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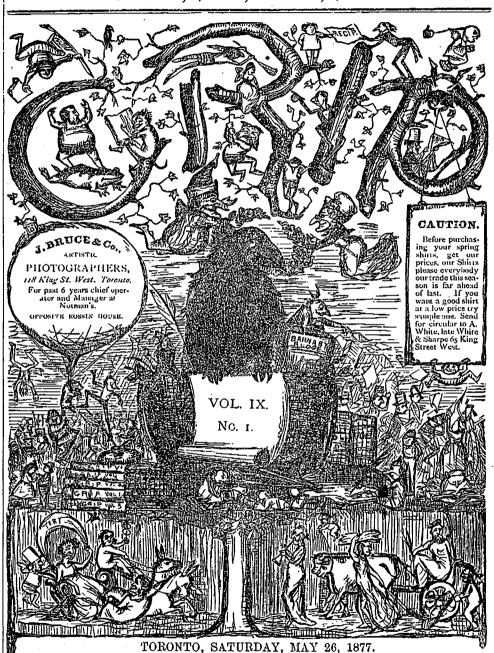
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Mrs. Jones.—Bless me, Mr. Jones, why don't you?
Mr. Jones.—Don't I what, my love?
Mrs. Jones.—What?—As if you didn't know! If I had only had had the luck to marry anybody!
Mr. Jones.—Didn't you?
Mrs. Jones.—(indignantly)—No! Anybody, with any energy, any any large to the state of the state

mits Jones—(naignanty)—No! Anybody, with any energy, any spirit, would do something!

Mr. Jones.—I do.

Mrs. Jones.—(scornfully)—You do! For a bare existence! Why don't you do as other folks do? Build some houses, have a lot of tenants, make money in shoals? I could do it.

Mr. Jones.—It is not so certain that they are makin? money. Some

say they had better have kept out of it. (Mrs. J. shows symptoms of beginning to cry). Well, there is money lying; I might do it, perhaps; without much loss, at all events. I'll speak to the architect. (Mrs. J. is delighted).

#### ONE WEEK AFTER.

Mr. JONES.—Well, my dear, we have made a beginning. I have purchased two good sites, in the suburbs, open air, lots of houses going up, got the land cheaper than I could have done last year, and have given contracts for three houses on each. Both sets of houses will look much alike, but one set costs more than the other will.

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Mrs. JONES.—That is so nice. How soon will they be done?

Mr. JONES.—In three months.

Mrs. JONES.—Ah. that is something like business. In three months we shall have six tenants. What interest will the rent pay us?

Mr. JONES.—Why, really, it puzzles me how people have not succeeded in making money. Why, the sites, 120 feet is all front by 100 feet, have cost but \$2,400. STEATYGO builds for \$2,000 a house; FLIMSY & Co. for \$1,500. \$13,000 the whole will cost. Now, I'm drawing 6 per cent for this, or \$750 yearly. I am assured that I shall easily let them each at \$25 and taxes, or \$1.800 yearly. There is a margin for you. My dear, you have given me a hint in the right direcmargin for you. My dear, you have given me a hint in the right direction, I believe.

Mrs. JONES.—Ah, if you had been guided by me previously. But it is pleasant that you see it now. And—don't you think I might, as our income is about to increase, buy a few new things?

Mr. JONES.—Certainly. I believe we may now, too, keep a man servant; I was offered a photon and pair very cheap also. I'll think of it. (He does, and buys it; also they buy other things, and others also.) also).

#### SIX MONTHS LATER.

Mr. Jones.—It is really a great nuisance, Mrs. Jones, but those houses you persuaded me to build don't pay as yet very well. So many houses have been built on speculation, that I have only three of my six

rented, and had to take \$20 a month, and agree to pay the taxes, which

are awfully high.

Mrs. JONES.—Persuaded you? Now you know you are a man no one can persuade. I was in favour of building, but you remember, my love, that the whole details, in which errors most frequently are found were left to yourself.

Mr. JONES.-The devil couldn't detail them better than I did. Had

excellent architects. (Enter a Messenger).

Messenger.—Mr. Brown, your tenant, sir—
Mr. Jones.—Ah, one of Flimsy & Co's houses. Yes?

MESSENGER.-Wants you to come and see him, and have a look at the house, sir. All going to bits, sir, he says. (Mr. Jones rushes out

with him and returns in an hour.)
Mr. JONES.—Here's a kettle of fish! The plaster's all off in bubbles; all the ill-seasoned wood-work has shrunk with the summer heat; the all the Ill-seasoned wood-work has shrunk with the summer heat; the chimney foundations have been built with poor mortar and are giving way; the paint's cracking and blistering, and the three houses look like the deuce. Nobody 'll rent them till they're fixed, and to do it even temporarily will cost \$150 each, and occupy months.

Mrs. Jones.—What a pity Steadygo didn't build them all!

Mr. Jones.—What a pity I ever—(Mrs. Yones faints).

#### NINE MONTHS LATER.

Mr. JONES.—Precious speculation! Four houses on an average I've kept let. One of the tenants managed to clear out bag and baggage, sold his furniture among the second-hand stores, and was non est before I heard a word. One of the others, a widow, met with misfortunes, so hard up, cried, begged, and so on, and had to let her off half the rent. Received for the year just \$600 rent, two tenants and a half. Out of this am supposed to pay \$200 taxes, \$100 for water, and \$450 for repairs. Just \$150 lost in the year, which, added to \$780 I was drawing of inter-Just \$150 lost in the year, which, added to \$700 I was drawing of interest before I meldled with houses, makes only \$930 dead loss the first year, which added to about \$500 extra expenses we thought our income was going to warrant, makes \$1,430 loss the first year. To obtain this loss, too, I've run up and down after architects, contractors, builders, and tenants. Tenants have perpetually worried me with complaints and demands. I have led a dog's life, all to lose about \$1,500, which I might have thrown into the lake, just as profitably, and without any trouble at all trouble at all.

Mrs Jones.--Better times will come; and we will let them all at

high rates.

Mr. Jones.—Don't believe it. Besides, folks say the street is nt rural any more now it's built up; it's just a city street, and they don't like to walk so far and find themselves hemmed in by chimney-pots after Wish I could sell out.

Mrs. JONES.—Ah, you should have built more in the city. These little details make such a difference. You managed the details, you

know, my love.

Mr. Jones. - Details be --- (rushes out.)

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He told you the Commissioner, who came a blowing round, And after dinner did emit such quantities of sound, (For GRIP had seen Commissioners before, and knew them well) Was not a Bible quite, you know, nor yet an oracle.

He knew how easy 'tis for one to go from land to land, And crv, "What money you might make, if you did understand, And with us friendly be, and bring your stuff with us to trade. Ah, 'tis past comprehension quite, the cash which might be made,"

And how it makes the hosts feel good, and happy all around Hecause they all these visions see, and hear the golden sound; And then the good Commissioner can pack and go away. He's had a jolly time, and he is nothing asked to pay.

Now GRIP will tell you plainly what he hinted to you then, When these Commissioners appear, and say they're business men, And promise you Golcondas if you will some cargoes load. Fust ask them to plank down the cash, and take one on the road.

GRIP told you then, and now he once more will to you repeat, In vain you hope for paying trade by railway or by fleet, Until you your home market hold—that won, you have a base To manufacture, and can then trade to some other place.

What madness 'twas around the world with others to compete, When in your towns, in those same goods, those others can you beat. You've lost the time, you've made no cash, but if you've found some sense.

Now hear GRIP's counsel, free from guile, and free from all pretence.

Prohibit foreign chaps from fetching manufactures here.
Well, as when that is done, you still must have the goods, it's clear,
Those very foreign chaps will come, and bring their men along,
And bring their cash, and build their mills, and build their engines
strong.

Secure the market here, and they will come along in piles, Compete with one another, learn the best and cheapest styles, Find your resources, use them, make good work at prices low, When you make such at home, then you abroad with it can go.

For GRIP will tell you this, good friends, he don't care whom it raps, You're all kept poor just to enrich a few importing chaps. Who live in clover here, and send your cash all out of sight, And bribe newspapers to inform you that the thing's all right.

#### Old Times and New.

MR. GRIP, look here! People talk about the "good old times." Pooh! What says the wise man? Say not thou 'why were the old times better than now?" Just so. He knew they weren't any better, so he told them not to talk hosh. The notion of the old times being A I in comparison with the present, won't bear examination. If you doubt it, just read the following letters—one written by a matron—call her MARTHA SILLYGIRL— to her nicce (1741) in London; and the other by MISTRESS NEWSTYLE of Toronto (1877) to her daughter in the country, recently married.

Yours truly,

PATERFAMILIAS.

#### LETTER I.

"Be seized, my dear child. with a very poor idea of your own sufficiency. Distrust your own competency to walk straight, to detect shams from realities; to see, even from one moment to another, what is best for you. Do not so seek for the good things of this life because such happens to be the fashion; nor fill your mind with ambitious visions; nor long intensely for things you have not, yet, which you think, after all, Fate might well accord you. Above all, exercise a constant, well-ordered content, and be more disposed to regard the wheelbarrow than the coach-and-lour; the table spread with bread-and-chesse than the banquet-hoard, groaning with plate. If you have a sufficiency of just such things as are requisite, a clear mind, a small opinion of yourself, health, and sound sleep, accept your lot as the best which can be accorded to you and be happy."

There's antiquated nonsense for you! Humility, economy, content-

ment! Ha! ha! All gone out of fashion long ago. Mistress NEWSTYLE knows better than that exploded twaddle. Witness:

#### LETTER II.

Always have fixedly before you that you are as good (at least) as anybody and everybody about you: and always endeavour to stick yourself up a foot or two higher than the most-stuck-np-est person of your anybody and everybody about you: and always enceavour to steek yourself up a foot or two higher than the most-stuck-up-est person of your acquaintance. Let them all know, man or woman, that you are up to everything, and not to be looked down upon, or sat upon—that you have an entirely good conceit of yourself, and have a spirit; also, in entering on your new life, bear in mind what I have frequently told you about the vulgarity and stupidness of what is called economy; so that you may not start with low and absurd notions of saving—except of saving yourself trouble. By rising late and spending as much time as you can in dressing, you will have less time to spend in minding your own affairs, and will pleasantly get over two or three hours you might else not know what to do with. I shall not refer to darning stockings, making shirts for your husband, or dresses for yourself, further than to say it is impossible for a lady to do such things; while as to looking after linen, helping to make beds, or cook, the very thought of such exertion ought to kill her. My own principle has always been as you know, on no account ever to do anything anybody could do for me; and if I have ever had any doubt whether I ought to go into any particular expense—which was very seldon—I have always given myself the henefit of the doubt, and gone into it. This is a sound and safe rule, especially when any stuck-up person among your acquaintance has got anything in the way of house furniture, dress, etc., you havn't got, or better than yours, you must get it, or better than it, at once, at any cost. That woman who tells you she and her husband sometimes put up with a cold dinner, for economy's sake, is a pert nincompoop. Hot dinners every day are indirepassable and so is a fire in every room in up with a cold dinner, for economy's sake, is a pert nincompoop. Hot dinners every day, are indispensable, and so is a fire in every room, in winter. The fashions should be strictly and absolutely followed, and nothing old ever be worn, however good. If you have regard for expense, in the matter of towels, handkerchiefs, perfumes, gloves, stationery and the like, your indispensable comforts will be seriously interfered with;—the same if you have not always plenty of the best eating and drinking the stores can supply. As regards furniture, the advantage of always adopting the utmost elegance and tuxury will appear when your things come to be sold. In brief, you and your husband will, I hope, be wise enough to include yourselves in every wish, nor put up with the least enough to include yourselves in every wish, nor put up with the least vulgar inconvenience to avoid the greatest expense. There is nothing makes a proper-minded person more ill-humoured than to want any convenience, and not have it. Self-denial is dreadful and intolerable, and also quite unrecessary, because the stores now-a-days supply everything one can possibly wish for, simply by your ordering it to be sentin. Therefore, if your husband has \$2.000 a year, you can, and ought, to live easily and comfortably at the rate of (say) \$10.000 to \$15,000, for the persons who keep the stores always expect society people will, every now and then, become financially embarrassed as it is phrased, and are always glad to get 5 cents to the dollar, or anything you offer, as incleed they ought to be, for if they don't get your money they have enjoyed the honor of your patronage, and their losses can easily be spread over the accounts of the vulgar simple people who pay. Or, they can fail themselves. Your respected father has failed several times (and is just thinking of failing again). But I never find this makes the slightest difference to our comfortable way of living. Indeed he always seems to me more flush of money after each of his embarrassand also quite unnecessary, because the stores now-a-days supply everyhe always seems to me more flush of money after each of his embarrass. ments than before. Finally, my dear, never bother yourself by listening to the advice of friends or neighbors, but act only on the world's opinion, and your own will and pleasure.

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Hear the light, rattling shot of artillery,
And now the deep boom of the horserider's gun;
While the monitors capture a Turkish distillery,
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Now for the Turk—the villain, the Musselman, Why should he cumber this earth any more? Is a question that long enough served for to puzzle man-Kind—and we hope now this puzzle is o'er.

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