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J．C．J．（Hull．）Declined with thanks．
Several Others．If you don＇t take warning，we will publish an entire number of rejected contributions before long．

C．R．B．（Walkerville．）We had already inserted some other verses on the same subject as you own，or would gladly have published them． Thanks for the rest．

Jacky Plane．We really camot print your quotation from Doctor Watts as an original humorism，and the remainder of your vision is of too serious a nature for our columns．

ANTI－HUMBUG．We quite agree with the advisability of exposing quack doctors，but the columns of a comic paper are hardly suited for such a purpose．

## ＂Solution of the Irish Problem．＂

To me commtrymen now lam spakin＇，
＇Tis time ye be＇s up and is wakin＇
For＇tis Nicholas Flood
Of ould Irish Blood
Your fortunes is all after makin＇．
In all this wide woorld there＇s no man，
Since the dawn o＇creation began，
That cud iver see
Except it wus me
For to bile our pertaties the plan．
Jear byes av the Imerald Isle．
All the fules in Creation may shmile
And sigh－The poor grit！
But the shtars I will hit
Wid my pate－in magnifichent shtyle．
We will scorrnfully trate the base slaves，
And dig dape their infamus graves，
Who accept a lot
Widout glory got ；
The polthroons，the villains，the knaves．
Now moind ye well hwat I will say
And consider discrately the way，
Your bowld agitatur
Wad cook the pertatur，
And never your birthright bethtray．
And first I will rise and explane
To your highnesses just hwat I mane
Wid my fancy I sphy，
But not wid my eye
Your bodies all covered wid chane．
Be the bones of great Brian O＇Linn
（Who scomed not to disport a shapeskin）
Wid my mighty pen
I＇ll out－cluck the best hen
That e＇er flutthered and fought for her kin．
My plan now I＇ll slip in your ear
Hand it down to yer sons widout fear

## Assume to bc make

But be divils in chake
An you＇ll dhrive the whole woorld to yer rear．
An remimber＇tis Nicholas Flood Davin
Who your lives from base surfdom is savin＇，
＂Гo yerselves ye be true
An he＇ll see yon thro＇
Widout rantin＇，or roarin＇or ravin＇．

## From Oar Bux．

If was a blessed relief after a course of Niss Fisher and Miss Pierson to get back to Opera at the Joyal．Balfe＇s Enchantress was the first presented，in which Miss Sallie Iloliman sustained the principal character，or rather combination of characters，with her usual success．The play consists of a prologue on board ship，an interval of fifteen years，and two acts on shore．The interval was depicted with marvellous fidelity by the Orchestra．One could have thought it twenty years，and we only wondered to sec every one preserve their youth after it was over，with the exception of Miss Ida Carpenter，who had grown into Miss Sati．ile Holalac：．The interest of the play centres in a band of pirates who have a sort of veneration for the heroine，and all go ashore to follow her fortunes．They scem very amiable，mainly amusing themselves with dressing up like monks，firing guns to scare people，and occasionally singing a very pretty chorus．There is a Duke who hircs assassins to kill a rightful heir．They make a mistake and kill him． Rightful heir falls in love with the Enchantress．So does chief pirate． All three sing a charming trio very nicely．Pirate gives up his claim． Rest of pirates get into a boat without visible means of propulsion arid sing their chorus，Chief pirate goes out in a boat and joins them， leaving Sicily in a most happy condition．The lovers are united，at least we suppose so．That＇s all，except that it was charmingly put upon the stage and that Messrs．Ryse and Branvisi as the chief pirate and rightful heir sang very well，especially the former，whose acting was also worthy of notice．

Who or what is a Shanghraun and how is it promounced？These conundrums puzaled all Toronto for days．Now we know．It is an Irish gentleman in a tattered red coat，high boots，with a fiddle in a bag on his back and an invisible dog．As to the pronunciation we are not so certain of that yet，as djeersities of opinion seem to prevail，even on the stage itself．However the Shaughrann has fumished Mr．Bouci－ CAULT with the tille of a very good play，though not the best we have seen of his．Robert ffolliott（with two f＇s，mind）is an escaped prisoner， of the Fenian persusasion．Captain Molincux is an English officer in pursuit of Fenians．Father Dolan is guardian to Robert，with whom Arte $O^{\prime}$ Neale is in love．Robert has a sister Claire with whom the En－ glishman falls in love．Corry Kinchela is also in love with Robert＇s property．Harvey Duff is his factotum when anything wrong has to be done．We have described the Shatghrana，whose accomplishments are singing，making love to the priest＇s niece and producing surreptitious birds，fishes and whiskey bottles from his pockets．The ffolliots had once a castle．It is on a rock in the sen，where Miss O＇Neale says her ancestors used to keep open house，a gratuitous sort of hospitality， seeing that no one could ever have got there on casual visits． The fugitive visits Father Dolan who is giving a small evening party， when enter the Captain and as many of his company as can get into the house．They arrest him，and break up the festivities．Mr．Kin－ chela visits him in prison and shows him the way to get out，consid－ crately posting his accomplices outside with a view to shooting him． He makes a hole in the wall and the Shaughrann pulls him through． The latter jumps down on the factotum＇s back and they both get away safely．The tower makes a left half face to afford a full view of the escape，which was very prettily contrived．The second act closes with the shooting of the Shaughraun and abduction of Aric and Moya by Kinchela and his gang．Hurroo！What have we next？A real Irish wake． The body of the Shaughraun is decently laid out and the moumers be－ howl him．With a fine example of the＂ruling passion＂the corpse manages to abstract an old lady＇s whiskey，the effects of which are to revive him when every one else is gone．The Captain and he arrive finally in time to rescue the young woman，shoot Kinchela（who how－ ever revives in time to be taken into custody），frighten the factotum over a cliff and discover a royal pardon for Robcrt；Father Dolatt pronounces a blessing on three happy couples and the curtain falls on general rejojeings．Mrs．Morrison and Mr．Barnes as Claire and Captain Molincux were beyond all praisc．The former acted with more than her usual ease and spirit，and the latter was a pleasant and gentlemanly British officer，the part being，by the way，a great improvement on those usual in Irish dramas，where the Englishman is brought in to be made ridiculous．Mr．McDowell，the Shaughraun，is somewhat too American to suit our view of a Sligo peasent，but has plenty of humour and life．Mr．Couldock，as the venerable Father Dolan，was excel－ lent，showing much depth of feeling，which is too apt to be overlooked in pieces where the interest centres round the comic characters．Mrs． Linden played nicely as Artc and Mr．Sambrook was villainous to a degree as Kinchcla．Altogether，the whole may be pronounced a brilliant success，barring some of the scenery．

Any other individual would have been staggered by the statement of the President of the T．G．\＆B．Railway，that the operations of the cord－ wood ring had not come to his knowledge．But GRip sees through it at once．This gentleman has for sometime been deprived of the jower ot seeing，and hearing，and with a combination of Roman tortitude and modern ingenuity，has till now concealed the fact．But it should not be permitted－he might be run over by a train－his country might lose him， and what a loss that would be，our countrymen．


## A HINT FOR THE "MAIL" MANAGER;

OR, " GTABBING UNDER THE FIFTH RIB" SYSTEMATISED.

## What Editors have to Snfier!

(Trilegram. Richard de Dicke, to Grip: 2 p.m. Tucsday.)
"Grit, old man, I was to 'do' you something this weck, but, hang me, if I recollect what! 'Stonemason's strike ;' or building; or mortar; almost sure there was mortar in it. Answer."
(Grip, to Richard de Dicke; 2.15 p.m.)
Nice fellow you are!-Thoughts on man as a stupid animal denionstrated by six hodmen at 15 cts . per hour carrying bricks up tall ladders when a "rope and pulley worked by two men etc." You'll recollect now. We want copy badly. Send up soon."
(Richard de Diche to Grip; 7p.m. abbrcviated.)
"Exac'lly. I remember. Hodmen! So it was. I don't know what you think, but it seems to me there's something in the weather adverse to literary application. Had some ideas on hodmen, I know, a day or two back, but don't know where they are now. If you look at Appleton's Cyclopaedia - polar waves, - - barometric oscillations - . intense thought injurions . man evidently formed for physical exercise . . contributors to comic publications seldom live long - - morning best time for composition - . Hippocrates lays it down - - Jones says I owe him his revenge at billiards "." "give me five up". . 100 much "thinking corrodes our clay." (Milton) . . Send you something in the morning."
(Grip to Richard de Dicke: Wednesday, 9 a.m.)
"Don'r forget us. Several other contributions affected by same barometrical and sanitary influences - . At wit's end for copy. Urgent."
(Richard de Dicke to Grip; 11 a.m.)
"POor fellows! I sympathise with them! Know how it is myself. Feel a sort of all-overishness this morning. Believe the brewers do, as that Mail man hints, put horrifying things in the beer. However I beat Jones. Enclosed is a letter, (no matter how I got it,) which a leading London, (Ont.) Grit has just received from a Toronto political confrere. It is as entertaining as anything I could do for you in this depressing weather."

## Sir John Macdonald.

"To such base uses may we come. etc!" Pious quotation.
I congratulate myself on being able to give exclusively some particulars respecting the above used up political Charlatan, who, has just sold his house and "fixings" at Kingston, preparatory to a final bolt to this most virtuous city. The great arch-corruptionist, after twenty years of nearly absolute power, is still as of old, a poor man, and (unlike Mac* KENZIE AND Co. when they surrender office) will be under the necessity of doing something for his living. I interviewed him last night. To my query what he intended to turn his hand to? he readily and courteously replied that on consideration it struck him there was an opening in Toronto for a writer of advertisements (in poetry and prose) for tradesmen and others who are over busy, or whose education has been neglected. "MOSES \& SON, you know" he said, with a wink, "keeps a poet," and though the idea is new in these guarters I think it would take. Herenpon Sir John vent to a bureau, and brought out a card, and some printed specimens. The card was as follows:-

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Where'er I wonder,

And thus grow fonder
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My stomach's ills.
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Author of Toronto by Gaslight.
To man ExcommunicatingsEishop.
Unwise ecclesiastic, know you not
The weapon you have grasped has ever maimed ;
The hand which held it? Has your Chureh forgot
They still have prospered best, 'gainst whom such stroke was aimed?

Who mule in Rome to-day? Are they not those 'Gainst whom the Infallible his thunders sent?
What says he now? "A prisoner, my foes
In mine own palace have me closed and pent."
Would you again the harsh religious laws
Of former ages bring into the land?
Bethink you of each Irritish penal clause, How long you pined beneath their iron bant.

They are repealed. Why seek to introduce
The angry late which passed such laws once more,
Why let once more the fiend of discord loose
That wrought yourselves such injury before?
What though the journal railerl? If false it said
That falsehood would recoil. If it be true
Thy excommunication has but spread
Broadcast, what else had been but read by few.

## A. Favorite.

All women love me, from the giddy girl,
About whose brow full many an errant curl
Comes leaping downward, to the ancient maid
Whose hair, classically severe, a braid
Confines. Sweet eighteen, bursting into smiles,
Thesteadier matron, laughing at love's guiles; The sombre widow, who has plucked the tree Of sad experience, all alike love me !
And I am privileged. Where woman goes
There go I. When she is racked with woes
I'm by her side. When merry glances dart
And her blood leaps with joy, I feel her heart
Thrilling beneath my touch; I press her waist
More ardently than by lover e'er embraced.
Fickle, but not the ficklest coquette
Has ever dared to do without me yet.
Vhen in the drawing-room, I'm with her there;
I go out with her when she takes the air;
At night when in her couch sleep seals her eye,
On chair or sofa in her room I lie,
For I am privileged in many ways-
Seeing, my fricnds, that I'm a pair of stays !

## Doinge of Prominent Men.

Mr. George Brown denies that he became a Tory, but confesses that late events have given him il-libcral tendencies.

The Globe tells what Mr. Pattison said of Mr. Crooks, Mr. Parteson is going to tell us what the Messrs. Brown said of each other. If they agree not better, we shall soon hear what the twins of Toronto and London say of each other. How this world is given tosaying things of each other.

On coming in sight of Toronto, Mr. Blake remarked that it was sad to think that we seldom brought back a spotless "record" "Behold," he said, the place of my "brice" existence. But its "term" approaches. I am, however, "retained" here by many "refreshing" recollections.

Mr. Mackenzte, while in Sarnia, was olserved contemplating the ruins of his former efforts at masonry. " $\Delta \mathrm{h}$," he said, "the builders rejeckit me; but I am noo the corner stane o' a mair important Hoose." And he went away, placidly.

Mr. Croons lately met Mr. William McDougald. The coincidence was remarkable, but it really happened that Mr. William McDovgail at the same moment met Mk. Crooks. Their remarks also remarkably coincided. MR. McDougali, said that when his character was comparatively unknown, he used to be able to find constituencies much more readily than at present. Mr. Crooks agreed that it was strange, but not uncommon, as his experience was precisely the same.

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