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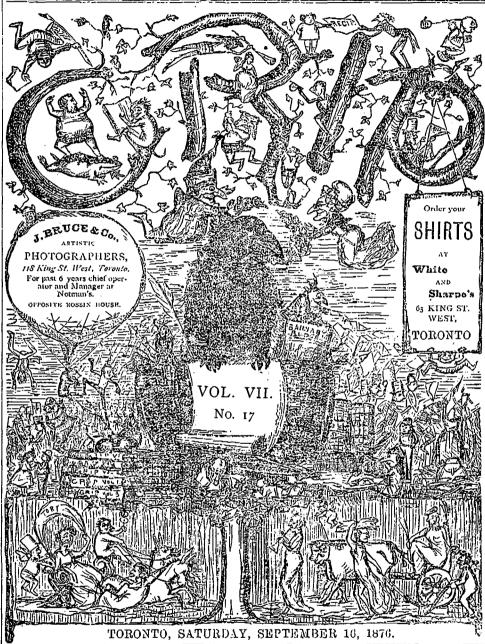
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#### New Play-Scene I.

Dramatis Personæ.—Sir John A. Falstaff, Bardolph Dodds, Nym Boultbee, Pistol Macdougall.

SIR JOHN.—Rogues, which of you
Did base MACKENZIE mean, when he did say
That he, who at my pic-nics followed me
Closest, and shouted loudest—he, I say—
Had begg'd of him, of base MACKENZIE begg'd
Office, when Grits and Scandal me had floored?
Had begg'd, and been refused. Which, I ask which?
Varlets, which did the thing?

BARDOLPH DODDS.—Nay, thus I say, If that MACKENZIE meant me, Sir, why he Spite of his Prohibition, then was drunk, Drunk out of his five sentences. It was Not I, by shogs, not I!

Not I, by shogs, not I!

NYM BOULTBEE.—No interest had I,
That is the humour of it, not a jot.
The Mail had none, and therefore I had none,
That is the very plain-song; 'twas not I!

PISTOL MACDOUGALL.—Base is the slave
That pays to what was asked in confidence
No homes of record to but blook it or

That pays to what was asked in confidence
No homage of regard; but blabs it out.
O most egregious dog! O viper vile!
I throw it in his teeth, and in his throat!
I throw it in his most marvellous face!
And in his hatcful lungs, and in his maw!
Now, by this hand, most horrible revenge—
I'll have! All inmost hell shall quake for this!
SIR JOHN.—Ye all shall tramp!
I am belittled through the kingdom here,
For holding with such knaves. Begone, away!

For holding with such knaves. Begone, a I am sufficient to myself to-day. My star, now rising, shall forever wane, Ere I uphold such caitiffs in my train!

[Scenc closes.]

THE DUNNVILLE PICNIC—GRIP has not space to give Mr. CART-WRIGHT's speech, so ventures on a mere condensation. It might run thus:—"Ladies and gentlemen. I am here to-day to inform you how wicked and foolish was my old friend JOHN A., and how ill-advised his measures, during all those years in which I praised and supported him."

#### The Unexpected Fall.

The fall is come. Oh, pleasant thought, To winter-fearing soul,
That with it came, before he'd bought,
Also a fall in coal.

But oh, how sadly taken in
Is that too thrifty one,
Who bought enough to fill his bin
Before the fall begun.

And now the first, with merry smile.

Doth pile his diamonds high.

The second looks askance the while

With cash-regretting eye.

#### The Premier at Watford.

GRIP, noticing the Premier had filled the world with his voice—no, filled the Globe with his speech—same thing—knew no one would read it at that length, and has so shortened, poetized, and improved it, that it will now be seen through in a moment, and will go down to posterity as a fearful warning to those who assume duties they cannot understand—no, that's not it; shall have the Government down on us—will shine in all future time a brilliant example of genius adapting itself to unstudied situations. That's better. By the way, we thought it rather cool of Mr. MACKENZIE, the last bag of gold he carried up our marble steps, to say it was heavy. What's he for? We could get another. JOHN A. is 'round, and promises fairly—all he does do, though. But let them both look out. Here's the speech:—

Your commerce prospered when I came, your politics did not. I've altered the disparity, and now they're even got.
Their newspapers pour obloquy unsair on great and small.
We did'nt so. The Globe? Oh, dear, that was'nt us at all.
Those rased Tories got the great North-west to cultivate,
And grew a big rebellion there—they did, as sure as fate.
And while they swore at Riel, they sent him cash away to keep,
And fooled us, which it makes my flesh around my bones to creep.
See what's come to John A, because he would'nt grab in place?
He has to run a circus now, a horrible disgrace!
And says what is'nt true of us, when playing at each town,
But won't I squelch him, if he dares to Ottawa come down?
To sell us to Columbia you know he did agree.
If not, why would they shout for him, and not believe in me?
He violated rights, and Manitoba made rebel.
Why, knowing thus, our side were hard on Riel I cannot tell,
But let that pass. Next, he has down this proposition laid,
That I, who such denounced, have now a coalition made.
And says, with cheek more marvellous than I can here express,
My colleagues threw their principles away to coalesce.
But I most solemnly declare that none of them that day
Found they had any principles which could stand in their way.
Why he's one of a lot who once with horrible intent,
Did down at Montreal burn up the House of Parliament!
And threw vile missiles physical at Elgin in the street,
And hoisted up a black flag (he's a pirate too you know)
I'd hang him, but that DUFFERIN's too soft, and won't do so.
We should'nt hang all rebels, though these Tory ones we might,
For we Reformers did rebel, which was all very right.
Then we've passed lots of Bills for things which he could never do.
The way to get Insolvent we've made twice as smooth for you.
A strong Election Law we made—(the old one was too loose)
Which proved a darned bombshell, and blew our own friends to the

To help the country; but what's that?—he won't see any good In what we do; and what would he?—what did he when he could, Did he not make the Scandal?—yes he did, the horrid Turk! That monstrous, awful, fearful and most diabolic work!

Don't say we did as bad?—of course we for elections paid, And meant to get recouped as well; but there the likeness staid. What we did individually of course was slightly sad, The same thing done by party—Oh! it's damning! horrid! bad! And then the railway—Sir John says he'd a good bargain made, What trash!—his scheme was busted, and deposits all repaid. But we've a line on which we've done a deal more work, I'll bet, Then any other government e'er thought of doing yet. We had no lack of money, and the grade was mostly flat, And in three years we've laid ten miles!—now only think of that? As to Protection, farmers don't want anything like that, Joe RYMAL told me so, you know, which lays that thing out flat. Cheap goods!—that's what the country wants—no matter where they're made.

Buy in the cheapest markets—that's the way to nourish trade. If I want engines, though, or cloth, I buy them here, for so, I give home industry a chance, and help some folks I know. The steel rails were a bargain good, which no one can deny. For Prohibition—can't say now, decide on't by and by, "Big Push?"—we'll that investigate if Big Push likes to ask. I blow no trumpets like Sir John—no, that's his chosen task. He'll never be in power again. The trade depression?—why, I just advise that all of you do wait till it goes by. The great heart of the country loyal is to me and true, Keep me-in place, and I'll do more like what I've done for you. Then Colonel Walker made a speech, ('twas not of purity.) And Mr. Glass declared the Globe spoke sometimes truthfully, And Scatcherd said, that he'd seen no reaction in the land, And Cameron informed them all he could not understand, And divers little orators worked off a little foam, And then the meeting went to bits, and every bit went home.



# FALSTAFF AND HIS FOLLOWERS.

SIR JOHN A. FALSTAFF.—"IS THIS TRUE, PISTOL?"

-Merry Wives of Windsor, Act I, Scene 1.

#### Correspondence.

#### CITIZEN THRIFTY TO ALDERMAN GREEDY.

SIR: I remark with surprise that it is proposed to borrow a large portion of the moncy necessary for this year's Corporation expenditure, on the ground that as much of that expenditure has been for the benefit of posterity, it is well to spread its repayment over a long series of

As it is evident that little of the work done is of a remarkably lasting character, may I enquire what posterity is to be benefited?

Toronto, Sept. 12, 1876.

JOHN THRIFTY.

### ALDERMAN GREEDY TO CITIZEN THRIFTY.

DEAR SIR:—As I can hardly expect the pleasure (and profit) of again being an Alderman, I see no reason why I should keep the cat in the bag. I therefore give you a plain answer to your question.

You ask what posterity is to be benefited by the public works done

in Toronto this year. I reply, the posterity of the aldermen who sold the materials for the said works.

Yours with extreme contempt,

Toronto, Sept, 12, 1876.

GEORGE GREEDY.

#### Music of the Future.

Messers Suckling & Son, the Music Dealers, of Yonge street have just published a charming song entitled In the Sweet Far Away. The words are by Alderman DAVIDS, and threrefore we presume the primary reference of the title was to the Day when the city debt will be cleared off; the music is by the popular London composer GLEDIIILL, and is adjudged the best of his efforts. This Song is sure to become popular. Might GRIP suggest to Sir John to sing In the Sweet Far Away at the next entertainment of his troupe, apropos of the Conservative Reaction?

### Currint Evints.

Me Darlint Grip :-

Meself and Norah has been luckin wid feelins av intherest for a cartune from yez forninst the throuble atune ROBINSON and the Tellygram man. Sure, wuddn't it do me heart gud to see that bombastick wind-bag av a mimber putt up in wan av your picshures, in the act av givin me noble JACK a black eye! Av coorse, that same bruizer is a Consarvatiss, but I am not wan of thim keind that swallys the likes av his goins an; I wuld consither it no less nor a priviledg to hould the spunge for the worst Grit in the counthry av it kem to a fight. Whell, it's all pasht now, but I do be suffrin a gud dale av contimpt from the min I am workin wid, an account av your not takin notice av the eyint wid your pincil. It's the opinion av wan an all that yez wor afeard av the fisht av JOHN BIVERLY. Wid all respeck fur yez, me kind Misther GRIP, fwhat cud I say to that?

MICKINZIE is at his ould tricks again, I obsarve. Luck at him there at Watford beyant, the other day, battherin the bottom out av some av the natest little grevances that the chafetin uver used up. Sure, Sur John 'ill have tinkerin enough to keep himself and all the gipsies av the JOHN 'Ill have tinkerin enough to keep himself and all the gipsies av the counthry busy all winther sotherin up their damaged tins afoor they can be av further use to the Consarvatiff Reaction. This is the soort av sintimints I had to put up wid among the min I do be workin wid, thin bein all Grits av a purnounced carackter. I kep purty well quiet, d'ye moind, for a couple av days, anticipatin the foine picnic down at Belleville, an bedad wasn't I on hand there wid Sur JOHN and Misther Gibbs an thim. Sur, yez have no conciption av fwhat that town lucked loike. Fwhin we wor ridin up from the station, me and Sur JOHN and the rist av the distingushed gests, the chafetin pinted wid his blessed finger at the streets covered wid flags and red petticoats and more flags an sthreamers, an citry, and, sez he, turnin roun to the depitashun in the waggon, an pintin his blessed finger, sez he, "Gintlemin, av we can't force the dures av parlimint wid picnic iliquince," sez he, "we'll force thim wid buntin!" sez he.

I regret to say that there wasnt air a man av thim but mesilf that was aware av the joke, bein a lithery man an wan av a comic paper staff av coorse I twigged it at wanst, but Misther MACDOUGALL, Misther GIBB Brothers, an KING DODDS an BOULTBEE and thim, lucked as unsartin as hins afther a clap av thunther. I turned roun to congrachlate Sir JOHN an encurritch him fwhin I foun that the poor man had fell out av the waggon immejately assher the effort. We putt him in again, but he med no more jokes that day, and proyeatily he towld me the continpt he had for the intellects av all av the crowd exceptin mesilf. Whell, I will not attimpt to describe the Cilibration, further nor to say that me ould frind MICKINZIE BOWEL had on a clane collar and fwhite plug hat, an Mister SHEPPARD wore a fwhite vest and a bokay av flours in his button hole, and wuddint spake to air a Grit in the town for love or I blave yez are aware that the Consarvatif Reaction is comin money. to a pint, or as Misther BOWELL sez in his paper, "Is it a Fiction or a

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TROUBLES IN GROSS.—GRIP was pleased with an editorial in the Mail yesterday, telling its readers that they should not fly into a passion at every-day annoyances, but allow them to "lump" themselves, on the principle of the boy who wished to save trouble by saying grace over the whole barrel of pork at once. This must be the foundation of the old saying that if you do not like it you may lump it. But the Mail witholds the very main point of all. What are we to do with the lumped and accumulated grievances? Should we, for instance, express no annoyance till we have on successive days scratched our finger fourteen times, and then balance matters by taking a spare moment to utter a fearful yell which will wipe off the whole accumulated grievance at once? Will the Mail explain?

#### The British Diplometist and the Friend of Humanity.

FRIEND OF HUMANITY.—Surely, it is not considered correct to throw the influence of Britain in favour of massacré, spoluation, and destruc-

DIPLOMATIST .- Not directly; certainly not. Most certainly such a

state of affairs is not contemplated. FRIEND OF HUMANITY,—Then why is it encouraged? Why is our armed fleet close by, except to protect and encourage the Turks? Why are they not told that we will not assist them?

DIPLOMATIST .- My dear sir, the preservation of Turkey intact has always been considered a British necessity. While we deplore the irregular mode of warfare they employ, we still are fully aware that that warfare is in our cause, and that if they did not fight, we must.

FRIEND OF HUMANITY.—Then must I understand that Britain intends to maintain a Power in existence in Europe which, to the end of its existence, as it has from the beginning, will rob, murder, and outrage its millions of Christian subjects?

DIPLOMATIST.—The necessity is cruel. But we cannot, as you justly remark, change the Turkish nature, and we cannot do without maintaining the Turkish empire.

FRIEND OF HUMANITY. -Sir, I doubt not the vengeance of Heaven will overtake the nation which, for any purpose whatever, supports such wickedness.

DIPLOMATIST.—Consider how much we must undo to meet your views. Ever since the Crimean war we have been lending money to Turkey, great part of which has been spent by her in the purchase of Turkey, great part of which has been spent by her in the purchase of breech-loading rifles, first-class artillery, and iron clad ships. These have proved most effective, and before them the battalions of Servian and Bulgarian Christians (armed with little but the old Brown Bess and smooth-bore field-pieces,) have fallen like grass before the mower. The slaughter is as much the work of England as if her troops had effected it. Her money has done it. We wished to strengthen Turkey. You all knew we intended to do so. Why did you not complain before?

FRIEND OF HUMANITY.—But we had no idea the Turks would carry on war in this manner. They are killing thousands of women and children, besides massacring the male prisoners.

DIPLOMATIST.—You were willing to arm barbarians, and trusted to

DIPLOMATIST .-- You were willing to arm barbarians, and trusted to them to use the arms in a fashion not barbarous. My dear sir, you cannot make war with rose-water. The Turks are behind the age, that is all. Read the speech of your own Prince Hal at Harfleur, and you will find Englishmen then practised just what you blame the Turks for now. Do not blame us; but rather tell us, if you know, how to help it. FRIEND OF HUMANITY.—Withdraw your fleet and your moral sup-

DIPLOMATIST.—And find ourselves plunged into a general war, in

which, in the vastness of its misery, such horrors as you now deplore will be too small to notice.

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