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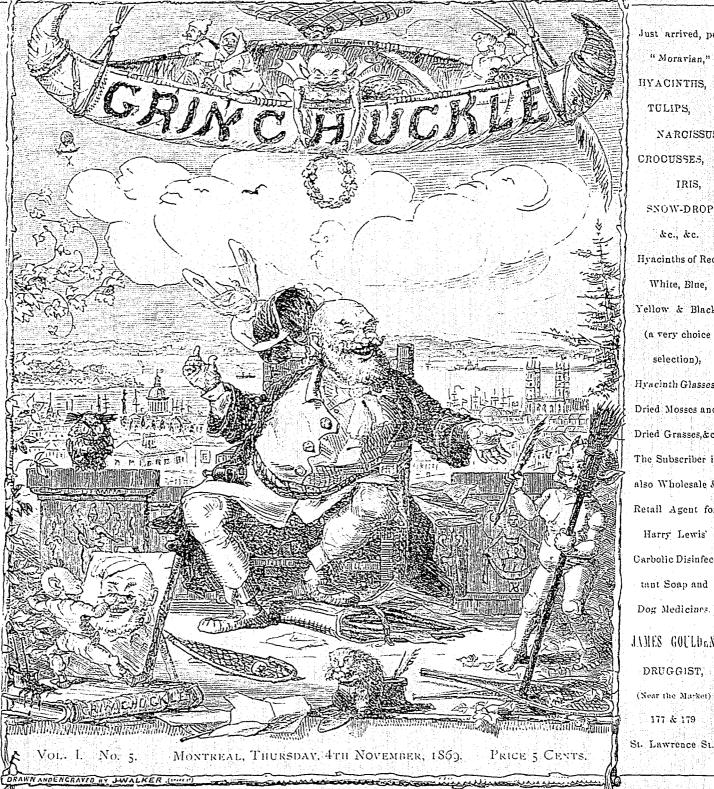
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OUR "UNIMPRESSIBLE SPECIAL" CONTRI-BUTOR ATTENDS THE "HALLOWEEN GATHERING" OF THE CALEDONIAN SOCIETY.



RITICISM being our vocation, and sceing it announced that the Caledonian Society had secured the services of distinguished talent, we were curious to know what the talent was, and how it had been secured, whether by capture or otherwise. We were likewise desirous to know what it was, and how it would conduct itself under restraint. The reason why we concluded

that it had been captured, was because they announced that a lady would be there by desire; but whether by her own desire, or theirs, or the desire of her friends, they did not condescend to inform the enlightened public, so we went to see for ourselves. We went the more readily, as we saw it announced that a live knight was expected, and we thought it possible he had been secured for the purpose of being stared at, so we went to see; and as we were told in the magnificent production of last year, that,

> "There's stars and garters for the great, In Canada our hame,"

we expected to see the great man's star in the ascendant, but were doomed to disappointment. We suppose the great star of the political horizon had some objections to starring it at the theatre, but we were left in the dark as to the reason of his not shining on the occasion. We were, of course, prepared for a heavy dose of speech-making, but in that we were equally disappointed. There were several M.P.'s and M.P.P.'s, but they were specially modest,-for if they had culled any flowers of rhetoric for the nonce, they exhibited no inclination to waste "their fragrance on the desert air," for, with the exception of the president, no one attempted to fire off a speech; and even he only said what was necessary and no more, leaving the band to discourse sweet sounds, and the piper to "skirl a spring" or two, which to us was a perfect treat, especially at an institutional gathering. (We have often wished they would sing their speeches.) The lady who who was there by desire, sang a grand old Scottish ditty in a very desirable manner, and pleased us so much that we desired her to repeat it, which she did, in a very Hibernian fashion, by singing another of equal merit. Of the party secured, one fair captive appeared, who seemed by her smiles to enjoy her captivity, and when she was led to execution, captivated all hearts, and even made an impression on our unim pressible self. Although a young gentleman in a very pathetic manner entreated Scotland to "Draw the Sword," Mr. Nivin, who is we suppose, a member of the Peace Society, in a very un-Scotsman-like manner showed so much contempt for the bright claymore, that he threw it down and danced upon it.

Mr. Hurst, the great comic favourite, made a serious

attempt to tell us he was dancing mad, but upon discovering the reporter for the Witness, he sang small and danced smaller. We suppose Mrs. Weston was secured for the purpose of singing the prize song, for we firmly believe she never would have consented to submit to the torture, unless she had been coerced, so we concluded that she was the distinguished talent whose services had been secured. However, the large and good natured audience sympathized with her. They saw her embarrassment, pitied her condition, were delighted with her pluck, and cheered her accordingly. When the lady withdrew, we saw a visible change came over the president and his friends. The prize song, like Mrs. Cratchet's plum-pudding, was off their minds. They believed the song was bad, because the judges said so by implication, and we suppose that was the reason it obtained the prize. We think the Caledonians, with every wish to do right, have signally failed in this department. We regret that their liberality is not more appreciated by the numerous versifiers who have contributed to the fragmentary literature of Canada. Is it that the usual flow of versification has been suddenly arrested, or is it a silent protest against the disjointed remains of the defunct Literary Club to which their efforts were to be submitted? However, the author is modest, which is saying much for a lawyer, and is not greedy, which is saving more, and we think his production is quite as good as some of the former pieces that have obtained the prize. We think too much credit cannot be awarded to the Caledonian Society for its efforts to rescue the struggling literature of Canada from the mere commercial aspect in which it is made to do duty, so that book-making has become a vehicle for puffing the wares of private speculators and public companies, according to the extent of their advertising patronage.

Bravo! Caledonians, try again. There is no reason why you should not cultivate the legs and arms; but while you do your best to develope the physical, don't forget the mental. Our future philosophers, historians, and poets will not be selected from the Lacrosse and Snow-shoe Clubs. Still, we think a sufficient amount of intelligence exists in the Scottish element to pronounce on the merits of a song without calling in men who, in their corporate capacity, have failed to establish for themselves a local habitation and a name.

When we were about taking our departure one of the competitors for public favour handed us the following for insertion in GRINCHUCKLE:-

#### THE SONG THAT OUGHT TO HAVE HAD THE PRIZE.

The Caledonian Society having offered a prize of fifty dollars for the best patriotic song, the following was submitted, but the Judges not being good judges, declined it because the author was not a personal friend. The writer believes that if it is not the best poem, it is likely to be the worst, and on that ground-following out the usual routine in such matters-ought to have been prized :-

Dr. Johnny I—k-ns, a word in your ear; You may, in your judgment, think this rather queer, But, then, why in that case, you know I'm the bard That's going to receive the Society's award. Though you are not a Scotsman—ah! well you may smirk— You have a good thing in the old Scottish Kirk,

And in case that a Scotsman, the worst thing might miss, You're appointed to give your rare judgment on this.

Dr. D—a, vour justice I crave To give me a prize for this excellent stave; I've plained up the stave, too, with diligence rare, And it's better than Willison's up in the Square. We have plenty of water and unclear'd land, And a Governor General noble and grand; We have plenty of animals that go on all-fours. And a few noble Knights, in this Canada of ours.

Mr. George M--y, though not of your school, You can see by this poem I am not a fool; We have plenty of book-lore, and oceans of grub, And we'll soon have another Literary Club. At our Legislators the Yankee's may scoff, But we shall be a nation when Britain turns us off: We'll have Lords of our own, and petition the powers As a favour to be taxed, in this Canada of ours.

### OUR DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Being interested in every marvel of nature and art. and not knowing in which category to place the twoheaded girl now on exhibition in this city, we sent a qualified reporter, and the goblin as prompter, to make the necessary enquiries. Our human representative, we are happy to say, conducted himself in a manner creditable to his profession—that is he visited every bar on the road to St. Patrick's Hall, and flourished his note-book at every other window. The goblin, however, not being used to Montreal spirits, misbehaved himself shockingly. He actually had the audacity to compliment a policeman on his new fur cap; bid hard for a cradle at Devany's and then refused to pay the duty; and wound up his frolic by cleaning a switch on the City Passenger Railway,—a thing which had never been attempted before. Composing his spirit after this exploit, the goblin followed our reporter to St. Patrick's Hall, were the show was to take place. Knowing the weakness of humanity when attached to a pencil, we had supplied our representative with the following list of enquiries to guide him in his work:-

- 1. Suppose one of the two wished to wear the Grecian bend, and the other objected, where would the one who liked it wear it?
- 2. Suppose women were admitted to the suffrage would the two halves be expected to give a plumper, or a split vote?
- 3. If one half captivated a victim, would he have to pop the question to both, or could he do things by halves?
- 4. Granted that he was allowed to marry one half, suppose he became a widower could he maary his deceased wife's sister?
- 5. If one half signed the pledge and the other subsequently got intoxicated, could the latter be more than half seas over?
- 6. If one sang a song would it not necessarily be a part song?
  - 7. If both sang would it not be a solo?
- 8. If one half were asked to dance, wouldn't the other be free to decline the honour?

the Hall may be imagined from the following which we time is out of joint.

have since found written in a tremulous hand at the foot of our instructions to him :-

9. Are she fr-from Doublin'?

After this specimen we need not say that his report is not so legible or lucid as we could wish. This loss is, however, compensated by a letter from the Siamese Twins, which the goblin dexterously twitched out of the pocket of one half while she was lending the other half her pocket handkerchief. We subjoin the epis-

"INTERESTING COUPLE.—It is not often that I write for we am doubtful whether I are one or two, which makes it puzzling work. But let this go by-whether I are two or we am one makes no matter so far as your claim on our friendship is concerned. I understand that you are going to Montreal, of which we have heard very strange stories. We dare say you will find that human beings there are generally as deformed as elsewhere, and will have cause for thankfulness at your happier lot. It is, have free to confess, a drawback to our enjoyment that wherever we go the poor decrepit creatures are so anxious for us to see them, but I never go away from their exhibitions without feeling grateful that I are twins. We hope that you stand on a proper footing in Canada, where imposition is, I hear, very common. For instance you will never think of paying double fare in the city cars, and I—we—I—.'

It is a matter of deep regret that we are unable to continue the letter which unlike the writer or writers has been torn in two.

## AN OVERSIGHT AND A MYSTERY.

We are surprised at the gross negligence of the Corn Exchange authorities. It is well known to every member of that body that Montreal owes much of its wealth to operations in grain; but, having made careful enquiry, we find that those who ship corn to this city have not yet been supplied with authorized lists of the Catholic feasts and dasts observed here. portance of having this done without delay will appear from the following statement which appeared in Monday's Witness:-

FLOUR,-This being a Roman Catholic holiday there was very little demand for flour.

One might suppose that the editor thought this opportunity of having a dig at the Catholics too good to be lost; but as the item is commercial, there is not likely to be anything religious in it. It is evidently a statement of fact. But then comes the puzzle,—how happens it that there is nothing doing in corn because the Catholics are enjoying themselves? To solve the problem we have re-read several folios on practical theology, and have consulted our baker, but without discovering that Catholics are required to eschew corn on holidays.

#### APTLY QUOTED!

A young Shakspearian scholar, who had hashed mutton doled out to him six times a week at his board-The unhappy condition of our reporter on reaching ling-house, pathetically remarked with Hamlet: "The UNCLE WORLDLY'S LETTERS TO HIS NEPHEWS.

HE DISCOURSES ON BANKRUPTCY.

MY DEAR BOYS,—I now feel it my duty to call your attention to a necessity of business for which it is as well that you should be prepared. I allude to BANK-RUPTCY. It is rather too soon for this at present. Wait till you have been established for about three years,but be at all times ready for the emergency. No one in business in Montreal can expect to get on in the world until he has been a bankrupt, at least, once or twice. I say once or twice; -I do not think it desirable to fail more than three times. I was in business in Montreal for over thirty years, and I found two bankrupteies quite sufficient for all practical purposes. In all commercial circles in Canada, bankruptcy is one of the great tests of respectability. But the thing must be done with judgment, - a small failure is useless. People will say that it could have been avoided,—which is true. Little failures excite no sympathy, create no astonishment, and only induce contempt. When you fail, take care that it is for a large amount. Let it come on the public like a thunder-clap. Let no rumours of its probability get abroad; all this requires management and great judgment. At any time that either of you think of failing, I will, if you like, come to town and show you how to do it. The great objects of bankruptcy are: firstly, To create as great a sensation as possible; and, secondly, To make money. Remember that you must have some assets, but let them be as small as possible. All your household furniture can be made to belong to somebody else. Here, a wife is very useful. There is not the slightest necessity for having a balance at your bankers. Draw the money out by degrees, -(not all at once, -that looks suspicious), and forward it to me. I will take care of it till the bankruptcy has blown over. Do not have too much stock on hand. Let that all be sold "in liquidation," The creditors must have something, and they ought, at least, to be satisfied with that. Expressions of sympathy will then be heard on all sides. "That poor Worldly! Such an industrious young man, too,—so amiable and polite,—so attentive to his business,—so good to the poor,—always at church on Sunday, &c., the bloodhounds have taken his all,—he has not a cent left! What a shame!" &c. If this expression of feeling becomes general, your very creditors who have suffered will begin to persuade themselves that they have been too hard upon you. Other wholesale merchants who had before fought rather shy of you will come with profuse offers of assistance and sufficient goods to set you up again. You must not be "thin-skinned." Along with the goods you will have to swallow a great deal of excellent advice. Grey-headed men will lecture you about over-trading, and not judging the markets better. Take all this humbly and deferentially, and take the goods along with it. If you laugh, let it be very high up in your sleeve. You will soon be doing a business much larger than before. It is always difficult to obtain hard cash, but any fool can get credit.

Another great use in bankruptcy is, that it is one of the finest advertisements in the world. I am not given to old proverbs and maxims, but you may treasure the two following:

1. Honesty is the worst policy for a business-man to take.

2. A character for honesty is indispensable.

Those who sympathised with you before, will do so ten-fold when they see you open again. Mothers will say to their children, "See, my dear, the effects of a good character! Poor Mr. Worldly has been sadly tried, but integrity can always overcome every misfortune." The effects of this will soon be visible. People will come to look at you from curiosity. The great bankrupt will have beome one of the sights of Montreal. Persons from the country will be anxious only to see you. Let it be your care that those who

"Come to see, remain to buy."

At the same time, there are certain creditors that you must pay, and these are retail tradesmen like yourself. In the whole course of my experience, I never knew a grocer, or a tailor, or a bootmaker who believed in bankruptcy. These men are unreasonable. You can never awaken kindly emotions in their hearts by doing them out of money. Their sympathies are with dollars and cents. Pay them in full, or they are likely to be trouble-some.

Let me also caution you to be careful not to let the official assignees know too much,—in fact, if you can keep out of their hands altogether, so much the better for you. These gentlemen are a new-fangled kind of nuisance. They are both honest and shrewd. A bailiff may be managed, but an assignee—never. It is very difficult now-a-days to fail in the old respectable, legitimate way, when you have an assignee poking his nose into everything.

As soon as you start again, you must take care to be punctual in your payments. People will easily forget old debts, provided that you pay new ones regularly. You can thus accumulate old ones for capital.

You must not expect the luxury of a bankruptcy every year. This is being too greedy. Besides, men who are always failing are miserable bunglers. They get found out at last. It is these foolish individuals who bring the time-honoured institution of bankruptcy into discredit.

Let me know when you intend to make a smash.

Your affectionate uncle,

EBENEZER WORLDLY.

#### GUILBAULT OUTDONE.

We learn, with profound grief, that one of the Witness staff was present at "a brilliant exhibition of aurora borealis" on Sunday night. Surely the item in which the reporter announced the desecration did not pass under editorial supervision before publication. It is pleasing to know that the entertainment, though of a higher order than this city is usually favoured with, and supported by a large number of stars, was not attended by many. To our knowledge there was not one French Canadian of distinction present. We hope that a stop will be put to such skylarking; it is not a matter to be made light of.

A Colt's revolver,—his stomach.



### A DYING CALFS LAST BLESSING ON THE SECRETARY OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY

Ah! Frederick McKenzie, your
Humanity is not by halves
Exhibited. It's whole and pure—
You're the friend of suff'ring calves.
You our cause have undertaken,
We have looked to you of late,
Patron kind of veal and bacon
In its embryonic state.

I've no wish to be litigious,
Yet a calf may have his say;
We've had nought from men religious,—
Humanity to calves don't pay.
They saw men, so cruel and sordid,
Torture us, but held aloof,—
Saw us suffer, bound and corded,
'Cause we show the "cloven hoof."

Trust in human goodness shaken
Is in us. For human food
From our grazing mothers taken,
Martyrs to the public good;
We're convinced, upon reflection,
We're created to be slain,
Bow the head in meek subjection,
Then, ah! why such endless pain?

I have heard by some strange side talk,
That my case, without dispute,
Lay for hours upon the side-walk,
Bound by butchers, hand and foot.
You look'd on in pain and felt it,—
Raised your voice on our behalf,
Urged they should with pelts be pelted,
And themselves be bound in calf.

You're no vile and shrinking coward,
But a brave and feeling man;
'Mongst us brutes a perfect Howard,
Our mute sufferings to scan.
You have fought for me and others,
All we calves in this agree;
If my skin were not another's,
I'd bequeath that skin to thee.

Farewell! All those pleasant meadows
Still are present to my mind;
Where I suck'd the hand that fed us—
I have left them all behind.
With my ebbing breath I thank you,
And my grateful heart is full
Of love; and I would fain caress you:
A fated, fainting "Baby Bull."



# A MOONLIGHT SCENE ON THE OTTAWA.

GRINCHUCKLE—"FAITH! IE HE GETS AT IT, THERE WILL BE VERY LITTLE LEFT FOR KING CROW OR ANY ONE ELSE."

KING CROW—"IF SOME OF THESE NORTH RENFREW MEN WOULD ONLY FRIGHTEN HIM AWAY NOW, WOULDN'T THE LIKE OF ME HAVE OUR FILL!"

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## WHY NOT INCORPORATE THEM?

GRINCHUCKLE would like to be informed on one or two points, before giving his support to the proposal to incorporate the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Montreal. The latter branch of the Society's operations may be left out of view, because for Canadians to boast of their antiquities would be as diverting as for a three-year old to regard his christening robe and gutta percha ring with the veneration due to the antique. With regard to the Numismatics: GRINCHUCKLE has casually examined a handful of coppers taken at random, and his conclusion is that there is abundant scope for such a Society in Montreal. If it is intended that the work shall be thoroughly done, and the collection be tolerably complete, he would suggest that the old plan of displaying the coins in trays be at once set aside, and that a number of tanks—as large as the street roller, or larger—be provided for the specimens. There is only one objection to the proposed incorporation, namely, the injurious effect of locking up such an amount of capital; but this difficulty might be met by allowing the Society to issue paper to a limited amount. This would prevent serious inconvenience to the mercantile community. If things are properly arranged, a sufficient number of day laborers engaged to work the institution fairly, and a competent secretary obtained, GRINCHUCKLE will do all he can to aid the good work. Under certain guarantees, he will entrust to the Society a coin which he believes to be very scarce in Canada—almost unique, he thinks—an honest penny.

#### THE UNKNOWN TONGUE.

The signs of the times are encouraging, and promise the speedy removal of abuses of every description. We lately had Mr. T. K. Ramsay, with noble disinterestedness, undertaking to reform the bench, if he could only find a seat to sit upon; and now we have a learned Judge denouncing the handwriting and grammar of attorneys' clerks. Mr. Justice Mondelet is reported to have laid the lash pretty liberally on the backs of the youths who prepare papers for the Enquete Court, the severest cut being that they evidently "know neither English nor French, nor their own language." does not say what language he supposes to be their own, but it is neither English nor French, and it cannot be law Latin, for then his Honour might make it out by the help of a dictionary. We hope that this matter will be attended to, and that "unknown tongues" will not again be complained of as among the causes of "the law's delays.'

#### TO PUBLIC SINGERS.

"Mr. Lamothe is always popular and successful; and though he may never have worn 'kilts,' his songs," &c., "were deservedly applauded.—Telegraph.

That he did not have even a warmer reception was entirely his own fault, for "kilts" are not expensive; and the connection between them and popular admiration is so obvious, that we are astonished he should have neglected to provide himself with them. If he could be musical in trousers, he would have been irresistible in the older garb.

### MRS. SCROUGH'S TRIBULATIONS.

Mr. Editor,—You have my promise to let you into a few of the secrets of boarding-house keeping, which is the only one of the fine arts that is patronized in Montreal. When I came to the city it was very different, but now there are almost as many lodginghouse keepers as advocates, and they mostly know as little of their business. This isn't the first time I have written for publication, as you'll see if you borrow a Witness-(don't buy one, for it's a sinful extravagance; I always borrow mine) That's my square which begins, "Bedrooms in a retired neighbourhood, near the Cathedral;"-a church always makes a lodging advertisement sound so respectable. Well, sir, you've rung the bell, and I've come to answer it. If we can make matters mutually agreeable take the rooms,-I mean take what I write, and I hope it will suit you. I shall be proud to see it in black and white; my joy will run over like a coffee-pot that is not carefully watched. "It will be the happiest moment of my life," as the late lamented Mr. S. said at our wedding breakfast, though, poor dear soul, he trembled so he knocked over three jellies and a magnificent sugar elephant. Oh! I shall never see his like again, poor dear! But that's neither here nor there, as I had to tell Mary Jane this morning, when I found the blacking-bottle in the refrigerator. I shall be happy to hand you your bill,there I go again,—I mean a page or two now and then; and young Gippy, the divinity student, is to be let off half a dollar a week and have his boots blacked for the trouble of copying it out.

I am, yours, all in a quiver, ELIZA SCROUGH.

#### WAS IT A BLUNDER?

The Daily News, to which those who enjoy a joke are indebted for many a good thing, stated, on Saturday, that it has no objection to a little "worldly warfare" among the members of the Corporation. At the first glance this seemed a typographical error, but reflection will, we think, justify the conclusion to which we have come, that it exactly conveys our contemporary's meaning. So entirely has the News been taken up with more important matters, that it really believes the Common Council to be a religious body, over which His Worship the Mayor presides as High Priest, with Messrs. Glackmeyer and Black as Levites, and the constables on guard as "proselytes of the gate."

# Calendar for the Week.

Nov. 5	Fri.	General holiday at the Cemetery.					
Nov. 5 " 6		Snow-shoe race to St. Lambert's; no shoving allowed; pools at various places.					
" 7	Sun.	Bolder innovations at St. John's. Clean surplices.					
į	Mon.	Mrs. ——, of a son. Lecture by Dr. Leach on Antediluvian Remains.					
		Presentation to Mr. Buckland, as an enlightened patron of the Drama.					
4 11		Teetotal pow-wow somewhere; for particulars see Wilness.					
. " 11	Thurs.	Total eclipse of Diogenes; visible anywhere.					



EXHAUSTED CONDITION OF THE PIPER AND HIS PIPES AFTER THE HALLOWEEN CONCERT.

### H. R. H.

His Royal Highness cannot complain that we are not using him well. After loyalty and toadyism have chased him round "this Canada of ours," he has at length been run to earth in Montreal. If he expected to find this a city of refuge, he was mightily mistaken. Already he has to do duty at a concert—we shudder to think how long-and a bazaar, in addition to a vast variety of minor engagements, which we dare not attempt to enumerate. If in his retirement—supposing he has any—he feels a little exhausted, it may be some consolation to him to know that his willingness to be "used up" for his Mother's sake is duly appreciated. One contemporary, who seldom praises rashly, is overcome with wonder and admiration at the discovery that he is a gentleman, although a young man of high birth. His presence at the bazaar of the Irish Benevolent Society contributed largely to the success of that effort; it evidently added to the attractions of the refreshment table, for one journal says it produced "a perfect jam." We hope he enjoyed it. The ladies who presided at the stalls were each honoured by his patronage, and some of the fair ones have promised GRINCHUCKLE a list of the articles he purchased. It is to be hoped that he made a more judicious selection than was recently made on a similar occasion by a softhearted Montrealer, who bought a cradle and a grindstone, and remembered, when too late, that he had neither an axe nor a baby. We subjoin a few of His Royal Highness's prospective engagements:-

An examination of Mr. Alfred Perry's private signal. A royal progress through the Quebec Suburbs.

Miss Smith's wedding.

A visit to the interior of Notman's largest camera.

Guilbault's refreshment saloon.

A shaving establishment in St. François Xavier Street.

Synagogue, on Sunday next. Full choral service.

We agree with Councillor Kay that the Corporation would not be true to itself, if it became a charitable institution; the members, not being over charitable to one another, can scarcely be expected to be so to the outside public. At the same time, it is a comfort to know that Mr. Kay has taken the city uner his wings, and that he is willing to relieve every one who needs relief, even if he should have to part with the silver spoon Published by the Proprietor, D. Gorman, at his Office, and Printed for him by the Montreal Printing & Publishing Company, Printing House No. 67 St James Street, Montreal. which made his babyhood happy and enviable.

### COMMERCIAL.

GRINCHUCKLE OFFICE.

November 4th, 1869.

During the past week there has been no change in the different markets, consequently housewives and the public generally, on Saturday night, will have no difficulty in finding them in their usual places. We proceed

to give our weekly review.

BUTTER—Difficult to hold. A quantity in the hands of an old lady returning from market fell. It was, how-ever, quickly picked up, and rose again. It was afterwards steady. This article can hardly be classed under the head of our "weakly" review, as some of it is frightfully strong. References kindly permitted to several leading boarding houses.

WHEAT—Has been reported steady, although we saw a quantity elevated on the canal bank a few days ago.

TEA-Showed a disposition to advance when Young Hyson looked up, but tea declining. Young Hyson became dull, and is now very weak.

Oxions-Previous to the departure of the Hon. Mr. Rose, a large quantity was forwarded to the Cabinet at Ottawa. This is the only transaction worth noting.

BOOTS AND SHOES-Business in this line was busy during the week, a large number having been soled.

YEAST-Rose quickly in the hands of bakers.

BANKRUPTS-No change in this lot.

Snow—Fell since last advices.

CHEESE-Lively when old.

QUICKSILVER—Steady.

Why is an eager hunter like a hungry lad? Because he longs for the meet. [We need not say that the above is from Beauport; some restraint should be put upon the inmates of that establishment.]

We say a man drinks like a fish when one gill is not enough for him.

#### NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

PRIEST OF APOLLO.—Abandon your idolatry, for Apollo disowns you. Your handwriting would do credit to Vulcan.

X.—No; the Saturday Review never was the organ of the Evangelical Alliance.

ADA.—We shall be happy to see a specimen of your poetry. Send us anything you have—that is, anything but an Ode to the Moon, for, of course, you have written one.

J. S.—Witty but coarse, and, for that reason, excluded. Morton.—You would succeed better on some social topic. You cannot kill eagles with pop-guns.

JAMES B.—Be sure they are facts, and then make the most you can of them.

L. M.—Just what we want.

Opossum.—Accepted, but held over.

H. R.—We cannot answer through the post.

In type.—A Fact; "I woke.—'twas in the dead of the night," &c.

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