

## The Planet.

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### ENGLAND'S BLACK ARMY.

The full strength of Great Britain's Indian army is 300,000 men, of whom 230,000 are native and 70,000 British soldiers. In addition to this military force there are about 20,000 enrolled European volunteers, and a native police, officered by white men, nearly 200,000 strong.

Every regiment is divided into ten companies, each of which is usually made up of a different nationality—such as Gorkhas, Sikhs, Dogras, Pathans and Punjabis. It is owing to this provision that a combination of forces for the purpose of mutiny becomes almost impossible. The Gorkhas and Sikhs, whose loyalty is rated the highest, are, in some localities, permitted to constitute entire regiments by themselves.

The pay of the Sepoy, or native soldier, is 18s per month, with a gradual increase after three years' good conduct. The pension system is particularly liberal, and is really the magnet which draws the native recruits. When a Sepoy soldier falls in action, his wife and there are four of them—are all pensioned, as well as their young children. As regards the artillery branch of the Indian army, white men only are employed, both as commissioned officers and in the ranks, and the guns of all forts are entirely manned by Britons.

Of the native soldiers, the Gorkha is the best, and many English experts believe that he is the best soldier in the world.

### THE DOMINION ELECTION.

Frank Oliver, M. P., editor of the Edmonton Bulletin, is very much too independent to be in the confidence of the leader of his party, Sir Wilfrid Laurier. But Mr. Oliver is a keen observer, and he now thinks that the general election is not quite so near as it was to be held a little while ago. The following article from the Bulletin will be found interesting.

No doubt the idea that an election was an immediate prospect had a great deal to do with the interminable character of the debate, but an election within the next six or eight months is not so certain now as it was at one time thought to be. The life of parliament does not expire until some time in August, 1901. The census is to be taken at the beginning of that year. On the basis of the census there is, under the constitution, a realignment of representation. It would certainly be possible to have the work of the census complete in time, so that parliament, which opened, say, on Jan. 2, 1901, could make the readjustment called for by the results of the census and be ready to face the electors by August. In that case the new arrangement would represent the new arrangement as defined by the census. But if an election is held this year—if the parliament so elected lives out its full term of five years' half of the next ten years' census period will be occupied by a parliament which does not represent the people as they stood practically at the time of its election. This means more in the west probably than in the east, but it means a great deal everywhere. The west confidently expects to be entitled to eight or ten more representatives on the basis of the next census, and to be out its full term of five years, half of nearly five years would be a very considerable hardship which should be avoided if possible. The census would also give every reason for making such redistribution in Ontario as is claimed by the Liberals to be necessary to overcome the inequities of the so-called gerrymander act. Suppose the census to be taken and the redistribution to be made according to it, and the senate should throw out the bill as it has already done with the two attempts to redistribute the Ontario constituencies, there would then be a very good cry to use the senate in the appeal to the country; while if the senate allowed the bill to pass the Liberals would stand to gain by whatever advantage may result from the readjustment of the gerrymander of which they complain so strongly. Still, there is nothing so uncertain as an election except the date when the election will be held.

### TURN-ON THE LIGHT.

We always admired Sir Charles Tupper for the vigor he displayed as a political leader. Now we like him more than ever for the way in which he has turned down Organizer Birmingham. If Birmingham has anything to expose let him go ahead with it. If he can rid the party of any rogues, if he can exist within its ranks, he will be doing it a service.

The Conservatives fortunately are not in the same undesirable position as their opponents. They have not been so hypocritical as to claim the political morality on earth, while at the same time they were employing bribes, thieves, perjurers and ballot box incendiaries to steal seats for them.

Having never claimed to be better than their neighbors, having never as-

## "Pride Goeth Before a Fall."

Some proud people think they have strong constitutions, and ridicule the idea of disease. Such people neglect their health, let the blood run down, and their stomach, kidneys and liver become deranged.

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**Running Sore.**—My mother was troubled with rheumatism in her knee for a number of years, and it broke out into a running sore. She took three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and is now well. Hood's Olive Ointment helped to heal the eruption. Mrs. JOHN PARK, Cloverlawn, Ancaster, Ont.

**Bowel Trouble.**—My mother, Mrs. John Ried, suffered with bowel trouble for four years and tried different doctors, but obtained no relief until she began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Three bottles of this medicine entirely cured her. Lizzie Ried, Tracy Station, N. B.

**Scrofula.**—An abscess on my hip was lanced and never healed. Another broke out on the other hip and the next year three more appeared. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and it helped me. Since taking six bottles of the medicine I have not been troubled, and previous to this treatment one of the eruptions had discharged for seven years. Mrs. FRANKLIN H. TEND, Freeport, N. S.

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serted they were politically immaculate, having never held themselves up to be the Lord's chosen politically, never having played the role of publican, as in the biblical publican and sinner incident, they now, no matter what Birmingham can show, will not feel obliged to resort to fake commissions, perjured evidence, burnt ballots or a pension system for fugitive criminals who find it necessary to take up their residence in the United States, in order to shield themselves.

It would be wonderful if the horrible, the unexampled, the unparalleled political corruption which has been shown to be the mainstay of the Mowat-Hardy-Ross ministries for so many years had not to some extent contaminated political opponents who have contended with them. But that Birmingham can produce anything to implicate the party at large is to be scouted. Let him bring on what he can. Sir Charles says he will never get another dollar of Conservative money, so he might as well commence his "exposures" at once. We don't know, but we will wager that now that Birmingham has played his trump card and lost, he'll fizzle out like a leaky bottle of soda water.

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Birmingham struck the wrong kind of a customer when he ran up against Sir Charles.

When those dynamiters came to Canada they didn't intend to stay, but they found this country such a "taking" place that they will now remain the rest of their days in it.

The supplementary estimates are enormous, but still they are not large enough to contain anything for the re-establishment of a military battalion in Kent. Mr. Campbell seems to forget the existence of this riding except at election times.

The place of the efficient (war) correspondent is as near the firing line as he can approach.—Windsor Record.

A fellow who has had some experience says this kind of rot makes him laugh. He declares the place for the correspondent is near the closest telephone office to headquarters. He can thus scoop in the news as it arrives from all directions and have it on the wire before the man on the firing line can get back to camp.

The Windsor Record is sore over the course of M. K. Cowan and the other Liberal leaders in Essex county. It is afraid to come out openly and give them a good trimming so contents itself with petty muttering. It says the people thereabouts have some things to complain of and adds that "unless attention is paid to them a surprise may be in store for local leaders of the party." Why doesn't the Record come out openly with its complaints and stop this sniping.

In many other places than Windsor the dynamiters would have also suffered detention for life, but it wouldn't have lasted longer than the time required for a thoroughgoing community to fasten good stout ropes to neighboring trees and decorate the lower ends of them with three of the most miserable fiends the nineteenth century has produced. To gratify their hate of everything British they were prepared to sacrifice the lives of a lot of innocent people, hundreds, perhaps, who had never mixed themselves up in the slightest in the affairs of the British Isles.

Judge Morgan was seen by a Globe reporter yesterday and stated that he had no clear recollection of the incident, but he certainly had at St. Thomas said Pritchett was a "self-confessed liar." He did not mean to doubt Pritchett's evidence under oath, and had made the statement simply on Pritchett's own admission that he had persecuted other men.—Toronto Globe.

Isn't this somewhat of a giveaway on the party. According to it, Judge Morgan's opinion is that Pritchett when he was a Liberal worker was a liar. Now, since he has quit the party the Judge has no reason to doubt the truth of what he says.

Out of about 70 eclipses of the sun which have occurred some where in the world within the nineteenth century, there have been only eight total eclipses of more or less duration visible on the North American continent. The others happened in places often remote from civilization and some times in entirely inaccessible localities, as over the ocean areas. After the eclipse of May 28th, no other eclipse track will fall in this country till June 8, 1918, when one will pass from Oregon to Florida, two minutes in duration. Another will fall in New England on Jan. 21, 1925. Eclipses seven minutes in duration will occur in India in 1935, and in Africa in 1973, the longest for 1,000 years.

Sandon, B. C., recently destroyed by fire, is to be rebuilt, and is to rise from its ashes, not as a mining camp, but as a substantial city. The project is to run a sixty-foot street down the middle gulch, using the creek as a sewer and subway for the water mains, electric light wires and telephone and telegraph wires. The town site will be re-surveyed, and solid and lots will be erected so that the buildings will be erected as the danger of another similar fire may be guarded against. The real estate will be handled by an ingenious scheme. A trustee will be appointed who will take over the lots, and issue scrip for the taken in payment for lots in the new survey. In a number of cases this will be little change in the lots, as it will be necessary only to reverse the frontage.

What age is most often ill-treated? Baggage.

Willing Testimony.

"How do you like your new typewriter?" inquired the agent.  
"It's grand," was the immediate reply. "I wonder how I ever got along without it."

"Well, would you mind giving me a little testimonial to that effect?" he rolled up his sleeves and in an incredibly short time pounded out this: "After Using the automating Back-action type writ, or for three months and over, I unhesitatingly pronounce it to be the best even more than the Manufacture Giant action e. i. the free month 21 id has more than paid for itself in the saving of an diabol.—John & Gibbs."

"There you are, sir."

"Thanks," said the agent, and most quickly went away.

Why does a hen never perch? Because she belongs to the lay element.

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Dried Peaches, per lb. 13c  
Prunes, 4 lbs. 25c  
Evaporated Apples, 3 lbs. 25c  
Lemon Biscuits, per lb. 9c, 3 lbs. 25c  
Ginger Snaps, per lb. 5c  
Corn Starch, per package 6c  
Laundry Starch, per package 35c  
No. 2 Flour, 12 lbs. 18c, 24 lbs. 35c  
Jaid Soap, 12 bars. 25c  
Jam, 5 lb. pail. 35c  
Lemons, per doz. 10c  
Sardines, per can. 10c  
Almon, per can. 4c  
Rolled Oats, 12 lbs. 25c  
Yellow Corn Meal, 18 lbs. 25c  
Toilet Soap, per bar. 2c  
Ivory, Cameo, Tiger Soap, 6 bars. 25c

The above goods are standard quality and guaranteed.

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**Notice of Dissolution**

The partnership heretofore existing between Duncan K. McNaughton and John Walker under the name of McNaughton, Walker & Co., is this day dissolved. Mr. McNaughton retiring from the business, which will be continued by Mr. John Walker, under the title of the Walker Egg and Produce Co. All accounts of the old firm will be paid by him. We thank you for favors in the past and request a continuance of your patronage and support for the new company.

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Bananas, 15¢ and 20¢ per doz.  
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1 lb. baking powder, with pretty dish, 25¢.  
1 lb. coffee, 13¢ cents.  
1 lb. Japan tea 19¢.  
5 lb. pails jam 35¢.  
Toilet soap, 1¢. per bar.  
A lot of fresh ginger snaps 5¢. per lb.  
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