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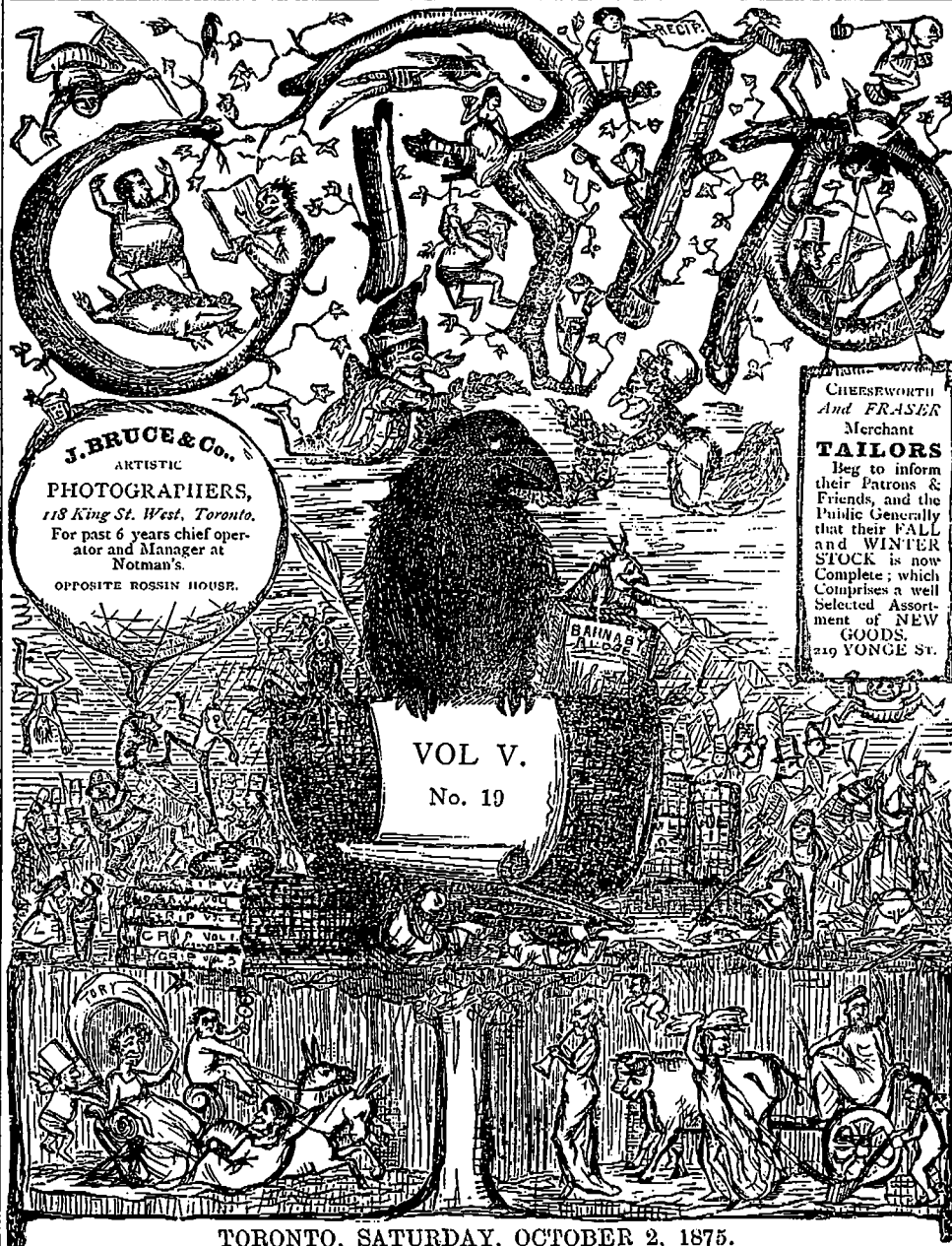
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The greatest Fish is the *Oyster*; the greatest Man is the *Fool*.

TORONTO, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 1875.

### Answers to Correspondents.

**TEMPERANCE.**—Your suggestion that the steam fire engines should be called out to repress riots, next Sunday, is a good one. Let the plan be tried by all means. Plenty of water would be abhorred by the unwashed.

**WEST TORONTO.**—If Mr. CAMERON come out this time he will probably go to the polls, that is, if he do not retire.

**CONSERVATIVE.**—Yes, half a loaf is better than no bread. Bring out Mr. CROMBIE. We promise him our support—in fact we support all the candidates.

**IMPUDENCE.**—The inevitable "working man" like the irrepressible nigger is to be out again in West Toronto. All the candidates claim to be that famous individual.

**LEX.**—Mr. LAFLANNE is a bright and shining light of the Montreal Bar. He declined to accept a judgeship as he thought it would be hiding his light under a bushel.

**ANXIOUS.**—Mr. Mayor METCALF did not, so far as we know, dance the waltz in London. It was unkind for Mr. BAXTER to hint that he did.

**REV. DR. R.**—Perhaps you have been maligned, but we cannot undertake to publish in these columns your 1006 pages of MS. It would take us several years to get through them. The public know you well enough to justify future silence on your part.

**OLD MAID.**—Write to the *Nation*. That journal has taken up the cause of that estimable class of ladies who have past their meridian splendour. The fact is there are too many old maids and old bachelors, and our legislators should devise some means of abating the evil.

**MATILDA.**—There are a great many nice, well-mannered, and fairly educated young men, in the city, who would go out into society more frequently if it were not that they are terrified when they go to visit by having to talk to three or four young ladies at once—not to speak of the mother of the house. It requires no ordinary conversational power to entertain half a dozen sisters of ages varying from 35 to 17, at one and the same time. When the mother has likewise to be talked to, it becomes very painful. The only plan is, for those sisters over twenty-five years, to keep to themselves when the male visitor is not over twenty years.

#### From Our Box.

GRIP croaks his compliments to Mr. KENNEDY on the large and enthusiastic audiences that have greeted the singer of the "Auld Scotch Songs" during the week. Mr. KENNEDY with his mirth-provoking mimicry and mellifluous music, is a host in himself. The entertainment is heightened by the addition of five members of his family, whose performances, while less rare, are more appreciable by those who cannot understand the "braid Scotch" of their father. The glees of five voices—three male and two female—were rendered with exquisite taste, and strictest regard to time and tone. The solos were good, notably that of Mr. RICHARD KENNEDY, "March, March, Ettrick and Teviotdale." Miss HELEN KENNEDY and Miss MARJORY KENNEDY sang and played with grace and modesty. Of course the great features of the whole were the songs and stories of Mr. KENNEDY, and it is sufficient compliment to him to say that he fully maintained his long-earned reputation. The entertainments close on Friday of next week.

THE GOURLAYS appeared in the first of a series of entertainments, at the Royal Opera House on Wednesday evening. Notwithstanding the counter attraction at the Music Hall, the audiences were good. Mr. GOURLAY himself is good; but his son, Mr. JOHN GOURLAY, is undoubtedly the star of the Company.

MISS MINNIE PALMER is the latest attraction at the Grand Opera House. She assumes the title role, in a sensational play, called "Bob, the Modern Puck." She has been greeted by rather slim houses. We anxiously await the appearance of FECHTER.

LONDON ASSURANCE.—Naked assurance was personified,  
In London once, by ADA ISAACS MENKENS.  
Who represents it now that she has died?  
Both rhyme and reason bid us answer—JENKINS!

### The Bank Clerk who Couldn't Learn "The Boston."

A LAMENTABLE BALLAD

A Teller's tale I fain would tell,  
Of one who did his duty well;  
For though in boundless wealth he rolled,  
His riches never were untold.

His was an enviable lot—  
His shirts were ironed without a spot,  
His coat and trousers always new,  
And to his persons strictly true.

He went to kettledrums and hops  
And smiled at girls from doors of shops,  
And on the weather held discourse  
With much sagacity and force.

And yet with all his gifts and show,  
Was this gay Teller happy? No!  
There was a canker in the rose  
Which I, with tears, shall now disclose.

Though singularly graceful, yet  
The "Boston dip" he could not get:  
"This Boston gets me," he would say,  
All in his easy, sparkling way.

To learn he tried him every plan:  
He subsidized a dancing man,  
A man who flung as light a toe  
As ever moved to fiddle-bow:

He practised with the girls he knew,  
And with his male companions too:  
With chairs, with waiters at the club,  
Behind his counter, in his tub.\*

But all in vain. Do everything,  
He could not get the "Boston" swing.  
Again he tried, and still again,  
But all in vain—but all in vain!

The dreadful strain, you may be sure,  
No mortal man could long endure.  
His cheeks grew hollow by degrees,  
His trousers baggy at the knees:

Till he at last, a shrunken ghost,  
Resigned his income and his post;  
Five hundred dollars by the year,  
And all that once he counted dear.

And in a village grocery now,  
He hides his ever darkling brow,  
And there, without a gleam of hope,  
Dispenses tea and Windsor soap.

And sometimes in his walk he halts,  
And moves his feet as if to waltz;  
And then, with sudden grief oppress,  
He groans aloud, and beats his breast.

He never smiles, they say he drinks,  
As to an early grave he sinks;  
But never doth this Teller tell,  
The pangs that in his bosom dwell.

MORAL.

Young men who, in the Teller's place,  
Distribute bills with easy grace,  
Cease thinking, as these lines you glance on,  
This world was merely made to dance on:  
And learn that these new steps from Boston,  
Aren't always worth the pain they cost 'un.

\* Not a bad place for a "dip" either.—[Ed.]

#### The Professor's Paradox.

Now he's finished his writings, permit me to say,  
All his rancour can't take my reputation away,  
But my Teacher constituents, (no doubt with surprise)  
Will be able to judge, themselves, where the truth lies!



POLITICAL PURITY; OR, POT AND KETTLE.

**A Grave Subject for Puns.**

*The gravest Beast is the Ass ; the gravest Bird is the Owl ;  
The gravest Fish is the Oyster ; the gravest Man is the Fool.*

DEAR GRIP,—

I don't like to differ  
From your (or JOE MILLER'S) belief,  
But it's my decided opinion,  
The *grav(i)est* beast known is—Beef.

I think you are somewhat partial,  
In awarding the prize to the Owl ;  
Though p'r'aps not : for now I remember,  
They make a very grave howl !

Your remark on the Oyster is fishy,—  
They're the jolliest esculents out !  
Though, when taken in superabundance,  
They send men to their graves, without doubt.

The gravest man is the Fool, eh !  
Excuse me,—don't think that I rave,—  
But allow me to make the suggestion  
That it's he who is dead in his grave !

**The Supreme Court.**

Through the kindness of several ardent political partizans who were educated in the Montreal Post Office, we are enabled to lay before our readers (in advance of all contemporaries) the following correspondence.

GLOBE OFFICE, 20th September, 1875.

SIR,—I understand that you are bent on carrying the Supreme Court folly into effect. Be good enough to bear in mind that I reserve to myself the right to name four out of the six judges to be appointed.

Yours truly,  
G. B.—N.

P. S.—I open this letter to say that I and my brother are agreed that MR. K—H MCK—Z—E and MR. J. D. ED—GR should be rewarded for their faithful service to us by being included in the list of appointees. These of course are exclusive of my brother's list.

G—D—N, B—X.

Hon E—D B—E,  
Minister of Justice.

OTTAWA, September 21st, 1875.

SIR,—Enclosed please find a letter bearing your signature. It is evidently your property.

Your Obedient Servant,  
E—D B—E.HON. GEO. B—N,  
Globe Office.

TORONTO, 21st September, 1875.

DEAR SIR,—As it is necessary to have some of our coreligionists on the bench of the Supreme Court, we think you will agree with us, that Mr. J. D. M—R—K, Mr. J. O'D—E, and Mr. B—Y D—V—N are just the men for three of the vacancies.

Hon E. B—E,  
Minister of Justice. The Catholic L.—G—E.

P. S.—We recommend for the office of Registrar to the Court Mr. PAT B—Y—E.

N. B.—For Senior Clerk, we think no more suitable person can be found than Mr. J. D. M—K. this, of course, if he be not appointed to the Bench. In the latter event Mr. T—R—Y C—R—K is the man.

P. S. & N. B.—The Act says some servants are to be appointed to the Court. For these positions we beg to submit the names of Paddy B—, JERRY L—, Tim S—, CORNY O. H., TERRY D—, LARRY O—, Mrs. O'CALLAGHAN, Mrs. FLANNIGAN and Miss O'TOOLE.

OTTAWA, 22nd Sept., 1875.

GENTLEMEN,—The names you suggest are very good. I am much impressed with that of the J. D. M—K. He has been here so often and has received so few canal contracts that he deserves much consideration at our hands, and, by the way, he must have picked up quite a knowledge of law while frequenting this office as well during the term of my beloved predecessor Sir JOHN as during mine. I fear that all you mention cannot be appointed without irritating the Scotch element. However, those unfortunate enough to be omitted will be cared for by your Local Government.

Truly Yours,  
E—D B—E.To the Catholic L.—G—E,  
Toronto.**Board of Works.**

The Toronto City Board of Works is a wonderful institution. Its actions are characterized by madness without method. At least we all thought so. But we now learn that our public improvements have been carried on under a system which may be summarized as follows :—

1. Grade a street ; macadamize it well until it has become a passable roadway, then convert it into a cedar and gravel road.
2. Dig it up and lay down sewers keeping it no thoroughfare as long as possible.
3. When the street is once more in order dig it up and lay down water pipes.
4. Macadamize it again and when the stones have well settled dig it up for gas pipes.
5. When order is restored, discover that the drain is badly put together and re-open the whole line of the street for repairs.

**Love, Love, Beautiful Love.**

*O Love, how wondrous is thy magic Art  
Strengthening the weak and trampling on the strong.—Don Juan.*

Love's golden chains enfeather link by link,  
And bolt on bolt, with sweet seductive power,  
A Nation's chief!—All minor matters shrink  
To insignificance at such an hour.

"What's in a name"? that antiquated myth  
Unflinching credence cannot, as of old, win,  
If here we drop the inexpressive SMITH,  
Retaining but the more appropriate GOLDWIN.

**Murder Will Out.**

It has leaked out that during the Pacific Scandal season Mr. BROWN wrote a letter to Mr. SIMPSON, asking him to "come down handsomely" as others had done. Notwithstanding Mr. BROWN'S lucid explanation, most people will think that bribery and corruption are not measured by the quantity of money used, but that it is as much a crime to spend \$3,000 in "influencing" elections as it is to lavish \$300,000 with the same object. At least, we may say to Sir JOHN and Mr. GEORGE BROWN on their own confessions—*arcades ambo*.

**A Colloquy on Coal.**

"The melan-coal-y days have come, the saddest of the year,"  
When coal-men coalesce on coals and sell them very dear ;  
GRIP thinks that members of "coal rings" will meet with such mishaps  
That they'll collide collectively, take colic, and collapse.  
Cause why—they think that they have got a perfect right to boss  
us,  
Bestriding o'er us petty men just like a large Coalossus.

**Croaks and Pecks.**

PATENT LUBRICATOR.—P—RD—E'S extract from coal oil.  
A MUCH to be desired pilgrimage for Sunday rioters—to Jericho.  
WHY was the late Vice-Chancellor translated to the Supreme Court ?  
Because it required a Strong man to support RICHARDS.  
A PHENOMENON.—The *Mail* says there was in the procession last Sunday a cross between two acolytes. Who can he be ?  
G. B. is the Saul among the grits. He is described in "Men of the Time" as a large-souled man with a mind which pervades the *Globe*.  
THERE will be no dearth of fuel in Manitoba so long as WOOD is there. No one can say what will happen when he cuts his stick.  
MANY of those who did not attend church in Toronto last Sunday excused themselves on the ground that they had found sermons in stones.  
WEST TORONTO IN CHANCERY.—Mr. MOSS takes his chance o' rising now a chance arises. However, no chance o' rye for the free and independent.  
When Dr. RYERSON suggested the appointment of a MINISTER of Education, he meant a Methodist Minister—probably himself. However, Mr. CROOKS'S appointment is a good one as he is now an OXFORD man.

We are glad to learn that Mr. EDGAR is bringing out a new edition of "The Pleasures of Memory." It will contain EDGAR'S great speech at Welland ; a detailed statement of his \$5,000 trip to British Columbia ; and his opinion of the electors of Monck and South Oxford.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—In consequence of the impassable state of the streets, the inhabitants of the city of Toronto are requested to emigrate, and to remain about during the next decade, in order that sewers, water and gas may be laid.

BY ORDER.

N. B.—No complaints will be received from any persons who remain after this notice.



**LACHINE  
CANAL ENLARGEMENT.**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the Secretary of Public Works, and endorsed "Tender for the Lachine Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Eastern and Western mails on **THURSDAY THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER NEXT**, for the enlargement of this canal, consisting of the widening and deepening of the channel from near the new basin east of Wellington Street bridge, upwards to the river St. Lawrence and Lachine, embracing the construction of new locks at St. Gabriel and Cote St. Paul, also the taking down and rebuilding the upper portions of the present locks at these places: building regulating weirs, culverts, bridge piers; the construction of a new entrance lock at Lachine, and the formation of a channel and basin on the south or river side of the existing entrance.

The works will be let in sections of the respective lengths indicated on a map of the line which, together with plans and specification of the various works, can be seen at this office, and at the Lachine Canal Office, Montreal, on and after **FRIDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF SEPTEMBER NEXT**, at either of which places Printed forms of Tender can be obtained.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that Tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and—in the case of firms—except there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the same; and further, an accepted bank cheque, or other available security, for the sum of from *one to three thousand dollars*, according to the extent of work on the section, must accompany each Tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines or fails to enter into contract for the work, when called upon to do so, at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

The amount required in each case will be stated on the form of Tender.

The cheque or money thus sent in, will be returned to the respective parties whose Tenders are not accepted.

For the due fulfilment of the contract, satisfactory security will be required on real estate, or by deposit of money, public or municipal securities, or bank stocks, to the amount of five per cent on the bulk sum of the contract, of which the sum sent in with the Tender will be considered a part.

Ninety per cent only of the progress estimates will be paid until the completion of the works.

To each Tender must be attached the actual signatures of two responsible and solvent persons, residents of the Dominion, willing to become sureties for the carrying out of these conditions as well as the due performance of works embraced in the contract.

This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

By Order,  
F. BRAUN,

Department of Public Works, } Secretary.  
Ottawa, 9th August, 1875. } 31st-5-13



**LACHINE  
CANAL ENLARGEMENT.**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

The letting of the works for the enlargement of the Lachine Canal, advertised to take place on the **SIXTEENTH DAY OF SEPT. NEXT**,

is unavoidably postponed to the following dates:—  
Tenders will be received until

**WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of SEPTEMBER next.**

The plans and specifications will be ready for examination (at the places previously mentioned) on Thursday, the Sixteenth day of September next.

By order,  
F. BRAUN,  
Secretary,

Department of Public Works,  
Ottawa, 18th August, 1875.

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