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## Comments an the Cixrtopus.



Blind and Deaf !-Sir John Macdonald is in a fair way of losing the reputation he has long held amongst his admirers as a man of "good heart," and earning instead an infamy like Nero's. We can think of nothing that the old Roman monster could have suggested to make the misery of the poor Indians of the North-West worse than it is; he could only have informed himself that they were being starved, cheated, outraged and demoralized, and then sat himself down in luxury to enjoy the knoaledge. It is not supposable that Sir John Macdonald, as yet, actually enjoys the sufferings of the unhappy beings who are under his care, but he knozes of them---perhaps better than any other man at Ottawa-and he does nothing to relieve them. The "contractors," whose rotten pork and stinking flour have killed many a poor famishing wretch, are allowed to go on with their knavery-putting in their thievish pockets the full price of wholesome food ; the officials, whose beastly lust has overwhelmed the Indian tribes with disease and death, are allowed to go on in their devilish work while drawing pay from the treasury of a Christian people. Has Sir John Macdonald a heart at all, that he can tamely endure these foul iniquities without stirring a hand or tongue to end them? Can he have the least atom of patriotism in him, when he thus allows the fair fame of Canada to be blotted with dishonor? If he values the good opinion of the people who have so long upheld him, he will hasten to prove it by putting forth all his power to vindicate the cause of justice and morality in our North-West. This, we believe, the people, without distinction of party, demand of him. However it may be in the fetid halls of officialism, there are some Canadians outside who still believe in God as a Being who will avenge the wrongs of His friendless children upon the nation that inflicts them or allows its rulers to do so.
The Latest fashion in Hats in Canada is known as the Cardinal's. The Pope has just sent one of these head-pieces to Archbishop Taschereau of Quebec, elevating that dignatory to the Archision of a Prince of the Church. Cardinal Taschereau will please accept Gkip's congratulations, with assurances of esteem and veneration always due to a good man.

The Grand Old Perseverer.-Mr. Goldwin Smith is amongst the far from profound people who talk of Mr. Gladstone's bill as a "separation" measure-an expression which the English premier
lately denounced as mere slang, as it is. And of course Mr. Smith is delighted at the defeat of the second reading-again proving himself superficial, by jumping to the conclusion that this means the defeat of Home Kule. It means quite the opposite, as the learned Professor and a few others will find out before long. He ought to read over again the story of Bruce and the spider.

Welcome, John Abeil.- Mayor Howland never more truly represented the people of Toronto than he did in his words of welcome and congratulation the other day, on the occasion of the opening of Mr. John Abell's big establishment. Toronto is always glad to greet new settlers of Mr. Abell's stamp, even if they don't build and equip factories covering acres of ground, and give employment to hundreds of our workmen.

The Woinc.--A good many of the gossips are of opinion that handsome Ed. Blake has made a genuine conquest in the case of the charming Miss Canada. When he pops the question she will blushingly answer " yes," but that does not necessarily imply that he will get her. The young lady has a mean step-father-a slippery old lawyer, named Revisinofficer, who is known to be in the pay of Blake's hated rival, John A., and his consent is, of course, essential to the match.

## TOM BOYLAN.

Another pen oft wielded for our page, And ever ready in its kindly wit, Has fallen from another stiffened hand, Tom Boylan is no more ! A genial soul-a charitahle heartA tongue that held no venom and no guileAnd yet a life that haunting Care did mark With lines of grief that mocked his span of years And made an unsolved problem of the man. Forget his frailities now that he is gone, And call to mind alone his better part. Let Pity's tear bedew his lonely grave, And leave the jibe at his poor broken life To that black-hearted Traffic that once more Beholds its finished work!

## AN ODE TO THE ODIOUS.



Come, Boys, avaunt, skidaddle, get ye gone, Let's have no more of your youthful squallin',
The street's no instrument-to play upon, The park's no place to bat and bazol in.
Boys should be modest, quiet, self-possessed, Demure, decorous-don't tell me they couldn't,
I'm sick of the apology so often pressed,
" Boys will be boys"-well, then, I say they shouldn't.
Speak not to me of innocent enjoy That boys should make the most of while they get it.
Don't tell me $I$ was once a buoyant boy, The fact I'm well aware of-I regret it.
Throw down your bats and balls-discard them, do, Go make an audience for the obscene joker,
Apply yourselves to billiards-that's your cue,
Or stir the demon fires up-with poker.
Go to :-avaunt, skidaddle, end your glee,
Quit now your boy-sterous and noise-some revel.
What if you take to vice ?--that's naught to mé,
I must have quietude-go to!-the devil.
A. H. H.

## SCENE IN THE CAPITAL.

Ist Lady.-And where are you going, dear ?
2nd Lady (hesitatingly).-Why, dear, I was thinking of walking up to the Western Block; my husband works there, you know.

Ist Lady (shocked). -Don't dream of it, love, you can't imagine what a name that place has got!

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Our Canada has in her day Had swarms of dirty jobbers;
But ne'er till now such an array' - Of Ministerial robbers.

And just to grace the godless gang, Behold the pious Beatty !
The solemn shave, the holy knave, Adorns the Big Banditti.

With greedy hands they've seized the lands God meant for toiling men ;
Why in His might did He not smite The swindlers in their den ?
O righteous wrath! why art thou dumb? Hast thou let fall thy besom?
And stand'st astounded at the scum Of utter scoundrelism.

Where ev'ry one has bent the knee To his beloved Mammon,
Scribe and M P. that ought to be Hung up as high as Haman.
When public men can't feel disgrace, And utterly are vile,
And Parliament is but a place Where thieves divide the spoil.

Then surely has the multitude Sunk in a drunken sleep,
From which 'twill wake when it's too late, And waken but to weep.
A people who have laurels gained Now tamely bow the knee;
Allow themselves to be enchained By an old debauchee.

Woe to the people in the land Where love of freedom's perished :
Forgetting the traditions grand
That all our fathers cherished.
Since honesty these halls forsook, Oppressed by the disgrace,
Scarce a true man has nerve to look The oppressor in the face.

Dejected many have retired, As from a hopeless strife;
But still there are a few inspired, As by the Spartan fife.
Oh, for another Oliver !
To send the thieves adrift,
Stripped of the prey of infamy, The spoil of public thrith.

No hired scribe e'en for his bribe, Can their dark deeds efface;
A nation's rage on history's page, Shall brand them with disgrace.
How long, like dumb blocks, 'neath such wrongs Will ye insensate stand?
Which might arouse e'en stocks stones, To sweep them from the land.

May ev'ry honest man they meet, (God guide such, for they're few!)
Proudly disdain to even greet
Or countenance the crew.
Let prayers ascend from ev'ry hearth, That Justice may arise,
And rid the place, which they disgrace, Of those incarnate lies.

Alexander M'Lachlan.

The most difficult lock to pick.-Wedlock.-Ex. If the husband uses too much whis-key, his wife will find a divorce-ity of ways to pick it.

## THE JUNIOR PICKWICKIANS,

AND THEIR MEMORABLE TRIP TO NORTH AMERICA.

## CHAP. II.

"Gentlemen," continued the President, " with your permission and that of the individual himself, I propose Mr. Algernon Caddleby as one of those who shall bring honor and renown to the Junior Pickwick Club; the gentleman has already contributed to the literature of his country and his 'Cabbage Stalks as a Marketable Commodity,' and 'Life in a Toll Gate House,' are works which would do credit to an author far better known than he: I feel confident that no gentleman could be selected better fitted to note his impressions of scenes in distant climes," (hear, hear) " and to bring an account of such things to our Club: what does the gentleman say ?"

The gentleman however saying nothing, being in fact in the middle of a most abstruse calculation as to whether Mr. Caddleby, Senior, would see the intended expedition in the same light as the worthy president and himself (for he was anxious to go).

Mr. Simmers continued, "I see that Mr. Caddleby's innate modesty prevents him from expressing the compliance with our wishes, for I know, gentlemen, you are with me in this nomination, which he desires to-to--" ("Try back, Simmers," from little Speckleby). "No, gentlemen, I will not try back: The motto of a Junior Pickwickian should ever be 'forward,' and the member of this association who has the hardihood, I may say the effrontery, to suggest such a thing as 'trying back,' not only insults me but heaps insult upon our glorious Club: I trust the gentleman who suggested the propriety of my 'trying back' feels the magnitude of the error into which he has plunged."

Little Speckleby sprang to his feet and said as rapidly as the excited state of his feelings would allow: "No, sir, I do not see that I have plunged into any errc: When I see a man, a fellow nember of this Club, humming and hawing and evidently at a loss for a word, I wish to aid that man, and it was with this intention that I told you to try back. I didn't come here to be sat upon and what's more I won't be." He then sat down abruptly and put his lips into shape for emitting a whistle which, however, never came. Consternation, even awe, sat upon the features of most of those present. The President fumbled nervously with his watch chain, and appeared somewhat at a loss what to do, whilst the other members sat silently awaiting further developments. A deathly stillness pervaded the apartment.
Such an occurrence as an open rupture between the members of the Junior Pickwick Club had never taken place before, and the feelings of those who had been unwilling witnesses to the foregoing scene may be imagined, hardly described.
Matters were in this most unsatisfactory condition when Mr. Caddleby rose and said: "Gentlemen, I feel that I am the cause of this horrible outrage." (Oh!oh ! and no, no.) "If it had not been for me it would never have taken place, but it has taken place and I am to blame. I am a man of few words. Before consenting to act as, I may say, a delegate from this association, I would ask Mr. Speckleby if he will not withdraw his ex-pression-'try back,' and either substitute another or
cancel it altogether. I ask this in the interests of harmony and good fellowship."

All eyes were turned towards Mr. Speckleby, who sat with a half contrite, half defiant expression on his usually good humored countenance.
"What does Mr. Speckleby say ?" enquired the President.
"Mr. Speckleby says," answered that gentleman, "that no intentional insult was offered."
" Then," said the President, impressively, "where none was intended none can be taken. Your hand, Speckleby," and he proceeded to that member's chair, extending his own hand which was warmly grasped by the now penitent
 Speckleby. The sight was one which will long be remembered by those Junior Pickwickians who were present on that eventful evening. Mr. Sploggs could ill conceal the unbidden tear which sprang to his eye, and the convulsive twitchings about the mouths of several other gentlemen bore evidence to the depth and strength of the emotions with which they were contending, and the sobs of the Secretary broke in on the solemn stillness with painful, though half muffled, distinctness.

The worthy President having returned to his chair at the head of the table, and a general lightening up of the gloom which had prevailed taking place, like a gleam of sunshine glancing down through a thunder cloud on a sultry evening in June, that gentleman then said, "I am very much relieved that this painful scene is over." Several members stated their concurrence in this sentiment.
"And I desire our Secretary, Mr. Hummocks, to erase whatever minutes he may have written concerning the affair."

Mr. Hummocks, however, had been too deeply affected to write anything, but being unwilling that his fellow members should know of his weakness, he borrowed a penknife from a gentleman on his right and made a vast show of scratching out nothing from the pages of his minute book, after which he declared all traces of the unhappy altercation to be obliterated.

All was now harmony and good feeling, and the President, who had remained standing during the Secretary's erasure of imaginary words, continued: "And now, gentlemen, to show that I feel that I am not altogether free from blame, I will do, as requested by my esteemed friend, if he will allow me to call him so (cries of yes, yes, from all parts of the room) Speckleby, and I zuill
'try back.' (Immense cheering, during which the President's spectacles grew dim and required to be taken off and wiped.) "I say," repeated Mr. Simmers, 'I zeill 'try back' and will say that I feel confident that Mr. Caddleby will accede to our wishes, and in conjunction with three other gentlemen whom I will now mention, will go forth across the broad Atlantic as our representative."

Mr. Cadeleby here stated his earnest desire would ever be to promote the interests of the Junior Pickwick Club, and that if his worthy parent could be brought to regard the matter favorably in a pecuniary light, he should be most happy to become a representative of the Club in America or whithersoever it might be thought best to send him

These sentiments were hailed with every demonstration of approbation by all present, and the President then
nominated Messrs. Bramley, Crinkle and Yubbits as his companions in the proposed expedition.


Mr. Thomas Bramley was a short, stout personage of not more than twenty-five years of age, though his extra-ordinary solemnity on all occasions gave him the air of a much older person. He had some few years previously suceeded to a comfortable fortune on the death of his father, a most estimable leather merchant in the city, and having nothing particular to do, did it to his own satisfaction, in a very harmless and praiseworthy manner. He had seelı nothing of what is called the "World" beyond the limits of his native England, and spent the greater portion of his time in taking notes on all imaginable subjects, having in contemplation, it was whispered, a literary work which was to embrace all the subjects on which he had taken notes. He had once been told that he Bore a strong resemblance to the first Napoleon, and there certainly did exist a faint, very faint, likeness between him and the bloodthirsty Corsican; but the similarity was altogether a physical one, and when it is stated that his nose, forehead and abdominal rotundity afforded the principal points of the resemblance, it must be admitted that it ended there. Be that as it may, Mr. Thomas Bramley exerted himself to the utmost to heighten the similitude, and his attitudes and gestures were all studiously copied from those of the little corporal, and described in works having that great general as their subject.
(To be continued.)

## RESULT OF HARD STUDY.

Student.-I've brought you to my room, my dear father, to show you something I'm sure you never saw before.

Stern Parent.-Well, what is it ?
Student.--See how wonderful! Between my science books a pretty bird has built a nest.-S. F. Wasp.

Lovillard sold 308,000 pounds of snuff in Atlanta last year.-Ex. The Lord nose that's-sneezey way of making a living. When he makes-nuff he will probably retire.

## SOME JOURNALIST'S MEMOS.

PICKED UP NEAR THE ORANGEVILLE "ADVERTISER" office.
Monday.-(r) Write something about editors and police magistrates' offices not being incompatible. Joke -each is somewhat combattable.
(2) Hire carter to remove debris caused by dynamite
office. in office.
(3) Send the devil over for complimentary tickets to the nigger show.
(4) Take another dczen hand-grenades up to the house.
(5) Strike the new temperance hotel for an ad.
(6) Give the Government detective pointers about the man I chased trying to set fire to my barn.
(7) Write local re Jim Smith's horse-bill.
(8) Get another accident policy and see if I can't persuade Jones not to cancel risk on office.

(9) Put in new recipe for curing corns-also colic formula.
(10) Satirical editorial saying I've agency for new brand of nitro-glycerine, and will furnish intending annihilationists in small quantities on easy terms.

Tuesday-(1) Held court to-day and disposed of six cases. Note Jackson's threat-Brown's committal for contempt-witness who was drunk-counsel objects to my interpretation of 47 Vic., chap. 4, sec. 18 , sub-sec. 3, and said unly a mutton-head would so understand it. Give him a blast. Count up court fees. Bring up batch of old blue books for P . M.'s table.
(2) Get some one to bury the dog.
(3) Write obituary poem for McGlue's uncle.
(4) Move the safe nearer the front door.
(5) Acknowledge hunk of wedding cake, and correct Wilkins' marriage notice.
(6) Order groceries. Also another pistol.
(7) Report to police my cow was poisoned last night.
(8) Interview Robinson on his fishing trip.
(9) Buy more arnica and sticking-plaster.
(10) Write leader on doom of Ottawa Government. Also local re new ice-cream parlor.

Wednesday.-(1) Third explosion. Send photo. of me and office to the Globe.
(2) Dominion voters' list job must be done for judge to-morrow night.
(3) Write strong article showing great cost of Dominion voters' list to country.
(4) Attend Scott Act convention. Bring subscription book along. Pay-day to-morrow-try to collect account against association.
(5) Write description of Boreall's barn,
(6) Advertise for able-bodied colored man as constant companion.
(7) Editorial on gratifying results of Scott Act.
(8) Tell constable about my fence being pulled down last night.
(9) Copy "Vindicator's" article from War-Cry and see it he won't subscribe.
(IO) Go to circus this afternoon and Salvation army to-night.

Thursday.--(1) Make new job press rollers.
(2) Court to-day.
(3) Prayer meeting to-night.
(4) Attend vigilance committee meeting at io o'clock p.m.
(5) Get medical certificate for one quart.
(6) Set man-trap closer to front gate to-night.

Friday.-(1) Roof blown off my back kitchen early this a.m.
(2) Send hume canned stuff for dinner to-day.
(3) Make reference to "pied" form, causing delay in publication. (Introduce joke on word "pie," and say would prefer mince or custard instead of type pie from the anti-Scott Act gang.)

Saturday.-(1) Carrier-boy thrown into pond while delivering his papers.
(2) Attend market and get correct price of eggs.
(3) Write to Government suggesting employment of another detective in my case.
(4) Luok up data for speech on "Triumph of Temperance Principles" to-night.
(5) Went fishing this afternoon.
(6) Write replies to letters of condolence to-morrow.

## A PROPHETIC WARNING.

As I lay in my bed calmly snoozing, And dreaming the dreams of the just, All at once I my sweet slumber losing, Felt a zephyr-like breath o'er me gust.

And before my astonished vision These numbers I saw slowly glide, Which, at risk of much scoffing derision, I here to the public confide.
" 4 I " at first stood plain before me, And then " 35 " came along ; Alas! that in sleep thus should bore me The subject of this, my short song.

I rose in my long flowing night-gown, And sought me my long iron file,
Which from its top shelf I brought right down, And pulled one long bill from the pile.
'Twas my tailor's! I knew in my marrow That man to collect hard did strive,
But ne'er thought that my dreams he could harrow By this dreadful "four, one, thirty-five."

Two days have elapsed since that morning, And it weighs on my soul like a gyve,
That I'd better call round in the morning And pay $\$ 4$ I. 35 .

Carl Snap.

## THE SISTERHOOD OF SCIENTIFIC SPINSTERS.

the erudite fair hold their annual session.
The above important society held its fifth annual session in the Lexicon Hall, city, Wednesday morning. The President, Miss Walkenshaw Warlock, occupied the chair, and Miss Elvina Mumfitt, the vice-chair. The President, in her opening address, dwelt upon the necessity of there being a sharp line drawn betwixt ladies disposed to discuss matters of serious import to the sex and the numberless frivolous, flirting girls around them. The Sisterhood drew that line. (Applause.) Miss Mary VanCosh, Secretary, read the minutes of the four subsessions held during the year. The membership was estimated at 93. Discussion had taken place on a variety of subjects, amongst which were : Bonnets, their Place in Society ; Married Life and its Disadvantages, and Man's Sphere of Action. The reading of the minutes afforded the Sisterhood much gratification, and hearty, unkidgloved applause was indulged in. Miss VanCosh sat down in a shimmer of delight.

The Nature of Man Research Department was next reported upon by Miss Selina Cramps, an austere looking lady in curls and green spectacles. As she read the hush in the hall was painful to behold. Miss Cramp's research was briefly as follows: As against the Single Young Man's unswerving constancy, unfathomable depth of love, and top figure thermometer warmth of devotion. Married Man's constancy, average 14 months, 20 days, depth of love, shallow, average $21 / 2$ inches ; warmth of devotion, variable, average, in degrees. Miss Cramps sat down frigidly, and the members were left to form their own conclusions.

Miss Ellen Brick proposed the following: "Resolved, that confirmed bachelors over 40 years of age be eligible for honorary membership in the S.O.S.S.," and supported it in a neat speech. She thought the sessions would be greatly improved with the presence of a number of nice, (cries of "shame" and "shut up") benign looking bachelors. Miss Tripple seconded. No less than fourteen

Sisters rose with excited look when the question was put. One Sister thought their presence would deter the Sisters from using their tongues; she did not believe in having her tongue tied. Another was of the opinion that the passing of such a resolution would place the Spinsters in great jeopardy ; any bachelor admitted could make a proposition, with the probable loss of one of their Sisters. The motion was lost.

Miss Sallie Docket submitted the following: "That this Sisterhood take into immediale consideration the question of bifurcated garments." Miss Dearlove seconded. Before the question could be put an ancient umbrella was observed waving wildly in the rear of the hall. At the end of it stood an angular Sister with a determined looking red nose.
"Say, Missus President," spoke out the angular one, "before yez goes furder, I'd like to have some informashun as to what the subjec' is, anyway."

After explaining, as only a Scientific Spinster can, the mysteries of a bifurcated garment, the discussion flowed on. When the vote was taken the ayes and nays tallied. The President refused to give a casting vote as her opinions were also bifurcated; and with this important society the question remains unsolved.

Miss De Moggs there called the attention of the Sisterhood to the shameful capture of the Sisters by the U. S. officers, and asked that the Society send an emphatic protest against seizures to President Cleveland. The President of the Sisterhood said it was now quite useless to make a protest to the U.S. President. When he was as they, single, it might have been successful ; but now, that Mr. Cleveland had himself seized one of the Sisters of the neighbouring Republic for better or worse, it was foolishness to ask him to condemn his own action. The concluding business of the session was the establishment of a branch for military training, to enable the members to combat more successfully with a mouse or other dangerous animal at close quarters.

Eternal Fitness.-That the Royal Grenadiers should have a royal personage amongst their officers. This no doubt accounts for the appointment of Dr. E. E. King as assistant surgeon. We happen to know this rising young medico, and can felicitate the regiment on his accession to the post. He is a good 'un.


He.-Pleasure, madam? Who promised you pleasure? I distinctly told you this was a part of my duties as a shareholder in the Lorne Park Camp-ground, and a wife ought to be willing to stand by her husband in all his trials.

## OUR CITIES.

## I.-TORONTO.

There was a young man of Toronto
Whose jests were so hard to catch on to, That when forcing a joke, His funny-bone broke, And the deuce only knows where he's gone to.

There are some other things in Toronto
Which are quite as unsafe to hang on to ;For example, a car
May carry you far--
Ther into a strike-than you want to.

> II. -QUEBEC.

Would you live, my young friend, in Quebec?
Would you wear your fair name without spec?
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Take your hand at the "r rub,"
And stand no end of Pommery Sec.
Melton Mowbray.

## A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW.

As Grip sees the parties in the forthcoming general election they appear before the public in about this shape:

Tory-Grit-Independent.
Tory Policy-" No Popery "-Assisted EmigrationTimber Grabbery and Railway Dealing reduced to an exact science-Continued Protection-etc., etc.,-for further particulars see record of last session.

Grit Policy-Catholic Vote-Honest Administration, and such economy and retrenchment as may be possible under the circumstances, with the repeal of the Franchise Act and the restoration of decency and good faith in the government of the North-West.

Independent Policy.-Prohibition of the whiskey traffic root and branch-manhood and womanhood suffrageelection of county officers by the people-tariff for revenue only-Civil Service Reform-abolition of the Senate and of the system of superannuation-reorganization of the Government so as to minimize the opportunities of corruption now afforded the ministry-abolition of assisted emigration-representation of minorities and control of telegraph service by the Government-abolition of subsidies for local works, etc. The Independent party will refrain from putting candidates in the field for this occasion only, giving the old parties one more chance to take up these live questions. We pause to see which of them will have the sense to seize the opportunity.

## AN UNPRONOUNCED SENTENCE.

John Kernaghan, stand up. I will not recapitulate the facts of this case as disclosed by the evidence, further than to say that you tried to drive your sister-in-law with a hammer, when you could easily have procured a nail. This was improper and idiotic. During your trial you have been ably defended by your peers-the only persons in the world who believed you innocent and had the courage to say so. They knew you hammered the woman, but they believed it right. The jury took another view of the matter, and I must say I agree with the jury. It only remains to pass sentence, in accordance with the verdict. The sentence of the court is that you be taken back to jail. That your counsel take an appeal to the Supreme Court. That by that court you be granted a new trial.

That the jury disagree. That on the next trial you be convicted again. That another appeal be taken, and, on hearing it, the Supreme Court set aside all previous proceedings, and order the case taken up de novo. That on your third conviction your death sentence be commuted by the Governor to imprisonment for life. That a petition for your pardon be soon afterward presented, signed by all the members of the grand jury that indicted you, all the attorneys that prosecuted you, all the trial juries that convicted you and all the judges that sentenced you. That you be then turned loose and restored to citizenship. That you be elected to Congress and after a long and honourable career in the public service, during which you shall become a millionaire and win the respect of all who know you, you die respectably in bed from overfeeding, and may the Lord have mercy on your soul.-San Francisco Wasp.

## FLIP-FLAPS.

by Phil. a. buster.
A man of enter-pries.-The burglar.
Is a vessel loaded with ballast liable to magnetic disturbance from the load-stone?

On labor strikes : Advice to blacksmiths when to strike —"strike when the iron is hot."
A farmer on reap-eal.-A rake hoe sows rye and gets corned is liable to reap-" peelers."
The man, who made a side walk and a pork chop, has succeeded in making a-bun-dance.

Clergymen of the Episcopal Church resemble medical ductors as they both have cure-rates.

Cork is not the wealthiest city in the world, but it should be able to float-a loan better than any other.

Dry goods clerks do not believe in nights of labor. They prefer gamboling on the green in a billiard-room.

The Arc light is not, as many suppose, a modern invention. Mr. Noah was the original inventor of Ark lighting.

The man who saw little devils in the air after a booze must have sipped his benzine out of an Imp-air-ial measure.

A boy, who had a running sore on his knee, told his mother it put him in mind of Mount Etna, because it was a knee-ruption.

> Whene'er you strike a Scott Act town
> To get a "smile" is risky;
> But if you plank the rye-no down, You bet you'll get the whiskey.

Home Rule. When Mr. Swiper came home "full" at day-break and explained to Mrs. S. that he'd "bin (hic) scussin' 'ome rule wis ze boys as ze club," his better-half informed him that in future her "home rule" would be "front door locked at io sharp and no night-key."

Miss __, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., was engaged to be married, but the wedding had to be postponed in consequence of a fall which injured her knee. At a party in Government House, a short time since, a young gentleman explained that the postponement was a case of kneecessity.

A young lady in Charlottetown, P.E.I., stepped into Mr. Chappelle's book store and asked for one of Beaconsfield's novels which he did not have. "I'm awfully sorry that you have not got it," she said. The jocose Toff replied, " Dis-really too bad, Miss, but it cannot be helped." The young lady is still living.


BLIND AND DEAF!


A GENEROUS PATRON OF ART.
Artless Wife.-There, George, There is a picture we MUST have. (The artist standing near by is thrilled.) Critical Hushand.-Why, I don't see anything so fascinating about it.
Wife.-Don't you see how beautifuliy the frame would correspond with the woodwork of our lirrary?
(Artist faints.)

## NIAGARA.

There was a young man of Niagara
Who never grew tired of a gag or a Jest that was merry Until he was very Near thrown for a pun in Niagara.

Melton Mowbray.

## HINTS TO CAMPERS.

As the season for camping out approaches, we feel in duty bound to offer a few practical remarks on that subject. To ensure comfort and pleasure-two things which most campers-out studiously avoid-all you have to do is to attend to a few simple rules, amongst which are the following :-
i. Select, for your party, a number of people who suffer chronically from headache, indigestion or rheumatism. You can then feel certain of a never-failing fund of interesting conversation around the camp-fire, as these pleasant persons will always be ready to entertain you with accounts of their aches and pains.
2. See that you have at least one dog in the partymore if you can afford it. You need protection, and a dog that will sit at the tent door and bark all night will be appreciated.
3. Take as little paraphrenalia as possible with you. It will be quite safe in most cases to start off without
laying in any mosquitoes, blackflies, freckles or skinned noses. These things can be had abundantly on the camp ground if you select the right locality, as you are sure to do.
4. If you are in love take care not to join the camping party in which the object of your affection is a member -that is, if beauty weighs with you. If you are sufficiently philosophic to disregard outward appearance, however, this rule need not necessarily be observed.
5. Whatever you do, don't purchase a "waterproof" tent for camping purposes. Nothing is more uncomfortable and unhealthy than getting drenched every time it rains.

## WEEL MATCHED.

(Scene-A side street ; two acquaintances meet.) Ist $A$.-Bless me, George ! Whaur are ye gaun? 2nd $A$.--Tae Tam Morrison's waddin'.
Ist $A$.-Tam Morrison's waddin'! Wha is he gettin'? 2nd A.-A sonsy cook.
Ist A.-An' she, puir body, is gettin' a big guse.-The Bailie.

The Globe interviewer seems to have received the "cold shoulder" from Sir George Errington, as on the 7 th he served up a dish of hash big enough for a private boarding house.

## THE ORIGIN OF SCANDAL.

Said Mrs. A.
To Mrs. J.,
In quite a confidential way,
"It seems to me
That Mrs. B.
Takes too much-something in her tea."
And Mrs. I.
To Mrs. K.
That very night was beard to say,
She grieved to touch
Upon it much,
But "Mrs. B. took-such and such!"
Then Mrs. C.
Went straight away,
And told a friend the self-same day,
"'Twas sad to think "-
Here came a wink-
"That Mrs. B. was fond of drink."
The friend's disgust
Was such she must
Inform a lady which she "nussed"
"That Mrs. B.
At half-past three,
Was that far gone she couldn't see."
This lady we
Have mentioned, she
Gave needlework to Mrs. B., And at such news
Could scarcely choose
But further needlework refuse.
Then Mrs. B.,
As you ll agree,
Quite properly-said she, that she
Would track
The scandal back
To those who made her look so black. Through Mrs. K.
And Mrs. J.
She got at last to Mrs. A., And asked her why,
With cruel lie,
She painted her so deep a dye ?
Said Mrs. A.,
In some dismay,
" I no such thing could ever say ;
I said that you
Much stouter grew."

## AMBULANCE FIELD EXAMINATION.

(Soldier supposed to have been wounded is brought to surgeon's tent by bearers.)

Bearer. - (Reporting) - Severe scalp wound, sir, accompanied with insensibility.
Surgeon.-Well, what have you done?
Bearer.-Dressed the wound, sir, and gave him a little whiskey and water.

Surgeon.-Whiskey and water! How did you expect an insensible man to swallow that?

Bearer.--He axed for't, sir.
Bailie.
THE LATEST.
(Scene-A fashionable bar, newly opened.)
Loafer.-(Affably, after taking a critical survey of the whole establishment)-Well, guv'nor, anything new ?

Landlord.-(Dryly, knowing his customer)-Well no, except the paint on the pillar you are supporting ! [Tab-leau.]-Bailie.

Young Housekeeper (timidly): I will take some lamb to day.

Obsequious Butcher: Will you have a four quarter, madam.
Y. H. (with more assurance): I think that is rather much for our family. I'll take a three quarter.
"No, Jack, I don't like your picture. The fellow looks so confoundedly self-opinioned, and so caddish, and so supercilious. 'Fact, it's a horrid daub." "By Jove, Fred, to hear you talk, one would think the picture was a mirror."-Chiel.

One of our brominent banker mans ladely got troubled mit a dightness of der chest. He vas shtingy like der deuce. Efery nite times he put his trunk of sekuridies under his pillow, und he dond shleep a mouthful, but yoost lays awake to hear 'em draw inderest oud.-Pretzel.
"I notice," said the gentleman in search of information, to Herr Most, "that Anarchists never strike. Why is this?" "That," said the great apostle of mouth as a factor in social progress, with much dignity, "is easily explained. No true Anarchist ever works."- Washington Hatchet.

A scepric who was trying to confuse a Christian colored man by contradictory passages in the Bible, asked how it could be that we are in the Spirit and the Spirit in us. He received the following reply: "Oh, dar's no puzzle 'bout dat ; it's like dat poker. I puts it in the fire till it gets red hot. Now, de poker's in de fire, and de fire's in de poker."-Chicago Living Church.

A correspondent in sending $\$ 5$ to the office recently sent a postal note for $\$ 4.99$, that being the largest amount for which a postal note can be made out. A $\$ 5$ bill would have been exactly as safe in the mail, and the remitter might have saved his three cent fee. A postal note affords perfect security in sending money-provided the letter containing it is neither lost, stolen or destroyed. -Spring field (O.) Nere Era.
One of our exchanges has an article on "Character in Gait." This is a subject which is worthy of study. Attention has heretofore been mainly directed to the character of front gait-from which many things are to be learned as to the course of true love. It is asserted by some savants that trustworthy conclusions can often be drawn as to the matrimonial chances of a man's daughter from the character and condition of that man's front gate.
This is good enough to be a fact if it isn't. "Cato," says Mrs. Harrier Beecher Stowe to a negro man whitewashing on her Florida plantation, "now that you are free and can vote I hope you will use your influence with the coloured people and get me the ballot." "Lor! Mis' Beecher," says Cato rolling up his eyes, wrile an incredulous grin broadened his kind-hearted, honest face, "duz you rely belebe that wimmin is got sense enough to know how ter vote ?"-Rochester Morning Herald.


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Sheriff．－Yes，sir，they have decided on the best dinner the government will pay for．

What is an attic？The upper story． And even in compounds like lunatic and fanatic it seems to have reference to the upper story．
College Professor．－What was the principal requirement among the ancient Romans for a funeral with public honors？

Student．－A corpse！
＂How long did it take you to cross the ocean ？＂asked Gus de Smith of a very aristocratic lady just returned from Europe． ＂I was seven days on the water．＂＂Seven days ！Why，when my brother went across， it took him eight days．＂＂Probably your brother went over in the steerage．I was a first cabin passenger，＂she replied proudly．

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Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum upon the paid-up capital stock of the Company has been declared for the current half-year ending June, 30 th inst., and that the same will be payable by the Company's bankers on and after the second day of July next. The stock transfer books will be closed from the 15 th to 30 th instant, both days inclusive.

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