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"HE Prohibition "Question."
—Canada has a new political party. Although as yet small, it has proven itself formidable enough to make trouble for the

two older organizations by upsetting their calculations in connection with election contests. In West Lambton, the other day, according to the view of some "old parliamentary hands," it secured the defeat of the Conservative candidate, and in the next campaign it may play old hob in the same way with the Liberal standard-bearer. Now, it is pertinent to enquire at

this stage whether this is a mere wanton interference with the working of our political system? If so, it ought to be abandoned, and the men who are actively promoting it deserve a severe reprimand as unruly citizens. This raises the question, What is a political party for? To which the correct answer is—a political party is an organization intended to secure the carrying out of principles which are believed by its adherents to be in the interest of the country. When once this work is achieved—when the principle of principles have been crystallized into law—the work of the party is done, and it ought to go out of existence, or

re-shape itself around some new issue. Experience shows us that this is not the usual history of political parties; generally speaking, they remain in active operation without any new issue after they have accomplished their original task, and gradually the position is reversed—the party becomes everything and its object nothing. This appears to be the condition at which the Republican party of the United States and both the old parties of this Dominion have arrived. Just as the Republicans across the line are still dragging out a useless existence on issues that were settled twenty years ago, so the Liberals here are blind to the questions of the present time (with the single exception of Reciprocity), and the Conservatives have long forgotten what their original principles, if they ever had any, were. Now, the men who have stepped out into a new party conceive that the times demand some radical reforms-notably the prohibition of the liquor traffic. If it cannot be shown that one or both the existing parties earnestly espouse this cause, then these citizens are entirely justified in their action, whatever trouble it may make for the party managers. What attitude do the old parties as such hold on the issue referred to? The Conservative party makes no pretence of being for temperance, like the Democratic camp across the way; it is frankly and openly for the saloon. The Liberal party does pretend to be in favor of temperance, as to its individual membership, but as an organization it refuses to move. A prohibition law would be carried out about as faithfully under the one as the other—that is to say, neither of them appoint outcers wan really wanted to do their duty. The saloon vote weighs too heavily in the calculations of both. If probabilities is desirable the salour of the calculation in the calculation is desirable to the calculation in the calculation in the calculation is desirable to the calculation of the calculation of the calculation is desirable to the calculation of the prohibition is desirable, the only road to it is via a new party. So says Dr. Sutherland, and it remains for somebody to demolish his logic.

WILL IT COME TO PASS?—That entirely reliable journal, the Mail, says editorially:—"Intelligent observers in Quebec say that a surprise is in store for the country—that before the end of another year Mr. Mercier will be Sir John Macdonald's right hand man in that Province, vice Sir Hector, who is to be deposed. Mr. Mercier wants money, the Province being overwhelmed with debt, and cannot hope to obtain 'better terms' while he remains hostile to the Old Man. The Old Man, in turn, wants Quebec support, especially in view of the upheaval in Ontario, and Mr. Mercier is just the man to secure it for him provided an amicable understanding can be reached. This story is believed by many Nationalists and Conservatives, and we give it for what it is worth. Sir John has made just as queer alliances in the course of his life, and Mr. Mercier is not very strait-laced. He would probably sacrifice Mr. Laurier and the Dominion Liberals without a qualm for 'better terms' to the extent of ten millions."

NOTWITHSTANDING the appeal in which Grip joined for a commutation of the death sentence in the Guelph murder case, Harvey was hanged on the 29th. No more need be said about the wretched man himself, but once more we take occasion to protest against sheriffs hiring outsiders to do their judicial murdering for them. If a sheriff takes the sweets of his office, he ought to be obliged to take the sours as well. The engaging of amateur hangmen is in every way demoralizing, both to the miserable fellows who secure the "jobs" and to the community at large.

MR. NICHOLAS FLOOD DAVIN has "let up" on Herchmer long enough to deliver an address on Education at the opening of Lansdowne College, Portage la Prairie. A very fine audience assembled to hear him, and need we say the shiny-pated poet of the Prairie gave them an oration which recalled the palmy days of Demosthenes? Davin may not be able to clean out the Augean stables of the mounted police barracks, but he can orate, and no mistake!

THE asylum on Queen street is unhappily pretty well crowded, but space ought to be found there for the handful of fanatical fools who disgraced Toronto by assaulting the procession on the occasion of the reception of Archbishop Walsh a few evenings ago. We cannot

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believe that these creatures are really responsible for their actions, but they are clearly not fit to be left at large. It is a thousand pities that the police have been as yet unable to secure them, as the Protestants of Toronto would be more than delighted to see them put out of harm's way for a good while.

THE World is a very smart paper—just a trifle too smart sometimes. The other day it quoted a paragraph from an American journal something to this effect:

"William Lloyd Garrison says if a radical change is not made in the systeem of taxation the American Republic is doomed. William Lloyd is dead right!"

Upon this the World cleverly comments:

"Yes, William is dead right: has been dead, in fact, several years."

It is hardly creditable to a journal which presumes to lead public opinion to thus proclaim itself ignorant of the existence of William Lloyd Garrison—the worthy son of the great Abolitionist, and one of the ablest men of the

United States to day. We hope it may yet be the good fortune of the World man to listen to some of Mr. Garrison's free-trade speeches, which are calculated to enlighten the darkest intellects.

AN EXPERIENCE.

I ONCE was a Reformer,
In the palmy days of Brown,
I joined in the procession
When Mackenzie came to town;
I read the Globe on Sundays,
And at noon spells in the mow,
But I haven't, haven't,
For a long time now,

I thought that all the Tories
Must have surely lost their wits,
And the only patriots going
Were "We, Us & Co.," the Grits.
For they then had a policy,
But, I really must allow,
They haven't, haven't, haven't,
For a long time now.

Then I became a Tory,
When the N.P. loomed in sight,
For times were dull, and John A.
Said that would set them right.
And it sounded all so pleasant,
I believed him, but I vow,
I haven't, haven't,
For a long time now.

I was told that smoking chimneys
Would arise in every town,
The price of wheat would clamber up,
And sugar would go down.
I thought I'd soon be wealthy,
And I whistled at the plow,
But I haven't, haven't,
For a long time now,

Now they've got another Party
With a preacher at the head,
Who seems to think the country
Isn't altogether dead.
And to run a moral Government
They say they'll show us how,
But

[To be finished at the close of the first term of office of Premier Sutherland.]

MATTERS WERE LOOKING UP.

BUTCHER—"How is business to-day?'
NEW GROCER—"Oh, it is improving some."
BUTCHER—"Did you make any sales?"
NEW GROCER—"No, but a woman stopped once to-day and looked in through the window."

ABOUT THE STOVE.

COAL—" I'm going to drop in to see you one of these days."

FIRE—"It is scarcely worth while. I am almost always out."

A SUFFICIENT CAUSE.

HUSTY—"Something seems to be wrong with Jack lately. He acts as if he weren't all there."

DUSTY—" Neither he is. He was married a few days ago, and he leaves his better half at home."



THE POLITIC PEELER.

P. C. MACDONALD—"Arrest him? Nay; the Bobby of Wisdom leaveth not his beat. Mercier's the chap, ma'am, for Quebec street."

A STRONG OBJECTION.

WARD HEELER—"Now, Mrs. O'Rourke, I trust you will do your best to make Mike vote for Cohen at the next election."

MRS. O'ROURKE—"Lave me dure! Do yez think a dacent Oirishwoman would throi to git a vote fer a haythen Jew thot calls a pig an unclane animal?"

A LOGICAL CONCLUSION.

HOTFOOT—"Those oysters must have been very small when they were caught."

WAITER—"I don't understand you, sir."

Hotroot—"I mean they must have been very small when they were caught, because they are so small yet, though you have given them plenty of time to grow since I ordered them."



HAPPY WITH EITHER.

MRS. MARCHNOT (wealthy widow), -" Sir, you've stolen my daughter's love.'

UNABASHED ADVENTURER .- "I hadn't seen you then, and I've returned it.

ANTICIPATORY.

ME are in daily expectation of a letter like the following :-

DAKOTA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Nov., 1889.

EDITAH GRIP, DEAH BOY,-I wite to you in gweat alahm, on account of a wumah which has weached my eahs, with wegahd to a decision which I am told has been come to by the Ministwy of Ontawio, not to impoht me fwom Dakota any moah to act in the capaucity of Sergeant-at-Ahms duwing the sittings of the Pwovincial Legislature. I cawn't see how it makes any diffewence to the fellahs who go to Towonto fwom the wuwal pawts, whethah I weside in Coboconk or Dakota. What they want is a good-looking gentleman of culture, to give towne to the pwoceedings-to cast wefulgence, as it were, over the scene, and genewally to make things look wespectable. I flattah myself that I am the vewy gentleman to do that soht of thing, and I twust that so long as it is my pleasuhe to make Dakota my howne, no common fellah who lives in Ontawio will be appointed to fill such an impohtant situation. What care I foh the paltwy hundweds of dollahs I get? What care I foh the fancy feeds? and what care I foh the weal good time genewally?

I considah it a gweat sacwifice to spend the wintah in Ontawio, and leave the care of my wanch, my cattle, my hogs, my all, to scurvy menials. Yes, demmit! I do.

Kindly publish this, and use your gweat influence with the Honowable Mr. Mowat, the Honowable Mr. Hawdy, the Honowable Mr. Fwasah, the Honowable Mr. Woss (G. W.), and the Honowable Mr. Gibson, in my favoh.

I have the honoh to wemain

Your humble and obedient servant, G. LACK MEYER.

P.S -Sell out, my boy, and come oven heah. Delightful climate and all that solt of thing. Fine people,

fine countwy, fine cwops, fine pwices. Fah ahead of Canada. My new house is almost completed. Anotheh sessional allowance will enable me to make it one of the best in the State, don't you know? G. L. M.

TO AN ALLEGED GOAT.

HOU art a fraud I very greatly fear, Thy goatly qualities are precious few, I deemed that thou my premises wouldst clear Of rubbish most unsightly to the view. Lo! here is store of old tomato cans, Ashes, old newspapers, old boots and shoes, And cast-off clothing-feminine and man's, Wealth of goat-nutriment from which to choose, Thou dost not eat it as a true goat should; For garden truck thou ceasest not to bleat, Nor art thou rampant, but of gentlest mood, And never buntest urchins on the street. Thee to some dime museum I'll devote-Thou art a freak of nature—not a goat.

ONE REASON.

IIGGERSNOOT-" You women make more fuss over a little bit of work than an old maid does at a wedding. Now if you had to come down town and slave at it all day long, as we do, there might be some cause for your talk."

MRS. J.—"That's just like a man. Don't you know

that a woman's work is never done?"

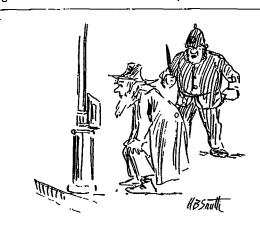
JIGGERSNOOT-" Mainly because it's so rarely begun." There was no need for the ice man to call at that house for three days.

HE GOT THERE.

T was at a fancy dress ball, and Dumley and his rival were doing their level best to gain favor with the lovely American who was attired in a dress of striped material.

"Now what do you think I represent?" laughed she.

"A zebra," said the rival.
"Star and Stripes," interposed Dumley; and the engagement was all over town next day.



HE WAS POSTED.

Officer-"Here, you ould hayseed! Come away from that letter-box! Are yez tryin' to rob the mails, ye conniver?

FARMER GREENINS—"Ye can't fool me. I've seen these drop-in-a-penny snaps afore now."

OFFICER-" Move on, now, or I'll run yez in."

FARMER G .- " Not much; I dropped in a penny an' I'm goin' to wait till I get a letter from Maria if it takes an hour.'

DIARY OF OUR MAN ABROAD.

Oct 18. Now for a drive or thirty miles across the rolling prairie of fellow. creatures? This [] for Macled. It manificant mon-ing, a spanking term and a bight-rolling me, with only three dop by way or accompaniment. is what the Oed Harry does, for he tell every. body that he is losing money right along through Seed country for dop. Mrs. by the Sway. We average trion or vill. ago here almost as bad as Toronto in that respect by jour have wir ers to cross and is bridges, it is boarders and Keeping Carnal guests who never pay then lette our accomment and Harry con ferres that he has all the home honest parts. This well Known bills Before a good ocheme to drive straight through the water This is what we do three or four times on the trail who fort; the rapid current making interesting the working low is a curiously, al ottawa, and the headquar ters of 99. Baller ocos bull team, so called because the animals used are steers. Oct-21 - Ten pm. funds us at Hose Jaw. comfortably

posed by Host Waghom,

me distinguished 300log ual hotel man. This is the and if perchance they are close to the The point is visit 4 you track, they stand in threatening array pref want to study that & and make a move which looks danger! Jously like a contemplated fearfully and wonderfully assault upon our outpet. The Constructed specimen of human nature - the young hate annes u. however that I that I lishman of good family who has Rawnell, and is doing is only the dogs the thing in Buff alo Bill style Dare amous to Killing Oet 24 - Refine () We gaze upon We capital city of Jal-last - the Mir capital city of Jaw Herehmen, and Royal and permits of and North West Mounted Police of york when they get it files in her here will be Along in the afternoon (after a squar meal at the half way house at Kip, which the was not jorgotten then and it !!! would be gross ingratitude look now) we drive up Hotel - a ranch famous shroughout get it files in I between the Bank of montreal, government all the land as the abiding place House and the Railway Mation. 17 Old Kamoose (figl.) other. Wise Harry Taylor. People Meanwhile, it presents " majnificent stretches Throughout the Territories day for pedestrian mer & Cise - though of course Ni Harry is a Bad old Pill - but F. D. and the other naboli would a Bad old Pile Keep au. Keep then carriages. I hotel just for the fun of oct-25. - Qu'appelle has a The thing and to accommodate by fine clan hote the less our



FRESH.

Young Lady (to very new salesman)-" Have you a book called 'An Essay on Irish Bulls'?" SALESMAN - " No, Miss; we haven't any works on Live Stock!"

THE PERKINS MEMORIAL MOVEMENT.

Thappened this way: They were talking about popular movements and how easily any kind of an agitation could be got up by persistent advocacy—regardless altogether of the worthiness or practicability of its object. The Cynic maintained that the public were fools and that the great majority followed their leaders blindly like a flock of sheep. Finally he made an assertion which somewhat staggered his auditors.

"Pooh, preposterous! Could not be done!" said the

"No," said another, "The people may be mostly fools, but they are not quite such fools as that.'

"Bet you ten dollars I'll do it within a fortnight!"

"Done," said the Optimist, and the party broke up. The following morning the local columns of the dailies contained the following item:

"It is not creditable to the public spirit of our citizens that the final resting place of Hiram G. Perkins in the cemetery is unmarked by any tombstone, Considering the estimation in which Mr. Perkins was held in his lifetime, and the good he accomplished, it would only be fitting that some public action should be taken to erect a memorial to one who in his lifetime did so much to deserve the lasting gratitude of his fellow citizens.'

The following day letters from "Citizen," "Old Subscriber," "Pro Bono Publico," and other well known writers, appeared, warmly favoring the idea and expatiating upon the deserts of the departed and almost forgotten Perkins. Then, a day or two after, a notoriety-hunting individual who had been connected with every "movement" and "new departure" for the previous twenty years, sent in a long letter over his own signature, signifying his willingness to co-operate and contribute his mite. A chronic condidate for the mayoralty and two or three more men followed suit. An advertising fakir out of

employment on account of an unfortunate habit he had of failing to account for moneys collected, took it up, seeing a chance of making something out of it. The editor of a popular weekly in search of a topic for editorial comment wrote a forcible article on "Popular Ingratitude" taking the public forgetfulness of the services of the deceased Hiram G. Perkins as a text, and drawing a really touching and eloquent picture of his obscure and grass-grown grave in a deserted corner of the burying ground, unmarked by a single stone. Evidently the ball was fairly set a-roll-

A few days later the newspapers contained this announcement:

"A meeting of gentlemen interested in the erection of a suitable memorial to Hiram G. Perkins will be held in the parlor of the Bierzlinger House at 8 sharp, to-morrow evening. There should be a

full attendance." At the appointed hour between twenty and thirty people, magnified by the local reporters into "a large and influential gathering of citizens," were on hand. There were a couple of leading politicians who expected nominations for parliament or the legislature next election, a few aldermen and ward politicians, several young and rising professional men who saw a chance to advertise themselves, the canvasser before mentioned, a job printer who hoped by taking a prominent part in the movement to get any printing there might be required—and a few others actuated by curiosity or the hope of seeing their names in

"Yaw, I knowed dot Perkins," said the host bustling in with a round of drinks ordered by the most enterprising of the political heelers, "He vash a fine man. Id vash too bad he tied. I didn' know aboud id at der dime. I dinks to minself id vash a vonder vy he don't come here some more."

"Great loss to the city, sir, great loss," said Mr. Houstler, the mayoralty candidate. "He was the kind of man that we need-progressive, ac ive, self-made men."

"I move Mr: Houstler take the chair," said somebody. "Gentlemen," said Mr. Houstler, "we are met here this evening to do a tardy act of justice to the memory of one whose enterprise and public spirit ought not soon to be forgotten. You all—at least I presume most of you are familiar with the record of Hiram G. Perkins - whose grave, as we are informed, is uncommemorated by a single stone to mark departed worth. (Shame.) Our object, gentlemen, is to organize as the Perkins Memorial Committee, to collect subscriptions, (" Hear, hear" from the canvasser) and to put up a fitting monument testifying to the esteem in which the deceased was universally held. May I call on Mr. Graglurch for a few remarks.'

"Mr. Chairman," said Mr. Graglurch, wiping his expan-

sive and hair denuded cranium with a red handkerchief. "My line aint talkin'—I'm a practical man—a self-made man I may say—I agrees with wot the chairman have mentioned an' so far as a five dollar bill goes, why count me in. Not as I ever knowed Perkins, but this 'ere move is in the interest of the city, an' anything as is in the interest of the city I always helps along."

Loud applause followed, during which the orator subsided with a self-satisfied look due to the impression that he had perceptibly advanced his chances of parliamentary nomination by his dis-

play of public spirit.

"Mr. Splurgeon," said the Chairman, "I need hardly introduce him to this audience, as his reputation is doubtless well known to all."

Mr. Splurgeon was a young lawyer who had, so every one said, a brilliant future before him, and in the meantime earned a precarious living by Division Court practice and dickering in patent rights. He was excessively vain of his cloquence and never lost an opportunity of airing it, having lost several cases in the Division Court for no other reason than that he would persist in haranguing the court to an unreasonable length and interspersing his speeches with quotations from Shakespeare.

"The evil that men do," said Mr. Splurgeon, impressively, "in the words of the great dramatist, lives after them. The good is oft interred with their bones. So let it not be with Perkins. No indeed. Shall it be said of Canadians that they are so base, so sordid, so unworthy of the heritage of their sires, that they permit those great and glorious names which esrtwhile towered resplendent as the noon-tide sun, to go into the dark repellant shades of oblivion unwept, unhonored and unsung? Oh, shame, where is thy blush! But yesterday, to quote the great dramatist again, and Cæsar might have stood against the world, now none so poor as do him reverence! Gentlemen, among the earliest and most cherished recollections of my childhood is enshrined the memory of the noble efforts of Hiram G. Perkins to uplift our common humanity, to—to—advance, as it were, to forward those great and worthy objects which go to make a nation grand and sublime in the onward march of destiny."—(Loud applause.)

After several other speeches a resolution was unanimously adopted organizing the committee, and pledging all present to support the movement. Subscription lists were opened and the advertising fakir was authorised to make a general canvass of the city.

The meeting was on the point of adjourning when Mr. Whitehead, an old and respected citizen, entered, and on learning what had been done asked permission to say a

few words.

"Mr. Chairman," he began, "I meant to have got here before, but was unavoidably detained. I always like to help any good move, but before I give you my subscription there's one thing I'd like explained. Who was Perkins, anyhow?"

There was an awkward silence. Houstler looked at Graglurch, and the latter shook his head and looked at Splurgeon, who in turn stared into vacancy. Everybody seemed dumbfounded.

"I simply ask for information," continued Whitehead, "I want to know who was Hiram G. Perkins? I'm an old residenter, as your know. I have lived here sixty years and used to know everybody in the place, but I never until the last few days heard of this man you want to get



PRESENCE OF MIND.

Mrs. Pryer—"How is this, John? I find in your vest pocket a slip of paper. It says: 'Messrs. Gapin & Chore—Send up a bottle of Pommery for my type-writer.'"

"PRYER—" There you are, with your ridiculous jealousy. Don't you know that Pommery is the only oil that will keep the machine in order? I never saw such a woman as you are—never."

up a monument to. Now, will somebody who knew him personally tell us who was Perkins, and what did he ever do?"

Again there was an interval of silence.

"I—I didn't know him personally," explained the Chairman, "In fact I know nothing about him except what I read in the papers."

"Same here," said Graglurch.

"I think I have been laboring under a misapprehension," said Splurgeon. "The memories of childhood are sometimes deceptive."

"We've been hoaxed," said several, " give us back our

money."

But the canvasser, who had collected half-a-dozen subscriptions, had disappeared. The meeting broke up in confusion.

The next day the newspapers announced that the whole thing was a hoax, as on enquiry it was found that no Hiram G. Perkins had ever existed.

"You owe me ten," said the Cynic to the Optimist. "Didn't I work it as I said?"

"Oh, no," was the reply, "it was a failure. The intelligence of the people nipped it in the bud."

"But they organized the committee. Confound that old mischief-maker of a Whitehead! What did he want to give the thing away like that for?"

MERE FRIENDLINESS NOT APPRECIATED.

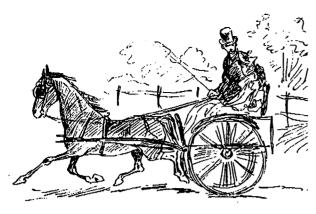
WAITER—"That is a very mean old fellow who just went out."

GUEST—"Why, I thought he was very kind to you. Didn't I see him shake hands with you when he camein?" WAITER—"Oh, yes, but it was simply a shake of ordinary friendship. There was nothing in his hand."

A TRANSPARENT JOKE.

S HUTTER—"How did you like being fixed up for the winter?"

WINDOW—"I never felt more paned in my life."



THE WAY HE USED TO DRIVE HER ABOUT BEFORE THEY WERE MARRIED.



AND THE WAY HE DRIVES HER ABOUT NOW.

THE SLANG OF THE STREET.

 R^{OUNDER} —"Everything seems to be getting in the soup nowadays."

STOUNDER—"Well, why don't you try another restaurant."

IT WAS AT AN AMATEUR CONCERT.

BASS VIOL—"That fiddle seems to be very high strung."

TRIANGLE—"Yes, but I saw it in a bad scrape the other day."

GRIPS CANADIAN GAZETTEER.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.



INNIPEG is built on the banks of the Assiniboinc and Red rivers. The banks of Montreal, Ontario, Ottawa and others claim that it is built on them, but that is a matter of opinion. Winnipeg is remarkable for its wide streets, baby carriages and mud. It is the capital of Manitoba, and a capital place to study the effects of alcohol on the human system. The city has 25,000 inhabitants and an opera house. The latter will seat 1,200 of the former, but seldom does, and has a raw-hide storehouse in the basement. The inhabitants are di-

vided into two classes—the Old-timers and the New-comers. The Old-timers live on politics, reminiscences and rye whiskey. The New-comers keep stores of various kinds, and sell their goods below cost.

The greater part of the city is owned by loan companies, but they are not sordid; they loan the properties to the former owners, and allow them to pay rents and

Winnipeg was cursed for years by a heartless railway monopoly—the Canadian Pacific—which built its main and branch lines right into the place; built it up from a village to its present considerable size, and made it the trade centre of the North-West. The people, incensed beyond en-



durance at such gross injustice, rose en masse to crush the hydra-headed monster; and now they have a competing line, the Northern Pacific.

Winnipeg has a lot of aldermen who meet once a week to abuse each other and play "craps" with the city's funds. The streets are lighted by electricity, but on nights when the moon does not shine the citizens prefer the old reliable lantern.



The girls of Winnipeg are noted for their fetching qualities. When one gets her heart set on a young man a wedding surely follows. At one time girls were scarce in Winnipeg, but now they are as plentiful as cats on a back fence.

Many distinguished men have visited Winnipeg—McGarigle, Tascott, John L. Sullivan, Generals Beauregard and Early, Eli Perkins and Martin Burke. All expressed their admiration for the city except Mr. Burke, who found the climate too warm, and Judge Bain, who took great interest in him, advised a change of venue.

Winnipeg used to be called the jumping-off place by Eastern men, but now the Westbound travellers only jumps off there to get a drink as he passes. Winnipeg has been called the "Chicago of Can-

ada," but it will never be as hoggish as Chicago.

WINNIPEGGER.

REASON FOR THANKFULNESS.

MIKE—"Did yeh fall on the strate, Bridget?"
BRIDGET—"Yis, but the saints be praised, I fell in the saft mud, an' not on the hard pa-avement."

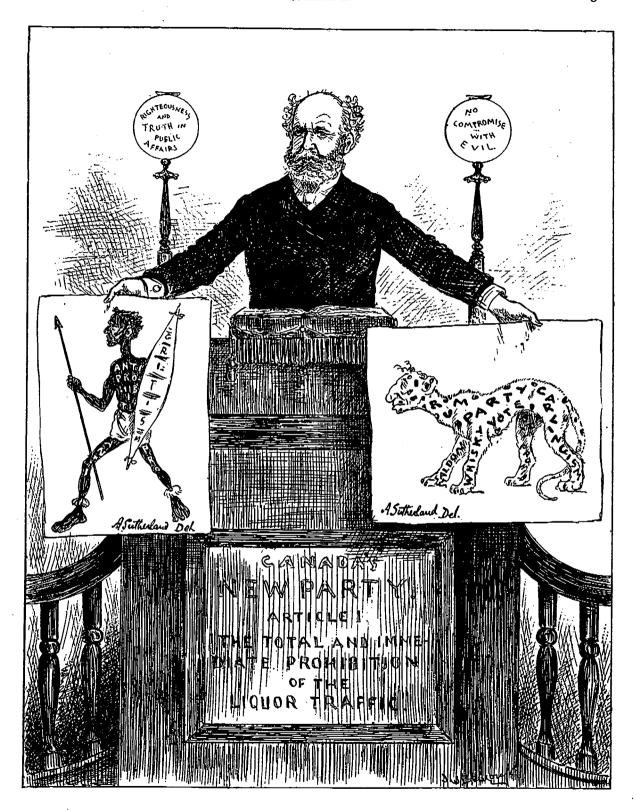
UNKIND, BUT PERHAPS TRUE.

SPACER—"That fellow Jones has no appreciation of humor. He never laughs at jokes."

PENNER—"Have you ever tried him with one?"

SPACER—"Well—er—yes; read him some of my

PENNER—" Ah! that probably accounts for it."



THE PROHIBITION "QUESTION."

"CAN THE ETHIOPIAN CHANGE HIS SKIN, OR THE LEOPARD HIS SPOTS?

(New Sermon from an old text by Rev Dr. S.)

SIR EDWIN ARNOLD objects to our electric wires. He prefers The Light of Asia to The Light of America.

THE official song of Utah isn't so much "Marryland, My Marryland," as it used

THE COMING CHRISTMAS "STAR."

The many people who have been looking out for the Christmas Star will be glad to hear that it is to be ready for delivery the first week in December. The Christmas Star has bounded at once to the highest place in public esteem. It is always pretty, always taking, and always very good value for the money. The enormous circulation of the Christmas number of the Star is accounted for by the fact that it goes from friends on this side to friends far away literally by thousands, and it is looked forward to with very great interest indeed. Every person who gets a Christmas Star gets a better opinion of Canada, and thus our country is becoming better known every year. The Graphic and Illustrated News of London look upon the Christmas Number of the Montreal Star as a most remarkable number.

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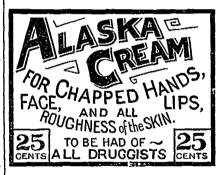
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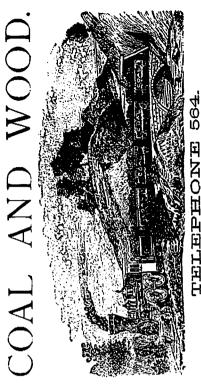
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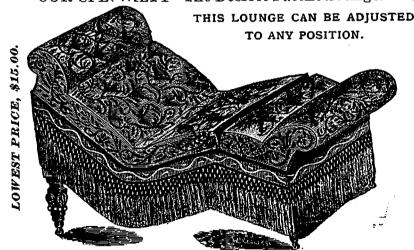
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