The Planet DAILY AND WEEKLY

WHY THE ELECTORS SHOULD YOTE FOR A PROGRESSIVE.

Since ever Mayor Smith entered municipal life he has shown himself a progressive. He has always been striving to secure public benefits for his constituents. He is just such a man as we should have to represent us. His opponent, on the other hand, has hirdly shown the enterprise in public life that we should like to see, He is altogether too conservative to tepresent an ambitious and growing city. For instance, when Mayor Smith proposed to try and get a pork factory for Chatham, which would give employment to several hundred men, Ald. Stephens, as chairman of finance, sat down on the project on the ground that it was "outside the province of the council." What if it was outside the province of the council? Was there too much red tape about the council to go a stiep out of its way in the city's interest? But the incident gives a good idea of the two men the people have to choose between. One is all progress, while the other appears to be the reverse. Mayor Smith worked for a new King street pavement for years. Ald, Stephens at first signed a petition against it. Now, weigh the municipal acts of both men and say which is likely in office to do the better for Chatham and Kent. Ald. Stephens is a worthy man, but is he live hustlest shough to secure for us our share of what is going?

SOME FORECASTS.

Three interesting forecasts of the result of the coming elections are published by the Ottawa Journal. Two of them are made by Liberals and one by a Conservative. For purposes of comparison the Journal, prints the present status of the House of Commons. It ranks all the "Independents' as Liberals-a ranking which is hardly fair, as at least one Independent, J. Ross Robertson, has shown himself more in sympathy with the Conservatives than with the Liberals. This is the Journal's classification:

	Libs.	Cons.
Ontario,	51	41
Quebec,	_53	12
Nova Scotia.	11	9.
New Brunswick,	4	10
P. E. Island	3	2
Manitoba,	$5_{,i}$. 2
Northwest,	2	- 2
British Columbia,	2	4
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The following forecast of the result of the voting on November 7: was made by a politician whom the Journal describes as "a keen Liberal, but cool and shrewd observer, a close friend of one of the cabinet minis-

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Ontario,	39	. 53
Quebec,	42	23
Nova Scotia,	14	6
New Brunswick,	10	4
P. E. Island,	3	2
Manitoba,	3	4
N. W. C.,	2	2
British Columbia,	2	4
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Liberal majority, A "well-posted western Liberal" es timated the net result to be a majority of nineteen for the Liberals.

The estimate made made by the Conservative politician is more favorable to the Conservative side. This politician is an ex-M. P., whose forecast was made in a private letter to an Ottawa friend. Here it is:

	Libs.	Cons
Ontario,	33	59
Quebec,	39	26
Nova Scotia,	15	7
New Brunswick,	8	6
P. E. Island.	9	3
Manitoba,	ī.	6
N. W. T	1	9
British Columbia,	2	4
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Conservative majority,

What the other provinces may do we cannot say, but The Planet has an idea that Ontario will give a much larger Conservative majority than any of the above estimates. The Opposition, in the present state of feeling, ought to capture not less than 23 seats in this province.

SUICIDE, IS IT JUSTIFIABLE?

All readers of newspapers will recollect that, before the Pekin legations had been relieved, it was stated that the ministers and their families were prepared to commit suicide rather than submit to outrage, torture and murder, The wife of Sir Claude Macdonald, the British representative, always carried, it is said, a phial of deadly poison to be used as a last resort, while the other representatives were said to have promised their wives that, when all hope had fled, they would shoot them and their children and then kill themselves.

Now, these reports may have been true or not; but the remarkable thing about the matter is that there were no protests against such intended ac-tion, there was no criticism of the position thus taken. It was accepted, even by the religious press as being perfectly natural and justifiable. In-deed, it was said in some quarters, that had the men of the legation

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lowed their wives and children to fal

Never Disappoint

into the hands of the Boxers when, by a pistol shot, they could have saved them from their fate, they would have been unworthy of the name of busband and father. This attitude of Christian Europe and America must strike every thinking man as very remarkable; an attitude which would not have been taken or countenanced under any circumstances 25 years ago. It would have been said then, without any doubt, that a man has no right to take his own life; nor has he the right to take the life of another, simply to save that other from pain and disgrace. What, then does this change of attitude mean Does it mean that suicide is justifiable? Rightly or wrongly, we believe that the world is going to answer this question in the affirmative; that is, that men are more and mmore believing that, under certain circumstances, they have the moral right to to take their own life, and with the onsent of another, the life of that other. No one who watches public opinion can doubt that this view is more and more being held. It is an ordinary thing now to hear men (and women, too) say that, rather than be burned to death under a railway wreck or be tortured by savages, or suffer ceaseless agony from an incurable disease, they would cut short their existence. Indeed, many travellers are known to carry pistols or poison for this very purpose. The question then is-and it is a question which goes to the foundation of all our responsibility-have we a moral right so to act? If we are absolutely cer-

SCROFULA

tain that death accompanied, it may

be, by indignity and agony, is but a

matter of a very short time, are we

doing right in anticipating its ap-

proach for ourselves and friends?

is "bad blood." A little break of the skin becomes a sore; you come to have a good many perhaps. There are other manifestations of scrofula. This is the plain one.

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The deceived farmers will soon have

Do you feel like voting for another five years of Tarte? That is what a vote for Ald. Stephens means.

Had Hon. Jim Sutherland's views concerning the undesirability of Catholics as Liberal candidates anything to do with the turning down of Wm. McGregor in North Essex 1

Sol White seems to have struck ar easy mark im Barrister R. F. Sutherland, in North Essex. He will poll the solid French vote. Sutherland is believed to have very little show.

The Grit Government has added over ten per cent to the price of manufactured tobacco, but not one cent of this goes to the farmer of Kent or Essex who grows the tobacco.

—London Free Press.

'Scuse us, but the increased cost of obacco is thirty per cent,, not ten.

President Edwin Bell, of the Liberal Association, has gone to West York to help Archie Campbell. Does Mr. Bell's absence at a critical moment indicate that he thinks it a waste of time remaining here to try and pu'l Mr. Stephens through, when he can do some good elsewhere

"The party spends its time congratulating itself upon the existence of things which it did not cause, and shirking responsibility for things which it has done." The above from a speech of W.J. Bryan fits the Laurierites so close that it might have been intended for them.

The Hon. Peter White issued an invitation to Mr. Thos. Mackie to hold joint meetings in North Renfrew under equal conditions, but the latter after consultation with his friends refused, saying, "I deem it inadvisable to hold joint public meetings." It will be observed that no objection is offered to the conditions under which it was proposed to hold the meetings, The "inadvisability" must be due to the fear that the Liberal party would be sure to get the worst of it.

Americans import our combing wool, and charge us 12 cents a pound duty. Hence our farmers only get 14 cents a pound for it. We import American clothing wool; and charge Americans no duty at all on it. This cheap wool our sheep raisers have to compete with, and the result is that they only get from 9 to 14 cemts for their product. It is the corn story duplicated: Duty on one side, none on the other, and of course we are

HE HASN'T JUMPED DOWN YET.

Toronto News. John Charlton is on the Conserva ive side of the fence, but he has no dropped to the ground yet.

AS BAD AS A MEXICAN CART-WHEEL.

London Free Press. On the basis of what it will buy taking the trada of the country generally, a dollar of 1896 looks to-day like sixty-six cents.

> USES A LONG POLE. Hamilton Spectator. Richard Cartwright does enjo

badgering his uncient enemy, Si Charles Tupper.-Toronto Star. Yes, and the farther he is away from the old man, the more he enjoys

AN AGRICULTURAL PROBLEM. St. Thomas Times.

that a Grit candidate ha spoken of cheese being made in a churn, and the minister of agriculture has spoken of peaches as having a stem which requires to be clipped, farmers are wondering if they are using cloves to producd | digested stuff in the stomach is turned

HOW TO PUNISH THEMA London Free Press.

Speaking of the action of the government in regard to the two-dollara-pound dog biscuits sent to the soldiers in South Africa, the Chatham Planet asks:- "Are they not morally guilty of manslaughter?" Maybe they are, but then, you see, you cannot send a government as such to the penitentiary. In a constitutionallygoverned country, the only way to punish a guilty government is to vote it out of office.

> DAVIS MARNING HIS PAY. Webster Lavis.

I will not follow Ma Hanna and his gang in stooping to lick the blood-bespattered best of the English bully, nor will I stand by an administration who e sympathies the world knows are not with the liberty-loving Boers, but are with the rot-ten English monarchy, whose ar-chives are filled with the faded banners of dead republics, and with the skulls and house of men, women and children who dared to fight and die for liberty and for their republics.

Most people dread far more the so-cial frown which follows the doing of something conventionally wrong than they do the qualms of conscience which follow the doing of something intrinsi-

STARTLED THE WATCHERS.

dark problems of life.

"I can almost fancy I hear him speak,"
whispered my companion, and at the
mere thought we became still more uneasy, as we sat quite still, our eyes fixed on the motionless, smiling face. Sudden-ly we felt weak and as though some thing oppressed us. I stammered, 'I don't know what is the matter, but I assure you I am sick.' Thereupon my companion suggested that we should go into panion suggested that we should go into the adjoining room and leave the door open, and I took his advice. Taking with us one of the candles, we sat down at the farther end of the other room in such a manner that we had a full view of

possessed us. It seemed as though we were wholly enthralled by the disembodied genius of the dead philosopher. All at once we heard a slight noise in the death chamber. We looked toward the body, and then quite distinctly both of us saw something white roll over the bed beat wildly. I spoke first.

'Did you see it? "'Yes, I saw it.'
"'Isn't he dead, then?"

" 'He must be.' "What are we to do?"

cheeks there were two great hollows. I stammered, 'He is not dead,' and I stood "Thereupon my companion took the other candle and stooped down, and in a moment or two he touched my arm, but did not utter a word. I looked where he pointed, and I saw on the ground be-side the sofa something white that

gleamed strangely on the dark carpet, and I saw at once what it was. It was Schopenhaur's false teeth, and they seemed to be in the act of biting. As the body had decayed the fastening that held the teeth in position had gradually become so loose that they dropped from the mouth and rolled from the bed on to the floor."

the horns to the tail, is turned into money. The blood is used in the refining of sugar, or is hardened and employed in the manufacture of doorknobs and han dles; the skin goes to the tanner; the horns and hoofs are turned into combs and buttons, the shinbones into backs of clothesbrushes. The bones of the fore feet are worth \$25 a ton, being made into collar buttons, umbrella handles and various novetties, after the marrow has been boiled out of them. The small bones are burned instead of coal. From each foot a considerable quantity of oil is extracted; the tail is made into soup. The hair goes to the mattress maker and upholsterer; the fat to oleo makers; the intestines are used as sausage wrappers or are sold to goldbeaters. Even the unto account, being made into paper. If anything is left over, it is turned into glue or is put on land as a fertilizer.

tors are happy. A certain actor was before the poor ebtors' court in New York and testified

that his only assets were his salary as member of the Blank company.

"But you must have something else,"
said the prosecuting counsel. "Tell the
court what else you have."

"That's all."

"What—no personal property?"
"Oh, yes, a gog—and a watch!"
"Now think hard. What else?" persisted the attorney, believing he was on the right track. "And a case of rheumatism," said the

There are some faults slight in the sight of love, some errors slight in the estimate of wisdom, but truth forgives so usult and endures no stain.

A Weird Incident That Occurred at the Bier of Schopenhauer.

A very curious story by Guy de Mau-passant has come to light in Paris. Acpassant has come to light in Paris. According to Maupassant's manuscript, the story was told to him by a German who, with a friend, spent the night in Schopenhauer's funeral chamber. The great German philosopher had died during the day, and his two admirers prepared to watch over his remains during the dark

watch over his remains during the dark hours.

Said the German: "Schopenhauer had just died, and we two had decided to stay in his room until morning. Two lights were burning on the table. At midnight our watch began, and after the two others who had remained with the body till that hour had gone away we took up our position at the foot of the bed. The face of the dead man was unchanged. It smiled. The wrinkle which we knew so well was firmly marked, and the countenance looked altogether so natural that it would not have surprised us if our dead friend had opened his eyes and laughed at us. Yet the memory of if our dead friend had opened his eyes and laughed at us. Yet the memory of his profound thoughts weighed upon up, and we felt ourselves surrounded by the atmosphere of his genius. The body of such a man may be stilled by death, but the man himself remains, and not without fear can one remain in his presence. We spoke about him softly; we recalled those wonderful maximus of his which wonderful maxims of his which hrew such a clear light on many of the

the bed and of the dead man.
"Still, however, a strange uneasiness sofa. At the sight we sprang to our feet, terrified beyond measure. Our hearts

"'We must see what it means,' was my companion's hesitating reply.

"I took our light, led the way into the death chamber and then cast a hasty look around. Nothing stirred, and I approached the bed. The next moment, however, a great terror seized me, for I saw that Schopenhauer was no longer smiling. His face, on the contrary, pre-sented a horrible appearance, for his lips were tightly pressed together, and in his staring at him as though bereft of my

No Waste In the Ox.

It is remarkable to what an extent the ox, when slaughtered, is utilized. Not so very long ago fully 40 per cent of the carcass was wasted. It may be said that today nothing is wasted; everything, from

His Assets.

The badgering lawyer sometimes succeeds only in affording the witness an opportunity to show off his own wit at the lawyer's expense. And then the specta-

An Earthquake Alarm. An Earthquake Alarm.

The Japanese are said to have discovered that a few seconds previous to an earthquake the magnet temporarily loses its power, and they have ingeniously constructed a light frame supporting a horse-shoe magnet, beneath which is a cup of bell metal. The armsture is attached to a weight, so that upon the magnet becoming paralyzed the weight drops and, striking the cup, gives the alarm. Every one in the house then seeks the open air for safety.

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