

The Planet

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THE MANITOULIN MAN

To those who have personally met him and talked with him the Globe's vituperative attacks on Mr. Gage must appear specially silly and empty. The man from Manitoulin has been much maligned. He has a strong and unassuming personality, a quiet unassuming manner and instantly impresses those with whom he comes in contact with his sincerity and frankness.

In the Planet's opinion the Conservative party would do well to urge the member for Manitoulin to tell this own story in his own blunt and convincing way to the people in all parts of the province. The sturdy young Northerner would command respect and confidence on the platform. True, he calls a spade a spade—but it's a straight-from-the-shoulder style that instinctively wins support and sympathy.

Gage may be all his enemies say—but to believe it you must keep away from him.

THE INDEPENDENT PRESS.

The attitude of the independent press was subjected to severe criticism during the debate on the Gage charges, points out the Guelph Herald. "The treacherous independent press," was the way in which the Provincial Secretary alluded to it, and his unwarranted attack was supported by other newspaper men on the Government benches. The fact that the independent newspapers of the country denounced the course of the impeached ministers is in itself a pretty strong indication of their guilt. Were the charges, preferred by R. R. Gage unfounded, there is nothing more certain than that the non-partisan newspapers would cheerfully have sprung to the defence of the wrongly accused Government. That they were unable to do so is conclusive evidence that they recognized the trail of corruption was over it all.

There was a time in this country when independence in journalism meant neutrality. In the consideration of any question on which the two political parties were divided the independent newspaper proceeded on "however-and-nevertheless" lines. Sitting serenely on the fence, the editor of the independent journal looked at the case "on the one hand" and then "on the other hand." If he gave a bouquet to one side he evened it up with a smile upon the other. If a brick was passed to the Grits a rock was hurled at the Tories or vice versa. That sort of independence was absolutely valueless to the country. It was a still, small voice amid the tumult of the warring factions, because it did not strike as high or as clear a note as either.

Independence in Canadian journalism to-day stands for something better and stronger. The non-party newspaper that is afraid to take a pronounced stand on every important public question has a small and lessening influence in the community. Even the independent man of fibre must prefer the sturdy tone of the party press to the weakly observations of the journal indisposed to take either side.

The prime journalistic offenders against the peace of mind of the Ross Government in the Gage investigation were the Telegram and the News. From the outset the Telegram led all the Canadian newspapers in its appreciation of the importance of the case and the intense popular interest in its development. The Telegram has faithfully done what it was the Government's duty to do—give the evidence to the people—the court of last resort. True, the Globe began with the Telegram in publishing verbatim reports of the evidence. But the Globe became weary in well-doing and in the closing days of the proceedings the Globe's reports were neither full nor fair. The Telegram has continued its good work by publishing verbatim reports of the debate in the Legislature. No one outside a newspaper office can comprehend the immensity of such an enterprise. It stands unparalleled in Canadian journalism. Fair beyond question in its news columns to accuse and accused, the Telegram has not been unjust in its editorial comment. Believing—as it still believes—the Ministers guilty of a corrupt deal with R. R. Gage, it could not have said less or said it in more moderate terms. The Telegram throughout this investigation has rendered a signal service to the people by giving the people all the evidence and all the comments thereon, and its strong place in popular favor because of that service, is not likely to be shaken by J. R. Stratton's ill-mannered strictures on what he terms the treacherous independent press.

A consistent and vocal advocate

for a higher standard of public morals is the Toronto News. No one can say that Mr. Willison's predilections are Conservative. A Liberal of the Liberals, the biographer of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and one of the Premier's warmest personal friends, Mr. Willison is surely not required to enter a defence to the charge that his condemnation of the impeached Ministers has been actuated by prejudice. More in sorrow than in anger, we may well believe, has Mr. Willison written the word corruption on the door of the Ross Government. As a public journalist he had a duty to perform in the interests of public morality. As a Liberal he must realize that the enduring success of the party demands a speedy and thorough house-cleaning at Toronto. Independent journalism may be accused of "treachery" by Mr. Stratton. But that accusation at the present time will, to the minds of most people, read as a compliment—a tribute to the fidelity of the independent newspapers to the interests of the people.

Up to the present the Globe has compared R. R. Gage to Achan, Barrabas, Judas Iscariot, Titus Oates and Margaret L. Sheppard. And the office boy is still searching the biographical department of Webster's unabridged.

When the Globe runs out of choice appellations with which to decorate R. R. Gage maybe the editor of the Hamilton Times could be induced to demonstrate that he is still worthy of the reputation which he won as the author of "Nothing but Names."—Guelph Herald.

What's the matter with the little Banner editor? Surely his claims should not be overlooked for a fitting finale.

IN THE BANNER'S CLASS.

Woodstock Express.

Perhaps one reason why the Hamilton Times is so irritable these days is that it sees itself so hopelessly outclassed as a slinger of epithet by the editor of the Globe.

LETTER BOX

THE G. T. R. PERFUME FACTORY.

To the Editor of The Planet: It seems to me that it is about time the druggists of Chatham applied for an injunction against the G. T. R.'s free distribution of perfume.

The charter of the railway does not authorize them to establish perfume factories, consequently the railway is infringing on the rights of the druggists who sell perfumes, when they saturate the clothing of every one who approaches the station with the G. T. R.'s own special brand—Swinetta.

I was at the station the other day—so were others—when the G. T. R. factory was in full blast, and I was afraid that when we arrived at Detroit we would all be deluged with a charge of smuggling perfume.

Of course the druggists might take advantage of the conditions at the station by spiking signs advertising other perfumes to the Swinetta, as it is about thick and strong enough to hold anything, besides taking your breath.

I think it would be a good way to explain matters to the G. T. R. authorities to have a couple of chunks of Swinetta carefully boxed up and taken by a deputation of our Council and Board of Health to the headquarters of the G. T. R. and there suddenly opened in the presence of the President, General Manager, etc., of the railway. The deputation could have a spring attached to the boxes which they could loosen from the outer door of the office. And while the officials were deriving the full benefit of the absorption of the perfume the deputation could kindly intimate to them that the city of Chatham would see that they were regularly supplied with Swinetta as long as the G. T. R. continued to manufacture it convenient to the city.

W. K. MERRIFIELD.

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A woman doubts the utility of having her own way when no one opposes her.

Even a self-made man likes to have others make something of him.

A boy who is bent on mischief does not always turn out a crook.

CHURCH - CHIMES

Pastors and others who contribute news items to this department of Saturday's Planet will confer a favor by seeing to it that their "copy" reaches this office not later than Friday at 4 p. m. Matter received later than that hour cannot be guaranteed insertion.

International Bible Lesson for Tomorrow—Israel Asking a King—1 Sam. 8, 1-10.

Golden Text—"Prepare your hearts unto the Lord and serve Him only."

Israel's government was for 365 years a Theocracy—God the ruler—but they were not full of political unrest, and their Elders are gathered at Ramah to Samuel, the prophet and ruler, called by God to that office when 12 years of age, and now about 60. He had put his sons in office and they were proving that the love of money controlled them and not the love of justice, of God and of Israel. Heretofore God had called and qualified the judges and prophets, and when God puts a man in office He qualifies him for it. The people were evidently discouraged and disappointed with their prophets, but instead of enquiring what was the will of God in this momentous matter, demanded a king and kingdom like their neighbors. (The United States are tending in the same direction; seem in a transition state; and may some day desire a monarchy as more up to date, like other nations, and as a stronger head centre for governing their increasing possessions, colonies and empire.) God permits what the Elders of Israel demand, for He knows in their hearts they are rejecting His government for one of their own choosing, granting them a king in judgment and displeasure when He would have withheld one in mercy. Dear old Samuel's character stands out clear before God and men, he turns unto God in prayer and he is shown the real state of their natural heart, which is enmity against God, who announces His solemn protest, and desires Samuel to show them, as a prophet, the manner of their desired ruler, which he does most faithfully. Read the rest of the chapter. There is but one King and Kingdom ruled in righteousness—that of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and the demand of our heart and life should be, "Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven"; and such will be the case.

CHURCH NOTES.

Mr. Laing, a clever young student from Toronto, will occupy the pulpit in the First Presbyterian Church on both occasions to-morrow.

Christ Church—Fourth Sunday after Trinity—Rev. R. McCosh will conduct the services and occupy the pulpit on both occasions.

Rev. Mr. Malott, the new pastor, will occupy the pulpit in Victoria Ave. Methodist Church on both occasions to-morrow.

Rev. Alexander W. Torrie, B. A., will preach in William St. Baptist Church to-morrow both morning and evening.

Rev. Beverley Smith will conduct the services and preach in Holy Trinity Church to-morrow morning and evening.

Both services in Park St. Methodist Church to-morrow will be conducted by Rev. Dr. R. I. Warren, Principal of Alma College, St. Thomas.

Salvation Army, Union Depot—Knee drill at 7 a. m., meeting for promotion of holiness at 11 a. m., Christian fellowship at 3 p. m., soul-winning service at 7:30 p. m. All services for citizens and soldiers.

Services in the Latter Day Saints' Auditorium, King St. West, to-morrow as follows:—Sunday School at 2 p. m., prayer meeting at 3 p. m., preaching service at 7 p. m. All welcome.

The pastor, Rev. T. H. Henderson, B. A., will preach in the Campbell A. M. E. Church both morning and evening to-morrow. (The Holy Communion will be administered at the morning service. Seats free. All are welcome.)

Services will be held in the St. John's A. U. M. P. Church to-morrow as usual.

The Holy Communion will be administered in Christ Church to-morrow morning at the 11 o'clock service.

Services will be held in the British Methodist Church, Princess St., to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The services in the First Baptist Church to-morrow will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Holt.

Park St. Bible Class will meet at 3 o'clock in the body of the church. A splendid orchestra in attendance each Sunday.

Prayer meeting will be held in the William St. Baptist Church on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Class meeting in connection with the A. U. M. P. Church is held every Tuesday evening.

Christian Endeavor in Campbell A. M. E. Church to-morrow evening at 6:30.

William St. Baptist Church Sunday morning prayer meeting at 10 o'clock.

First Presbyterian Church Sunday School to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock.

The meetings of Park St. Epworth League, Junior League, Young Men's Club and Mission Band are suspended during July and August.

St. Andrew's Church Sunday School and Bible Class to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock.

Sunday School in connection with the British Methodist Church will assemble to-morrow at 3 p. m.

The Sunday School of Victoria Ave. Methodist Church is held every Sunday at 3 p. m.

Christ Church Sunday School will be

held in the morning, instead of the afternoon, during July and August. Teachers and scholars will meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The B. Y. P. U. meets in the lecture room of the Baptist Church every Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Christ Church Young People's Society will meet in the S. S. Hall Monday evening at a quarter to eight.

The Victoria Ave. Epworth League meets on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

The regular weekly prayer service will be held at St. Andrew's church on Wednesday evening at 8.

Strangers are made welcome to all the services in the William St. Baptist Church. Parties wishing to see Mr. Torrie will find him at Mrs. Andrew's, William St., second door south from the Baptist Church.

Prayer meeting in the British Methodist Church on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Strangers are cordially invited to all the services in Christ Church. Sidesmen will be pleased to provide them with seats. Few are all free at evening service.

Sunday evening prayer meeting in the William St. Baptist Church is conducted by the B. Y. P. U. at 6:30.

DAINTY EFFECTS.

Immense Amount of Work Required on Hats and Gowns.

Many of the new blouses show the most intricate hand work, and such garments are undoubtedly costly. On all sides dressmakers are complaining of the extra work demanded of them and of the illogical behavior of their clients who grumble at having to pay higher prices when at least two yards extra material are demanded than formerly, not to speak of at least one-third as much work again.

The same applies to millinery, for the most effective headgear is that which shows a great amount of expert hand labor. Truly this is a bad time for the amateur milliner. Every detail concerning hats must be perfect, and now that they are worn right off the face even the bandeau must be



FOR A BRIDE.

skillfully manipulated, to say nothing of the knots of ribbon resting on the hair.

Hats entirely composed of rich foliage are trimmed simply with a bow of pale colored ribbon. This idea is particularly effective when carried out in russet foliage, with a pale blue bow.

A little handkerchief sleeve of lace set on a crisscross band of velvet caught through tiny paste buckles is a fancy to be noted, and it forms a charming evening effect.

A fancy for floral decoration revives with the spring. Fuchsias, forget-me-nots, clematis and silver grapes are prominent among the decorations not only of headgear, but of evening coiffure.

The picture shows a bride's dress of white and silver.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

LUMBERMAN TELLS HIS EXPERIENCE

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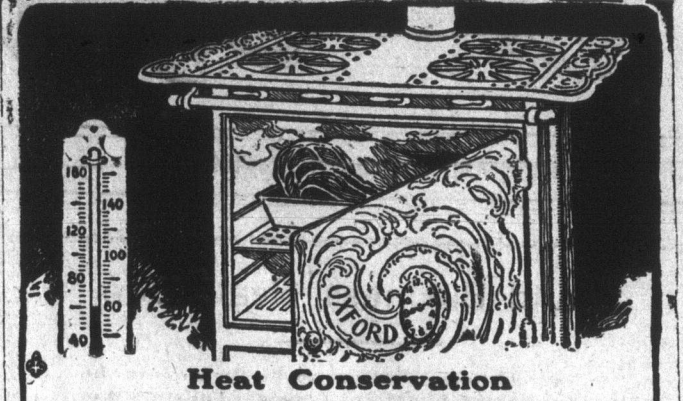
William N. Baskin, of Norwood, gives Good Advice and others are following it with Splendid Results.

Norwood, Ont., June 29.—(Special).—William N. Baskin, the well-known lumberman and railroad contractor of this place, tells of an experience with Dodd's Kidney Pills that is bound to be of interest to the public generally.

"For two years," says Mr. Baskin, "I was laid up with Lame Back and Kidney Disease. I would at times become weak and have to leave off work. People who knew me as lumberman and contractor on the C. P. R. and Parry Sound Railway knew how sick I was."

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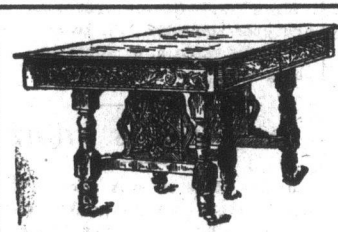
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