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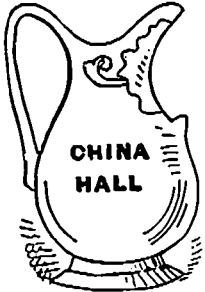
(DEDICATED TO THE AMERICAN SENATE.)

U. S.—The old man won't interfere, I know; and as for the gal herself, I kin thrash her if she tries to stop me from stealin' her fish.

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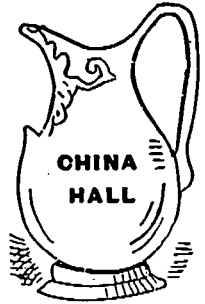
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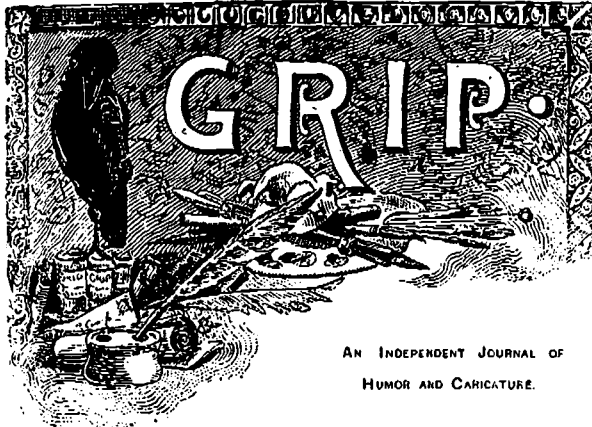
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### Comments on the Cartoons.



**THE LORD HIGH EXECUTIONER.**—It requires but a slight exercise of the imagination to see a striking physical resemblance between the clever gentleman who is playing *Ko-Ko* at the Grand Opera House just now, and the other clever gentleman who reigns at Ottawa. It has struck us that if the actor had his big sword labelled "Franchise Act," and introduced into his patter song some references to pestilent Grits and uncertain voters who have a place on his "list" of those whose heads he proposes to lop off, the resemblance would be complete. Sir John has been identified as the Great Canadian *Pooh-Bah*, because he is Premier and "Lord High-Everything-Else": his position is somewhat analogous also, to that of the *Mikado* himself, in that his will is law throughout this realm. In fact the versatile Knight could do the comic opera as a monologue performance. Here's a suggestion with money in it for some smart manager.

**NOBLE CONDUCT OF A BIG NATION.**—The treaty right of Americans to fish in Canadian waters having expired in the middle of the fishing season, our Government generously refrained from interfering, on the promise of President Cleveland that when Congress met he would bring the matter of renewing the treaty before the House and Senate. He did so, and what attitude did the latter body—the highest in the Republic—take? Simply this, that as England "dare not" attempt to protect the fisheries, and as Canada could not, they, the Great Enlightened and Christianized Nation of the west, would continue to steal fish. And the worst of it is here was not a dissenting voice to this disgraceful sentiment. Nominally this American Senate (unlike our own) represents the highest interests of the country, but we feel perfectly confident, that his deliverance on the fishery matter will evoke almost as much disgust and contempt throughout the States as it has in Canada.

**SENT TO CUT A SWITCH FOR HIS OWN BACK.**—The Session has duly opened at Ottawa, and already a demand has been made upon the Government to produce and lay before the House all

documents, papers, etc., bearing upon the North-West Rebellion and its causes. Being a constitutional statesman, of course Sir John will obey this mandate, but he can't do so without experiencing the peculiar feelings of the boy who is sent out to cut a switch for his own back at the bidding of his irate daddy.

**THE POLITICAL ACROBAT.**—Lord Randolph Churchill was, just before the general election—about two months ago—a red-hot advocate of Home Rule; hand-in-glove with Parnell. Now he is a flaming "Loyalist," doing his best to provoke the North of Ireland Orangemen to armed resistance to Home Rule, which, he avers, means repeal of the Union. When Kandy come on the stage the Cragg Family are nowhere for rapid tumbling.

**OH! WE CAN AFFORD IT.**—Once more the childish tom-foolery known to snobdom as the "Opening of Parliament" has been gone through with. From first to last this ceremony is as ridiculous as any scene in Gilbert and Sullivan, though it has none of the wit nor music. Besides being silly, and unnecessary in this country, it is very costly. The political work of our Governor-General consists of reading a speech at the commencement, and signing a number of bills at the end, of each session. For these valuable services we pay some \$130,000 per year. This needs explanation, perhaps. It's this way: We pay him, say \$25 per day for these two days' work = \$50. The balance, \$129,950 goes toward keeping up the establishment between times. Considering our present financial position and outlook, this matter deserves attention.

### As We Pass By.

**F**OR heterogeneous omniscience—beg pardon, for all sorts-of-know-all about-itness, we recommend the *Mail*. Half a column did it treat us to lately to tell us that turnips came from Rome, that Egyptians worshipped onions (sensible people; of course with them any expiratory odoriferous peculiarity was put down to the divine afflatus!) and that cloves are so called because they resemble nails. That is all right; after this when a man is tacks-ed with—ahem! exactly, he can nail his accuser in a single breath.

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**D**ILKE, the wily knight, is trying new tactics. His friends write to the *Times* to say he is very sensitive, and all this worry has nearly cost him his reason. It is a pity he hasn't less of the former and more of the latter. The Queen's Proctor is going to see about all this.

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**A**NOTHER mail bag lost. Luckily, it was only from Boston. If it had been from Hamilton, now—!

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**T**HE *Globe* is highly delighted at the little difficulty about Her Majesty's Ladies of the Bedchamber. It has an idea that the Mistress of the Robes irons Her Majesty's pocket handkerchiefs and starches Her Majesty's frills, and it thinks that "the wife of a 'plain mister' might do the job fairly well." We wonder it did not say that the "plain mister" himself "might do the job fairly well"—Mr. Wo Kee, let us say. We were always taught that the globe was an obtuse spheroid, whatever that may be; we fear it is only too true, very obtuse.

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**T**HANK the music of the spheres the "Mikado" is here again. Now there is some hope that the tunes dinned into our ears will be a little more like the real tunes. Lately they have only been recognizable by the words.



*Tecumseh*, by Charles Mair. This is a poem in dramatic form, and it is one of the very best things that has yet been produced in American literature. The subject is most happily chosen, especially at the present juncture of affairs, when the Indian question is up for settlement. Tecumseh was a magnificent specimen of his race, and Canadians have good reason to be proud that a Canadian poet has worthily honored his memory. And certainly Mr. Mair's work is worthily done. No writer of blank verse of the present day has, in our estimation, so nearly touched the Shakespearean model either in thought or language. The work should find an honored place in every library in the land. The publishers, Hunter, Rose & Co., have sent it forth in a binding and make-up befitting its merits.

#### CONFIDENTIAL.

IN the left hand top corner of GRIP's title page two men are represented seated on horseback. One is a Scotchman, dressed in Highland costume, while the other wears a suit of heavy mail. The horses are at full gallop, and the riders each have a lance levelled at his opponent. It looks to us as if the Scotchman is at a disadvantage, and we must admit that we take up our GRIP each week with some misgiving, for it is evident that when the two men do meet blood will be spilled. If GRIP will allow that Celt to unhorse his adversary we will be able to endorse the universal public verdict *re* the excellence of our contemporary.—*The Glasgowian*.

Brother, come aside and let us whisper in your ear. Calm you apprehensions. The fellow in the Highland costume is not a Celt at all. He is a mere Lowlander whom we engaged to do this tournament business at so much a week, and the clothes are borrowed from a costumier's.

#### FOOLS AND OTHER FELLOWS.

DEAR laborers in the vineyard of life, where sour grapes are often more plentiful than sweet ones, we are not about to enter into a learned disquisition upon the races of mankind. We have enough to do to run our own affairs without meddling with other races. We merely desire, in a mildly critical way, to call the reader's respectful attention to a select few of nature's noblemen, who in various ways have gained the appellation of "fool" or "fellow." And right here we are met with the pertinent query: Who are the other fellows, anyway? We give it up. We, however, rather incline to the opinion that the "other fellows" are oftentimes little better than fools, and therefore we hope to be pardoned if we drop the aforesaid "fellows" and class all as fools. Having made fools of everybody in this peaceful way (being no fighter we cannot box the compass of our subject with any degree of satisfaction) let us now in as cheerful a manner as possible proceed to "size" them up, although no judge of assize, preparatory to varnishing them.

Fools, like their wiser brethren, may be divided into two great classes: Fools who fool for fun and fools who fool for money. Let us take the latter first as being the most industrious.

One of the principal fools who fools for money is the M.P. or M.P.P. This interesting personage would, fain take the captious critic by the nose and make him believe that he, the M.P., is desperately in earnest when endeavoring to belittle his political opponents; that he is intensely serious when he "gets up" numberless quotations from the poets and great statesmen; that when he rises upon the floor of the House and rolls off his dismal and ponderous speeches he is possessed of the mightiest desire to benefit his fellow-men; that when he attends the political picnic and delivers an address teeming with pretty compliments to his own party and spiced with overwhelming diatribes against his opponents, he is profoundly serious and has no secret levity in his heart. He would specially like us to believe that when he attends the House for the express purpose of drawing his salary, he does so with the fullest belief that he has done *all in his power to earn it*.

Another fool is the enterprising dry goods dealer. This gentleman would have us believe that he is a public benefactor. He spreads huge posters and prints enormous ads. to inform all dry goods purchasers that he is selling away below cost. Of course everybody interested believes the statement and rushes to secure the bargains. Buzzing around his store we find our fool, a smile of beaming beauty playing over his features, full of apparent intense satisfaction that he is thus able to benefit his fellow men and women. He is always in severe earnest over his endeavors to act the part of Sacrificer for the Public Good, and were any one to express a desire to know how he can do this and purchase desirable corner lots and erect thereon modern style villas, the Sacrificer will strongly resent the insinuation, and declare they are *owned by his wife*. Poor fool! how well he acts his part, but how deceived is he!!

Another fool in this class is the newspaper editor. This fool is wishful that we believe he is chock full of honest convictions; that when he enters his *sanctum* he succeeds in convincing himself that the political partizans are but puppets and he works the strings; that when he writes his editorials he does so with as much seriousness as a minister writing his sermon; that he feels very important when reeling off the lines which shall convulse the political world with fear and trembling, or—laughter, and that he steps along the path of duty without knowing, or if knowing not caring, that he wears the cap and bells much the same as any other jester his size.

Another variety of this fool is the alderman. All aldermen, be it said, do not come under this head, but unfortunately for the ratepayers, there are some who do. The aldermanic fool is probably the simplest of his class. He enters the Council Chamber as the representative of a section of the ratepayers, but almost directly he seats himself, he forgets his professions and promises, and goes in for representing himself. This he does so innocently that he almost deceives himself that he is acting in the interest of the ratepayers. He winks at a by-law which, if rigidly enforced, would greatly benefit the town, but he cannot overlook the necessity of certain needless improvements, which, if done, will materially line the pockets of a certain syndicate in which he has an interest. He is also of the opinion that certain employees of the corporation, the worst paid the better for his purpose, are receiving too big *wages*, yet he is very strenuous in his efforts to secure an increase of *salary* for the Deputy Duster of the Mayoral Chair, who happens to be his wife's third cousin. The only bigger fool than the aldermanic fool we know is the ratepayer who votes for his re-election.



THE SENSATIONAL DRAMA THAT JACK WROTE

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MACHINE POEM.—THE MILLENIUM.

*La Presse* and the *Past* try to make it appear that the Hon. Mr. Howell had a clandestine interview with Rev. Father Dowd on a recent Sunday, and that the political plot was being hatched. The Minister of Customs simply called upon the respected pastor of St. Patrick's upon learning of his protracted illness, and beyond the courtesies exchanged between gentlemen upon such occasions not a word was said. — *Montreal Gazette*.

Now the blessed time is near—  
Soon all creatures shall agree,  
Soon the Tiger and the Deer  
Will consort in amity;  
Soon the Lion with the Lamb,  
And the Muskrat with the Clam  
Will abide in harmony.

Oh! the happy, happy day!  
Wolves will smile as Lambkins bleat,  
Minnows will not dart away  
When the Pike is on his beat;  
Rabbits will with Ferrets walk,  
And the Pigeon and the Hawk  
With true suavity will greet!

Sweet millenium! harbingered  
By this friendly call of Howell,  
Just to cheer with pleasant word  
Father Dowd, the good old soul!  
Just to pass the time of day,  
Just to hope his Rev'rence may  
Soon be to the fore, and whole!

Not a word of race or creed,  
Not a breath on politics! —  
Orange lilies did not plead  
To enwreath the crucifix!  
First, just this was spoke aloud,  
"Grandmaster Howell, 'tis Father Dowd!"  
Then they clasped their hands—the bricks!

Not a whisper, not a sound  
Of any bargain, good or bad—  
Mr. Howell, with how profound,  
Asked what pains his Rev'rence had—  
Learned the causes of disease,  
And recommended remedies,  
Fit to make his Rev'rence glad.

Then they parted—'twas a call,  
Friendly merely, void of guile,  
Without a taste at all, at all,  
Of current topics all the while—  
'Tis Mr. Howell's quite usual way  
To visit, every Sabbath day,  
Some good old priest and chat and smile!

Behold the orange loves the green!  
How wonders truly come to pass!  
And, possibly, may yet be seen,  
Each pious lodge attending mass! —  
That, at least, may credence win  
If this story's not too thin—  
But the public's not an ass).

Note.—Howell is a name of one syllable—pronounced *Bolt*.—MACHINE

MUSINGS OF MISS TAYKE.



I MUSED before the mirror in a pleasant state of coma, for my maid was doing my hair.

It is bad enough to oil one's hair, but fancy anointing one's whole body, like the old Grecian athletes! Just to think of any poet's waxing enthusiastic about "the 'iles of Greece, the 'iles of Greece!"

How very artificial we all are in our toilettes. But little wonder, when the daughters of Israel indulged in such a lot of gawds and ornaments when the third chapter of Isaiah was written. And then Venus, the Queen of Beauty, as I heard Bob reading in his Virgin, used often to appear with a false form. Even at King Arthur's court they were not above wearing artificial flowers. There was the lily made of Astolat.

How the poets do study the various phrases of the moon!

I suppose those "moonshiners" in Ireland are named on the *Lucius a non incendo* principle of entomology.

Realism is very effective in poetry. How stirring is the Wizard's exclamation in *Lochiel's Warning*:—"Whoa! whoa! to the riders that trample them down;" though I should think "horses" would be more natural than "riders." Byron, however, carried realism to a vulgar extent when he spoke of the tragic and comic muses as "the sighin' and teeheein' muse."

Our heavy ordnance is for war; but the divine ordinance is against it. Shakespeare thought the same ordinance was aimed at suicide: "Hath not the Everlasting fixed his cannon 'gainst self-slaughter?"

This is a fiendish policy which is suggested—to treat our Indians generously and fairly! Why, they should not be treated at all!

One may be too soft-hearted to Indians, however; like the militia officer in the North-West who liberated his prisoners on patrol.

All metals have their allies, except, apparently, Britannia metal.

I have been sorely troubled lately. Some months ago I invested all my propriety in bank stock; and now they send me a book where I find my name among a long list of unfortunate victims who have NO SHARES printed after their names!

My brother Bob is awfully lazy in the mornings. "It is hard to begin dressing," he writes: "*Ce n'est que le premier bas qui coute.*" "Go to the aunt, thou sluggard!" I wrote back to him; but he retorts that sluggards more often go to their "uncle"—though why he should treat "uncle" as a familiar quotation, I cannot tell.

One day last summer we were yachting. We fished for sharks, securing a stout rope to the captain and using a live boy for a float. In the evening I saw the bosphorus on the water. When I told Bob he laughed and said he had seen the Caucasus in Washington and in Ottawa too. But I informed him that this was a typographical error on his part, and besides that his remark was quite irreverent to the matter.

I found Bob out in another mistake. He said he was going to publish some cereal articles on agriculture. I remarked quietly that I fancied all articles on that subject were cereal.

No, I will never marry! I detest carving and could never perform the duties of a help-meat.

Meanness may be profitable, but I never coveted the golden mean.

They must keep bees in apiaries now, from what I heard papa saying at breakfast. What unpleasant room-mates for the poor monkeys!

F. BLAKE CROFTON.

THE DESERTED TAVERN.—A SCOTT ACT BALLAD.

A CHANGE has o'er the taverns crept  
In Scott Act county towns,  
The "bhoys" alas! have shook the place,  
Now that the whiskey's gone.  
No longer an array of bums  
The weary travellers greet,  
Nor plan seductive little games  
Suggestive of "your treat."  
The village drunkard and his chum,  
Who howled all night of yore,  
Their jovial spirit's passed away,  
And haunts the place no more.  
Gone are the tramps of other days,  
Quiet and stillness reign,  
No longer broken by the shout  
Of "Set 'em up again!"  
Mine host in his arm chair dozing,  
Dreams of the olden time,  
Of spirits now departed  
For a more congenial clime.  
The watchman lounging 'long his beat,  
His occupation gone,  
Looks for some secluded spot,  
And sleeps the whole night long.

—W. B. L.

KRAL'S RUMINATIONS.

"Down brakes!" or break down.

A COMMON act—Liquor and lick her.

If you are in narrow circumstances do not contract debts.

SOME stubborn men manifest a great deal of he-goatism.

WHY should a sailor be successful? Because he takes to his work from his berth.

COULD you call it an *affront* when some one hits you behind your back?

THE man who always says "laissez faire," is very often himself a lazy affair.

IF you contract debts, remember that they thus become larger the more you contract.

THERE is one legal authority that is apt to make a clear sweep of the law students—Broome.

THE man of fast life is generally loose in his habits thus playing fast and loose with his capabilities.

SOME men try to don the spurs before earning the boots. They win the jeers of the world and a pair of sore heels.

DO you think the world owes you a living? Perhaps it does; but, all the same, you will have to *render an account* before the bill is settled and you receive justice.

TUBER-CULAR consumption is still very prevalent among the Irish classes. The attack upon the *Solanum tuberosum* is generally beneficial to the person, but fatal to the potato.



**THE LORD HIGH EXECUTIONER.**

"I'VE GOT 'EM ON THE LIST!  
THEY NEVER WILL BE MISSED!"





ANOTHER USE FOR THE BATH.

(SEE A RECENT DRAWING IN *Punch*.)

GRIP presents his compliments to *Punch's* MISS JULIA, and would respectfully suggest that when she gets tired of utilizing the baths of the neighborhood for tobogganing they might be put to the equally pleasant and invigorating pastime of skating.

FATE.

A ROLLER RINK CATASTROPHE.

OH fly with me ! to the Roller Rink ?  
Said valorous dude to timorous maid ;  
We'el glide o'er its surface without a wink,  
Why need we be afraid.

To treacherous Rink, they speedily hie ;  
The doughty dude and the maiden fair,  
Between each loving glance and sigh,  
Acrobatically cleave the air.

What shakes the building ? resounding far,  
Only dude and maiden, have taken a sprawler—  
They send him away in a bob-tail car,  
Beheaded by his collar.

The maiden seems in a woeful trance  
And messengers for Doctors hustle ;  
They take her home in the ambulance—  
She had forgotten her bustle.

—J. T., JR.

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SQUIBS.

“WASTING sweetness on the desert heir.” Playing a hand organ to an unappreciative Arab.

ISN'T it strange that a man should get co(a)l(e)d in the fall in order to keep warm through the winter ?

A MAN was suddenly taken with great pains ; a physician was summoned who took great pains with the man, and after relieving him went off with the great payin's in his pocket.

SOME years ago an acquaintance of mine was being married by a Baptist elder, when the ceremony was completed :—

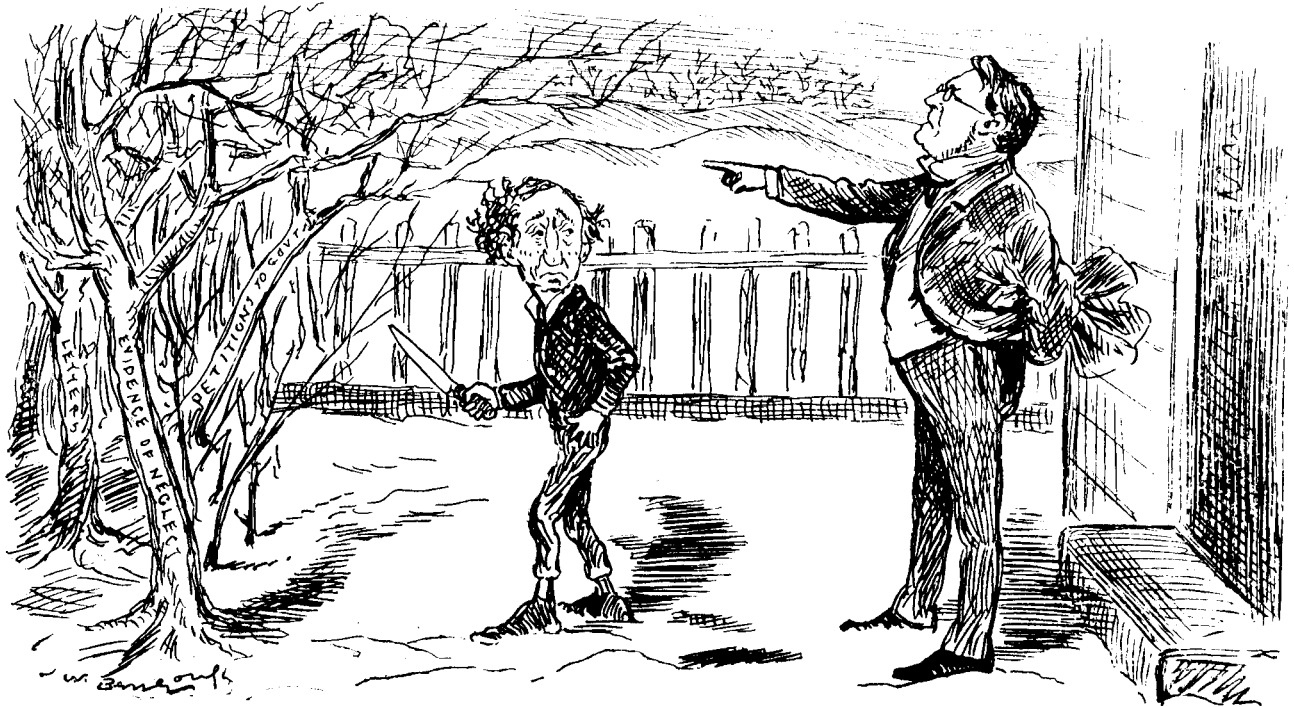
*Groom*.—Well, Elder, what's the fee ?

*Elder*.—Well, the law allows us two dollars.

*Groom* (Handing him a dollar bill).—Here's another, that'll make three.

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The annual meeting of the shareholders of this company was held at its offices in this city at noon yesterday. A. M. Smith, Esq., the president, occupied the chair and presented the following

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT:

The directors beg to submit their annual report on the business of the company for the past year, together with the profit and loss account and statement of assets and liabilities on 31st of December, 1885.

The revenue account, it will be observed, shows a net premium income of \$1,314,459.34 and, after providing for all losses during the year, there is a profit balance of \$35,425.13 on this account.

Two half-yearly dividends of four and five per cent. respectively have been declared, and after payment of these, \$40,000 is carried to the reserve fund, which now amounts to \$660,000, and \$6,013.18 remains at the credit of profit and loss account.

In addition to these gratifying results in the income and expenditure accounts, the directors have pleasure in calling attention to the fact that the liability of the company on unexpired risks has been reduced some \$34,000. The amount estimated as necessary to run off or re-insure all existing policies is \$483,652, and the net surplus over capital and all liabilities is, therefore, \$182,361, against \$193,059 at the close of 1884.

The directors regret to have to announce the loss of the valued services of John Fiske, Esq., as a director during the past year. The vacancy caused by his resignation has been filled by the election of H. N. Baird, Esq., to a seat at the board.

#### REVENUE ACCOUNT.

Fire Premiums.....	\$1,193,423 39	
Marine Premiums.....	267,361 99	\$1,460,845 38
Less Re-Assurance.....		146,386 04
Interest account.....		\$1,314,459 34
		35,396 29
		\$1,319,855 63
Fire losses, including an appropriation for all losses reported to Dec. 31, '85..		\$700,155 48
Marine losses, including an appropriation for all losses reported to Dec. 31, 1885.....		156,195 69
General Expenses, Agents' Commission, and all other charges.....		408,079 33
Balance to Profit and Loss.....		85,425 13
		\$1,349,855 63

#### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dividend paid July, 1885.....	\$16,000 00	
Dividend payable Jan., 1886..	20,000 00	
		\$36,000 00
Carried to reserve fund.....	40,000 00	
Sundry accounts written off.....	4,400 06	
Balance.....		6,013 18
		\$86,413 24
Balance from last year.....		988 11
Profit as above.....		85,425 13
		\$86,413 24

#### LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid up.....	\$400,000 00	
Losses under adjustment.....	102,187 28	
Dividend payable January, 1886.....	20,000 00	
Reserve fund.....	\$660,000 00	
Balance profit and loss.....	6,013 18	
		\$1,188,200 46

#### ASSETS.

Cash on hand and on deposit.....	\$268,929 18	
Debentures.....	27,038 86	
United States bonds.....	603,232 50	
Mortgages.....	7,450 00	
Bills receivable.....	45,502 96	
Interest due and accrued.....	2,263 21	
Company's building.....	57,440 00	
Re-assurance due from other companies.....	38,571 76	
Agents' balances and sundry accounts.....	137,771 99	
		\$1,188,200 46

A. M. SMITH,  
President.

J. J. KENNY,  
Managing Director.

WESTERN ASSURANCE OFFICES,  
TORONTO, February 12th, 1886.

#### AUDITORS' REPORT.

To the President and Directors of the Western Assurance Company.

GENTLEMEN—We hereby certify that we have audited the books and examined the vouchers and securities of the company for the year ending December 31, 1885, and find the same correct, carefully kept and properly set forth in the above statements.

R. R. CATRON, } Auditors.  
JOHN M. MARTIN, }

TORONTO, Feb. 13, 1886.

On motion the report was unanimously adopted and votes of thanks were passed to the president, vice-president and directors, and to the officers and agents of the company for their services in bringing about the satisfactory results which the report presented.

Messes. C. C. Baines, Wm. Anderson and Fred J. Stewart were appointed Scrutineers and reported the following gentlemen unanimously re-elected directors for the ensuing year, namely: A. M. Smith, Esq., Hon. S. C. Wood, Robt. Beatty, Esq., A. T. Fulton, Esq., Geo. A. Cox, Esq., Geo. McMurrich, Esq., H. N. Baird, Esq., and J. J. Kenny, Esq.

At the close of the ordinary business of the annual meeting the question of increasing the capital stock was considered. After a full discussion it was decided unanimously that the capital stock should be increased to \$1,000,000 by the issue on March 15 next of 5,000 additional shares of \$40 each to be allotted to present shareholders at par, in the proportion of one share to every four shares of old stock held by them, fifty per cent. of which will be called up in instalments during the current year.

At a meeting of the new board of directors of the company held subsequently, A. M. Smith, Esq., was re-elected president and Wm. Gooderham, Esq., vice-president for the ensuing year.

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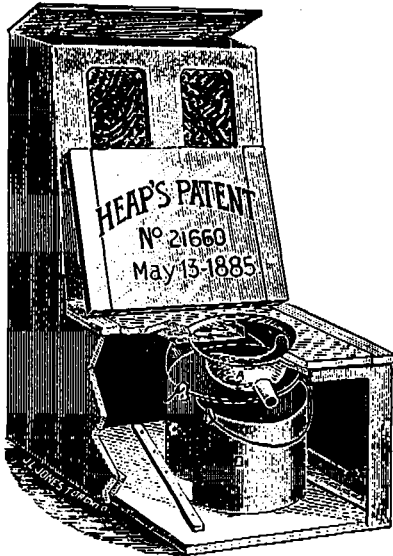
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