

The Days of Auld Lang Syne

Interesting Events of Ye Olden Times Gathered from The Planet's Issues of Half a Century Ago.

The Planet from May 31 to July 26, '54:

The lady of D. O. Brooke, on July 20, of a son.

The lady of Dr. A. R. Robertson, of a son, on May 24.

The wedding is announced of Wm. Robertson to Miss Ellen Reid.

On Friday, May 26, the people witnessed a partial eclipse of the sun.

Accidents were very frequent at this time on the Great Western R. R.

The contract for the new Grammar school was let to Geo. Young at \$1,475.

New potatoes, grown by L. Blackburn, were shown The Planet on June 23rd.

The death of Richard Parr, Provincial Surveyor and Civil Engineer, is recorded.

The butchers were ordered by the Council to remove slaughter houses from city limits.

On Thursday, May 25th, seven emigrants were killed on the Great Western Railway between London and Chatham.

An attempt was made to throw the train off the track on Tuesday, June 28. The culprit was arrested and sent down.

A public examination was held in the Central school on July 4th before the local superintendent, school trustees and parents.

"Tippling on Sundays" is the heading of an article calling down the hotels for violating the Sabbath and the laws of the land.

Thos. Worthington, Collector of Customs and Inspector of Ports, Upper Canada, makes a lengthy report of his inspection of the local port.

David Holmes, who was in the habit of walking in his sleep, walked out of the window of the National Hotel in this place and fell to his death.

The first telegram was sent over the wires between Chatham and Windsor on Thursday, May 25th, 1854. Wires also were being extended to London.

Several shots were fired in a brawl in front of the Farmers' Exchange on Monday, June 12. The participants were arrested and committed for trial.

The June 7 edition records the death of John G. Weir in his 42nd year. He was magistrate for some years, also reeve of Raleigh. A wife and three children were left to mourn his loss.

The schooner St. George, owned by John Waddell, is launched, being 132 long with a beam of 28 feet. She was built by Messrs. Jenkins, the local shipbuilders. Mr. Waddell gave a dance and champagne supper after a very successful launching.

William C. Worthington, a 24-year-old conductor on the Great Western Railway, was killed near Chatham on Wednesday, May 24. He was leaning off the platform when his head struck a post, causing instant death. Deceased was a son of the inspector of ports for Upper Canada, who was on the train at the time of his son's death.

If a stranger had visited our good town on Wednesday last, whatever faults and failings he might have discovered in its inhabitants, a want of demonstration of loyalty and attachment to their monarch certainly would not have been reckoned as forming part of their character. On no similar occasion has there been such a celebration in Chatham. Though removed 100 miles beyond the bounds of civilization, we proved we were capable of appreciating the many blessings we enjoy, under the benign sway of her whose many amiable qualities as a sovereign and a woman, have procured her the love and veneration of the millions whose high honor it is to live under that "flag which has braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze." A Detroit band besides a fife and drum band from Romney was present at the 24th of May celebration, and there was a general big time.

WITH A WILL

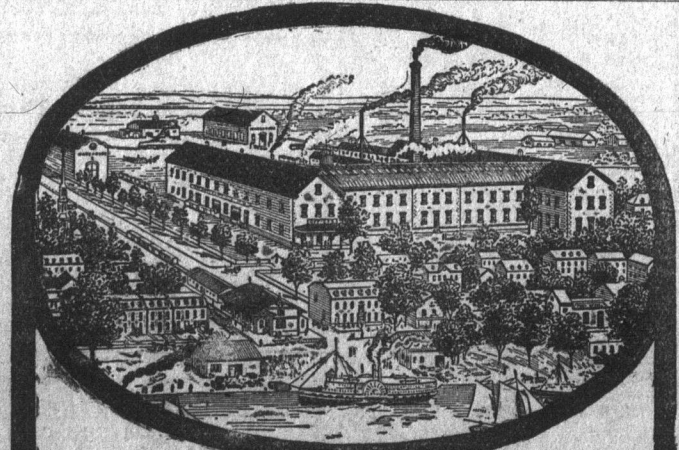
A few years ago Miss Rosa Weiss was poor, but also ambitious. Now she is an M. D. and has a lucrative practice. She asked her brother to send her to college. He told her that he could not afford to do that, but, giving her 5 cents, jestingly said to her, "Go on that." She saw wonderful possibilities in that nickel. With it she bought a yard of calico, from which she made a sunbonnet. Selling the sunbonnet for 25 cents, she bought material for bonnets and aprons. In this way several dollars were realized. Her brother, pleased with her thriftiness, gave her some land, which she planted to sweet potatoes, cultivating it with the assistance of a small boy. The products of the first year brought her \$40. Later she entered a state educational institution, where she remained until she graduated with honor. During the course she received some assistance from an aid society, all of which was repaid. Miss Weiss entered a medical college at Baltimore, Md., where she paid her tuition by nursing, and was graduated from there with honor. She is now a practicing physician in Meridian, Miss., near her former home, and her income is a good one.—Success.

The minister believes it is fees-able to marry for money.

TABLE SERVICE

It is no longer fashionable to loan your table with knives and forks. Even at the most formal dinners the silver for the first courses only appears on the table when the guests are seated. During the first courses the silver fork, the soup spoon, the silver knife and fork for the fish and the steel knife and silver fork for the meat alone appear, and if one of these courses is omitted the silver that belongs to it is, of course, omitted also. The knife and fork for the game, the fork for the salad and the fork and spoon for the dessert are passed when the courses are served. There is a growing laxity in table manners. Even the best bred people think nothing of leaning one elbow on the table when speaking and of being quite bendable and easy in manner. It is within the memory of most people when we were taught to sit at the table as straight as ramrods and were fined for leaning an elbow on the cloth. What does it mean? Nothing more than that it is only another step toward breaking down stiffness and formality. While it may not be elegant, yet it gives an easy attitude, and what is more beautiful than an easy manner?

It is one thing to survey yourself with pride, and quite another to explore your heart with humility.



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CULINARY CONCEITS

Try dipping sliced onions in milk before frying.

Raisins should not be washed for use in cake or puddings. Rub them clean between dry cloths.

When making cakes, try greasing the tins with olive oil instead of with butter. You will find that the cakes turn out better.

To improve sweetbreads and give a fine flavor soak them in a mild lemon juice water one hour; then boil in beef stock twenty minutes.

A smooth, thick chocolate icing is one of the best to put upon a fruit cake. Curiously enough, the various flavors combine deliciously.

If when cooking you find you have put too much salt into any dish, stir in a little brown sugar. Don't add too much or you will spoil it this way.

Lard or dripping can be used for frying instead of butter in almost all cases if the lard is allowed to become very hot before using; otherwise it will surely taste in the articles fried in it.

Baked beet root is considered very delicious by many persons. It should be washed, then baked from two and a half to three hours, according to size. Remove the skin when hot; then cut into slices.

Evil communications and telephones corrupt good manners.

HOME DOCTOR

A dampened bag of salt relieves a bruise.

The unsweetened juice of half a lemon in a glass of hot water taken before breakfast for a week is an excellent tonic.

A vegetarian diet is advised for pimples, but three meals a day are not sufficient, as vegetables are more readily digested than meat.

The bites and stings of insects may be at once relieved and inflammation prevented if the parts are touched with strong liquid ammonia.

Full, deep breathing of pure air is one of the best possible cures for bilious attacks, indigestion, chronic dyspepsia and, in fact, almost any weakness of the bodily system.

For neuralgia cut a thick slice of bread, soak one side for a minute in boiling water, rapidly sprinkle cayenne pepper over the hot side and apply to the face. It will not blister as mustard does.

A gargle of salt water as hot as can be used is one of the best, as it is one of the simplest, home remedies for sore throat. That persisted in, with a cathartic medicine to clear the system, will cure almost any sore throat that is not diphtheritic.

Obedience won is far better and easier than obedience compelled.



Don't be surprised if you see black iron frame as well as woolen grenadines on the most stylish women. Silk lined, these are the coolest and most comfortable, as well as novel and durable gowns. Delicate fabrics are scarcely durable or economical in these days of high priced trimming and expensive making, so womankind is searching out all the satisfactory things that the world has ever made that she may reliably have a dress that is worth while spending money on. Nothing better than grenadine for that purpose. The gown is a Conhaim model.

JAPANESE GARDEN

The classical garden, like a sonnet, is governed by special laws of harmony and rhythm. It must have its five hills, its ten trees and its fourteen stones. You can get along without the hills, and you can get along without the trees, but you cannot get along without stones. Indeed the perfect type of the flat garden is nothing but an archipelago of rocks in a sea of white pebbles. The stones must be the foundation; the rest are mere accessories. Speaking stones are what is wanted—stones that suggest moods and passions for the Japanese recognize that there are sermons in stones. Each stone has its name and relative place in the composition. There is the guardian stone in the center and opposite it the belief stone. Across the cascade is the moonshade stone and so on.

The hills unmask each other by rule. The principal hill has its two foothills, its spur hills, its distant peak, seen through a valley, and the low hill that must stand on the opposite side of the lake.

As there are a principal stone and a principal hill, so must there be a "principal tree," the shoji boku, around which the Tree of Perfection, the Tree of Evil, the Tree of the Setting Sun, the Tree of Science and the Tree of Solitude bow their lesser heads.

These are the essentials. Now, add one pond, one island, two stone lanterns, three bridges and mix thoroughly, garnish with lotus and serve with goldfish and mandarin duck. There is a recipe for a Japanese garden.—William Verbeck in Country Life.

Don't sit up late at night.

SMALL LIBRARY

I think that a limit of three books will usually allow a very fair representation of a novelist. For instance, Thackeray is very fairly represented by "Vanity Fair," "Henry Esmond" and "Pendennis" and Dickens by "Pickwick," "David Copperfield" and "Martin Chuzzlewit." Walter Scott would not suffer by one choosing "Ivanhoe," "The Bride of Lammermoor" and "The Heart of Midlothian." "Tom Jones" would suffice for Fielding and "Pride and Prejudice" for Jane Austen, "The Mill on the Floss" for George Eliot and "The Ordeal of Richard Feverel" for George Meredith. Taking only the great outstanding figures, Tolstol need only be present with "Anna Karenina" and "War and Peace" and Emile Zola with, say, "Drain" and "The Dream." "The Three Musketeers" and "The Count of Monte Christo" would suffice for Alexandre Dumas and "Les Misérables" and "Notre Dame de Paris" for Victor Hugo. It is harder to say of the vast mountain range of Balzac on what particular peaks our choice should fall, but probably here again the most popular books will prove the most typical—"Le Pere Goriot," "Eugenie Grandet" and "The Ass's Skin."

I am not, it must be understood, making a list of books "without which," as the booksellers say, "no gentleman's library is complete." I am only taking a few standard authors for the purpose of illustrating a principle of selection which must perforce operate in a small library. If our library does not or cannot contain the best books, it must certainly contain some of them, and, however idiosyncratic of its owner, it must bear the stamp of a general distinction.—Richard Le Gallienne in Success.

How to Get Them Going

Local Philosopher Who Recommends a Dope Cure For Several Maple City Ailments.

It is said that dope is used on race horses. Drugs are injected into the animals just before the race to liven them up. This is an awful practice as against race horses, but the Useful Man might get the receipt and use it with some success in this city. In fact there are a thousand uses for such a dope.

It could be injected into the River Thames to insure a swift current.

It could be administered in small doses to a slow creditor.

It could be sprinkled around St. Thomas.

It could be injected into the 25th Regiment Band, of St. Thomas.

The Macaulay Club won't be happy till they get it.

All political candidates cry for it, but the police don't need it in the matter of sidewalk cyclists.

The girl whose particular "steady" is a long time popping the question would be sure to buy a dose for him.

It might be injected into the Maple City Cricket Club when they go to Detroit.

A little might be sprinkled on the citizens who are promoting a list of July celebration.

It might be injected into Billy Bounce when next he makes a long march with the 24th Kent Regiment.

A little might be sprinkled over the Raleigh oil field.

It might be useful when a lively horse is hired.

A large quantity might be injected into that W. E. Hamilton monument project.

It could be injected into that steam roller.

A small quantity might be used to good purpose on Cuba Darr when he is working.

The Snail-in-Distress could stand about a ton.

Adjutant Coltart's new canoe could stand a little when it is passing along shady places with a fair cargo aboard.

Ald. Mounteer's good-road scheme perhaps wouldn't respond to an injection of the dope. It is feared that the scheme is dead.

People slow at getting up in the morning might utilize a little.

That Bungalow project would perhaps respond to this dope.

It would be a shame to deny it to the electric railroad scheme.

There is a fortune in it for the man who will undertake to supply the Banner with it.

The School Board might make good use of a little of it were it administered to them with a view to making the Board get a move on in the matter of removing the nauseous out-houses from the Central School playgrounds.

The Royal Commission, Toronto, might make up time if they had a little.

A good deal could be used in the Ottawa Government to make them get a move on in connection with the army promised to Chatham.

The Governor-General's party evidently had a whole lot of this speed dope when they visited Chatham.

DESPONDENCY TO JOY

Story of Hene Trudel who had Dyspepsia till he used Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

No better idea can be given of the depression and despondency produced by Dyspepsia than the story of Hene Trudel, of Three Rivers, Quebec. Mr. Trudel is a student, and like so many of his class he fell a victim of Dyspepsia. In telling his story he says, "Sometimes I had slight attacks of this malady, but for some weeks it made alarming progress to that point that I was discouraged, weak and almost in despair. I resolved to give up my studies."

But at this point Mr. Trudel started to use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, and listen to the cheerful sequel to his story:

"I began to use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets in the first days of January, 1903, and for a month and a half I regularly took one after each meal, sometimes two. After that I felt so much better I only took one after supper."

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If men were as anxious to do right as they are to get their rights the world would be righted.

AS A SPENDTHRIFT

How did Pitt spend his income and get into debt? During the greater part of his life, after he had come to man's estate, he was in office, and his income was about £10,000 per annum. He did not entertain, he did not gamble, he neither hunted nor shot, and yet at the end of seventeen years of this income of £10,000 per annum he was hopelessly in debt. That he was careless is very possible. Still, considering that his income was equal to £20,000 per annum now, how in the name of wonder did he spend it?

This is all the more mysterious, as he appears never to have paid his tradesmen. I have often seen it stated that England ought to be proud of one of her greatest statesmen having died poor. Neither Pitt nor England had reason to be proud of a statesman, enjoying an ample official income, dying heavily in debt and making the payment of his tradesmen's bills dependent on parliament voting a sum to meet the liability.—London Truth.

Don't form prejudices.

PAID A DEBT

No one knew better the power possessed by a really polished compliment than Sheridan, and on innumerable occasions during that rather stormy theatrical management of his he did he extricate himself from a difficulty by means of one. A good instance is the following: An English nobleman who, after the manner of other of his peers, had married a beautiful actress once applied with much dignity in the greenroom to Mr. Sheridan for the arrears of her salary and vowed that he would not stir till they were paid. "My dear lord," said the impecunious manager, "this is too bad. You have taken from us the brightest jewel in the world, and you now quarrel with us for the little dust she has left behind her." The nobleman immediately burst out laughing, and over a bottle of wine the debt was canceled.—London Standard.

The trouble with a clubman is that he expects to find home comforts in his club and club comforts in his home.



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