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## Comments on the Caxtorus.



Yes or No ?-The motion proposed by Mr. Landry, ostensibly in the interest of the Quebec bolters, is plainly the work of the ministry, unless it is to be believed that the bolters aforesaid are devoid of all sense of justice. Mr. Landry asks the House to declare that the Government did wrong in hanging Riel, and he insists on this declaration being made before the circumstances have been investigated in the light of all the official documents. This is unreasonable and unjust, especialiy as the documents have been duly called for by the House. We are not prepared to believe that the Blues are so fanatical as this would imply ; it is easier and more natural to suppose, as we do, that Mr. Landry speaks at the bidding of Sir John on this occasion. His motion obviously puts the opposition in a box which bears every mark of "John A's" handiwork. Blake and his followers will have to say yes or no to the question, and in either case untold trouble waits upon them. If yes, the Government will point triumphantly to the evidence of a "Race and Revenge Alliance"; if no, the same Government will declare itself vindicated and the Opposition stultified. When it is known that Mr. Landry has really no right to be numbered amongst the bolters-unless he has joined them since Parliament met - this theory of the matter seems unquestionable.

Aiding the Lawbreakers. - The law in this and eyery other civilized country is now sternly against the Prize Fighters, and visits heavy penalties upon them and all their ruffianly abbettors whenever it is fortunate enough to catch them at their brutal business. Common decency has given birth to this law, and public sentiment would approve of its being made more severe than it now is. But not a word has the law to say to the Pug-ugly's right hand man the "Sporting Editor" of the alleged "respectable" daily paper. It is by the good offices of this gentleman that the "challenges are made public, the parties brought together, and all the preliminaries settled; and it is to him we owe a full report of the disgusting affair when in due time it comes off in some out-of-the-way corner. Now, if an editor should thus aid and abet the
violation of any other law, would he not be liable to punishment? Of course he would-and yet in this matter he goes Scot-free ! Although in our cartoon the Mail editor is used by way of illustration, he is not the only ofiender ; in this city all the dailies are more or less guilty. Here is a good subject for legislation, Mr. Charlton.

The Government in a Hurry. - The alacrity with which the Government brings down papers called for by the House is a source of constant amazement and admiration ; but their break-neck rapidity in hustling out the documents in the Riel case can not be adequately described in words. We have therefore tried to convey the idea pictorially.

Shielding a Rielite.- A warm debate lately took place in the Local House over the retention of a Mr. Picaud as a Sessional writer. The Opposition demanded his dismissal on the ground that in his capacity as editor of a Rielite paper, he has openly expressed sympathy with the Rebels, and spoken disparagingly of the Volunteers. The Government valiantly defended their employe from Mr. Meredith's vigorous attack, alleging that they could not be held responsible for any sessional writer's views on outside subjects.

## WHAT'S THE WORLD COMING TO?

"There is no doubt that the Duke or Portland is to be married to Miss Marion Langdon of New York, and that Earl Cairus will lead Miss Adele Grant, another of Gotham's fairest daughters, to the altar, etc."-English Paper.

OII ! loud a wail from Briton's isle came floating o'er the waters, A cry of anguish and despair from Albion's fairest daughters, When first the news was whispered round, and sent them well-nigh frantic,
That two Tremendous Swells would wed two girls this side th' Atlantic.
That one a Duke and one an Earl, and both "well fixed" for riches, Had fallen 'neath the potent spell of two fair Yankee witches.
That Portland's Duke and Cairns' Earl, without a pause or falter, Had each made up his mind to lead a Yankee to the altar.
Two Yankees! mere republicans! ye gods! and these two hooked 'em.
And one will be a countess whilst the other wins a dukedom.
For England's titled beauties this thought by far ton much is,
A Yankee girl a countess! what, a Yankee girl a duchess!
Two base plebeians win these most desirable of catches !
Two bachelors whom all confess the very pink of matches !
It really seems preposterous ; the gallant Duke of PortlandA man who owns unlimited inherited, not bought land,
And who is of such lineage old they say his pedigree, sir,
Goes back and back, far, far before the days of Julius Ceesar,
To throw himself so clean away; and Cairns, the quondam gumboilThis latest freak of his 'tis sure with anger will make some boil ; His little Fortescue affair had kindly been looked over,
For mas must not in bachelor earls too many faults discover.
But now he ne'er can be forgiven, his latest faux pas such is,
The British swells will let him know his bride Adele too much is ! Now, welcome all ye British nobs, come sailing o'er the waters,
And take your pick from out the ranks of Gotham's fairest daughters.
If you've the blood they've got the coin ; and whilst the former tingles,
'Tis just as well to have the tin which very sweetly jingles.
They've wealth and beauty, you have blood; with beauty, blood and rhino
What ever more could you desire? Well, I'll be blest if $l$ know.
-S.

Young Wilkins thinks that he will be compelled to form a Mutual Defence and Protective Association composed of one member, as his father's hands are too often on the strike of late. He feels sore, however, about the arrears.

Lettuce enumerate her qualities. She "had a turnip nose, carrotty hair, beetific eyes. Regarden her from such a standpoint is it any wonder that she was easily cut up and mashed on the pumpkins of sassiety? Don't be a vegetable.
According to the Scientific Amertcan, Prof. Young, the great astronomer, has given a lecture on "The Moon and Us." For the benefit of the uniunatic we would say that "Us" is a newly discovered satellite of the moon, very wee, as some would say.


## MIKADO-MAD.

UCH as I admire the wit of Mr. Wm. Schenck Gilbert and the music of Sir Arthur Sullivan, I, for one, am not sorry that "The Mikado" is not likely to be produced in Toronto again for some time to come, come, co-. Confound it! I'm catching it too. I say, that though I think "The Mikado" simply glorious. I rejoice that we shan't have that opera here again for a lime. And why? you ask. Simply this: that though its instrumentality all .my friends seem to have gone suddenly crazy.

For instance, there's Fizzlegig; I ask him to lend me a couple of dollars: he replies that he, he, lizzlegig, small, red-haired, bow-legged, is a gentleman of Japan, and that I'm wrong if 1 think he ain't. He says or rather sings this with some idiotic contortions of his rickety figure, supposed to be Japanese. And I don't get the $\$ 2$. That's the worst of it, for the imbecile persists in his declaration of being a Japanese gentleman, till he sees I am weary of asking him for the money.

Then there's my room-mate, Flighty. The other morning at about $1.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. he rose from his bed and began to dress himself. "Where are you going, lighty ?" I enquired, starting up.

He turned a lack-lustre eye on me, and I saw that he was not thoroughly awake. I repeated my (juestion. and he replied, solemonly and in a sepulchral voice,
"I'm going to marry Yum-Yum, Yum-Yum, I'm going to marry Yum-Yum," and proceeded with his robing. I sprang up and shook him violently-he only weighs about 90 lbs. -when he became furious, and rolling up the sleeve of his night shirt and displaying a member about nine inches in circumference above the elbow, declared that he has "bared his big right arm," and was about to visit my person with condign punishment. I got him soothed at last, however, and he returned to bed, finally falling asleep muttering that it's to his, he being a landsman, taste to lay aloft in in a howling breeze, but that a sailor, etc., etc.

Meeting my charming young friend, Miss Clara Pippety, atat. I5, I enquire how she likes her new school. Co my intense astonishment she pirouettes round me and vociferates that she's "come home for good, and isn't going back any more." This she repeats for answer to every question I put to her, till I turn away in deep dudgeon.

Again, there's that ass, Yawper, in the Bank of French South America, great, big, over-grown gaby. I happened to call at his ronms and found him pouring something out of a bottle into a glass
"Hallo! Yawper, what ye got there?" I enquired.
He turned round and with a smile even more idiotic than usual replied,-
"It's-ah-something humorous-I forget exactly what, with boiling oil or melted lead in it," and he
keeps on saying this till I clash out of the room and slam the door behind me.

I trust this craze is only temporary and that the effects of "The Mikado" may soon pass away, but as it is at present I can no more speak to my friends with the anti. cipation of getting a rational answer than I can fly, and 1 think my experience has been that of a good many fellow-sufferers in this respect.

But I must conclude, for even as I write I hear approaching that awful trio of spinsters, the Mi ses lit\% Scragge, varying in age from 26 to 42 , and tieir shrill, discordant voices are upraised in cong, and 10 I recognize the words and they are, "Three little maids from school are we." Ha! ha' ha! Three litle maids, indeed. Let me flee.

## AN OLD FRIEND HEARD FROM.

(;RIP acknowledges with much pleasure the receijt of the following letter from old Mrs. Blunderby, who, as everyone knows, is sister to Mrs. Partington, and the respected aunt of Mrs. Malaprop. The good old soul writes as follows :-
" I)ear Mr. Grip,--
"I have just returned home from a visit to your hospital city, and I take time by the fetlock to send you this missile, to let you know how I enjoyed myself. It was my first visit to Toronto; as the French would say, I made my debauch in the Queen city, and I must say there is no comparison between Toronto and Blunderby. ville, and I can find no paregorics good enough for the former. I saw all the sights, and was much struck ly the Norman School, where I spent a whole afternoon admiring the statutes, etc., which are very fine, thoughl prefer the classical in art, and admire the Appollo Belladonna, the Dying Giladiolus, the Venus de Medicine, and the Coloshes of Rhodes more than anything.
"I was introduced to the city hall, and saw several aldermen, of whom 1 must speak in the most flatulent terms: one of these gentlemen invited me to go and sec his cuuadruplets and horny theological specimens at the logical gardens, and I went accordingly, he acting as my cicero. We arrived just at feeding time, and saw the reracious brutes receive their rationals, which they devoured in a most glutinous manner. I was much amued at the antiques of the monkeys, which are confined in a large case of an epileptical shape, which gives them plenty of room to go through their achromatic revolutions.
"But my space won't permit me to tell you hall of what I saw; it is enough to say that what I went throwh is scarcely creditable, but this is generally so when on is making one's debauch in a city; and I am not sorry 10 be home once more.
" Believe me, dear Mr. Girn",
"Ever yours,
"Sarah Bi.underbs
" Plunderbyville,
" March 5, 土886."

## MONTREAL'S VERDICT.

THE recent improvements in Grip are most credital ic. The illustrations and literary matter reflect the higl: st credit on its publishers, editors and artists.

Montreal, Mar. ist.
W. S. H

A recelpt for lemon pie vaguely adds: "Then sit in a hot stove and stir constantly." Just as if anybely could sit on a hot stove without stirring constantly.


While the Great French Doctor is inoculating the victims of hyitrophobia, our Tender-hearted Madman gives us another view of he: Jog Gucstion. While we can hardly endorse his "speculations," it is guite evident that he has a wealth of love to bestow, and it is unly a pity that some creature even higher in the scale of being than " lin, !", does not get the bencfit of it. Why doesn't he try and find a wis

## IHE GRANT FOR THE VOLUNTEER MEDAL.

"Mr. healy objects."

> Mr. IIEAly, M.P. for famed Derry,
> Is a very smart member-very ;
> IJc says if our boys want a medal
> They should look to the land that once fed all
> Ilis own country's poor who came to their " dure"
> With fever and chill to settle the bill.
> Now really
> Vou've very bad taste-You're a bit of a baste, Mr. Healy !

Fiblon note: Costumes are still worn. The trouble is th:t if the women costume much they cost too much; but, :hen, it's only a new bahit now and again, quite easily laid aside.

## THOUGHTS.

By AS AGREURTURIFT.
Wuen I was young my ancient dad
Would eum a ten thot blue beech gad And hand to me and see me clear Off to the field where the brindled steer And his meelecyed mate were browsing round And the fierce old bull was to be found l'd put the steers in their hickory yoke And drive them off with a gente poke Work in them days was no jolke But not a blessed word was spoke About fos jates nor yet fos files We were toogol durn tired at nights
Nor of suls soil or alkalies
Nor Kemicals that sound so wise
We had to rise at early morn
And work till we heard the breakfast horn
And after grub away we'd go
And plongh the fietds in a straight row
But now adays to get our knowledge
We go to Guclph to a consarned college.

"PLEASE EX."
Dfar Bexiougit,--
When the moon was new
When 'round the Press Club's hountcous board
We thronged, a glad, pen knewrious horde':
When song and speech and toast and joke
The ice conventional lighly lruke-
(Or rather, rippled all the lake
That merry hearts of comrades malie:
For, though stern winter rules the year
With boreal blasts and frosts severe,
Though all the Lake, - on New York's shore -
Freeze to the botom three times o'cr,
In the warm hearts of Canadar,
Eternal summer holds her sway.
And in their bowers, with fricndship fraught
Bloom purple pansies, "That's for thought,"~-
Though as the jester throws this off he
Thinks, "They will say, 'No, that's for toflec." ")
I saw Grir, lonely, on his basket,
And told you, 'ere you cared to ask it,
That when the jester ceased to roam,
And doffed his cap and leells at home,
The Earle, on his Brookijn height,
Would laugh to greet the Bird of Night.
So, from his Yankce eyrie fown,
He seeks Ontario's summer zone,
And craves the Raven's fellowship-
"Ho, Gril", the Farkle; Eaglc, Grir!"
Afdmore, Pa., Feb. $26 . \quad$ Rohert J. Burdette.

## REIPN:

Bob menns to say, as we suppose,
That Grir ne'er to the Eagle goes :
Whereas in fact--we're pained to sny,
The facts are just the other way.
Ir has sometimes been disputed whether day or night came first. We know that Eve came before mourning. There may, however, have licen day beforel live came.

## AN ESSAY ON DRAWING.

Drawing is a study you don't think much of until you've got your prize picture at the school examination, then you are delighted with yourself, and surprised and gratified at the appearance it presents after your teacher has touched it up, and chalked little dabs of white over it, and it looks so fine you can't tell which part of the old mill, and the trees, and moss-grown stones is your own work, but you feel pretty proud, and hang it upon the drawing-room at home to hand down as a legacy to posterity. But you begin by making lines, after that dash off bravely and draw everything. Your master 'll probably wish to keep you an unreasonable time at lead pencils, but never mind him; as soon as you can copy well enough for anyone to distinguish your animals from houses, push right along, buy a box of water colors, and say you're going to start to paint.

He'll talk about waiting awhile, until you've learnt something of perspective, the point of view, and the line of the horizon, etc., etc., etc.

Tell your master that sorf of thing won't chime in with a person of your go-a-headed-ness, and that you are bound to be a paintist inside four months, and that if he wun't make you one you'll get someone else ; as to seeing things in perspective, that's a good deal too shadowy for a realistic, artistic person like yourself. If you are determined, you'll get your own way and begin.
J. M. Loes.


TAKEN INTO HIS CONSIDERATION.
The Local Government has been asked to bonus the proposed line of railway between Yarry Sound and Burk's Falls, and, although Grip does not believe in the system of indiscriminate bonuses, he thinks the case entitled to special consideration. In the first place Parry Sound, an important business point as the centre of a great lumbering district, is now all but inaccessible in winter. This should not be true of any Canadian town in the present day. Again, the district in question has long furnished a magnificent revenue from timber fees, and it would be greatly in the interest of the whole Province to aid in its further development by means of railway communication. The Government has already admitted the force of these and many other arguments, but as usual it hesitates to take action for fear of some fanciful bugaboo or other. Where the grant is so manifestly reasonable and necessary, this irresolution and delay is inexcusable.

## QUERY FROM WINNIPEG.

Where was Caron when the light went out ?

## CANINE SOLILOQUY.



WONDER very much is this Hydrophobia scare going to prevail during the coming summer. I wonder, 1 do, indeed, for it's a matter of some interest to me. "What fools these mortals be !" anyway, as that beast, Shakespeare, is said to have said. I call him a beast because he has not a good word for my race in the whole of his writings. If you doubt my word, just search his works; you'll not find a dog mentioned in decent terms anywhere, and Sir Henry Holland notices the same thing in his "Recollections of Past Life." You wonder to hear one talk like this, but let me tell you we dogs know a heap more than you two-legged knownothings give us credit for.

But to get back to this hydrophobia scare. Yes! These mortals be fools with a vengeance! Just because a dog feels :hirsty on a hot day and lolls out his tongue, and froths at the mouth, then he is mad! Bah! fools! I tell you we never foam at the mouth when we're mad: just remember that: and what you jackasses of men, most of you, call rabies, is nothing but fits in nine-tenths of the cases. And then the idea of going and muzzling us poor dev_-dogs, I mean, on a hot summer's day when we want to yawn, and use our teeth to bite fl-s. Why, it's enough to send any decent dog crazy, just to think of it. How would you like to have to go round with a thing like a base ball catcher's mask over your fool's head, eh? Strikes me, or rather, it oc-curs to me, that you'd be mad enough to go mad.

However, the scare this winter has made many Nebuchadnezzars, and a vegetarian diet is good and cooling. How, d'ye ask? Why, it sent so many to Pasteur ! !that's how, bow-wow! Let me tell you that the best cure for a bite is a hair of the dog that bit you; therefore when you get bitten take quinine. Don't see the connection, eh? Well, ain't quinine bark? and don't bark come off a bough-wow?

But I've said about enough. You wise mortals drink all you want in the hot weather. Did it never strike any philanthropic-or philkernic-or whatever the word for dog-lover is, that a few troughs placed along the streets would help us to keep sane far more effectually than muzzling us? In Pahree, where I once was, and where that Pastoor is, there are very few mad dogs, though they are in the river most of the time in summer, and are conse quently in-Seine. How's that for a paradogs? Tell you who ought to be muzzled instead of us poor beasts : those fellows who are all the time swiping, and lushing and guzzling till they drive themselves crazy ; those are the chaps to muzzle, not $u s$.

But here comes my proprietor, and as he has a little canine his hand, I had better follow him, so I'll say good-bye, and make my best bow- . Wow.

An exchange says, "A teacher in Arkansas, in response to an inquiry, what is most needed in his school, writes: 'branes, branes, branes.'" Well, yes, we should think so.

## CERTAINLY EQUAL.

We must congratulate you on the very great improvement in Grip's appearance, which at present is certainly equal to any publication of its kind.

Montreal, Jan. 29th.
A. D. B.


## YES OR NO?



Tire Schubert (Quartette, which Gril noticed most favorably on a former visit, reappeared at Shaftesbury Hall on the sth and isth, when they repeated their triumph.
Miss Rosina Tokes and her clever company are giving the patrons of the Grand a second taste of their quality this weck. No better work is done on the Eng. lish-speaking stage to day than this admirable company is doing.

## SQUIRE SCHIMMERHORN'S LITTLE GAME.

A 'FNEE OF THE OLDNE JIMF.

" 'ou'kl: hanging it out well, squire," said I last week to old Cyrus Schimmerhom, who sat by the stove in a village tavern not a thousand miles north of Toronto, placedly taking his vesper bowl of hot toddy.
"Yes," replicd he, "prett; well fur an old man. Time's tellin' on me a little tho'." Mr. Schimmerhorn was always "squire" with everybody. It appears that be held a Commission in the l'eace in the almost forgoten past, but as he took upon himself to send a culprit for five years to the Provincial l'enetentiary, partly because he had stolen a game cock, but principally because, in the language of the court, he was a "useless critter," the powers rather doubting his judicial attainments deprived him from the bench. But, like a mason, "once a squire, always a squire."
"You used to be a pretty hard man, spuire?"
"Yes, about as hard as they make 'em. Jaws, what rackets we used to have in the old times. The boys hain't got the sand in 'em now. Did I ever tell you about some fun I had with the boys onst not far from here? I guess they'll recollect it, that is if any of them's alive," chuckled the old fellow as he solaced himself with a sip from his tumbler.
"Tell us the story, squire," said I , "it'll help to pass the time away."
"Well," said the old man, "here's luck: Lemme see, it's over thirty years ago I was out a little ways north of here a teachin' school. You needn't grin, I never was much of a scholar, but I went to Upper Canada College for about six morths, when I got bounced by the Principal for bad conduct-red pepper on the stove, or something, I forget. Well, I came out to the country and started school. I was a pretty good-looking chap, and wore store clothes, and, consequently, I cut out most of the homespun dressed fellows with the ,irls. Some of them sassed me, and threatened to whale me; but I knocked 'ein all out, and was a bigger favorite than ever.
" Well, I went to a parin' bee one night at old daddy Miles'. I was awful soft on his daughter, Ruth, a pretty gal, and durin' the evening I heard three of the boys set up a game on me, to give me a hiding at the next shine that was to be the following week. They were to stay in
an old barn that stood close to Yonge Street, and when I'd be goin' home, they were to pounce out on me and give me particular fits. 'They were goin' to black their faces, and all that; regular conspinitors, mind you. They'd been readin' dime novels, and sich.
"Wall, I stood in with Ruth's little brother Zeke, who liked me 'cause I used to buy him marbles and cändies, and I told him all about the lay, and gave him pointers. He wus to tell Jake Johnston, one of the gang, that he heard them tell about the racket, and that he'd help them. He'd watch on the road, and let them know when I'd be comin' along. 'All right,' said Jake.
"Wall, the old barn had a couple of leetle winders about ten feet from the floor, and a mighty strong oak door. It wus built in the old times. So I got \%eke the day befure the party to nail a big cleat about as high as he could across the coor and another one on the planks leading up to it. I then cut a blue beech stick the right length to put between the cleats, and when that was fixed old Nick couldn't bust the door open from inside.
"Well, the night of the party Jake and his pards left pretty early, and young Zeke stole after them. They brought a euchre deck along to pass the time and an old lantern.
"' 'Now, boys,' said \%eke, ' you jist sit here and amuse yourselves and l'll close the door, and go up the road and tell you when the cuss is comin'.' Zeke went out and fixed the pole all right, and scooted for home. ' All right,' whispered Zeke to me. 'Their hosses and sleigh is behind the barn.' So up I gets, bids the folks good-bye, and started towards home. I crept up gently to behind the barn and heard the cusses arguing about a point over the cards. I jumped into the sleigh, took the buffaloes off the hosses, and fixed 'em around me, and drew up boldly to the door.
" ' Hallo,' says I.
"' Hallo,' says they, jumpin' up. 'Is that you, Zeke ?'
"' 'No,' says I. 'It's Cyrus Schimmerhorn. I'm goin' down with your team to Toronto to have you arrested for conspiracy and attempt to murder. You'd better get the black off your faces before the constable comes?'
"Je-rew-sa-lem! How the cusses did go for that door ! and swear! my!
"Well, I drove down to Toronto and had a pretty good time. I left the team at a tavern, and wrote to Jake Thompson where it was. The hull party was so al fired scared that they never squealed aloout takin' their rig. And when they were found and let out by the neighbors, all blackened up, they couldn't stand the guyin' they got! so the hull thres left for the States.
"Poor Ruth, I would have married her," continued Mr. Schimmerhorn, elevating his glass.
"Well, why didn't you?"
"Well, captain, she bolted with a lightnin' rod man." B.

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