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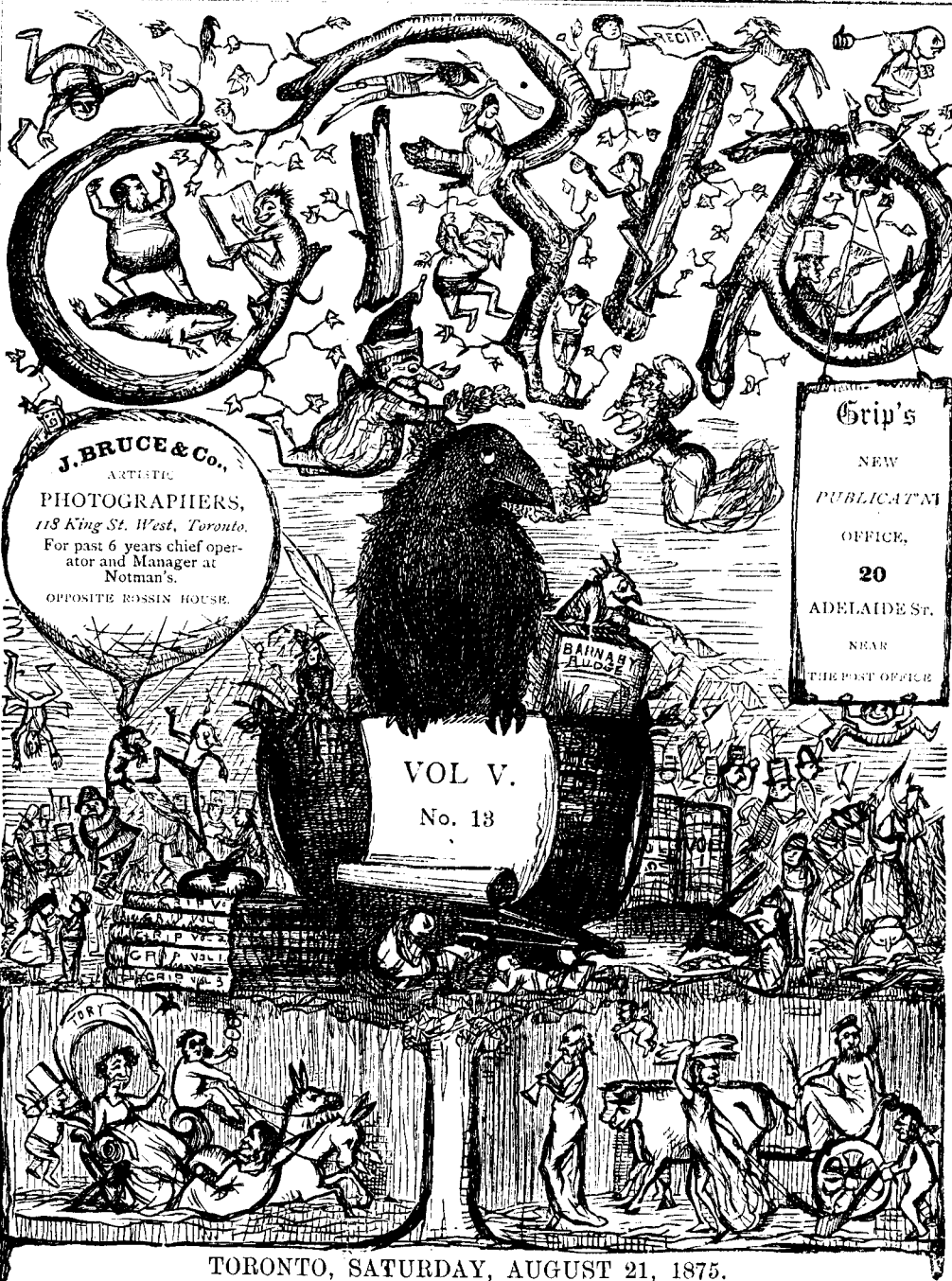
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The greatest Fish is the Oyster; the greatest Man is the Fool.

TORONTO, SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1875.

## Assyrian M. S. S. No 2.

EDITOR GRIP,

I send you Assyrian M. S. S. No. 2. Excuse delay in transmission. These ancient things take a deal of time deciphering and copying out.

Yours truly,

RICHARD DE DICKE.

## CONCERNING THE "OTS" AND THE "NOTS."

Now the great *Hokuspokus* said—"come and I will cause thee to see things worth seeing. I have secured BARNUM'S big balloon, and have stored it with things needful for a long outing. Tobacco thou wilt find; neither have I forgotten the concoction from malt and hop!" Hereupon I skipped three skips on the floor, and answered—"Truly nothing is so pleasing to the well-regulated mind as vagrancy and vagabondism, when the weather is fine, and there is nothing to pay. Wherefore, I am thy man, and, like CROOKS, we will now proceed on the free and independent tramp."

Now behold we sailed forth, and got into the balloon, and sailed through what poets and newspaper parties call cloudless ether, until we had, according to my reckoning—in empty beer bottles—gone 79,860 miles and 2 furlongs in a N. S. direction. The skipper then made preparations to descend, and I beheld spread beneath us a country clothed with verdure, which the skipper told me was called *Knockerogherry* [In Assyrian—"the land of simplotons."] Having lowered the balloon, and fastened it securely to a stump, one of the savage inhabitants came up, and politely asked us to dinner, which he said was just being put on the table. Though he wore clothes, and was not wholly barbarous in look and manners, yet, in effect, he and all the *Knockerogherrians* as we found, were quite uncivilized, and generally contemptible in their condition, ways, and notions. They have, for instance, no king, parliament, ministers of religion, sects, parties, titles, or mad-houses. The public business is conducted by town or district councils, to which these unfortunate people elect only the men they deem most qualified by ability and character for the duties to be performed. So dull are they of comprehension that when *Hokuspokus* told them the strict rule in his great civilized country is—suppose roads have to be constructed, to appoint an overseer ignorant of road-making—and so with all other appointments, they stared, and cried *Botriphne!* ["Did you ever?"] They believe in a Divine Being, who, they ignorantly say, ought to be revered and worshipped according to every man's conscience. Hence penal ecclesiastical laws are unknown. One of them nearly went into a fit with laughter over a letter I showed him in the *Littlemud diyorko Mailbag* complaining that the sensibilities of a pious Assyrian on his way one Sunday to worship, had been fearfully lacerated by the sight of some watches in a jeweller's unshuttered store, whereby his thoughts all through the holy service had been corroded with envy and anger, (and thus diverted into their ordinary "carnal" week-day channel,) the watches being so much better than the one he had in his pocket. Hence he wanted a law passed compelling all watch-sellers and jewellers, and indeed tradesmen of all kinds, either to have shutters to their shop windows, or cover over their goods with a sacred soot-bag.

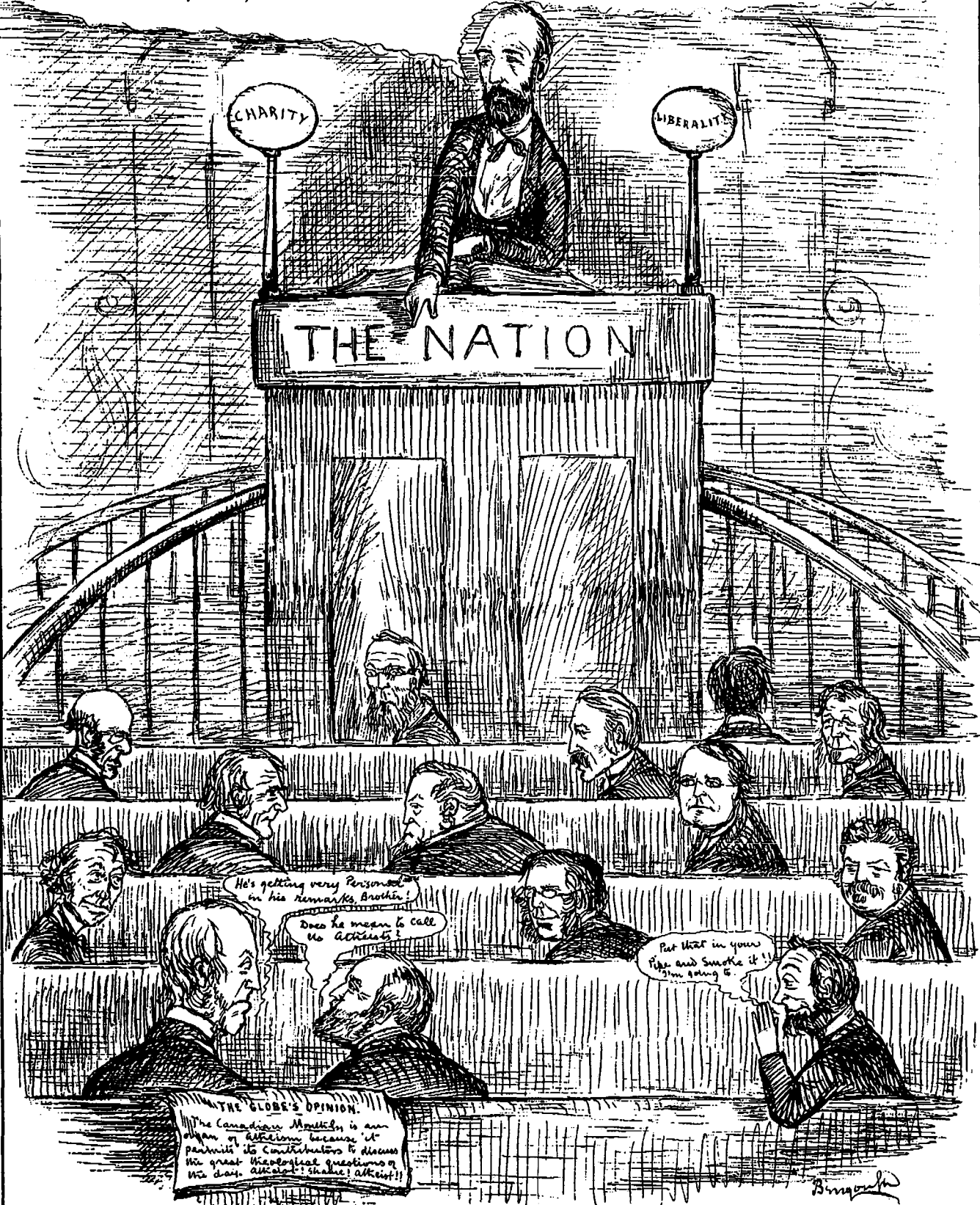
We took leave of these barbarians without regret, and after two days' more journeying, we came to *Coolagurry* ("country of wise men.") This is a truly glorious land, clothed with verdure, with great lakes and forests, and very rich in a produce called *Drumlithic* [Assyrian "thistle."] The skipper told me much of this land was under cultivation, but a great deal more had yet to be brought under the husbandmen. Indeed, LAULINSNI, an eminent authority, who had spent five years and five months travelling all over it—without once washing or going to bed—had put in an affidavit before a proper legal functionary that there were 1,412,300,000,000 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres of uncultivated rich soil—an area 619 times as big as all Europe and Africa. The same authority further testifies that there is in *Coolagurry* one, among other fresh-water lakes, so outrageously and obstinately big that though he had at times, in fancy, put into it all the mountain ranges in the world, with the continent of Asia, on top, it refused to be filled up, and had still remaining a 'nice little pond,' 118,332 cubic miles in extent! "This affidavit," said the skipper, with a smile, "has been sent by the *Coolagurrian* Government to all their agents who are employed abroad in entreating foreigners to come and accept 2,000 acres of rich soil; in fact it seems to be mainly relied on as a loadstone for settlers. Though—strictly between ourselves—I don't myself see why they should suppose people would find special attraction in such a lot of water, unless they were whales, or brewers."

Our balloon descended in the garden of one JONMADIVERO, in *Londino* city, who appeared to have lots of money, and who received us with a lavish hospitality. We stayed several weeks at his house, and travelled far and wide over the country in MADDIVERO'S *Comcalongo*: [Assyrian—"Four horse drag"] and found everything to be as near perfection as it is possible to conceive. The chief glory of this favored land, however,—that which in conjunction with its inflexibly big lake above-mentioned—elevates its standard high above other nations, is its system of *Pairy* [Assyrian—"Turn and turn about."] government, invented ages ago, by one PETER PINK, a man of remarkably small feet, and large brains, many of whose maxims have come down to posterity and are much revered, particularly the following:—"Some men have lots brains and no money. Other men have plenty money and no brains. The science of political economy consists in transferring the plenty money to the pockets of the men with the plenty brains!" PETER PINK, who was a sad invalid from a disease called *Confoundlaziness* [Assyrian—"Constitutional incapacity for physical exertion,"] Having discovered that the work of chopping, rail-splitting, and gee-hawing breechy oxen was an inferior and more fatiguing science than the above, gave bush-whacking up, and instituted the "nought" and "ought" system of government, (afterwards abbreviated to the "ots" and the "nots.") The "ot" party hold that—in addition—the correct expression is "ought and carry one," when you take forward the 10. The "not" party contend the right phrase is "ought and carry one." This ground of contention was amicably arranged by PETER PINK and a number of other leading plenty-brain people similarly incapacitated for bodily labour, whom he had indoctrinated with his new "political principles." "You see," said he, "if we always go on as we are now doing, electing only the best qualified men, numbers of us will have to work hard all our lives, and will never have any *fab*, [Assyrian—"Opportunity of serving our country."] But the *Pairy* [for turn-and-turn-about] system will give us all a chance. Anything will do to make a party on, so lets have "noughts" and "oughts." When the *noughts* have the majority in the country, the government shall be *noughtite*, when they haven't it will be *oughtite*. All agreed to this, and forthwith they began to stomp the land on the respective "ot" and "not" standpoints. The people didn't understand it at first, afterwards they didn't care about it, but gradually they got interested and excited, and now nineteen twentieths of the community are zealous adherents of one party, or the other, and care about little else.

The amicable agreement to pretend to fall out on which the plenty-brain promoters of the *pairy* system, acted at the beginning, (remaining good friends all the time) in order to get the plenty money, has got lost sight of in the course of centuries, and thus the nation, MADDIVERO said is enormously advantaged as, being in earnest on "political" questions has a bracing effect on national life, and produces a healthy attrition of mind with mind, which keeps the intellect bright, and adds *vim* and vivacity to press and platform deliverances. I had frequent conversations with some of the leading *ots* and *nots*. They all assured me despite their abuse of each other, that the *pairy* system was the fertile soil in which purity, patriotism, and all the cardinal principles of public virtue could alone flourish. They were especially severe on a small section of the community who, when they carried one, said neither "nought" nor "ought," out loud, but merely made a mental memorandum. The *ots* assured me they had on their side all the talent, enlightenment, truth, honesty, and consistency in the country; and that no man unless he was an *ot* could be qualified for the most insignificant government post. But if he was an *ot* he was amply qualified for any place, even the highest, provided he had interest enough to get it. The *nots* informed me that they looked upon the *ots* as wholly degraded and scandalous beings whose deficiency in intellect was only matched by a capacity for everyting criminal, that most of them were believed to be addicted to private cannibalism, drunkenness, wife-beating, and other misbehaviours. The *ot* newspapers spoke of the *not* politicians generally or specifically, as scoundrels, villains, liars, thieves, perjurers, and drunkards: to which the *not* organs responded that every degraded entity of the *ot* genus, was born in infamy, cradled in ignominy, nurtured in folly, and matured in meanness and mendacity. One night being at a very crowded and stormy meeting in *Londino* unattended by HOKUSPOKUS, who was better acquainted than I with the ways of the people, and being called upon to "say a few words" I had hardly said—"It seems to me friends, it doesn't signify a bit whether, when one is adding up, one says ought or—" when a roar arose apparently from every man present, unequalled in all my experience. It was like 10,000 wild buffaloes in chorus. Knives were drawn, clubs brandished, pistols produced, and amid amazing howls of "Kill him!" "Lynch the villain!" "Tear him into pieces!" the whole crowd—more furious against me than five minutes before they had been against each other—made a terrific rush in my direction. Seeing my imminent peril, I took to my heels, and ran like a mad dog for the balloon, which HOKUSPOKUS had told me he intended to fill with gas experimentally that evening, and in the car of which fortunately he was sitting when amid a shower of stones and the whizzing of bullets I jumped in, cut the rope, and shot swiftly into the air, above the reach of my infuriated pursuers.

There is a strong probability that Mr. CROOKS will at last find a haven of refuge in South Oxford. The *Sun Skit* man is meditating suicide.

The Genuine Atheist is the man who, whether as Waf, or Libeller, plies a trade every act of which implies that righteousness has no reward, iniquitousness no punishment, & only human penalties can be escaped. This man we say is a Genuine Atheist, though his creed may be punctiliously orthodox in every particular.



# PROF. SMITH'S SERMON ON ATHEISM.

[SEE THE NATION, AUG. 13, 1875.]

**The Emigrant to His Mother.**

I'm sitting in a style, mother  
Which doesn't coincide  
With what the agent promised me  
I'd find upon this side.  
He said that all was green out here  
The corn was twelve feet high,  
But the corn is on my foot, mother  
And the green is in my eye.

I'm very hard up now, mother,  
For the poor make no new friends,  
And, oh, the people here detest  
The folk the agent sends.  
He says there's bread and work for all,  
And the sun shines always here,  
But I fear he doesn't speak the truth  
For I can't find them, dear.

This morn I bid a long farewell  
To my Sunday coat of blue  
I pawned it, just to buy the stamps  
To send these lines to you.  
If I could once get back again  
That agent I'd destroy  
I'd stop his lying that I would,  
As sure as I'm

YOUR BOY.

**To the Senate of Toronto University.**

At a recent meeting of the Senate of Toronto University, that venerable body was surprised and terrified to see GRIP perched on the bust of Pallas, above their chamber door. Eyeing the trembling senators sternly, he addressed them in the following terms:

Gentlemen,

Do you mean to tell me, after all the time you have been running that expensive institution in the Queen's Park, you haven't knocked enough mathematics into any student's head to fit him for the position of Professor? Haven't we any one in Canada fit to fill the chair of mathematics? Will you tell me what will be the use of teaching lads more than any of them have ever been able to learn? And why send to Edinburgh for a new Professor? Haven't we enough Scotchmen here already? If you really wanted a first class mathematician you wouldn't send there. How many of you have got an axe to grind? Don't all speak at once, you deafen me. Gentlemen, if your University hasn't turned out any one fit for the place, you had better shut it up, and cease to impose on the public and collect rent for the Queen's Park. I have heard a great deal about the Model Farm and I am far from certain it is not a preferable institution to yours. They had some experience there of running round to get Professors and I don't think it was altogether a success. Now I know the sort of man you want. He has got to be well up in Lunatic Theory and thoroughly posted in Regular Stolidities. He must be up to the accurate rectification of a circular arc, and able to get through with the equation to the lunar caustic. As to the helix, he must always have one in his pocket, and wear a conchoid in his hat on state occasions. He must illustrate his lectures with a pencil of refracted rays, and the Asses' Bridge must be as familiar to him as the Rule of Three. In fact he must be up to the whole bag of tricks. Start not, gentlemen, you will find plenty about these terms in works on Algebra under the head of Probabilities. Now if you haven't succeeded in training any Canadian up to this pitch of erudition, don't suppose that you can get any man from Auld Reekie, I beg its pardon "The Modern Athens," who will be able to teach these branches of study, and if you do, there will evidently be nobody who will profit by his instructions.—Once for all, gentlemen, if I hear any more of this nonsense I will take that University away from you and run the show myself. (*Exit.* The august body look at each other in dismay and a soft murmur is heard: "We're done for, he's found us out.")

Music hath charms. Variety is charming. Cannot the various bands which infest this city learn a few new tunes? For instance the Orange musicians might get a new party air or two, and the band of the Tenth Royals might add to their repertoire with considerable effect. GRIP is rapidly beginning to sympathize with his Catholic friends whenever he hears the strains of "Protestant Boys" and the like. *Shylock* distinctly warns *Jessica* against these bands.

"Lock up my doors and when you hear the drum,  
And the vile squealing of the wry-necked fife,  
Clamber you not up to the casements then,"

Now that the Imperial Parliament has ceased to sit, Mr. FLIMSOLL is earnestly requested to visit Canada. A very leaky vessel entitled the "Ontario Government" is about to enter into a race with another equally ill-provided craft, named "Opposition," and owned by the firm of CAMERON & McDOUGALL, Toronto. Both these wretched tubs will probably carry on a dangerous press of sail and the consequences in the treacherous bay of Toronto may be very serious.

**Draft of a Montreal Anti Small Pox By-Law.**

Which would probably meet the views of the sovereign people who mobbed the City Council.

WHEREAS in the opinion of an influential body of the citizens of Montreal, it is against the spirit of the British Constitution to infringe on the liberty of the subject, and

Whereas the people of Montreal have long enjoyed the beneficent presence of small pox and other infectious diseases,

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1. That, any citizen of Montreal found submitting himself to the operation known as vaccination, shall be deemed unfit to retain the rights of citizenship and shall be forthwith disfranchised.

2. That any City Council, Board of Health, newspaper editor, or medical man, found advising, aiding or abetting the practice of vaccination, or practicing or attempting to practice the same, upon any citizen aforesaid, shall be subject to be mobbed, stoned, or murdered, and his property confiscated and destroyed by the sovereign people.

3. Any person or persons guilty of saying, intimating, asserting, declaring, hinting, or suggesting, that the august and well-beloved guest of this city, King SMALL POX, is not entitled to protection and encouragement of the people, let him be anathema and let his wife's relations be drowned in the St. Lawrence.

4. Any person or persons found reading the *Montreal Witness*, in which vaccination is advocated, shall be liable to a threatening letter, and should he still persist, and peradventure give ear to its vile suggestions and submit to vaccination as a preventative of Small Pox, he shall be held and treated as one who has betrayed the long established reputation of Montreal as the scene of Parliament House burning, newspaper interdiction, murderous assaults and ignorant riotings.

**Bravo, Montreal.**

Ignorant mob of Montreal  
Destroy, if you like, your City Hall:  
Pelt your aldermen and police  
Yield to any fool's caprice;  
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Put a stop to vaccination.

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Will monument prove of your disgrace;  
Many an innocent life will pay  
The debt you choose on yourselves to lay,  
Fight for liberty, law defy,  
You've a perfect right to be sick and die.

**The Impersonality of Journalism.**

A pleasant and gentlemanly custom having been instituted in Canada of identifying newspaper articles with various public characters, GRIP, anxious to save his printers and office boy from the demoralization attaching to bribery and corruption, herewith takes the novel step of announcing the names of the principal members of his staff. The elegant diction of Hon ALEXANDER MACKENZIE and the uncouth native eloquence of Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD have long ere this been recognized in their respective contributions, and the writings of Professor GOLDWIN SMITH and Hon W. MACDOUGALL are so frequently and easily identified that concealment are as useless as if they signed their articles. We not long ago gave a biographical sketch of our valued friend Mr. BEATY, but we fancy some of our readers in the remote districts will be slightly surprised when we tell them that, on occasions when the *Globe* or *Mail* need castigation, the work is invariably given out to Messrs. PATTESON and BROWN. It has been rumoured that Mr. RYMAL is a contributor to our columns. This we contradict entirely, as we do the equally damaging assertion that we have allowed Mr. J. D. EDGAR to use them as a medium for inflicting his poetry on the public. We have lately missed the services of our genial old friend Mr. MCKELLAR, and are sorry to have to thus publicly remind Mr. PARDEE that we want a little more work from him. On the contrary we would remind ARCHBISHOP LYNCH, BISHOP FULLER, the Rev. JOHN POTTS and our other valued clerical contributors, (who are so numerous they must excuse us naming them all) that we cannot insert the whole of the brilliant effusions we weekly receive from them without doing injustice to the political members of our staff. Last but not least, we are sure our readers miss the admirable contributions of the GOVERNOR GENERAL as much as we do ourselves.

HERE they come back, bag and baggage, hook and ladder, Fire and Water Committee and all. The wanderers in foreign climes are dropping in one by one, weary and dusty, the straps of their sandals worn nearly through, their pilgrim's staves reduced to stumps, and clam-shells in their hats. ALEXANDER MACKENZIE has sailed for Canada alone and unguarded. GEORGE is after him though. Soon Toronto will welcome back her good old Mayor, none the worse, let us hope, for the good cheer of the old country. And during the long nights of the coming winter they will sit by the cheery stove and travel their voyages over again, after the manner of the monkey who had seen the world. Let us hope none of them will publish their travels.



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**CANAL ENLARGEMENT.**

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**To Contractors.**

Sealed Tenders, endorsed, "Tenders for Extension West Block," addressed to the undersigned, will be received at this office until **Thursday, the 26th day of August**, at noon, for the necessary works required for the completion of an addition to the West Block Departmental Building, Ottawa, viz: Mason, Cut-Stone, Brick, Carpenter and Joiners, and other works; also Wrought and Cast Iron work required for the above.

Plans and Specifications can be seen and forms of Tender obtained at this office on and after Monday, the 2nd prox., where all necessary information can be obtained.

No Tender will be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and—in the case of firms—except there are attached the actual signature, occupation and place of residence of each member of the same.

Satisfactory security will be required on real estate or by deposit of money, public or municipal securities, or bank stocks to an amount of *five per cent* on the bulk sum of the Contract.

The Tenders to have the actual signatures of two solvent persons, residents in the Dominion, and willing to become sureties for the due performance of the contract.

This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order,

Department of Public Works, } F. BRAUN,  
Ottawa, 27th July, 1875. } Secretary.