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## The Gnardian and III Boys.

(irip has made a picture this week of an affecting little incident which lately transpired in the political world, viz., the venerable Reform Guardian gently but firmly leading his little boys away from the evil association of the National Amphitheatre.

It appears that these little M. F's, Dymond, Blain, Macdonald and METCALF, had witnessed some of the performances of the great wizard, Prof, JOHN A., and had expressed a large amount of contempt for the same, saying that they could go up on the platform and easily show how the tricks were done. This came to the ears of the manager of the show, and he sent those little boys word that they would be welcome to come before the audience and expose the professor's illusions, if they thought they could do so. But when their guardian, the Globe, heard of it, he at once forbade them to accept the challenge. " Na , na," said he, "dinna' hae onyching to do wi' yon wickit Wizard, an his abomeenable treeks. See to the fate $o^{\prime}$ my puir bairins JURy an' VENNEL, wham I allooed tae gang on the pletform! Whan they gaed they were baith braw workin' men, w' clear heeds an' common-sense, but the Wizard an' his imps transformit them intil dolts; by speerin' at them wi' qucstions an' howlins an' interruptions an' a' that! They wad do the same wi' you, They wouldna gie you a hearing, ava."

Then the little boys meekly and dutifully walked away hand in hand with their guardian, and left the big crowd in the Amphitheatre to indulge in laughter at their timerity. And GRIP, who perched upon the flag-staft over the chairman's head, couldn't help joining in the chorus of rejroach, for he thought the boys and their guardian had no right to come to such a conclusion without giving the matter a trial.

## Grip Moralizes.

Which should I blame-our manners or our men?
Which lies most open to the critic pen?
If tyrant custom force poor mortals wrong,
Who do but stray where others wandered long-
What then?-they made the custom you deplore.
Not they, good sir, but those who lived before.
Change it, you say; but who should teach them so?
Those who decry the path upon it go.
Mercatus seizes all he can in trade,
It was the way his firm their moncy made, Lexator of the courts ne'er tells the truth, A former lawyer trained him while a youth,
'ro preach, not to practice Blanchecravarrae is known.
What then ?-lie does not wish to stand alone,
Say Jack the Alderman has money wen,
In Council-they would laugh if he'd made none,
The member takes the bribe that others do,
The Speaker thinks that he must do it too,
'Tis but a step-in Parliament shall stand
The fat contractor-purchase in his hand,
Another step-the judge shall soon decide
In favour of the better paying side,
What's honour?-do the right and keep your word,
But custom says, "Those things are never heard
Of now, or heard, are thought to be the rules Of obsolete or antiquated fools.
Nay. use the habit of the present day,
Get all you can, and never mind the way, keep faith if it be politic-if not,
Let truth, and faith and honour go to pot."
Grip will not say the thing he'd have you do,
But thinks the times are rather bad-don't you?

Everybody las read that Lord Beaconsfieid lately spoke of Mr. Gladstone as "a sophistical rhetorician, inebriated with the exuber"ance of his own verbosity and egotistical imagination." It is not so generally known that Gladstone was going to reply that Disrafli was a "Pragmatical plenipotentiary obfusticated with the phantasmagorical demonstration of his own superabundant unconstutionality and the Bedlamatic effervescence of superficial Charing Cross acclamation," only he had a gum boil and thought it better to restrain himself.

## Telegram Tactione

The Talcgram has worked itself into a rage over the Separate Schools troubles. At present it feels quite in the humour of beheading Archbishop LyN:H, but being restrained by fear of the police from carrying out this murderous passion literally, it contents itself with decapitating the Archbishop in print-it calls him Mr. Lyncri. Thus, with one masterly stroke of the pen, the Telegrant man annihilates all the dignities which it has cost its victim the labour of a life time to earn. Arch-bishop, bishop, Vicar-general, dean, priest, -all these gradations are swept away in an instant, and Mr. LYNCIt is set back to the humble position he occupied when a mere school-boy-at least thirty vears of his life ruthlessly chalked off. Grip protests against the Telegram man taking people's lives, or parts thereof, in this manner. Plain Mr. Lyncir! How must he weep at seeing all his titles vanish! And it was only done to make him feel bad, but the Telegram man should not do to others as he wouldn't be done by. Now how would he like it, if Grip lopped the ornamental John Ross off, and always alluded to him as Fifteencent Su-And-Su?

## The Exeursion.

Oh, let us now some pleasure take, And let us go upon the lake,
Where white-topped waves so gaily break,
Along with the excursion.
The breeze is blowing brisk and fair,
And everyone is crowding there,
That in the pleasure they may share
Pruposed by the excursion.
What luncheon baskets heave in sight,
Crammed reticules of black and white,
They're bound they'll have an appetite
Along with the excursion.
The time is up-the whistles blow,
The cable's loosed, and off we go,

- They beat the drum-the bugles blow - Aboard of the excursion.

They cleave the waters sparkling bright, And every heart is beating light,
Alas, they may become ere night
Quite sick of the excursion.
Returning, oh, the sea is rough,
And dulcet tones grow rather gruff,
Alas, they think they've had enough
Of going on excursion.
No more the steamer smoothly glides,
She rolls, she pitches, and she slides,
And plavs the deuce with their insides
Who went on the excursion.
Behold them coning back at night,
Damp, draggled, pale, a woeful sight,
They're all in miserable plight
Who went on the excursion.
It's odd but true, they feel next day,
The better for it, and they say
They'd like to go again away
Upon a fresh excursion.

## A Frank Confession.

In the local column of the Markham Economist (a clear Grit journal) we read :
"Drifting with the Tide," a very popular song, at the Economist office."
Now, this is what we Conservatives have been saying all along, that these Grits, with the outrageous CarTwright at their head, are sitting on their miserable Free Tracie plank, and drifting with the tide of hard times to the great ocean of ruin. But we didn't suppose they gloricd in their miserable indolence until we learned that "Drifting with the Tide" was a very popular song amongst them. No doubt it is sung at all the Grit newspaper offices throughout the Dominion.

Tife Globe chronicles the fact that a certain cat (name unknown) was pelted to death by hail-stones while scooting across a yard last Sunday, -literally killed before she knew what hailed her.


## Dranatiote the Anphithoatro,

Grir is authorised to state that the Dramatic performance given at the National Amphitheatre on Thursday night, and which is to be repeated this evening, has no political significance whatever. The Drumkard is not a dramatised version of the Hansard Report of the last session at Oltawa, and the principal character is not an adaptation of Donald A Smitif, John A. Macdonald or Tupper's Goose Campeell. This explanation is necessary, because it is altogether likely that the Globe will seize upon the circumstance, and point out a great many analogies which will readily occur to its partisan mind between the incidents in the House and those of this play. Grip is authorised to assure the public. that the after-piece, Turn him out ! has no reference whatever to Mr: Alex. Mackenzie, although the Mail may assert the contray. The Dramalic.Company wish it to be known that they have not been engaged by the U. E. Club to produce these pieces, regardless of expense, with a view to helping along the election excitement. They are an independant, non-political, non-partisan, teetotal constellation of amateur artists, admission to all parts of the yard, 15 cents. On Monday night, the regular stock company will re-appear, when the emotional play of "Pro. tect the Poor Workingman," will be produced, with Mr. W. H. Frazer in the title role, after which the great wizard will appear in a few more of his political illusions, the whole to conclude with the new and popular burlesque entitled, "Trial by JURY; or the Horny Handed Son of Toil Struggling with the Cat-Call."

## The Ubiquitons

I'm here-I'm there, I'm everywhere, There's nowhere that I'm not, I've visited the Russian bear, On Cotopaxi got.

I'm seen on every Paris strcet In every square of Rome,
In Venice me you paddling meet And everywhere at home.

At home, where not a little chap Can fall upon the floor,
But presently with double rap You hear me at the door.

And not: a housewife can suppose A burglar has been nigh, But straightway she my presence knows To ask the reason why.

From fire to fire I rushing fly. From fuss to fuss I sun.
To get the item none but I Must be the number one.

I use the pencils nearly all By pencil makers made
A press reporter folks me call And now you know my trade.

And if you mean your life to end, Or something do that's grand, O, couldn't you a notice send That I may be on hand?

## The Propheoy.

"The freedom of the city," Drzzy said,
"They gave that I in diplomacy beat
Old Gor'schakoff." Cool Gladstone shook his head,
"'Twill give you soon the freedom of the street."

A pilllanthropic citizen of Memphis has just wedded a Miss Hoss. He doubtless took her for wheel or whoa.:- -St. Louis Fournal.
Haw! Haw! Gee-whittiker! what a joke.
Thi Tclegram tells us that "a streak of lightning struck St. Michael's belfry, and after proceeding down the front part of the bailding, burst open all the doors and disappeared. ". The impudence of the streak, in opening so many doors to go out at, when one would have done, and probably not shutting them alter it, was extreme, but its disnppearing is a most unusual thing. It must be about some vile business to hide itself in this manner. Had not the Telegram editor better be commissioned to look after the streak, and give it in charge of the police-when he catches it?


A dissipated dog.-One who tarries long tit the whine.-Torch.
The Lance is dead. Did Grip kill it?-Markham Economist. These hands are clean.

A PINT of huckleberries on the bush is better than two pints on the table : but they don't contain so many dead flies.--Herald.

It is better to praise a man to his face than to blackguard him behind his back. -Erratic Enrique.

Why ? Did he hit you very hard, Mr. Euriquc?
You may live in a basement and yet not live in abasement.-Hackcusack Republican.

Truc, and you may be an ice person and yet not live in an ice house.
Breathes there a man with solul so dead,
Who hasn't with composure said
that he personally beheld the very largest hailstone that fell duing the great storm.

Here nestles little Jim, A measle wrestled him
And modified his tiny little system;
Then other measies followed,
Much medicine he swallowed
And that is how it happened that we missed 'im.
-Philadclphia Ledger.
A fashionable dressmaker gives the most satisfaction when she makes a miss-fit.-St. Fohn Torch. And a printer thinks he's doing right when he makes a miss-print.-Greenwich Olscrver. As when he prints misserable puns, for instance.

- Thf $N$. American speaks of Kearney as a "labourer who works dreadfully hard with his tongue." The Butletin wants Kearney, who is an Irishman, to explain why he has a better right to this country than a Chinaman. Ask him an easier one.


## TIIE LANDLADY'S WIT.

"Aw -swects to the sweet," said the boarding-house swell, As the sugar he passed to the landlady's daughter; Receiving a gracious response from the belle As she daintily sweetened the faintly-tinged water.

But the landlady viewed his attention with scornNo sugar for her for his board in arrear ;
Now he'd take off her daughter, and leave her forlorn ; Thought she: "I will give him a flea in his ear."

So, dissembling her wrath, she laid hold of a dish :
"Mr. Bilkins, you don't seem to heartily eat ;
Liere's someching you'll find very nice with that fish, 'Twill suit youl exactly,-beets to the beat!"

- Fimuel Briggs, in St. Fohn Torch.

TiIE N.Y. Star is just now being congratulated upon benting the other Sunday papers in the matter of being delivered first at Saratoga on recent occasions-relays of horsesplbeing provided from Albany to that summer resort. Such enterprises must tell.-Norr. Herald.

It must, relay.
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We have not wings; we cannot soar; But we have feet whereby to climb,
liy slow degrees, by more and more,
The steep declivities of Time.
-Luther G. Riggs.
Go quick, oh author of this rhyme,
And knock at Darwin's study door,
Show him the feet whereby you climb-
Those are the links he's looking for !
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