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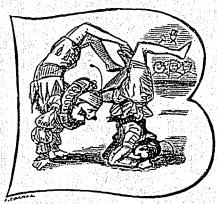
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Y Jupiter, Madam, I say it will not do! A pretty picture you'd make of yourself,—wouldn't you? The Grecian Bend indeed! Well I never; just as if you weren't stout enough without resorting to artificial means. Yes, Madam, I said stout. Nature has dealt very liberally

with you in that respect.

Come, now, you needn't kick and squirm and pull all the clothes off,—you know its the truth. I didn't marry you under a hundred and eighty, and I'm sure you haven't decreased in weight since.

No, I'm not finding fault with you about your figure. That can't be helped now. What I want you to do is to let it alone. Don't go upholstering yourself with whalebone and cotton batting and horse hair till you look like a two-leg—ahem—two-limbed dromedary. Don't go about the streets making a show of yourself and exposing your —— yes, Madam, exposing your ignorance and vulgarity to the public. Pitch the abominable rubbish into the stove, and let that be the last of it.

You wont? And it's the fashion is it?—altogether the go, eh? Well then, madam, you'll fashion yourself in some other shape. And as for being altogether the go, you'll go bag and baggage if you ever attempt that sort of thing here.

Don't tell me how well Mrs. So-and-So looked in it. I know better. Why, when she called here we didn't know what to do with her. She wouldn't fit into a blessed chair in the house. No, Mrs. K. K., the Bend is not for you.

No, I'm not an ill-tempered brute. And I don't interfere too much with other people's affairs. When you mounted a *chignon* as big as a clothes-basket, did I interfere? When a monthly account for rouge and pearl powder, sufficient to paint a panorama, is sent in to me, do I interfere? When short dresses came in and you made such a liberal display of ankles—and good robust ankles they are—did I say a word?

I wonder what you'll be wanting next? A pair of trousers, I suppose? You know you've been trying hard for some time to deprive me of mine. Be quiet, madam, and don't make a fool of yourself. Yes, a pair of trousers and a beaver hat and a latch-key. And you'll be joining the Masons, I dare say, and be coming home from the "lodge" late at night, and getting into bed with your boots on. Yes, that's what it would come to if I allowed you to have your own way. But I wont,—no, madam, I wont! I have stood your nonsense long enough. This is the straw that breaks the camel's back—the bunch of straw, I should say—

The one is The Odorous."

I regret to say, Mr. Editor, my homily was cut short by an assault of a highly aggravated nature, which sent me spinning on the floor. I was allowed to come to bed again, however, with the understanding that I was to drop the subject at once and forever.

Korn Kobb, Junr.

"WITHOUT RESERVE."

DIOGENES recently sent a reliable member of his staff to report on the *modus operandi* of a Dry Good's Auction. On endeavoring to ascend the stairs leading to the Auction Room he was stopped by one of the clerks with the remark that the place was so crowded that no one could be admitted. The following colloquy then took place:

CLERK.—"I can let you have anything you want at auction prices."

REPORTER.—"How do you know what prices articles will fetch at the auction?"

CLERK.—"Oh! that's quite easy." (Producing goods.) "Here is the ordinary selling price—and here is the price at which it may be knocked down at the auction." (Shews the tickets.)

REPORTER.—"But you announce that the sale is without reserve. Suppose no one bids up to the marked price—what then?"

CLERK.—"Oh! nothing is simpler—if they are knocked down for less than the marked price—they are bought in by parties specially engaged for the purpose."

REPORTER.—" I suppose this does not often occur—otherwise it would be a losing game for the Auctioneer?"

CLERK.—"It does not occur very often. The losings that way are more than counterbalanced by the gains in another way. For instance, people get so excited, sometimes, that they bid up an article from 30 to 50 per cent above the marked price, and then, of course, it is not bought in—don't you see?"

REPORTER—who is amazed at the Clerk's communicativeness,—"Well, if that's the case I think I'll try a store where they don't have auction sales. Good morning!"

CRITICAL.

DIOGENES recently drew attention under the heading of "Rhetorical Tricks," to a fault very common with slovenly newspaper writers, viz., the expressing, in two consecutive clauses of a sentence of one and the same idea. The latest instance which has come under the Cynic's observation appeared in the News of Wednesday. The Quebec correspondent of that journal wrote:—

"After careful consideration I have come to the conclusion that there will be no opposition this session, for two reasons: first, there is no one to lead; and secondly, there is no one to follow."

Now, it is quite evident that if the first proposition be correct, the second must necessarily be so, inasmuch as it covers precisely the same ground. Instead of two reasons, the writer only gives one—the second being, simply, a redundancy. As Mr. Toots says, "it's really of no consequence," but the Cynic, with an eye to the recent Tupperian propensities of the News, deems it worthy of a passing note.

A CONUNDRUM SUGGESTED BY A RECENT LECTURE.

What is the difference between Mr. Theodore Lyman and Mr. Jones Lyman?

The one is Theodorus, the other may be called "The Odorous."

NEW READINGS FROM SHAKSPERE.

MACBETH. (Part 2.)

I fully expect that you'll all recollect How Macbeth for his King showed a want of respect, And I'll prove how his plans, although most circumspect, In the end were teetotally, hopelessly wrecked: For " blood will tell," and of that there's no doubt, Which accounts for the saying that "murder will out." Having scuttled the King in the manner I've told, Macbeth takes his throne, and, what's better, his gold; While the Prince, who that throne had the best right to sit on, Took at once to his heels, and got clear of North Britain; And the wily Macduff, going off in a huff To England, turns to and sells 'baccy and snuff, Where, to draw all the custom he possibly could, He stuck up a Highlander cut out of wood. But for this chiel Macduff as no soul cares a button We'll leave him at once and "return to our mutton." Macbeth, with the cash, cuts no end of a dash, And resolves to catch Banquo and settle his hash, Because he remembers the words of the witches That said Banquo's son should step into his - which is The same as inheriting all of his riches, And knowing these hags were not wrong at their seance, He determines to operate also on Fleance. So getting two roughs, who'd escaped from the jail, He tells them no end of a terrible tale How Banquo did this, and did that, and the other, Till they swear that they'll murder him-were he their mother! They adhere to this vow close as feathers to pitch, And, cutting his throat, throw him into a ditch; But Fleance skeddaddles away o'er the heath, And saves his young bones by the skin of his teeth. The ruffians return to report what they've done, Confessing they've only succeeded with one, trouble, Which disturbs the King's mind, though he pays for their And says that he'd gladly have given them double If they'd only succeeded in nabbing the lad, Who was far more important than Banquo, his dad; And the murderers see that, before he despatched them, He'd been counting his chickens before he had hatched em, A process so common, it's past all belief, Though it's one that is apt to bring people to grief. Macbeth, the old sinner, then gives a big dinner, And his guests all perceive that with care he's grown thinner But I cannot help thinking, the custom of drinking Much "property" wine must necessitate shrinking (I know that for me it would do it like winking, And would bring on that ailment called colic or phthysic, To cure which requires mighty doses of physic. But this by the way;—what I purposed to say,) When dramatic proclivities led me astray, Was this, which I'll tell without further delay, That ere he began to drink from the can, The stuff that's supplied by the property man, The ghost of dead Banquo, as if in terrorem, As plain as a pikestaff is sitting before him. Now every one boasts about laughing at ghosts Till he's seen one sit grinning between his bed-posts, When he suddenly swears by the ghost which he laughed at, Getting fearfully savage whenever he's chaffed at. In cases like these, set it down as a rule, It's exceedingly rude to say "don't be a fool;" [latter, Don't say "Walker" nor "Hookey," though naught's in this I'm told that it makes a man mad as a hatter, Giving rise to fierce squabbles, when men lose their lives,-That is, in some States where they use bowie-knives. Macbeth sees the wraith, and turns round to the folks

(Who, he thinks, are endeavouring their monarch to hoax), Saying "Stop! I wont stand any practical jokes." But they all look in vain, don't know what to believe, For no man, nor the ghost of one, do they perceive. Then Lady Macbeth says, "You great stupid lout, "I wish you'd look sharp and mind what you're about; "Don't you see that you're scaring them out of their wits? "Sit down, or I'll give you particular fits." Then makes this excuse to the omnium gatherum, That her husband is subject to epithalatherum, A disease that I own you will seldom see here. And I doubt if you will in the Pharmacopaia; But Byron has said, and I feel it at times, That kings are not half so despotic as rhymes; Still, I really can't help it, I must go a-head, And find something to suit what's already been said. Lady M. was still speaking,—the knowing she-fox!—When up jumps the ghost like a jack in a box. "Avaunt thee!" Macbeth says, "thou spirit of evil; "Thou'rt not wanted here—so just go to the D-With this the ghost goes, and the lady explains Macbeth's ill again-so that no one remains. All reluctantly leave, for, like Dame Hubbard's dog, They'd been led to expect they'd have no end of prog. Then Lady Macbeth dons her conjuring cap, Says "I know what it is, just lie down for a nap, "And I'll come with you too, for I needn't remark "You're in too great a funk to be left in the dark." So together they go, Macbeth looking low, And the music begins to play tremuloso, As the scene closes in, showing heather and thistles, And the boxes applaud, while the gallery whistles; The ladies look round, and the pit seems to think That now is the time to look after a drink; While little boys stand, ragged up to the neck, Saluting each gent with "Please, give us your check." At this stage of the drama, lest any should "chouse," The manager counts the contents of the house, And, finding but few, straight exclaims in a rage, " Confound the legitimate classical stage! "Such houses as these wont suit my little book-"If they don't like Macbeth, let them try the Black Crook." Here I'll end my part two, just observing to you That of Shakspere I've made a remarkable stew; A confession, I hope, will find pardon extended, And as for my conduct in future, I'll mend it; But ere we depart I'll add one little word-You've bought my part second, next week buy the third!

MULTIPLICATION BY DIVISION.

(Not by Herrick.)

As Bayes, whose cup with poverty was dashed, Lay snug in bed, while his one shirt was washed, The dame appeared, and, holding it to view, Said—"If 'tis washed again, 'twill wash in two." "Indeed!" cried Bayes, "then wash it, pray, good cousin, And wash it, if you can, into a dozen."

AN APT QUOTATION.

Diogenes is of opinion that Shakspere's Portrait of a Soldier bears a close resemblance to Dr. Balch's youthful assailant:

- "Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel,
- " Seeking the bubble reputation " Even in the Canon's mouth."

BROWN REDIVIVUS.



Y friend George, Dr. Parker is down, down! this giveth thee a chance to go up, up! But whate'er betide, be not thou like those silly Bourbons. Remember and forget,—forget and remember! Forget that thou hast been a teacher - remember that thou hast much to learn. Forget that thou hast been a chief and a ruler, and be content to sit at the feet of those twin Gamaliels, -the primary-deposit-faced Mac, and Blake of the silver tongue,and suck in the milk of wisdom. Much milk shalt thou imbibe-

for though oft a little mulish, indeed they are not mules.

Remember how thou didst knock down, scatter, and utterly demolish that glorious erection-of cards-Grit-House, which had given thee and thy friends years of labour to complete. Remember, it is not of great importance to a man to rule the Globe, if he cannot properly manage a gooseberry garden. Remember, that he can only be a bungling workman whose very tools, the creation of his own hands, rise against him and strike and cut.

But go in, dearest George ! go in and win-and duly and dutifully serve through another apprenticeship. Humble thyself—so shalt thou be exalted. Be not discouraged. Aut Ciesar aut nullus is not for such as thou. Go in, George: take this little lesson in good part. And, once more, remember cum non sis, qui fueris, non esse cur nolis vivere.

"WRINKLES" FOR READINGS AND RECITATIONS.

As Diogenes considers it one of his duties to keep a watchful eye on all public entertainments, he occasionally "drops in" for a few minutes to hear the Readings which are frequently given at social meetings and other gatherings. Public speaking in his native country was an art much cultivated, and having practised it himself with considerable success, he feels competent to discuss the question in all its bearings. The recitation of choice compositions, either in prose or verse, serious or comic, is a highly commendable practice, and one that he is desirous of encouraging. He purposes, therefore, to give a few practical hints for the guidance of any novice who has an ambition to exhibit him-

self on a public platform.

It is assumed, Young Sir, you are impressed with the conviction that you are a good reader, and that you have already displayed your elocutionary powers in your family circle, amid the rapturous applause of admiring friends. Of course you have had no training for these rhetorical performances. class, are foolish enough to study and practice steadily for many years previous to making their debut in public. But as for reading the lurch; if your audience for reading their debut in public. Singers, instrumental performers, and inferior people of that cious Dogberry long ago settle that point? "To be a well-people should even dare to hiss you put it all down to their for reading—pshaw! it comes naturally. Did not the sagaavoured man is the gift of fortune, but to write and read comes by nature." Of course, too, you have a good voice. Everybody has. And you enunciate your words with perfect distinctness. Everybody does: If, however, you are so deficient in proper respect for yourself as to suppose that your voice wants cultivation, you can employ your leisure hours in imitating the tones of Canadian carters when they are engaged in severe altercations with their horses. This cannot fail in the long run to secure for you a voice that will be eminently suited for tragedy. The comedy voice is quite suggestions for the consideration of "Amateur Actors."

a simple affair, as it consists merely in speaking through your nose. By the way, if you should find on your first appearance that your voice does not quite realize the expectations that you have formed of it,—if your admirers should chance to say that, while your readings were very nice, they did not quite catch the words that you uttered, attribute this little accident to the defective acoustic properties of the Hall or Theatre. This plea is frequently urged by the best readers, and nobody ever presumes to gainsay it.

But first of all, you must manage to get yourself before the public; nothing is easier. Mention to some acquaintance who is on a Committee for providing elocutionary treats that you will be delighted to lend your valuable services to such and such an entertainment in behalf of some charitable purpose. Your services will be promptly accepted, and you will eventually find your name printed somewhere about the beginning of the programme. It is important, remember, that the object should be a charitable one, because you then disarm the critics, who cannot, for very shame, handle you roughly when they reflect upon the motives that have induced you to drop for the time your instinctive modesty, and voci-

ferate before a public audience.

The selection of your recitations will next engage your attention. If tragedy is your forte, visions of Mr. Bellow in "Hamlet" will flit before your memory, or Mr. Blowhard in "Macbeth" will perhaps suggest himself. But after due reflection and consultation with your friends, you may determine, as Shakspere is not fashionable now-a-days, to condescend to the reading of some more modern classic. You will accordingly make your debut in the "Raven" or some other equally unhackneved poem. Should you, however, have a genius for being funny, or, (which is nearly the same thing,) imagine that you have, Mr. Vandenhoff and the Pickwick Papers will at once occur to you, and you will successfully hit off some of the eccentricities of Mr. Weller. or realize to your hearers the famous trial for "breach of promise." After all, you need not trouble yourself much about what selections you do read; only, be sure that they are long enough to give you a chance of displaying your own powers of endurance, and of taxing at the same time those of the audience. Never forget this -that the longer and drearier your recitations are, the greater will be the relief when you at length come to an end.

If you have any misgivings about being able to pronounce any hard words that may incidentally crop up, you may read over your selections beforehand,-say, once-but, if you have that confidence in your own powers, for which of course I give you credit, you will probably consider this preliminary exercise superfluous. In fact, there is an infinite amount of nonsense both spoken and written about people learning to read with taste and feeling. All that you have to do, is to be natural. You doubtless know a man who had a friend who knew an actor-a good actor, too, for was he not called a utility actor?-who declared that elocution is "all 'umbug." Of course, that settled the question. If, notwithstanding this, should exhibit any signs of impatience, or some ill-mannered want of taste. This will in some measure serve to soothe your wounded feelings, and will, moreover, he cruelly severe

upon your rude audience.

The Cynic notices with satisfaction that several clergymen take part in these elocutionary entertainments. He is not presumptuous enough to offer any advice to them. All ministers are celebrated for being accomplished readers. "Tis their vocation."

DIOGENES hopes in some future number to throw out a few

CORRECTION.



unhesitatingly contradicts the statement that, in his recent paper on "The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," Mr. Fred. Mackenzie commented, in lugubrious terms, on the "brutality" of RITUALIST and on the refined torture of the NEWS. The Cynic has the best authority for stating that, on the occasion in question, Mr. Mackenzie confined himself, mainly, to a feeling exposition of the cruelties inflicted by bipeds on quadrupeds. The nearest approach he made to his recent personal experiences, was when he adverted to the atrocious practice of plucking live roosters in the market. Should any modern Plato, emulating the Cynic's ancient antagonist, take upon himself to define man as a two-legged animal without feathers, DIOGENES would, at this moment, be inclined to produce Mr. Fred. Mackenzie,

and repeat his old Athenian utterance "This is Plato's man!" For surely never was an over-confident game-bird so merci-

lessly stripped of his plumage!

According to the Witness, the Lecturer said:—"It would be well to educate public opinion on the subject of cruelty to animals; and the clergy, besides frequently enforcing a kindly disposition towards the brute creation, might do the same in a more public manner, by means of an annual sermon.

Diogenes is in a position to contradict a report that the Lecturer has written to Dr. Balch, requesting him to preach the first annual sermon. Equally unfounded is the assertion, that he has inisisted upon the Dean, and the Archdeacon's immediately publishing over their own signatures, a pamphlet on the subject. The Cynic is at a loss to understand how rumours so destitute of truth have been set affoat in the city.

EQUATIONS NOT EASILY SOLVED.

There are simple equations in Algebra, the solutions to which are evident at a glance, and that possess in consequence little interest for the student. But this is not the case with certain legal equations. For instance:-

> = 2 months. \$5 1 month.

The following incidents lately occurred in Montreal. Michael Donohue was charged with assaulting his wife. The injured woman testified that their little girl had been sick the night before, and she had given her husband a shilling to purchase some medicine at the apothecary's. Instead, however, of getting the physic for his child, he bought a bottle of whiskey for himself, and, after he had drunk it, assaulted his wife. Two policemen were then sent for to arrest him, and he assaulted them also. Donohue's son declared that his father was an habitual drunkard, and. instead of being a support to his family, was a continual burden to them. The man was, accordingly, fined \$10 or 2 months' imprisonment for assaulting his wife, and \$5 or 1 month for assaulting the policemen.

Let us endeavour to analyse the legal equations above given. If the fines of \$15 are paid, the family must evidently spare the money for that purpose, and continue to support the drunken head of the house. The innocent will thus suffer for the guilty, after enduring in the first instance the the great Norland that extends between the oceans!

criminal conduct for which remedy is sought at the hands of

On the other hand, if the fine is not paid, the three months' imprisonment is inflicted, which costs the family nothing, and relieves them from the annoyance of a drunkard, and the expense of boarding him for three months.

The legal equations before mentioned are, under circumstances like the above, never made use of in England. The following is one out of many cases in point that DIOGENES

has lately noticed in English papers:

"James Simpson, a master sweep, was charged with allowing a boy under statutory age to ascend several flues. He was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for each offence, without the alternative of a fine." Good for Simpson! Let the alternative of fines be abolished in all cases of cruelty, and cases of brutality will become far less frequent. Cancel from the books those legal equations, in which the two sides are not really equal.

ONE-SIDED JOURNALISM.

The following "Notice to Correspondents," appeared this week in the evening edition of a Montreal journal :

"T. H." "We do not agree with your views on the subject,

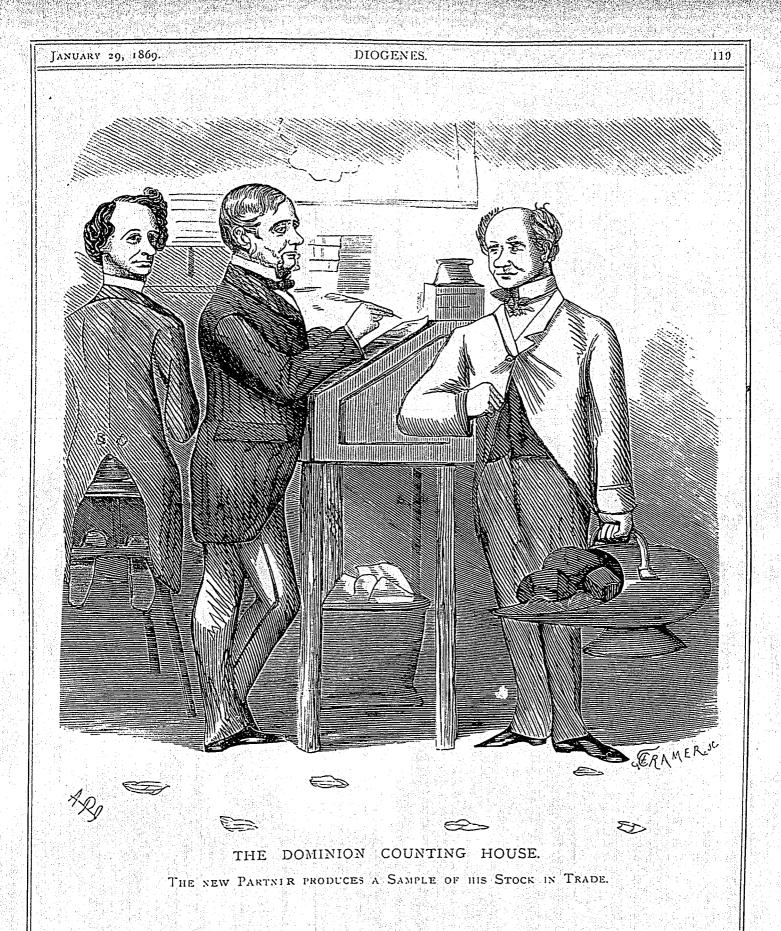
and must decline to insert your communication."

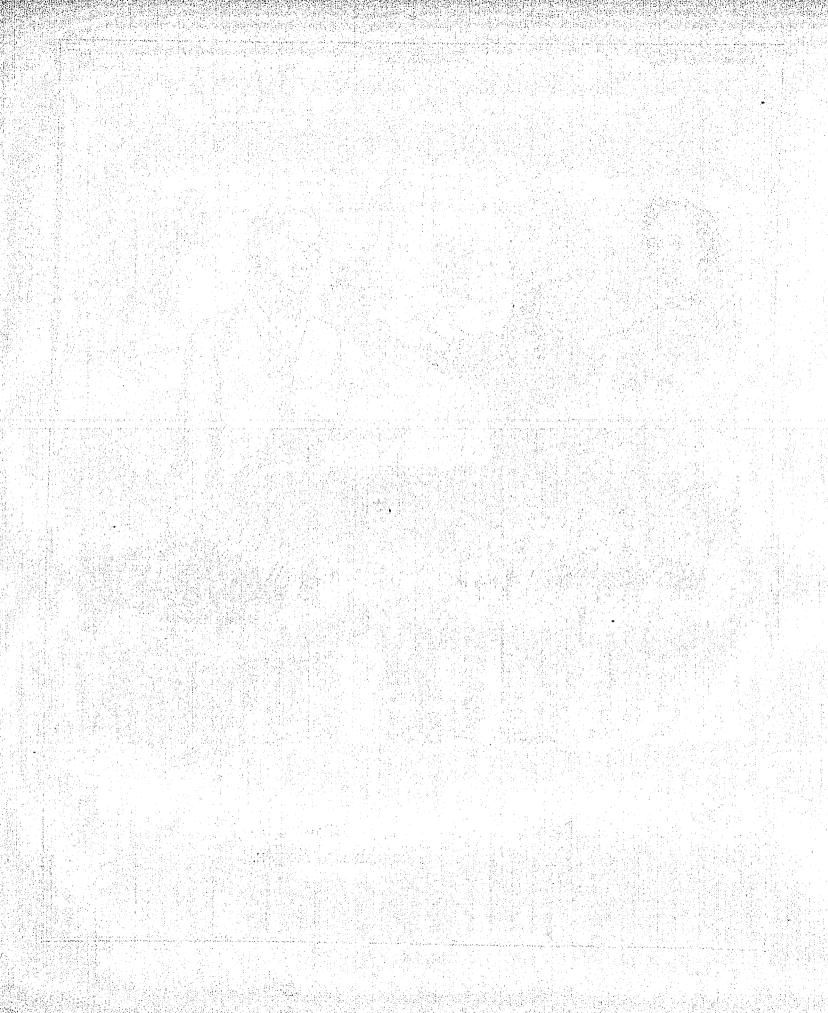
DIOGENES has not the least idea who "T. H." is. is moreover blissfully ignorant as to the "views" sought to be enunciated. He merely desires to draw attention to the apparent fact that "T. H.'s" letter was not suffered to appear in print, because the said "views" were not in unison with the interests or prejudices governing the journal. The Cynic has a right to assume this in the absence of any editorial declaration of opinion on the contents of the letter in question. Diogenes' experiences of newspapering are of a limited character. There were no broad sheets (or "blankets" as they are somewhat irreverently called) in ancient Athens, and taking into account the comatose character of those now "existing" in Canada, the CYNIC believes learning and virtue flourished all the better without them. During his prolonged sojourn in the Shades, DIGGENES made the acquaintance of several leading Spirits who boasted of having done their share in elevating journalism to the dignity of a Social Science. They informed him that the true secret of success in attempting to found a newspaper, is a strict observance of two golden rules—IMPARTIALITY and INDEPENDENCE. "Without the former," they said, "none will respect you - without the latter you cannot respect yourself." Dioge-NES has mused a good deal over this aphorism and has come to the conclusion that Canadian journalists very generally ignore its truth. He would say to them in all soberness,-"It is about time you made a stand for the dignity of your calling. Never refuse to insert a communication because the writer advances opinions which clash with your own. On the contrary give him every encouragement. You set yourselves up as public instructors. Let the public see that you are capable of maintaining your position, and that you do not fear to encounter a host of critics. So shall you inspire confidence—and confidence is always the forerunner of journalistic success."

THE POLITICAL DANAE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Jupiter John smiles fascinatingly at Ottawa, and How(e), he mollifies-How(e), he melts! How(e), he comes at the bland invitation—How(e) complacently takes his place at the board whereon are the loaves and the fishes!

Joseph casts aside his parti-coloured garb, and at length stands confessed in the Dominion wrapper of home-made material that is warranted to wear. Bravo, Joseph! How(e). well hast thou done! How(e), great shalt thou become in





THE LOWEST FORM OF HERO-WORSHIP.

When Drury Lane Theatre was rebuilt in 1812,—after having been burnt down in 1809, -Samuel Whitbread, M.P., wrote an address to be delivered on the occasion of its re-opening. Like all other compositions indited for that purpose, it of course contained a simile borrowed from that "feathered incombustible," the Phoenix. With respect to this rhetorical figure, Sheridan remarked, "Whitbread made more of the bird than any of them. He entered into particulars, and minutely described its wings, beak, tail and claws. In short, it was a poulterer's description of a Phænix."

Somewhat similar is the account that an insatiable public craves of all human Phoenixes, who have contributed in any measure to the making of history. The mob insists upon a poulterer's description of them, and exacts details of their minutest feathers. This prying curiosity amounts almost to a disease. It gorges itself greedily with insignificant particu- what miraculous agency did this idiotic Reporter attain a lars. At starting, it requires a sketch of the notoriety's birthplace, and eventually demands a photograph of his tomb. link," and is probably the only living being who could have It wishes to learn everything that can be discovered about penned the demented drivelling that follows: his looks, speech and dress, habits, books and associates—in brief, all his "surroundings." There is, accordingly, an unlimited supply of the article demanded. Boswell's Life of Johnson,—a book which fulfils all the conditions above enumerated,-is the most interesting biography ever published, and Plutarch's Lives, in the same way, is almost the only classical work that has become part of the popular literature of modern times. Now, if, as Pope says,

"The proper study of mankind is man,"

DIOGENES sees no objection to this literary embalming of the dead. Biographies are, as it were, the barks in which the ghosts of mortal celebrities sail over the gulf of time, and the Cynic may here mention, with pardonable pride, that though his body has been dust for more than two thousand years, his Tub and Lantern are as well known to the public as the Crown and Sceptre of the Queen of England.

But to return to the question of human Phoenixes. Highly as Diogenes approves of minute biographies of these rare ares, he vehemently denounces all sensational descriptions of the loathsome carrion-birds of human nature. He is mildly tolerant of part of Madame Tussaud's wax-work exhibition, but he strongly objects to the "Chamber of Horrors." He attempted about two months ago to satirize the morbid literature to which he now alludes; but the offender, whom he rebuked, has returned to the charge, and the stylus of Diogenes must again do battle. This particular reporter on the Globe differs notably from many of his confrères. He is utterly devoid of taste or judgment, and seems unable to write his debtors refuse to pay his demands, he will try to compel intelligible English. He begins as follows :-

'During the course of a short run through the gaol yesterday, that astute and omni-present individual "Our Reporter" incidentally came across the prisoner Whelan, and proposes hereunder to give the reader the gist of a tete-a-tete with that now celebrated personage.'

As Diogenes intends to quote only certain portions of this account, he may state that it does not contain a single statement or incident that can possibly interest the public, as news. The whole narrative is written in the most degraded style of "penny-a-lining," and is a disgrace to the journal in which it was permitted to appear. Comment however is un-The following quotations will speak for themselves, and require no italics:

SCIVES, AND require no Italics:

"One of the accomplishments or defects—(whichever of the two is the more apposite apostrophe)—of Whelan is his garrulous glibness and apparently inexhaustible fund of talk. He will rattle away for an hour at a time, and almost prevent his listener from getting a "word in edgeways." Truly, his conversational powers are something wonderful, at least so far as their continuity and inexhaustibility are concerned. And although his sayings are thoroughly consistent, connected and non-committal—for he never speaks of anything but the circumstances attendant upon, and which have culminated in his present position—yet, there crops out, every now and then, in his phraseology, that which corroborates and makes more apparent the opinion of egotism, self-evident to the mind of the beholder in witnessing his mercurial and somewhat conceited gestures and general deportment. Whelan is nothing, if not a man of big and high sounding, but wholly inappropriate, words, and it would puzzle the wits of a lexicographer to define or derive some of Mr. We's persisting.

Here is another elegant extract:

'There is something about Whelan that is rather prepossessing than otherwise, always excepting, of course, that almost indefinable sense of innate and inordinate self-conceit which clings to him like a shadow, and makes itself continually apparent. He is so outspoken and yet so guarded, so communicative and yet so non-committal, and all the time he embellishes his enflading fire of words with the most cheerful laughter, and anon occasionally naughtily defiles it with an emphasized oath or two. With a mixture of satire and humour he funnily describes the appearance in the box of the winess Lacroix, who it will be recollected, gave such damning evidence against him.'

Again:

During our brief gossip with him, he rapidly and voluntarily ran over the whole gamut of his life in Canada laughingly and with an air of impartiality—as if he were an uninterested debater on the subject—referring to the salient points in the evidence produced against him on the trial.

Here is the Reporter's account of one of the murderer's habits:

'Whelan was scrupulously clean and neat in his appearance, the only evidence of anything approaching a filthy habit being the presence of a good sized quid of tobacco inclosed in his dentrifices.'

Shade of Quintilian! What are a man's "dentrifices?" situation in the Globe office? He appears to be the "missing

"Altogether, Whelan is a man with whom, especially in his present peculiar circumstances, one could interestedly and pleasandly, if not instructively, pass a whole afternoon. His volatility is infectious, and his garrulity, interspersed very plentifully as it is with phraseological eccentricities and blunders, is extremely anusing and ludicrous. His inexhaustible mine of humor and brusque off-hand manner, also, are very agreeable, and "our reporter" bade him "good bye" yesterday afternoon rather reluctantly. Wheian also seemed to be rather sorry at parting, with that suave and prepossessing entity."

DIOGENES, on the contrary, is not sorry to part with this "suave and prepossessing entity." But before doing so, he asks in sober earnestness, what can be thought of any sane mortal who writes in this flippant and heartless style of an ignorant, fanatical, blasphemous and cowardly assassin like Whelan? And what can be thought of the Press, that through the length and breadth of the Dominion, transfers to its columns such shameless balderdash, without one word expressive of disgust or condemnation?

INTERESTING INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Lynch, the ex-Mayor of Beauharnois, has been defeated in his attempt to be again elected Chief Magistrate. The high rate of interest that he was in the habit of exacting, was the capital offence urged against him. Drogenes fails to see that he can be called an unprincipled man for that reason. He must have possessed considerable principal to lend as much money as he is said to have done, and no one at any rate can justly accuse him of not having taken extraordinary interest in the community of which he is an ornament. If them by the aid of Lynch-law.

"TOO LATE! TOO LATE!"

In spite of the maxim of the "Prince of Diplomatists,"-"Never do to-day what can be as well done to morrow," Diogenes sticks to the philosophy of the well-known roundhand copy, "Delays are dangerous." Read the following incident, and disagree with him if you can:-A very young widow, while returning from her husband's funeral, rejected an offer of marriage, on the ingenuous and valid plea that she had accepted one while going.

The cynical nature of this anecdote is pleasing to DIOCENES, but he suspects that it was manufactured by a Saturday Reviewer.

ANSWER TO THE REBUS IN NO. 11.

On S.T. is the best Poll I see. ("Honesty is the best policy.")

THE STAMP AND CURRENCY NUISANCE.

Scene: A Confectionery Store hardly West of Bleury Street. Time, 11 A. M. Enter Sedate Female, accompanied by Ancient Pct of the mongrel order:

SEDATE FEMALE,—'addressing good looking matron behind the counter'—" Can you give me a stale copper bun for my little dog? Poor thing! he's very hungry! Or, perhaps, you can give me tree for a copper?"

GOOD-LOOKING MATRON (with slightly arch expression,)

"I can give you one for a copper."

SEDATE FEMALE.—"Thanks,—that will do;" (Tenders a Philadelphia half dime in payment.) "Perhaps you can oblige me with five Canadian cents in change?"

GOOD-LOOKING MATRON .- "I will see." (Discovers and counts out five Canadian cents.) Exit SEDATE FEMALE and

The Cynic's omniscience frequently involves omnipresence. He followed that female (she will doubtless think it very mean of him) and saw her repeat the operation in four other confectionery stores with like results. She then entered a News Agency and asked for a quarter dollar's worth of postage stamps. The young man behind the counter, who had just fluished reading the notable account of ye famous battell between Robin Hood and ye Curtal Fryer," and appeared inordinately good humoured, complied with her request and, with incipient gallantry, enclosed the stamps in a neat envelope. He appeared disappointed however on receiving Canadian cents in payment. Diogenes musing on the financial results of the sedate female's operations, has come to the conclusion that, if properly manipulated, American silver is not the nuisance it is popularly represented to be. Had the lady tendered a half dime on five different occasions, for postage stamps, an additional copper would have been demanded. As it was she netted five coppers, five stale buns for her durling pet-quadruped (now more than sufficiently gorged), and a neat envelope,—something near 33 per cent, or about the same amount the doctors demand from dependent druggists.'

AN ORIENTAL WAIF.

Diogenes has been requested to publish the following "Curious extract from the History of Persia, by Aboo el Hummum." He does so without entirely vouching for certain statements involving matters of fact:

Address of the Tribe of Bumboozles to the Most Affable and Serenc Grand Vizier Kerfoozelum.

We, the most humble and devoted of your subjects, desire most humbly to prostrate ourselves before your affable Serenity, at this most auspicious and appropriate season of the full moon, in order to express our hearty wishes for the health, digestion, and happiness of your Screne Highness.

We are aware, that the time of full moon has passed, but as its effects yet remain in our heads, we doubt not but that you will in your condescension, overlook the apparent irregularity.

Especially do we wish to recall, at this time, the great benefits which have flowed from your Serenity's administration; that whereas we were, before your auspicious advent, living in dull and abject indifference, unity, and peace; your presence has quickened us to a laudable activity, and excited the whole tribe of Bamboozles to a wholesome antagonism and rivalry.

We also gratefully thank you, at this most appropriate season. for the many noble air castles with which you have adorned our country. These we would not, of ourselves, have had the ingenuity to build, or even design, had not our darkness been enlightened by the knowledge which you brought to us.

We should also express our profound gratitude that whereas we were formerly deeply involved in paying our necessary ex-

penses, out of our own resources; and whereas we had been. after the uncivilized manner of our fore-fathers, economising our means, you first taught us the great economic and civilizing value of having debts.

We are, moreover, sincerely thankful, for the vast amount of flummery with which you have so bountifully fed us, without which, we would never have known the value of this new article

of food, or our capacities for swallowing it.

We call to mind also, with complacent gratification, the many kind and flattering things you have said,-for had you not enlightened us, we should never have known how excellent a people we are.

We are also as deeply grateful for the many things which you have not done as for those which you have done. Our gratitude will never forget the former, and your faithful adherents

will never let us forget the latter.

But in fine, when we consider how nobly and disinterestedly you came to our benighted land, leaving the bones of your fathers, to east your lot among us, we feel overcome with the weight of obligation under which we labour, and we carnestly hope that the day may soon arrive when, leaving behind so unworthy a people, you may rest from your arduous labours, among the exalted spirits of your native land.

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Yours faithfully,

NON COMPOS MENTIS.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

- "II. M." has omitted to send the paragraph on which he
- "T.," Quebec.—Please be a little more explicit. Drogenes fails to see the point of the joke.
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