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There is not a farmer in all this bread land, not a lumberman, a fisherman, a miner or a shipper but is compelled to pay TRIBUTE to the United States as the result of this war of Tariffs
-Winnon at Waterloo

In the last 20 years the Canadian Farmers have contributed to the U.S Treasury at least \$50,000,000, while the total TRIBUTE paid by Canadian producers has been the vast sum of \$150,000,000!
-Winnon at Waterloo

Since 1866 the lumber dealers of Canada have paid into the treasury of the United States no less a sum than \$25,000,000!
-Winnon at Waterloo

In addition to this TRIBUTE TO A FOREIGN POWER the people of Canada have paid in domestic taxes in the past 20 years the sum of \$620,000,000!
-Winnon at Waterloo

\$750,000,000 wrung out of 5,000,000-people in 20 years, and worse to come!!!

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In this INSANE strife the United States has taken prisoner 1,000,000 of Canada's best citizens!
-Winnon at Waterloo

Where can history show a parallel to this loss in any record of War, Pestilence or Famine?

Canada's Debt to Great Britain- public and private is now \$650,000,000, on which the interest at 4 per cent amounts to \$10,000 an hour!!
-Winnon at Waterloo.

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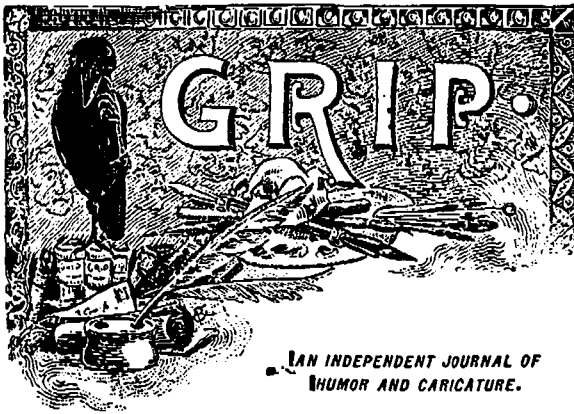
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J.W. Bennett

MATTER FOR SOBER THOUGHT.

SIR JOHN (in his own inimitable, Sir Faunty way)—"Hello, my farming friend! What are you looking so thundering sober about? Come along, and I'll tell you a funny story!!"



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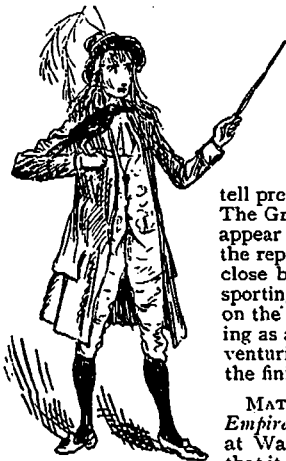
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Comments on the Cartoons.



ON THE HOME-STRETCH.

—The race for the Assembly stakes in Toronto has been a highly exciting one from the word "go." The contestants have just turned the three-quarter corner and come into the home-stretch, but from GRIP's point of view it is impossible to tell precisely which party is in the lead. The Grit, Tory and Equal Rights teams appear to be pretty well bunched, with the representative of the New Party idea close behind. Not being one of the sporting youths GRIP is making no bets on the result, nor will he risk his standing as a safe guide of public opinion by venturing any sort of a prophecy as to the finish.

MATTER FOR SOBER THOUGHT.—The *Empire* dismisses Mr. Wiman's speech at Waterloo with the crushing remark that it must have sounded to its hearers

"like an echo of Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. John Charlton or a *Globe* editorial." This brilliant *bon mot* is quite in the line of the besotted party organ, and difficult as it may be to evolve such a witticism, it is much easier than it would be to make a sensible and effective reply to the speech in question. But the smart

rejoinder does too much honor to the authorities named. Neither Sir Richard, Mr. Charlton nor the *Globe* Editor has ever placed before the people of this country such a full, impassioned and—as it may in truth be called—startling statement of the situation as Mr. Wiman made on this occasion. It ought to be read by every citizen of Canada, and most seriously considered. It amounts to this, if we may attempt to reduce a detailed and carefully prepared exhibit of facts and figures to a sentence—that the tariff war which has been raging between Canada and the United States for many years has proven more disastrous to the material interests of the people of both countries, but especially of Canada, than any literal war, or any calamity of nature has ever proven to any people in the history of mankind; and that the present attitude of the respective Governments betokens a continuation and intensifying of the strife and its evil consequences. Mr. Wiman deals with the subject on the war analogy, and shows that Canada has paid and is paying every year a prodigious tribute into the treasury of a foreign nation and that our enemy—who should and would be our friend if we were not ruled by the counsels of folly and madness—have already taken as prisoners of war no less than one fifth of our entire population! In short it means the absolute ruin of Canada if this thing goes on much longer, and if Mr. Wiman is measurably correct in his presentation of the facts and statistics. The *Empire* evidently believes he is utterly astray. If so, it would be a sensible and patriotic thing to point out where. Until this is done, such fat-witted jibes as it is now presenting in lieu of argument only emphasize the statements made by the speaker. Mr. Wiman believes that our only fiscal salvation is in Commercial Union or Unrestricted Reciprocity, and he thinks the moment is now opportune to secure that great measure. If the Conservative party has any wish to be successful in the next general election, it will be prudent to relinquish its present fatuous policy, and make an early reconciliation with the farmers of the country who are rapidly becoming enlightened and aroused.

THE Ladies' Sanitary Association of London, Eng., is an organization which we would much like to see paralleled, even in a much smaller way, in Toronto and other Canadian cities. This Association was formed in 1857, and is at the present time actively promoted by Mrs. Gladstone and many other noble ladies. Its object is the popular diffusion of information on sanitary matters by the publication of tracts, the distribution of books, and by supplying personal help and guidance to those in need of knowledge on this important subject. The practical nature of the work may be gathered from the titles of some of the tracts, as, "The Worth of Fresh Air," "The Use of Pure Water," "The Value of Good Food," "How to Nurse the Sick," "How to Clothe and Manage a Baby," "The Power of Soap," etc. For these long years the Association has labored, not without success, in its own modest words, "by God's blessing to secure happier, purer, more intelligently managed homes for England, and a healthier, more temperate, truer manhood and womanhood for her sons and daughters." There is a great field for such work here. Ladies interested can secure all needed information by addressing the Secretary, Miss Rose Adams, 22 Berners Street, Oxford Street, W.

IN the published list of the guests invited to meet the Duke of Connaught at Government House—which, we suppose, is official—it is noticeable that "His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto" heads the list just above the Premier and other high civil authorities, and a long way ahead of the Protestant ministers. This is the usual order of precedence at functions of the kind. How is it that the practice has escaped the attention of candidates Bell and Armour? Isn't there material here for another plank in the Equal Rights platform?

THE encroachments of the French fishermen on the coast of Newfoundland have roused a very strong feeling of indignation among the colonists. A remon-

strance has been addressed by the latter to the English Government, which is described as unparalleled in the boldness of its language, and as recalling the attitude of the American colonists before the War of Independence. They accuse the British Government of "supine acquiescence" in acts of foreign aggression, and assert that submission to such glaring injustice is no longer possible. Some of the people on the west coast are refusing to pay customs duties until they receive protection from the French, which, as it only hurts the Provincial Government, won't be apt to distress the people in England very much. Altogether things in that direction look very squally. What has become, by the way, of the "spirited foreign policy" which was the especial boast of British Toryism? If it were Gladstone instead of Salisbury who was responsible for allowing French encroachment on British rights, how the Tories would howl!

IT is announced that "the total amount received for the Indore College which the Presbyterians of Canada intend building in Central India now amounts to \$10,700." It is a good scheme to start an indoor college. There must be great difficulties in the way of imparting higher education out of doors in a country full of snakes and tigers and things.

GRIP has noted with pleasure a great improvement of late years in the tone of the *Mail*. All the more, therefore, do we regret that, in a recent issue, the following scurrilous paragraph appeared in its columns:

Chuir e fios thun Chailein gu'n gleidheadh e an Luchairt fad miosa ach gu'm feumadh iad na daimh agus na h-eich itheadh. Bha corr agus se ciad bean agus paisde agus dlu air mile gu leth duing tinn agus leonte 's a bhaile.

Some allowance must, of course, be made for the heat of the political contest, but nothing can justify disgraceful language of this sort. Candidly, we are forced to admit that "gleidheadh e an Luchairt" to a slight extent, but only the most unscrupulous and malignant of par-



A "RISING" QUESTION.

TEACHER (to boys in back part of the room engaged in earnest conversation)—"Boys, what are you talking about?"

Confusion on the part of the boys.

TEACHER—"Boys, I demand an explanation."

ONE OF THE BOYS (reluctantly)—"Please, ma'am. Ike says his whiskers is beginnin' ter push."



NOT FAR OUT.

"Ma, dear, what does the word 'Matinee' mean?"

"Gracious, child! what ignorance! 'Matinee' is a French word, meaning an amateur performance."

tizens would on that account infer that "bha corr agus se ciad." If this sort of thing is to be indulged in, the *Mail* will very shortly sink back to its old level.

THE *Globe*, in its issue of the 30th ult., has a short article on the nominations which it seems to regard as foreshadowing the result of the contest. "There seems," it says, "to have been a grand turn-out of Liberals at the nomination meetings all over Ontario." "Turn-out" is a suggestive, and, from the Grit standpoint, an unfortunate phrase to employ in such a connection. The *Globe* ought to have its editorial copy revised by some one possessing a sense of humor.

NIPPED IN THE BUD.

CHOLLY—"Aw, I'm glad to see that Earl Wemyss and March has been expressing his ideals about Socialism and that sort of thing, you know."

FWEDDIE—"Yaas By the way, I got off an awfully good thing about it at the club last evening. Said it showed he wasn't *wemiss* in defending the wights of ouah audah! Fellows laughed awfully. Only joke I evah made, don't you know. I'd been dwinking—had a pony of shewwy—which gave me the inspiration."

CHOLLY (shaking his head pityingly)—"Mc deah boy, I'm afwaid they laughed at youah ignowance. Wemyss is pronounced 'Weems' you know."

FWEDDIE (collapsing)—"Oh, Cholly, this is too cruel! I feel—quite—saint. The shock was too much. Lend me your vinaigrette. Now call a keb and take me home."

CHOLLY—"These, don't take it so much to heart, deah fellah. But let it be a warning to you. Nevah tvy to make jokes again! Joking is awfully bad fawm, don't you know, since it became a twade. Besides it wequires bwains. Some day you'll pawdwn my brutal fwankness when you wectect that I have saved you fwom the degwadation of being a third-wate humowist."

OUR CIVIC CIRCUS.

No. 8.

"NO quorum," said the Mayor, as he glanced around the board and noticed the many vacant chairs; "I think we had best wait a while, however, for there's important business to be done, and a few more of our colleagues are likely to happen in."

"In the meantime," suggested Ald. Ritchie, "you might occupy the time with a few remarks on the situation."

"Which situation?" sarcastically remarked Ald. Bell. "He holds two. But next week St. Stephen's Ward will rise in its might, and then—"

"Sit down again, I guess," said Ald. Lucas.

"Don't interrupt," said Ald. Hallam, "Bell is going to give us a ringing speech."

"Bet you he don't ring in with the legislators though," said Moses. "Hasn't got enough pull."

Then Ald. Swait felt called upon to suggest that he had told (toll'd) the knell of Gritism. And so the jest went around until, at the command of his Worship, City Clerk Blevins began to call the roll, and spoiled a joke which Ald. Gillespie was trying to make about "less S-wait" being desirable.

"I beg to introduce these bills for Local Improvements," said Ald. Shaw, producing a mighty stack of documents about as voluminous as Webster's Unabridged. "Move it be read a first time."

The sight was enough to paralyze the uninitiated, and suggested an all night session, but they were rushed through all the stages in about five minutes.

OUR ABSENTEE MAGISTRATE.

Report of sub-committee on Police Court business, recommending that further payments on account of salary to the Police Magistrate be withheld.

Ald. Bonstead—

Oh where, oh where, has the Magistrate gone,
And where, oh where, is he?
With his work cut short and his pay made long,
Oh where in the world can he be?

He always claimed that his work was too hard,
I think it was just like his cheek,
For if the work had been breaking his back,
Why leave us but Baxter as Beak?

To federate the Empire is all very fine

For a man who has plenty of time,
But the Colonel is paid \$80 per week
For his service in keeping down crime.

Oh where, oh where, has our Magistrate gone?

Where strays our recalcitrant Beak,
With his work cut short and his pay made long,
Don't it show an inordinate cheek?

ALD. E. A. MACDONALD said that he spoke with an intimate knowledge of the workings of the



Police Court. Although a strict temperance man, he had several times been before that tribunal, and in order to make it appear that business was congested, the Police Magistrate delayed cases in a wanton manner.

ALD. LENNOX—"Wantin' an assistant to do all the work!" (Groans.)

THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE'S GRANT.

Ald. Dodds—

"I move \$5,000 shall be granted,
(Eight thousand was the sum at first we wanted)
For entertaining on Dominion Day
The guests we've asked while here in town they stay,
And meantime to receive that gracious prince
The Duke of Connaught, and to thus evince
The loyalty which true Canadians feel.
You'll grant this trifling sum I'm sure with zeal,
Each humble toiler who can scarce win bread
Or keep intact a roof above his head,
Each citizen, however great his needs,
Will much rejoice on learning of our deeds,
'Twill make the poorest man feel glad and gay
To see his taxes lavished in this way,
To know that though he lives on scanty fare
He helps to buy for others dainties rare,
His humble meal will add rich-
ness gain
When he reflects, 'I too can
stand champagne
For other people, true, but what's
the odds,
I'm not a Duke—nor even a King
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'Twill make the dingy hovel seem
more bright
To contemplate those halls of
dazzling light,
And know that all the splendor
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For princely revels, by themselves
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Besides, the money on this flare-
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Will bring us in a profit cent, per cent."

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Ald. Bonstead—

"But 'tis illegal, this amount to vote,
Though there are precedents which you may quote,
Our own solicitor declares such grants
Are ultra vires, and there's no one wants
To make himself responsible for such.
Our friend E. King is asking rather much.
I, too, am loyal—but I do not see
That I can sanction such a jamboree."

Ald. Dodds—

"Oh, infamous! disgraceful! petty! mean!
Oh, small display of traitorous, rancorous spleen!
Oh, do I, can I ever, hear aright,
Or do my treacherous ears deceive my sight?

Nor vote the money—shut the civic purse!

'Tis rank disloyalty! 'Tis even worse!
Yes, worse I say, if such a thing can be—

Look at the fix in which it places Me!
I have invited Connaught and the rest,

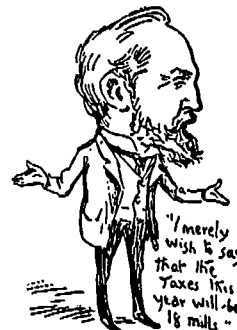
And if you now go back upon our guest,

The name of 'Dodds' by children yet unborn

Will be the symbol of contempt and scorn,

Now mark my words! my office I'll resign,

And never more distinguished strangers dine,



Nor do the dignified reception act
Unless I'm by appropriations backed."

Mayor Clarke—

"Pray reconsider ere you throw this
out,
That it's illegal there is little doubt,
But custom warrants it—why seek a
flaw—
Who's going to stand upon a point of
law?"

Ald. Boustead—

"All very fine, but when you foot the
bills
Our taxes will amount to eighteen
mills!"

Ald. Dodds—

'That is a bugaboo that's often raised.'

Ald. Gillespie—

"Why, really, gentlemen, I am amazed
To learn that our receptions, fetes and
feeds
Are *ultra vires* of true civic needs,
Surely it comes within our proper
scope."

Ald. Bell—

"This is some machination of the Pope,
The fine Italian Jesuit hand I see
Striking its deadly blow at loyalty."

Ald. Gillespie—

"It is illegal doubtless since you say
Our lawyer's plain opinion reads that
way,
But if with half King Dodds would be
content,
I'll be illegal to that slight extent."

Ald. Dodds—

"Such smallness would disgust a yellow
dog;
Come gents, let's go the whole entire
hog!
And if the public kick, you've but to
say

'Twas loyalty which made you vote that way;
True loyalty, which each of us exalts
By covering up a multitude of faults;
And just cry 'rebel,' 'traitor,' 'annexation!'
To all who hint at misappropriation."

And so five thousand they appropriate,
The final vote stood 25 to 8.



HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.

When MOSES came down with the Prohibitory Law, he found the leaders of the people worshipping the Golden Calf.

DINNA GAE BACK ON THE PAIRTY.

YE may crack wi' your neibors frae mornin' till night,
O' the wrangs i' the State and their witherin' blight,
And your aith ye may tak' like an innocent wight—
But dinna gae back on the Pairty.

Let the Government bend like a cowerin' wraith;
Let it dae the behest o' the Romanist faith;
Let the kintra gae doon wi' the terrible scaith—
But dinna gae back on the Pairty.

Let the Tories gae jinkin' in popular ways;
Let them sneak i' the path o' the virtue that pays;
Let them cheep to the tune that the hypocrite plays—
But dinna gae back on the Pairty.

Ye may gab o' the fauts o' political schools;
Ye may sneer at the ways o' political tools;
But, i' faith, ye wad vote like political fools—
Gin ye'd ever gae back on the Pairty.

C. A. S.

AT THE SINGLE TAX ASSOCIATION.

STEWART LYON—"Yes, Mr. Chairman, give us the
Single Tax and then every honest toiler will be able
to keep a roof over his head."

INEBRIATED LISTENER—"S all rot! How's taxsh on
shingles goin' keep on roof? Make shingles dear—eh?"

STEWART LYON—"The Single Tax, my friend, is not
that kind of a tax. It —"

INEBRIATED LISTENER—"Scuse me! I shee now.
Shingle taxsh on roofsh. Jesso. But'sh nonsence all
same! Shingle taxsh! Pshaw, it's shingle nailsh you
want!"



COMPLETELY COWED.

Brave little Binks, of Jarvis Street, on a country walk, accom-
panied by his city cousins, meets a cow.

BRAVE LITTLE B.—"Lie down, sir!—lie down "



IN THE CROWDED QUARTER.

MR. JOHNSING—"What a nice well-behaved baby you have here, Mrs. Plumley."

MRS. PLUMLEY—"Yes; he's good now, but I had a world of trouble with him last summer. After he came home from the Fresh Air Excursion he squalled for fresh air so much that we had to get a bellows and feed him every night before he would take a wink of sleep!"

A NEW "DON'T" LIST.

FOR THE USE OF PERSONS WHO MAY MEET GENERAL MIDDLETON IN SOCIETY.

D'ON'T" handbooks, telling the uninitiated in social life what mistakes and infringements on the law of etiquette to avoid, have become numerous of late. We have extensive lists of words and phrases which are tabooed as vulgar, and of actions which in the first circles are regarded as marks of low breeding, such as cooling your tea in the saucer, eating with a knife or slapping your host on the back. The peculiar exigencies of Ottawa society in which the commander of the forces is a leading light, render an extension of the category of expressions which are considered "bad form" highly necessary in view of the result of a recent Parliamentary investigation. It will readily be understood that the mention of "fur" in any form, in the presence of the hero who won immortal fame by the courage and tenacity with which he opposed the desire of his officers to charge the half-breeds at Batoche would tend to make him feel uncomfortable, and throw an air of constraint over the gathering. To avoid such a melancholy *contretemps*, GRIP presents the following "Don't" list, which is probably full enough to prevent any unpleasant reminders of the offence of which the General stands convicted:

1. "Don't" use the words "fur," "hide," "skin," "pelt," or any other expression of similar significance. Such remarks as "That's a nice fur overcoat you have on," and any direct reference to the class of articles so—confiscated by the General, are, of course, in atrociously bad taste.

2. "Don't" say anything about boodlers, robbers, plunder, swag, loot or anything of that sort. Put yourself in Middleton's place and fancy how remarks of that kind would grate upon your sensibilities.

3. "Don't" pronounce "far" "fur." It would have the appearance of a studied insult. On a recent occasion the hilarity of a dinner party, at which the General was an honored guest, was completely destroyed by a thoughtless individual who, when General Middleton was telling of the length of some of the day's marches made by our boys in the North-West, rudely enquired "How *far*?"

The ill-timed observation threw a gloom over the whole evening.

4. "Don't" say that anybody has a "furtive expression."

5. "Don't" make any reference to the music of the lute. If you find it necessary to mention the instrument call it a guitar, and thus avoid such a very awkward scene as recently occurred in the house of an Ottawa magnate, where a young lady observed, "Oh I do so love the lute. Don't you, General?" The shock to his feelings was so intense that it required more than a bottle of champagne to restore his usual equanimity.

The above rules will be submitted to Mr. G. Mercer Adam for revision, and if approved by him it is to be hoped that all right-minded and loyal people who consider the *amour propre* and social standing of a British General as of vastly more importance than such trivial considerations as public morality and national honor will endeavor to get them adopted as part of the social code of our *elite*.

HE KNEW.

POLICE MAGISTRATE (to juvenile witness)—"My boy, before you are sworn in this case tell me, do you know the nature of an oath?"

WITNESS—"Well, I guess I do. I was page in the Local Legislature last session."

POLICE MAGISTRATE—"I hardly see the relevancy of the last observation. Come, now, what is the nature of an oath?"

WITNESS—"An oath, sir? Why, it's them words that Hardy and Fraser never uses when old man Mowat is round; but when he ain't—oh, my!"

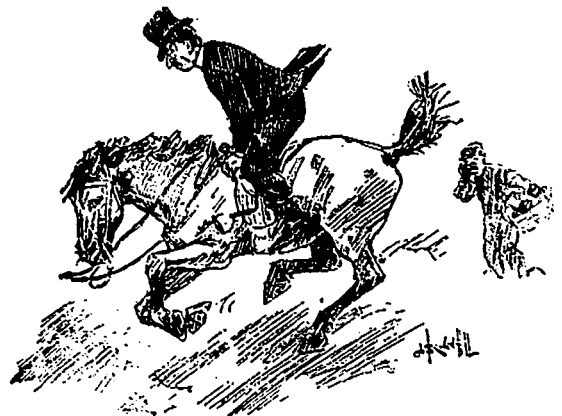
POLICE MAGISTRATE—"You may swear him."

OF COURSE IT WAS.

PLUGWINCH—"I tell you that rebels were never treated with more forbearance than the half-breeds of the North-West."

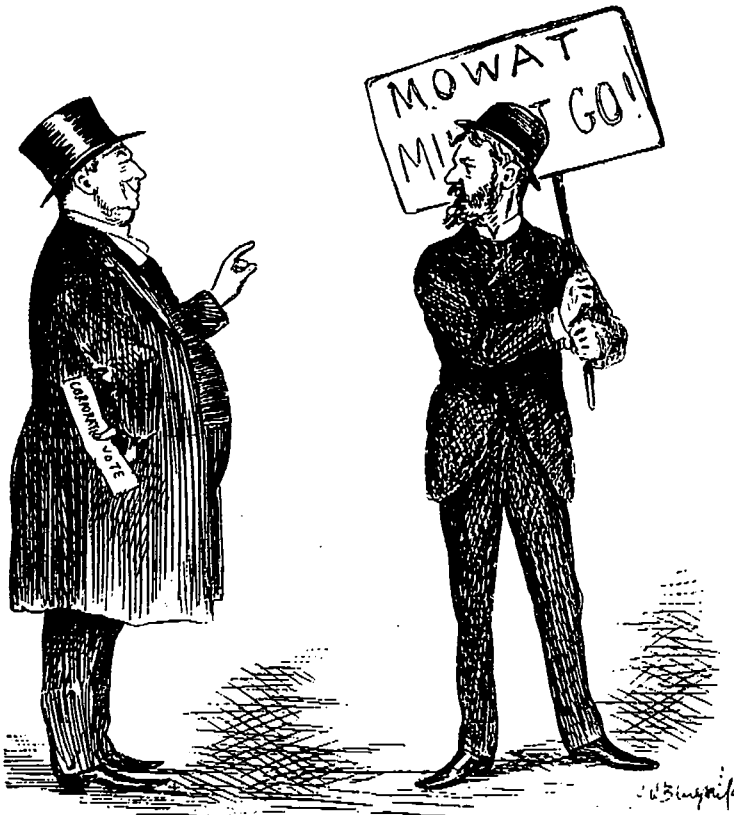
MCGORLICK—"Nonsense, they were very badly used. Didn't Middleton carry off all their furs?"

PLUGWINCH—"Well, doesn't that prove what I say? You can't deny that his conduct was fur-bearing."



IKEY ON HORSEBACK.

"SMALL BOY—"Ook yer nose under 'is saddle, Ikey."—Pick-me-up."



THE POTENTIAL MOOD.

THE HIERARCHY—"Must go, must he, Mr. Meredith? I don't see that he really must. I haven't said so—as yet."

THE PLAINT OF PRINCIPAL CAVEN.

AIR—"When I First Put this Uniform On."

WHEN I first into politics went
At the E. R. Convention last June,
I thought men were civil,
And wouldn't speak evil,
But I found my mistake pretty soon:
I thought every speaker took care
To say what was perfectly fair,
And that Liberals or Tories
Who could really tell stories
Were not to be found anywhere;
This opinion I've had to recant
Since I first into politics went.

Chorus of Divines—

Human nature is sadly depraved,
And ever to'rd evil is bent,
Politicians are badly behaved
Since they first into politics went.

I said, when I first took the stand,
"With calm moderation I'll speak;
No cursing nor clanging,
Nor bitter slang-whanging,
At my lips need anyone seek."
I thought they would all do likewise,
But they've painfully opened my eyes,
For they scorn exegesis,
And tear me to pieces
With misrepresentations and lies!!
Which makes me sincerely repent
That I e'er into politics went!

Chorus—

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CURIOUS OVERSIGHTS.

THE campaign which is now in its last stages has been remarkable for its staid respectability. We have been both astonished and gratified not to have observed in any of the reported speeches the following statements or anything like them:

That Mr. W. R. Meredith has promised to take Mr. J. C. Rykert into his Cabinet if he is called upon to form a Ministry.

That Mr. Mowat attends high mass at St. Michael's every Sunday, sneaking out of his pew in the Presbyterian church for that purpose.

That Mr. Douglas Armour knows more about the origin of the fire in the Longue Pointe Asylum than he cares to tell.

That Mr. Alderman Moses drinks lemonade with a stick in it, and that he has been using a large amount of tin illegally among the electors in this contest.

That E. F. Clarke is having the *Orange Sentinel* printed at the *Irish Canadian* office for the purpose of capturing the Catholic vote.

That Mr. Joseph Tait, while professing to be the special friend of the working man, has just raised the price of bread a penny on the loaf.

That Mr. H. E. Clarke wears his hair parted in the middle so as to catch the vote of the upper ten thousand of society.

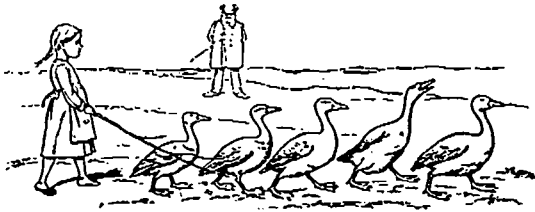
That Mr. Alderman Bell was secretly sworn in as a member of the Jesuit Society just after his nomination.

That Mr. Alderman McDougall had something to do with the massacre of Huguenots on a recent St. Bartholomew anniversary.



THE HUMANE COACHMAN.

"Hi, there! clear the track, you little fools, or I'll drive over you!"

THE PHILANTHROPIST AND THE GOOSEHERD.—(From *Fliegende Blätter*.)

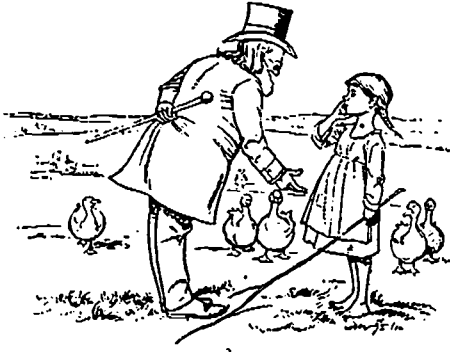
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A DISCREDITED COMMUNITY.

"NOW where are you living?" the merchant said,
 "And what are the prospects there for trade?
 Before I trust you I want to know
 How business with you is like to go.
 You've an honest look and you promise well,
 But you can't most always, sometimes tell,
 And though your capacity may be good
 Yet much depends on the neighborhood."
 "My home, sir," the customer slowly said,
 As he looked rather sheepish and hung his head,
 "Is in Lincoln county across the Lake;
 A store in St. Catharines I mean to take.
 And just now business is not so slack
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 I can meet my bills when the time is out."
 "St. Catharines, eh? Then my terms are cash.
 To give you credit would be too rash.
 You may be honest—how can I tell?
 The ballot-box guards its secret well.
 But no sensible person his interests leaves
 In the hands of a public that favors thieves,
 Where convicted rascals can head the poll
 All moral restraints must have lost control.
 You mayn't intend to rob me it's true,
 But what hinders your customers robbing you?
 Who rank dishonesty will condone
 Can't have much honesty of his own.
 Don't ask for credit—my rule must be
 With Lincoln purchasers—C.O.D."

TO PERSONS ABOUT TO MARRY.

MR. EDITOR,—Please convey my compliments to your intelligent bird, and ask him to let me say a few words regarding the accursed tax of wedding presents. When I last boarded in the city I was sued by my bootmaker because I had spent all the balance of my quarter's salary in buying a silver gridiron for a couple I barely knew by sight. Hence could not pay for my boots. How much more sensibly we do the thing here in Weggville. Pet Brighteyes and Phil Brassey took it into their silly heads recently to marry, and among the wedding gifts were the following contributions:

From UNCLE JOHN, a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

From DAISY DUMBLE (a school companion), a light yellow switch, of the kind at \$1.40, with a card pinned on it: "Hope it will match, dear."

From an anonymous FRIEND, a packet of letters tied with a blue ribbon and written by the bridegroom to another girl, but the address carefully obliterated.

From her GODMOTHER, a year's subscription to GRIP.

The first and last of these were really useful, and, in fact, all of them showed an amount of affection that the largest display of plated ice-pitchers and cruet-stands would fail to do.

VICTIM.



ON THE HOME-STRETCH!

DOMINION BANK.

Proceedings of the Nineteenth Annual General Meeting of the Stockholders, Held at the Banking House of the Institution, in Toronto, on Wednesday, May 28th, 1890.

The annual general meeting of the Dominion Bank was held at the banking house of the institution on Wednesday, May 28th, 1890.

Among those present were noticed Messrs. James Austin, Hon. Frank Smith, G. W. Lewis, Major Mason, Wm. Ince, James Scott, R. S. Cassels, Wilnot D. Matthews, R. H. Bethune, E. Leadlay, Wm. Ross, G. Robertson, W. T. Kiely, Walter S. Lee, John Stewart, Mrs. E. Campbell, T. Walmsley, J. D. Montgomery, etc.

It was moved by Mr. G. Robertson, seconded by Mr. James Scott, that Mr. James Austin do take the chair.

Major Mason moved, seconded by Mr. E. Leadlay, and Resolved—That Mr. R. H. Bethune do act as secretary.

Messrs. Walter S. Lee and R. S. Cassels were appointed scrutineers.

The secretary read the report of the directors to the shareholders, and submitted the annual statement of the affairs of the bank, which is as follows:—

Balance of profit and loss account, 30th April, 1889	\$ 7,668 92
Profits for the year ending 30th April, 1890, after deducting charges of management, etc., and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts	248,584 10
Dividend 5 per cent., paid 1st Nov-ber, 1889	\$75,000 00
Dividend 5 per cent., payable 1st May, 1890	75,000 00
Bonus 1 per cent., payable 1st May, 1890	15,000 00
Amount voted to pension and guar-antee fund	5,000 00
	170,000 00
	\$ 86,253 02
Carried to reserve fund	80,000 00
Balance of profit and loss carried forward..	\$6,253 02

During the greater part of the year fair rates for money were prevalent, enabling your directors to fully maintain the profits of the bank.

The charters of the Canadian banks expire on the 1st July, 1891. This has necessitated a new Banking Act, which has just been passed at Ottawa. The act has been extended for ten years longer, with some slight changes, which will not interfere with the elasticity so necessary to move the crops of the country.

JAMES AUSTIN,

President.

Mr. James Austin moved, seconded by the Hon. Frank Smith, and resolved, that the report be adopted.

The president spoke at some length on the success of the institution, and mentioned that the bank had not only funds available to pay all possible demands, but were also open to take up desirable accounts, having cash on hand for that purpose to a very large amount.

After the usual resolution the scrutineers declared the following gentlemen duly elected directors for the ensuing year:—Messrs. James Austin, William Ince, E. Leadlay, Wilnot D. Matthews, E. B. Osler, James Scott and Hon. Frank Smith.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. James Austin was re-elected president, and the Hon. Frank Smith, vice-president, for the ensuing term.

General Statement.

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid up	\$ 1,500,000 00
Reserve fund	\$1,300,000 00
Balance of profits carried forward	6,253 02
Dividend No. 38, payable 1st May	75,000 00
Bonus 1 per cent., payable 1st May	15,000 00
Reserved for interest and exchange	88,960 59
Rebate on bills discounted	30,663 99
	\$ 1,515,877 60
	\$ 3,015,877 60
Notes in circulation	\$1,173,680 00
Deposits not bearing inter-est	1,524,211 11
Deposits bearing interest	6,592,661 06
Balance due to other banks in Canada	2,945 92
	9,293,501 09
	\$12,309,378 69

ASSETS.

Specie	\$ 231,690 47
Dominion Government demand notes	701,587 00
Notes and cheques of other banks	338,493 12
Balances due from other banks in Canada	195,896 72
Balances due from other banks in United States	1,105,053 20
Balances due from other banks in Great Britain	49,385 32
Provincial Government securities	277,511 61
Municipal and other de-bentures	1,257,525 41
	\$ 4,152,142 85
Bills discounted and current, including ad-vances on call	\$7922,964 59
Overdue debts secured	30,109 04
Overdue debts not spe-cially secured (estimated loss provided for)	16,785 32
Bank premises	173,570 85
Other assets, not included under foregoing heads	5,649 59
Real estate other than bank premises	3,156 45
	8,152,235 84
	\$12,309,378 69

R. H. BETHUNE,
Cashier.

Dominion Bank, Toronto, 30th April, 1890.

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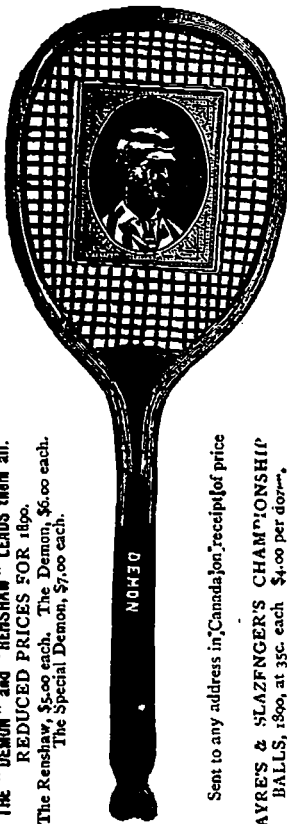
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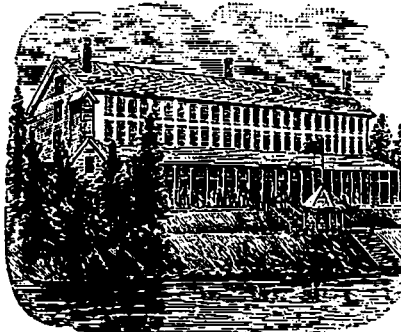
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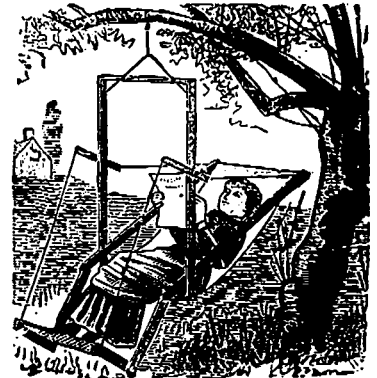
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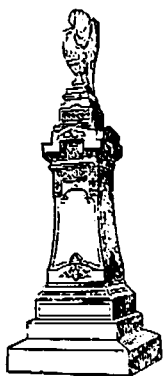
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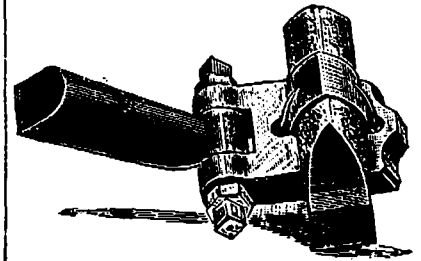
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