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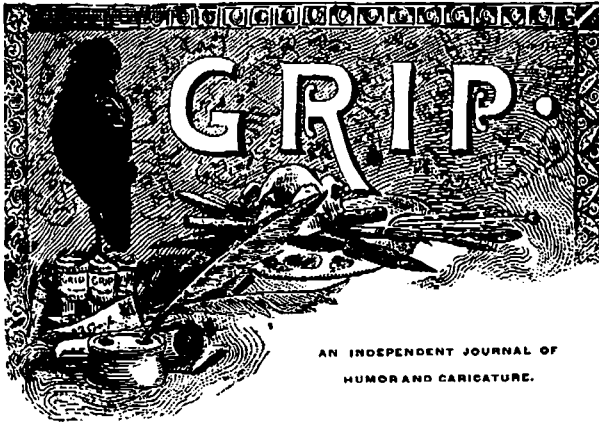
MR. GLOBE CAMERON.—“There; do you hear that? He says it is genuine.”

DR. CASSIDY *et al.*—“Genuine nothing! You mustn't forget that Peter is an auctioneer.”

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Comments on the Estates.



OUR SHINING LEADERS.—The debate upon Col. O'Brien's motion in favor of the disallowance of the Jesuits' Estates Bill of Quebec, came to an end in Parliament on Thursday night, when the vote was taken, and an exact dozen of men stood up to be counted with the gallant member for Muskoka. Of the thirteen, six were Grits and seven Tories. The remaining members of the House, without distinction of "race, color, sex, or previous condition of servitude," voted to sustain the Government in its decision to allow the Act to become law. The debate was chiefly remarkable for the utterance of Sir John Thompson, who was the mouth-piece of the Government. This able

gentleman practically laid down the doctrine that the Roman Catholic Church is not to be subject to the supervision of the civil power in the same sense that other churches are, when it is necessary to adjust disputes within its pale referring to worldly property. In the case of Presbyterian or Baptist disputes about the division of moneys or lands, where arbitration is resorted to, it is necessary that the arbitrator be clothed with due power by the civil authorities; but Sir John Thompson plainly stated that no such arrangement would be accepted by the Roman Catholic Church. The Pope, and he alone, is the arbiter whose decision would be regarded as final. Upon this ground the Minister of Justice excused the worst feature of the Bill—the application of the Mercier Government to His Holiness for permission to dispose of the estates, and the reference to him of the final disposition of the proceeds. Speakers on the other side, notably Mr. Dalton McCarthy, clearly demonstrated that the Act was uncon-

stitutional in several points, and the argument against it, from the standpoint of public policy, was conclusive. Notwithstanding all which, both parties went almost *en masse* for the Jesuits. Hon. Edward Blake had nothing to say in defence of his vote, but gave a sufficient indication of the contempt in which he holds the opinion of "fanatics" like Principal Caven, by going across the floor and congratulating Sir John Thompson upon his speech. The Liberal members, apparently, voted against Col. O'Brien's motion on the general principle that Local Acts, regardless of their character, should never be vetoed. This Mr. Laurier declared to be "good liberal doctrine." The Conservatives voted the same way on the general principle that it is necessary to sustain John A. under any and all circumstances. The truth, no doubt, is, that both precious organizations were after the corporate vote, and it would be hard, after this exhibition, to mention any depth of humiliation to which they would not go to serve political ends. When we intimate that both leaders are willing to black the boots of the Ultramontane power, we feel it necessary to ask the pardon of the guild of boot-blacks, whose work is, at least, honest and void of shame.

A PROFESSIONAL DISCOUNT.—Mr. Peter Ryan, in a couple of manly letters to the *Globe*, intimates that he, as a Catholic, agrees with that journal on the unwisdom of introducing His Holiness the Pope into the public affairs of Canada. "And even Catholics," he adds, "are not one on the general question of granting bounties, or even restitution moneys, to religious corporations." These expressions were naturally applauded by the *Globe*, and the assertion was made that, in speaking thus, Mr. Ryan had the sympathy of many good Catholics, both clerical and lay. This called forth vigorous protests from Dr. Cassidy and other Catholic citizens, in letters to the *Globe*, and a series of interviews, conducted by the *World*, failed to reveal the name of even one such sympathizer. On the contrary, the general expression in Catholic quarters was that Mr. Peter Ryan was by no means an acceptable representative of Catholic doctrine, on this or any other question.



HE way in which, in a single sentence, Mr. Dalton McCarthy wiped out the peach-basket statesman from Lincoln, in the Jesuit Bill debate, was delicious. Although he is a member of the same party—and a useful member, too, when any dirty work is to be done—it is quite evident that Rykert is held at his proper valuation by Conservatives of good standing. There was a perceptible dash of contempt in Mr. McCarthy's quiet observation,—“As to what the member for Lincoln has said, I do not, of course, take it seriously.” This was an ample review of the long and truckling harangue in favor of unconstitutionality which the scrap-book orator had inflicted

on the House in his capacity of "an Orangeman." Everybody knows that a wag of Sir John's head would have been quite enough to have stopped Rykert in the middle of his speech and set him off in exactly the opposite direction.

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MISS COCKBURN, the charming daughter of the Member for Centre Toronto, who was lately "interviewed" in Washington, is, no doubt, as the interviewer states, one of the prettiest girls at the Capital, but it is evident that she is not so profoundly posted in the affairs of her native land as she might be. Amongst other delightful things, she told the Yankee newspaper man that her papa was "the leader of the Conservatives." Surely papa did not impose this Munchausenism upon his confiding child?

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THE sub-committee of the Committee on Works have reported in favor of the granting of a charter to the new street railway company for the construction of two

lines connecting the north-east quarter of the city with the Union Station. But now a hitch has occurred upon a technical point as to the capacity of the new company to enter into a contract, and the matter has been referred to the city solicitor. Meanwhile, perhaps, the sub-committee and the general council can find a few moments' leisure in which to think of some sufficient reply to GRIP's question.—Why should Toronto dispose of any valuable monopoly franchise for a percentage of the receipts, when the corporation itself might build and control the street railways, and put *all* the proceeds into the public till? Come, gentlemen, give us some sort of an answer.

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"THERE'S taffy for you, Mills!" shouted Peter Mitchell, when Sir John declared that the lucid argument of the member for Bothwell was alone enough to have convinced the Government of the soundness of their course in allowing the Jesuit Estates Bill. Yes; squirming for the corporate vote *does* make strange bed-fellows. This is the same Mills who has for years been sneered at as a "philosopher"—a shallow fellow, of infinite pretensions. All at once he becomes a scholar of most respectable standing, and a man of sound wisdom! Next thing we know, Sir John will take him into the Cabinet!

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GRIP most emphatically denounces the proposed suppression of "preaching in the park" on Sunday afternoons. Such action would, of course, condemn open-air speaking everywhere else and at all times. The idea is not for a moment to be tolerated. This is a free country, and, so long as the citizen is violating no law of the land, he must be allowed to talk till he is black in the face, if he wants to. The proposal now made to suppress the open-air preachers is as unreasonable as one would be on their part to secure a by-law compelling people to listen.

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THE New York papers are pointing out, in a boastful spirit, that they have scores of millionaires in the States individually richer than the richest peer in England. There is poor ground for congratulation in this. It may with safety be declared that no mortal man is able to earn honestly more than \$2,000,000 in a life-time—that is, to give an approximate value in services to the world for that amount. It follows, then, that every man who possesses more than this must have come by it dishonestly, whether under forms of law or not.

VERY SCALY!

IS it because Sir Adolphe is the *light weight* of the Administration that he is called the *Ottawa Boulanger*?

"LAYING ON OF HANDS."

SMYTHE—"I say, do you believe in this science cure—the 'laying on of hands'?"

SMITH—"You'd better believe I do. It cured my little boy of telling terrible lies."

SMYTHE—"Of telling lies! How?"

SMITH—"By spanking him, whenever he was found out!"

AN accepted draught—A treat.

MRS. GUPPY says her late husband was so small that he looked like a Statue of Limitations.

A LAY.

OF A MAID WHO MUST BE WON.

I WROTE a song for my love last night,
And swore that she seemed divine,
With her eyes as bright as electric light
And her waist like a corset sign;
With her golden hair as trim as e'er
Was switch or wig most fine,
And her dainty face as correctly fair
As an ancient Greek's—o mine.

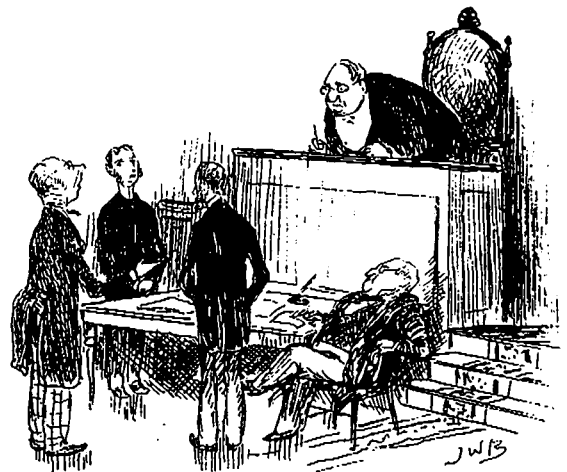
But she is a maid who is deeply read
In legends and ancient lore,
And proudly she tossed her queenly head
As she looked my verses o'er.
"Now where," quoth she, "are your lofty vows
To be steeped in knightly gore,
As you fight for honors to grace your brow
Like the heroes who lived of yore?"

So I have now re-written my rhyme
In the manner of ancient days,
And I'll bring my ladye fayre to time
In such antiquated ways,
As swearing the light of her holy eyes
Doth dazzle my awestruck gaze,
And that forth I'll wander in knightly guise
And return bedecked with bays;

That I'll be a chivalrous errant knight
For an hundred days and one,
And keep my armour and scutcheon bright,
And eke my repeating gun;
That I'll hiss through my helmet, "Villain avant!"
When a rival I chance to see,
And heat his blood with this savage taunt—
"Ho, traitor from paynimree!"

And many a dainty serenade
I'll sing to my amorous lute
By the window of this romantic maid
When the wakeful cat is mute.
I'll tell of a heart and a life undone,
And plaintively press my suit,
Till she names the day when we'll both be one.
Then I'll for the preacher scoot.

P. Kus.



PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE.

JUDGE (to defendant)—"On what grounds does the plaintiff dispute the payment of this bill?"

NEVERPAY—"Why, sir, think of it—only because he doesn't remember it!"

JUDGE—"Do you consider the plaintiff an honest man?"

DEFENDANT—"Ye-es, sir; I don't accuse him—"

JUDGE (interrupting)—"Then I shall render judgment against you; if you had paid him he'd had cause to remember it all his life!"



A CASE FOR COMMISERATION.

MESSRS. FLASHPAN and Thinkless take not the slightest interest in the Jesuits' Estates Question, and yet at their club, in the papers, and throughout society, nothing else is being talked about. The unhappy gentlemen are profoundly cogitating on the question—Is life worth living?

A STUDY IN HUMOR.

IN TWO PARTS.—PART II.

"LOOKING at it reasonably and calmly," resumed the editor, "don't you consider that an exceedingly undesirable impression to give. And besides that, it is devoid of truth. You know that I would never offer violence to the meanest of living creatures, while personally I know of no one more milder mannered and less aggressive than yourself. So you see that that part of your paragraph is made out of whole cloth."

"I see," replied the humorist.

"For these reasons," continued the editor, "I think the paragraph had better be left out."

"Better leave the whole paper out," muttered the humorist below his breath.

"Don't you agree with me?" asked the editor in mild surprise.

"Cert, cert," said the humorist. "Don't get the idea in your head that I don't agree with you. Your words are fragrant with the perfume of wisdom."

"Thank you," replied the editor modestly. "Now, there's just one thing more. Looking at the paragraph as a whole, I think it's deficient in humor. Humor, I find, by reference to the dictionary, is that quality of the imagination which gives to ideas a ludicrous or fantastic turn, and intending to excite laughter or mirth. It may be employed solely to raise mirth, and render conversation pleasant, or it may contain a delicate kind of satire. Now, while not depreciating your ability in any way, I do not think your paragraph contains any ideas with a ludicrous or fantastic turn. I do not think it would excite

mirth, and it certainly has not a hint of satire—delicate or otherwise. Its only effect would be to offend our readers. Do you follow me?"

"Yes."

"You see, it doesn't do to slap things into a paper hap-hazard. The work requires thought and judgment. I rather pride myself on my judgment."

"You have every reason to," said the humorist. "If I had a judgment like yours, I'd be proud of it, too. I'd do it up in pink cotton wool and set it in a glass case for the bewildered admiration of the promiscuous crowd."

"Thank you very much," said the editor. "Now, as you seem so willing to learn, I'll write the funny column for to-morrow's paper myself to give you a more detailed idea of the requirements. I see you have your paragraphs headed Crackers and Caramels. I don't see any sense in that. It is altogether irrelevant."

The *Car's* funny column came out next morning headed Wit and Humor, probably to convince people that it was not the Obituary or the Fashion department. It started off thus:

"Wit and Humor.

"Here we are Again!

"This column contains a laugh in every line.

"We shall be glad to receive contributions for this department. Our readers will oblige us by sending in anything of a humorous nature which may suggest itself to them.

"A bright little child of our acquaintance—we will not deny the imputation that the child is our own—remarked the other evening on her return from school: 'Asthma (has ma) got over her asthma yet?' Her mother had been afflicted with this unpleasant affection for some days.

"The same bright child on another occasion, not so many days ago, was overheard to say to a companion, as they stood chatting together on the street corner, as children will, 'Hearse (here is) the funeral procession coming back again.' Thus early the child shows its predilection for the merry quips which excite laughter or mirth."

Mr. Gosh concluded that as a wrestler with an article of wit calculated to please the bulge-browed cult of the *Car's* effete readers, he would never make his mark when Macguffin was around, and consequently resigned.

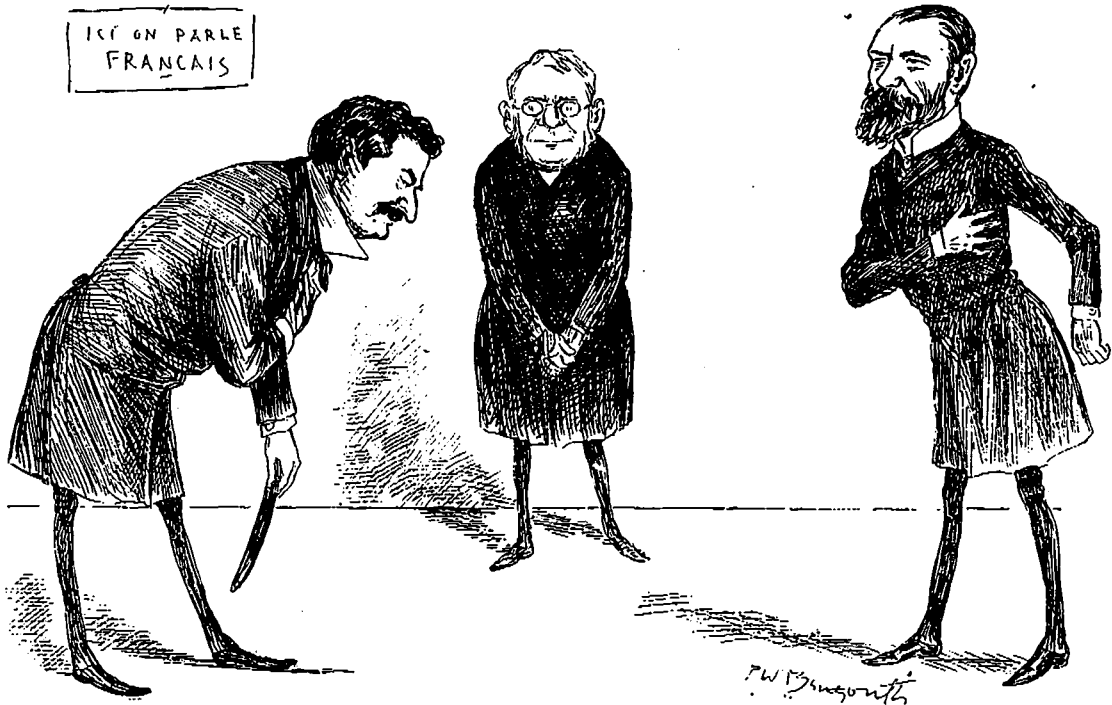
CECIL STREET.



MEM. FOR HON. MR. ROSS.

MISS GUSHER—"Do you know, I believe that the English language is easier to acquire than any other in the world."

MRS. NEWLOVE—"Of course it is. Why, even our baby is learning it!"



MERCI (ER) M'SIEU !

"PREMIER MERCIER left the city very quietly on Saturday, on a jaunt to Toronto, where it is said he will pass eight or ten days, being the guest of Premier Mowat, or some other member of the Ontario Cabinet. 'The Premier will not go to any hotel,' said an *intime*, 'because he has some business to transact, and he prefers doing so in a quiet manner.' He will take advantage of his trip to thank the Premier and Ontario Cabinet, and especially Hon. Mr. Ross, for the stand they have taken on the teaching of French in schools."—*Montreal Star*.

HOW TO BECOME A NATIVE CANADIAN LITTERATEUR.

AS most editors must have noticed, there is considerable latent literary ambition flying around loose in this country. Many of our young men and women, ignoring the remunerative careers which lie always open to talent, as bartenders, canvassers for tea and sewing-machines, base-ball champions, speculators in real estate or dime museum freaks, persist in essaying to tread the thorny slopes of Parnassus and the rickety staircase leading to the editorial den. Spite of exhortation and warning they will do it. The following rules for the guidance of such have been drafted by a prominent member of the Royal Canadian Academy, and, it is understood, will be submitted to that illustrious body at its next *seance*, viz.:

1. If possible, get yourself born in England, Scotland, or somewhere outside of Canada, at any rate, and brought up abroad until your ideas and habits of thought are fully matured. This is not absolutely essential, but it is a very great advantage.

2. Be intensely, excruciatingly "loyal," and very patriotic. You will easily demonstrate your loyalty by writing a poem in honor of the Governor-General—any kind of a poem will do, so long as the sentiments are sufficiently enthusiastic. Denounce Yankees and all their institutions on every possible opportunity.

3. Write in a formal, stilted style, and carefully, as you value your reputation, avoid any phrase or expression which is racy of the soil, such as is used in every-day life. Of course Dickens, Scott and Victor Hugo drew copiously on the popular vocabulary, and their works

teem with slang expressions, but for a Canadian writer it would never do to depict Canadians naturally. If you must use slang, let it be pure English slang.

4. Your principal theme will, of course, be Canadian Literature. You will write articles entitled, "Have We a Canadian Literature?" "Need of a Canadian Literature," "Progress of Canadian Literature," etc. As everybody knows, it was by writing *about* English literature, the necessity of having it, and the means of encouraging it, that it got a start.

5. Work the mutual admiration racket, by mentioning favorably all the other native Canadian writers—especially, of course, Prof. Goldwin Smith and C. G. D. Roberts. They will naturally praise you in return. It is needless to say that criticisms and articles upon Canadian writers form the staple of "Canadian literature," distinctively so called. N.B.—It is by no means necessary to have read the writings you praise.

Follow these directions implicitly, and you will very shortly be acknowledged by the fraternity as a native Canadian *litterateur*, and some weeks you may be able to make as much as five dollars by your contributions to the press.

CORRECT.

A HIGH medical authority recommends onions as the most wholesome of vegetables. He says they are particularly valuable as an article of diet for children, making the latter grow up strong and healthy. The doctor is right. Children who are fed on onions can't help being strong.



A CRUSHER.

JOBBLES—"I should think you would be ashamed to wear another woman's hair on your head!"

MRS. J.—"And I should think you would be ashamed to wear another sheep's wool on your back!"

THE GRANGE AT MUDVILLE.

MUDVILLE GRANGE held its usual monthly meeting last Monday, in the house of Abraham Posthole. The attendance was but meagre, owing to a dog fight then raging in the tavern opposite. However, Stephen Whippletry, David Dosey, Moses Raspberry, Joseph Klevis, with Deacon Punkin and the host, constituted a quorum, so, when the pipes had been lighted, and the spittoon shuffled into a central position, Deacon Punkin took the chair with the customary formalities.

The chairman stated that he had received a letter from a friend in Ohio, deploring the prevalence of oleomargarine. This state of things contained a solemn warning to Canadians. Unless farmers bestirred themselves, the butter of the future would come more from the steer than the cow. Things seemed to be "stearine" that way. He (the chairman) could not reflect on the possible extinction of this noble animal without emotion. She should not be surrendered to Western stock-breeders without a struggle, neither should we allow her strain to degenerate by mixture with the iron-tailed species kept by Eastern milkmen. Are the tender memories associated with the word "bossy" to be snuffed into oblivion at the command of tallow bosses? Are the allusions to this historic quadruped, enshrined in the immortal melodies of Mother Goose, to be allowed to fade into anachronisms? Should we not strive to hand down to posterity in unimpaired significance that touching and beautiful ballad which commemorates that wonderful triumph in domestic architecture, the House that Jack built? Must the "cow with the crumpled horn," and her charming mistress, the beautiful milkmaid, become obsolete characters? He did not fear for the "man all tattered and torn." As long as there remained one who followed the plough, that scare-crow figure of speech would be well enough understood. But the position of the cow is more *instable*.

Abraham Posthole thought that the cow would hold her own in one shape or another, but there was one time-honored institution connected with the dairy which was seriously threatened. He referred to the one-legged milking stool. A machine had been invented, combining

pail and stool, which, if generally adopted, would render archaic one of the simplest and most beautiful devices known to husbandry. Speaking of associations, what article is richer in these than this accommodating contrivance to check gravitation? Mounted on an old barrel stave, it made a noble forerunner of the toboggan down the smooth hillside in front of the little red schoolhouse of boyhood memories. He (the speaker) deplored any attempt to reduce it into its original elements, two pieces of kindling-wood. He, for his part, would never practice sitting on a watering-can and milking in a funnel. It was a poor recommendation of this new-fangled notion, that a kicking cow could not spill the contents. When a cow kicked, the great want was something handy to hammer her with, and the one-legged milking stool filled the bill. Let us not go back on this old relic. The speaker concluded his plea for the retention of ancient forms with the remark that he was glad to know that, the price of the threatened innovation being \$1.75, placed it above the reach of the average Mudville farmer.

Stephen Whippletry said that speaking of innovations reminded him to deplore the rapid disappearance of the old snake-rail fences, their place being too often filled by barbarous wire. The latter should be made illegal. He felt a little sore on this subject, having scrambled through one of those outlandish barriers on coming to this meeting across lots. He was, in consequence, in no sort of condition to appear in public, unless it were as a fancy dress characterization of that hero lately mentioned, the "man all tattered and torn." He mourned, like a Hebrew prophet with rent garments, the removal of those old landmarks, the snake fences. There were a few points about them, perhaps, which a progressive farmer might consider drawbacks, but such points connected with their porcupine substitute were simply innumerable.

The meeting closed without singing the National Anthem.

WILLIAM MCGILL.

A ROYAL ROAD TO LEARNING.

THE scheme set forth in the following advertisement, which appears in several of our English exchanges, is of such general benefit that we have decided to give it the advantage of the larger and more *elite* circulation of GRIP:

UNIVERSAL KNOWLEDGE and INFORMATION OFFICE (founded by Lord Truro), 19 Southampton-street, Bloomsbury-square, W.C. ANSWERS QUESTIONS, Makes Researches, and Supplies Information on every subject.—For prospectus, setting forth terms and conditions, address the Secretary.

Who, after such an announcement, will dare to repeat the well-worn maxim that "there is no royal road to learning?" Here it is for you. If a supply of information, cut and dried, upon "every subject," doesn't fill the bill, we should like to know what would. Of course we shall immediately avail ourselves of this invaluable *vade mecum*—if the terms don't come too high—and endeavor to set at rest at once and forever a number of vexed questions and time-honored mysteries which have hitherto lacked solution. The following are a few of the queries which we propose to submit to this omniscient body:

Who were the parents of Cain's first wife?
Where was Moses when the light went out?
Who struck Wm. Paterson, Esq.?

Have the Grits a policy, and, if so, what?
 Does lager intoxicate?
 Does Protection protect?
 Is marriage a failure?
 Have we a Canadian literature?
 What becomes of all the pins?
 Do goats really eat oyster cans?
 Is novel-reading injurious?
 How many birth-places have Gladstone and Sir John
 Macdonald respectively?
 Is life worth living?
 Why do Summer roses fade?
 Did Bacon write Shakespeare?
 Whither are we drifting?

As soon as we receive the answers to these queries, we shall publish them to a breathless and palpitating world, and thereby utterly and forever squelch and obliterate the whole tribe of journalistic Smart Alecks and hangers-on to the ragged edge of literature, who eke out some kind of existence by periodically asking these irritating questions, and pretending to give some sort of an answer to them, which really leaves the reader more in the dark than ever.

WHY THE ORANGEMEN DON'T GO TO THE FRONT.

"Now that the time has come, why do not the Orangemen go to the front?"—*Public Comment.*

WOODEN shoes and brass cash were an awful oppression,
 And the thumbscrews, that made our poor anshistors grunt,
 But they're not the laste taste to the last in succession,
 The direction to Orangemin, "Go to the front!"

If there was a shmall place in the dimmisht of dishtance,
 Or a land waitership at the heel of the hunt,
 Oh, it's thin we would vanquish the fiercest resishtance,
 Oh, it's thin would the Orangemin rush to the front.

But when Rome is attackin' aich Protestant section,
 There's no rayson for Orangemin bearin' the brunt,
 If by savin' the faith we're to lose the clection,
 Och, the deuce take the Orangeman goes to the front.

It's our charter, of coorse, to kape Rome in submission,
 But the work—that we'd like on some others to shunt,
 Sure, can't Presbyterians hould the position,
 Or wouldn't the Methodists stand in the front?

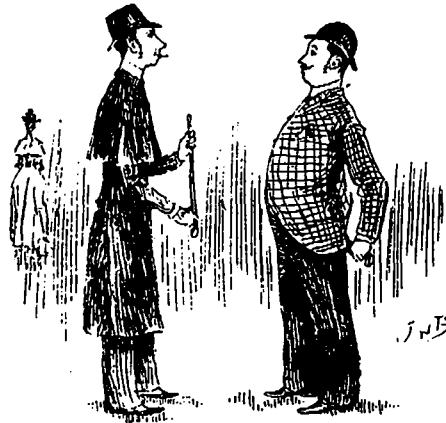
There's no doubt it's our place; but we all have our failin',
 There's political raysons—just now we're *non sunt*,
 If we kape in our place: here's the logic prevailin',
 All our places we'll lose whin we go to the front.

There's Episcopal's—Baptists—why, they ought to do it,
 But oursilves; sure, we got a few messages blunt
 Up from Ottawa, so, "If you do you will rue it,"
 And we can't quite afford now to go to the front.

But just wait till it comes to drum-beating an ffin',
 Whin John A. doesn't need our devotion to stunt,
 Oh, what spayches, wid plinty of adjectiv life in,
 You'll hear, as the Orangemin rush to the front.

A WITTY MONTREALER.

MR. HENRY DRISCOLL, a leader of the Montreal bar of the last generation, was a wit and a master of *double entente*. Had he cared to restrain his sarcastic vein, his learning and ability would certainly have elevated him to the bench—and at an early period of his career. Judge Aylwin, a convivial soul, was, for a time, not on very good terms with Mr. Driscoll. One day, on entering the Court House, he saluted him with, "Good-morning, Mr. Dry-skull."



CONSOLATION.

BROWN—"Well, Jones, have you succeeded in capturing Miss Smith's hand yet?"

JONES—"Not exactly her hand, but I got the next thing to it."

BROWN—"Ah?"

JONES—"Yes, I got the mitten."

"Good-morning, Mr. Judge Alc-wine," was the response.

He was once asked by a visitor from England as to the standing of Judge Badgeley. Said he "Good lawyer, fine scholar, high up among the Masons, a very positive man—*few like him.*"

Mr. Driscoll always carried an umbrella; he used to say it kept the rain off. Flourishing this umbrella, he once visited Molson's College, and, patting a very chubby little girl's head, he exclaimed, "My dear, you would be good for a pie." Whether as maker, partaker or ingredient, he did not say.

A rather crusty client of his, advanced in years and mortally ill, was most reluctant in relaxing his grasp of earthly pleasures and interests. Mr. Driscoll's comment was, "Poor Jackson is very loth to leave this wicked world. He doesn't know any *better!*" A.



TOO MUCH FOR HIM.

OLD HUNDRED (*Deputy Head of the Bread and Butter Bureau*)—"What's the matter, Mr. Snipson? I see you are marked absent in the Attendance Book for several days. Not neuralgia again, I hope?"

SNIPSON (*quite done up*)—"No, sir—far worse. It is mental exhaustion, from singing in the chorus at Rideau Hall."

O. H. (*sympathetically*)—"Poor fellow! We must give you another trip to Europe next summer to recruit."



THE DRAMA OF THE DAY.

MISS McFLIMSY.—“ And have you really decided to go upon the stage, dear ? ”

MISS GUSHERTON.—“ Oh, yes! I have my dresses all ready, and am having a play written up to them ! ”

MOLE ON HORSEBACK.

I NOTICED Mole out driving yesterday with his best girl. He was apparently giving his fair inamorata some valuable “ pointers ” about driving. With extended arms, and head very much on one side, he would give his gaunt charger a lick with the whip and beam with satisfaction, when his sarcasm of a horse would break into a spasmodic, camel-like trot, and whiz down the street at the rate of three miles an hour. This event resurrected in my mind a little incident that occurred last summer. Mole decided to go to a baseball game at Hogwash ; and as all the livery rigs were engaged, he decided to borrow a horse from a friend and go horseback. We were just starting out, when along came Mole. He was perched away up on a large lumbering horse, and looked embarrassed on account of the stirrup straps being ridiculously short for his long legs. “ See him prance ! See him prance ! ” howled a small scrub-headed boy. This remark directed every one’s attention to Mole. His horse was prancing up the road, with his tail facing one ditch and his head the other. Suddenly he darted forward, and in a fit of elephantine playfulness tried to climb over a six-foot board fence. Mole yelled “ Whoa ! ” and tugged at the bridle till he was black in the face. The gentle animal, yielding to Mole’s stern command, did stop very suddenly, but Mole kept right on, and made a very substantial dint in the soft mud that garnished the ditch. Mole arose with a baleful glare in his eye, picked up a large club, and smote the fiery horse with savage vigor.

Then he attempted to remount, but his fiery steed kept backing away, or varied the monotony by going around in a circle, till Mole was quite giddy, and had a kink in his neck. Finally a sympathetic bystander gave Mole a leg-up. He jammed his hat down on his ears, took a firm grip on the bridle, and hit his charger a tremendous thump with the club. The gentle animal stood up on his hind legs, gave a couple of indignant snorts, and then broke into a feeble, death-dealing trot, that threatened to loosen the top of Mole’s head. He swayed to and fro, bobbed up and down, and finally disappeared from view over the brow of a hill. We overtook Mole about a mile out of Hogwash. He was leading the horse, and looked weary and discouraged. “ What’s the matter ? ” we enquired. “ Oh, nothing,” said Mole, in a dreary tone of voice. “ Horse frightened by steam thrasher, bolted, and threw me into a pool of slimy water. I scrambled out, chased the diabolical brute three miles ; lovely time ; have quite a collection in each boot—mud, water, and a few snails,” and Mole smiled in a forlorn way. All efforts to coax Mole into our rig failed, and he “ hoofed ” it into Hogwash. He arrived in time for the match, and enjoyed it as well as could have been expected. I noticed, however, that he paid a small boy to ride “ Jumbo ” home. He told me next day that he was dying to take that horse for a week and “ train ” him. He never did it, however ; perhaps he forgot. Who can tell ?

E. A. C.

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THE PREMIUM PLATE.—A very large number of old subscribers are sending for the "Horse Fair." This picture, as is universally the case with premiums, was intended to stimulate new subscriptions. We have, however, arranged to accommodate present subscribers by giving the picture to all who pay to the end of 1889, and enclose 25 cents for expenses. This will give to all the average footing of new subscribers. But many send the 25 cents and forget the other part of the condition. Be kind enough to read our offer at the foot of the advertisement.

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NEWSPAPER CRITICISM.

It is a privilege every newspaper reserves to itself to criticize, adversely if needs be, for the public's benefit, anything in which the public is deeply interested.

It is the custom of H. H. Warner & Co., proprietors of the renowned Kidney and Liver Cure, better known as "Warner's Safe Cure," to flood the country with medical pamphlets. The writer has taken the liberty to examine one of these marvellous little books, and finds food for criticism, but before indulging in it, will give our readers some quotations therefrom, from the highest medical authorities, which we believe worthy of consideration. Under the head of "No Distinctive Symptoms Apparent," we find:

First—More adults are carried off in this country by chronic kidney disease than by any other one malady, except consumption.—Thompson.

Second—Deaths from such diseases are increasing at the rate of 250 per cent. a decade.—Edwards.

Third—Bright's Disease has no symptoms of its own, and may long exist without the knowledge of the patient or practitioner, as no pain will be felt in the kidneys or their vicinity.—Roberts.

Fourth—In the fatal cases—and most cases have hitherto been fatal—the symptoms of diseased kidneys will first appear in extremely different organs of the body as stated above.—Thompson.

Fifth—Only when the disease has reached its final and fatal stages may the usual symptoms of albumen and tube casts appear in the water, and will great pain rack the diseased organs.—Thompson.

Sixth—Bright's Disease, which usually has three stages of development, is a universal disease in England and America.—Roberts and Edwards.

Thompson is authority for saying that more adults are carried off in this country by kidney disease than any other malady except consumption. Under Warner's "Safe Cure" article on Consumption, we find a paragraph claiming to be a quotation from a publication issued by Brompton Hospital for Consumptives, London, England, which states that 52 per cent. of the patients of that institution have unsuspected kidney disorder. Dr. Herman Brehmer, an eminent German authority, also says that consumption is always due to deficient nutrition of the lungs, because of bad blood.

Medical science can no longer dispute the fact that the kidneys are the principal blood purifying organs of the human system, and if they are diseased and thus fail to expel the uric acid poison or the waste matter of the blood, as the blood passes through these two great organs, the "Safe Cure" claim is correct, and the reasoning of its proprietor holds good.

There is no doubt that in too many instances the medical fraternity doctor for symptoms, instead of striking at the root of the disease, and that under this form of treatment many patients die.

The annual report of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Co., which we publish in this issue, is gratifying to those connected with that institution, inasmuch as the company have nearly half a million of insurance in advance of a year ago, and an increase of over sixty per cent. in cash premium income; also from the fact that the economy which is practised by the

management in procuring and maintaining this business, is so marked, the cost being only \$1.21 per hundred as compared with three other companies in the same stage of existence for \$1.45, \$1.48 and \$2.38 respectively. The temperance community should very largely support this company, which offers them advantages they can obtain in no other Canadian company, they getting the benefit of superior longevity by being kept in a separate class.

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The third annual meeting of the Guarantors and Policyholders of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Company was held at the Company's head offices, No. 22 to 28 King Street West, in this city, on Wednesday, March 13th, and was largely attended by the Guarantors, Policyholders, Directors, General Agents and others interested in the company.

By unanimous request Hon. Geo. W. Ross occupied the chair, and Mr. J. B. Fudge was appointed secretary.

The Managing Director of the company, Mr. H. O'Hara, read the report of the directors as follows:

The Directors are pleased to submit their third annual report for the year ending December 31, 1888, with the accompanying full statement of the affairs of the company.

The number of applications for assurance was 959, for the sum of \$1,458,600, and careful consideration of each of these resulted in the acceptance of \$24, for \$1,226,100, with an annual premium of \$39,333.71; 131 applications, for \$213,500, were declined, and 4 for \$9,000 were held in abeyance.

The total assurance in force is 1,462 policies, for \$2,371,200, or an increase over last year's total of \$497,100, and the cash premium income has increased nearly sixty per cent. This evidence of prosperity must be gratifying to the shareholders and policyholders, and we look forward to a much greater increase for this year.

Owing to the hard times, the majority of the Canadian life insurance companies secured less new business in the year just closed than in the previous year (1887); our company formed one of this majority, but while we are slightly behind in the amount of business obtained, we can congratulate the company upon the class of business secured. As regards the business which formed the increase for the minority, half a million of it was on the industrial plan, and a million and a half was procured at too high a cost to be profitable. During the year we had eight deaths under nine policies, one-third of the amount affected being the result of accident. Our actuarial expectancy was 11.48, actual 8, or 69 per cent.; the amount, however, was considerably higher than that expected, as the losses averaged \$3,000 each, while the average of our business in force is only \$1,811 per life, and the amount reached, if the average only had been realized, would have been less than \$15,000; this abnormal result, however, must be compensated for in future experience. We trust it will right itself within the current year.

Economical Management—It will be apparent from the figures in the statement that the company has continued to follow its usual methods of economy in the management of the business. The cost of procuring and maintaining the business (i.e., procuring new and maintaining that already in force) is only \$1.21 per \$100 (hundred), as compared with three other Canadian companies in the same stage of existence, for \$1.45, \$1.48, and \$2.38, respectively. We make no comparison with American companies, as "it goes without saying," that we are very much more economical than they are. A very complete and careful audit of the income and expenditure of the company has been made by the auditor appointed, and also by the Auditing Committee of the Board, and their certificates are attached to the financial statement.

As regards our business in force, we have in the Temperance section 1,073 policies, for \$1,454,700, and in the General section 389 policies, for \$916,500, and while we ourselves are not of sufficient age and experience to furnish material for reliable statistics in support of the main principles on which the Company is founded with regard to the two sections, we have additional and abundant confirmation of our position, and from the actual experience of the English and Australian companies doing business on those principles.

In accordance with the resolution of the Board in 1887, we have written off at the end of the year \$1,000 of the preliminary expense account, which is reduced to \$2,000.

The valuations of policies have been based, as usual, on the Canadian standard, *i.e.*, the Institute of Actuaries Hm. experience table of mortality with 4½ per cent. interest, and have resulted in an increase in the re-insurance reserve of \$19,107.28, making the total \$47,801.38.

According to the Act of Incorporation, all the Directors retire, but are eligible for re-election.

Geo. W. Ross, President.
HENRY O'HARA, Managing Director.

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1888.

Balance on hand and in bank, Dec. 31, 1887.....	\$ 10,963 54
Premiums received during the year.....	54,317 96
Interest received during the year.....	2,596 68
Transfer from Cash Government Deposit to invest in Debentures.....	20,000 00
Re-insurance.....	1,000 00
Sundries.....	119 49
	\$ 88,997 67

Paid for Death Claims.....	\$ 19,000 00
Commission and Salaries.....	\$18,771 23
Medical Fees.....	2,645 25
Advertising, printing and stationery.....	2,768 03
Rent, taxes, fees, audit, etc.....	1,877 75
Traveling expenses.....	1,487 23
Directors' fees, postage, expressage, etc.....	1,246 57
	\$ 28,796 06

On investment accounts for debentures, etc. Re-insurance, rent, and M.D. fees for 1887, and amounts written off.....	\$ 28,830 63
	2,711 12
Cash on hand and in bank.....	9,659 86
	\$ 88,997 67

ASSETS.

Cash Government deposit.....	\$ 30,000 00
Debentures deposited with Government	23,194 00
Debentures deposited in Imperial Bank	5,123 09
Bills receivable and balance preliminary expense, etc.....	8,707 59
Outstanding and deferred premiums and agents' balances, net.....	10,857 11
Office furniture and fixtures.....	99 38
Interest and rents due and accrued.....	497 43
Balance of uncalled guarantee fund.....	40,000 00
Cash on hand and in Imperial Bank.....	9,659 86
	\$ 129,338 46

LIABILITIES.

Reserve fund for re-insurance (Government standard).....	\$ 47,396 00
Death claim, awaiting proofs (paid in January).....	5,000 00
Contingent fund, rent, etc., due.....	1,045 76
Premiums paid in advance.....	206 73
	\$ 53,648 51

Surplus security to policy holders.....	75,689 95
	\$ 129,338 46

HENRY O'HARA, Managing Director.
JAMES B. FUDGER, Secretary.

I have made a careful audit of the books and accounts of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Company, for the year ending 31st December, 1888, and hereby certify that the accounts as set forth above are true exhibits of the Books of the Company at that date.

R. H. TOMLINSON, Auditor.

Toronto, March 9th, 1889.

We have made an independent examination of the Receipts and Disbursements for the year 1888, also of the Assets and Liabilities of the Company, and find them as set forth in the above Statement.

ROBERT McLEAN, } Auditing Committee.
SAMUEL TREES, }

Toronto, March 11th, 1889.

The adoption of the report was ably moved by Hon. Geo. W. Ross, who supported his motion in a telling speech, and was followed by Mr. Robert McLean as seconder, who also favored the meeting with some trenchant remarks. Mr. H. O'Hara, managing director of the Company, responded for the officers and staff.

The election of directors was then proceeded with, and resulted in the re-election of the old Board.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, Hon. Geo. W. Ross was re-elected President, and Hon. S. H. Blake and Mr. Robert McLean, Vice-Presidents.

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MRS. GUSH—“Yes, and been taking his medicine for him too, haven't you?”—*Ex.*

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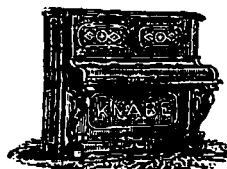
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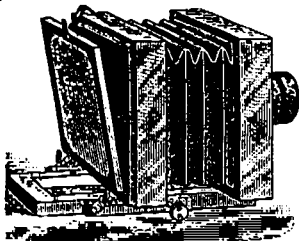


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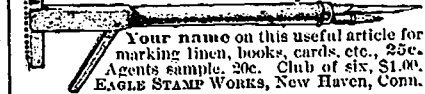
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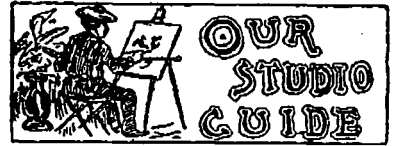
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