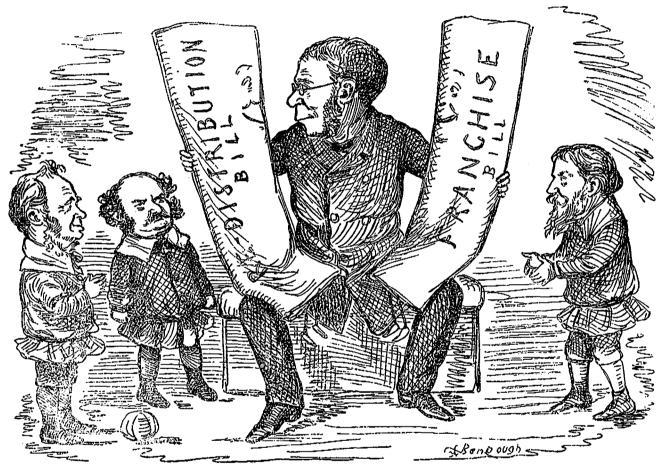




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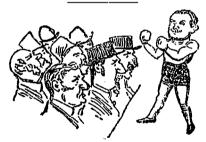
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LEADING CARTOON .- There is not' ing in the present state of the Dominion finances, or in the commercial condition of the country to cause any apprehension, but on the other hand a great deal to call for thankfulness and congratulation on the part of our citizens. This is the view you get if you look into Showman Tilley's side of the Budget Pcep-Show. If, however, you patronize Showman Cartwright's department of the concern you will see things that are calculated to raise your hair. You will see the public debt growing in a frightful manner, exports falling off, revenue failing, population leaving our shores, and many other pictures of the most gloomy description. Young Canada would like very much to know the truth about this important question, and it is quite certain that one or the other side of the panorama is a bare faced misrepresentation. The interesting query is-Which of the showmen is telling the truth, "or rather," as Joe Rymal would say, "which of 'em is lying?" Strange to say, both honorable gentlemen draw their conclusions from the same set of facts !

First Page.—Mr. Mowat—wishing no doubt to carry out his resemblance to Gladstone to the minutest details—has brought in a Franchise Bill, accompanied by a Redistribution measure. Unlike his great English exemplar, however, he is charged with seeking his own or his party's good chiefly in connection with these otherwise commendable measures. Of course there may be truth in this charge, but we all know that it would inevitably have been made in any case. It is not unlikely that even so houest a man as Oliver Mowat might have hesitated to extend the franchise or redistribute the seats, if he had supposed

the result would have told against himself. It remains, however, for the future to tell whether or not these bouncing twins will turn out a help or a hindrance to the "author of their being."

EIGHTH PAGE.-It seems quite clear that, notwithstanding the statement of the Premier which might bear any opposite construction, the C. P. R. Syndicate propose to appeal to Parliament again for financial aid. If the appeal is made we sincerely hope that it will be rejected as it might very justly be. There are two facts which, taken alone, would justify a summary refusal of this appeal-or perhaps we should say demand. In the first place the Syndicate has already received more than enough money to build and equip the road mentioned in their contract, according to their own estimate; and in the second place, the company has been paying dividends out of capital-a thing that cannot be excused. If Parliament grants this further aid, it will encourage Mr. GRIP to make a demand which he has hitherto modestly refrained from making, but which he has just as much right to make as the Syndicate men-namely that Parliament will buy the Toronto street railway for him. Mr. GRIP wants this railway, and he don't see why the Government shouldn't buy it for him if they think it right to buy the O. & Q., etc., etc., for Mr. Stephen and his friends.



#### MR. MITCHELL'S VISIT.

Who was it came from Britain's Isle, With free so frank and free from guile, Which ever wore a pleasant smile. Charles Mitchell.

Who was it won Toronto's heart By knowledge of the manly art, And felt so loath from us to part? Charles Mitchell.

Who hugged him to his manly breast, And asked him to become his guest At Club formed of Toronto's best? Chris. Bunting.

Who said, "Dear Charles, I used, I vow, To be a boxer good as thou: My limbs are slightly creaky now?" The Lieut.-Gov.

Who asked Charles in to have a chat, And with him in sweet converse sat, And talked an hour on this and that? The Lieut.-Gov.

Who met him in the ropes at night, And made a bully soft-glove fight, And fell in love with him on sight? Jack Scholes.

Who "le'ed him like a vera brither," Swore friendship that should never wither, And fairly wept when going from hither? J. F. Scholes.

Who came to see him and applaud, As though he'd been some noble lord, And at each blow his praises reared? Big Chief Stowart.

Who said, "Bay Johve, y'knaw, that's good, Those British boxahs do show blood, I cawnt beat that: I wish I could?" A.D.C. Geddes. Who went to see the glove-fight, too, As every howling swell should do, And quite forgot cop, beat, and clue? Chief Draper.

Who also beamed in huge delight Upon this "scientific" fight; And said it was a glorious sight? ex-Mayor toswell.

Who said it was a horrid thing To see these swells around the ring, Thus taking sparring 'neath their wing? The general public.

Who says he isn't much annoyed, If all those folks themse ves enjoyed; They might have better been employed? Mr. Gare.

Who was it, when all's said and done, Who really most enjoyed the tun, Because he cleared a bundred "pun." Mr. Mitchell,



A series of v-ry attractive concerts, the first of which was given on Tuesday evening, is announced. On that occasion, Miss Agnes Huntington, contralto, was the chief attraction, and acquitted herself so well that the concert of Monday evening. 16th, when she appears again with the Buffalo string quartette, is sure to be well attended. The closing concert takes place on the evening of March 23, and will be given by the Buffalo String Quartette and Philharmonic Society of the same city. Tickets at Nordheimer's.

\*\*Economy is the road to wealth. Economizers requiring clothing, furnishings, hats, etc., by buying at R. Walker & Sons, save what may form the nucleus of a fortune.

#### A ZOOLOGICAL MORALIZER.

"Have you a vacancy for a zoological moralizer on your staff?" enquired a middle-aged man, who might have been a clergyman with a failing for strong drink, or a broken down lawyer, as he sauntered into the sanctum of GRIP with an anxious look.

"A zoological moralizer!" exclaimed the Raven, "what on earth is that?"

"Well, I fancy I could write an article for your paper in which amusement, instruction and moral principles would be combined. I am a stude-t of Natural History, sir: a disciple of Ruffuer?"

ciple of Buffoon."

"Ah, yes! so I should think, but you probably mean Buffon. Well, now, what style of thing would you produce," said the laven "supposing I sent you to write up the

"The very thing. This would be som, c thing the way it would go. Take the whale-for instance, to begin with. Here—I would remark—in this huge mommal we have indubitable evidence of the immonse size to which the men of former ages attained. Before us is a whale, one of whose species, we are informed in Holy Writ, was swallowed by the prophet, Jonah."

"Hold on, sir; it was the other way—end

"Hold on, sir; it was the other way—end for end—vire versa. The whale swallowed Jonah," interrupted the literary bird.

"Ah! so it was: excuse me—slip of the tongue—lapsus linguae. Woll, the whale swallowed Jonah; that whale having swallowed the prophet as a species of sauce, this member of the cetaceous tribe is now a source of profit or specie. Do you catch on? Religion, instruction, humor, all combined there."

"Yes; very good. Proceed."

" Next we will take the monkeys. Here I might moralize a little, thus : As I stand before this cage and gaze upon its occupants, l cannot but reflect how fearfully and wonderfully we are made. Each of these animals can a tail unfold. From these creatures we are descended; once we were as they. How stupendous! Here we see the foundation of the great military and naval family from which We see full Lord Wolseley is de-cended. many a Napier in this eage."
"Stay: hold on; how do you make that out?

Wolseley isn't a monkey."

"No, no; listen, you see full many an ape here in this cage," explained the Zoological Moralizer. "Do you grasp it now? Well. Next I would touch on the bears: morality department would contain allusions to the bears that devoured the bad children who taunted Elisha for his baldness—humorous department suggested by the last—ask riddle: Why is the North Pole like a bald head? Answer, because it is a great white bear place; d'ye see? not so bad, ch? Then I might suggest that the north pole must be very cold for an animal with a bear-skin, eh? Continue to pun on the word bear, thus: bear, bore, b rne— Ursa Major, the Greater Bear, beyond which a man is borne when he goes to that bourne etc, etc. You can t bear a bore, though you may bore a bear, and so on; introduce astronomical and classical riddle, thus: Why is the planetary system like a family that employs a ten year old nurse? Answer, because it has a nurse a minor; see? an Ursa Minor, ha, ha! Then give particulars of the bear's habits; how he ives through the winter by sucking his paws; moralize on the evil practice young men make of living on their "paws" through the winter and every other season. Next, take in the woolly horse, jokes ab ut mayors, maney hacks, hoarseness, and so forth; a lude to Venice—no horses there; suggest that you may walk all day there without getting a horse, but the streets are so damp that you may become a hoarse-man : see ? then-'

"Well, that's about enough; you might take a turn round the Zoo and write it up, and I'll see what I think of it," remarked the Raven.

'I suppose you can shorry me in-can't you get me a pass. I mean," suggested the Moral

izer?

"Oh dear, no!" replied the bird, "you'll have a good time, you know, and its only fair that those who enjoy themselves should 'pay the Piper.' Good-day.'

#### NEW JOKES FOR OLD.

Once upon a time there lived a widowed lady who had only one son named Aboyout. They possessed an Old Joke which had been in the family for many years. The youth had a slight knowledge of its value, but the widow was densely ignorant of its wonderful virtues. She regarded it as merely an Old Joke, well worn and almost useless. She knew not that a little rubbing up was all that was necessary to bring forth its familiar spirit that would transform itself into the most amusing forms at the caller's wish. Thus the widow and her son lost golden opportunities in a wor'd pining for refurbished jokes.

Aboyout had an uncle who carned his daily bread by concocting funny items for the daily sheets of his time, and was known as a Yewmorist. He had long been aware of the Old Joke and its famous properties and yearned for it daily. He felt that his yewmorous powers were deserting him, and could he but gain possession of the Old Joke, his reputation would be upheld by its use. To this end he manufactured a number of new and catching jokes, and disguising himself, proceeded to publicly present his jokes by parading the streets and calling forth in steutorian tones :

"New Jokes for Old." By this means he hoped to excite the cupidity of the widow, whom he knew to be always on the look-out for anything upon which she could raise the price of a drink. After passing the widow's abode several times without success, his pato nee was at length rewarded by seeing the widow coming out the house with the precious Old Joke in her hand. She had just heard the Yewmorist cry for the first time, having previously been industriously engaged gossiping over the back tence to her next door neighbor. The exchange was eagerly easily effected, and the wicked yewmorist uncle scooted with the pr ze.

The result, alas! is too well known by his numberless and varied changes which have been rung upon the Old Joke. Its familiar spirit has indeed been a faithful servant. Need it be said the youmorist uncle was an Ameri-TITUS A. DRUM.



THE CIGARETTE DUTY.

Dudesby (reads)—"Duty on cigarettes increased!" By Jove! fancy Tilly taxing the necessities of life.

#### THE YOUNG JOURNALIST

WRITES UP A THRILLING SHIPWRECK,

"I tell you the aspiring young journalist has to put up with some pretty severe jars to his feelings when he becomes a newspaper re-porter," remarked Marcus Cornelius B. ithery, B. A., to a friend who looked in at the office

one morning.
"Does, eh!" said the other. "How's that?"
"Well, look here. 'Bout the second day I
was on the paper I was sent off to see about a
vessel that had been driven ashore. Fourful
night it was and off I wont. Well, I got all my facts and just spread myself on a description of the affair. Made two columns of it."

"Ha, you ought to have felt proud. I suppose your style, having such a glorious theme as a shipwrock to diate upon, was something

grand."
"You'd better believe it was," replied the graduate. "Have you time to listen to about a stick-full of what I wrote? I can remember "Well, go ahead," said his friend, "but what's a stick-full?"

"Oh, bah! nothing; merely a technical term with us journalists," replied the reporter. "This is about the style that I wrote it up—

'A night of Plutonian gloom. Darkness everywhere, save where, in the murky dome of the empyrean, a vivid streak of sulphurous lightning rent the mighty pall asunder, and revealed the fearful scene which was being consummated. Loud roared the voice of Borcas. It seemed as though Æolus had let forth each

imprisoned wind from his cave, which fled, shricking and hissing, like liberated captives across the bosom of the vast deep in search of some object on which to wreak their vengeance. Hark!a cry of distress arises above the din of the contending elements. The dull, sullen boom of a gun reverberates through the perturbed atmosphere. It is ! It is a wreck! A gallant vessel has struck upon the rugged shore; ten thousand human souls are in mortal peril. See! by youder lightning's flash revealed, the noble ship! Even now some of her crew contend in the secthing waves. Rari nantes in gargite rasto. Again rises that appalling cry to heaven: Help! help! Oh! unhappy mariners! doomed to a fearful death-thankless, indeed is the profession ye follow when compared with that of the peaceful tiller of the soil. O fortunatos nimium, sua si bona norint agricolas! Around the devoted vessel the breakers roar and rear their snowy crests on high. One fearful yell from the doomed mariners, londer than all before, rises to heaven, and with a surge to leeward he noble bark, which but a few days before had glided o'er the placid bosom of the waters like some fair, snow-white plumaged swan, a thing of life, sinks beneath the devouring

wave,"
"That's deuced fine writing," remarked the groduate journalist's friend. "Is there much

more?"
"Well, I wrote over two columns," replied the other "all in the same fine strain, but it wasn't printed just as I handed it to the city editor.

" No! how's that?"

"Well, confound him, he don't know good stuff when he sees it, and this is the way my description of the shipwreck came out: Last night the stone-hooker Hunky Sallie, of Port Credit, stove a hole in her side on the Bungstarter Rocks and went down. No lives lost. Probable loss about 8275. No insurance."

"Good heavens! that's the way they treat you journ lists, is it?" remarked the friend,

sympathizingly.

"Bout it," replied the graduate, resuming the paragraph about a dead dog in an alleyway, on which he had been engaged when interrupted.

A VOICE FROM THE UNITED STATES .-- I have suffered for the last 20 years with dyspepsia and general debility, and tried many remedics. but with little success until I used Burdock Blood Bitters, when relief was quick and permanent. A. Lougu, Alpena, Mich., U. S.

#### MUNIFICENT.

We are proud of John Ross Robertson. He has just given \$1,000 to build a new wing to the Lakeside Home for little children at the Island. We hope that wing will always hover over his esteemed plug hat and preserve him from all the evils a newspaper man is liable to. Mr. Robertson's liberality is worthy of imitation, though, of course, it isn't everybody who had a little gold mine in the shape of an evening paper to enable him to carry out the dictates of a generous heart.

#### THE NEW LIBRARIAN.

Grap has often felt it his duty to object to Mr. Martin J. Griffin in his editorial capacity, but takes the opportunity offered by his appointment as Parliamentary Librarian at Ottawa, to say what all who know Mr. Griffin personally will sustain, that the important office in question could not have been put in better hands. Visitors to the Library will find a courteous gentleman whose assistance they may always reckon upon, as well as a scholar who will be competent to render the assistance. Good luck to you Martin J., and may you long adorn your new post.

#### GRIP'S PROMISCUOUS PROWLER.

HE GLEANS SOME PARTICULARS ABOUT FOX-HUNTING.

Not long ago Mr. GRIP'S Promiscuous Prowler was detailed to sally forth and gather up some information on the subject of foxhunting. Accordingly the Prowler wandered away for some miles into the country and found himself before a rural hostelry, which he entered, and sat down in the bar-room to refresh himself and rest his weary limbs.

He had not been scated long when his cars were saluted by the sound of the voices of dogs, and, rushing to the door, he beheld sevpersons on horseback and a pack of dappled dogs whose tails curled up over their quarter decks. The crowd went past the hostelry with the exception of one Lank Youth in a Red Coat and white breeches, who dismounted from his steed and entered the Temple of Bacchus with the remark that he was "awf'ly tiah'd," and sat down, casting many contemptuous glances on the assembled rustics

The Prowler, seeing his chance to obtain the information of which he was in quest, moved his chair to the side of the Lank Youth, moved his chair to the side of the Lank Youth, and enquired if the latter would liquor. "Thank yah," replied the Lank Youth, "don't cash if I do," and upon asserting his proference for a "glass of ginjah beah," he was supplied with a goblet of that potent beverage of which he quaffed, and immediately energy onto brighty.

ately grew quite frisky.

The Prowler, fearing that the Lank Youth in the Red Coat would become incbriated, hastened to glean some particulars of the chase hastened to glean some particulars of the chase from the daring huntsman, and asked him what sport he had enjoyed that day. "Oh, we had a splendid wun ahftah a fox," replied the Lank Youth. "Did you catch him?" "Oh! deah no; he wun away." "Well, but didn't you want to catch him?" "Yes, of course, of course, but he wun too fahst." "Well, but what's the fun of hunting a poor little animal if you can't catch him?" "Why, my good fellah, the spawt, y'know, the spawt." my good fellah, the spawt, y'know, the spawt."
"I can't see any sport in a lot of grown up
men and boys dressed in red coats——"
"Wed! this isn't med, y'know, this is pink.
I see you ah' not a spawtsman." "No; not I see you ah' not a spawtsman." "No; not the kind that frightens a poor little fox to death; now, if it was a tiger I could understand it." "A tigah!" half screamed the Lank Youth, turning pale at the thought of such a "monstah," and taking a deep draught of his ginger beer to revive himself, "a tigah! why you must be a bwute to mention such a thing. Why, a tigah would alawm us." "And serve you deuced well right too: what right have you to 'alawm' a fox?" "But we want nave you to allawm a lox? "But we want cquestirian exe'cise, and its so spawtsman-like to chase the fox. Yoicks, tally ho! Gone away, gone away! Hawk forward!" and the Lank Youth howled like a maniac with delirium tremens. "Why, my good fellah," he went on, "the fox sometimes leads us into most deep wate danjuh: we have leads us into most deep wate danjuh: we have fears us into most deep wate dailain: we have to jump our hoises over obstacles at least a foot high. We huntals stick at nothing."
"Well, suppose you can't get a fox, what then?" "Oh, then we send a fellah to twail a wed hewwing thwough the fields." "Ha, ha, ha! and I believe it is customary to present the first lady 'in at the death' as you call it with the fox's tail——" "Bwush, you mean; foxes don't have tails; the bwush." "Yes, the brush; and do you give the first lady in at the death of a dead red herring the fish's brush, eh?"

The Lank Youth in the Red Coat nearly fainted when he heard this, but managed to gasp out "Oh! hay jowve! fancy giving a lady a wed hewwing's tail, the ideah! Why our hunting ladics are the daughtahs of uppah-tendom." "Upper grandmothers!" ejaculated

the Promiscuous Prowler, contemptuously: "Confound it, sir, you take your ridiculous notions from a foolish English hunting custom, and you come scampering over the country, looking more like a lot of tailor's clerks riding jackasses on Ramsgate sands than sportsmen. Jackasses on Kamsgate rands than sportsmen. By the loid Harry, sir, who are your uppertendom, eh?" "Oh! you demnible wadical, you," cried the Lank Youth in the Red Coat; "you alawm me!" "You're a nice chicken to go hunting foxes, you are," sneered the Prowler. "By heavens! if I were a magician I'd change every man Jack of you blessed huntsmen into foxes, and every fox into a redcoated omadhaun of a huntsman and set the latterafter you to give you ataste of what a fox suffers. Bah! I feel ill. Go away; leave me, you red-coated thing; you beautiful specimen of Toronto's upper-tendom; finish your ginger beer, if it won't intoxicate you, and depart; who are you, anyway?" and the terrified creature produced a card which showed him to be a third-assistant deputy-teller's-assistant's deputy-assistant in a bank reputed to be shak v.

And he called for his steed and, mounting it' went bumpity bumpity - bumping down the road with his elbows stuck out and his feet projecting at right angles to his steed's sides, and bearing a striking resemblance to a halftrained chimpanzee mounted on the back of

an educated dog in a circus.

And then arose to the blue vault of the empyrean the laughter of the brawny rustics assembled in the rural Temple of Bacchus, and away sped the Lank Youth in the Red Coat casting affrighted glances over his sloping shoulders, even as did Tam O' Shanter when pursued by the witches.



#### THE VISITING BABY.

"Oh! what a charming little deah!" exclaimed young Mr. Eglantine Roselcaf, stopclaimed young Mr. Eglantine Roselcat, stopping on the street to speak to Mrs. Haulton and her friend, Mrs. Azure Bass Debleu, from Massachusetts, the latter lady wheeling her baby in front of her in a perambulator. "Oh! pawsitively, Mrs. Debleu, this little beauty of yours is chawming," and he stooped down and patted the peach-like cheeks of the child, saying at the same time, "Deah itty tootsey, wostsay postsey did it ridey nidey along the wootsey, poetsy, the pitty itty goozy-oozy-

The child's eyes were screwed up, and the rose-bud lips were opened all ready for a howl.
"Oh! deah," exclaimed Mr. Roseleaf,

"Oh! deah," exclaimed Mr. Roseleal, "what's the matter with the little pet?"
"She doesn't understand you, Mr. Roseleaf," said the mother. "Restrain your incipient vociferations, my pet," she continued addressing the baby, "moderate the erubescence of your countenance, and restore it to its pristine serenity. Any utterance of woe on your part, dear, is irreversible and irretriev-

able, so abandon your intention to give vent to lachrymosity and let dithyrambic smiles irradiate your ordinarily effulgent countenance."

Mr. Roseleaf stepped back five paces aghast. The child abandoned its evident intention to howl, and broke into a smile.

"Good gwacious!" cjaculated Eglantine, as

soon as he could speak, "it actually understands you, Airs. Deblen."

"Mother mine," spoke the baby, turning round to its mamma, "kindly propel my perambulator with some accelerated velocity. Nature asserts her sway within my corporeal structure, and I confess my ability to do consumate justice to some light specimen of culinary art. Propcl."

Mr. Roseleaf was about to faint, but had just sufficient strength left to gasp out as the ladies were about to proceed:

"Heavens! Please tell me, Mrs. Haulton, where that extraordinary child was born!"
"In Boston," replied both ladies as they swept away, with the baby crooning

"Scintillate, scintillate, diminutive asteroid."

#### THE MERRY HOUSEMAID.

SONG AND CHORES.

A stat. crescendo.

Young Mary Hann sits in the kitchen When she might have been long in hed; And the sound of the music bewitchin'. She hears in the partor o'erhead. To-night there is music and dancing, The viano keeps banging away,
While the guests are all howing and prancing,
And this is her joyous lay;
Choavs.—Allegro.

nd's,—Aucyro,
Oh! happy indeed is the slavey's lot,
Perched like a bird in my garret high;
Each morn I come down to wrestle the pot,
And blow the bright fires till the stoves get hot;
And all the day long round the house I trot—
Oh-h! a happy young girl am I!

B flat, diminuendo.

I flat, diminuendo.

Next morn Mary Hann gets up with the lark—
At least with the milkman's b. II —
Ard the morning is chill and exceedingly dark,
When she gets to her dungeon cell—
(The kitchen I mean). Then she bringsdown the wreck
Of the grub left uneaten upstairs.
And she tackles a second-hand "biled" turkey's neck,
And she sings thus by way of her prayers:

CHORUS. - Il penseroso.

Oh! happy indeed is the slavey's fate
In the cheerful kitchen below;
Each norn I rise early and go to bed late,
And the missus will grumble at all I atc.
Yet there might be more crub put on my plate—
I'm a happy young girl—oh-h! oh!

F sharp, chiaro oscuro.

Shary, charo oscure.

Mary Hann goes out of the Sabbath eve,
She says she is going to church;
Oh! giddy young girl! now would you believe,
It's but to give missus the bruch?
She'll meet with her feller, and walk round the square,
She will say, "It's my only good chanco;
For the rest of the week I must stay in my lair,
While missus and family dance."

CHORUS. -Bravura.

orus.—Bravura.

Oh happy am I as I twirl my mop,
Or waltzing around with my duster light;
From morn till eve I never can stop,
Tho' I feel so tired I'm fit to drop;

""" matter I'll see my own dear "cop" No matter, I'll see my own dear "cop" When he comes on his beat to night.

#### BARBER-OUS.

(Scene-A barber's shop in town; Enter "a young man from the country.") Countryman -Barber, I'm wantin' a bit

scrape this mornin'.

Barber.—I'm quite at your service, sir.
Countryman.—Iz't the same rauzer ye shaved when I wiz in the toon the ither

Barber (elated at the prospect of hearing his "implement" praised)—The very same,

Countryman.—Ah! Then ye'll botter gie ma chloroform. [Collapse of barber.]—Glasgow Bailie.



### THE RIVAL SHOWMEN;

OR, MASTER CANADA BETWEEN TWO OPINIONS.

MR. NEEBRITCHES ON TORONTO'S AN TIQUITIES.



ISTER GRIP. DERE SUR, -avin ad a good dele of lcshur timb on my ands of late i employed it in impruvink of my mind by a-wisitin yure hold istoricl relickts in this citty. now the re-sult of my reserchis is this that i am convinsd that no one nced leve toronto to go to hegypt or hany of them hother fantastickle plai-ces in search of cuorssitys wen such are to be ad rite ere in hour midst. wy hi hersk, wy wisit

the land of the faraoahs to vew the perry-mids and mummys wen we are more were-abble hantiguities hat hour werry dores, so to speak. hi doant hallude to the hold maids which is so habundant ere; far from it: i hadoar the female seck hold or yung hand my nativ shivelry wouldn't permit me so to speke of hany womman, but hi meno him the first plaice, curossity, No. one : the parlyment bildings. wy, Mr. GRIP, sur, its a pawsetiv disgrais to a sivilised peple to permit such a diapidated hold rewin to remane standin. carst yure heyes hacrost the hocean hand let them alite on hour magnifeent pile of bildins at Vestminister; there's a hedifice as his wurthy of the naimb of onses of parlyment; but the mizsubl hold ruckry as you calls the hontarier parlyment bildins is was than the menest hold stable of a stingy country barrinet: tru the plais is good enuf for some of them fellers as comes from the backwoods, and owls wen the hamount hoffered to bribe em isn't suffishnt—the brolin brude of bribers as the gloab calls them-but there is some intelligint men in the hontarier legislachoor, hand they desurvs a more sootable plaic warein to spowt thare elokwents. Wots the matter with that mister moat : we eard im called the little tirant; wy doesnt he kick like a stear for better bildins: hi woodn't demene myself by settin for parlyment hin no sech a contempibl ole ; wy the plais reeks of filth and hold hage, hand the hortices his the moast rikkity hold shanrydans of pig stys hi hever see; and this is a kentry which claims to kno wots wot.

Wot hi says is this: hif hour hontarier legislater is wuth keepin hup at hall, then the members deserves a better place to meet him: wy don't Moat take the matter hinto his moast serious consideration and ave done with it. Toronter had hought to be thurrorly ashaimbed of hany such a bilden a digracin hof er.

Hanother relict of a bigone haige is the detectiv foarce: lor, bless you, there hisin't a buggler hor a theaf or a hany kind hof a mallyfactor as doesen't kno hevery one of them detectifs a mile horf: they seem to be selected, not so much for thare hability to detect as for thare size and wate; yes, and sighs and wait is there motter; the man wots robbed does the sighin and waitin, tho, wile st the detectifs is harfter a cloo. Now, hi don't think a man maiks a bit better detectif becaws he ways two undred and sixty lb. he is hapt to run too much to flesh and too little to hintellock; you'll agree with me that the best detectif on the foarce is the littlest. now, wud it be pawsibl, do you himagine, for hany of hour detectifs to disgise themselfs so as the crooks couldn't get honto em: no, sur, wy i wood kno that reburus black heyes hanywair, hand odgins coodn't no more get rid of his corporashn and semmy militery walk than

i can elp lookin gentlemenly, and has for newall hand reid hand brown, wy thare very size givs them away: fancy detectif reid workin hup a case disgised as a woman! my heye, woodn't he be a strapper! heighteen stoan wood make a considerabl big femail, hay, mister GRIP.

Fathefly, yures, CHARLES NEEBRITCHES.

HUSBAND.—It is no good going anywhere but to the Golden Boot, 206 Yonge-street, for boots for our boys. They always fit and wear well.

Mr. Landuchere says that Kaiser Wilhelm is suffering from indigestion caused by a heavy meal, to wit: "hot lobsters washed down with Rhine wine." Likely enough; any man, emeror or no emperor, who has to "wash down" his food is very likely to get a touch of dyspep But if, as I think probable, the old gentleman "washed down" those fish without first removing the peel, he has only got what he might expect. There is, I believe, nothing more indigestible than an unpeeled lobster.



ABOUT SNOWSHOEING.

Perhaps it is a little late in the day or late in the year—no, early in this year—well, say late in the winter—that is, last winter,—for advice about snowshoeing and how to become a snowshoer; but better late than never as the old maid said when she got married on her ninety-third birthday, and if my advice won't suit for this winter it will for next.

The first thing to do is to join a snowshoe club and adopt the uniform which will consist of a tuque, a coat, a sash, and moccasins: it is left at the sweet will of the member whether he wears trowsers or not, but they are usually worn; no one, however, can tell whether you have them on or not, as the coat comes down pretty low.

The first thing in the matter of uniform is the tuque; this may be made by cutting off the foot of a long red or blue stocking, sewing up the lower end and attaching a tassel.

The snowshooing uniform coat is made by obtaining a blanket—you will see several hanging about in front of the dry goods emporiums and your cheapest plan is to snatch one and bolt, sending in your name and address to the detectives to insure immunity from arrest. You next sew a row of buttons up one edge and having bought a number of holes to correspond to that of the buttons, you sew them on the opposite edge to the buttons. Your big sister will then make a hole in the blanket through which you put your head and there you are.

Fit need not be studied in the matter of a snowshoeing coat. The more it fits you like a sentry-box, the more en regle it will be. At anyrate if you are particular about a fit, the store-keeper from whom you stole the blanket will give you all the fits you want

will give you all the fits you want.

The sash and moccasins I am afraid you will have to buy, likewise your snowshoes, for it's snow-shoer thing to depend on being able to get a uniform for nothing and shoes to hoot. There is but little sport in snow sport. Summer is a poor time to learn to be an adept at this art, but your snowshoes may be utilized as lacrosse sticks or battle-dores: in the case of Hamilton young ladies they may be used as trellises to place in front of a house and train creeping plants up.

When you have acquired the art of walking on snowshoes and have about played yourself out tramping for miles and miles along the deep snow on the side of the road, you will sit down and wonder why you couldn't wa k along the hard, beaten road at half the expense of wind and muscle, without any snow-shors at all. Then you will wrench off your snowshoes; fling them over the fence and walk home as much like a rational being as a man in a blanket coat and old stocking tuque can.

#### SCOTTIE AIRLIE.

TORONTO, Mairch, 1885.

DEAR WILLIE,-Ye'll be glad tac hear I've gi en up the book-agency business. It was mair than I cud stand, to be a' the time chap— chappin' awa at to ks' doors, an' after stannin' i' the cauld wi' ma taes stingm' an' ma fingers dinlon' for naething ava but to get the door steekit i' ma face just as I wad he i' the middle o'a fine peroration aboot the book I was sellin'. No-I cudna stand it anither meenit, an' had serious thoughts o' listin' for the Soudan, only I didna' approve o' Gladstone's policy oot there, an' think I cud hae managed things a gude deal better if I had been at the head o' affairs, sae ye sec, I couldne' conscientiously gang an' fecht under him. If Gladstone had taen my advice lang syne, an' just gi'en Ireland tae the Irish, the hale thing also wad hae been settled lang afore noo, for an' he'd just let them alane they wad be like the Kilkenny cats, they wad fecht wi' ane anither till there wad be nacthing but the twa tails left. That's my way o' settlin' the Irish question-but Gladstone's a man that'll no listen to advice. I canna say, hooever, that its a'thegither his faut that they are gaun tae be a their list latte that they are gain the bessee hard up for men. I see the muckle Rooshian bear is gettin up on's hind legs again, there's neething i' the world frightens him like the tune o' the "Hunder Pipers" but whaur they're gaun to get a hunder pipers noo beats me. The landlords drave oo: the braw Hielanman tae mak room for their game, an' noo they can send oot their game to feeht the Arabs an' the Rooshians. But a' this of course has naething tae dae wi' my bookagency; an' noo I mann tell ye the maist re-markable circumstance that decided me tae gie up the book-bisness. I canua help laughin' yet when I think o'it. Ae day I cam up tae a vera respectable luckin' hoose, an' a sort o' a presentment gart me gang up the stair an' chap at the door, wi' ma valecce i' ma hand. After chappin' I waited a wee, an' then gettin' nae answer I tried the bell; an' naebody comin', thinks I, I'll just try the door tae see if onybody's in. The my astonishment, the door opened quite easy, an' thinkin' maybe the folk o' the hoose micht be deaf, an' me bein' anxious tae mak a sale, I just gaed daunderin' awa in, but saw naebody. Maybe. thinks I, they are a' on the tap flat, an' wi' that I gaes slippin' up the stair. I wasna' half way up, hooever, when I sees a woman's head keekin' oot o' a door at the head o' the

stair, an' the meenit she clapt an e'e on me, she lut a great skreich-an' banged tac the door, an' began haulin' up the bedstead an' the chest o' drawers an' the wash stand, an' piled them a' on tap o' ane anither tae barri-cade the door. Railly, I cudna' help laughin' at the silly creatur—but I didna want tae fricht her, sae I loots doon an' pittin' ma moo tae the key-hole I roars in till her "Hoots! ye silly glaikit woman; what are ye fleyed at? did ye never see an bonest, gude-luckin' man a'yer days afore? Open the door—like a sensible woman-I've a book here-

Afore I cud fcenish what I was gaun tae say, heard something like the bell o' an alarm clock dirlin' awa for twa ree meenits an' then the woman she cries tae me "Hello! hello! is that the Central?"

Of course, I made answer at once through

the key-hole.
"No." says I, "it's just me—I'm sellin' a book here-

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wholesale....." says she.
"No." says I, "nae connection wi' onybody but masel'. I'm the agent for this work. It's a book——" but just as I was gaun on she

criet oot real glad-like:
"Oh! is that you, dear?" I didna' vera

weel ken what t e think o'this.
"Yes," says l, "it's me—an' if ye'll just
open the door an' come oot o' there—the very sicht o' me 'ill convince ye that I'm an honorable man."

"Come at once, dear," says she, "there's a man in the house."

"A man!" says I, "whaur is he? d'ye

think he wad buy a book?"
"No," says she, "I think he must be an scaped lunatic—he acts so queer—I'm awfully

escaped indade—ne aces so queer—I in awithly frightened, and the girl has gone down town." "Hoot—toots," says I, "dinna' be feared, gin ony man offers the lay a hand on ye when I'm here I'll lay his head open wi'my valce se '

I begood to see no what made her sae feared, it was the man in the hoose somewhaur, that she had locket hersel' in for fear o'.

"Oh, my darling! my darling! I am so frightened—do bring some of the force along with you," says she again—an' then the bell gaed dirl again.

Man, it just touched me tae the very roots o' ma heart, to hear that puir cretur ca in' me her darl'n' like that; I just felt as gin I had kent her a' ma days—an' I says—through the

kcy-hole:-"Dinna be alairmed my bonny doo," says
I, "I'll just sit doon on this sheeps-'oo' mat at yer bed-room door here, till yer servant has comes in—an' if the man tries tae come naur ye he'll hae tae stap ower ma dead body first," an' wi' that I just settled masel, doon comfortably on the mat wi' ma back up again the door, an' was just sittin' thinkin hoo it maks a man's heart-strings dirl tae hear a woman say "my daurlin"," when I hears a licht fit fleein' up the stair, an' afore I cud get up, a fellow sprang at ma throat an' thrappled me till I was black i' the face, an' very naur by wi't. I cudna' believe ma een when I saw twa big policemen busy clappin' a pair o' shackels on me—an' the man sayin' to them, "He's a desperate ruffin I am afraid-you'll better be careful how you handle that value—he is very likely a dynamiter." The thocht o' me, a respectable Scotchman, bein' ta'en for a deevilish dynamiter was mair than flesh an' bluid cud stand—every drap o' Hielan' bluid was up in a meenit, an' I'm no sure but what maybe I swore a wee—but says I, "Ye ill-minded deevils, d'ye kun wha yer speakin' aboot? Can a respectable book-agent no protect a puir helpless woman wi' his dead body, without bein' ta'en for an Irish dynamiter?" An' wi' that I maks a grab for ma valeece, but the moment I gat a hand o't, the twa peelers flew doon the stair like wildfire, an' we could hear

their muckle feet rinnin' awa doon the side-walk. Woel, I gat a haud o' the valeece wi' ma shackled hands an' I turned oot ma books richt at the man's feet. "Noo," says I. "as sure's my name's llugh Airlie-" "Hugh Airlie!" cries the man (an' I thocht his face was a kind o' familiar) "Hugh Airlie! Not Hugh Airlie of Cheek min Tollgate, Scotland, surely?" "The very man," says I, "but wha

may you be?"
"Why, don't you remember Tam Tamson, your old schoolmate, who used to go nest harryin' with you in Cheekimin woods," "Ma conscience! is that you, Tam?" says I. Weel, the upshot o' a' this is, I'm in a fine situation in Tamson an' Tamson's wholesale warehouse, but ye may be very sure I keep oot o' the read o' Tam's wife, for it was her oot o' the read o' Tam's wire, for it was not speakin to Tam through the telephone, a' the time I thought she was speakin' tae me.

Yer british Alburt

HUGH AIRLIE.

#### ANTE-POSTHUMOUS DIARY AND COR-RESPONDENCE.

DEAR MR. GRIF,—In view of the uncertainty of life, and in view also of the lessons taught by the posthumous publications of letters of defunct literary men, I herewith send you the whole of my correspondence, literary and otherwise, together with my diary for ante-morten publication, so that the public may have a chance of sizing me up before I go hence and be no more able to defend or exdo go to "that bourne," I may be allowed to stay there in peace, and thus avoid the necessity of cursing him "who moves my bones." The public are hereby like Macduff challenged to come on, but as I never indulge in profanity, I shall avoid indicating precisely what shall happen to him who liest cries 'Hold,

I trust that by thus taking the initiative in publishing all private correspondence before instead of after decease, the present fashion may be supplanted, to wit, that of waiting till the veil of flesh has been rent in order to lay bare to the world a fellow's inner man. Before this sort of thing became common a poet

"God spares all beings but himself That hideous sight—a naked human heart."

But then the poet was an innocent unsophisticated youth : and it never seemed to occur to him that man would be less merciful in this particular, or that people would be telerated who would not hesitate to impale a dead human heart, and parade it aloft in the noonday sun for the amusement and criticism of the vulgar and uncharitable multitude. No, sir, I'd rather have it over now, and have the pleasure of hearing the comments thereon. Yours ante-mortemly,

OLIVER FORESTALLEM. Author.

SELECTIONS FROM DIARY.

Monday, Feb. 2nd -Saw Mac to-day-told me to write up an article for the paper-anti-Scott of course-and he would pay me at the rate of two fifty a column. Fine fellow Mac. Came home and told my landlady that I would square up on Saturday-must try to spin out that anti-Scott article into two columns so as

to produce five dollars.

Tuesday, 3rd.—Interviewed Shep. to-dayqueer fellow Shep. Said he was besieged literary bummers and poetic loafers—didn't know how to get rid of those who had already caught on—said if I could do shorthand and type-writing he might possibly give me a job by-and-by, but could hold out no hope—said he encouraged home industry by writing his own poetry. Without doubt a sublimely cantankerous crank, from my point of view.

Wednesday, 4th. - Sat up all night over that anti-Scott article- managed to spin out two columns-awfully tough work though, especi-

ally when one's sympathies are like mine all on the other side. Took it down personally— Mac said it would be all right—call on Satur-Landlady's temperature below zero. day. Received the following pink scented note this morning :-

"DEAR MR. FORESTALLEM, - We are getting up a surprise party on the 25th, and trust to have the pleasure of your company to it. The ladies are to provide refreshments, and the gentlemen will subscribe a dollar each for Violincello's Italian string band. Ever yours sincerely, MARCELLA EVANGELINE O'HOOL-

Not much, Mary Ann! The very first dollar these talons close over after paying my board has got to go to my Hebrew friend Moses in exchange for a pair of second-hand breeches which I humbly opine will serve my purpose better than a string band. However I politely returned this note of declination :-

"MY DEAR MISS O'HOOLIGAN, -- Kindly accept my sincerest regrets at being unable to be present at your surprise party, a prior engagement having rendered that impossible. If, however, you will let me know how it comes off, I will use my influence with the press to have a full account of the proceedings published in the daily papers, with a view to sending them home to your friends in the old country, and will see that your own name is given due prominence in the report. Devoted-

ly yours, OLIVER FORESTALLEM."

Thursday, 5th.—Another letter--not so pleasant this morning :-

"MR. FORESTALLIM, -- i doant think as ow you air a gentleman anyhow, to keep a pore woman like me out of her money like this. Why don't you go and work like i do i darnd them soks of yourn so as theres not much left of the fust originels. but no siree you won't fool me any moar and if you doant pony up that there twenty cents for washin you ow me you shant get your shirt on saterday. yours truley, SAIRAH JANE SMART.

Oh, well, I'll settle with the old dragon on Saturday when Mac pays me for that article. I wonder why they haven't printed it. Saw Miss C--- to-day looking lovelier than ever. If a fellow now could get a sit on the Globethey say the Ed. is a splendid fellow-a good safe-sit there now-ah! that were a consummation devoutly to be wished-I could thenwell, we'll hope anyway. She certainly is lovely.

Friday, 6th .-- Interviewed the Globe to-day no go! How horribly pointed these successful men are-want to know exactly what you can do they forget the time when they couldn't do much themselves. They are so puffed up with the continual contemplation of the infinitudeness of their own powers that, like Simon Stylites, they from the vastness of the altitudeness of the heights of their pillars look down with contemptuous serenity on poor devils who, like myself, are vainly endeavoring to climb a greasy pole on the top of which sits fortune. Said I might send in an article next week, but wouldn't promise to accept. I hate him However I came home and wrote an article in such a way as wouldn't offend either party-Scott-Act or Prohibition-shewing up the claims of both sides, but taking care not to commit myself to either. The fact is I was mad-I knew he wouldn't accept it, and so I just wrote to let him see how well I could argue on either side. Then I mailed it saying "Good-bye, Giobe." Landlady still saying freezing hard.

Saturday, 7th.—Called to receive cash for article from Mac, but couldn't find him in. Third time clerk told me with a grin that he was gone out of town. Felt sick--and came away-but immediately returned to ask when he would be back-was told, with another and broader grin, three weeks! Three weeks! ye gods!—for a moment the office



JACK AND THE GIANT ONCE MORE.

furniture went swimming round me-but I recovered when I got into the fresh air. My landlady !—I dared not think of her. I was in the blackness of darkness of despair, when in the blackness of darkness of despair, when suddenly an idea dawned upon me like a star through a rift in the clouds. Rushing home I entered the house, whistling loudly for the edification of my landlady, and gathering together several scraps of wit and humor, the products of my leisure moments, I stuffed them in the crown of my hat—and making a teal lies they because where the star beauty and the products. The bird received me cordially—but gave me an electric shock by saying: "I see you would like to be paid for these in advance?" I tried to protest, but his eye was upon me. He knew all, I could see; what he don't know isn't worth knowing, and going to a drawer he took therefrom a V. bill, and I was saved. Paid my landlady and laundress. Temperature high—sudden thaw—air soft and mild. Sunday, 8th.—In bed all day.

Monday, 9th.—A letter from Globe office—which I open with palpitating pulses.—By Jove! it's accepted!—read this:—

"DEAR SIR,—Please find enclosed cheque for five dollars for editorial services. Yours truly, GLOBE Pro Co."

Well now-he isn't a bad fellow Whew! after all, is he?

( To be continued. )

I HAVE been requested to contradict the rumor that the Hamilton Amateur Opera Company were compelled to perform in Toronto lately because there was not room for the ladics of that company to stand on the limited stage of the Hamilton Opera House. It is confidently stated that there was plenty of room and a few feet (ordinary feet) to spare, and the only reason for the ladies and gentlemen referred to coming to Toronto was that they desired to perform in a city. libel after libel shown up. Thus is

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