are entitled to consideration. I have been connected as leader with more great enterprises than most men of my years, and the record of my success is before the world. It may be objected that I am not a Conservative in my political opinions, but, sir, that is surely a small consideration if in other respects I am the man for Galway. As to my general abilities, if any references are required (and I can scarcely think it possible) I have the honor to refer you, sir, to any of the Directors of the Hurontario Ship Canal and Power Aquaduct Co., who are all gentlemen of standing and reliability.

Faithfully yours,

E—RN—ST ALB—RT M—CD—N—LD.

P.S.—If appointed, I will be prepared to take hold of the job as soon as the Aquaduct is well under way.

TORONTO, Oct. 7th, '94.

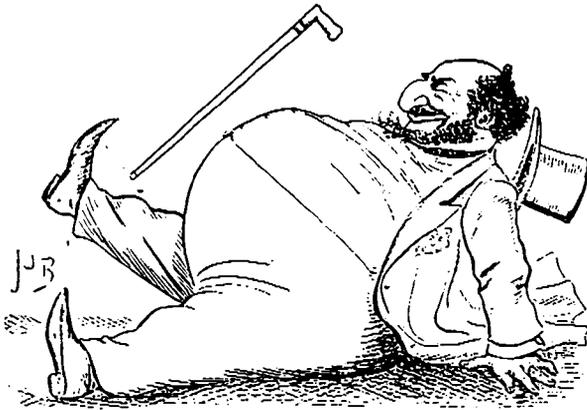
MR. GRIP, Secretary,—

SIR,—Having some spare time on my hands, and something of a taste for political life, I am prepared to accept the leadership of the local Opposition, should they desire my services. I flatter myself that I could bring to the party a fine old historic flavor, in strict accordance with Conservative traditions. Anticipating the objection that I am known as a somewhat noted Radical, I wish to say that, although I was properly ranked as a Radical in 1834, I am not now considered such. On the contrary, my views are now those of a veritable Moss-back. I feel that under my leadership Mowat would not be long in



FRASER TO THE RESCUE.

THE NORTHWEST SETTLER HAS FOUND A CHAMPION TO LISTEN TO HIS GRIEVANCES AND REDRESS THEM.



A HEAVY FALL OF JEW.

"going," and if the Opposition wish to get into Office, they had better accept this offer.

Yours truly,
CH—S. D—R—ND.

TORONTO, Oct. 5th, '94.

MR. GRIP, SIR,—

I am not anxious to re-enter political life, as I am busy with other things, but if the Party will make the leadership worth as much as the various Commissions I pick up from day to day, I am prepared, as Sir Oliver would say, to "take the matter into my serious consideration."

Yours etc.,
E. F. CL—RK.

TORONTO, 5th, Oct., '94.

MR. GRIP,

SIR.—As a Toronto pioneer of forty years, and late commissioner to the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia, U.S., I am always anxious to be of service to my country, and would be willing to take the leadership of the Ontario Opposition (though I commit myself to no political opinions whatever) on reasonable terms.

Yours faithfully,
J—HN L—DL—W.

THE CHAMPION KISSER.

LET us have no more odious comparisons with regard to the relative merits of Hon. Wilfrid Laurier and Sir John Thompson as kissers, says the *Hamilton Times*. Prince Bismarck can give them both odds. The old man may not be much to look at, but 800 ladies walked through the rain to Varzin to carry bouquets to him. He braced up for the duties of the occasion by "quaffing a glass of brandy and soda," made a speech, drank a glass of champagne, listened to several addresses and poems, and when a Dantzig lady handed him a bouquet of roses, "Prince Bismarck caught the lady in his arms and kissed her heartily on both cheeks and on the mouth. This act elicited a storm of cheers, and then the bands showed their appreciation of it by playing lively airs. Councillor von Gerlich made a short address, in which he referred to the presents brought to Prince Bismarck by the Posen deputation. The West Prussians, he said, had also brought their best possessions—their wives and daughters. Prince Bismarck, by way of reply to his address, kissed several of these wives and daughters. This was the signal for a general advance of ladies eager to be kissed by the ex-Chancellor, and Dr. Schweningen was obliged to step forward and dissuade them from their purpose." Who ever heard of the Canadian ladies crowding to the platform to be kissed by Thompson or Laurier? They will have to practice Bismarck's style of osculation—one hug, two cheeks and one mouth.

WOMAN Suffrage has been achieved in New Zealand. It is as great a success as its warmest advocate anticipated. The ladies take a great interest in public affairs and exercise their franchise more generally in proportion to numbers, than the men. It has inspired the politicians of the country with New Zealand interest.



"WHAT THE CROW SAID TO ITS MATE."

BROTHER Gardiner, of the *Hamilton Times*, delivered a learned lecture before the Y.W.C.A. the other evening, on the toothsome subject of Eating. It was a very mealy essay, as a matter of course, the erudite gentleman dealing with the food of man (and woman) from prehistoric times down to the present day. It is understood that the ladies selected Mr. Gardiner to speak upon the topic on the ground that his rotund personal appearance indicates that he knows all that needs to be known on the subject of Eating.

THE NEW CHIEF JUSTICE.

WHEN Meredith was made a judge
All parties said—"It served him right,
He'll be an honor to the Bench,
For he is learned, wise and bright."

No word of jealousy was heard,
In any circle high or low,
But all were pleased and gratified
And all were free in saying so.

And thus when he assumes his seat,
Though high, he'll find it one of ease,
For, pleasing all, he's rightly called
Chief Justice of the Common Please.



A DOMESTIC EPISODE.

(With acknowledgments to Sol Smith Russell's play.)
MOWAT—"Harty, my boy, you'll have to stay there till I patch you up a new seat!"

THE TOO-REALISTIC ARTIST



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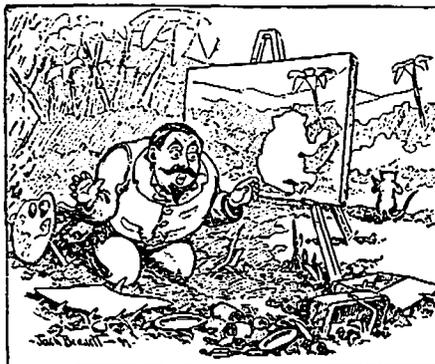
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WHO PAINTED A MONKEY "TO THE VERY LIFE."

AN ALLEGORY.

OLIVER Wendell Holmes' old-time comic poem of "The Deacon's Wonderful One-Hoss Shay" might easily stand for an allegorical autobiography. The celebrated vehicle in question was constructed on the principles of logic, the deacon's idea being that if each part was made equally strong with every other part, so that no portion could begin to wear out before another portion the shay would necessarily last forever. In this the builder was disappointed. It did not last forever, but, having reached a certain age, the whole thing suddenly "evaporated." Dr. Holmes departed in much the same way. There was no appreciable failure of his intellect, his poetic fire, or his bodily powers. All seemed to be of equal strength, and he frequently spoke of the probability of his being a centenarian. But this was not to be. Without any—or at least with very little—premonitory signs of a breakup, the noble old poet collapsed and passed away on the 8th instant, at his home in Boston.

LORD BRASSEY spoke at Laurier's meeting at Indian Head, and endorsed the Grit leader's claim that Reciprocity is not a disloyal policy. The Conservatives will now agree that his lordship is well named.

OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.

DIED, OCTOBER 8TH.

AT midday, when the sun was zenith-high,
Came the clear call for him
Whose sweet renown had reached meridian,
Whose eye was not yet dim
Though it had sparkled in its kindly mood
For more than eighty years of ill and good.

'Twas fitting that the gentle "Autocrat"
Who ruled the willing heart
Of his own time, should thus, Elijah like,
From earthly triumphs part,
Not dying, as it seemed, but caught away—
Translated in the fulness of the day.

His learning won our honor, and his wit
Our ready laughter moved,
But most of all we prized the man himself,
For while we laughed we loved,
And loving well, the common grief we
share, —
Each Breakfast Table has an empty chair.
J. W. B.

THE CHESTNUT TREE.

Not by Longfellow, but Another Fellow.

UNDER the spreading chestnut tree
The city urchin stands,
A Vandal and a scamp is he
With most mischievous hands.
And sticks and stones he throws aloft
And many a chestnut lands.

What cares he though he breaks the boughs
And knocks off leaves and twigs;
And makes the sidewalk look as if
'Twere overrun with pigs?
He's not afraid of cops—if one
Should come along he "digs."

What does the city urchin do
With the fruit of all this toil;
This annual ruin of the trees
Which cops don't seem to foil?
He "don't do nothin' with 'em, see?"—
Just leaves 'em there to spoil.

Or else, perchance, he gathers them
All round, and hard, and green,
And stores them in some safe retreat
Awaiting Hallowe'en,
When they are used for "pegging doors"
And raising people's spleen.



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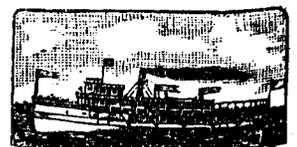
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