

## UNCLE SAM AND THE SNAKE.

"A countryman having kindly admitted a halffrozen snake to his hospitable fre-side, the creature had no sooner been revived by the warmth than it attempted to bite its benefactor. 'If this is how you repay my goodness,' said the countryman, 'you are deserving of death.' So saying he scized a pitchforl and kilied the serpent."-KEsop.


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Mercier's Quilting Party. - The amendments to the B.N.A. Act suggested in the series of resolutions passed by the Inter-Provincial Conference are worthy of the earnest attention of the people of Canada, but it is doubtful if many of our citizens will take time to read them so formidably arrayed in solid newspaper columns. Appreciating the importance of having them widely known and studied, Grip has endeavored to put them in a more popular and attractive shape. The resolutions as given in our cartoon are somewhat condensed from the originals, but in each case the point has been brought out as clearly as possible. We hope every reader will not only carefully peruse the proposed amendinents, but think them over and make them the subject of conversation with his neighbor. It is becoming clearer every day that unless something is done in the way of adjusting our constitution to the demonstrated needs of the country, grave trouble is sure to arise.
Uncle Sam and the Snake.-AEsop's fable of the countryman and the snake is aptly illustrated in the Anarchist case across the lines. There is no excuse for Anarchy in a free country-if indeed there is any possible apology for such idiotic doctr ine as was taught by the Chicago "martyrs" anywhere. Uncle Sam has the endorsement of all the friends of civilization in his summary extinction of the poisonnus snake.
"CHICKENS COME HOME," ETC.
$W_{\text {HeN }}$ Howland first ran for the high civic chair, Neddy Clarke and his friends werc heard to declare That "experience in council" was needed for mayorBut the Howland men answered, Bah 1

Now Neddy himself aspires to the place, And be finds the same argument flung in his face. (For a seat in the council he never did grace.) But he only answers -Yah 1


LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM.
Araminta-You know, George, that I will not have any money of my own until papa passes away.

George-I know it, darling; but just think, dearest, how very feeble your papa is !

## QUERY.

A member of one of our city churches told the Globe interviewer the other day, that the special services now going on are held in the school-room, as there are a good many poor souls who do not feel at home in the church itself, which has lately been fitted up expensively, and could not be got to attend the service if held there. Are we to understand from this that the preacher in charge of this fashionable edifice does not mean business on Sundays; or, does he hold the service in the schoul-room all the time, and only keep the kirk itself to look at ?

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

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## NEXT WEEK.

Grip respectfuliy assures Bishop Cleary that his sad experience with the kicking and screaming females will have our attention pictorially next week.

Prince Waldemar of Denmark shot at the Czar of Russia the other day, mistaking his majesty for a deer. Fellows who don't know a deer from a duffer ought not to be allowed to carry loaded guns.

## THE BALFOUR PATENT RUSSO-ANGLO SOOTHING SALVE RECIPE.

(warranted to heal the sores and soothe the woes of ERIN.)
For Ireland I prescribe a course Of strong, heroic treatment, Proceeding still from bad to worse, With strictly no abatement.

Apply the gag, lay on the lash, Bind hand and foot in fetters;
Bring down the baton with a crash, And make 'em mind their betters.

When Home Rule advecates and such, Talk nonsense, call it reason; But when they on our tactics touch, Jail 'em on charge of treason.

Suppress the hydra-headed press, Free speech by force abolish;
Bring martial law with heavy stress Ideas to demolish.

Evict the poor with ruthiess claw, Upon the roadside strew 'em ;
Tell them they must respect the law, No matter how 'twill screw' 'em.

Show 'em each man who is too poor To pay rent is a vampire
Whom landlords thrust outside the door, To save the British Empire.

Tramp on 'em-shoot 'em-set your heel Upon their necks with vigor;
And, till they luw for mercy kneel, Pursue this role with rigor.

By treatment such as this, we hope To soothe all irritation:
And - persevering, soon will stop This Home Rule agitation.

Meanwhile we will a measure frame, To bring peace to poor Erin ;
And o'er the scent of Home Rule claim We'll draw a Land Bill herrin'.

## A GAME OF BLUFF.

Those people who read Grip and no other paperand our modesty prevents us from computing the myriads that do so-those people who never read the Globe, or Mail, or World, will be very much surprised when we tell them what these papers are about. While the whole country is in the throes of a controversy over "unrestricted reciprocity"; while we are on the verge of the settlement or non-settlement of that momentous problem, the Fisheries question ; while inter-provincial representatives are sitting in solemn conclave for discussion on the most vital of constitutional questions; whlle anarchists are being tried by the half-dozen, and Inishmen by the score-these precious papers are doing-what do you think ?-Advertising themeselves!! We don't object to advertising ; in fact we rather like it. But when it comes to advertising one's self, to writing leading articles a column long on what our circulation is, was, or shall be; to challenging this rival, and pooh-poohing the other, and bluffing a third-well, all we say is that such papers deserve to lose all the subscribers they have-and we hope they will! Not by any means for any benefit that might redound to ourselves in consequence thereof; oh dear no ; but simply because it would be a good lesson to all blowers of their own trumpets.

## MRS. McFAGIN ON BASEBALL.

Shure, thin, Mrs. Nelligan, but it's been a foine sayson av sphortin' fer the young folks, an' fer the ould wans too, indade. I had a fairly good toime av it betchune excurting to the oiland an' wan thing or another. But till the day that I draw me last breath-an' may the powers that be make that as far off as convaynint-I'll never fergit the day that me son Mickey-him that's all broke up an baseball, as he says-tuk me an' his sister Hanora to see the Torontos play the Hamiltons. Oh, my I oh, my! but it was a great game, at laste they tould me so, because fer the life av me I couldn't tell what it was all about, at all, at all. There was nine on a side, an' there was two sides. I know that much. But which side was wan an' which was the other it puzzled me to detarmine. Well, ivery mother's son av them wore a bathin' suit, wid stockin's an' caps to match. Wan man he stud up there wid a club in his hand, fer all the world like a big potatoe masher. It was his business to hit the ball. But murther, murther, it was a rale downright shame to make anny man stand $u_{p}$ forninst a ball that was throwed wid sich a rate av speed as that ball was throwed. The man that throwed it would howld it in both hands an' press it to his side as if he had a bad dose av the stummick ache, an' then he would put on his face sich an expression av pain an' look sidewise out av wan eye, an' crosswise out av the other, both at the same toime. He would sthand there just like a sthatue, an' ye would be sartin' that he was lookin' at the cop knockin' the byes aff the fence, when all av a suddint he would wheel around as if a bumble bee stung him an' he would let that ball go sliverin' at the man wid a club as if he was determined to bore a hole clane through him. The man wid the club tried his best to protect himself, but the ball wint too fast fer him, an' it dodged the club. My Mickey said that the feller that throwed the ball was a dandy pitcher. Subsequently I got excited whin the fellow made sich darin' shots, an' I yelled out, "Oh, my, but he's all iligant jug!" Wid that Mickey set to laffin' at me, an' Hanora, she whispered, "Ma, he's not a jug, he's a pitcher." But the funniest lookin' man on the whole ground was the wan they called the catcher. He wore the strangest lookin' affair over his face. Shure, it is ayther a hencoop or a bustle, but I couldn'r tell which. Thin the crowd cheered right out loud, an' Mickey said it was because wan av the men caught a foul fly on the run. Well, I thought they kem there to play baseball, an' not to catch flies, but, sure, they seem to do a little av everything. Thin a shout wint up that was enough to split a hole in the sky. "What was that for ?" I asked Mickey. "O," sez he, as he jumped an' yelled along wid the rest av the jackanapes, "wan av the Torontos stole a base in the natest way possible." "Howly Moses !" sez I, as I jumped up agin', "is this crowd goin' to sit here an, see a man stale a whole base, an' instead av hissin' him, clap their hands an' yell? What are yez, at all, at all, ye dirty spalpeens, that ye applaud whin another low-lived divil commits larceny?" Since that match, Mrs. Nelligan, I have been thinkin', an' I belave I med a mistake whin Mickey said that wan man muffed a ball, and I axed him for why they did fut the ball inside a muff, an' if it was so that it wouldn't hurt a man whin it hit him. For, shure, I saw nary a muff at all, at all. "Oh, my," said Mickey, as the game wint on, "but they're a pair av hustlers that they've got in the box!" Now, that was the quarest thing av all, for may I die av sivin diseases at wanst if I saw ever a sight av a box, good, bad, or anny kind. Oh, my, but they do have some
quare names. I heard thim talkin' about the battery that the Hamiltons had, an' whin I up an axed if it gev the players good shocks, the onrasonable craythurs laffed right out at me, an' said that the shocks it gev was too strong fer the Torontos. An' all because I preshumed it was an electhric masheen, which it seems it wasn't. Oh, I say, Mrs. Nelligan, was ye iver at a baseball match ? No? I was goin' to ax ye if ye iver saw anny goose eggs there. Narry a wan did I see, although Mickey said the Torontos got sivin. An' yet there must have been eggs there, for I heard him as they calls the empire yell out time an' again, "fowl! fowl! fowl!" Ah, thin, me dear, but it's a funny game that I don't seem to scarcely ondersthand, aven a little bit. Mickey an' Hanora tould me that I would yet learn, but, by me soul, I fear I niver will. Next sayson I will not attind baseball matches, but I will thry an' fix me attention on long tinpis.


DUDESON'S' LITTLE JOKE.
Dudeson-Aw-I say, my man, do you do expwessing to awdaw ? Driver-Yes ; of course I do.
Dudeson-Well-aw-would you mind expwessing an opinion on Commercial Union?

## A FUNNY EXCURSION.

The summer is past and gone, and though there were some sad incidents in it, there were some very funny ones.
The congregation of St. Paul's church in the village of R -, the western suburb of N -, decided to have an excursion. They wanted to paint the church, or something of that sort, and it was so much easier, they thought, to raise the money by an excursion than to pull it out of their pockets and give it. So they chartered a steamboat, made ice.cream and cakes, and had everything ready to grasp success.

Relying however, on some assistance from the city, they arranged that the boat should start from the city wharf, and call at R - for the expected congregation.

The sun rose bright; the sky was clear; the lake calm, and the city folk said to themselves and to one an-
other :-"The St. Paul's people are to have an excursion to-day. Their excursions are always so quiet-let's go." So they went, and so many of them, that the boat was crowded to its legal capacity.

At the other end of the city, on the R-wharf, stood the holiday-making members of the church-the rector, officious church-wardens swelling with importance, the sexton, and all the rank and file. Ladies with baskets of choice cake, tubs of ice cream, ginger-pop, and everything to make life enjoyable on a summer day.

The steamer hove in sight and expectancy rose to fever pitch. The ladies sopranoed "I see him"! The wardens sententiously exclaimed, as if they were first to make the discovery, "Here she is!!!" The children chorused amid excitement, "Hello! here she comes!"

And so she came. As she drew near they were all pleased, especially the grasping and avaricious wardens, to see so many passengers. As she drew nearer, the ladies became anxious as to securing seats. As she drew nearest, close to the wharf, the captain shouted, that he dare not take another soul on board. He had already exceeded his limit.

The people said they must go. The ladies said they would go to their own excursion. The wardens said it was absolutely necessary they should go at any rate. They were wardens of St. Paul's. They had chartered the boat. It was their very own dear excursion and they demanded to be taken.

The Rector did not say much but scrambled aboard and no one had the courage, the profane audacity to lay hands on the Lord's anointed, or say him nay. But not another soul was allowed to board and the steamer put off for P ——. Most of the congregation saw the ludicrous side of the affair, and had a good laugh over it, which took the edge off their disappointment. But the wardens with the ice-cream, came in for no end of chaff. The gamin, who abound in that locality, shouted out, "Hello! my eye, here is a rum go. Ain't yer going to the 'cursion Mr.? What'll yer take fur ice-cream? Say! how much a plate? Does yer mother know yer stayed at home? Got any tickets to sell cheap Mr. ?" So ended St. Paul's excursion with St. Paul's left out.

## THE NOVEMBER POET.

At this sweet season of the year, When autumn leaves are burning, He lifts his quill from oft his ear, To wonted task returning.

The giant, Winter, white and tall, October's flight is timing;
Once more the poet of the Fall Is frozen into rhyming.

His heart is sad, one eyc is shut, He grieves for summer dying; He squinteth at the rafters, but No fancies there are flying.

He works himself to anful pitch While siruggling to remember,
The annual words and phrases which Are written on November.
J.J.F.

The'Varsity says:-"The late president of Victoria united in his person qualities which eminently fitted him for the discharge of his arduous and difficult position." Will the scholarly editor kindly explain how a position is discharged?


POCAHONTAS IN HALDIMAND ;
ok, montague smith saved by the indian vote.
(Had it not been for the Indian vote, Dr. Montague would have been defeated by 36 of a majority.-Globe.)

## JACOBS \& SHAW'S.

All this week Tony Denier's Humpty Dumpty Co. will, undoubtedly, play to large business. The Toledo Blade says: "It is remarkably seldom that a conscientious critic can make use of as eulogistic terms with reference to a public performance, after it has been presented, as he may have indulged in before. But with respect to the 'Humpty Dumpty' entertainment given last night at the Opera House, it may truthfully be said that neither press notices, advertisements, handbills, nor flaming posters have done it justice. Most of the comments upon the entertainment have had special reference to the portions from which it has taken its name-the Humpty Dumpty pantomime; while the fact is that part of the performance occupies less than a third of the evenng , and is in the estimation of the general public, the east enjoyable of the features of the amusement afforded, hough in the line of pantomime it has never been excel-
led. The second part was of the variety order, and certainly the best of the kind ever witnessed in Toledo."

THE BENEFITS (?) OF THE SCOTT ACT.
ELL," said a thirsty stranger from a Scott Act county on Saturday night, as he wandered past the closed doors and darkened windows of the saloons in Toronto's orderly streets, "Well, I prefer -hic-a Scott Act village to your big-hic-Sabbath-keeping cityhic. I can get 'wine, beer, and other spirituous and fermented liquors' at any time of day or night, Sunday and week-day there, hic."-So much for enforcement of law !

## EPIGRAMMATA.

TO NORTH-WEST MIDDIETON.
Grief takes command of all, from colonel to cadet, For Middleton retires with General Regret.

TO CHAMBERLAIN.
You have Canada's heartiest wish, Joe, For success in your work ; don't forget That we can't hope to catch any fish, Joe, If the Yankee cuts holes in our net.

TO FARMERS AND OTHERS.
Free trade with the States you must try, man, If you want to grow wealthy forthwith ; That it's true we can just show you why, man, If you think it's a mischievous-myth.

## THE FORCE OF EXAMPLE.

If the newspaper press is a great public educator, as is often claimed, we confidentially expect to see something like this before long:-

## CHALLENGE.

Glasgieson, the clothier, does not wish to obtrude his private affairs upon the notice of the public, but as his neigbbor Gleeton has seen fit to allege that Glasgieson's $\$ 2.00$ pants have not a wider circulation than the inferior goods of the said Gleeton, Glasgieson hereby challenges Gleeton to submit his books and accounts to a committee of three experts to be named by the superintendent of the Street Car Company for decision of the following points:

1. Glasgieson declares that he sells more $\$ 2.00$ pants every day than does Gleeton.
2. That his profits-notwithstanding that he makes a regular habit of selling below cost-are greater than Gleeton's.
3. That as a result of success in business he eats better dinners, wears better clothes (his own make), and drives a better private rig than does the said Gleeton.

Gleeton is expected to accept this challenge at once, or let the pant-buying public draw their own conclusions.

## REPLY.

Mr . Gleeton, the leading clothier, presents his compliments to the public, and begs to say that Glasgieson's challenge is simply a red herring to blind the eyes of the zox populi. However, in so far as the points to be decided are of interest to the pant-buying community, he accepts Glasgieson's challenge squarely. He may be allowed to observe, however, that the question of profits, being of no concern to the public, might as well be left out.

## REJOINDER.

Mr . Glasgieson observes with pain and regret that his neighbor, Gleeton, is trying to crawl out of the test. The question of profits is material part of the enquiry, as it is well-known that Gleeton is accustomed to give away pants just to make it appear that he is doing a larger business than Glasgieson. The goods thus given away he takes back again allowing rebates upon them, so that they do not realiy go into circulation at all. The sales book, however, will show the circulation exactly, and Mr. Glasgieson therefore insists upon the original terms of the challenge.

## REPLI:

Mr. Gleeton does not intend to sneak out of the contest. On the contrary he is only too anxious to have it decided, and all he asks is that the enquiry may go back
over the business of the last ten years, and be thorough in every respect. As Mr. Glasgieson insists upon it, Mr. Gleeton waives his objection on the matter of profits, though he begs to repeat that it is hardly decent to drag that before the public.

REJOINDER.
Mr. Glasgieson has only to say in reply to the shuffling answer of his neighbour, that his challenge has been framed and placed in his front shop window where it will remain until it is either accepted or declined. The public may read it and judge for themselves.
reply.
Mr. Gleeton does not care about having anything further to say to a challenger who backs out after making a challenge. He has accepted Mr. Glasgieson's challenge squarely. What more can he do ?

REJOINDER,
Another meaningless and equivocating reply has been made to Mr. Glasgieson's challenge. Gleeton is evidently afraid to come on. We await his final answer.

## REPLY.

It is quite clear to Mr. Gleeton's mind that Glasgieson has been indulging in bounce from the beginning. We are too busy banding out our matchless $\$ 2.00$ pants to our thousands of customers to bother further with him.
rejoinder.
The final answer has come. Gleeton at last frankly admits that he cannot meet Mr. Glasgieson's challenge. Let the public draw their own conclusions. Finally, Mr. Glasgieson offers to give a pair of fine tailor-made all wool $\$ 2.00$ pants to any man who will guess where he got this brilliant idea of challenging from.

A TAKING BAIT.

R. BLAKE was fishing with a very taking bait when he championed the cause of Ireland in Ireland the other day, if what he was fishing for was the Irish vote. "Many are the past services," says the Irish Ca. nadian," he has rendered the cause of truth and justice, but this service by Edward Blake to the Irish people is the 'crowning of the edifice.' He has placed the children of the Irish nation the world over under a deep debt of gratitude-and we in Canada can only repay him in one way. Hereafter let our people give to him in political action a reciprocity hearty and full." This is swallowing the minnow at a gulp. One of these days the "children of the Irish nation" will find out that to the minnow are attached a hook and line, and that Edward Blake does not angle to feed fishes but to catch them.

## ETERNAL FITNESS OF THINGS.

AT Ottawa, swelidom has a naughty-way of conducting itself.


MERCIER'S QUILTING PARTY;
or, the proposed amendments to the british nortil amekica act


OBEYING INSTRUCTIONS.
Policeman-Come along now quietly, or it will be worse for you.
O'Toole-O'ill not! The magistrate towld me last toime niver to be brought befoor him again, an' begorra I'm goin' to obey his instructions !

## TORONTO'S NEXT MAYOR.

Some of the enterprising papers of our enterprising city, have been publishing portraits of Toronto's next mayor. GrIP with its usual prophetic instinct will present his readers with a mental portrait, so to speak, of our city's chief magistrate for the year of grace one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight. Toronto's next mayor is to be a man of very large private means to whom his official salary of two thousand dollars a year will be a mere nothing as weighed with his desire for public good.

He will be a man of the very widest possible experience in business matters and will fall into the routine of the position without the slightest difficulty. He will be a man of untiring patience to which that of Job is mere moonshine, and he will deal with the troubles of office as if he rather liked them than otherwise.

He will be a man with what the Americans call a "long head" which has nothing to do with a "big head" as resulting from unlimited whiskey the night before, but used in the sense that he will be able to look a long way ahead, and see into the dim and cistant future. He will be a man of great tact, who will carefully abstain from kicking down stairs any obnoxious visitant, and will reconcile aldermanic wrangles with the sound of his dulcet voice. He will be a man of the most refined manners which would not disgrace a court (we don't mean police court, their manners are sometimes very fine but more often fined) and who will receive foreign potentates and our own Govenor General in a way that will remind them of their own palatial residences and make them feel at home at once.

He will be a man of the most sterling honesty who never robbed a saving's bank or embezzled when he was a youngster, or paid his creditors five cents on the dollar. On the contrary he will be the Superintendent of the Sunday school of the church of which he is a pillar.

He will rule the council, not with a rod of iron, but with a mild yet firm hand, and when he retires from the chair he will be told (by flatterers) that he was the best mayor the city ever had, and that the place will go to rack and ruin without him. If you want to see the portrait of this coming mayor, just take a good look into the looking glass in your own room, and see if you don't think so.

## IS IT ONLY A JOKE?

"Mrs. James Brown Potter," says a daily paper, " is to be added to the wax-work attractions of the New York E.den Musée." Is Mrs. J. B. P. a sort of second edition of Lot's wife; has she turned into wax ?

There is one consolation at all events, she will be just as good an actress as before.

## LITERARY NOTES.

$W_{\text {HAT }}$ has become of the sometime literary star which shone erstwhile with pale and lambent light in the columns of the Week-to wit "Garth Grafton"? Does she no longer fill (perhaps this is the best word to use, taking into consideration the present fashionable magnitude of feminine wrappages), does she no longer fill the editor's chair-for evidences there were, by no means slight or unnoticeable, that once she undertook that important (or umimportant, just as we regard it) office? In what quarter of the literary heavens does she shine-if shine she does? Is she still in "Right Ascension," or (let us hope not) is she in "Declination?"

Ha! ha! ha! Have you read "Reminiscences of a Bungle"? If not, and you want to enjoy a hearty laugh, step into the next book-seller's you pass, take twenty cents out of your pocket, and buy a copy. It is by "One of the Bunglers," and is dedicated to "the everlasting confusion of red tape." If some of the great military dignitaries' ears are not tingling it is not "one of the bunglers' "fault. Phew ! how sarcastic he is !

Bur "one of the bunglers" is altogether too hard upon the person he variously refers to as the "Mogul," the "I Am," the "General." If.there was bungling in that North-West campaign-and God only knows how much there was- it was not all brought about by the General. The Colonels of regiments, and the Captains of companies did their share of it. If the General thought a good deal of the comforts of this life, and of the cravings of his stomach for marmalade and cocoa, as " one of the bunglers" hints, why so also did these same Colonels and Captains and Lieutenants. And if the "men" rarely got anything better than sugar-less and milk-less tea and hard-tack-at most canned beef without salt-whose fault was it ? Not solely the "Mogul's" surely ?

Talking of tea, "one of the bunglers'" ode to tea -the tea our brave soldiers got up there--is very rich. It is really worth quoting in full. Here it is:-
"Oh Tea; thou sublime and blessed infusion of sloe leaves, brown paper, liark, old rags and general refuse! how fat would life be without thee! How often hait thou disguised the nauseous flavour of alkaline water in the summer-heat of the plains, and revived our shivering hodies when the mercury is shrivelled up until it is solid 1 What zest dost thou lend to the ubiquitous pork and beans of our native land, and now, as we follow our hardy and indefatigible leader far into the impenetrable forests of the frozen north, fighting, and bleeding, and suffering, and swearing, and all the rest of it, for our beloved and grateful country. How thankful do we feel that the idiots who manage the transport and commissariat services have not sucreeded in robbing us of thee। They may take our beans and our dried apples, our bacon and our sugar, our molasses and our flour, and they have done so ; but with thee, as we dissect the dark and bloody mystery that bears the name of Armour, and break our last set of teeth on the biscuits of Portage la Prairic; with thee we can forget even the imbecility of our leaders, and suffer and be strong."

# IS MAN A BAROMETER. 

## Why is it That Certain Winds Always Make Rheumatism Cringe with Pain?

Eighty-six per cent. of the signal service wealher predictions are accurate!
The only indications our fathers had for foretelling weather were aching limbs, twinging joints and painful corns !
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