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Thinks He Will Become a Grit and "Get in" With the Powers that Be—Has a Rather Poor Opinion of Gamey-Was up Against the Game.

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Grit these days.'

Joe gave vent to this heterodox entterance in The Planet sanctum the other day, as he smoked one of the sporting editor's imported Spanish gold-tipped cigarettes and perused the colored supplement of a Yankee Sunday journal

"Didn't know politics were one of your specialties, Joe," quoth the somewhat startled listener.

"No more they was," the shiner replied, "but lately I'se been interested in hearin' a lot er guys talk foolishmess 'bout this Gamey business. Now I'se been lookin' inter ther matter fer meself and I'se totalled up er New conclusions which is fyled away fer future reference, as the lawyers

"Say, I guess youse nas been eround er bit. Ever see those fellers what Follers up the circuses and big shows? Youse know what guys I mean, the sharpers what works the shell game and de loaded dice. And youse watch the suckers er comin', all spruced up with er heavenly smile er confidence -all of 'em goin' ter skin der sharp guys at their own game. Its funny ter watch ther difference in 'em afore and after takin'.

"One time I sees er bright young Weller come erlong with er look er joy and keenness. He looked er bit spruce and up-ter-date and he were er bit smooth himself. I says ter myself, 'That guy's on. He don't buck up 'gainst no man's own game or de loaded dice.' And I was surprised when I seed he'd bit. 'Bout half an hour after I sees that feller lookin'

"Any guy's a duffer what ain't a as though he's just come through ther threshin' machine. Say, every time they talks erbout Gamey I thinks er that guy.

"Gamey musta kinder thought he ould play that there Ross-Sullivan and Stratton combernation at their and Stratton combernation at their own game—and that's where he fooled hisself. It's no good me tryin' ter skin Bill Boyd outer his pile on a card shuffle. Other fellers er tried that and been sorry fer it. And that's where Gamey missed his grip. He thought he'd turn a trick on that gang er guys what is past masters at ther skin game. They stacked the cards and give Gamey the Boyd shuffle and he were all in 'parently. That Sullivan, Ross and Stratton gang are cards and give Gamey the Boyd shuffle and he were all in 'parently. That Sullivan, Ross and Stratton gang are the goods on a crooked deal. They's been at it too long fer a greenhorn like Gamey. They's been at the business fer a long time and any gang what can put it all over the people and get away with it like 'em ain't no meat fer greenhorns at the game. That's why I tells youse that any guy's a duffer what ain't a Grit these days.

"Then a feller gets in on ther graft, does er little fergettin' once in er while or swearin' er few things he ain't quire sure of—and the old guys what 'calls 'emselves judges and is tipped off with er few thousand dollar erpointments fer their kids what would otherwise be shinin' shoes at 10 cents per, rolls ther eyes to the heavens and says as solemn and beautiful as yer please, "I can find no fault in him."

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"Now I calls that er genuine graft —and I wants ter ring in."
"Then you are going to become a Grit, Joe?" the shiner was asked.
"Why shouldn't I? I'se got ther qualifications—a keen forgettery and a keen appertite fer fat soft snaps. I thinks I'll give 'em ther password and get in on ther grafts wid the judges and the rest er the gang. It's er better spec. selling timber limits than shinin' shoes."

# "Getting Together"

Heart to Heart Talks with Chathamites—Some Plain Talk About Choir Glggling—Some of the Shams One Runs Up Against.

CHOIR GIGGLING.

This city is very highly favored along musical lines. Perhaps there is mo other city in Ontario where there are so many finished musicians, or where the church-goers pay as much in dollars and cents, for their music, in the Maple City. Many of the musicians and singers engaged are not by any means amateurs, but propulation. So it is no wonder that the music furnished by our choirs is very much above the average; and yet, competent as the choir leaders and organists are, and talented as many of This city is very highly favored es in the Maple City. Many of the carusicians and singers engaged are not by any means amateurs, but pro- ressionals with more than a local reputation. So it is no wonder that the music furnished by our choirs is very much above the average; and yet, competent as the choir leaders and organists are, and talented as many of the vocalists are, the service of song in the churches is often marred by those in the seats and thoughtless members of the choirs through conspicuous giggling and throug noembers of the choirs through con-spicuous giggling and talking. This is not probably confined to any one schoir, but is to a certain extent true The choir giggler is, as a rule, of all. The choir giggier is, as a tute, musually found among the class who seek to attract attention through loud-talking and the wearing of chasp jewalery and tawdry finery. Less of this schould be found, especially in our church choirs.

SHAMS.

According to Webster, there are many other kinds of shams besides pil-

many other kinds of shams besides pillow shams. In one of his definitions
he says that a sham is 'an imposture,
or something that deceives or pretends
to be what it really is not."
As an example of a sham we might
cite the case of the "professor," who
wisits our city periodically to read
heads, cure corns, treat scalps, cure all
manner of diseases by orayer and the
laying on of hands, selling cheap jewelry, etc. These men are always selfetyped professors.

While thoughtful people give them a wide berth, it is marvellous how

Cure Boils, Eczema, etc.

permanently by purifying the blood and removing the

cause effectually with veaver's Syrup



many supporters they have among people who are supposed to have ord-inary common sense, who will part with their good money for whatever the so-called professor may say he has

for sale. An example of this was given some

his customers sadder but much wiser.

But shams are not always confined to strangers. Every town and city has its list. There are shams among the medical practitioners, who prefend to greater skill than their fellows, and who possess many of the essentials of quacks; whose cures are always heralded by their admiring friendsnature, of course, does nothing in the restoration to health, and the physician does it all. The quiet, the thoughtful, the professional man is left in his office to read his books and furnish his mind while the braggart, the quack, the sham, is sought by the gullible public, who are willing to pour their hard-earned money into the hands of a man who gives nothing in return, furnishing many illustrations of the truth spoken by P. T. Barnum when he said, 'The people like to be humbugged.' humbugged."

1 1 8 8 8 1 1 98 (4) Then there is the religious sham—to ge to church, to pray long and loud, to be able to argue learnedly on the different creeds and dogmas of the various churches, to be ready at all times to admonish a brother, to find fault with all other professing Christians. This is the standard of excellence usually attained to by the religious sham. To be kindly disposed, to be easy to get along with, to be charitably inclined, to be generous to a fault—this is not part of the life of a religious sham. To put their money in a bank and have the preacher live on a starvation salary, to carp and criticize at the good clothes worn by the minister or his wife—these are the excuses generally given by the pious sham for not contributing largely to the running expenses of the church. Evidently, to the mind of the religious sham, "the wine and the milk and the gospel grace," are without money and without price, and he also expects that the vessels in which these are carried should be furnished for nothing.

Away with such frauds. According to the real teaching of the church, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father, is this: to visit the fatherless and the widow in their afflictions and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

Measured by this standard, what perfect shams some outwardly religions. Then there is the religious sham-

Measured by this standard, what perfect shams some outwardly relig-ious people seem to be.

Thos. Martin, of the firm of Thos. Martin & Son, remarked this morning as follows :-

GRAVEL ON STREETS

"A great mistake is being made in the way the gravel is being put on the streets. A little gravel here and a little gravel there will do no good. One street should be selected and, as far as it can be done, this street should be covered with gravel. If only one block can be done a year, let that block be done. Look at Colborne St. where the Lake Erie put that gravel. It is one of the best streets in the city.

"There is another defect in the judgment of the Board of Works. They are putting the gravel on Emma St. instead of putting it on one of the leading streets, where traffic is heavier and the traffic from the country would be benefitted." One street should be selected and, as

#### INTERESTED

"I saw in last Saturday's Planet, ren Lambert to a Planet reporter the other day, "an account of the great fire of '54. I remember the fire quite distinctly. It was a terrific one. Fires were quite frequent in those days. \*

"That fire was bad for me," con tinued the genial "pop" man, "as I had engaged, the night of the fire (which occurred at twelve o'clock) to

(which occurred at twelve o'clock) to go to work next morning at the "Advertiser" printing office, but never got the job, as the place was burned down that night. "Thos. Ireland, who ran it, never started the paper again, but Mr. Vosburg continued it under the name of the Advertiser. Mr. Ireland went to Wallaceburg."

# .. SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE...

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I guess June is trying to play a hospital whose tongue has been curreeze out.

I think the ham in that Sandwich

I have decided not to go to another circus till next Thursday.

One would expect hotel keepers to be sort of booz(e)m friends. Blame is something that nobody is

willing to take for nothing. The Sandwich was too much for the

As usual, safe breakers and burglars visited Hamilton with the circus.

In connection with the circus, you generally find the best things all in the ring.

It couldn't possibly have been the same judges who kalsomined the Grit sign just a year ago.

I don't know anything about bitulithic pavement, but it can't be any worse that cobble stone.

Between Anarchists and revolution-ists, I don't think that this King job s conducive to longevity.

They have a more effective way of getting rid of bad rulers in Servia than they have in Ontario. The lazy man got the bounce

his employer remarked that the laborer was worthy of his fire. Judging by some city lots, the own

ers are raising burdocks for Mayor's flower garden prize. While you are away seeing the circus parade, you may have a little worse than cobble stone

That William street pavement should not be rushed. The shock might be too much for the residents.

When Sheridan wrote the "School premonition as to what Ross in power would be.

I don't blame people with such names as Karageorgevitch, Ghenshics, Ljubowmir, Kalvics, etc., for starting a revolution.

The circus is coming and I would like to warn my enemies that there is no use going up against a stacked deck. You can't beat the fakers at their own game.

There is a man in a Baltimore

That is, the despatch says it's a man—but I have my own opinion

Wanted, good reliable agents to sell stock in the new gigantic Kalso-mine factory, located at Toronto, un-bounded success is assured as its backed by the Ross-Sullivan combina-

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I noticed a young lady get splashed with mud on the streets the other day and, as her gown was a new spring affair, I rushed up, whipped out my handkerchief and asked if T might assist her. I guess she was thinking about Ringling Brothers, be-cause all she said was "Yes Sir-cus." I was shocked.

Boston, June 9.—William H. Jefferson, a fine looking young man, who said he was a travelling salesman for a New York house, has just been sentenced to 10 days at Deer Island for, drunkenness on buttermilk. When arrested he was in a dazed condition, owing to the large quantity of milk he had drunk. He said that his habit had been fastened on him through being a victim of the "water cure" in the Philipines. Some of his comrades in the army had suboure" in the Philippines. Some of his comrades in the army had sub-jected him to it in a spirit of devittry and his drinking capacity had be-come so enlarged he could consume an astonishing quantity and at the same time a burning thirst grew on him which nothing but milk would satisfy. He will not touch liquor.

The temperance people will now have to put buttermilk on their prohibition list. I always had an idea that buttermilk was a strong drink especially when it is a week or more old in the hot summer time.

HINTS TO BACHELORS.

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If you want to get up early, keep a baby in the house. If you want to be kept busy, keep a baby in the house. If you are troubled with sleeplessness, don't blame the baby. He can't help waking up in the middle of the night. If you are aroused at an early hour, don't blame the baby. You may have toothache some night yourself. Cut out about half your usual jaunts; baby can't go. General perturbation throughout the household, baby's got a cold. Hold the baby and try to look pleasant. Its mother expects it of you and baby don't mind.

## OPEN SEGRETS

The truth lies round about us, all Too closely to be sought, open to our vision that 'Tis hidden to our thought.

We know not what the glories Of the grass, the flower, may be; We needs must struggle for the sight Of what we always see.

Waiting for storms and whirlwinds, And to have a sign appear, We deem not God is speaking in

The still, small voice we hear. In reasoning proud, blind leaders of The blind, through life we go, And do not know the things we see

Nor see the things we know. Single and indivisible,

We pass from change to change, Familiar with the strangest things, And with familiar, strange.

We make the light through which we

The light, and make the dark; To hear the lark sing, we must be At heaven's gate with the lark. 1 -Alice Carey.

Feet Swollen, Could Not Walk. "I have had Rheumatism; for two years, principally in the legs, and the disease was aggravated by my work, which necessitated standing up all day. which necessitated standing up all day. About six weeks ago I was particularly badly affected; my legs and feet were swollen up so that I could hardly put my shoes on. I secured a vial of Munyon's Rheumatism Cure, and it was wonderful the relief I obtained. The swelling is all gone, and I have not suffered a bit since. I am cured."—J. B. Robinson, 55 Clarence street, Ottawa.

Your druggist will recommend Munyon's Rheumatism Cure; ask him about it. Only 350 a vial.

Think of all the ills from which you are exempt; and it will aid you to bear patiently those which you may now suffer.

## CHATEAU EN ESPANGE

I build my castles in the air, Why build upon a dreary ground With sharp destruction everywhere, And evil mists to cloud around?

I build it in a heavenly blue, A bird-filled, rosy atmosphere, where all day long, where all night through

My dreams, tangible, appear. With twisted turrets to the clouds, With azure bastions cloud impearl-

Fair mantled in aerial shrouds,
It dominates a dreary world.

And pain and grief are far away,
And words unkind and cruel calls;
From day to night, from night to day, No care can climb my castle walls And when, serene, I enter here,

You know, I never lonely move, I build my castle for you, dear, I share my house with you, my love!

My choice in these gray days, how I hold a dream of love—and you, a Look, Sweetheart, when those tower

Our fluttering pennants cleave the -Marie Van Vorst.

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# The Days of Auld Lang Syne

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

From The Planet fyles of 50 years go, from Aug. 29th to Oct. 11th, 1854.

K. Urquhart advertises a grocery

On Tuesday the 29, John McKeough was married to Miss Jane Dolsen. There seems to have been pleaty of breweries in Chatham at this time.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Dolsen to Frederick Serens, is record-

The marriage, also, of Henry Richards to Miss Mary Angeline Sherwood is recorded also as taking place on

The death is recorded of Mrs. Van Allen, aged 86 years and 11 months. She was the relict of the late Captain

The Kent Agricultural Society gave Wm. Cosgrave a complimentary din-ner for his faithful service of sixteen years as treasurer of the association.

James Lambert, formerly of the firm of Smith & Lambert, of this town, was united in marriage to Miss Rhoda Jane Wright, on Oct. 4th. On Oct. 11, at 7.30 a. m., Rufus Stephenson, foreman of The Western Planet, was married to Miss Georgiana, eldest daughter of Thos. Andrew of this town. Rev. Mr. McColl \_per-

formed the ceremony. Peninsular Fair was held Septem remnsular Fair was held September 13, in 1854. The prize list is published in The Planet the following. Wednesday. Abbott Wilcox, who is to-day on the McGregor farm, up the creek, took first prize for the best pair of ducks.

pair of ducks. At a meeting of several of the in-fluential inhabitants of this town,

held at the Royal Exchange on the evening of Friday last it was unani-mously resolved to present the Fire Brigade with a purse for their fine work at the fire.

The bridge burned in the serious fire mentioned in last week's edition, was built in 1850. At that time the town had a population of 1,500; it now has a population of over 3,500. We would advocate not only the renewal of this bridge, but also the huilding of another at the foot of Wilbuilding of another at the foot of Wil-liam St. A floating bridge was erect-ed immediately so that traffic would not be stopped.

#### FIRE AGAIN.

About 11 o'clock Saturday night, Oct. 7, the alarm of fire was given, and on approaching the spot we observed the grist mill in North Chatham, owned by Mr. Patterson and rented by Messrs. Biles and Tinney, enveloped in one sheet of flames. The fire companies were promptly on the ground, but their exertions could not ground, but their exertions could not are the building. We believe the ground, but their exertions could not save the building. We believe the premises were not insured. The amount of loss must therefore be considerable. From the mill the flames rapidly spread to Mr. Slagg's brewrapidly spread to Mr. Slagg's brew-ery adjoining. They first caught in a wooden building in the rear, occupied as a granary, and in which, we understand, there was a large quantity of grain at the time. This house, with all its contents, was soon a mass of burning with From thence, the with all its contents, was soon a mass of burning ruins. From thence the fire spread to the large brick building in front, but owing to the prompt ac-tion of the fire company it was soon staid, without much injury being done

to this building.

On Monday night the cry of fire again rang in our ears, when we discovered it to proceed from a building near Mr. Walton's brewery. The engine was soon manned and the flames were extinguished before any material damage was sustained. to this building.

# \* Maple City Garden Competition

Citizens will Compete for Mayor McKeough's Boulevard Prizes-The Three Garden and

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McKeough competition for the best kept lawns in the city, and as a result Chatham has to-day some of the neatest and best appearing lawns

to be found in any city. This interest is being felt quite generally, by rich and poor alike, and Messrs. Thomas, Harris and Ross, the judges of the competition, will be very busy men when the time comes for them to act. It is understood that the entries will be very numerous and it will no doubt be a very difficult matter to decide upon the winners. Some of the lawns are a credit to the owners. In many cases flower beds have been put in since he competition first came

will take everything into consideration, the surroundings and the opportunities, etc., of the competitors, and the prizes will, as close as possible, be awarded to those who have worked the most earnestly and faithfully for them.

Mr. Thomas, who is the senior

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Judge, Feports that as yet no entries have been made, but he expects to have plenty of them when the time comes to award the prizes, which will probably not be until September.

Mayor McKeough deserves great credit for starting this creditable coherence and he is succeeding towards. scheme, and he is succeeding towards the end he had in view-pretty, well-kept lawns for the Maple City.

## WEED 'EM OUT

It is disgraceful to the city to have so many weeds growing up on the streets," said a ratepayer this morning. "These weeds should cortainly be cut, and that immediately. It would be a good plan to have the city cut the weeds and charge the expense to the ratepayers who have the work done. In that way all of the weeds and the content of the state of the st the effect is quite marked beautiful in the city would be cut and the In selecting the winners the judges streets would present a uniform apmearance.

There is also a very bad plank sidewalk on McKeough avenue that ought to be repaired. The attention of the Board of Works should be call-ed to this."

Do not fret or worry.



# Range

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