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OME Rule is just as good for Manitota as it is for Ircland.


ND now it is said that Dalton MacCarthy has been invited to enter English political life as a Unionist to represent the views of the Ulster faction. There is no denying that Mr. MacCarthy is an able man, but if he does not show more backbone in forwarding Orange interests in the face of a hostile majority than he did during last session of the Dominion Parliament, he will bring little strength to the cause of bis friends. Canada can very well afford to lose Dalton Mac Carthy, and in fact might well view with equanimity the departure of the whole outfit of lawyer-politicians of which he is a conspicuous type. These fellows, or their heelers and newspaper henchmen, are always prating of the "sacrifices" they are making by going into politics instead of devoting themselves to their profession,
whereas the fact is that it is principally their political influence which makes their scrvices of value to the railway and other corporations which pay them such big retaining fees, that they are ellabled to look with contempt on the salary of a Judge or a Cabinet Minister. Whether they call themselves Liberal or Conservatuve. they are always the defenders of class interests and arrayed on the side of the money power as against popular rights.

JUST now the press are snying complimentary things about Lord Aberdeen, who is to succeed lord Stanley as Governor-General. This is not so severe a strain as usual on such remmants of conscience as a journalist may by courtesy be supposed to possess, because Aberdeen is really a worthy and accomplished gentleman. It is not necessary to say anything about his ability or statesmanship, becanse a Governer-Gencral as such has no chance to exercise such qualities. There is one point that the daily press dwell on, however, which seems to call for some criticisa. They approve the appointment because Lord Aberdeen has made investments in Canada, especially in the North-West. Now. aside from the personal aspect of the question, this is not a cause for congratulation. It is quite conceivable that a Covernor-General with large investments mighi abuse his position by procuring legislation favorable to his personal interests, after the fashion of Lieut.-Gov. Dewdney in the North-West.

THE switchmen's strike at Buffalo, followed by the calling out of the State militia, emphasizes the necessity for an entire change in the system of the management of railways. It is absurd to treat the quarrel between the switchmen and their employers, by which the traffic of a whole State has been disorganized, as a matter of private concern, affecting only the parties to the fight. The public have superior rights and ought not to submit to the loss by inconvenience caused by these perpetuallyrecurring struggles. There is only one effectual remedy-Government ownership of railroads-and such conflicts as the Buffalo strike may be ultimately benefcial, if they force the people as a matter of self-protection to insist upon the Government taking and keeping possession of the railroads. If the workingmen were wise instead of wasting their strength in futile strikes, they would overwhelm capitalism wifh their votes.

$N$ the study of the social probk m , a point that must forcibly strike the observer, is that in this case, as well as in the Homestead struggle, labor proved more than a match for its adversary, until the forces of the State were thrown into the scale on the side of capitalism. The spectacle of the militia being called out to change the defeat of an arrogant corporation into a victory, ought to teach the working classes the folly of supporting the military system.

PRACTICALIY on this western continent there is only one use for soldiers, and that is to defend the

in Chicago.
First Lame -"You love him sincerely:"
Second Do.-"les."
Finst Do. -" When is the wedding to take place?"
secons Do.-"I don't know yet. There is some delay about miltivorce."
interests of the wealthy and privileged classes against the workers. Yet such is the influence of inherited prejudices, old world traditions, and $4^{\text {th }}$ or rst of July flardoojle, that the poor idiot of a laborer does not see it, and carried away by his fool notions of "glory" and a good time, dons the blue or red uniform, and undertakes to slaughter his comrades at the word of command.

SIR OLIVER MOWAT is on record as favoring Canadian independence at some dim and indeterminate date in the future. Ought not somebody to sat the law in motion to prosecute him for high treason? Or is the gist of the offence in the time assigned for the change? If a mun can be "loyal" while contemplating the establishment of a Canadian republic 100 years hence, at what point does treason begin? Is it at eighty, fifty; twenty; or ten years? This point ought to be settled.

## GRIP'S EPIGRAM CONTEST.

T rould save some of the competitors in our epigram contest needless trouble and disappointment if, before transmitting their productions, they would carefolly read orer the conditions of the competition published at the head of our editorial columms. Some otherwise good epigrams will have to be ruled out because the; do not come under the conditions. From among a large num!er received we select the following for present publica. ! ! M -
" Bo'dness and daring Tory ranks delight,
Timidity to Grits it secms belongs,
Grits grow fainter in defence of right, Tories bolder when they champion wrongs."
" Puwer makes the difference 'twixt these men, Cinits are Tories when they're in.
Tories, little room for doult, Grits or rebels when they're out."
"The diference 'wist Tory and Cirit Is always the same, for a wonder. One plunders a living to get, While t'other one's living by plunder."

* Tween Tory keen and Grit intent As positive and stern as fate, A difference is in Parliament Somewhere 'twixt one and eighty-cight.'
"What the Grits have carried With vigor and nerve,
Their foes would have buried, Though now the; conserve."
" The Tories have Dominion power, while the Grits have onl; Provincial."
"No difference. The Grits say their opponents are notorious, while they are no-fory-ous themselves." (Groans.)
"The Tories boast of an Abbott, a Pope, and a Prior in their ranks, while the Grits count a I. Dev'lin among their number."

> " When the Tory would be a highflyer.,
> The Grit would attempt to ty ligher."
> "Grit and Tory are but words To conjure with for plunder, To gain the prize, each party tries To steal the other's thunder."
> "Of Tory rule we've had enough To wake us blush with shane, The Grits profess to be the suffi To build the nation's fame."
> "Of ditierence 'twist them there is plenty,
> The Tories say 'tis three times twenty."
"The (irits gasp hard and yield themselves to bulls that rush from Rome.
The Torics have implicit faith in their old Bull at home."
"Torsism is the party of the ignorant, Gritism of the half-educated."
"The Tories have good ends in riew,
The Grits have got no Eense,
But darn a man who sits like you
A-roostin on the fence."
"Tories want the trade for the country, Grits would give the country for the trade."

> "One is 'jn,' the other 'sut,'
> That's what all the right's about.
> For Grit and Toiry crecds are one.:
> "Get the flesh-pots-if you can."
> "Tury-'God save our gracions Queen. Grit-‘Oh. Lord, make us purer.'
> While the people grease the old machine That makes the people poorer."
> "' Twixt Grit and Tory, seems to me, Iust 'Tweedledum' and 'Tweedledee.' Or, what's equivalently thin, One party's out and t'other's in."

This will suffice for the present. In answer to a correspondent we may say that there is no limit to the number of epigrams that may be sent in by one competitor.


ISTAH TACKSING, kin jou splanify to me de difference between de trolley an' de incumdes ings sjstem ob rumning de street railway?"
"Cose I kiu, Mistah De Quinces. It am just like dis. Co'ding to de one system de kjars am run by de 'lectric flooid passing 'long de groun' an' up, de poles to de wiahs ovah head, an' then down into de dynamo, causing de wheels to revolve around in a circle, while de kjar am expelled on de track one way or de oder as de case majbe, an' de oder system is
jist de vers oppersite."
"Ies, but which am de trolley, Mistah Jacksing?"
"De trolley? Why de trolley am de one dat ain't de incumdescing."


## AN UNAPPRECIATED PHILANTHROPIST.

THE above illustration was received from a Nova Scotia correspondent, accompanied by the following letter which fully explains the situation depicted. We shall not spoil it by any comment.
Ealitor of Ginir :
Sir,-Do you ever print any except local "take offs:" If so, can you make anything of the enclosed. You have likely seen by the papers that all Nova scotia is talking about the arrest and fi:eing of Dr. MeLean, a man who is always trying to do some good to humanity. He is exceedingly handsome, clever and smart. If you use this sketch 1 would like you to leave the crowd as they are, and change the Dr.'s face. I spoiled it and could not make him pretly.
He was arrested in New Glassew, where he was clenning the streets to shame the citizens. He is a small man, but very pretty dark eyes and dark brown moustache.

Of course you will not give my name away.
Please tell me if you can copy sketchss like that, and if you wamt any more, Yours truly,
P.S.-The Dr. was scraping the mad into little piles with a hoe when arrested, and for a time kept the policeman thack with one hand and kept his hoe behind him.

## BOUND TO CONVICT.

POLICE MAGISTRATE (to suspicious intaracitor)there is no positive evidence against you-?

Prosecuting Attorney--"One moment, your worship. I ask a remand of one week.:
Potice Magistrate-"What do. you expect to prove?"

Prosecuting Atrorney-" I haven't the slightest idea, your worship. I merely want time to read up Sir John Thompson's Criminal Code, and I'll stake my reputation that we can convict him of some crime or other."
Police Magistrate-" Remanded for a week."


MUCH MORE MIGHT BE REMOVED.
Tramp-"I say, farmer, what shall I do to keep cool? I've peeled bout all my togs."
Farmer-" Did je ever try cerasion' ?"

## A FAUX PA.

BILDERDICK-"Going it pretty strong as a socient man I hear, Radstock. You have good style and will easily make yourself solid with the elite if you aroid a fiun. pus."

Ranstock - "I try to avoid him as far as possible, but he caught me with lucy at the gate last night and got in his work."

Bumerdick-"Who? What on earth are you talking about?"

Radstack-"Why, old Plugwinch. Lucy's pa and my foe.'

## A DOUBTFUL COMPLIMENT.

ISS PEPPERGRASS - "What do you think? That odious, gosgle-eyed, red-headed Mrs. Tattle athuded to me as a 'veteran' last evening. I was mad enoragh to tear her ejes out."

Chollie-" Well-er-it wasn't altogether unccmplimentary, don't you know. You've certainly been through a number of engagements.'


QUITE LIKELY.
He-" What, that shoe untied again?"
She-" les. You used to say you weren't fit to tie it, and I balieve you were right."

## he felt lonesome.

ST. MICHAEL_-"Well, how do you like the place as far as you've seen?"
Torontonian-"Oh, it's very fine, as I supposed it would be, but I don't feel at home here somehow. I've been in the Celestial City for three whole days and I haven't scen any one tearing up the golden pavements."

St. Michael.-" I'm afraid St. Peter made a mistake in not sending you to-ahem-the other place. Their pavement of good intentions is so unsubstantial that they have to be continually renewing it. You'd have felt at home there."

## DURING THE THUNDERSTORM.

TOMBROWN-"That was a terrible crash! Come away, Smithers. There's an alderman in this crowd. Hurry!"
Smithers-"I'm with you, but I don't see why an alderman-"

Tombrown-" You blooming idiot, don't you know that things of a stealy nature attract the lightning."


ONE FOR JACK-TWO FOR HERSELF.
Miss Winthror (aiko has Quakerish frochzitics)-"Don't you think that you could do dear Jack justice with a little milder hack Marie?"

Winow Winthrop-"Lesj might do Jack, but it wouldn't do me justice, Angela."

## A FOOLISH QUESTION.

TRAGEDIAN-" What do I see? Ha! Is it possible? Can the dead wake?"
O'Houlahan - "Oih, come off, ye omadhaun. Av coorse they can't. They've got to be waked."

## SOME ONE HAD TO QUIT.

MILAX-" I wonder why it is that the congregation of St. Athanasius church.keeps falling off?"
Borax-" The reason, I fancy, is because Dr. Prolix keeps holding on."

## A NEW SCHOOL.

IINGIESNAP—" Snodgrass is giving a good deal of attention to philosophy just now."
Peterout--"What school does he belong o ? I should fancy he would be a Stoic."

Jinglesnap -" Well, not exactly. He's a kind of Tol-stoic."

## A SHORT TRIP.

DORAX-" I don't really know what to do about it I'm at my wit's end.'
Smilax-" Well, you didn't have far to go."

## GAVE HIM THE DOUBLE CROSS.

Queen Victoria has marle Sir John Pender a Knight Grani Cross of the Order of St . Michael and St . George.

WHO puts his trust in royalty may fend
To double dealing mon rechs are inclined;
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## RELAPSING INTO BARBERISM.

BACSTOCK-" It is greatly to be feared that in s.mme localities the colored race is relapsing into barbarism."

Gaffick - " So I judge, from the act that a great many of them carry razors.:


Sire-." I thought you had the baby, Harry. Where did you leare him?"
He-" In the parlor with lums, trging t) put the piano in his month."

## EDUCATION IN QUEBEC.

TE.ACHER-"What is the whole duty of man ?"

P'PIL - "To live and die for the Cinurch."
Teacher--" For whose special benefit was the constitution ci this country framed?"

Prixh-" For the benefit of the Church fi:st, and the French afterwards."

Teacher--" Is there in this country one law for the lirench, and another for the English ?"

Pipll, "No"
Teacher-" There is only one law, and it is for-"
Pupil-"The French."
Teacher-"For the English?"
Pupil_" There is no law at all."
Teaciate-" Who conquercd this country, and who are its rightful owners?"

Pupll-"The French."
Teacher-"What position do the English occupy in this country? :'

Depil-"Simply as money producers for the benefit of the French nation, and for the propagation of Citramontanism in Quebec."

Teachek-"Have the English any rights in this country?"

Pepil,-" None."

TEACHER-"What rights do the French have?"
PCPIL-"All there are, and more if they can get them."

## AT 12.30 A.M.

$H^{E}-$ "So, Ethel, darling; you really love me in spite of my shortcomings?"
SHE-" 'es, Freddy, your shortcomings do not trouble me nearly so much as your long goings."

## NOTHING VERY NEW.

THE following dramatic item appeared in the Telesram: "Edwin Tanner will appear in " Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde,' with a chorus of madrigal boys." The only novelty in this will be the sex of the performers. The usual thing is a chorus of mad-wriggle girls.

## AN ENCHANTING WRITER.

BUMBLESHOOT-"William Houston is a most enchanting writer."
Pealick-"Yes, I must acknowledge the influence of his spells."


## "Tell him this tale, and from the mouth of England Add this much more- that no Italian priest <br> Add this much more-that no Italian griest Shall tiohe or toll in our donninions."



AN APT SUGGESTION.
Chumpley-" How would you advise me to make love to a woman?"

MIss Shari-" By proxy."

## THE REBATE QUESTION.

MOKEBY - "What's dis heah talk about de gubberment erbolishin' de rebate? Am dat de fac', Brudder Rastus?"

Rastus -"Sho enuff. I read it into de Umpire, an' what de Umpire says goes."

Mokery -"Well, who ebber hearn tell ob sech onnateral foolishness? Dy'e meanter say dat ef a catisis comes 'long an' yanks de wum offen your hook ye kaint put no mo' bait on?"

Kastus-"Oh, go 'long you fool nigger! Dis am a great international complication, an' catfish an' suckers am ultra vires-dey ain't in it. De perwision am solely intended as a modus arierndi to de Yankee fishermen to prevent dem strainin' our


And quickly shuts the door.
Her name is written down-her age I'm sure she would deplore
Is taken by the census man As forty eight or more.

He next hinds Mrs. liarney Amid the foaming suds, Surrouncled by her army Of interesting buds.
" Indeed, sor, now my Denis Always writes their ages down,
And I am sorry, but you sec
Ie's just gone down the town.
If it's me senses as you want, Bedad they're hard to find,
For wid the row the childer raise I'm druv out av me mind."

Jemima Grimly next was found. She secmed to be quite well,
But was not in the least inclined Her tender age to tell.
She talked about 'most everythingEspecially her cat.
"Fou've had him, I suppose, some time?"
"Oh, yes," she answered pat.
" His ancestors were cats of ours Full forty years ago."
"Thank you," exclaimed the census man, "Fifty," he muttered low.

The little charming widow Who lives around the square,
The census man finds full of smiles And sweetly debonnaire;
"Oh yes, indeed," she answers, With many smiles to spare.
" Please look into my eyes, dear sir, And find your answer there."
The bewildered census taker Writes down the widow's name;
Her age records as twenty-two, He hardly was to blame.

So ladies act sagaciously And take the widow's plan. And quietly bewilder

The census-taking man.
Wethasd.
Mrs. J. Ei.liott Lescon.


THE HEBREW RELATIVE.
He_s"It would be a pleasure to accompany you in your waid. It-er-would relieve the-er-monotony."

ShE-" I fear there would be no change in this for you. I am going to my uncle's."


AN INDUCEMENT.
"I notice your brother takes a great deal of out-door exercise lately:"
"Fes. He was always too lazy to do so until the doctor told him that sunshine and air would make his moustache grow."

## FOUND WHAT HE LOOKED FOR.

NOW, Patrick and Mike were of real Irish build, And when whiskey went round they were not easy filled:
And one night-returning from Tim Murphy's wake-
They purchased a bottle of Jamieson's make.
Then they straightway repaired to a neighboring shed-
Which building was owned by Pat's brother, Big Ned;
There they settled them down on a buncle of straw, And from the black bottic proceeded to draw.

Well-soon, when the whiskey was nearly all gone, They decided to sleep till the breaking of dawn.
Hut l'al had a notion within his wise head
That he'd empty the bottle while Mike was in bed.
So he crept o'er the floor to the corner, by stealth, When he uncorked the bottle and drank to Mike's health ; Then quickly again he lay down beside Mike, Says he, " Michael, me boy, ye can wake fwhin ye like."

Scarce a minutc elapsed ere poor Michacl awoke, And thus to himself meditatively spoke:
"Sure I don't think that stuff in the bottle will keep, So I'll put it inside me fwhile Fat is asleep."

But Pat was awake, and he heard this remark, And smiled a broad smile to himself in the dark ; So, as Nichael crept forth from his dirty straw bed, Pat turned to hita quickly and chuckling he said:
"Sure, fwhat are ye lookin' for, Michael, me lyse ?"
"I'm-I'm lookin' for nothin'," was Michael's reply:
Then pat chuckled loud as he lifted his head-
"Faix, ye'll find it right there in the bottle," he said.
Brockilitie, Ont.
G. Wingit.

## AS USUAL.

Returns from Chicoutimi show the election of Mr. Belley, the straight Government candidate, by a majority of 31 over Mr. Savard, Independent Conserpative.-EEmpire.

HE savored too much of non-partizan views, His backbone was not made of jelly, To elect him the voters did promptly refuseThe flesh-pots a party-lecl crowd always choose. No wonder-their god is their Belley.

## DIDN'T RECOGNIZE THE TEXT.

"W ElJ, I declare," said Uncle Jedediah, pausing to wipe his spectacles on his bandana handkerchief and take a fresh chew of tobacco, "some of the things they put into the papers gits beyond me. They're ailus meddlin' with religion now, printin' sermons and iexes from Scriptur' an' sech. They'd a durn sight better stick to politics. Jest listen to this now :-
Gamkiet.-"Why did you send that minister down below?"
St. Peter-" When he canc up he asked for those of his ficck who had come before, and I gave him directions wherc to fins the majority of them.

I uster think 1 knowed my Bible pretty well from Genesis to Revelations, but that don't seem the least bit familiar. What's more, I don't believe St. Peter ever said anything of the kind. Why, it don't sound like Scriptur'. I shouldn't a bit wonder if it's nothin' but a make-up by some of them smart Alick newspaper fellers."
"It mout, pr'aps," continued the old man reflectively, after a pause, "be in the Apochryfy or the Revised Version. I ain't so sure 'bout that, but I'd bet my bottom dollar-that is ef I was a bettin' man-that ye kaint find no sech a text atween the kivers of the Bible that I was brought up on."

And he rolled over on his back on the lounge and went to sleep, ruminating on the degeneracy of the a ge.

## SWINGING AROUND THE CIRCLE.



THIS is not a map of a gerrymandered constituency It is the route taken by a street railway passenger as the only available one between two given points, in the present chaotic condition of the system resulting from the laying of the new tracks.


## ALL THE SAME.

Duneson--"Aw, I say, can you tell me where I can find a phy: sician mear here?"
Farmer (slishity'deaf)-"Yes. The undertaker lives the third house down the road."
Dupeson-" Bat I didn't ask you for the undertaker. I waat a physician."

Farmer-" Well, I guess you'll need the undertakerby the sime old Doc. Carver is through with jou, begrosh !:

## HOW I GOT A REST.

A TALE OF OUR "scott act REciME.


1HAVE been Sadie's husband, and Sadie has been my wife For two of the shortest and sweetest years of my natural life : I have /itud with Sadie, and Sadic has lived with me,
And though she has tried to quarrel, 1 never quarrelled with she.

She never e'en managed to raise a cloud unil the olher day,
When she gave me a powerful lec ture in more than a solemn way;
It was all almut " Ye Scott Act "一I voted " Anti," jou sesBut wed never talked it over, I knew we couldn't agree.
she said, "There shouldn't be secrets between a man and wife; That if I had turned an 'Anti,' her man had lost his life, For with the man of a year ago this thing could never occur, liut niw I was fonder of whiskey and not so fond of her."
I dislike to borrow trouble till trouble borrows ane, But u.3W I'm kinder woriyin' about how things will beFor just when she'd warmed up nicely I hastily lid her adien, Sayin'. "I'd promisel to meet a friend, but later I'd hear har thro'." Thuggh she is good and honest, this habit is growing great, And oar sweet mas turn to bitter, our love may turn to hate; So I mean to take no longer her side-stabs as a joke,
I neets must break this off-ox from pulling against the yoke.
For if she keeps on twistin', and I start (wistin too,
Its like enough we'll "turn the yoke," that is just what we'll do ;
Aral uatice obir life a burden, and break ose lowin' heart,
And soun agree together that we'd best agree apro.

I know it's rain to arg'e, -a woman will have her way, -
liut I don't care a cent for whiskey, can quit the thing to-day;
And shatl, I'm rather thinking, as it's a thisitfor sood,
Anci her mest mis'rable bluster a thing
 that can't be stood.
It takes two to make a quarrel, but one can make things " hot," Whell she talks of not bein' lovin', and calls her man a sot ; An' no amount of talkin' will banish the "idee,"
Though a man is just as lovin' as ever a man can be.
When I went home to Sadie she slung me never a word,
Atul son'd think by her smilin' face that noihing had ever occur'd ;
The tea was ready and waitin',-a supper fit for a lord, Set oit with the costliest wines, all botught of her own accord;
luni I've had the payin' to do, -and the drinkin' to do as well, For sadis looked on in silence, and didn't take more'n the smell. To avert a "curtain lecture," I slipt off early to bed, And there as I lay reflectin', a thought came into my head. So I rose in the morning early, ere she was lecerinning to stir, And took from the room her corsets, and hid those things on her ; I placed them in the pantry along sith the sparkling wings, Alud un a slip of paper I Itft the following lines:-

"Dear Sadie,-Them is your corsets, and this here is my wine;
If you are willin' to give up yours, I'm willin' to give up mine.
Now, the 'drink' and the corset question can't neither bear the ligh,
For corsets, as well as whiskey, will make a bodj) tight."
I kindled a firc in the kitchen, and put the "kittle" on;
I "fed the chores," in the stable, and was doin' a little sawin', And while 1 was there a-sawio', sure Sadie came out to me,
With corsets and wine in her hands, and said she couldn't agree.

She said "I was workin' hard, and wasn I so zery strong,
And for me to take a little, she thought it was hardly wrong."
Then to force her argument home, she handed ne out a draught-
I could neither accept nor decline--I just stood there and laughed.
And Sadie wheel'd like a shot, and down to the brook near by,
Then back minus corsets and wine, and said "she would give it a try."
We may not be happy as some who stick to both corscts and wine-
Bint we love, and we live, and we laugh, seeking still to get more into line.

## TALK OF THE STREET.

"MAN can't put on airs in the Grens. just becausc his father's a judge."-"Anything new?"-"Jes, pncu r onia."-" The Niagara boat was crowded, but there were some hogs occupying two and three seats."-"The Typotheta have made a good impression."-"I don't wonder Ross got six months' leave of absence after his specch at the Typothetre banquet. Guess Mowat's going to fire him."-"Been around on the Belt Line yet?" - 'Fished all afternoon in Grenadier Pond and only got two small perch."-" Discussing Idealism vs. Realism from a theosophic standpoint whem Samjones dropped in and paralyzed them with his puns."一"What in thunder is an epigram anyhow. Is it a joke or what? ""They say Ned Farrer is going to edit the New York Ferall."-" Took me fully an hour to get out, what with the cars running off the track."-"Horses going to he dirt cheap now, but jou'll have to ring a bell to start 'em.' -"Chave me the cut direct on King St, but I'm sure I don't know what she has to put on airs about ; and the way her husband drinks."-" Been down to Kew Beach, have you? Of course you went and saw the house where"-"Oh, your trolley is off!"-"Scems to me I used to know that Col. Ray.", "Couldn't hardily call him a gem of purest ray serene, ch? "-"Gladstone can't hold oftice three months."-" Told him I was a transier, but he wouldn't believe me."-"What we want in this country is a divorce court. There's M s. Frizzletop for instance who"-"Well now, ain't that too bad. School commences again Monday."-"Spent his holidays on the Island drinking beer."-"How do I know when I can pay you? You'd better consult a fortune-teller."-"So Iord Aberdeen is a temperance crank Won't be much fun at Rideau Hall for the Ottawa politicians next winter."

## his Grandmother's letter.

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\text { Kilkenny, Ireland, Jan. } 1 \text { S90. }
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Day before yesterday.

$M^{5}$Y DEAR MICHAEL, -I haven't sent you a letter since the last time, because we have moved from our former place of living, and I did not know where a letter would find you. But I now, with pleasure take up my pen to inform you of the death of your late uncle Ned Fitzgerald, who died very suddenly after a lingering illness of six weeks. The poor fellow was in violent convulsions the whole time of his sickness, all the time talking and crying for water the whole time of his sickness.

I had no opportunity of informing you of his death sooner, except I wrote to you of his death by the last post which went off two days before he died. Then you. would have postage to pay.

I am at a loss to know what his death was occasioned by; but I fear it was by his last sickness, for he never was well all the time he was sick, and I believe his death was


A SHORT INTERVIEW.
Prfaciner (stacely)-"I fear that there will the but few rep-rters in heaven."
Rerontek (calmby)-"Then you think it will le possithe for -preachers to be happy without geling free adis?:"
brought about by eating too much rabhit stutted with pease and gravy, or pease and gravy stuffed with rabbit, I don't know which, but be it as it may when he breathed his last the doctor gave up all hope of his recovery. I need not tell you about his age, for you well know that in June next he would be seventy-eight years lacking six months, and if he had lived till then he would be just six months dead.

His property now devolves to his next of kin who all died some time ago. I expect it will be divided between you and me; and you know his property which was very large was all sold for his debts and the remainder he lost at a horse race, but it was the opinion of everybody at the time that he would have won the money it the other horse had not been too fast for the beast he bet on.
I never saw a man in all my life, and the doctors said so too, that observed directions or took medicine as he did, he said he would as leave drink bitther as sweet if it had only the same taste; salts as whiskey, if it would only put him in the same humor for fighting. But poor soul he will never eat nor drink nor fight any more, and you haven't a livin' relative in the world except myself and your ten cousins who were killed in the late war. I cannot dwell on the mournful subject any longer and shall seal my letter in black sealing-wax and stamp it with your uncle's coat of arms, so I beg of you not to break
the seal when you open the letter, and don't open it for two or three days after you receive it, so that by that time you will be well prepared for the awful tidings-your old sweet heart sends her love to you.

When Jerry McGee arrives in Ameriky ask him for this letter, and if he don't bring it from among the rest tell him it's the one that speaks of your uncle's death. The one sealed in black tell him. And be sure and answer it or I will never write again so I won't.

I remain your loving grandma,

## Judy O'Holdahax.

P.S.-I thought at first I would add a postscript to this letter but I find I baven't time and so I'll let it go without.

## A CONFESSION OF FAILURE.

THIEF (on being nabbed for the tenth time)-" Really: I fear I have mistaken my calling.:

## TO GRIP'S BOYS.

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The winner must in all cases send his photo or tintyp: lowe he canreceive the prize awarded; from it we will make a cua for this column. Herbert Pierson, si. Mary's, Ont., got the Rogers jackknife, as his letter with remitance was opened first.

Another knife will be given to the boy whose letter with urnaty and orders is opened first on Tuesday morning.

Nest week we shall publish a list of all who have wor prizes. Its gettirg very near the time when the big prizes will he awariet, moi there will likely be some smart hustling during the next ferw wed.. Oct. 15, 1892, is the day the competition cloes for the frias mentioned below.
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