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## Comxments on the fiaxtoons.



Waiting for the Date Line.-Everything seems to indicate that the general election is near at hand. There is unusual activity in ministerial quarters--all devoted in the direction of making a favorable impression on the electorate, and besides this the Globe has expressly stated that Parliament will be dissolved shortly. Since the defection of the Mail from the organship, of course the Globe is to be regarded as the mouthpiece of the Ministry. But as yet no hint as to the approximate date has lieen given, and that is what everybody is anxious to know.

A Licking in Store. - The triumph of the Rouges at the Quebec election is generally accepted as sealing be doom of Messrs. Langevin and Caron in that Province. Neither of them can hope to retain his seat in the general election, and it is anticipated that both will seek safety in Ontario. It is stated, indeed, that Sir Hector has already arranged for the chair so long and worthily filied by the genial King of the Gatineau, Mr. Alonzo Wright, who is about to retire from public life. Sir Adolphe mi ht perhaps be elected for Duck Lake.
You Pays Your Money.- We do not wish to cast the slightest suspicion upon the genuineness of the Mail's Prohibition professions, but we must candidly confess that we are not yet satisfied that Prohibition is a dearer word than Conservatism in that journal's lexienn. Few if any references to this burning question have been made in the Mail of late, and everybody knows that a thorough convert invariably makes a theme of his new-found love. Why this silence? Can it be possible, after all, that there is truth in the suggestion of the cartoon? We hope not, but it looks mighty like it.

A Fourth street boarding-house keeper was at a loss to know why one of her boarders carried two pieces of steak from the table up into his bedroom. She found it out when she saw he had got new hinges on his trunk. Fall River Advance.

Credit to Whom, \&c.-The excellent cuts which appeared on cur 141h page last week should have been credited to the Chicago, Ramller and New York Life respectively. The omission of the custumary mark of credit was an accident. It is due to our own engravers to say, however, that in reproducing the cuts by their excellent process they raher improved upon the originals. This process is worth enquiring into by all who need pictorial work fur business purposes. Samples and prices furnished on application.
"In the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love.
In the fall Grip's Comic Almanac, is what doth his fancy move.


## ACCIDENTAL!

## Brown.-Hello, Jones! How's your wife?

Tones, (a little deaf).-Very blustering and disagreeable again this morning.

## VERDANT. GREEN.

Young Clergyman in buggie on his way to church draws up at a gate where three of his hearers, two ladies and a gentleman, are passing through.-Good morning! Won't you come up? there is room for us all, I think.

Lady.-Oh, thank you! but my brother will not go ; there was a tramp round last night, and it's hardly safe for us all to leave the house.

Young Clergvman.--Oh! but he would surely never commit a burglary on the Sabbath day!

## SHOCKING WANT OF FILIAL RESPECT.

Visiting clergyman-I see your little daughter plays, Mrs. Blank. Who's piano is it, Miss Evelyn? Miss Evelyn (playing azeay)-Herr's.
Visiting ciergyman-That doesn't sound very'respectful, dear; you should say, mother's.

Mrs. B.-But it isn't mine-it's Herr's.
Visiting clergyman-O, I see, it's yours, but you call it her's.

Miss Evelyn-No, stupid, we call it Herr's because that's the maktr's name.

Visitor has another engagement.

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## Tast and Fresent ;

OR, THE OLD SC TCH LAIRD'S COMPLAINT.

## PART I.

THE PRESENT.
Weel, as I said, in this oor day, The worl's gaen a' to print,
And I'm but lauch'd at when I say I see nae guid that's in't,
Philosophers are thick as bees, And buzzing a' the while;
I hate that Steuart Mill, and he's A blether that Carlyle.

And wasna I' cock o' the wauk" Ere libraries began,
Or working folk began to talk Aboot the " Richts o' Man."
But damn their richts! the very word Pits venom in my bluid-
What richis hae they, save to obey And do whate er they're bid.

It micht be plain to ony fule, That laun should bear the sway,
And that the lairds were born to rule And tenants to obey;
And then hoo hapipy they micht be, Would they but be content
To do their work, gang to the kirk. And pay the laird his rent.

But politics they maun discuss, And Liberty they ca' that,
Faut Kirk and Queen and bauldly sing "A man's a man for a' that."
Ye'll hardly find in ony toun A silly starving weaver,
But would o'erthrow the Kirk and Croun, And scarce ane a believer.

And even the maist sacred things Must a' be questioned noo;
And princes, potentates and kings, Before th: Press must boo;
The editor speaks for the scum, And princes he compels,
Like ticket-o'-leave men, to come And answer for themsells.

I, too, am bearded by a crew That's ever in my gate ;
And as I like I'm daured to do, E'en on my ain estate.
That poaching blackguard, Heck McFee, The countryside's disgrace ;
He said a better man was he, Than ony o' my race.

And even guid auld Elder John Joins the rebellious crew,
And daurs to keep his bonnet on When I speak to him noo ;
And talks wi' solemn earnestness, Hoo folk wi' pridefu' natures
Daur tak upon them to oppress God's humble, helpless creatures.

Tohn Fraser, tho' he disna ban, He puts me to disgrace,
I hardly feel that I'm a man When he leuks in my face.
He says that puir folk seem astray 'Cause they're no understuid;
But I can see as clear as day The cause is in their bluid.

And he would hae me fawn and phraize Wi' ev'ry raggit loun;
I've kent them owre weel a' my days, And I say keep them doun!

He says that I should aye beware, And that in a' my dealings
Wi' puir folk, I should aye tak care And no to wound their feelings.

Fine feelings ! od, they gar me start, Wha ever heard the like!
Fine feelings in a collier's heart, Or mason's on a dyke,
A loon 'tween the stilts o' a pleugh. Fine feelings! save us a'!
A ditcher delvin' in a sheugh, Fine feelings ! ha, ha, ha !

And on the hustings, no langsyne, He thocht I didna see
The gentleman he did define Was a' a slap at me.
John's a' for peace, says war, must cease, And hints that I'm a brute;
For I maintain the strong should reign, And fulk should fecht it oot;

And in the market Faith and ITope, Will never do, I doot ;
And in life's din the thickest skin Will staun' the langest oot.
And John abhoars the kindly cup, Gies honest fallows snash,
And gangs aboot aye preaching up Their cauld teetotal trash.

If folk were temp'rate at this hour There's nocht could them withstaun';
That's John's deep dodge to get the power Ant drive us frae the laun'.
I'd gie them whuskey cheap to drink, And haud them weel at wark.
They'd ne'er hae power nor time to think, And deil a dug would bark.
No, never gie them power ava; And to mak a' things shaire,
Aye first and foremaist aboon a', For God's sake, keep them puir.

## Alexander McLachlan.

## THE JUNIOR PICKWICKIANS;

AND THEIR MEMORABLE TRIP TO NORTH AMERICA.


## CHAPTER XIX.

FTER supper Mr. Crinkle, who had appeared to be in a most uneasy frame of mind all day, suggested that it was nearly time for the party to be wending their way to the river's bank. "I know not how it is," said he "but there seems to be an aching void-"
"Why didn't you say you had the head-ache before, old fellow " interrupted Yubbits. "I've noticed you looking peculiarly glum, but I supposed it was the effect of the imposing splendor of the architectural sights we have this day witnessed."

Crinkle appeared deeply hurt at this remark, and Bramley observing this said,somewhat sternly "Yubbits, I know you do not wish, intentionally, to pain our friend, but you forget that he possesses a nature, the sensitiveness of which you cannot be expected to understand : I only wish you could feel as Crinkle feels on some subjects: were you as-""
" Oh ! come Bramley," broke in Yubbits, " you know I was only joking."

"Yes; but though your speech may seem but a jest to you, I assure you that our friend feels it keenly; am I right, Crinkle ?" said Bramley, turning to that gentleman.
"Partially, Bramley, but you forget that Yubbit's volatile temperament leads him into saying things that he does not mean, so say no more about it," returned Crinkle, "all I was about to remark was that I feel a want of something, a void as I before remarked, a-"
"I thought you went into tea with us," again interrupted the irrepressible Yubbits," wholly unabashed by his former rebuke.
" Yubbits, I, as chosen leader of this party, must insist on silence on your part, and let us hear what Crinkle does feel," said Bramley, whilst Coddleby looked very sympathizingly towards his poetic friend. "What is it, Crinkle ?"
"No matter," replied the bard, but I think the hour is at hand when our hearts will be gladdened by hearing a true Canadian Boat song, and if you are ready, we might as well be off : what do you say ?"
"By all means" replied Coddleby, "I am ready: let's see," consulting his watch, "seven o'clock; that'll give us plenty of time to stroll down easily; come along," and leading the way, he passed through the hall and into the street followed by his friends, and all four bent their steps in the direction of the river. A glow of satisfaction overspread the features of Mr. Crinkle, as he felt how near his anticipations were to being realized.

It was a beautiful June evening, and as the banks of the winding Ottawa were reached the sun was preparing to say good-night 'ere he drew the rosy bed-curtains round his blushing face. A robin was pouring forth a volume of song from a branch of a neighboring maple,

not a breath of air stirred; and there was not the faintest ripple on the surface of the noble river. Neither was there, at the moment of our friends' arrival, anything in he shape of a boat to be seen.
"And so," began Crinkle, as the four seated themselves on the grassy banks, and looked up and down the stream. "And so this is the Ottawa river; at last I behold the scene of Moore's exquisite melody. It is indeed a beauteous spot, it is--whoo! what's that ?" and he sprang up with an expression of pain on his face -_" Heavens! Bramley, Yubbits, your gun, quick, I'm snake-bitten; I felt it distinctly! Gracious! Yubbits," he continued, dancing about with horrible contortions of countenance. "Why don't you do something? Would you see me die thus?"

The consternation of the other three was something terrible to witness, as they beheld their friend wildly capering up and down and rubbing the afflicted part ; they themselves being unable to perceive the cause of his woe or to offer him any aid, and Yubbits assuring him that he had not any of his guns with him, but that the implement he carried was nothing more lethal than a walking-stick.
"What is it ?" shouted Coddleby, "where has it ${ }^{\frac{7}{2} \text { bitten }}$ you?"
"Here, here, I tell you," replied Crinkle, with his hand on his coat-tail. "It must be one of those deadly cobra di capellos which are indigenous to this climate."
" Bosh !" exclaimed Yubbits, who was by far the most unconcerned of the party, "bosh! there aren't any cobra's out here ; it may be a rattle-snake, however."


So far from producing any alleviation either of Mr. Crinkle's pain of body or agony of mind, this opinion rather seemed to add to the latter at least. The sufferer still continued to hop about, his three friends gyrating at a cautious distance around him.
" Demmit! he's bitten me too," yelled Yubbits, suddenly clapping his hand to his face, and joining in the frantic terpsichorean exercise.
"Whew! they've got me," shouted the usually imperturbable Bramley, pulling out an immense red silk handkerchief and springing in the air with it to his nose. "It's wasps!" he cried ungrammatically, "Run!"-and away went the four at a pace that would have been accounted good, even at a first rate professional pedestrian exhibition, but which was speedily brought to a conclusion on Mr . Bramley's part from a giving out of the breath. Mr. Yubbits' long legs carried him far in advance of the rest, and he ceased not running till he felt sure he had far outdistanced his winged pursuers. As for Coddleby, who alone had escaped unscathed, and Crinkle, who had been the unfortunate cause of stirring up the wrath of those vicious little insects by sitting upon their nest, they presently came up with Yubbits some quarter of a mile further up the river bank, and were in turn joined by Bramley, panting, and with a nose swollen to most abnormal proportions.
"All I've got to say is" puffed Yubbits, "dem Jim Moore, or whatever the confounded fellow's confounded name was, that brought us here."
"Tom Moore, Yubbits, Tom, not Jim," said Crinkle, whose pain was by this time somewhat assuaged, and who could not bear to hear his favorite poet spoken of in such harsh, nay, even severe terms.
"Well, then, dem Tom," said Yubbits, who had received two very severe stings on his left cheek, and was smarting, besides, under a sense of wrong. I'd just like to see him sitting on a wasp's nest; By Jove I'll bet he'd sing his beastly boat song then, confound him."

Crinkle was about to make a very angry retort to this rather ungracious speech, when his ear caught the sound of an oar proceeding from the river a little above the spot where they stood.
"Hist!" he exclaimed, "what is that? It is, it isat last ! oh! at last : my friends," and he turned to his companions, "the supreme hour of my existence is at hand: look yonder," and he pointed up the river, which curved somewhat abruptly a few hundred yards above. All eyes were turned in the direction which his finger indicated; and round the sweep appeared, not a boat, it is true, but a raft, with three or four sturdy rattsmen on board. "Why, that's not a boat," said Mr. Yubbits, contemptuously. "Well, it certainly isn't a schooner rigged curvette," retorted Coddleby, slyly ; at which Mr. Yubbits colored slightly but held his peace.
"It matters not what kind of a boat it is," went on Crinkle, "Moore did not specity the nature of his craft; all I know is that it is something with oars, floating on the Ottawa tide."
"Blissful moment!" he exclaimed, after a pause, the tears of emotion standing in his eyes; "now, now at last, we shall hear that beautiful song."
"That fellow isn't singing yet, at any rate," remarked the unfeeling Yubbits, as all four stood gazing at the raft as it slowly swung down the stream, the oars, at bow and stern, being at this moment idle. " He is certainly a very silent row-brothers-rowster," he went on. "Ah ! but he will sing; I feel it intuitively," exclaimed Crinkle; "he must sing: Moore says they all sing." and, sure enough, just as the raft approached to within fifty yards of the spot where stood the fuur Pickwickians, it seemed
 to be drawing too closely into the bank, and a tall, redshirted, long-booted fellow sprang to one of the oars, whilst a comrade threw himself upon another, and leaning back, both tugged vigorously. At the same time the first, tlirowing back his head and opening his mouth to its fullest extent, burst forth into song. Mr. Crinkle craned eagerly forward to catch the melody he anticipated, his companions, scarcely less expectant, also waited for the first notes of the hymn. It came ; in a volume of sound combining the roar of a bull of Bashan and the notes of a steam calliope, the Boat-song came regardless of time or tune as follows:-
"Jean Ratis' on ze Cuombaire r-r-raff." Chorres-"Hay ha ho ah boo-ooly !"
" Catch a feesh an' it mek 'im iaff." Chorus-Hay ha ho ah boo-ooly!

Zen a hay, ha, ho, for le Jean Batis'
Go for to ketch a big cat fees'
And fry im up wiz ze bon pork gr-r-rease! Chorus - "Hay ho ha ah boo-ooly,"
(Tobe continued.)


## A LITTLE POINT OVERLOOKED.

"Morning, sir," said the Dignified Personage, stepping into our sanction in response to our invitation. "Have I the honor of addressing, Mr. Grip ?"
"That inefable privilege is yours," we replied.
"Sir," said he, "I am a Police Magistrate from the country, but I have no chestnut bell."
"You would find no use for such a thing here," we promptly rejoined.
"I'm afraid you don't precisely catch my meaning-I refer to that cartoon of yours and I mean that I am not one of those Police Magistrates who disregard the duties of their office. I am with you heart and soul, on the enforcement of the laws of the land-temperance and every other kind.
"Ah!" ejaculated we.
"But sir," continued the Dignified Personage, "there is one little point that you have overlooked so far as Police Magistrates in the rural districts are concernedor perhaps you never knew about it-""
"Indeed," said we, " and what is that ?"
"Are you aware that all such officials are appointed without salary?"
" O come, you're joking," we replied.
"Nothing of the sort," said he. "I know only too well there's no joke about it. Listen: Mr. Mowat originated a statute that if any county council 'affirmed a resolution' that a county police magistrate was desirable, the OntarioGovernment wo ld carry out the recommendation, and then the county council must pay the appointee not less than $\$ 600$ per annum as salary, thus leaving the matter optional with county councils; as however these councils have uniformly refused to recognize the statute, we who were appointed before the passing of said Act, between the Ontario Government and the county councils are left out in the cold, and have literally to assume all the responsibility, trouble and risk without any remuneration whatever!
"It is absurd to advance that the paltry fees allowed to magistrates can be referred to in the way of payment, thus "for hearing and determining a case" the fee is fifty cents and.some cases are held over for a session of four different days, twelve and a half cents per days! and in Crown cases no fees whatever can be charged ; so that I may presume we are the only unpaid officials in the Dominion of Canada.
"Members of county councils are for the most part country people who cannot comprehend in the least degree that occupations that require purely mental
capabilities and education should be valued much, and a small salary of a few cents per day might, if they are in a particularly generous mood, be "atfirmed in a resolution," but six hundred dollars a year for a police magistrate takes away the truth from their magnificent souls! overlooking the fact that we are $c$ ontinually saving the county funds large amounts for all convictions under the summary trial by consent Act. No doubt many in these councils are directly or indirectly concerned in the liquor traffic. We (the police magistrates) have strongly represented to Mr . Mowat that the time is past that the disposal of the question should be left to bodies of men who thus oppose his measures ; but whilst censuring the dullness of the councils he considers he has to leave the question until they can see its importance, so that we are left to fall between two stools. That gentlemen, who it should be supposed are of somewhat superior attainments and standing, should be expected to act for the community without payment when every other official is well remunerated, is surely a remnant of barbarity. As for myself, my training cost me the first twenty-two years of my life before I earned a cent."
"Ah! that puts another face on it, certainly," said we, after listening patiently to the dignified personage's long and able speech.
" Henceforth Grip will never have a word to say against tardy magistrates; he will reserve all his thunderbolt; for the stupid and tight fisted county councils."
"That's right, sir !" said the magistrate. "Fiat justitza mat ccelum."
And he took his departure.

## SOME SENTIMENTS.

Jotted down in pensive moments.
Definitions of marriage-a committee of two, with power to add to their number.

EARLY winter ode
A Little Boy-
A Pair of Skates-
A Hole in the Ice-
Then Heaven's Gates.
"Wanderina Spirit"! What a sweetly sad and suggestive name the noble redman boasts. How it conjures up thoughts of the Boundless Prairie and the restless savages that roam over it! How it also reminds you of the Algoma campaign and John Shield's perambulating frozen whiskey!

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*Fill in blanks appropriately. The key word begins with " $p$ " and ends with "Y", alihough, perhaps, it is not policy to give the guesser so much of a start.

## POETRY AND TRUTH.

Spindler (quoting): "With half my appetite, good dame, my leather doublet would be a feast indeed!"

Servant: I'm glad you feel that way, sir, for Missus wanted me to tell you that she's lost the mallet and the steak ain't been pounded quite so much as common.-Tid-bits.

What a gladsome meeting must have been that recent convention of the leading pickle and preserve manufacturers. An association was organized to be known as the Canadian Picklers' and Preservers' Association. The meeting was characterized by the utmost good feeling and unanimity. Not a jar occurred. It sour ducy to record this sauce spiceous event. The members mustard strong. They preserved the entente cordial. They deserve the appleation of a gem society. There was no jambonee indulged in. Their deliberations will bear fruit for Canneda. Anjelly candour characterized them. They berried all bitterness of feeling. Peel after peel of laughter greeted each peach and many were encored. They were all so happy tomato. One of the questions busy discussed was how to ketchup with their work in the season. In consequince each will carraway lasting good.

'T'не Rev. (1 reallythink this tule ought in this case to be written "Rev.") "Sam." (I certainly cannot bring myself to write this abbreviation without a period and inverted commas) Jones has been the sensation of an hour-or rather of a whole week. He is probably the most jocoserious individual in existence, and this very jocoseriousness has been the cause of the whole split in the community as to whether or not Mr. Jones should be criticised. Some think that the " joco" part is far too predominant ; others that he is "serious" as could be desired. Which party is in the right the undersigned pretendeth not to determine.

Strange that in the year of grace ${ }_{\mathbf{1}}^{*} 890$ mankind has not yet settled the question of the legitimacy or illegitimacy of the various methods employed to moralize the people -for is not this the object of all sermons and pulpit orations? This one robed in alb or cassock chants Gregorian airs through clouds of incense. Another in surplice and stole in mellifluous language speaks homilies ore rotundo. A third in scarlet blouse harangues the mob to the sound of drums and cymbals. Where between all these lies the difference? Is it not one of æsthetic standards only? Between a chasuble and a red shirt the difference is little more than one of cut and color. Between an organ and a tambourine the difference is little more than one of timbre. Between a liturgy and "firing a volley" the difference is little more than one of harmony. What appear antics to one party are genuflexions to another ; and both are gimcracks to a third.

One set is governed by a "General," another by a "Abp.," another by a "Bny Preacher." Acolytes and deacons ; class leaders and church wardens; vergers and hallelujah lasses - are they not very similar after all.

Let us say in that pregnant sentence from the great Jean Paul Richter-Jean Paul "the unique " (der einzige) that these are all but "ethnic forecourts to the invisible temple and its Holy of Holies."

Again, which are * right the undersigned pretendeth not to determine. Would that some sage well versed in the science of æsthetico-religio-ethico physio psychology would elucidate for us this complirated problem.




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FThe Chief (loquitor)-Oh! Hamilton. My usefulness for thee is gone. Ah me! I have led a happy life within thy borders. Admired by sports and detested by croukes, I have gone on my unchecked way until Alec. was boosted into the Mayoral chair. (Rapturously).

> "Oh ! star of silver light With flickering beam so bright, Oh! tell me, pray,
> Up in the calm blue skies
> HIave Mayors souls or tyes?
> Do tell nie pray!"

What a hit I made with that Sweet Stars poetry (once won a prize too) and yet Hamilton breathed a sigh of relief when my resignation was accepted. But I will be revenged! I will send another poem to the Eyrie, Alec., Alec., I have no use for thee! Why object to my going to the North-West or down East to be cast into durance vile. ' I I was glad to go. Got too full of lawn-tennis. I-

## (Enter a deputation of lawn tennis players).

Spokesman (tears streaming from his eves)-Ah ! chisf. This is a bitter day for us. Your poplar-like form will soon flit from our gaze On behalf of the tennis players of Hamilton I tender you the tearful regrets of the gentlemen and the sob-sobbing laments of the ladies. May the remembrance of your many triumphs on the lawn be a comfort to you during these your hours of trouble. Quoting from your incomparable poem we would say:

> "Each time you meet our view, We long to be with you, Away from here."
(The chief replies with a heartrending look and the deputation file out in silence.)

The chief-Oh! that I should have to leave! Where-
(Enter a vieputation of sluggers with dejected mien).
First slugger-Say, chief, this is too bad of you, to leave us just as we have got the noble art down so fine and so duly appreciated. We'll not get such encouragement from the next chief. Say, let's have a round before we go. It will seem like old times.
(The chief, dashing a tear from his left eye, complies, takes the whnle deputation in turn and rallantlv wipes the floor with their bodies. Exit deputation of siuggers highly elated.)
The chief--Now I begin to feel myself again. A few more rounds and all thoughts of Alec. would have flickered to the stars. As I remarked before, where-
(Enter the deputation of cricketers. Business as before. Exit cricketers. Enter deputation of Caledonian gamesters. Siame business. Exit. Depulations of poets, eloculinnists, baseball players, athletes and others follow each other in rapid succession, until the chief throws up the sponge and is taken home in the patrol wagon, murmuring distractedly:
"Oh! that I dwelt up there, Amidst the balmy air, Away from here, I d like to live and think, To eat, and sleep and drink Up there not here."
"Twinkle, twinkle little star."
(Curtain.)

## FROM THE HEAD OFFICE.

Mr. I. J. Hingley, Grand Chief Templar of Nova Scotia; in sending remittance to pay his subscription to March, 1888, writes as follows :-"I like my Grip, and as the chief officer of the I.O.G.T. in this Province, with a membership of over 7,000 , I thank you from my heart on behalf of our Order for the stand you have taken in favor of Temperance. Your caricatures of the Rum business will do more to educate the people of Canada to vote for prohibition than any other instrument or association that I know of."
" It seems to me that the young men nowadays have some queer ways about them," remarked old Mrs. Pipkin, as she divested herself of her wrappings after a trip downtown.
"Why so, mother?" asked her son.
"Why, in the street-car to-day there were two young fellows, and one says to the other, 'Where's your overcoat?' 'In soak,' replied the other one ; 'where's yours?' 'Same here,' was the answer ; ' mine has been in soak all summer.' Now when I was a young woman the men used to put their overcoats in a trunk with camphor and things to keep away the moths, but I suppose the latest style is to put them in soak. I'd think it would take all the shape out of them."
Snaggs did not explain it, and the old lady is still worrying over these new-fangled styles.

## AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT.

If you will pardon us for interrupting the conversation for a moment, we would just mention that Grip's Comic Almanac for 1887 is in course of preparation. 32 pages, ro cts. Out in November. Don't forget it.

## PARAGRAPHIC POINTS．

Pride is the summer of character，because it goeth before a fall．

Ir is better to listen to others than have others tired histening to you．
A black eye to your antagnnist is often worth two black tyes to yourself．
Some think the place for a red button－hole bouquet is on the end of their nuse．

OUR lives would be perpetual sunchine if we were not contiaually crearing cluuds．

Joserf was the first politician．He had a coat of many colurs．－Roston 7ranscript

Never deprive your live relatives of the staff of life to erect a monument for jour dead self．

Creed with some people is like their best spare room－only to be used when company arrives．

Pubiic office is a public trust，but it is not safe to trust every public officer．－Coldsboro Argus．
Victoria Morosini will pass a Schilling no longer．She has gine to Par．－Wash． ington Critic．The pravity of the subject prevents us from giving a－cent to this dollar－ ous pun．
INSTEAD of going to their covets and quietly in orming God of the poorl they have done，many prefer to let their fellow men into he secret，and so they mount a housetop a d bawl to God through a speaking truapet．－ Whitehall Times
（Siene－Cambridgs Avenue，Edinburgh．） Younir Scot－American－No．We don＇t go to church in America．We stay at home and read the papers．Young Sister－Aye，and we gang tae the kirk tae hear a paper read． －Bailie．
＂These are awful hard times，＂said our young debt collector，as he returned from a fruitless expedition after a band of deliquents and threw down a pile of unpaid bills on our desk the other day，＂every flace I have been I was riquested to call again，but one， and that was when I dropped in to see my girl．Yes，sir，things are getting bilious．＂
Goad Leaf．
Since it became fashionable for young ladies to wear a collar an 1 necktie their superinrity to men has been fully demonsirat－ ed．You never see a lady with her necktie over her ears，A brief ir al of six months has taught women more in the necklie wear－ ing art th in men have learned in six thousand years．A human being that can make a neck－ tie stay i．，place should have right to cast two balluts at every election．－Lynn Union．
＂I Can＇r imagine what the troubie is with that cow，＂said a New Yorker who is giving his attention to amateur farming this season．＂She looks all righr，＂commented a neigh＇or．＂Yes she looks all ri，jht，＂ agretd the New Yorker，＂lut the least won＇t give down her milk．Wh n I bought her a month ago she ave twenty－fuur quarts a day；now I＇in lucky to get five．And it isn＇t because she duesri＇t get milked often enough，＂added the puzzled amateur．＂Not a day passe：I don＇t milk that cow half a dozen times at least．＂－Pulmer fournal．

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