

# The Daily Planet

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## THE OLD MARKET BUILDING.

A matter of more than passing interest, which is agitating the minds of many ratepayers to-day, is, what is to be done with the old market building; and, in view of the inextinguishable condition at the rear part of this structure, the question is being asked if the Property Committee intend spending the balance of the money in their hands in the same unsatisfactory manner as the former Council made use of the greater portion of the funds that were voted by the people for a market place which would have met all the requirements and have given us a building that would have been an ornament to our city.

Many of our best citizens, who have sat at the Council Board, and the Board of Trade, hold to the idea that the King street property should be sold and that no part of the market should be so near our main thoroughfare; others want an arcade erected, and still others hold to the view that, having an offer to lease the old building for a term of years, we should get an annual revenue for the city and keep the land in the hands of the corporation to be used for municipal purposes, until the unexpended monies could be supplemented for the erection of a handsome building for our city offices, which some day will become necessary if the city continues to grow.

The Planet is not prepared here to advise as to which of these first two courses is the better one for the city, but it is opposed to the leasing of the old building, as is strongly favored by some members of the present Council, to a financial institution desirous of locating in Chatham, as it would be manifestly unfair to the five existing banks already doing business in the city, who are heavy taxpayers. The location of a bank in this building would give the institution exceptionally advantageous quarters for transacting business, and, under a long lease, the property would be tied up for some years, as extensive alterations would have to be made before it could be occupied.

We hope the present Council will at once abandon any idea it may have of even considering the proposal. If other banking institutions want to locate in the city they will be welcomed, but they must know that this can only be done in the same way as the banks have already done, by being willing to take their chances to make their agencies pay without getting any special privileges from the municipality, as would be done if the offers now before the Council were entertained.

## PROFITS OF TREE CULTURE.

Commenting on an item taken from The Planet to the effect that Neil Watson had sold five acres of elm timber on his farm near Melf for \$1,500, the Galt Reporter makes the following sensible recommendations:

"The Reporter believes in the establishment of municipal, as well as Provincial and Federal forests. In the production of trees the municipality would be taking the future into account, as they do in Germany, where forestry is the pride of the people and the source of immense revenues for public bodies. A town like Galt could, with two hundred acres devoted to the growth of elm, maple, walnut, hickory and oak, see wealth piling up for it in the passing of the years."

"When our farmers take the future into consideration and realize what a good wood lot means they will not be so anxious to denude their lands—and they will pay more attention to the advice proffered them by the Forestry Departments at Toronto and Ottawa."

## NEWSPAPER AS A DIRECTORY.

Many a man who thinks advertising would be of little value to his business would work himself up to a high pitch of indignation if his name were left out of the city directory or the telephone book or erased from the sign in front of his store. To be in the swim the merchant must be found where the public looks for him—and it looks first of all in the newspapers. The business man whose name and address cannot be found in the newspapers is not likely to be eagerly hunted up elsewhere by purchasers.

## NOT A SNOB.

That fellow is always running after the rich.  
One of those snobbish chaps, I suppose.  
Oh, no, he's a process server, and also gets mileage.

# AULD LANG SYNE

FROM PLANET FILES OF HALF A CENTURY AGO

From Planet files, July 6th, 1864, to August 2nd, 1864.

A movement is set on foot to establish a new regiment in Hamilton.

The rate of taxation for the town of St. Catharines for 1864 is returned as being 19 cents on the dollar.

The return cricket match between the Beaver and Maple Leaf Clubs results in an easy victory for the former by 37 runs.

The South Ontario election results in the election of Mr. Mowat, Postmaster of Whitby, to represent that riding in the House.

Wm. Barto, while attempting to swim his horse across the Sydenham at Dresden, slipped from his seat and was drowned.

Another great fire occurs in Dundas St., London, Ont., resulting in the total destruction of seven large stores, the loss being estimated at \$100,000.

The marriage is announced at Chatham of J. A. Johnston to Rebecca Rachel, eldest daughter of W. A. Crow, all of Chatham township.

On Sunday, the 20th June, the dwelling house of William Loveless, Gosfield, was burned down, and only a part of the furniture was saved.

John Owen, of Dover, who met with an accident at Saginaw, Mich., died at his home, after an operation had been performed on him by a Chatham doctor.

William Green, of King St., Chatham, advertises that in his ice-cream parlors he will in future supply summer drinks, such as soda water, lemonade and ginger beer.

The papers report the sinking of the famous Liverpool privateer, the Alabama, after an engagement with the Federal war vessel, Kearsarge, off the French coast near Cherbourg.

A great cricket match is played at Chatham, between the home team and Windsor. Chatham won in one innings by a score of 206 runs for ten wickets against Windsor's total of 76 for two innings.

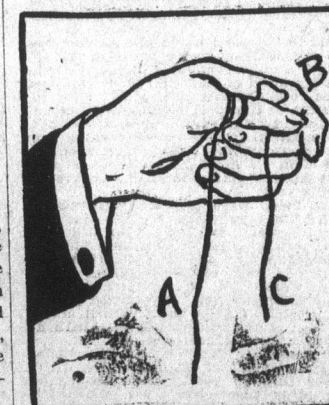


## THE THUMB STRING.

A Simple Little Trick Which May Be Made Very Puzzling.

This is a very simple trick, but by performing it swiftly you may surprise and puzzle a spectator very much. Wind a piece of string about your thumb, thus: Let one end of it (A) drop between the thumb and forefinger of your left hand; then wind the other part, which you retain in your right hand, two or three times round your thumb, next make a little loop (B) with the same end, which hold between your finger and thumb.

Now let go the end (C) and take hold of the end (A), which you must have left, about six or eight inches long,



## ARRANGEMENT OF THE STRING.

and you may make a spectator fancy you pass it through the loop, and take hold of it again when so passed through in the twinkling of an eye.

To increase the surprise you may make the loop as small as possible. This apparent piece of manual dexterity is performed by passing that end of the string marked A as quickly as possible around the top of the thumb, so as to come between the forefinger and thumb. It will thus get into the loop, and you will seem to have passed the end through it, much to the wonderment of the audience at the seeming impossibility of such a thing.

## Vanilla.

It is curious to read that vanilla was employed by the Aztecs of Mexico as an ingredient in the manufacture of chocolate prior to the discovery of America by the Spaniards and that it was brought to Europe as a perfume with indigo, cochineal and cacao ten years before the arrival of tobacco on our shores. The name vanilla is derived from the Spanish vaina, a pod or capsule. Dampier described it as a little pod full of small black seeds and like the stem of a tobacco leaf, so much so that his men when they found the dried pods at first threw them away, "wondering why the Spaniards should lay on tobacco stems."—Chambers' Journal.

A very sad case of family bereavement occurred in Chatham, Mr. Edward Hall losing his two sons and his daughter, through diphtheria. The three children died within a week of each other.

On Friday last Mr. Edwin Kerby struck a good oil well at Enneskillen, a short distance from the bridge crossing the creek in that village. The depth at which oil was struck was forty feet. The well will likely prove a paying one.

We observe that Mr. Caleb Wheeler, of this town, was one of the contestants in the great foot race which came off at Detroit on July 4th, and that he easily outstripped all his opponents, seven in number, in all heats, thereby winning the purse of \$17.50, made up for the fleetest runner.

The Orange lodges of Chatham, Elmhurst, Morpeth, Ridgeway, Botsany, Clearville and Dart hold a celebration at Elmhurst. After partaking of dinner at the various hotels in that place, the Orangemen formed a large procession and marched, headed by their bands, to the Town Hall, where a sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Hazard.

There was great excitement in Chatham over the success of the Chatham Salt and Oil Co., who, after many weeks of patient boring, struck oil at a well at a depth of 422 feet.

The drill, at the time that the oil was met with, was in a strata of shale rock, and it is believed that after this is passed a paying, if not a flowing, oil well will be found.

On Friday last the match between J. W. Buck's pacing horse, "Grey Eagle," and John Smith's trotting horse, "Old Bill," came off on the new Mineral Springs Course. After two exciting heats the match was brought to a conclusion by "Grey Eagle" winning for a second time, and securing the purse of \$150. "Old Bill" went a mile dash with a horse known as "Baby Doney," and won a prize of \$20. A bet was made that Tom Veitch's pony could not go round the track, one mile, on a trot in 3.40. She did the distance in 2.36, and the money was handed over to her owner.

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## A Miser's Wish.

Greedyplot, who is rather miserly, was recovering from a long illness. "How was it, doctor," he asked one day, "that I was able to live so many weeks without eating?"

"Why, you were fed by the fever,"

"Are you sure?" Then after a moment's reflection, "I wish I could give it to my servants."

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## Uncle Hank's Capacity.

DOWN at Danby's store one day Old Bill Jones took out his pipe. "Boys," says he, a-blowin' smoke, "Roastin' ears is purt' nigh ripe."

"Ain't no better grub on earth Than roastin' ears just in their prime. Why, friends, I've set right down an' et Much as a dozen at a time."

"A dozen makes a fair sized meal. It big an' plump," says Harry Dean. "With good string beans an' new potatoes I've et as high as seventeen."

Then Uncle Ned an' Hiram Jedd They raised the ante six or eight, Till finally some one in the crowd Jest mentioned Uncle Hank's Tale.

"Oh, Uncle Hank!" the crowd exclaimed. "Now, there's a man likes roastin' ears." He liked 'em when he was a boy And kept his taste through manhood's years.

"I'll tell you what," says Harry Dean. "I 'spect I'll make you fellows laugh. But I will bet that, slick an' clean, He'll eat a bushel an' a half."

Bill Jones pulled out his pocketbook To back old Hank's appetite. "This here ten dollars says," says he, "Two bushels will be nearer right."

Then all the crowd began to bet— Some put it less, some put it more— And just then lean old Uncle Hank Came amblin' in to Danby's store.

"Now, Uncle Hank, you tell us true," Said Harry Dean, "Speak up an' say How many roastin' ears of corn You find that you can put away."

A hungry look came in his eyes. Says he: "My luck was always tough. So, boys, I couldn't tell. Fact is, I never, never had enough." —Kansas City Times.

## An Interruption.

A teacher in a western public school was giving her class the first lesson in subtraction. "Now, in order to subtract," she explained, "things have to always be of the same denomination. For instance, we couldn't take three apples from four pears nor six horses from nine dogs."

A hand went up in the back part of the room. "Teacher," shouted a small boy, "can't you take four quarts of milk from three cows?"—Detroit Free Press.

## In Doubt.



He—You might as well acknowledge that from the first you intended to reject me.

She—Oh, nonsense! Why, half the time I didn't know whether you were going to propose.—New York World.

## Reducing His Surplus.

It was in a city drug store, and the little boy's mother, tired of waiting for him to finish his ice cream soda, slipped at it occasionally herself to pass the time. At the third slip the boy said suggestively:

"Why don't you get some for your self, mamma?"

"I don't want any," was her reply.

"Gee whizz, but I do!" exclaimed the boy.—New York Press.

## Relievement.

"My father once won a prize of \$500 for an essay on Greek poetry."

"Huh, that's nothin'! My old man once got a cash prize of \$10,000 for inventin' a new scheme so that a railroad could allow a rebate without technically violatin' the interstate commerce law."—Chicago Record-Herald.

## A Choice.

"What is it this morning?" asked the new waitress. "Ham and eggs, isn't it?"

"No," replied Mrs. Starvem, "not exactly, and I want you to note this well. You must be careful to say to each boarder, 'Ham or eggs?'" —Catholic Standard and Times.

## As She Understood It.

"According to the old proverb," remarked the bachelor, "we should prepare for war in times of peace."

"Well, I'm willing," replied the young widow, "but as poor, dear George has been dead only six weeks I think we ought to wait a little longer."—Detroit Tribune.

## Too Violent.

"Do you take any muscular exercise?" asked the physician.

"I hang on to the strap in a street car for four miles twice a day."

"That's too violent. After this be content with walking the distance."—Washington Star.

## Strenuous Treatment.

Matilda—Don't you husband lub yo' any mo'? Why, hefo' soon after de marriage he used to say for a good wife yo' was de record.

Lucinda—Yess, en now he comes home en tries to beat de record.—Chicago News.

## Just the Trouble.

Bess—Why did you jilt Montmorency? I thought you said he was your ideal man.

Tess—He was, but I wanted a real man.—Cleveland Leader.



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## CONCILIATION SPIRIT STRONG.

French Delegates Think Way For Understanding Opens.

Algiers, March 9.—Success of the conference on Moroccan reform cannot be described as absolutely secure since two of the main points in dispute, the allotment of bank capital and control of the police, are not yet settled. The French delegates show an inclination to regard the way as opened to an understanding, and the other delegates consider that a great forward step was made yesterday when a strong spirit of conciliation became evident.

France Has No Cabinet Yet.

Paris, March 9.—President Fallieres' efforts to induce one or other of the several statesmen with whom he conferred yesterday to undertake the task of forming a Cabinet, have not yet borne results. It is understood that M. Poincaré will be called to the Elysee to-day.

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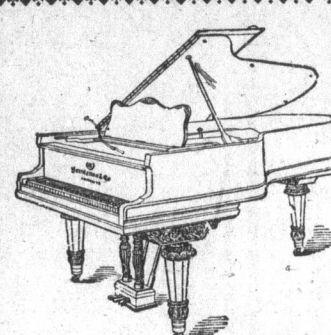
## Speaking Their Minds.

The queer thing about the people who boast of always speaking their minds is that they nearly always have such disagreeable minds to speak. Did you ever hear any one preface a compliment, a commendation or anything gracious or pleasant by saying, "I always must speak my mind?"—Woman's Life.

## SURE PROOF.

He's a person of great self-control, isn't he?

I should say he is. Why, he can walk right up to "Fresh Paint" sign without putting his hands on the paint to see if it's fresh.



## Palatial Piano Salon

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The old firm of Heintzman & Co., whose offices and warerooms are at 115-117 King street west, taking in four large flats of their building, hitherto occupied by others. They now become sole occupants of their own immense building. When completed, it is believed, they will possess the largest piano warerooms in Canada, with a capacity for 1000 pianos constantly on exhibition.

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## Woman Who Won't Talk.

Three Rivers, March 9.—Mrs. Slater yesterday resolutely refused to say a word. Before she could be examined, counsel for McCraw, who is on trial for the murder of her husband, demanded to know whether she believed in God, to see whether she was fit for a witness. She simply and repeatedly declined to answer, and was promptly sent down by Judge Cannon for contempt of court, to stay in jail until she should become more communicative. Mrs. Skene was then put in the box, and to Mr. Guerin told in detail the story of the fatal night.

## Forged Mining Certificates.

London, March 9.—Harry Samuel Simons and Franklin Everhart, Americans, were arrested here yesterday and were each remanded in \$10,000 bail on charges of conspiracy and obtaining large sums of money by fraud. The prisoners, who are described as stock and share brokers, are alleged to have issued forged shares and certificates in connection with Alaska, Oklahoma, Cripple Creek and Manitoba mining companies.

There is no book so bad but that something valuable may be derived from it.

## Arrow Shields.

The other day I saw a little, modern book, in a green cover, on a table in a drawing room. I picked it up. It was about the early French in Canada, and my eye fell on a copy of a drawing by their leader, Champlain, or Champlain. The scene represented was an attack by the native allies of the French, the Algonquins, on a fort held by Iroquois. The Algonquins advanced through showers of arrows under shields nearly as tall as themselves, like doors with rounded tops. Now, you may see exactly the same sort of shields in a picture of a lion hunt, in gold and silver, on the bronze blade of a dagger found by Dr. Schliemann in "the grave of Agamemnon." These monstrous Mycenaean shields cause much discussion among the learned. Why were they so huge? The Algonquins used the very same shields, hung from their necks, and the reason was the same—their battles were battles of archers, and nobody can parry a shower of arrows with a smaller shield. Shields grew small in Greece as bow and arrow went out and sword and spear came in.—London Illustrated News.



# "Red Feather" Tea

Quoth Bruin, "Tis bad-ski! I'll be bound, For steppe by steppe I'm losing ground. Internal troubles also gall, But this Red Feather smooths them all, And burdens hard to Bear," says he, "Are carried through with ami-tea."

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