

## The Planet

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### THE EXCISE DUTY ON TOBACCO.

With a view of giving the Canadian raser of tobacco a greater advantage over his foreign competitor, Mr. Clancy moved in the House of Commons for the removal of the excise duty of five cents a pound on the native raw leaf. The Government, however, declined to accede to Mr. Clancy's proposal and it was defeated. Speaking of the matter the Mail says: Mr. Clancy's proposal for the removal of the excise duty on home-grown tobacco was a decided move on behalf of the native industry. It would have given the Canadian producer an advantage which would have been most useful to him, and the loss of revenue, in view of the present heavy scale of taxation, could easily have been sustained. Mr. Fielding's objection that too much is already being done for the native industry harmonized with the anti-Canadian policy of the Government. The Fielding tariff gave the Indian corn-growing business to the United States of America in spite of the protests of Mr. John Charlton, who pronounced that course folly. Now the author of that tariff is afraid to give the industry which has been resorted to with a view to covering the loss which his mistake as to corn has produced too much encouragement. The Standard Oil monopoly enjoys all the help the Ottawa Government can give it. But when it comes to the farmer the case is different. He has to pay the taxes, and the profits voted to United States monopolists, and receives nothing in return.

The excursion season this year has opened with a boom. That's as it should be. Usually the summer is nearly over before people begin to take advantage of the fine weather.

Had ex-lieut.-Governor McInnes, of British Columbia, remained a peaceable resident of Dresden he never would have reached the gubernatorial dignity, and hence would not have had so far to fall when turned down.

The unfortunate bicycle is blamed for the decline in church attendance. But this decline was going on before the bicycle was ever heard of. That goes to prove the bicycle is not the real cause.

The Scotchman who invented the Mafeking blend of porridge received a bonus of £5 from the government, so invaluable was it to the garrison's rations supply—it being equal to six weeks' additional provisions. The natives prefer it to any other food.

When a British soldier allows himself to be taken a prisoner of war he is guilty of an offense against the Queen and is liable to be put upon trial should there be any doubt that he gave up his liberty when there was any possibility of his retaining it. He must then prove that it was impossible for him to take any other course without uselessly throwing away his life.

Michael O'Brien, commercial master in the Peterboro' Collegiate Institute, has been appointed Inspector of Separate schools. It was expected this appointment would go to Mr. Twohey of the Collegiate staff in this city, a teacher well qualified in every respect for the position. But the policy of the Ross Government has ever been for the ministers to grab everything possible for themselves and their friends, and in pursuance of that policy the Inspectorship is handed over to a friend and supporter of Hon. J. R. Stoughton.

Here is a witty illustration offered by Bystander in the Weekly Sun: Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with his little installment of preferential duties seems to be in the situation of a man in a lift jammed between two stories and unable to get up or down. He is irrevocably parted with commercial union or unrestricted reciprocity, which was once the policy of his party, and he has no hope of getting an imperial tariff, towards which his present policy points. He is stuck between two stories, and there is nothing for it but to send for the mechanic.

Hugh John Macdonald, Premier of Manitoba, proposes to refuse the ballot to the Doukhobors and Galicians for seven years. This in the face of the fact that a war is at present in progress in South Africa, in which Canadians are taking part, because the Boers refused to confer the rights of citizenship upon British people who settled in the Transvaal.—Windsor Record.

Here is one of the bright comparisons that we sometimes find in the columns of the Record. Now, the two cases it refers to are in no way analogous. There was no question about the Outlanders being fit to exercise the franchise. It was refused them because it was feared they would outvote the burghers and overturn the old order of things. In Manitoba the franchise is simply withheld from the Doukhobors and Galicians until they are capable of properly exercising it. They can neither read nor speak English and know no more about the politics of Canada than the Zulus of South Africa. Yet the Record seems to think they ought to be presented with votes at once.

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The Boxers also seem to be fighters.

The defence in the emergency ration scandal seems to be stupidity. The militia department apparently alleges that it was not guilty of dishonesty or of endangering the soldiers' lives by fully supplying them with bad food because it wasn't smart enough to know what it was doing.

### A MUNICIPAL PLANT THAT PAYS.

Woodstock Sentinel-Review.  
Portland, Ind., paid \$17,140 for its electric light plant in 1905; improvements since have made the total cost \$20,344. Including the saving in cost of street lights, the profit to date is \$15,697.90.

### ANOTHER SHATTERED HERO.

Port Huron X-Rays.  
The intelligent people of this country are grieved beyond measure at the spectacle Admiral Dewey is making of himself. Such fawning and demagoguery is sickening, and the country generally is mighty tired of it. We are glad he has left the state.

### CHIEF OF LITTLE FAITH IN ARCHIE.

Ottawa Citizen.  
We are prepared to accept Mr. Campbell's word in the hat or any other matter except coal oil and bladder wine without question.—Chatham Planet.

We have not found so great faith among the members who were in the house and saw Mr. Campbell and his hat during the singing of the National Anthem.

### MIDSUMMER EXAMS SHOULD GO.

Brantford Expositor.

Why are school examinations held at mid-summer, when human nature is crying out for rest and recreation rather than strain and worry, and when climatic conditions are least favorable to mental activity? We believe if examinations were held at Christmas time they would be far less exhausting to the energies of the young people, and that results of a more satisfactory character than those now obtained would be secured.

### GOVERNMENT'S LACK OF COURAGE.

Hamilton Herald.

Here is the case: The government challenged Mr. Monk to make definite charges, promising that if such charges were brought they would be investigated. Mr. Monk has brought his charges. Now the government complains that one of them, aimed directly at a minister, is quite too definite, and refuses to allow it to be considered. It is to be regretted that the government should have shown such inconsistency and want of courage.

### THE TELEPHONOGRAPH.

London Daily Mail.

The telephonograph is a new invention, which comes to us from Denmark. Not quite for the first time, for we had heard of it about a year ago; since then, though the inventors have made progress. The telephonograph is a combination of the telephone with a newly constructed phonograph, which makes it possible to fix and preserve conversations in the absence of the intended hearer, so that he can listen to the message after his return. But the importance of the invention reaches

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### HAVE GONE BACK ON ANOTHER PRINCIPLE.

The Dominion government proposes to take the census next year under the de jure system. Under this system, those who are away from Canada at the time the census is taken are counted of their relatives state that they are likely to return to Canada again. In this way, a large number of Canadians who reside in the United States are counted by our census takers, and the population of Canada is made to appear larger than it really is. When the Liberals were in opposition they denounced this method of taking the census, and demanded that it be taken under the de facto system, that is, by counting only those actually residing here. Now, however, they want to make as good a showing as possible, and so adopt the system under which they can count the largest number.

### IS IT DECLINE OF FAITH?

Bystander in Weekly Sun.

The falling off in church attendance continues to be the subject of debate. Is it the fault of the clergy? No, it is not the fault of the clergy. The clergy, as everyone who has lived long enough to be able to draw the comparison knows, are superior to those of past generations in every respect; in character, as preachers, and in pastoral activity. Their congregations, being better educated, are more on a level with the preacher, and consequently more critical. This is the real explanation of the supposed falling off in church attendance. Bicycles and increased allurements of other kinds may have played their part in diverting attendance from the church, especially in the summer. But the main cause of diminished attendance is diminished belief in the doctrines taught and in the necessity and efficacy of the church as the instrument of salvation. The only real cure is a revival of faith. By making the service more operative a certain increase of attendance may be drawn but it will be an increase of attendance at a music hall, not at a house of prayer.

### LITERARY NOTES.

#### FOLLIES OF THE AMERICAN EXPORTER.

There seem to be a large number of American manufacturers who think they want foreign business, but who want it only on the condition that it will fall into their hands at the expense of a few cents in postage for a letter, usually badly written, in a language (English) of which so many of their prospective customers are totally ignorant, and know so little, as to make the reading of it a Herculean task. It is obvious that such letters—frequently mimeographed, and badly at that—are treated as all circulars usually are, namely, they are thrown away without being read, and the effect of a circular of the same kind, written, say, in Hungarian, to one of these same American houses.

"Circularising" Europe from America for business does not pay under any circumstances that have ever come under my notice; but circularising Europe from some point in Europe, for the same class of goods, may be made to pay, and may be made to pay. The Engineering Magazine for June.

#### McCLURE FOR JUNE.

The June number of McClure's is particularly strong and varied in its contents, both as regards fiction and special articles. President Kruger of the South African republic is portrayed in an acute character study by F. Edmund Garrett, who has had the advantage of personal contact with the venerable Boer leader, and is thoroughly familiar with his past career and with the political history of the Boers. Excellent portraits of Kruger and his wife are included. J. Lincoln Steffens, of the New York Commercial Advertiser, relates some striking "incidents of conflict" between Governor Roosevelt and the party leaders, and considers whether his first term as governor was turned out a successful experiment. A fully illustrated article on Cape Nome Gold Fields, by William J. Lampton, describes life in Nome City, which is "the largest city of its age in the world," and gives the latest and exactest information available concerning the possibilities of this new gold region, one that is much richer than even the Klondike. "Experiments in Flying," by O. Chanute, is an account of the author's own flying-machines, one of which was so constructed as to maintain successfully a speed of seventeen miles an hour. The article is illustrated from photographs. One of the most striking features of the number is a thrilling naval story of the Japanese-Chinese war by Adachi Kinnosuke, who is almost the only existing Japanese writer whose literary reputation has been established by his work in the English language. How the "Hiyei" ran the gauntlet of the Chinese Squadron, how the valiant Yamaji fulfilled his dedication by his dying father to the service of the Emperor of Japan, all this is graphically and thrillingly told. The pictures are full of action and unusually effective. In addition to this, there are several other good short stories. There is also a true historical story by the Rev. C. T. Brady—the story of the greatest fight in the history of American privateers, Reid's great fight in the "General Armstrong" against the British.

#### THE GARDEN OF EDEN.

Since the beginning of time, discussions have arisen over the old old story of Adam and Eve, who dwelt so happily in their beautiful bower until the serpent entered, bringing discord. Interest in the home never grows dull, each new comment being eagerly listened to. Blanche Willis Howard, author of "Guenn," and "One Summer," has recently modernized the first romance of paradise in her new work, "The Garden of Eden." Interpreting the time-worn facts to fit modern environments, while a pretty love-story threads its way through the devious path, it is not a light novel, but one of provoking thought, involving as it does sexual and moral questions, which are treated with a masterly hand, yet with great refinement of touch.

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