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Discord in the Party.Whatever Mr. Laurier's personal opinion of Mr. Dalton McCarthy's bill may be-and we are inclined to think "he would instinctively favor it-he cannot afford, as leader of the Liberal Party, to openly do so, because this would turn the French vote over to the Government bodily. The bill finds a pronounced friend in the Globe, however, and as the Globe, notwithstanding its frequent disclaimers, is regarded as the organ of the Liberals, there is trouble in the camp. The bill in question proposes to abolish French as an official language, and the Separate Schools as State institutions in Manitoba, agreeably with the wishes of the people of that Province, as expressed through the Legislature ; and if the doctrine of Provincial Rights, so vociferously set forth these many years by the Liberal Party means anything, we do not understand the ground upon which they refuse to support Mr. McCarthy. The Globe is at least consistent. And for all the good they get from it, the Party might just as well be without the French vote, and enjoy the luxury of being consistent, too.

A Work of Supererogation.-Native industries require protection from competition no more than ducks need protection from the rain. Freedom is their natural element. Only those industries which are not native require the artificial support of a tariff. The matter is perfectly plain. What we want is not work but the wealth-the good things-which work will secure. It is not necessary that Canada should be a great manufacturing country, but it is necessary that all her people should have abundance of the good things of life. Now, as international trade is in the form of goods for goods, common sense admonishes us to turn our energies in $\therefore$-those directions in which we can most easily produce tradeable things, in other words, to get the things we
want most cheaply. Canada is well adapted naturally for some lines of manufactures. That fact will be sufficient to call forth the factories, and they will grow in a healthy manner. The concerns which are not native, but tariff-born, are doomed to live on pap. They never become more than "infants." And meanwhile, the feeding of them makes living dearer all round, and does not even benefit the few workingmen who are employed in them. The tariff does not pretend to protect wageworkers.


T puzzled some of our citizens to account for Mr. Sam. Blake's extraordinary action in putting a clause in the street railway agreement prohibiting the running of Sunday cars, without, as it was alleged, authority to do so. Some were inclined to refer it to an aberration of religious zeal on Mr. Blake's part. To us it seemed easy to account for the irregularity on the hypothesis that the hon. gentleman had been of late giving too much attention to the vagaries of Emperor William of Germany. He had unconsciously absorbed something of that young man's enthusiasm, and perhaps came to believe in the divine right of Blake.

TTHE explanation is now forthcoming from Mr. Blake himself. He acted on what he considered plain instructions from the Council Committee, and the only difficulty has been the cowardly refusal of these gentlemen to stand by him. Mr. Blake is mad about it, as he has a perfect right to be, and has thrown up his brief, and sent in his bill.

T'HERE is some thinking being done on the subject of Direct Taxation in this country. The question is now in practical politics, and we may hope soon to reach the stage at which the people will get bold enough to mention the term without a superstitious shudder. Nothing but discussion will be required to bring them to the point of recognizing that direct taxation is simply honest taxation, and that in the words of the famous Prime Minister of France, the indirect scheme was invented to enable statesmen to pluck the largest amount of feathers from the geese with the least amount of squawking.
[ $T$ is too early yet to go into details, perhaps, but the following suggestion by an intelligent correspondent, is thrown out to anticipate the objection that under direct Taxation the advantage of paying taxes in instalments would be absent.

MY plan is that the Government issue and sell tax receipts ; that these be drawn to bearer and issued at régular stated periods, those of one period to be worth mare than those of the preceding period by the amount of a reasonable interest, and sold either before the first of the period for which they bear interest, at a fair discount when purchased in quantities, or after the first and until the close of such period at their. full value. They shall begin to bear interest from the first of the fiscal year when the tax is due, and may continue to do so if desired until the end of the year, or, in other words, may be purchased at any time during the year, the land being held as security in the meantime. When presented to the collector in lieu of cash, they shall have a paying capacity of their face value. By selling receipts in advance of their period at a discount, merchants could be induced to keep them on sale"for profit to themselves and for the accommodation of their customers. With


## VERY MUCH AT HOME.

Mr. Blooser-_" Good morning, Mrs. Blifkins. Is the boss at home?"
Mrs. Blifkins-"Yes, I'm here. Don't you see me? What's wanted?"
the adoption of a plan of this nature a direct tax need be no more difficult of payment than an indirect tax, for it is surely as easy to purchase goods and receipts as goods alone, even if the cost be the same in each instance; much more so, then, under direct taxation, as the goods and receipts would cost less than the goods at present by the amount which is now so generously and patrioticly appropriated by the monopolist. Compared with the present method of collecting the revenue, the plan suggested is quite free from complications. In the rates of interest and discount that would be considered fair and reasonable it readily adapts itself to varying conditions. It is practicable, simple and flexible.

WHAT'S the matter with Michael Davitt-the one Irish leader in whom we had confidence as a levelheaded political economist? Here we find him proposing a wild-cat scheme for the exportation of 100,000 "select colonists" to the Canadian North-West. The advent of that number of decent citizens would undoubtedly be a grand thing for Canada, but Mr. Davitt ought to know, if he doesn't, that under existing conditions it would be necessary to chain each newcomer to the Territory in order to make him stay when he got there. Is it possible that Davitt isn't aware we bave a protective tariff?

BUT this isn't the wildest part of the proposition. His suggestion is that the Imperial Government should "loan $£$ ro,000,000 sterling at a low rate of interest to the Dominion and Provincial Governments, to be used for the settlement in Canada of these colonists, who are now being driven to British cities from the rural districts." This is about as cool as anything we ever heard of. Canada is to pay for relieving John Bull from the natural results of his landlord system! It would be a little more reasonable if the $£$ ro,000,000 were a free gift to us for our contemplated kindness in providing homes for these expatriated people, especially as they won't stay with us.

It would be still more business-like if Mr. Bull negotiated directly with Cousin Jonathan, who will be the final beneficiary.

'HE discussion in the Montreal papers over the Boys Home business has brought to the suriace as queer an assortment of religious cranks as any the logical museum could ask for. One of the greatest freaks in the lot is a writer who signs his letters "A Churchman." Here are a few characteristic bits from his pen: "Not only the interests of the Protestant sects are involved, but also those of the Church of England.": " Among the Protestant sects the secession of members from one body or denomination to another is looked upon with complacency, if not with indifference. In the Church of England, on the other hand, such a dereliction is regarded as schism." "It would be well for the clergy and laity of the Church of England in future to have their own institutions for the bringing up of their own people in the Catholic Faith." Comment on this could only mar its Christian beauty !

## GOUIN, GOUIN, GONE!

${ }^{\circ}$OUNT MERCIER, since his crushing defeat in the recent Quebec elections, has withdrawn from an active interest in politics and is devoting himself strictly to legal practice, having taken unto bimself a partner of the suggestive name of Gouin. The tenacity with which the Count clung to office until fairly forced out of it is apparent. Paradoxical as it may seem, he didn't think of Gouin until he tound himself gone.

## A DISTINCTION WITH A DIFFERENCE.

WAXLEY-"By the way, you know Bill Kildogan. Is he a flannel-mouth?"
Radstock (zeho reads the Mail)-" Not at all. In fact much otherwise. He's what you might call a Flaneur-mouth."


## THOSE WOMEN.

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TUPPER COMES HIGH!
Our Rather High Commissioner (to common Canadian tax-payer)-" No remarks, now ; all you have to do is to settle the bill, see?"

## NOT THAT KIND.

FROM the revelations made at the trial of "Prince Michael," whose real name is Mills, we conclude that he is not one of the kind of mills which grind $\therefore$ slowly and exceeding small.

## AIRLIE IN THIBET.

T-HE following letter we found in the beak of Grip when we entered the office this morning. How it came there the letter will itself best explain.-Ed. Grip.

Given at Thibet, $3^{\text {rd }}$ Moon of the Present Lustrum.
To you, my fine auld birkie o' the caustic beak-to wit, Grip o' that ilk, your umqwhile correspondent, Hugh Airlie, sends greetin'. As nae doot ye're very weel aware, I'm here in Thibet, qualifyin' for a Mahatma; an' for six mortal months, except when a spook brocht me in a spectral plate o' parritch on an astral tray, I've sat wi' my back up against a muckle white wa', glowerin' at naething an' meditatin' deeply on the same intangible essence.
Weel, sittin' there a'e fine day, as the camel caravans gaed swingin' by, I sees a mist atween me an' them, an' the first thing I kent was a late number o' The Varsity flickerin' doon into the lap o' my white Mahatma goon.

At the risk $o^{\prime}$ forfeitin' what astral influence I had already gained by lang silence an' meditation on naething in particular, I opened the cheerfu' sheet, an' the first thing my e'e lichtit on was a letter frae "An Old Roman." Back to earth I cam' instanter, an' prepared to hear some grand auld Roman sentiments frae the son $o^{\prime}$ some Cornelia or Volumnia, or, better still, frae Cæsar's wife hersel' represented by the women o' Toronto University. But when I began:-- $?!$ --! - $\qquad$ ? ? ? ? ? ! ! 1!!!!
The thousand-year-auld Mahatma-in-Chief near rolled aff the what he sat crossleggit on, when I cam' tearin' in on him in a red-het passion.
"Now by my beard, O Scottoarlie!" be cried, "knowest thou not that such exhibitions of mortal passion are unseemly and calculated to unfit thee for that astral projection of thyself which thou seekest to attain to ?"
. "To the deevil wi' you an' your projections !" says I, fingin' The Varsity at him. "I'm human as yet, an' if that wouldna anger ony man that ever was born $o^{\prime}$ woman, I would-"
"Calm thyself, O Scottoairlie!" quoth thy ancient Mahatma, castin' doon his een on the letter ; "the man who wrote this innuendoic was nol born of woman. This I perceive by that inner vision evolved only by long study of the occult mysteries which envelop life, even as the atmosphere envelops the earth. He represents and is the outcome of certain pernicious astral influences. There are times, $O$ Scottoairlie when the astral plane becomes so crowded and clogged with disintegrated evil thrown upon it by human disembodiment, that, in order to preserve the balance of power between good and evil, and restore the astral plane to the status quo ante, it becomes absolutely necessary to get rid of the most sinister elements. This is done by collecting, amalgamating, and re-embodying them. and returning them at once to earth. The process of re-materializing such a spirit is somewhat after the fashion of the great word-wizard Shakespeare in his witch cauldrort.
"'Adder's fork and blind-worm's sting' (poison innuendoes).
"' Lizard's leg (reptilish) and owlet's wing' (ationymity).
"'Scale of dragon (pachydermatous), tooth of wolf' (See fable of Wolf and Lamb).
"' Witch's mummy' (dried up soul).
" 'Root of hemlock dug i' the dark' (low suggestions).

"RESTRAINING" THE MAD DOG.
Tue Law-"Hello, there! What in the world are you afraid of? Don't you see the animal has a tag on?"
"' Liver of blaspheming Jew ' (jaundiced imagination).
"' Gall of goat,' and this last swollen and enshrouded in a grey coat of prudery.
"All these symbols of evil have at one time been materialized and re-embodied, and then was the human child which was born of a woman spirited away in the night and this changeling incarnation known by the name of 'Old Roman' placed in its stead. And in truth the changeling might have remained undiscovered but for the betrayal of his origin hy this Sbibboleth which he hath spoken in the columns of The Varsity. For verily unto the pure all things are pure, even as to the impure all things are impure; even the gentle and sweet speech of men and maidens, walking in the sunlight unto the Halls of Learning in company together. Neither is it possible that an incarnation such as 'Old Roman' can understand or conceive how the devotees of Learning, men and women, can together bow at the pure shrine of Minerva and not become even as he himself in their imaginings. Such sinister souls have ofttimes waxed so bold in prudery as to bring the great Father of Life himself to book, for introducing such a scandalous phenomenon as difference of sex upon this
planet. At the same time, in their innermost soul there is nothing these incarnations desire more than to be favored by the smiles of the sex which they insist make monkeys of men by reverse evolution, and only too happy would they be to be made fools of by them, would the maidens but be persuaded to turn their eyes in their direction, condescend to put a ring in the nose of the scorner and so lead him about. But this kind of man the fair devotees of Minerva shrink from instinctively; hence the spite of 'Old Roman.' And now, O Scottoairlie, concentrate thine energies, fix thine eye upon yonder spot in the great white wall of Thibet, nor wink nor move until thou has precipitated this that I have told thee in a letter unto the sable bird who openeth his beak and speaketh wisdom in the far city of the Indian name of Toronto. And do thou also bestow my benison on those strong and benignant spirits who, with their faces set steadfastly toward Nirvana, have done battle in defence of sister students against the prudery of an irresponsible astral changeling."
"Eh, man!"says I, "what a relief ye've gi'en me! That 'Old Roman' maist made me ashamed o' my mankindness; but noo when ye've explained that the

"GHOSTS."
(Apropos of Col. Ingersoll's lecture.)
Shade of Shakespeare-" Well spoke, good Bob; but prithec, if mine was 'the giant intellect of mankind'-'an ocean touching every continent of human thought' - 'a mountain mind, beside which every other were an ant-hill,' doth it not puzzle you to consider that I accepted the Christian faith and died therein?"
horses, not to mintion the burnin' av the sthraw an' waggon, an' the owld man's breakin' av a leg an' an arm whin he jumped aff the load.
"You niver did that same, Tim," sez Oi, "sure an you've been moighty dhrunk, Tim, me darlint, till do that same thrick. But sure an' it's in the front room av the Royal Dominion Hotel, Nicky Hogan, proprietor, with males at all hours, an' not in the cooler that Oi am . They must trate their prisonersloike gintlemen in this town -or mebbe some wan bas bailed me out, or bedad! its acquited on foorst offence Oi've been. Sure an' its mane it wud be not till appear at the coort to-morry av that's the sthate av affairs."

Nixt marnin' at the coort, wud ye belave it, the joodge calls 'Timothy O'Toole.'
"Here sor," sez Oi.
"Silence in the coort," roared a longfaced spalpeen with a six-foot pole.
"Be aisy byes," sez Oi till the lads in the back, "divil a bit will they scare me. Yer honor, its mesilf that's spakin' till yez."

An' sure an' didn't that spalpeen saze me be the back av me coat an' he lifted me clane down sthairs, fur only answerin' till me'own unlucky name. Be the howly jumpin' gimcracks! av he had only come at me face-be the tinder mercy av Cromwell! Oid have-but afoor Oi cud get me coat aff Misther Hogan ov the Royal Dominion stepped up an' towld me as Tim O'Toole wuz the wurst young vagabone as grew in St. Petersville, an' Oi was the wrong man entoizely, wid the right name.
Oi thin went aff till sell sthrawberry trees till a farmer. Oi talked till him in a way that was raly desarvin' av the fortune
creature is no what ye would ca' compus mentis, I'll go an' $^{\prime}$ fix my e'e on that spot in the wa'. wi' the greatest $\mathrm{o}^{\prime}$ pleasure." Yours in.precipitate, Hugh Airlie.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

"FWHAT's in a name?" did yez say? The owld Nicks in it, an' so he is-at laste he's in moine. O'Toole ez me name-Timothy O'Toole-good enough for the Queen whin Oi wuz in owld Oireland. But fwhat's in it now? "Nothing," sez you, "but litthers, an' only thirteen av thim"-Thirteen! Begorra! That's the throuble! It's the divil's own number, an' so it is ! But whisht! O'Toole's me name no more. It'll be Murphy av Oi choke on it-Timothy Murphy-nuthin' unlucky about that.

Oi'm an agent--so Oi am. Me frins sed as Oi'd make a great lawyer, but Oi'm an agent, an' that's the next best thing till it. Misther Prunem, av Taranty, towld me as Oi cud make a fortune in six months aselin' av his nurshery shtock -but he's a loiar, an' Oi kin prove it.

Oi wuz in the coorse av me bizness in the town av St. Petersville 'tuther day an' fwhat does Oi see in the day's paper but a notice that Timothy O'Toole wud be thried nixt day at the coort fur sittin fire till the back ind av a farmer's load av sthraw an' scorchin' the tails av the

Misther Prunem promised me an' he was gittin' in foine trim for buyin', an' so he was, whin fwhat does he do but ax me me name.
" It's Tim O'Toole, plaze yer honor," sez Oi.
Did yez iver see a Scotchman git mad an' scared? "Deil tak ye," he yelled," "Feer! Murther! git oot o' the place! Collie! Collie'! Hist Collie!"
An' sure didn't the baste grab me be the unimintionables. "Lord presarve me an' me breeches!" Oi yelled; but the brute thought they'd kape betther in small pieces. He was tarin' away whin Oi laped the fince an' he knocked his wind out on the tap rail. Its a quare dog that Oi can't manage, an' so it is.

But Oi thried agin' an' thin wanst moore aroun' that town, an' as sure as Oi said " Tim O'Toole," a grady cur had a piece of my flesh an' Oi was in fur a pair av-avav nither garmints. Sure an' O i belave it was the tailor that put thim up till it. So Oi've left ${ }^{-}$St. Petersville an' me name's Murphy an' if it's anything in moi loine yez wants, just dhrop a loine to Mr. Timothy Murphy, 13 Toolihan St., Taranty.

Húgy Kennedy.

THE Beaverton correspondent of the Orillia Packet begins one of his paragraphs "Next Friday evening being; the anniversary of leap-year,"etc., etc.


DISCORD IN THE PAIRTY.
LaURIER-"Stop! Stop! This Tune Will Get Us Into No End of Trouble With The French Vote!" Willison-"Very Probably. Buy; Most Respected Sir, Don't Forget to Remember That This is not Your Organ !'


A DIFFERENT STANDPOINT.
Fitzdoodle --" How do you like my new overcoat, Uncle Pete?"
Uncle Prie-" I'd like it a heap better ef'twas mine."

## WHAT IT IS COMING TO.

(Scene-Court Roonn. Respectableconfectioner in thedock.)

JUDGE-" Prisoner at the bar, you have heen .proved guilty by the Crown of the crime of selling to a girl under sixteen an ounce of mixed candies. It is a very flagrant case. What have you to say why the severest penalty of the law should not be imposed ? "

Prisoner-" Your lordship, I never heard of such a thing! I've been in business here twenty-five years, and never thought there was any harm in selling candy to any one. Of course I sold her the candy. Why wouldn't I?"

JUdGE-" If I had had any hesitation in pronouncing an exemplary sentence, the shameless and hardened audacity with which you brazenly attempt to justify your villainy would have dispelled it. It is a melancholy sight to see a person of your years and respectable appearance so lost to all sense of shame. Are you not aware that a beneficent Legislature, in the fullness of their wisdom, have determined to put a stop to the pernicious and soul-destroying practice of eating candy, which is ruining the health and decaying the teeth and impairing the digestive functions of hundreds of thousands of the rising generation throughout our Dominion ?"

Prisoner-" Well, I did hear some talk about it, but I thought it was all nonsense. To be plain with you, I didn't think that any set of men could be such fools."
Judge-" Prisoner, this language is outrageous! You are cvidently a dangerous man, one who will not hesitate, for the paltry pennies wrung from the innocent and childish victims of yoursaccharine and sensuous enticements, to strike a blow at the very fabric of society and
sap the pillars of the constitution itself. (Thrill of hiorror.) I feel that, in view of your hardened and reckless demeanor, any leniency which I might otherwise be disposed to show would be misplaced. The sentence of the court is that you be imprisoned for the term of one year, and pay a fine of $\$ 200$, half of which goes to the informer, who deserves the thanks of society for the able manner in which he has brought such a consummate and atrocious evil-doer to justice. Remove him and call the next case."

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

DIPLOMAT.-Your article on the Behring Sea busi: ness reposes quietly in the waste basket. It is N.G. You haven't cauglit the style requisite for treating of such questions. You say nothing about the modus vivendi or the embroglio or the mare clausam. Take a tumbleto yourself, and write on some easy subject such as the N.P. or the London election outrage.
Budding Humorist. - Yes, you can call the Bricklayers' Laborers' Union a Hod fellowship if you want to, but we wouldn't encourage you to do so.

Smart Aleck wants to know what will the professional humorists do when all the jukes have been made. Your nom de plume doesn't fit you, dear boy. They'll just keep right on as they are doing now, and work 'em over again.

Ambitious.-The only absolutely necessary qualification for a society writer is the knowledge of a few French phrases and a wide circle of acquaintance among dressmakers, waiters and fashionable hair dressers.
T. S.-As regards the comparative merits of the trolley and storage systems, we are inclined to think that while the latter may in some respects be preferable provided the motor be proportioned to the pressure on the volts, yet the impact of the wires on a pressure such as that proposed to be furnished would involve a reduplication, and the power would consequently generate a friction. Still, if the generator were insulated so as to check the vibration, and the current passed directly along the circuit to the re-distributors, much objection to the system might be overcome, in which case the trolleys would be relieved from the danger of being overcharged. We hope we have made the point as obvious as your evidently limited knowledge of electric science will permit.

Nature's financial methods err;
They're certainly a blunder;
For when we pay our debt to her, She makes us all go under.


A "SPRING LAY" THE EDITOR NEVER REFUSES.

## ANTIQUITIES, CURIOSITIES AND VARIETIES,

LOANED TO THE MUSEUM LIBRARY BY THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT AND THE UNPAID CURIOSITY COLLECTORS OF THE CANADIAN INSTITU'TE.

DODO bones and horn-ed frogs, Croaking toads and five-legged dogs,
Brains of gnats and monkey's skulls,
Images of sacred bulls.
Aztec crocks and sky blue mules,
Scalping knives and rubbing tools;
Natural gas from Mimico,
Feathers of a snow-white crow.
Won't they come in crowds to stare
At this medley rich and rare?
Oh, had I the verbosity
To praise each curiosity,
There's no museum like it open anywhere.
Bain-ful emblems may be seen
Gleaming on a lurid screen,
British lion's twisted tail,
Yankee cagle made to quail.
Bones of traitors, every one
Slain by Col. Denison.
Halter twined by patriot's hand,
Which did not hang Charles Durand.
Boswell will boss well the show,
When the thronging myriads fow, To view cach curiosity, Just fancy the atrocity
Of holding back the money which would make things go.
Mastodon and dolphin's fin,
Cheshire cat with broadest grin,
Chippawa squaws with painted faces,
Arrow heads and flint awl cases,
Relics wrested from the soil,
Ancient pots, which yet can Boyle;
Tomahawks of Indian braves,
Bones of dwellers in the caves.
If the public don't enthuse,
And will civic aid refuse,
A mere cursory inspection
Of this wonderful collection
Will convert a staunch opponent to more sympathetic views.
Straẃ-burned bricks from Babel's Tower
While away the weary hour,
Red pipe stones made up and crude
Portrait of a genuine dude.
(Not a peers-son) though high born,
Bear's tooth, stuffed snake, buffalo horn.
Q'Sullivan smiles to see the crowd,
The Board at length may well be proud.
Space would fail to half repeat
The glories of this mental treat.
Do not fail to call and see 'em,
'Tis a marvellous museum.
Go early to avoid the rush that's sure to block the street.

## THEN AND NOW.



Then-(After the first ball.)
IT was perfectly delightful-such a lovely, lovely time as I had! I do think Mrs. Entertainer is the most charming person I ever met. I danced every single dance, and enjoyed myself every instant of the time.
"Such compliments as J got ! Do you know some of them say that $I$ was the belle-of course, that is all nonsense (there were such beautiful ladies there, and all of them so nice, ) but I did have a lovely time, and the gentlemen were very attentive to me.
"The" music was just elegant, and I never saw anything like the lovely things they had to eat-and the flowers,


## BUSINESS TACT.

Emily-"What's that $M$ in the middle of your name for, Georgie?"

Georgie-" Oh, I don't care to say whether it is for Aunt Mary or Aunt Matilda, for both have money and hate each other desperately."
too, and-ah! just everything was magnificent. I never knew before what it really is to live. $O, J$ think life is something just perfectly sweet! The gentlemen, too, are just adorable. There wasn't one there that I did not think nice."
Now-(Some years later.)
"Well, if I were Mrs. Entertainer, I should certainly try to have things different, and in some kind of good taste!
"It seems to me that she delights in inviting the most horrid guests she can possibly think of. Did you nötice that Mrs. Chic? The idea of asking her! She always ogles after the poor men until she carrics them off by main force. $I$ think it is perfectly frightful! But you cannot expect anything better of Mrs. Entertainer than just to invite that style of person.
" Weren't the dresses all in awfully bad taste? Miss De Pretty! Did anyone say that she was a belle? Good gracious, what will foolish people say next? Why, she is fading so rapidly-too bad the poor girl cannot find some one who will marry her. Well, she's just as well off! The men are the most horrid creatures, anyway. $I$ wouldn't marry one of them for the world.
"You don't mean to say that you really liked the music? Why, they kept the most abominable time, $I$ thought. And now, between ourselves, did you ever sit at such a supper? Mrs. Entertainer hasn't the most remote idea of how to have things served nicely.
" N -o, I did not dance much. The floors were so crowded that I just would not try to dance-and, anyway, no one that does not act perfectly horrid, can get any attention. You just have to put yourself right in the men's way to be noticed at all-and if $I$ cannot receive attention without making myself so ridiculously conspicuous, I shall not have any, for I simply will not be such a goose-and I just hate the horrid men, anyway!
"I am sure I never attended such a shoddy ball. From beginning to end the whole thing was in excruciatingly bad taste."

Roly Rowna.


A STAGE WHISPER.
Menial-" Madame, the Marquis is without and desires an audience."
Star Actress (surveying array of empty benches-aside)-"So do I!"

## CONTINUED IN OUR NEXT.

PONSONBY-_" What's matter, deah boy, what's mat" ter? Hope you haven't howid gwip, or anything so Bohemian, don'tyeknow."

Chojmondeley-"Naw. Fact is, deucedly upset, don'tyeknow-all-con-uming fire of love and sympathy awowsed-two souls with but a single thought, two hearts that beat as one, and that sort of thing-fevahwish -cawn't eat, cawn't sleep, cawn't even enjoy cigawettes."
P.-_"Cawn't indulge in favowite dissipation? Why, deah me! tewible, tewible! What's matter, deah boy ?"
C.-"Affecting tale, Ponsonby;-story in weekly peweeodical. Lucille, hewoine-angel girl, beautiful beyond compare-oh, wapture !-face divine, alabaster epidermis, eyes heavenly blue, wavy golden hair, teeth of pearl, coral lips, snowy bwow, and a figure-Ponsonby, a figure of chiselled mawble, altogether wavishingly beautiful, don'tyeknow. Such was Lucille-sweet angeldecoyed, as she was, from Coney Island in the height of the season, whither she had gone from Towonto, having purchased numerous chiffon bathing suits of assorted bues, for she had heard that fawtune favored the bwave, and she was cowageous, and desired to be fortunate and escape the overworked English of Toronto's pwetentious aristocwacy-decoyed, Ponsonby, to the summit of the cloud-enshwowded, snow-capped Alps by a beastly fel-low-man who works, don'tyeknow-despewate stwuggle -Lucille scweams-dull, sickening thud-tewible silence
-awful! Oh, Ponsonby, if you only knew the love and sympathy I bear that divine and beauteous cweature ; how her every movement, every jot and tittle that affects her fortunes, seem to have cowesponding effect on my own, you would help me. How I long to fly and wescue her! Cannot, oh, cannot you, Ponsonby, conjecture what happened to deab Lucille after being dwopped over the Alps by-by-beastly fellow?"
P.-" Come, come, calm yourself, deah boy-cheer up, Cholmondeley. Wead-wead what follows-erdull, sickening thud, and that sont of thing; wead, deah boy, wead!"
C.-" Aye, there's the wub. Cawn't, Ponsonby, cawn't ; the stowy's to be continued on Monday-next week, Ponsonby, and this is only Tuesday-and sweet Lucille is suspended between heaven and earth until next Monday evening. Oh, Ponsonby, I shall be cwazy -a waving maniac, when I see you again; be careful when next we meet, Ponsonby, for I have no wish to do you harm, besides, you belong to our set, and are permitted to wear the same neckwear and use the same perfume without waising the wath of the culchawed. Surely you don't doubt my fwiendship, deah boy. Oh, Lucille, Lucille! oh, wapture, face divine!"
P.—" Doubt fwiendship, deah boy?-quite contwawy, I assure you. Come, I say, cheer up, old chappie, Lucille shall be saved-heowines always are, don'tyeknow. Yours is a sympathetic natchaw, Cholmondeley, but I say, you'll have to bwace up, don'tyeknow."
C.-" Oh, do you think Lucille will be saved, Ponsonby, 'pon honor? But no, I cawn't believe it-Lucille was dwopped over the Alps, deah boy. If it had been the mountain at Hamilton there would be hope; but the Alps, Ponsonby, the Alps! Alas! all hope is pewished with Lucille in that tewible abyss-she will have reached the ground-the wocks, Ponsonby, before next Monday night. Think of that, Ponsonby, think of that! Oh, Lucille!"

> P.-"Ah ! I have an idea."
> C.-"Weally?"
P.—"Yaas. I've wead stowy-book form-somewhere. Chawming girl-fascinating, vewy, especially in chiffon bathing dwess. She wead somewherc chawming neck and shoulders ought not to be concealed. She couldn't find any excuse for appeawing in full dwess. Lucille was altogether chawming, and, like some of the culchawed, did not know where to dwaw the line, natchully the chiffon bathing dwess is a consequence, don'tyeknow, which will become fashionable, in time, at the seaside."
C.-" And Lucille, Lucille! what of her? Was she saved-oh, tell me!"
P.-"Well, cawn't say, don'tyeknow."
C.—"Oh, Lucille! Lucille!"
P.-" Ah, yes, now I come to think-Lucille scweams -dull, sickening thud-she clevated beastly fellow far above her snowy bwow and golden hair with her finelychiselled arms, and, assuming. a Delsarte posture, gently dwopped beastly fellow into the canon below."
C.-"Oh, let me embwace you, Ponsonby-you-have saved my life, and with it my weason."

## T. Cockburn.

## UNDENIABLE.

"
FAIL to see that the rule of Mercier in Quebec has been favorable to the interests of the Catholic Church."
"But you can't deny that the Pope has turned him to a.Count."

## A VISION OF POVERTY.

THE meeting was a long and wordy one, And Soles, the shomaker, past midnight's hour,
His arguments drawn out like wax-ends, spun
Against the millionaire's oppressive power,
The cocks were crowing ere the man had done, His speech might well have made its subject cower If he had been compelled to hear it through, -
The penance sinners such as he should do.
So when at last the weary talk was o'er,
And every speech and resolution made,
With thankful heart I clbowed through the door, And fell like benison the silent shade
Of night, regretting all her wasted store Of mute hours sacrificed in dull tirade,
And wished that men would show in such a matter
More common sense and less of vapid clatter.
From silent streets to silent ficlds I passed,
Until the moonlit mist engulfed the town,
When on a tree-crowned knoll I saw a vast, Dark Shape gigantically looking down
On me, as the Arabian genii cast
Into the sea by Solomon did frown
Upon the fisherman who drew him thence,
And foiled his vengeance by superior sense.
But no malignant being was this shade,
Although at first fear shook me like a wand,
His melancholy looks came to my aid,
And also motions of his outstretched hand,
Which beckoned to me not to be afraid.
He seemed an emanation from the land,
A peaceful spirit from mild gas created,
With sorrow, not with anger, agitated.
From cowl to sandal like a begging friar
Appeared this shape, but much the worse for wear
Was every garment, and though like a spire
In height, he walked with a meck, crouching air.
Of all distressful souls he seemed the sire,
Or weird impersonation of Despair.
I felt sad pity when I heard him groan, -
It seemed as if all Nature made a moan.
So wondering what his heavy grief might be,
I sat me down upon a bank of sand,
And watched him leaning on a tall pine tree
Whose withered top he grasped with shadowy hand.
Then he began in low tones wearily,
Xet not so low but I could understand.
" Mortal, thy sad and sympathetic face
Invites me to relate my piteous case.
" Know, then, that I am one of ancient date, And long have made this rolling globe my home,
And many an epoch story could relate Since first Earth cooled and left me free to roam.
But now I have no time to dissipate,
Telling what many a scientific tome
Is buiged with, only you must understand
I have a squatter's claim upon the land.
"Yes, I have squatted here for many a day, Far longer than your almanacs can tell, Nor do I yet desire to go away, Though agitators loudly may rebel.
Why should I to some other planet stray, When I have found this one to suit so well? Although my feeling have been wounded sore, My hold on Earth is strong as heretofore.
"But tender hearts like mine it lacerates To hear from all the gibe, the sneer, the curse,
To be the object of a thousand hates,
Which daily my mild character asperse.
I, whom sweet Charity ingratiates
With pious off'rings, now am held as worse
Than that fell dragon that was slain by bold
St. George, as told in English legends old.
"Thus having by their noisy clamour raised Mankind against me in a grand crusade,
I, whom of old philosophers have praised, At every turn must face a hostile blade.
Some Knighi of Labor with ambition crazed
To be a new St. George, and could a shade Be slain by mortal, I had long ago
Succumbed to some wild monomaniac's blow.
"There's Henry George, the foremost candidate

- For saintship, launches at my head a book,


And, having got the name, at any rate, Will have the prefix somehow, hook or crook. And that arch-heretic, McGlynn. of late Has stripped him of official robes to look
More like the workman's champion in the fight,
Thus laboring at my sides with all his might.
" And Most, the most bloodtbirsty of them all,
With wild anarchist rabble loudly comes
Against me, from the platform of a pall
He times his talk with human pendulums.
He hopes to see me like Goliath fall
By some brave David's giant powder bombs,
Whose potent gases being once set free,
Would make a sure precipitate of me.
" But if at last I am compelled to fly, My patron Wealth will raise a hullaballoo.
He loves this nether world as much as I, And more than $I$ he fears the other, ton, So as his ghostly father, lest he die, I shrive him from his sins, which are not few.
How could he save his sordid soul so cheap,
Were I not here to bid his conscience sleep?
" Yet spiritual consolations less Than manual service would my patron miss,
To toil and fawn in 'whispering humbleness.' There is no other one like me on this
Round globe, nor Wcalth alone, but all I bless, And every virtue, every vice that is,
And every industry beneath the sun
Owes me for yeoman service bravely done.
" I am the Atlas who supports the earth, And long have bowed my back beneath the load,
Yet now neen hoot me from my place of birth, And strip my wearied shoulders for the goad.
But if at last their hate shall drive me forth, They soon shall overtake me on the road, And beg me to resume my ancient place, To bolster up again their fading race."
Thus far I heard sad Poverty complain, Till he began to shed a tear or two.
The cloud that formed him seemed about to rain, Then said I to myself, "This will not do,
I'll cheer him from this melancholy strain, Or verily I shall be wetted through."
"My sorrowing friend," I said to him at length,
" Most needlessly you overtax your strength.
" Methinks that of your burden you could spare From both waste poles of deadbeats, rich and poor,
Enough to lessen so your sphere of care, You could with ease its girth and weight endure,
Then might you walk erect with noble air, And due respect from every one secure,
Experiencing indecd a transformation,
No longer Poverty, but Aspiration."
While thus $I$ spoke, and strove to kindle hope Within the bosom of this dolorous shade,
He seemed to lengthen like a telescopc. His chop-fallen visage half a smile essayed,
His cowl shone like the tiara of a pope.
Much marvelling at the sudden change displayed, I ceased haranguing, and the rising sun
Awoke me, shining through a veil of dun.
Wili.inm McGill.


## A FALSE REPORT.

Jimson--" I heard you had raised a moustache."
Billkins-" So l have ; don't you see it?"
Jimson-" But you haven't raised it; it's down yet I"

## PHILOLOGICAL.

The Fans are the only people in equatorial Africa who have a currency, and they are strong mono-metallists. The money is of iron, wrought into picces resembling rusty hairpins with flat heads. They are put up in bundles of ten, and one hundred bundles is the marked price of a wife.-Ex.

THIS, no doubt, explains the origin of the expression, "That's the kind of a hairpin I am," which bas long puzzled the philologists. The woman who fetched 200 or 500 bundles of hairpins would naturally feel disposed to boast of her superior charms, and depreciate those of her cheaper sisters, and her exultation over the number of those toilet articles required for her purchase doubtless inspired the popular proverb.

## HE APPROVED THE SCHEME.

CHURCHMAN—"Don't you think this Church Burial Reform Association rather a good idea? :"
Secularist-"Why, yes. That's what I've been telling you all along. The burial of the churches would be the greatest reform we could have."

## SHE HAD EVERY FACILITY.

PIDDICOMBE_"I see by Saturday Night that Miss Beezleton has managed to ring in with the most exclusive people."

Beeswax-"What's to hinder? She's quite a belle, you know."
"I can't sell this poem," groaned Fletcher.
"That's surprising," was Skelly's reply; "have you been to all the dime museums?"

## THE DUAL LANGUAGE QUESTION.

DE Parliament, dass what she's say, For not talk it French no more; He mak' some school for Frenchman too, De sam' she's do it before.

Wha'ss dat 'ee's call'em,-Jew language, Dey's talk en Quebec Provence?
Dat man he's know noting,-tout blague! Juss' mak fool speech, je pense.

Me, I know everybody Dans Quebec an' St. Boniface,
Ha! ee's not talk no Jew language dere, But grand ole French, de bess'.

De way dey's talk en de Belle France You say dass not de sam'?
Bien, nol may dass good language too, From de ole Frank she's came.

Mais de French Canadien patois Dass de hol'ess speech of all,
Before de Hingliss hiland's grow Dat speech he's come from Gaul.

It was mak' perfec' at de start, Never change-not one bit;
You go Quebec, or St. Boniface, You find plenty Gaul derc yet.
Hingliss? ha ! dass all robber talk, You hear some French sound rich,-
Steal 'em, an' mix some Latin-GreekAn' brag dat for Hingliss.
Eef you want to see de pure language Get dat Jesuit Bill, you know.
Dass not mix up lak Hingliss talk, Dass de pure Gaul clear t'rough.

Eh bien 1 you don't let talk de French He teach 'em en de school,
Why for you keep dat words you steal ? You laff-mais; I'm no fool.

For d' Hingliss liberty, boorah! Everybody de sam' chance.
French? ha! should have some privilege So far from home,-Belle France!
No? Attendez, messieurs ! la petite French girl He's marry fourteen year ole,
At thirty year he's gran'mother,Big family en de school.

Thirty year? ha ! plenty Hingliss girl Not yet hee's marry.
Dass de way putty soon dees country have Grand French majority.
An' den de Parliament she's say For not talk it Hingliss no more;
He mak' some school for Hinglissman, She's got he's chance before.

Habitant, for sure das loyal man, De sam' she always been.
For Canada she's say, hoorah! Tree cheer for me,-an' de Queen.
Winnireg.
J. St. L. McGinin.

Dr. Harvey's Southern Red Pine for coughs and colds is the most reliable and perfect cough medicine in the market. For sale everywhere.

## FALSE ECONOMY

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