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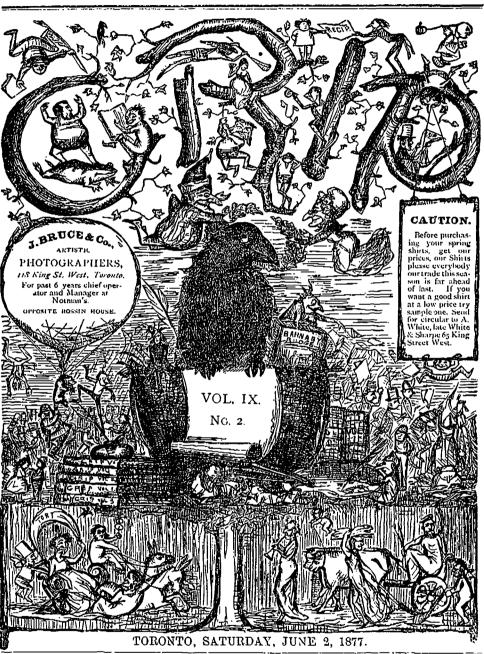
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#### The Conservative Party to Anglin.

(See cartoon.)

WHICA I think it's werry ill-bred and outrageous of you, ANLING, to keep your seat while a poor old body like me is kept a-standink hup, almost a-weary to death. Wot I says is you havn't got no right to hang on to it, seeing as how it was took away from you by Parlyment, and you should be ashamed of yourself to sit on to it. 'Ow much longer 'ave I got to stand here, in the gaze of a hunfeelin public heye, before you will begin for to show the first signs of common decency and respect for old age? O, Angling, you are a wulgar little warlet! But, don't himagine I'm going to go away; no! I've planted my umbreller here, and here I means for to stand if it takes all summer!

#### Letter-writing Extraordinary.

GRIP can see through most mill-stones, but he is stuck by this remarkable letter in last week's Globe:—

"CORRECTION.—Sir: Allow me through your columns to give a correct statement of facts with regard to James Armstrong, who attempted to take his own life by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. We, the undersigned doctors of Florence, are acquainted with the said person, and know him to be laboring under a most aggravating form of dyspepsia. His nervous system is also so seriously affected as to be entirely uncontrollable, and in consequence driving him to extreme desperation and misery. There are no fears entertained of his recovery from this misfortune, but he is in the same desperate condition as formerly. This we certify to be a correct statement of his case. Signed, M. Davison, M. D., J. A. Siverwright, M. D."

Who is "me," who afterwards signs himself two doctors? Is he a double-barrelled or Siamese twin doctor? In cases of consultations of physicians, does he—or they—or perhaps, better say "it"—have two votes or one? "Doctors of Florence!" Yes, we've read of 'em in Shakespeare. Pray, do these learned Florentines fear that people will Snakespeare. Pray, do these fear that Properties fear that people will recover when they are sick? They must fear such, for they tell us plainly that in this case "there are no fears entertained of his recovery from this misfortune." Will some Florentine doctor explain, and relieve Grip, who, so far as understanding this letter is concerned, remains in "the same desperate condition as formerly?"

#### The Colonel Mounts the Bench.

The gallant Colonel DENISON having been appointed Police Magistrate, will at once take military possession of the office.

He will muster himself in full uniform every morning at 10 a. m.

He will take his seat by laying his hand on the pommel of the desk, and vaulting into it without putting his jack-boot on the clerk's head.

He will insist that the prisoners enter at a trot, wheeling by squadrons, pivoting on the left flank constable, and moving in double column to the

He requires that the police in attendance should be deprived of their batons, lest they might "club" the regiment. He wishes them armed with the COLT's navy-size revolver, SHARP's breech-loading carbine, and

the French sabre.

When the court adjourns, he desires that the prisoners shall be formed in a hollow square in the centre. The left wing of the police will then support and pass through the right wing and immediately form one line to the left, and supporting wings will form up on the right and left of the leading wings. They will then return from both flanks by column (to allow guns to cover) and the whole force will gallop down stairs, wheel on reverse flank formation, and retire to the gaol.

The court will be practically a court martial.

Triangles will be erected in the yard, and any advocate or attending barrister using language subversive of discipline to the Police Colonel will receive forty lashes or more, at the indiscretion of the gallant

magistrate.

Burristers will salute the Magistrate on entering (which they are required to do in single file, in light marching order.) They will give the usual cavalry regulation salute with their book-bag. The Colonel will respond by delivering Cut 7 on the desk with the ruler.

Strict military discipline will be observed. Prisoners will be invariably sentenced first thing. If time permit, they may then be tried. It short of time, or anything is going on in the volunteer force that day, the court will adjourn. the court will adjourn.

A second military order will be published immediately.

#### The Modern Pulpit.

(Toronto "Globe" May 25th.)

"Tis love, 'tis love," the Poet says, "Round makes the world to go." And cash in pulpit-dom, dear friend, Doth like rotation show Yea, modern priestly pirouettes-'Tis truth I tell to thee-Do live and move and have their end Alone in L. s. d.

The general tendency of each Most noble cleric mind,
To tempting offers ever is
Unwaveringly inclined.
'Poor' districts in the lurch they leave, Impelled by invitations Which offer them a field enlarged, Of pay and operations.

By process of *per saltum* clear, And easy to take in, When rural preacher to display Some talent does begin, Hop, step and jump, he forward goes, And gravitates, you see, Unto attraction's centre, which Is known as £. s. d.

So much is this the case, that I Can challenge you to state A spot where one good man will stay Without inducements great. We all do recognize the fact. He will not stop a minute, Unless he's in congenial field-A field with "money in it."

And if this primum mobile Can't there by him be found,-Those diggings speedily he quits, And delves in other ground;— The pulpit now as I opine, Is but a sort of trade, Which preachers enter on alone For profits to be made.

Each Church is sure to have the food Exact which suits its mind,-Preachers ornate and audience rich Are fitly thus combined.
Your BOANERGES rude and rough, Won't keep rough truths from sight; But the "best minds" will never talk - to ears polite.

#### Carious Coincidence.

GRIP calls the attention of those who delight in the Curiosities of Literature to a recent incident. Two weeks ago he wrote a little poem about the City of Brussels, and some days afterwards, the Halifax Citizen and London Free Press published a little poem on the same subject. These effusions, incredible as it may appear, were identical in all respects, and we are forced to the conclusion that this was a purely aecidental coincidence, because otherwise we would have to believe that our esteemed contemporaries copied the verses without giving us credit. We reject such an idea, and submit the case as a striking illustration of the adage that "great minds run in the same channel."

#### What it Means.

To one of his contemporaries GRIP is indebted for the information that the name "Canada" is derived from two Spanish words aca uada, which, being interpreted, mean "there is nothing here." It appears the aboriginal Indians of the Dominion picked these words up from early navigators and, having learned their meaning, pronounced them with great vehemence to the French voyageurs who next visited their shores, hoping to discourage them from making any further investigations into the new land. Our present government have worthly copied the example thus set by the red men; and by making it manifest to outsiders that Canada is synonymous with "there is nothing here"—in the way of enterprise and manufactures—they have succeeded in turning away the tide of emigration, much to the detriment of our own best interest.s

"A young lady, at Princeton station, G.W.R., who had strayed on the railway on Saturday, had one of her legs taken off by a passing train. She had a miraculous escape," at least, so the London Free Press calls it.



#### Letter from an Enraged Patriot.

To the Editor of GRIP.

SIR.—I am one of the old school. I ask what is the use of all this stuff one hears from CARLYLE and such idiots about sympathy with Christians and all that? What I look at is this: We are Britons, ain't we? Are we going to let Russia grow too big or not? What we have to do with other nations is to keep them under, if we can. I say, send the fleet and army to Constantinople and blow the Russians and Christians. tians generally out of the water if they meddle with the Turks. Religion, indeed! It don't pay. This is a world where you have to grab all you can get and fight for it if you're able. Which of 'em can stand before the British Lion? I'd send the fleet to knock St. Petersburg about their ears, and land the Guards and the Cavalry and the Line generally. What could stop 'em—not those grease-eating Russians! We could march could stop 'em—not those grease-eating Russians! We could march right to Moscow, come down on the rear of the Russians on the Danube, knock 'em into a cocked hat, relieve the Turks, and keep Constantihnock em into a cocked hat, leaves the Asias, has a piedge of security. As for the other Great Powers, I'd serve 'em the same if they gave any sauce. That's the way to treat 'em. As for our colonies, they should all be made to help. They've no voice in for our colonies, they should all be made to help. They'the matter; that's nothing; they've no business with any. Yours.

Toronto, May 29, 1877.

JOHN BLAZO.

#### The Brass Ticket.

Good friend,

Dost thou possess a dog? Then heedful lend

Thine ears,

For soon that day—that day of woe appears.

Of June-of days to dogs the most accurst ! If then,

He have no ticket on; lo, certain men,

With net Shall catch him, and into a cart shall get

Him straight; Two days in doleful pound shall he await

Thee, then, If thou fetchest not three dollars, thou shalt see him never again.

#### Public Opinion.

Mr. PERRAULT is to be sent to the Paris Exhibition as secretary to the Canadian Commission. GRIP has no objection to Mr. PERRAULT going, but thinks Mr. MACKENZIE has put him in the wrong department; he ought to be sent as a specimen of the Canadian Bear, Ursus Philadelphia). His conduct towards exhibitors and others at the American Show proved him to possess all the instincts of a thoroughbred grizzly, and he is entirely out of place in any other capacity.

#### Female Suffrage Certain.

The female race must sure advance. So far it now prevails, That PATTESON says there's a chance There'll soon be no more Mails.

#### Hurrah for the Athletics!

A spirited game of lacrosse was played on the Queen's birthday between the Torontos and the Athletics, in which the latter club achieved tween the Toolnos and the Atments, in which the latest one activities a brilliant victory amid the plaudits of several thousands of spectators. Three other spirited games however were played in the same match, all of which were decided in favour of the Torontos. And now we anxiously await the advent of the Shamrocks, who play the champions on the 9th

#### The Ancient Mariner.

It was an ancient mariner. In rain he stopped me. I said, "You get, For it is wet; Why can't you let me be?"

He said to me, "I frightened be To stay in this here place. I come to thee, For I do see, Compassion in thy face."

i reply, "Lay tremor by, And now thy trouble tell; And it may be, By help of me That all may yet be well."

He said, "I here will make it clear, This trouble that is mine: Each second door I passed, it bore Some sort of doctor's sign.

I fear to go in Toronto, Where every second man A patient has to be, I flee, From here while yet I can.

And do not wait, But tell me straight The road from this country; For while I stay, A doctor may Be now detailed for me."

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#### Wonderful Adventure.

"You havn't got a chor of 'backer handy?" The stranger said, as on a bench we sat.
'Twas at the Falls. The stranger's legs were bandy, His eyes both squinted, and his nose was flat.

"Ah, that's the brand. Yes, that's a smartish current, And roars like all possessed among them stones; I mind once when I made dead sure it weren't An hour till they'd be grinding up my bones.

You'd like to hear it? Well, it were some years back, When that were gunnin' to be done round here; I takes my rifle up one day and clears back Some miles up stream, whar used to be some deer.

Thar lay a log, some lumber chaps had squared up, 'Twas thinnish but 'twas longish, and it lay Across a ledge—one end the water beared up
The 'tother laid by shore. Well, in some way

(It looked all solid) I sits down to rest there,
When, like a flash—you should have heard me shout—
The current took the end, and I was jest there, A teetering on that thing, fifteen foot out.

My weight, yew see, jest set the thing a swayin'
And thar we bobbed, me an' that darned old beam,
A goin' up an' down like boys a' playin'. Below, like ten mill-races, run the stream,

Roarin' like thunder. Tell yew it might skeer one. Thar was no neighbors—'twasn't settled thick-No chance to swim, and I got dizzy; near one O'clock, I next to tumbled off the stick.

In twistin' back, an' glancin' uppards, thar was (Some trees, you see, jest overhung round thar) And in that look I chanced to notice whar was ? Up fifty feet, a most almighty b'ar.

I didn't want the cuss, but I was mad-like.
"I'm done," sez I, "an' yew'll go under tew,"
Slap I lets fly, an' he, hit pretty bad like.
Fell whop onto my log. Now, I tell yew,

I ain't so easy set to makin' faces, But when that chap fell chunk on 'tother end, And pitched me up on land a dozen paces, I was a little startled, yew depend.

I lost one ear; a stub had shaved it clear off,
When I pitched down. Yes, here, yew see, the right."
He moved his cap; the stranger had an ear off. I have not seen him since he said "good night,"

Although I tried. I fear that he did carry With him my purse. I sought the truth to know. The waiter said, "We call him Stretching Harry; His ear was bitten off a year ago.'

#### Plain Words from a Small Boy.

MR. GRIP, SIR. Dad fetches you home to our place every week, and I always look at your picture and read you through, and I think you are a bully paper. I don't believe you will go back on the small boys like the Mail has done, and I jest write this to ask you to put in a good word for us little fellers. They want to stop our fun on the Queen's good word for us little fellers. They want to stop our fun on the Queen's birthday and first of July, by making us let up on fire-crackers. They say it does harm, by setting fire to things and scaring ladies and horses and other dumb animals and making 'em run away. And yet I have heard dad say this is a free country. I don't see no freedom about that. Don't the big fellers have a high old time theirselves up in the Gardens at night, blazing away with rockets and things, that is far more worse than fire-crackers? I say let the police look after the big boys too, and make them stop having fun. Besides, what if a house is burnt down once in a while; ain't they got to be burnt down some time? And what was the Queen born on a fire-cracker day for, if we don't be allowed as test any off? I wish you would make a nicture of the Mail man, with a set any off? I wish you would make a picture of the Mail man, with a dozen big bunches of fire-crackers and some rockets and torpedoes and grasshoppers tied to his coat tail and all going off with a termenjus noise. Will you? I would like to see a picture of that, cause that's the kind of a boy I am.

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