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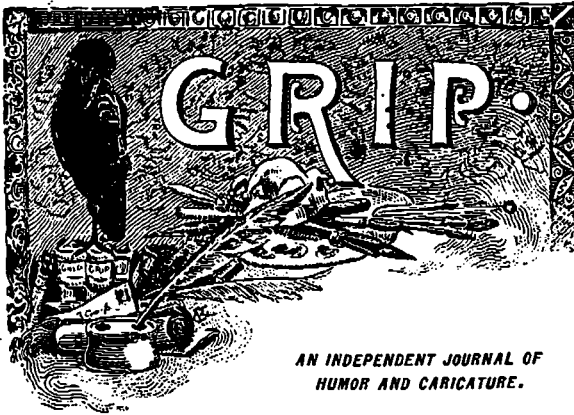
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## MEN CHANGE—NOT PRINCIPLES !

MR. DALTON MCCARTHY—"Mr. Attorney-General, permit me to present to you Mr. Mowat, of 1857, an able and earnest advocate of Equal Rights."

ATTORNEY-GENERAL—"Mowat—er—Mowat? The name seems familiar, and yet—'Equal Rights' did you say? He's not one of your fanatical Tory bigots I trust!"



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### Comments on the Cartoons.



**THE FINISH.**—The great contest is over and the Province has said that Mowat must not go. The Government returns to the House with its majority only slightly reduced, though amongst the absentees are two members of the Ministry—Drury and Gibson. The great race in Toronto, upon which the interest of the whole country was centered, ended in a manner which left the representation in its original shape—two Conservatives and one Reformer being elected. The Equal Rights candidates, Bell and Armour, made a gallant struggle, coming within a few hundred votes of the winning point. The chances of these gentlemen, or other equally respectable representatives of the E.R. Association, ought to be good for seats in the Dominion House at the next general election. Mr. Moses, the candidate of Canada's New Party, polled some eight hundred votes. As the main purpose of the candidature was to

advertise the existence of the Party, the effort cannot be counted as a dead loss. Now that the fuss is over, let us get down to some hard thinking and active doing upon other and even greater issues, such as those touched upon in Mr. Wiman's late speech. The real question of the day is what are we going to do about this ruinous and crazy tariff-war with the United States.

**MEN CHANGE—NOT PRINCIPLES.**—The greatest journalistic hit of the Campaign was the *Mail's* cold-blooded publication of extracts from speeches made by Hon. Oliver Mowat in 1857, which, strangely enough, nobody thought of reproducing before. The quotations were what, in prize ring parlance, may be called a complete knock-out of the hon. gentleman by himself. They very pointedly and emphatically justify the attitude of the Equal Righters, and answer the charge of "bigotry" made against them, for they show that in the Campaign of 1857, Mr. Mowat was a thorough-going Equal Righter himself—and, in fact, the actual author of the phrase. To show how near akin Mr. Mowat's sentiments then were to those expressed to-day by Mr. McCarthy and his followers, we cannot do better than reprint an extract or two here:

"In regard to non-sectarian schools, we go for nothing which intelligent Roman Catholics may not consistently seek to obtain. (Hear, hear.) Indeed we are fighting the battle of Roman Catholics themselves in asking that there should be no sectarian schools."

"I say, respect all equally, the feelings of Protestants and Roman Catholics alike. Treat all equally; and the only way to do so is for all denominations to agree in saying that there shall be no sectarian legislation whatever; no exclusive privileges to any; no connection between Church and State in any form, whether as regards the religious teaching of children or the religious teaching of grown up people."

"The permitting of Separate schools to exist has not accomplished the object of saving our common school system from attacks, and, this being so, there are many reasons why we should oppose them out and out, not as Protestants merely, but as Canadians—not as Protestants, but as citizens—not as Protestants, but as lovers of sound education and anxious for its future diffusion."

"All we are asking for, so far as the matter concerns ourselves, is Equal Rights! All we demand, so far as regards others, is an abolition of exclusive privileges. And if a Protestant feeling has arisen on this question, it has not been directed to the obtaining of privileges which are not to be given to others nor to the securing of Protestant supremacy. We simply desire that Roman Catholics should enjoy the same advantages as we do and no greater."

"It has been said that the Protestant feeling has been aroused in Upper Canada, and that the past election has been largely influenced by it. No wonder that the Protestant feeling has been aroused, because Protestants feel that there have been encroachments upon their equal rights. (Hear, hear.)"

"I wholly repudiate the charge that it is Protestant bigotry which impels us. All we are asking for, so far as the matter concerns ourselves, is Equal Rights!"

No doubt Mr. Mowat believed these to be sound sentiments thirty-three years ago. Are they not equally so now? If so, how comes it that their author regards similar expressions to-day as the outcome of blind bigotry, or the desperate resort of unprincipled politicians who merely want office? It is true, of course, that these utterances were made before Separate schools had been provided for in the B.N.A. Act, but Mr. Mowat can hardly share Mr. Blake's belief that to amend that Act would be sacrilegious, since he was the prime mover in the late conference of Provincial Premiers at which some eight or ten amendments were voted for. If he still believes as he did in '57, he ought to go in with those who are agitating for the abolition of the Separate school clause of the Act. But apparently the Attorney-General of to-day had quite forgotten about the young man named Mowat whom he used to know so well in times gone by.

### YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE!

If you are over a year in arrears on your subscription to GRIP, this intended for you. We want to ask you kindly but earnestly to pay up. Put the money in an envelope right now and send it along. Your arrearage is, we doubt not, the result of forgetfulness, and not intentional. A reminder, therefore, should be sufficient, and this is a reminder. The money is not great in amount in any case (which makes it an easy matter for you to pay it) but there are a large number of cases (which makes it difficult for us to get along without it). We are trying to give you good value in GRIP, and will be able to still further improve the paper if you will assist us by keeping your account square. Any honest man ought to be willing to do this much. Let us hear from you, friends, without further delay.

**E**NTERPRISING business men are the ones who succeed, and it is the successful ones who believe in printers' ink. Advertising is an art, and the true advertiser, like the true painter, mixes his colors with brains, as Opie said. He takes into consideration the class of people he chiefly wishes to

reach, and he selects the medium that will be most likely to reach that class. The business man who wants to get his announcements before the "solid citizens" of Canada—the class which embraces the mercantile, artizan and professional elements, will find no better medium than GRIP, which circulates in homes throughout the Dominion, and is the favorite



paper in most of the reading rooms. It is read from end to end, advertisements and all; and, what is more, the numbers are in most cases preserved. Never in its long history was GRIP so popular and prosperous as it is to-day.

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**W**E find the following piece of humor attributed to the German comic paper, *Fliegende Blaetter*:

"What's the reason you have robbed and cheated so much?"  
**THE ACCUSED**—"Like all men, your honor, I was anxious to secure for myself a quiet and comfortable old age."

Is it possible that the Teutonic humorist has heard of the Rykert scandal, and based his joke upon the audacity of the culprit's impudent attempt to justify himself on the ground of the necessity of making a provision for his old age? If so, it is another proof of the adage that truth is stranger than fiction. For if he had completed his joke by making the judge acknowledge the reasonableness of the plea and declare the prisoner worthy of reward rather than punishment, as did Rykert's judges, the Lincoln electors, such a conclusion would appear so monstrously incredible as to be beyond the limits of burlesque. Even those whose province it is to exaggerate the absurd and imagine the impossible dare not venture to fancy such a cynical condonation of villainy as Rykert's alleged "vindication."

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**W**ELL, the agony is over, and the situation remains just about as before. The Opposition are beaten out of sight, and, though the Government majority may be slightly reduced, its position is practically unimpaired. A couple of Ministers, Messrs. Gibson and Drury, have lost their seats, but there will be little trouble in replacing them in the event of their being unable to find other constituencies. This is fairly offset by the defeat of Messrs. Creighton and French on the Opposition side.

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**I**N this city the result hardly surprised anyone except those political enthusiasts who allowed their judgment to be overruled by their sympathies. The Equal Rights candidates made a splendid run, considering the

strength of the adverse influences and the split in their own ranks by the presence in the field of the Third Party candidate. Mr. Armour, in particular, is to be congratulated on the large vote he obtained, and still more on the favorable impression which, in a very short canvass, he left on the minds of the electorate. Though defeated in Toronto, the Equal Righters have elected several candidates in rural constituencies, and enough of the regular Party nominees have accepted their platform in whole or in part to very considerably leaven the composition of the new House and exercise a strong influence on legislation, provided, of course, they remain true to their pledges. That is about as much as a party of only one year's growth could fairly expect.

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**T**HAT Mowat has again swept the Province is not so much due to the strength of his Government as to the weakness of his opponents. The Equal Rights movement was the only influence that could have seriously endangered him. But in the matter of yielding unduly to Roman Catholic influences one party is as deep in the mud as the other is in the mire. Genuine Equal Righters could have but little confidence in old partizans who evidently took up the watchword merely as a cry to gain votes, while remaining hand-and-glove with Ottawa Toryism and depending on the party machine for election.

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**I**N case the defeat of Messrs. Gibson and Drury should involve a reorganization of the Ontario Cabinet, GRIP hopes that the claims of ex-Speaker Clarke to a portfolio will not be overlooked. Mr. Clarke is one of the oldest members of the House, exceedingly popular with his constituents and all who know him, and a man of marked ability, who would fill well and worthily any position in the ministry. Mr. Mowat could not make any appointment more acceptable to the public.

THE man who invented the phrase "everything goes" evidently never heard of the Keeley motor.—*World*.  
 Nor of Mowat.



IN THE STREET CAR.

**JOLIBOY** (to his little son)—"Come, Johnny, don't forget your politeness. Get up and give the young lady your seat!"



### RACE AND RELIGION.

MR. SOLOMONS—"Well, Dinkelstein, and whom did you vote for?"  
MR. DINKLESTEIN—"Me? Vy, Moscs, of course!"

### MEREDITH'S LAMENT.

WE'RE left again! We're left again!  
I fear it is no sort of use.  
I've tried all sorts of schemes in vain,  
I swear it beats the very deuce.  
We can't get in, whate'er we do,  
We don't seem to have any show;  
Why then the struggle still pursue,  
When Mowat will not, will not go?

We tried the straight-out Tory fight,  
And kept it up till we grew sick.  
Though old Sir John took much delight  
In showing us full many a trick,  
That was no good, so then we tried  
To utilize the Irish vote,  
Which also failed us, so I cried:  
"No popery," and changed my coat.

I counted sure on "Equal Rights,"  
That ought to be a taking cry.  
The masses like sectarian fights,  
Or used to—now they're growing shy.  
We talked against the Separate schools,  
We even said we'd wipe them out,  
But still we failed to catch the fools,  
For our good faith they seem to doubt.

Even epigrams had no effect,  
We raised the cry: "His hour has come."  
In advertising, I expect,  
It's cost us quite a tidy sum.  
We said: "The Grits are on the run,"  
And so they were—they ran too well—  
And now the victory they've won,  
How loud their shouts of triumph swell!

Well, anyway, we've lost the game,  
We can't shake Mowat, do our best;  
Try what we will, it's all the same,  
I guess it's time we took a rest.  
The jig is up—he's there to stay,  
Our goose is cooked, our cake is dough,  
What use in fooling time away  
Upon a man who will not go?

### SKOOL.

A ESAY BY JIMMY LARKINS WICH THE BOYS CALLS  
"SHORTY."

SKOOL is the place boys and girls go to get licked on the hands, wat is spanked at home. Our teacher says skool edjukates and prepares us for the world. If I get licked once more this week I will be a good subject for the next world. my littel brother is in the kinnergarden, he learns to sing and fold colored paper. I don't have much fun till I get out. My teacher says I must take grate panes with my spelling. I learn hijeen and histry and geografy and so forth, wich is very hard, hijeen is the art of preserving your health. my ma learns preserving out of a cookery book. hijeen says you must rise early and take a long walk of six or eight miles before breakfast, which will give you a appitite for your meels you must bath at least three times a day. but I have not come to this yet. Histry teaches you how menny kings was murdered sinse adam an eve, some was burned at the steak, & some was drowned in a but of wine. they was all acquainted with Mr. Shakespeer who rote all about these affairs. They talked funny in those days. We also learn to drill, wich is more fun, but if you go rong you get licked on the hands just the same. Every summer all the boys march threw the city and carry sticks. All the skool boys and girls is owned by Mr. Yoos our teacher says wen he comes into the room we shoold rise and saloot him with every mark of respec. On drill days

Mr. Yoos rides a wite horse. every once in a wile we have examinations wich is great fun, but you must not copy. It is not honest to copy. I only copied some sums and histry and geografy. but I showed my hijeen to the next boy. If you rite good and put down the right answers, you get promotered, wich is not nice as they make you work harder than ever. Some boys and girls goes to the kaleejut and they have to study *awful* hard. I will not go to the kaleejut. I will go to work into a bank.



### A SUBTLE SUGGESTION.

CABINET MINISTER—"Yes, I haven't had time to go into your scheme fully, but I take quite an interest in it."

PROMOTER—"I see; you take a blind interest in it; what would you say to taking a blind share?"





### THE FEMININE DOCTOR.

BOY—"Mother wants you to come right away, please."

WOMAN DOCTOR—"Has it stopped raining?"

BOY—"No; but please come at once, for my little brother is awful sick."

WOMAN DOCTOR—"Well, I have lost my rubbers, and can't find my umbrella; besides, I must wait here for an hour yet, for I expect my dressmaker."

### THE RESULT.

AN ELECTION PEAN OF TRIUMPH WRITTEN BEFORE  
POLLING DAY.

OUR political poet, having several important contracts on hand, was obliged to prepare his poem in celebration of the result of the elections in advance of the returns. To accomplish this in a manner which would be suitable to either event cost him no little trouble, but he successfully attained his object in the following spirited (he had to seek inspiration several times in an adjacent gin-mill during the period of incubation) poem. The reader will please observe that it can be read in two ways—either across the whole width of the column so as to make each verse consist of four lines—or in couplets reading straight down:

#### THE GLORIOUS 5TH OF JUNE.

A glorious victory we've gained,  
Triumphantly and well maintained.

Mowat his course indeed has run,  
And so we hail the battle won.

And oh! what gladness fills our souls,  
The Grits defeated at the polls.

Only a fool could hope to see  
Mowat returned triumphantly.

Meredith ruling as premier,  
The ship of state he well can steer

No honest man could well abide,  
On waves of dark corruptions tide.

The verdict is, Mowat must go  
Crushed by this most decisive blow

Along the path where honors wait,  
Goes Meredith to meet his fate.



### SHE OWNS THE GROUND.

EDITH—"I hear that Mr. Dobbins is going to marry the wealthy Miss Perrill. Do you suppose he is really in love with her?"

MARY—"Undoubtedly—he loves the very ground she walks on."—*Munsey's Weekly*.

### THE COMING CENSUS.

A GREAT row is going on in the States over the taking of the census, because the questions asked by the census-takers include some very personal and pointed enquiries, such as whether the victim is a lunatic, a cripple, a convict or a tramp, and whether or not his house is mortgaged. As in all such matters our Government usually follows the example of the States (as witness our Protection and Railway policy) Canadians may expect next year to have to answer questions like the following:

Are you a Grit, Tory, Equal Righter, Third Partyist, Labor Reformer, Single Taxer or Anarchist?

If so, state your reasons. If not, why not?

How many times have you been under the influence of liquor during the past year?

What do you think of the question, "Is Marriage a Failure?"

If married, is your wife or yourself the head of the family?

Are you on fairly good terms with your mother-in-law?



### CORRECT ENGLISH.

MR. DE BEAURER—"Aw, Pat, sweeping out the yawd."

PAT—"No sor'r, swapin' out the durrt an' lavin' the yarrud."

What is your favorite beverage?

Do you attend base-ball games, smoke cigarettes, chew tobacco, bet on elections, read *Saturday Night* or indulge in any other vicious practice?

What is your opinion of the Dominion Government?

What is the size of your ears and feet by actual measurement?

Are you bald-headed?

Do you ever expect to run for alderman, mayor or Member of Parliament?

Do your pants bag at the knees?

Are you a dude, a crank, a fakir, a dead-beat, a book-agent, a park-preacher, a spring-poet, an exchange fiend or a party heeler?

### NOT FAST COLORS.

"CONSERVATIVES stick to your colors like men  
And Mowat will shake in his shoes."

"Alas and alack we're defeated again,  
As for colors, all's up with our Hughes (hues)."

## ELECTION WEEK EXPERIENCES.

MAY 29TH.—Who am I going to vote for? Why the two Clarkes, of course. Who else? Thought I was an Equal Righter did you? So I am—and what's the matter with Meredith's platform? Isn't that Equal Rights enough? I've always voted Conservative. That Jesuit business was disgusting and at the time I said I'd never cast a ballot for any man that approved it. But Mowat is just as much under the control of the hierarchy as Sir John, and as my party has now come out squarely for Equal Rights in Provincial matters I see no reason for going back on it. Hurrah for the two Clarkes!

May 30th.—Mayor Clarke is bound to head the poll. Everybody says so. But H. E. is not so certain of election. He may get left. He comes out stronger on Equal Rights than Ned does anyhow. Wouldn't it be a good scheme to cast one vote for H. E. and get some Grit or Equal Righter to do the same on condition of my voting for one of his candidates. That would help H. E. and wouldn't hurt Ned. He's safe anyway.

May 31st.—Good, I've made a deal. Just met old man Kildogan. He's a red-hot Armour man, but don't take much stock in Bell. He will go H. E. Clarke if I go Armour.

June 1st.—Splendid sermon to-day on political situation from Dr. Hunter. Met several old friends—original Conservatives like myself—and talked over matters. Don't feel as enthusiastic about the Clarkes as I did. Some people seem to think they're not sincere and are only using this Equal Rights cry to get office. If I thought that—I don't know—I won't vote for Ned anyway. That Pavilion speech sickened me. As to H. E. I'll think about it. Must hear McCarthy to-morrow.

June 2nd.—Heard McCarthy. Of all the magnificent, forcible, convincing election speeches I ever listened to it was the grandest. It's no use. I won't vote for either of the Clarkes. They're trimmers, nothing else. Met Kildogan and called the deal off. Told him I was going to vote the straight Equal Rights ticket. Hurrah for Bell and Armour!

June 3rd.—Just met Ned Clarke. He is a real good fellow and no mistake. It'll go very hard to vote against him. I thought he was sure of election, but now a good many people seem to think that Armour will head the poll. He reminded me that I promised to support him early in the campaign. What can I do? I hate to go back on him. After all he will have to vote Equal Rights if he follows Meredith. I don't think it was exactly wise



THE MODERN PISTOL.

"Base is the slave that pays!"—Punch.

to put Equal Rights candidates in the field in Toronto when the Conservatives were ready to accept the whole platform. Wish I'd three votes. I've a notion to vote for Ned Clarke and Armour.

June 4th.—Come to think of it calmly and deliberately I won't allow personal considerations to influence me in the slightest. I can't support Ned Clarke. I don't think a promise given before I knew who was running ought to count. My mind is made up. I'll vote for Armour and H. E. Clarke.

June 5th.—9 a.m. It's no use. I never cast a Grit vote in my life, and Armour is a Grit. I've found out that lots of Grit Equal Righters are pledged to vote for Armour and Tait or Armour and McDougall. It's a dodge to elect three Grits. I won't be fooled that way. I'll give the good old Conservative party one more trial and if they don't stick to their pledges this time I'll never support them again. Here goes to put in a straight ballot for the two Clarkes.

—10.30 a.m. Oh pshaw! Was there ever anything so disgusting? They tell me at the polling booth that my name's not on the roll. So I have no vote after all, and all the bother and worry I've had over this wretched mixed up election goes for nothing. Confound politics anyhow! I don't care two cents who's elected.



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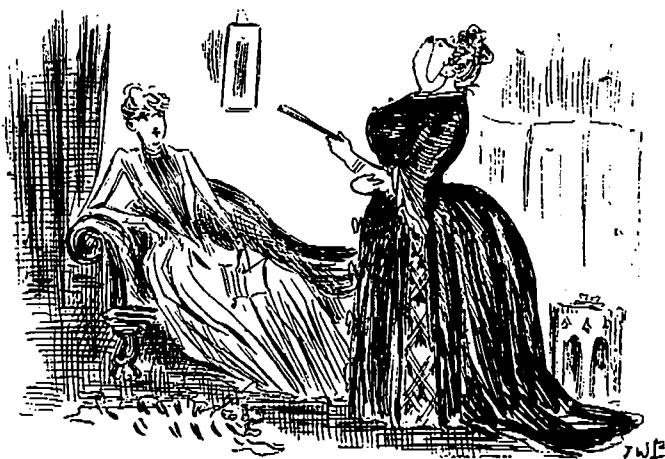
JONES—"Been taking riding lessons, I see, Brown. It has reduced your weight somewhat."

BROWN—"Yes; I've fallen off a good deal since I began."

## THE EQUAL RIGHTERS.

A DOLEFUL tale is ours to tell,  
In vain we comfort seek,  
No peal of triumph sounds from Bell,  
Our Armour proved but weak.





### GRAMMAR,—AHM!

MRS. NEURICHE—"Well, Evelyn dear, how are you getting on with your studies?"

EVELYN—"Oh, mamma, I just hate metaphysics."

MRS. N.—"You shouldn't say met a physics, dear, it's met a physick. You know the noun a is in the plural gender when it governs the adjective."

### THE STRAIGHT TIP.

"WHERE did you get that hat?  
Where did you get that tile?  
What did you pay for that?"  
"Don't you admire the style?"  
Nobby, I should remark  
Won on election bet  
Always back E. F. Clarke,  
Would you a new hat get."

### A BUDDING CUVIER.

TEACHER—"Now, Johnny, what kind of animals have horns?"  
JOHNNY—"Deers an' cows an' rams."  
TEACHER—"Can't you think of any others?"  
JOHNNY—"No, ma'am."  
CHARLEY—"Please, teacher, I know—the hornithor-hynchus."

### MODUS VIVENDI.

THE *modus vivendi* between GRIP and Dom Pedro or "any other man," has been confirmed.

We are not quite clear as to the meaning of this latest newspaper catch phrase, but that is quite immaterial. We are simply afraid that we should lose caste in the eyes of our numerous patrons\* did we fail to introduce *modus vivendi* some way or other, and now that we have done so we trust to hear that everybody is satisfied.

### A ROD IN PICKLE.

CABBAGE BOSS, by which kindly appellation the Minister of Agriculture is favorably known, has sent a hundred and seventy-six bundles of young trees to "Canadian Western Territory,"—a name by the way not nearly so sonorous as "Our Nor'-West Territories,"—to try if they will grow there. This is no doubt the great thing

\* How stupid! This should read "enormously extensive clientele," instead of numerous patrons.

that Foster promised to do for the agricultural interest. In the list of plants we do not observe the classic birch mentioned. As an ex-Professor, the Great Financier (the pious Æneas,) should have explained to the Great Agriculturist that a plentiful supply of that tree will be needed in the new territory, especially in the present crisis when the public mind is exercised on the subject of compulsory education. For, after all, fundamentally speaking, the birch twig is the tree of knowledge. *Twiggez vous?*

### MONARCH OUT OF BUSINESS.

IT was reported lately that worthy Dom Pedro of Brazil has taken his expatriation so much to heart that it has weakened his mind. It is also said that he refuses to accept at the hands of his ex-subjects a pension that would keep him in comparatively comfortable circumstances. Further, it is now asserted that he is writing a treatise on the Botocudo Indians. All these symptoms ought to excite alarm among his friends and induce them to take care of him. If he should publish his book and the *Week* review it, it would about finish him.

### WHY HE GOT LEFT.

"DOWN, down with the French," Equal Righters exclaim,  
"They are wolves who would ravage the fold,"  
And so poor Mr. French, on account of his name,  
Is by Grenville left out in the cold.

PROHIBITIONIST—"Rally to the support of Moses the only Prohibitionist candidate in the field. Vote as you pray!"

BUMMERSON—"I'd a blamed sight sooner prey as I vote, but there don't seem to be any boodle going this trip."

### COUNTRY SEATS AT A DISCOUNT.

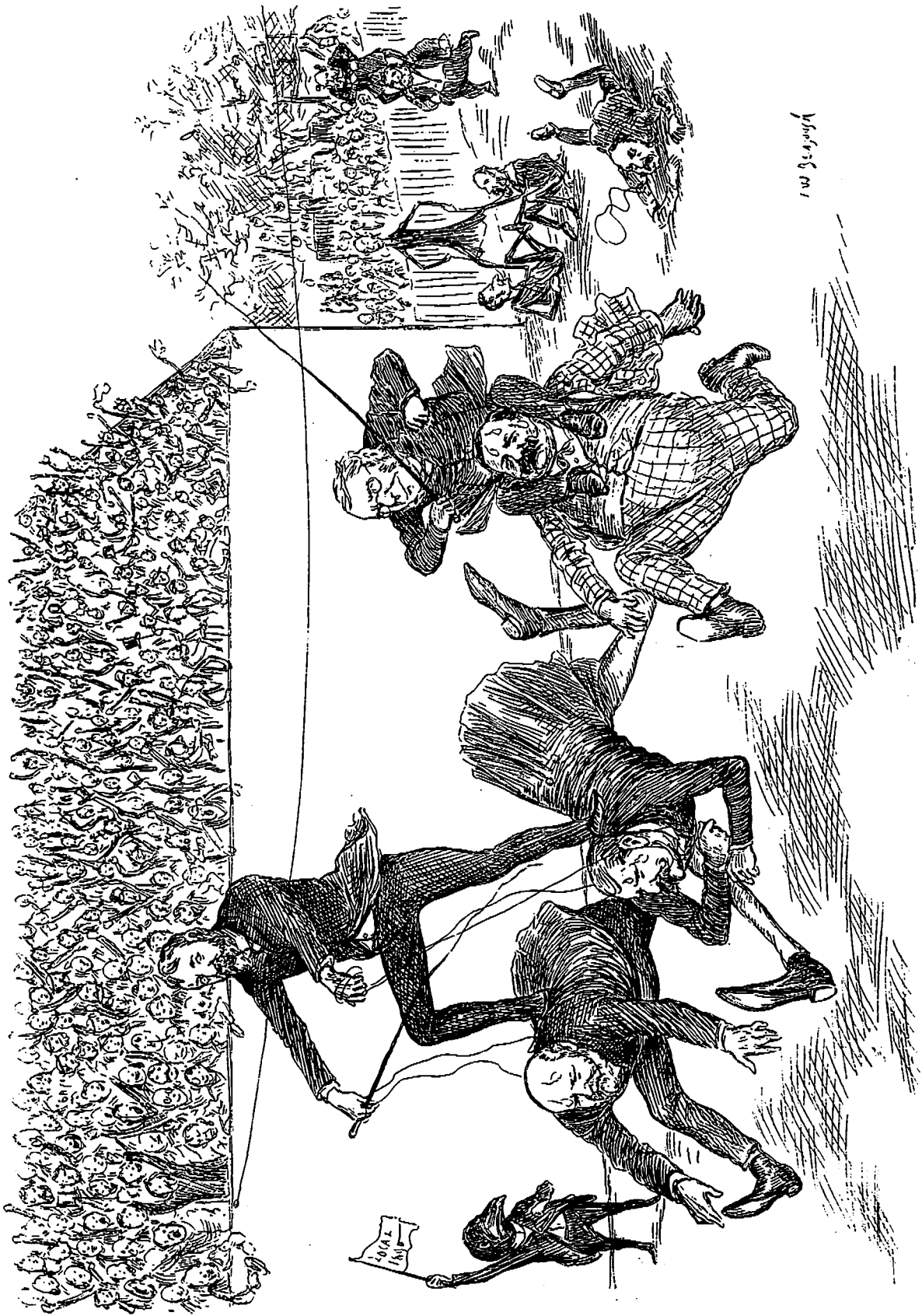
"FOR sale, on easy terms, a country seat,"  
"Oh pshaw!" says Sheppard, "guess I won't compete;"  
"You're right," says Will McLean, "just so say I,  
A country seat, methinks, comes much too high."  
"Please count me out," says Hughes, "for I've been there;"  
Says Holmes, "'Tis a delusion and a snare."



### WEDDING ACCOMPANIMENTS.

EDITH—"How does a marriage certificate begin, Mrs. Plusher?"  
MRS. PLUSHER—"I don't remember exactly, but I think the first words are 'Know all men by these presents.'"—*Munsey's Weekly*.





# THE FINISH!

SEQUEL TO "THE START," GRIP, May 24th, and "THE HOME STRETCH," GRIP, June 7th.



### JUST IN TIME.

CABBY—"Where to, Governor?"  
 FARE—"Wha's time?"  
 CABBY—"Ten to eleven."  
 FARE—"Nearest s'loun quick as y' can."—*Pick-me-up.*

### RONDEL.

WHEN Mowat goes,  
 Then Orange fads and Tory foes  
 May tweak O. M.'s disjointed nose,  
 While he that organ mildly blows,  
 When Mowat goes.  
 Or when from Opposition rows  
 A stream of wit or wisdom flows,  
 When farmers pray for July snows,  
 Or doves consort with kites and crows,  
 When in the Province nothing grows,  
 And ruin is Ontario's,  
 Then Mowat goes.

### EXPERIENTIA DOCET.

(A BRIEF EXTRACT FROM PRINCIPAL CAVEN'S NEXT LECTURE TO THE DIVINITY CLASS AT KNOX COLLEGE.)

GENTLEMEN,—Although it is the main duty of the Lectureships in this College to fit you for the work of the pulpit, I feel that we would be neglecting a very important branch of education if we sent you out without a thorough grounding in matters which lie outside the sphere of pastoral work. I refer more particularly to the sphere of politics. It may be, gentlemen, that your country will from time to time call upon you to step out of your churches and take an active part in political movements. In answer to such calls you will, as patriots, not hesitate to step from the path of ministerial duty into the thorny field of politics. I say thorny advisedly, gentlemen, for I have been there. (*Laughter.*) Please do not laugh. I use the phrase "been there" in no slang sense. It should be unnecessary to remind you that the Faculty of this College gives no countenance to the use of slang. Indeed, I more than suspect you are all well aware of that fact, and I can consequently only

regard the laugh I have just heard as an evidence of ribaldry, as proving, in short, that even within these calm and scholastic walls there exists the aggravating flippancy which I was about to mention as one of the worst characteristics of the political world.

Gentlemen, I wish to warn you very solemnly that things are not at all as one would suppose in the realm of political activity. I would earnestly impress upon you that amongst politicians there is a widespread and shocking disregard for the most plain and sacred laws of exegesis. To you, breathing the atmosphere of this College, it no doubt appears a horrible thing—as in truth it is—to sever words and phrases from their obvious context, and in this dislocated shape to make them bear meanings quite apart from, if not indeed antagonistic to, those which they bore in the original form. And yet it is not too much to say that this horrible thing is sometimes done by politicians who are eager to make a point. (*Sensation.*) I might even venture to assert that such a practice is general in this country, and that there is reason to believe it is indulged in by men who unquestionably know better. (*Renewed sensation.*) Lest I should be thought violent in my statements, I feel it right to produce proof of the charge I have just made. *I myself have been the victim of such treatment!* Not once, but several times, remarks which I have made with the greatest attention to clearness, and which I venture to think could not possibly have been really misunderstood by any person with a tittle of intelligence or perspicacity, have been misconstrued in the most painful and revolting manner. Nay, things which I have written and placed before the public in plain type, have been similarly misused. Making every allowance which charity could in any way suggest, I have been forced—I need not say, gentlemen, most reluctantly forced—to the conclusion that at least some politicians are scarcely as honest as one could wish; that there are amongst them those who will resort to measures which they must know are contrary to right and fair methods; and that there are some who will—I think I am fully justified in saying—some who will deliberately lie. (*Painful sensation.*) Within these walls we have always cherished a profound respect for Logic. (*Hear, hear.*) Within these walls you have been taught to reverence the context, and to solemnly differentiate the major and the minor premise, to weigh the meanings of words and phrases with the assistance of the Historic Imagination, and to draw only such conclusions as Truth would warrant. Among politicians, you will grieve to learn, only contempt is felt, if not expressed, for methods such as these. Facts have no rights which partizans are bound to respect. As to logic and philosophy, they pass for nothing in the eyes of heated politicians. The Laws and Rules which you reverence so deeply, are utterly ignored. The political world, in short, is, philosophically speaking, without form and void. There, indeed, chaos is come again! (*Sobs.*)

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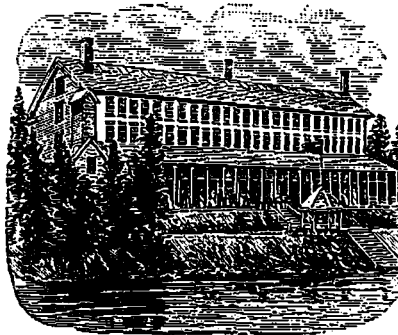
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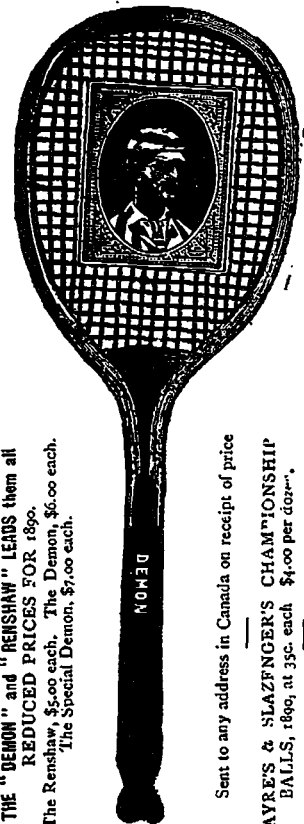
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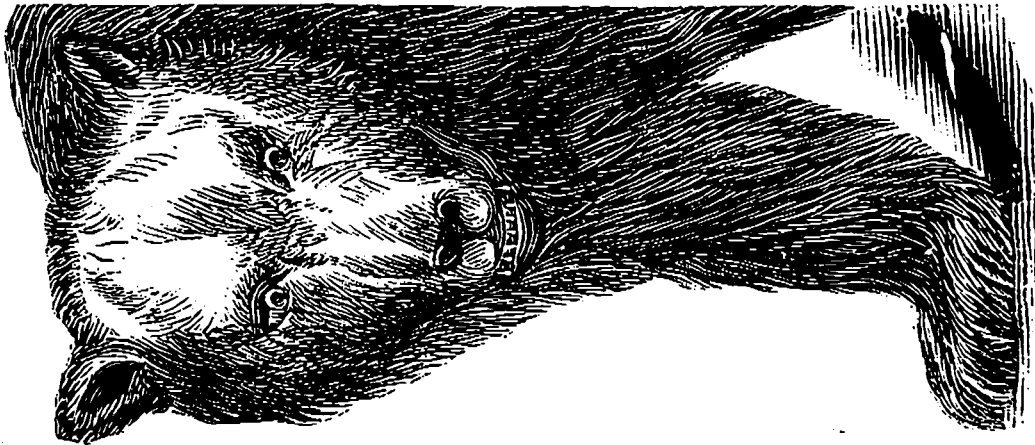
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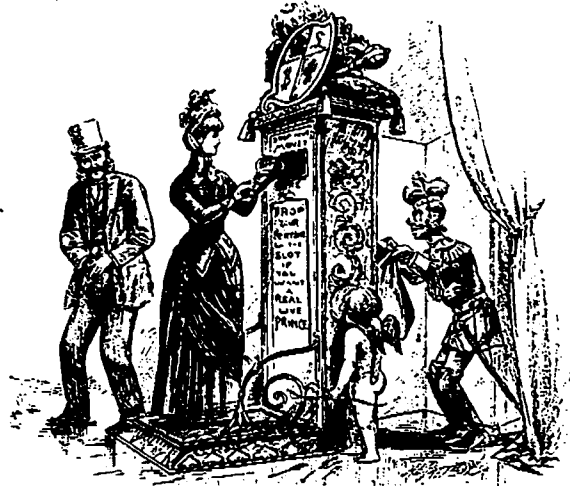
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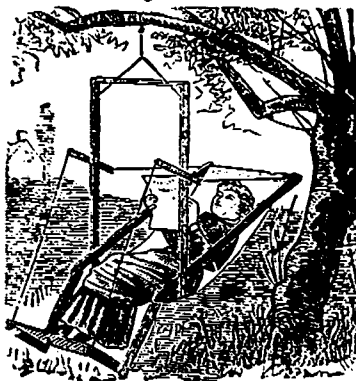
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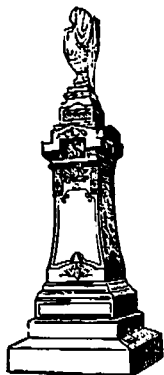


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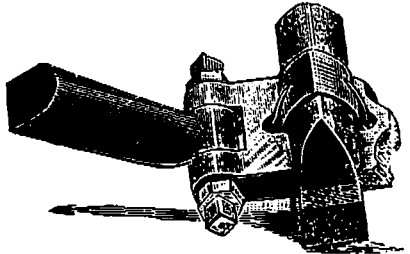
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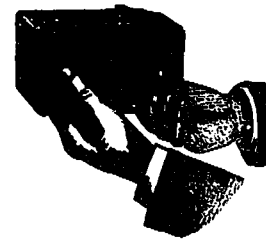
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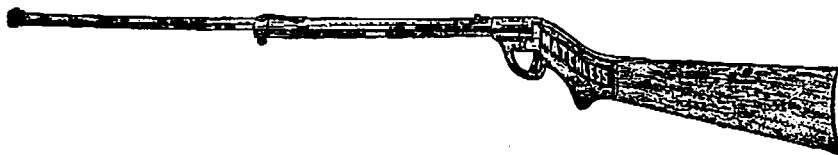
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