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THE Star. a new evening paper, has made its appearance in this city as the outcome of the lockout of printers on the Neac's. Mr. Thomas A. Gregg, formerly of the latter paper, is the editor. The Stor promises to be independent in politics, and specially appeals to the working people, who have been so shancfully betrayed by the Ncus, for support. The usual complimentary and congratulatory expressions with which every well-regulated newspaper feels it incumbent to greet a new aspirant, even though it may be called on to abuse it like a pickpocket in the next issue, may be taken as read.

THE rumpus raised by the students on Hallowc'en at the Grand Opera House was a disgraceful affair, and the toleration of such barbarism and boorishness because of the supposed social standing of the perpetrators reflects no credit upon the management. Supposing a like disturbance had been created by a lot of newsboys, or laborers, or corner loafers-anybody, in fact, but young University cubs--the police would at once have been called in and the ringleaders arrested and punished. The immmity afforded to respectable blackguardisu is onc of the worst forms of social soobbery.

MORE significant and praiseworthy display of youthful exuberance and seasonable disposition to ignore conventionalities and kick over the traces was afforded by the Hallowe'en proccedings of the junior political chubs. While the Voung liberals were debating with much earnestness and vizor the proposal to cut loose from the moribund and reactionary Grit party, the Young Conservatives were listening to one of the strongest and most outspoken indictments of the 'T'ory policy and methods ever uttered, in the inaugural
address of President Armstrong. It was full of telling and forcible points, more especially in dealing with the exodus. He pointed out that while the loyalists were raising a storm about political annexation the people were being "annexed in job lots" every week, without so much as a word of protest. The approbation with which the address was received is one of the most hopeful signs apparent for some time in the discouraging political outlook.


VER.GOVERNED as Canada admittedly is, there is a perpetual cry from some quarters for more administration, restriction, and meddlesome officialism. The World which ought to know better, is urging the establishment of a provincial police force, which, if established. would simply be another wheel in the Grit machine. It will come some day; no doubt. Our Governments show such ingenuity in inventing new crimes, and driving people, by taxation and injustice, into law breaking courses, that thes will be compelled to make a pretence of dealing with social disorders by suppressing the symptoms instead of attacking the root of the disease. As for detectives, their presence always tends to multiply crimes and endanger the safety of the innocent. They are, as a rule, utterly conscienceless and mercenary, and ready to resort to ary methods to secure convictions and win blood-money. It is far better that a few criminals should escape punishment than to have innorent lives sworn away by these vampires.

$\mathrm{H}^{2}$ON. T. M. DAILY, the new Minister of the Interior, has been returned by acclamation by his Manitola constituency, though he refused to give any pledges on the school question. He told his constituent, that his mouth was sealed on that subject, and they were ap parertly satisfied. Meantime Hon Mr. Chapleau's mouth is open for business at the old stand. A Quebec constituency would have very little use for any candidate who would urge his position in the Government as a reason for refusing to pledge himself to remedial legislation.

JUSTICE WIN(iFleLI), of Parkdale, the ether day fined a prisoner $\$ 10$ and costs for drunkenness and carrying a revolver, and supplemented the sentence by ordering him to leave the country. Where did Magistrate Wingfield get the authority to pronounce sentence of exile against prisoners charged with petty offences? What are the truly loyal about, allowing partizan magistrates to boom the exodus in this fashion without protest ?

COUN'I MERCIER has heen actuitted by a Quebec jury of the charge of conspiracy to defraud preferred against him by the De lhoucherville Government. The result of the trial was received by his party friends with great enthusiasm, and may have far-reaching political consequences. His rehabilitation at the hands of a jury makes him again available as a leader, and it is not at
all improbable that, as La Patrie predicts, he will be again in power inside of twelve months.

T'HE Globe's continued advocacy of the absorption of the Intercolonial by the C.P.R. has excited much indignation in Grit circles, as well as disgust among those of independent political views who hoped that the paper was beccming less subservient to the party heelers. Party organship is bad enough, but hireling advocacy of the selfish interests of scheming directors who want to grab national property is far more dishonorable.

## THE PUNSTER'S FATE.

TIIE short story that I am about to relate Ilas a moral if ever one had;
This poor punster's example, if you imitate. You may fare in the end just as bad.
He was genial, industrions, honest and kind, And respected wherever he went.
You would go a long distance before you would find A more pleasant and polished young gent.
But the habit of pumang this fellow acquired, And he punned from first daybreali till dark,
With a steady persistence that made people tired, Like a dog that is wound up to loark.
In the store or the house, on the train or the street, Or wherever he bappened to be,
Just as soon as he chanced an acquaintance to meet He wouldi work off a pun in great glec.
A church member was he and a good one at that, But it made the old minister stare-
In prayer-meeting one night-and the service fell that When he boldly made puns in his prayer.
Bad to worse got his punning until he became I Ialf demented-an object of scorn.
Still, week in and week out he punned on just the same Till his folks wished he'd never been born.
Then, on punning intent, as he wandered one dajThis puor fellow a friend chanced to mect;
But unable to work off a pun, so they say, The poor punster fell deal on the street.

## THE JOKE THAT FAILED.

## I.

BAGLEY-_" Peavick, what's the matter with your fire, it don't seem to burn."
Peavick-" I rather think the wood is too green to burn well."

Bagley-" Well, now, I think building a fire with green wood is a damp-fuelish proceedinz, eh ?"

Dudely-"Haw, haw! Doocid good that, 'pon my soul, don't you know! By Jove, I must tell that at the club. Best joke I've heard in a long time."

## I.

Dudely (at the chab) - "Talking about jokes, don't you know, I heard an awful good one yesterday. IVas at Peavick's rooms along with Bagley. Fiah wasn't burning well, don't you know, and Bagley asked what was the matter. Peavick said the wood was green. Then Bagley said, 'what a doocid stupid thing to build a fire with gween wood.' Haw, haw! Best joke I evah heard in me life, don't you know." (Solemn silence).

## MORE INTERESTING.

" NOW thyself," sajs the precept old, And to do it man oft labors ;
But woman generally spends her days In trying to know her neighbors.

## HE HAD ARRIVED.

IACK-" Has Ethel's father come home yet?"
Tom-"I fancy so. I imagine he got home last night, for I saw Harry climbing down the fire-escape."

## THE TIMID MASHER.

" A KISS," says Byron, "rhymes with biss,"
A And I will add, likewise with " miss." A kiss from some sweet Miss that's taken
The sweetest thrills of bliss can waken.
Yes should a dog
My footsteps clog, I'd miss the bliss of a kiss like this, And run
Like fun
To save my bacon.

"THE IRON ENTERED INTO HIS SOLE."

## TO SENSATIONAL PREACHERS.

YOU think you make the devil run
When his servants you annoy, But you only give Old Nick an ad. And make him jump for joy

## WASN'T QUITE SURE.

CHOLLY-"Have you evah been in love?" C Chappie-" Weally, I don't know. Shall awsk my man when I go home."


HIS LATEST FETICH.

THE following from Saturday Nisht of October 20th, embodies in short compass the undemocratic idea of political sycophancy and personal f.t-ich-worship-as opposed to the intelligent support of principles-which has for ycars been the curse of Canadian public life and the great stumblinghock in the way of honest and progressive government. It is the kind of politics we naturally expect in a "sociery" paper:-" I can say right here that I for one will follow $W$ R. Meredith anywhere he leads, and use my pen and voice and all the money that I can spare to be with him and is help him, and he is the only man in political life to day in whose favor I would do so much."

THE DIARY OF MISS FLORA FEATHERWAITE. (Continued.)
CT. 22ND. The other day Muldoon asked if I would like to see the eclipse of the sun. Of course I eclipse of the sun. Of course I
said I would be delighted-thount, to tell you the truth, I think
eclipscs are terrible bores-that is, to tell you the truth, I think
eclipscs are terrible bores- that is, cclipses of the sun. You see, they always happen through the das:
but an eclipse of the moon, now, always happen through the day:
but an eclipse of the moon, now, is delightful. Jack McAdams and I sat out in the garden seat, oh!
hours and hours, watching the I sat out in the garden seat, oh!
hours and hours, watching the eclipse of the moon, and it was perfectly lovely. Jack put his perrectly lovely: lack put his
arm round me so that I could rest on it and look up without being fatigued, and when at tast we had to go in he said be wouldn't mind if the moon eclipsed every night in the

weck. But these eclipses of the sun, with that masty smony sm ked glass looking through,
Why, in trying to fix the glass tomy eye I turned the smoky side next my nowe, and smudged my face, and there was $I$, smiling divincly on A Auldon with my nose all
smut My: wasnt 1 good and mad when 1 cam in and looked in the mirror and saw what a frisht I was, and our Nett laughing at me fie to kill. dill very Well for her-shes a Leniversity girl, you know, and can talk to Mukloon like a blue streak: all about parallases. and-what you call it?-peribelions? -and dear knows all what else: just as if she couldni make pies or cook a becfiteak hetter than 1 can. Muldoon don' kuow that, though, and laint groing to tell him. He sajs the only objection he has 10 'Varsiny girls is that re can't sce how they can cook and be learncd like they are, and though I shan't
never marry MIuldoon myself, still, if he found out that Nettic, with ali she knows about 'Varsity subjects, could housc keej and conk as well, why-no, I shan't enlighten Muldosin about Nett's cookery. Catch me! Anyow, as he said the other night, what's the use of a woman trying to distinguish herself at the University if she is to be shut out from all chance of ever holding a position as I ecturer or Fellow or anything else. "Do you know,' he said to Nettie the other night, "that it is quite understood that women are to le excluded from positions in the University, and that thes will rather appoint a third-rate man than a first-rate woman to fill any vacancy."

He assured her that he knew for a fact that a lady, an honor graduate, thoroughly qualified to teach the subjects required, had entered her name as applicant for the position, but the name had been zetithheld. Withheld, mind you! didn't come up! wasn't there at all! Now, as Muldoon very sensibly remarked-"WHO withheld that name?"

And then, a fow years ago, there were these honor girls-I forget their names, Nett knows them, though-one of them was a scholarship girl, and all of them did better than the boys at exams., but when they applied for Fellowships, men who



HE KNEW THEM.
Sire-" You say she lainted when gou proposed to her. What in the world did you do to resuscitate her ?" IIe-"Oh, I simply whispered that I diln't mean it, that I was only joking."
had shown less ability and still less work, were appointed, and the women purposely left out.

Oh, I tell you, Muldoon knows a thing or two about how things are managed at that Liniversity. He says that there are certain sums of public money set apart for Fellowships, fire hundred dollar fellowships, but, according to the 'Varsity law, whatever that means, these sums are to be given only to students who intend following out a particular line of study. For instance, a classical Fellowship is to be given only to one pursuing classics, a science Fellowship to those intending to follow up science, and so forth. Well, that's all fair and square, isn't it ?

The facts are, according to Muldoon-and he knows -that there is an open, barefaced system of cheatery going on, and the fellows who get lellowships have no right to them, inasmuch as they are holding Fellowships in one department while studying in another--thus, for instance and so forth :-

One bolds a liellowship in classics, while studying law. One in moderns, while qualifying in medicine.

One in science, while studying theologs-theology, of all things !-holding it while he qualifics as a teacher of

Christian morals-save the mark! "Crippling and damning his own soul," as Muldoon said, bringing down his fist with a thump that made me start-I was si afraid he'd split the knee of his trousers orer it. "I'm going to see Blake about this business," said he. "and I'm going to tell him right straight that when fellows get the length of studying constitutional law, and the wisdom of Socrates, and the principles of conduct according to Tesus, they ought to show some acquaintance with the dictionary meaning of the words himosty and honorthey're not in the Fellowship curriculnm, as I can see. And I'm going to give Blake this pointer on Home Rule. Its success all depends on its method of administration. Here's a specimen of 'Varsity Home Rule for you: Lovely, isn't it? Pure, too, and of good report-eh?"

Nett said, after MLuldoon had gone, "What a fit) Mr. Muldoon is so lald." Of course that's because he talked 'Varsity to her. Mercy! there's a ring at the door. (Enter Bridset, with a card.) "Mrs. Silvertonrue, The Chestnuts." Odious creature: But I suppose I must harry down and kiss her. How fortunate 1 have my new gown! It will simply annihilate her!
(Tolic continucit.)


THE RIVAL ORDERS.

## A. DRAMA IN ONE ACT. <br> (Scexe.-The Elysian Fields near the Gate.) Dramatis Personif.

Sr. Michael
St. Geokgit patrons of the order which bears their name. St. Isareith-Patron of the order of St. Isabella the Catholic. St. Peiter-Celestial janitor and general factutum.
ST., GEORGE-" Look 'ere, Bella, I don't call this 'ardly fair. I suppose you've 'eard as 'ow they've a-bin an' conferred your blooming horder upon a bloke by the name of Thompson at Toronto, 'cause 'e's a Spanish Consul. That's just like your sneakin' Spanish lot, hintrudin' where they ain't no business."
St. Isabesla the Catholic - "Senor, you do forget yourself to insult a lady and a Qveen."
St. George (sulkily) - " Hi ax yer pardon, ma'am, but really, it is a little too bloomin' rough, you know. Me an ${ }^{3}$ Mike 'are a monopoly of the horder business in Canada, $\mathrm{an}^{\prime}$ it ain't not quite the cheese to start hopposition."

St. Michael-"Sure, thin, ma'am, George is right entirely, so he is though he do be a little too brash in his manner av spakin' to a leddy. He's a headshtrong, contrary divil fwhin he's put out about annything. But, saving your leddyship's presence, I don't think it was the dacint thing to do at all, at all."

St. Isabella-"Carajo, senor! I vill bear dis no longer! Dis Canada is in America, is it not? Did I not send Christoval Columbo to discover dat country an take possession ?, Spain 'ave de right to mek de Chevalier if she vant."

St. George-" Blooming beggarly lot, wot carn't pay their consuls a livin' salary; pays 'em orf with cheap titles instead. Consul! Consul be jiggered! Wot in blazes does Spain want a bleedin' consul in Toronto for? Just their blooming harrogance an' 'aughtiness."

St. Isarelia-" De Order of Isabella vas nevaire given like dat of St. Nichael and St. George to de political tiefs-de ludrons:-de scum dat rob de treasury, dat Ferdinand and I vould 'ave send to de galleys. Ha !"

St. Michael (luughing) - "Begorra, George, that's one an us, an' no mistake. There's no gettin' over that, I'm thinkin'."
St. Isabella -" And we hold de rights in America by a grant from de Pope. So ve gif de title ven ve please."
St. George-" Pope be blowed! Wot right 'ad the hold hidiot to give you Hamerica ? Wy, 'e never was there ! Bless your eart, that there harrangement was busted long ago."

St. Michael-" Don't talk disrespictfully av the Pope, ye pot bellied ould omadhaun, or I'll welt the divil out av ye."

St. George-"Oh, yes. Stand in with 'er, just because she's a blooming Papist! That's just like a Hirishman, to go agin your hown pardner an' your hown hinterests wen yer hlessed religion cones in."

St. Michael-"Oh, come aff! Ye're talkin' through yer halo."
St. George-"Serves me right. though, for bein' such a bloomin' fool as to trust a Hirishman."
St. Michael-"Whoop! Home Rule for iver! Here's at ye!" (They.fight.)

St. Peter (enteriug)-"Hello! What's this dis. graceful row about? Stop this racket instantly! Don't you know that these political and religious controversies are strictly prohibited? I'm ashamed of you. 'Pon my soul, these confounded English loyalists and hotheaded Irishmen make more trouble in the place than all the rest of the inhabitants put together. By the way, Bella, there's several Americans killed in election rows and just arrived, who are asking to see you."


A HALLOWEEN RACKET.


THE DIAMOND CURE.
She-" It's no use pleading; my love for you is dead."
He (ofmins ajewet-aic)-"Then let me place this stone on its grave."

Sur: (ficing a diamend)-" Oh : I believe its going to come to life açain!:

THE BOYS ON A HALLOWE'EN RACKET.

## ME. TORY EXPOSTUIATES.

(Sie Cirtion.)

MERCC on us ! what a rackel! What the mlschief can it mean?
What is up with those young devils? I forgot--it's Inallowe en.
And the loys are out in numbers, Old enough to have more sense,
Some of them-oh, groodness gracious ! They are teaning down the fence.
Stop, you rascals! Police! Now, Armstrong, Whod have looked for this from you?
You're a daisy, acting this way, With those low Grit hoollums, too!
Let that fenee alone, there, youngsters ! I'll remember you joung rips, You'll be asking this old perty One of these fine days for tips.
Then youll wish you hadnit done it, Right before my very eyc:
Down will my N. 1 . pickets. Noighbor Mowats fence likewise.
Hell get eren with jou fellows Or ine Gri persuasion, yuick,
Myers and Farrer both can tell you Of the vigor of his kick.
No use talking-naught they heed me, Couth will sometimes have its liag,
But these llip kitl politicians Are tuo fresh for anything :

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is abroad, it behoves those who are truby logal to show where they stand. Grif has great pleasure in printing the following testimonial to his loyalty in the form of a "stop my-paper" communication on a postcard, from a gentleman of presumably annexationist pro-clivities:-

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(Rev.) (ibo A. Vromass.
Whaton, Onte, ort. asth.
All right. Rev: Mr. leomans' paper is stopped. Sorry to lose old friends of such fine and subtle discrimivation as the Wiarton pastor. But principle must be upheld, cost what it may, and Gral will continue in its present course, although we lose the support of every annerationist on our list.

## LIVING UP TO IT.

M
RS. TARABOOMT.-"If that is that hateful Miss Biggleswade at the door, Bidelia, you may"tell her that I'm not at home."

Mr. Takaboon.-"I'm surprised that a woman who makes the profession of religion that you do, Susan, should deny yourself to a visitor."

Mrs. Tarafoom.-"Well, you needn't be. Don't you know that the Salvation Army have established a week of self.denial. I'm strictly observing it."



THE DAMSEL'S DILEMMA

> at " ye ohde enghishe rayre."

THE Major has is stout and ied, And looks a trifle over-fed, Voung keginald is gay and slim, You'd think Miss Flip would go with him.

But Reginald, poor youth, is strappeal, Or else to treat he would be apt. He cannot stand an ojster stew, The thing thal Latura has in view.

In win she hints how very nice Would be a choice vanilla ice. He dares not list her witching plea Because no spondulix has he.

Just then the Major comes along And hearkens to the syren's song, Extends a cordial invite
To satisfy her appotite.
" l'ity he's middle-aged and badd. She thinks, and looks at Reginaldi
"Oh, how mach nicer it would be If Resgie had invited me."

Oh, sweet is lowe's delicious drean : But so are oysters and ice crean And so the llajor's arm she'll take, And give the hapless dude the shat:.

## WHY SHE BROKE IT OFF.

S"You are sure you love me for myself alone?" He-"You don't think it is for the sake of my prospective mother-in-law, do you?"

## HE RETRACTED

SI.IMIDOOD.-"Aw, Mr. Rippentear, I am given to understand that you said yesterday that I was not such a fool as I looked."

Rippratear.-"I think J did say something of the sort."

Slambood.-"Well, hah Jove now, I consider that a most insulting expression You must retract it or I'll nevalı speak to you again."

Riprentear.-"Oh, that would be too bad. But
l'm willing to make the amende. I take it all back. You are quite as big a fool as you look. Is thar satisfactory?"

## THE DUDE'S LAMENT.

LONG to be a wit, in the alrawing-room 10 sit, And entertain the ladics by the hour.
but the necersary knack I seem, somehow, whack. Amal that's what makes me look so donsil sour :

## WHAT UPWARDS MEANS IN TEXAS.

V ISITOR-"Winat has lecome of Slinking Sam?"
 hisemes.)

Vision-." (ione to heaven, ch?"
The Nifive-"No: hung for borse-stealing."

"YE OLDE FAYRE"-ENGLISH OR OTHERWISE.

## UNLOOKED-FOR REFINEMENT.

$D^{\circ}$O you know," said the tramp who had seen better days, "that there is a good deal more style about our humble repasts than is generally imagined."
"I should not have thought it."
"Fact, though. For instance, I frequently procure a dinner a la ruse. I think that little joke is worth a drink, don't you?"


## A MIDNIGHT ALARM.

HE bell had just tolled the midnight hour. Just what it told it is uncertain, and, as the midnight hour is proverbially "silent," the secret will probably never transpire. Philander Grimshaw was just dropping comfortably asleep, when be was recalled to consciousness by a vigorous poke in the ribs from his better half, who exclaimed in a tone of voice:-
"Oh, Pbilander! you never looked to see if the side door was locked!"
"Umph!-guess 's all right. What you want to wake feller up like that for?" growled out Philander,
rolling over and pulling the clothes around him by way of preparation to doze off again.
"But Philander," said Mrs. Grimshaw, "I feel sure that that door was open. You'd better go down and see."
"Oh, pshaw! what on earth difference does it make?"
" Why, robbers might get in and carry off everything in the house and cut our throats."
" Nonsense. They might know we've nothing to steal here. Let me sleep -I'm tired.'

Silence for a couple of minutes ensued. Then a creaking sound made by nothing in particular, such as you can always hear in the night-time if you only listen lons enough.
"Oh, Philander, I'm sure I heard something."
" Umph!"
" Philander!"
"Well, what on earth is it ?"
"I heard something, I tell you. Listen, there it is again. I shan't sleep a wink all night unless you go down and make sure that that side door is locked."
"I never did see anybody so fussy and nervous about nothing! Wonder how you'd have stood it if you'd lived 'way out in the backwoods where I was born, forty or fifty years ago, when we didn't have no locks on the doors, and you could hear the wolves howling around all night," said Mr. Grimshaw with some asperity. The tribulations of the early settlers were his usual answer to any of his wife's complaints.

Howeve-, he grumpily got up, and in groping for his pants stubbed his toe against the bureau. With an objurgation that made Mrs. Grimshaw shudder he drew back, and, striking out in a new direction, barked his shins against the rocking chair.

After refiections on the innate cussedness of things, which might have been heard as far as the next block,


WITH INSIGNIFICANT EXCEPTIONS,
Mrs. Bridie-" How much is your income, Charlie?" Mr. Bridie-" You ought to know ; youspend it all, my dear."
he attempted to strike a match and light the lamp. Not having his pants on, this was a matter of some difficulty. His slumber-robe wouldn't answer the purpose at all. Finally, however, he succeeded in striking a match on the freshly kalsomined wall, leaving a long red mark thereon, much to Mrs Grimshaw's disgust and his own secret satisfaction, but in attempting to put on the lamp-chimney he let it fall, smashing it into smithereens.

"Great Jehoshaphat! Essentially perditionize the sanguinary efflorescent lamp to eternal-
"Oh, Philander! Do not use such horrible language. What zoill the neighbors think - youl know they can hear every thing through these thin partitions."
"Great snakes and salamanders, woman, what in blazes do I care, when I've run a sliver of glass into my foot owing to your gosh-jiggered nonsense about robbers!"
"Oh, poor dear, that's too bad," replied Mrs. Grimshaw, in accents meant to be consolatory. "But, after all, dear, remember that it's nothing to the hardships endured by the early settiers," she added sweetly.

By this time Ph lander had got the lamp lighted, and, finding that his supposed injury was of the slightest des-

"A PAIR OF TIGHTS."


STRAINING HIS INTELLECT.
Autitsres-" Awful bore these society; functions. I've been trying for the last half-hour to think of something sumart to get off at Ye Olde Englishe Fayre this evening. Cawn't think of anything except that ohl chestmut alout 'fair maidens,' and weryhody gets that off."
cription, he shuffed off downstairs, and could be heard swearing to himself and the cat below for a minute. Then he returned, blew out the light and bounced into bed, pulling nearly all the clothes from Mrs. G. "Was the door locked, Pliilander?" enquired the latter, as she struggled to reclaim her share of the covering.
"Locked? Course it was locked! I never saw such a woman for making a fuss about nothing!"

The rest was silence.

## GREAT SCHEME.

POLITLKUS-"That is a great trick the Tories have of allowng corruption to flourish in such departments as the l'ullic llorks."

Grglamp-"What is great about it?"
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May a man be said to be over his ears in debt when his hat is not paid for?


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Palia-"Judging from history, I should say it was Dennis."

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