

The Planet

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COMMENT.

Hon. Mr. Chamberlain says "war will make a clean sheet" in the Transvaal. A large number of brave men have already found that it means winding sheets in the Transvaal.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S CLEVER MOVE.

Joseph Chamberlain is talking to France in the new diplomacy. He intimated in his last public address that peace was in more danger from public sentiment than actual differences. If France—though he did not mention that country he plainly meant it—continued to provoke British sentiment she must, he says, prepare herself for the inevitable consequences. With a war of considerable magnitude already on in South Africa this was a bold declaration. It was evidently calculated for effect, and was addressed not so much to his hearers as to the Governments of France and Russia. By an unfriendly Government this language might almost be considered as an ultimatum. But behind it we can only believe lies the knowledge which Chamberlain intended to impart to the world that the interests of Great Britain and Germany being now identical any other power which is looking for trouble must be prepared to reckon with both.

It is only on this hypothesis that Chamberlain's bold defiance to France can be explained at the present juncture. And he felt sure when he issued it that that country could not risk taking up the gauntlet with the British fleets on her seaboard and the German armies on her frontier. Nobody imagines for a moment that there is any formal alliance between England, Germany and the United States. But all differences having been settled Chamberlain has used the fact at the right moment to sound a warning note to France and Russia. It is quite likely he is using his newly found allies as scarecrows. They may not like this altogether, but as things are they can hardly risk contradicting the impression Chamberlain has sent abroad. It was a clever move on the part of the colonial secretary. Without actually involving Great Britain in any entangling alliance he has sent forth the idea that she has two great powers behind her in case of trouble. What better play for peace could any statesman make? They say Chamberlain is not a diplomat. If he is not, then all we can say is, that diplomats might accomplish more by being Chamberlains.

THE MANITOBA FIGHT.

At the last general election in Manitoba ten Greenwayites were elected by acclamation.

There were no acclamations in Manitoba this time.

It may be of interest to note how the provincial bye-elections have gone in Manitoba, since Mr. Greenway fairly swept that province in 1893.

There have been three of them, beginning with North Brandon.

In January, 1894, at the provincial election, the figures were:

Sifton (Lib.)	434
Sargent (Con.)	193
Mr. Sifton resigned to go to Ottawa, and at the bye-election the result was:	
Fraser (Lib.)	319
Postlethwaite (Ind.)	221
At St. Boniface the general election return was:	
Fredergast (Lib.)	357
Lauzon (Con.)	278
Mr. Fredergast resigned, and at the bye-election the result was:	
Lauzon (Lib.)	388
Bertrand (Lib.)	208
This was a direct turnover. At Turtle Mountain, the general election figures were:	
Hettle (Lib.)	464
Müller (Con.)	441
Mr. Müller died, and at a bye-election the result was:	
Johnson (Con.)	516
Nicol (Lib.)	265
Mr. Greenway swept the province in 1893, carrying three out of every	

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