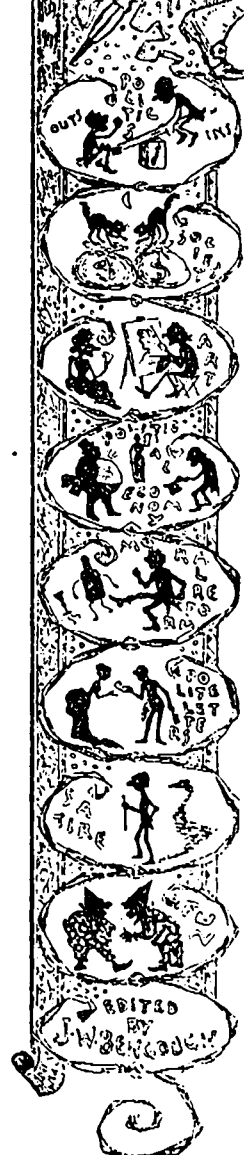
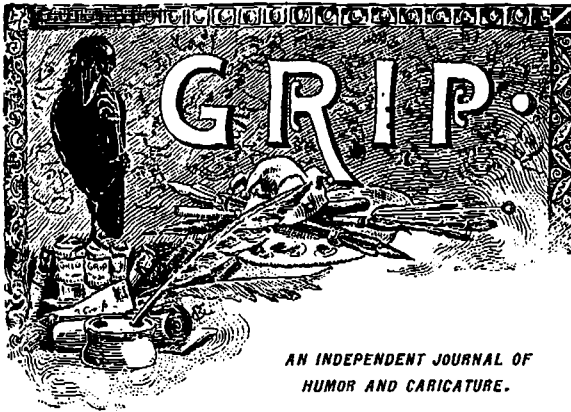


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Comments on the Cartoons.



SIG. JOHNNA, THE LION KING.

—It must be gratifying to all who admire manly independence to note that in Dalton McCarthy Sir John has met a lion who cares nothing for his party whip. The attempt to keep the member for South Simcoe quiet on the dual language question, not because his attitude was an unsound one, but because it was inexpedient from a party standpoint, has completely failed. If we had a dozen more men on the Conservative side who could bring themselves to believe

that Sir John is not inspired, and that to differ from him and on occasion act against him is not necessarily impious, it would be a good thing for the country. We would like to see the monotony of this one-man power broken once in a while whether the kicker was right or wrong. It would conduce to the health of the body politic. In the present instance our conviction is that Mr. McCarthy is right, and we are glad to know that he has practically gained his point. Of course the Government has been too cowardly to allow the Bill to pass, but by relegating the question to the people of the North-West for settlement it has pretty safely assured the abolition of the official French at an early date. Our approval of Mr. McCarthy extends to his Bill, abolishing official French, but we regard his alleged notion of abolishing the use of French in social and business life, as an absurd idea which could not possibly be realized, and which would be undesirable even if practicable.

WHY QUEBEC IS BANKRUPT.—Quebec has a debt of some \$28,000,000, and an estimated deficit for next year of about \$1,000,000. In view of this state of affairs it is said Premier Mercier proposes to apply to the Federal Government for \$12,000,000, under the name of "better terms." Should he receive this assistance (and it must not be forgotten that there is a "French vote" at Ottawa to back up the demand) the payment will mean a considerable addition to the burdens of the Ontario tax-payer, and it is accordingly not impertinent for that patient being to enquire how it comes that Quebec is so pauperized. The answer to this enquiry is—to a great extent it is by reason of the existence of a State Church, whose vast accumulations of property go untaxed, and whose demands upon the public treasury for direct payments are unceasing. There is no reason, in the nature of things why the Province of Quebec should not be as prosperous as Ontario. The impediments to its prosperity are wholly of human creation and ought to be removable by human agency.

THE DUAL LANGUAGE DUEL.—This dual question is going to become a *duel* question, though the fight will not be strictly between the two races, but between those who believe with Mr. McCarthy that to build up a great and united nation we must recognize but one language; and those who take the view of the *Globe*, that we can work out our highest destiny on the lines we are now working on.



THE dime museums are yawning for a consistent Protectionist, but they might as well hanker for a Dodo. A consistent Protectionist is entirely a fabled animal. Nothing of the sort has ever existed, nor ever will. This fact, if you sit down and think about it, is enough in itself to condemn the philosophy of Protection as unsound. Here, for example, we find the organs of the present Canadian Government rejoicing with the world in general at the gradual cutting down of the

Atlantic steamship record. No doubt, if at length the voyage is reduced to three days or to twenty-four hours, they will be as glad as anybody else; and yet consistency requires them as Protectionists to regard such a possibility as a calamity to this country. According to Protectionist doctrine, it would be much better if the good old times were restored when it required three months to cross the Atlantic, because that was a practical protection against the influx of "pauper-made European goods." It is also noteworthy that none of the profound philosophers of the N.P. has ever yet undertaken seriously to tackle the question: If a high tariff around the Dominion "boundaries is good for the Dominion, why wouldn't high Provincial tariffs be good for the Provinces?"

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THE utter selfishness of the protective system is another feature of it which is calculated to make it hateful to every lover of humanity. Here, as the latest example, we find the New England manufacturers demanding the abolition of the duties on coal, coke and iron ore, the raw materials of their business; but these energetic petitioners are by no means willing that the corresponding duties on their finished products should at the same time be done away. It is a shameless game of grab all round; a scramble in which all the better emotions of humanity are trampled under foot. It is to be hoped that this unseemly spectacle may before long revolt the moral sense of the people to such a degree that they will demand the entire sweeping away of a system which, under the specious disguise of assisting industry, is nothing better than brazen faced robbery.



THE MUNICIPAL DEADHEAD.

IF Ald. John Hallam could have his way about it, there would be an end of municipal deadheadism, and every citizen and institution would have to pay into the civic treasury in fair proportion for the benefits received. We say John's head is level.

HOW long, oh Lord, how long is this terrible Siberian business to be allowed to go on? Is there no machinery of civilization that can be set in motion to put an end to the horrible torture of our fellow-creatures—the noblest men and women of Russia—in those loathsome dungeons of the wilderness? Must we stand tamely by and hear accounts of pure, refined and high-born women being “stripped and flogged in the presence of all the men in the prison,” and driven to suicide to escape the insults of the brutes placed over them by the Government of the Czar? In the name of God and of humanity let something be done! It is too late in the nineteenth century for such horrible outrages on helpless men and women to be perpetrated in the name of Government, and it is time that civilization spoke out in



CRUSHED.

SMART ENGLISHMAN (a stickler for good spelling—to grocer, whose education has been neglected)—“Ere, you know, 'ow many h'ec's are there in h'eggs?”

GROCER—“Can't tell till they're hatched!”

a voice which the Czar will hear and heed. It is said that a remonstrance from any of the Christian powers would probably be met by the autocrat pointing to evils unremedied in the protesting State. There are none comparable with Siberia, as he very well knows, and the fear of such a taunt should not deter the friends of humanity from offering their protest.

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THE system of execution by electricity now in operation in New York State ought to be adopted in Canada. The method is more merciful than hanging, and as the law also prohibits the publication of sensational accounts of executions, we might be spared the penny dreadful assault which the *Evening Telegram* makes upon decency every time a capital sentence is carried out in Toronto. Not only does that enterprising journal offend good taste with a series of terrible engravings, but it invariably makes the occasion an excuse for recapitulating the facts of all the former executions in this city. We are better without such literature.

ECHOES FROM OTTAWA.

(By our Own Sweet Reporter.)

MORE PICTURES IN DEMAND—MR. SOMERVILLE EXPOSES GOVERNMENT PRINTING JOBS, AND MR. M'ULLEN FIGURES DOWN CAB-HIRE COST—DR. MONTAGUE GRANTS AN INTERVIEW.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17th.



DEAR OLD GRIP,—I am still enjoying myself, although working real hard. Just think of it—today, before I sat down to write a single scrap for you, I entertained three lady callers, mended my ulster pocket where that pesky note-book ripped it, had my photograph taken in the act of preparing my “copy,” showed my landlady's Irish cook how to make little gem-tarts that melt in your mouth, and

put up my hair in curl pa—or, rather, in curls.

I would urge on you to draw more pictures of Members. You wouldn't believe how many are anxious to get a place in GRIP's famous portrait gallery. Most everyone I meet is willing to exchange photos with me, so that I can have theirs to send to you as a copy, you understand.

In printing Mr. McCarthy's be sure and put real cross-looking crow's-feet about the eyes, and don't forget his goatce. You might also give the nose just a little side twist, if you can manage it.

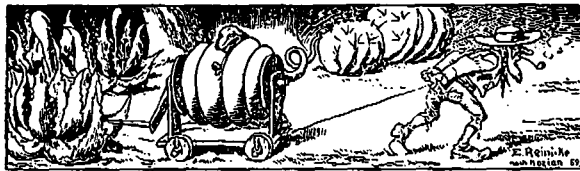
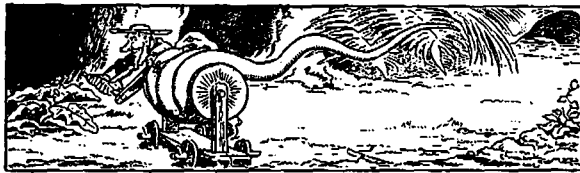
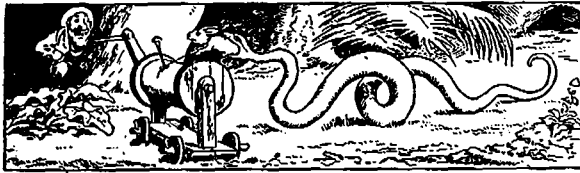
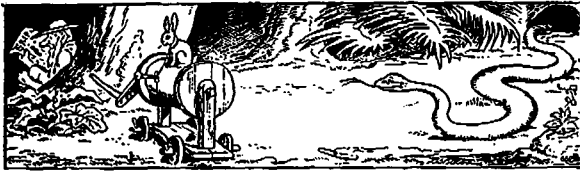
Mr. Trow's big, bushy eyebrows are, my friend Owen tells me, his special pride and he uses hair vigor on them. You remember there was that enquiry about Mr. Trow's new whip I promised to make. I was too bashful to make it. But I asked Owen about whether Mr. Trow had a new whip, and the horrid fellow simply answered, “I trow not.”

Get Col. O'Brien's side-whiskers to look just like an Old Country butler's, and don't spare the bald on the head.

Always give young Mr. Tupper's full face, just as you appropriately could give his father's cheek view. He has the nicest little mouth for a man you ever saw.

Pay particular attention to Sir Adolphe's clothes. He does.

If you should ever draw Senator Gowan, do not, for the life of you, omit his snuff-box.



THE SNAKE-TRAP

(From *Fliegende Blätter*.)

I knead not direct you as to Mr. Paterson, of Brant, who, I think, is a baker. He "marks it with T"—only one t, I mean.

From the view I got of Mr. N. F. Davin from the Gallery, I think you would do him an injustice to credit him with any hair at all.

In another letter, maybe, if I have time, I will give you directions about others of my dear Ottawa friends.

Mr. Somerville begged for a private interview with me on urgent business, and I granted it, although I was busy with a new piece of crotchet work. He earnestly begged me to look over some printing calculations he had made, and, if I felt it would help to lift this unfortunate country out of the slough of despond—(those were his very words, and they positively frightened me)—I might send them to GRIP. He said as follows: "The Government farmed out job work to Tory hacks, by which I mean Conservative papers, at four prices. Now, as a printer, I say, if one thousand ems is to be paid for in long-primer, and you measure it according to nonpareil, all fat counting solid, rule and figure-work double, press-work seventy-five cents a token, no allowance for making up, binding and trimming extra, why is the bourgeois of the minion not included in the agate, and the diamond and pearl put in the contract, so that the composition is the job by which the standard rules of the Typographical Union are governed in all this class of printing?" I took the statement down as well as I could, and perhaps readers will understand what is the matter. I do not. But I look on Mr. Somerville as a very able man.

Emboldened by Mr. Somerville's success, Mr. McMullen waited on me—and I then waited on him. He had a whole lot of cab prices, schedules, and so forth, he called them, and two fierce-looking cabmen at the door,

to post him, he said, if he got stuck on distances. Now, what he wants me to tell you is that if ministers would go on the street-cars when it was raining, instead of paying for cabs, there would be saved several hundred dollars a year to the Dominion. Another scheme he propounded was that every time a cab was hired a minister should scare up a friend to accompany him and stand half the cost. A third idea of his was for ministers to borrow horses from country members too poor to keep them over winter, and so save cab-hire part of the year. I said: "Wouldn't the members have to hire a stable-boy, and also feed the horses?" Mr. McMullen laughed derisively, and fairly hissed: "Let 'em make Civil Service clerks do the stable chores; as for feed, what do turnips and chopped straw amount to compared with the villainous outlay for cab-hire?"

I expressed deep sympathy for this much-exercised member, and promised to send you a plain statement of the soul-corroding cares under which he is, I fear, fast sinking into an untimely grave.

Then he and the two other gentlemen went away arm-in-arm.

My friend Owen pointed out Dr. Montague to me, the other day, and added that he was the political hero of the hour, that he could make a speech unsurpassed for fluency, fervor, flower and force, that he had had in a short time more candidature and less seat than any other politician alive to-day, and that I ought to interview him at the earliest possible moment.

The very next day—wasn't it lucky?—as I was going along the street to my milliner's, to see if she had my new bonnet done—Oh, GRIP, dear, you have no idea what a perfect love of a thing it is; so neat and becoming to me, and just the very mate of one worn by a young lady guest at Rideau Hall! It was done, you know, when I called that day. It is the cutest shape—trimmed just too sweet for anything—and would you believe it?—but perhaps I had better tell you a little about Dr. Montague first, though I know you are fairly dying to hear all about the bonnet.

Well, I actually had the courage—did I say I met the Doctor as I was going to the milliner's about my precious little bonnet?—I actually got up nerve enough to stop him and present my card, just the least little bit trembling, you know, and I fancy I felt a tiny bit of blush on my cheeks.

"The member of Parliament for Haldimand?" I modestly queried.

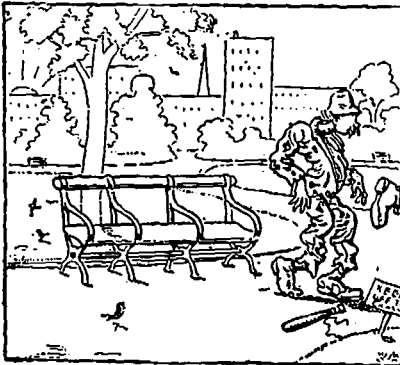
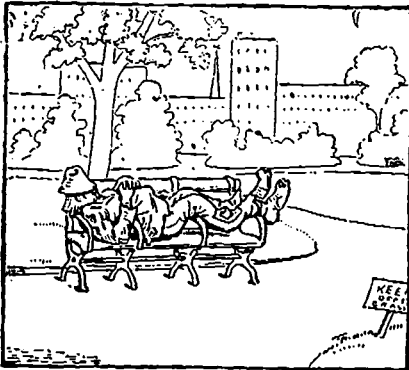
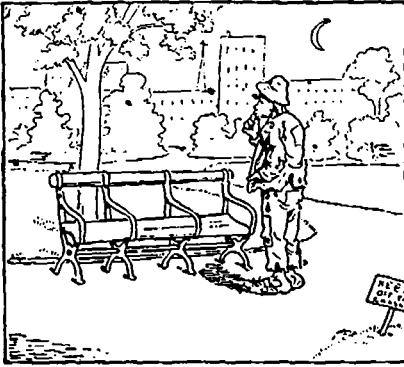
"No madame—that is to say, I—or rather my name is Montague—and er—I am not a Member of Parliament—I am only the Member for Haldimand—at least, I believe I am or was or will be or—or—ought to be—or—er—or—something like that—er!" And the poor man got so dreadfully confused he did not seem to really know how to answer me. I confess I felt embarrassment myself and was sorry I had so thoughtlessly worried him.

Bye and bye he recovered his composure partly and said:—"Pardon my hesitancy, Miss Nyas,—and let me say here I have had the honor of hearing about you and your admirable correspondence work in behalf of the leading journal of this Dominion"—(say, wasn't that nice of the Doctor?)—"but the truth is I am not sure, without looking up the court records, who or what I am, politically speaking, at the present moment. You see it is a sort of up-and-down contest between Colter and me, and the courts appear to have got things so badly mixed that one of us, I guess, will have to die or move into another constituency in order that the other may get and keep his seat."



WHY QUEBEC IS BANKRUPT.

TURNING MISFORTUNE TO ACCOUNT.



Then we soon got into an easy flow of talk, and I would just like to tell you even half of the important matters which the Doctor knew all about. But as I promised to go out to tea this evening, you will please excuse me till I get back to Toronto.

But I really must tell you one interesting fact I learned. The Doctor's true name is Mont-a-guc—three syllables, with the accent on the "a." He states that his ancestors originally took their patronymic from living on a mountain where the ague prevailed. Now the name is accented on the first syllable, to be more euphonious and less suggestive of chill for a doctor, who will neither shake nor be shaken. I finally got so familiar with this gifted and graceful young statesman that I ventured this: "The reporters tell me you have a flowery style, Doctor."

"Aw—well," laughingly, "I suppose I must confess to a slight tendency towards—aw—florescence!"

"Then, Doctor, having a leaning towards flour, why do you not help the down-trodden millers in their crusade?"

At this very moment we had reached the milliner's, and I hastily took leave of the Member from Haldimand, before he could frame a reply to my sauce. But, GRIP, dear, you'll *never* leave out this joke, will you, now?

Ta-ta, dear. Your own—correspondent,

ANNA NYAS.

CRUMBS FROM THE ROUND TABLE.

BY F. MCARTHUR.

A QUAINT CONCEIT.

GAWAIN—"Dagonet the fool hath but now discoursed a merry jest to me about yon fat and rotund knight, Sir Baxteris, who once again hath armed him for a mission."

MODRED—"Dost thou remember it?"

GAWAIN—"Ay, marry, do I? His conceit was that the fat man's accoutrements did converse after this manner. The helmet said, 'I fear me that our idle days are past.' To it the gauntlet made reply, 'Thou speakest sooth, but let me give thee joy that thou shalt be once more atop of the heap.'"

THE CHRISTMAS TURKEY.

KING ARTHUR—"Where gottest thou this Christmas turkey, my Guinevere?"

GUINEVERE—"My sire Leodogran sent it me, my lord."

KING ARTHUR—"By my halidom. If there is truth in Pythagoras, the bird must have been inhabited by the sole of thy grandsire's shoe."

THERE WAS WOE IN CAMELOT.

MERLIN—"Ye of this table shall be much spoken of by poets in times to come."

SIR LAUNCELOT—"Ay, and I also prophecy that commentators on the works of these same rhyme mongers will speak of all references to us as dark and obscure passages."

MERLIN—"Why sayst thou so?"

SIR LAUNCELOT—"Marry, are we not k-nights?"

WALLS THAT WOULD NOT BAR MARAUDERS

MODRED—"Methinks it was a foolish work of Merlin to build our hall with music's spells."

PELLEAS—"What is thy reason?"

MODRED—"Being built with music, its battlements are not impassable. They may be scaled."

LINES.

BY A TEN-YEAR'S SUBSCRIBER TO "GRIP."
TWO hundred cents aint much, I know,
But multiplied by ten, they grow,
And each year adds two hundred, so
That GRIP costs more than I bestow
On whiskey and cigars.

I read the *Empire* and the *Mail*,
Some local weeklies, and the *Globe*.
I often buy a wholesome tale,
And works of science sometimes probe,
To keep abreast the times.

My cash receipts are limited,
For selling dry goods is my line,
I must stop GRIP, I've often said,
And owe you now for eighty-nine.
A debt I do deplore.

I read to learn and know the truth,
And quills kept clean will always dip
Pure ink, and write pure thoughts,
forsooth,
If guided by such men as GRIP.
Write on, oh GRIP, write on.

It's clear, if honest with myself,
I must curtail some other way,
For cash in hand is not all wealth.
Enclosed find yearly bill, and say—
Send GRIP another year!



LICENSED, AND THEREFORE MUST BE ALL RIGHT.

"THINGS THAT EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW."

DR. WOOD delivered a lecture before the Streetsville High School the other day on the above subject. Our special reporter was unavoidably absent, but says he feels perfectly sure the lecturer dealt learnedly with the following topics as matter of knowledge that ought to be familiar to all, viz:—

THAT it is always in order for a man to complain about the "hard times."

THAT the colored troops fought nobly.

THAT the coal-oil can and the kitchen stove do not cordially agree with each other on all occasions.

THAT the man who works for a living has more solid enjoyment of life than the loafer—aristocratic or bum.

THAT the boy who isn't full of life and fun and mischief, has something serious lacking in his make-up.

THAT whiskey is no man's friend.

THAT a job in the Civil Service is a softer snap than digging drains. But yet —!

THAT the moderate man, not the violent partisan, is the real balance of power in politics.

THAT the best women in the world have the quickest tempers.

THAT there is really no need waiting till New Year's Day to swear off.

THAT you should never kick another man's dog—in the man's presence.

THAT any man who does not do all the fighting he has to do with the world, and have peace reign at home, is a coward.

THAT all men are not liars—that is, not exactly all.

THAT it is loaded.

THAT the really good man never goes through this world unrecognized or unappreciated.

THAT all of us are fools in some thing or other, and it would be better for us to admit it and govern ourselves accordingly.

T. T.

THE NARROW ESCAPE OF A NATIONAL ODE.

ON BOARD AN OUTGOING CUNARDER—(*The Noble Lud, off for 'Ome, to Canadian merchant, crossing on business*)—"Yaas, to be shaw! I 'ave found the—aw—the—aw—colonists—or, rawthaw, the—aw—Cana'yens—aw—loyal! In fact—aw—I may remawk—aw—uncommonly loyal—aw. But—aw—would you enlighten me—aw—as to—er—aw—the reason w'y they—aw—'ave that little—er—song, 'God Bless the Prince of Wales' apply—aw—only to the—aw—uncivilized pawtions of the kentry, if I—er—might so express it?"

CANADIAN MERCHANT—"I don't quite catch your meaning, my Lord. The song is really a national ode, and applies everywhere throughout the realm."

THE NOBLE LUD—"Aw! Yaas! Precisely. But—er—w'y 'ave the chorus—aw—so:

Then let the prairie echo
God bless the Prince of Wales?

The—er—prairie, as I und'stand it, is—aw—er—a vawst wild'nness, wheah—aw—no one but savages live! Was it—er—the ideaw of the—aw—awthaw of the song—aw—to have only the—aw—wild Ind' yens—aw—singit—and the prairie echo it? If so—er—by Jawge, I—aw—cawn't 'elp lawfing, you know!"

Canadian merchant explains to the illustrious personage that a little attention to accent on the part of the singer would prevent any one mistaking "prayer re-echo" for "prairie echo."

Whereat the noble Lud expresses a sense of intense relief.

T. T.

AN ANTIQUE EXCUSE.

SIR GARETH—"What gottest thou for a Christmas gift, fool?"

DAGONET—"Marry, Sir Gawain gave me the lie."

SIR GARETH—"And didst thou accept it?"

DAGONET—"By my troth, I would not out of courtesy refuse, seeing that this is the Christmas season." *



THE ROBBERY DISCOVERED AT LAST.

SIR JOHN—"I'm afraid the game is up, Boodle; the Farmer is getting his eye uncovered!"
 [See the resolutions against "Protection" lately passed by the Central Farmers' Union.]

JABBERJAW ON THE SITUATION.

MR. CHAIRMAN—LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—We have reached a crisis in our—um—that is—our national—er—national career, and it behooves us to stop, sir, and—er—consider the situation.

Sir, I ask, are we, as a nation, to—to—to — I mean, are we Canadians prepared for—for—for —. That is to say, does this Dominion intend any—any—any —. By George! utterance positively fails me for the moment; I'm hanged if it doesn't!

But when I look around me and see the—the—the signs of—of—of —; that is, when I read the papers and note how—how—how —; or, more properly, while I pause and consider what is—is—is —! I tell you, ladies and gentlemen, this whole thing is no laughing matter. It involves the—the—the—it means that—that—that—it points to a—a—a—a—a! Why, sir, how can we, who call ourselves Canadians and patriots, submit passively to what is manifestly so—so—so —! I say, how comes it that we stand idly by while—while—while —!

Let me repeat and emphasize this: How in —, or, rather, why should —, or, in other words, what the —! No, sir, I tell you, candidly, this must not be! We are all too sensible to—to—to —! I maintain that in this fair land no one is—is—is —! Let me once more affirm, in the most clear and unmistakable way, that there can be no—no possible, or feasible, or—or —!

Now, sir, I beg of you to look this question squarely in the face. Let us assume that this unrestricted Reciprocity movement—no, I mean, Imperial Federation—is! But stay! I shall endeavor to be more plain and concise:

Supposing we had an American Zollverein to-morrow —! Imagine that Independence was declared! Let us consider that we were annexed to the States! Take and smash Confederation, say! Give us Newfoundland to complete the Union. Have us go to work and start Free Trade with Great Britain! Just fancy we have declared war with the adjoining Republic! Now, then, having stated the premises thus calmly and succinctly, what about it? Who is responsible for this new aspect of affairs? Can it be reasonably contemplated in its entirety and with dispassionate regard for the future consequences which time will evolve, so that none of us may regret that we have taken such a step in the full light of past experience, and guided by those higher dictates of conscience which prompt us to nobler deeds than otherwise, or more so?

Sir, I again inquire, why is this thus? When, how, by whom and for what reason is this critical situation at present before us? Why should we do such a thing? Is there no alternative to the "manifest destiny" here imperfectly foreshadowed? I wot not! But, I trust, having at length explained my position, you, as Canadian patriots, will deal with this matter in a just and fearless style.



SIGNOR JOHNNA, THE LION KING.

SCENE II.—(NOT QUITE SUCH A SUCCESS AS HE COULD HAVE WISHED).



THE BOY OF THE PERIOD.

CALLER—"Is Mr. Smith at home?"
 FREDDY—"That's my name, sir; but perhaps you mean Mr. Smith, Senior?"

MR. J. ENOCH THOMPSON has determined to see what can be done in the way of a permanent exhibition of good pictures, and has accordingly announced that the fine collection, now on view at the Academy of Music, will be kept open for a year, as an experiment. We sincerely trust his faith in Toronto's taste and culture will not be disappointed.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25c. a bottle.

HAWKINS—"What did you have for dinner to-day, Jorgan?"
 JORGAN (*with a scolding wife*)—"Tongue."—N.Y. Epoch.

A. BURNS, blacksmith, Cobourg, tried every known remedy during fifteen years suffering with Dyspepsia. Four bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters cured him.

MINISTER—"I married three couples to-day."
 LAWYER (*taking out his note-book*)—"Ah! what were their names and addresses, please?"

WOULD not be without it. This is what every lady says about Dyer's Cucumber and Rose Jelly for curing chapped hands. Druggists keep it. W. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

MRS. SLOWBOY—"I heard all about the lovely wedding you had, Ethel, and I am very, very sorry that I could not be present."

YOUNG WIFE—"Yes, it was really too bad. I looked for a nice present from you."

BURDOCK Blood Bitters will speedily cleanse all impurities from the blood and cure Blotches, Boils, Pimples, Ulcers, Erysipelas and Chronic diseases of the skin.

It ought to be an easy matter for a man to "go sailing down the street," in Venice.
 —Ex.

EPOSCAL JOKES.

HE—"Do you object to my sitting here?"
 SHE—"Not at all, sir; I'm going in."

HE—"Why do you break the engagement?"
 SHE—"Because pa's dog bit you last night, and I wouldn't run the risk of bringing hydrophobia into the family for the whole world."

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT (*in Philadelphia*)—"Now, boys, where do you all expect to go when you die?"
 CLASS—"Heaven."
 S. S. SUPERINTENDENT—"If what?"
 CLASS—"If we buy our clothes at Wanamaker's."—*Clothier and Furnisher.*

It is interesting to note how poker is permeating our best society. When one lady goes to see another she calls.—*Merchant Traveler.*

SOUND DOCTRINE—The principles of acoustics.—*Merchant Traveler.*

It was a bright idea of an uptown girl to trim her hat with mistletoe.—*Yonkers Statesman.*

HUSBAND (*to extravagant wife*)—"You have succeeded at last in making something out of me."
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A number of Shareholders were present. The Hon. Speaker Allan occupied the chair, and the Managing Director, Mr. Walter S. Lee, acted as Secretary to the meeting. The following financial statements were read, and, with the Directors' Report, were unanimously approved of and passed on motion of the President, seconded by Sir D. Macpherson, K.C.M.G.:

LIABILITIES AND ASSETS.

LIABILITIES.	
To Shareholders.	
Capital Stock.....	\$1,500,000 00
Reserve Fund.....	750,000 00
Contingent Account.....	101,544 24
Dividend, payable January 8, 1890.....	70,000 00
	\$2,421,644 24
To the Public.	
Debentures and Interest.....	\$3,171,845 22
Deposits and Interest.....	1,179,118 46
	4,350,963 68
Sundry Accounts.....	\$80 30
	\$6,773,488 22
ASSETS.	
Investments.....	\$6,570,652 52
Office Premises, Winnipeg and Toronto.....	120,759 92
Cash on hand and in Banks.....	\$1,929 08
Sundry Accounts.....	146 70
	\$8,773,488 22

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Cost of Management, viz.: Salaries, Rent, Inspection, and Valuation, Office Expenses, Branch Office, etc.....	\$ 40,560 57
Directors Compensation.....	5,780 00
Interest on Deposits.....	47,672 53
Interest on Debentures.....	29,783 50
Agents' Commissions on Loans and Debentures.....	14,663 29
Net profit for year applied as follows:—	
Dividends and Tax thereon, \$141,885 00	
Carried on Contingent Account.....	33,278 66
	175,163 66
Interest on Mortgages, Debentures, Rents, etc.....	\$411,632 60
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WALTER S. LEE,
Managing Director.
FEBRUARY 5, 1890.

To the Shareholders of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company:

GENTLEMEN,—We beg to report that we have completed our audit of the books of the Western Canada Loan & Savings Company for the year ending on December 31, 1889, and certify that the above Statements of Assets and Liabilities, and Profits and Loss, are correct, and show the true position of the Company's affairs.

Every mortgage and debenture or other security, with the exception of those of the Manitoba branch, which have been inspected by a special officer, have been compared with the books of the Company. They are correct and correspond in all respects with the schedules and ledgers. The Bank balances are certified as correct.

W. R. HARRIS, } Auditors.
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TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

of the Directors of the Western Canada Loan & Savings Company.

The Directors beg to submit to the Shareholders the twenty-seventh annual report of the Company's affairs.

The profits of the year, after deducting all charges, amount to \$175,163.66, out of which have been paid two half-yearly dividends at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, amounting, together with the income tax thereon, to \$141,885. The balance remaining, \$33,278.66, has been carried to the contingent account.

The amount loaned on mortgage during the year is \$1,224,811, and there has been paid back by borrowers \$1,231,550. The repayments on loans during the year, both in Ontario and Manitoba, have been satisfactorily met, and afford the best evidence that the money of the Company has been carefully and judiciously invested.

Out of \$570,000 of the Company's debentures, bearing 4½ and 5 per cent., which matured during the year, a large proportion was renewed, all at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, making, with the new debentures issued at the latter rate, a total at the end of the year of \$3,132,610, an increase of \$247,324.

The continuous demand for the Company's debentures by investors in Great Britain and Canada rendered it necessary to provide for an extension of the borrowing powers of the Company, and it was considered desirable to meet this by increasing the paid-up capital stock.

The Directors therefore called in 5 per cent. of the subscribed capital, payable on the 15th of December last.

The call was promptly met by the Shareholders, and the proceeds, \$100,000, was added to the paid-up capital stock, making the total amount of paid-up capital stock \$1,600,000. The proportion of 1 per cent. on the amount paid up was \$3,000, which was carried to the Reserve Fund.

The balance sheet and profit and loss account, together with the Auditors' report, are submitted herewith.

G. W. ALLAN,
President.

Messrs. Henry Pellatt and A. G. Lee were appointed Scrutineers, and the retiring Directors, the Hon. G. W. Allan, Thomas H. Lee, Esq., and the Hon. Sir David Macpherson, K.C.M.G., were re-elected. These gentlemen, with Messrs. George Gooderham, Geo. W. Lewis, Alfred Gooderham and Walter S. Lee, form the full Board.

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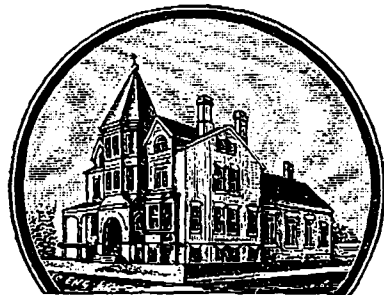
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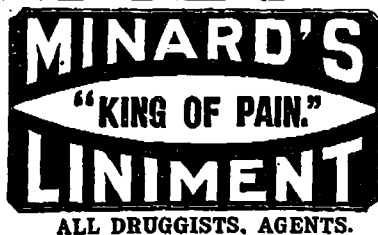


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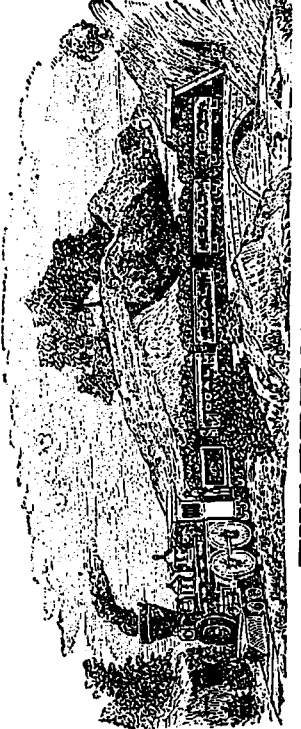
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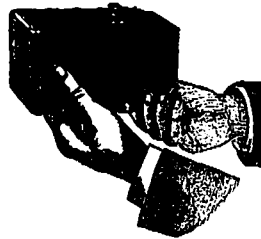


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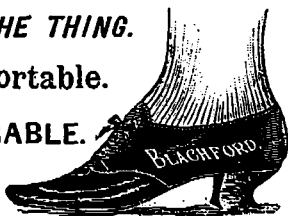
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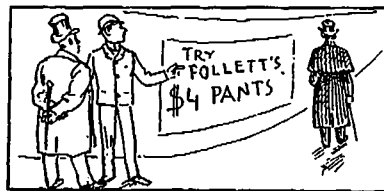
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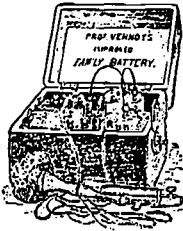
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