The Planet

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WHEAT A GENERAL FAILURE.

In the current issue the Northwest ern Miller says: "Serious and irreparable damage has been done the wheat crop. The most conservative view based on present conditions does not give hope of a crop exceeding 60 per cent of that raised in Minnesota and the Dakotas last year. The greatest damage has been done since June 1, and North Dakota and northern Minnesota have been the heaviest sufferers. There are few localities in the three states where an average crop is now in prospect. It is believed that North Dakota will raise little more than drough wheat for seed. Conditions are worse in Manitoba."

METHODISTS AND PROHIBITION

The Toronto Methodist Conference while voting approval of the principle of Dominion, prohibition, or, failing that; of prohibition in those provinces and territories that have voted in its flavor, refused to endorse the plan of the Dominion Alliance to get the pledge of 100,000 voters at the next igeneral election to vote for only such candidates as would agree to do all in their power to obtain prohibitory legislation for at least these provinces which had given majorities for it. The speach of Rev. Dr. Sutherland, which was loudly applauded, and seemed to that there is general objection to the Alliance campaign. Dr. Sutherland said that in their very great zeal for prohibition, pure and simple, they were letting the great principle of moral suasion slip away from them. If they got a prohibition measure tomorrow it-would be utterly useless without a meghty public sentiment behind it. "We have been paddling along for twenty years with this resotion," lhe said, "and what under heayen has it amounted to? Nothing, and never will along these lines. We should have stronger deliverance or nothing at all. This does not mean anything. I have no faith in these resolutions that come from the Alliance. Let us for once in our history, act as men in this matter. I do not wonder that we have become the laughing stock on the floor of the house of commons. Let us act as we mean, or let us drop it altogether and follow the old temperance lines as we used

Old man Kruger claims a two million surplus. He must be a South African edition of Hon. G. W. Ross.

Never in its history has Canada had a stronger or better Government.

-Ridgetown Standard. Particularly stronger-in the same

sense as aged butter.

Should Teddy Roosevelt be elected fice and carry no uncomfortable sevice-president of the United States, as seems very likely, he will not be content to remain a mere figure-head. The change will be a novelty in the States, for vice-presidents are seldom heard of after they are nominated and elected.

An interesting census was recently taken to Toronto to determine the number of Torontonians belonging to the different religious bodies. Out of 143,001 names there were 39,451 Church of England 35,376 Methodist, 29,472 Presbyterian, 17,993 Roman Catholic 9,501 Baptist, and 3,757 Congregation al. Two persons admitted being ag nostics and one pinned his faith to Prince Michael and the doctrine of the Flying Roll.

One of the Buffalo papers publishes a letter from a woman in St. Catharines declaring that she intends to hoist on her house all the Stars and Stripes she can find on the 4th of July .- The lady will probably be surprised to learn that tanada is 'a free country, and very different from the United States in that respect, No crowd of hoodlums will be permitted to annoy her or pull down the flags. As long as she contravenes none of the laws of the land she will be permitted to observe the fourth of July and every other American holiday in any manner and with as many flags as she pleases.

Citizen and Country, the organ of "Arch. Campbell, M. P., is engineering a Toronto-Collingwood railway through Parliament on behalf of a corporation largely composed of foreign capitalists. Mr. Campbell, Mr. McMulten and Mr. Wood, all members of the House, are promoters of the company and have vigorously opposed a proposition to permit the Government at one month's notice to resume the ownership of the charter and to purchase the property of the company. Sir Charles Tupper, William H. Mc-Lean, Mr. Richardson, A. W. Puttee, Major Guillett and others ably cham-Major Guillett and others ably champion the rights of the people and urge Central c. H. Gunn that the Government should have the opportunity to own this railway. The Government will ascertain too late they allow so valuable a franchise as this to pass unconditionally into private hands." that public ownership is popular if

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The Globe is unduly elated over the liberal victory for the legislature in North Renfrew. The late Mr. White carried the constituency, which usually goes Liberal, by 153 majority for the Conservatives. After his death a writ was issued for a bye-election. Conventions met and nominated candidates on both sides. Mr. Dunlop, the nominee of the Conservatives, subsequently decided not to run. There were other available candidates, but to have offered them a second-hand nomation would not have conduced to their success. Thus, as the major part of the life of the present legislature had passed, the course, unusual as it was, was adopted of letting the seat vert to the Liberals by acclamation

"Never think of marriage until you are able to support a husband." This was the advice of Thomas G. Shearman to the members of the New-York council of the Business Women's National Association recently. Shearman was one of the two men speakers. "I am glad you call yourselves women," said he. "I have the greatest respect for the saleswoman, but I don't think anything of the saleslady. I am the father of the feminine typewriter," he continued, "the first to employ and train a woman to opeerate typewriting machines in a business office. As a cold, business proposition I prefer a woman typewriter. She never sells information on Wall street. Women have the faculty of immediately forzetting everything they do in the of-

HOW IT WAS.

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"Man, man," she at length cried to

a passing carter, "Whaur will I get an electric car?"
"Well, mistress," was the gruff reply, "din ye dinna get oot o' that gey quick, ye'll get it in the sma' o'y er back."—Scottish American.

The long, solemn gentleman with the piercing eyes tapped gently on the shoulder of the encore fiend in front of him. "Allow me to present you," said he, handing the applauder a small paper package. "What does this mean?" asked the recipient wrathfully. and he opened the package and found about \$2 in dimes and nickels. "It means this," replied the solemn gen-tleman. "I have noticed your earnest efforts to have everything twice. Therefore I have taken up this small collection in order that you may come to-morrow, instead of trying to get your two performances in one even-ing."—Indianapolis Press.

Tutor-You know, of course, that in Christian countries such as ours a man is only allowed one wife. Now, what is that state of things called?
Pupil—I know. Monotony!—Punch.

While Judge Gary, of Chicago, was trying a case recently he was disturbed by a young man who kept moving about in the rear of the room lifting chairs and looking under things
"Young man," Judge Gary called out, "you are making a great deal of

unnecessary noise. What are you about?" "Your honor," replied the youn man, "I have lost my overcoat and am trying to find it."

"Well," said the venerable jurist, "people often lose whole suits in here without making all that disturbance." -Law Notes.

One Henry Knott was on trial in Chicago recently on a criminal charge, and when the verdict of the jury was read it ran thus: "We, the jury was Henry Knott guilty." Henry's friends hastened to congratulate him on his acquittal, and were much surprised when that gentleman was marched of to durance vile.-Law Notes.

The young teacher had just given them readings in Roman history. "Now, Samuel," she said, gazing encouragingly at the smallest lad, "tell us what followed the burning of

"All de insurance companies busted!" responded Samuel, with promptness.-Chicago News.

Mamma-I'm glad to see you're playing with good little boys now. Tommy-Yes'm. They sin't like the other kind. I kin lick any one of these kids if I want ter.—Philadelphia

One way to live 100 years, now that the subject is up, is not to be emperor of China.-Chicago Record.

A defective stomach keeps more people awake than a guilty conscience. CONUNDRUMS.

Why is an infant like a diamond? It is a dear little thing. Why are clergymen like cobblers? They seek the good of souls (soles). What tree bears the most fruit to

market? Axle-tree. Why is dough like the setting sun? When it rises it is light. When is a bill like a gun? When

it is presented and discharged. What animal would devour a near elative? The ant eater (aunt). Why is a child like a doughy cake? Because it falls.

Why is the schoolma'am's rod like some medicines? It gives new life when used.

Why is a teacher like a conductor? The conductor minds the train and the teacher trains the mind.

When are the cliff-climbers who hunt eiders the happiest? When they get down. I begin with a ring, I end with a

laugh and contain a mother be ween Why does an old maid carry a green umbrella? So as to keep the rain off. Why is a crying baby like a sun-

flower? Because it is mostly yell-o (yellow). When is a man like an auger? When he is a bore. What age do we call dread? Dam-

What is the difference between messenger and a penny? None, for they are each one sent (cent). From what era are the most pictures

taken? Camera. Which are the noticeable features of a Congressman? His eyes and nose (ayes and hoes).

How does the Cabinet resemble an industrious farmer? It has got in it Hay after a Day's work. Why is an empty purse like a calla

lily? Both are (s) centless. What fur-bearing animal is always naked? Bear (bare). What king always goes on foott

Stocking. Why is a coachman like a cloud? Because he holds the reins. When is a table like a book cover? When its leaves are spread out.

What is the largest horn in the world? Cape Horn. Why is Athens like a wick of a candle? Because it's surrounded by

Whose wife is most apt to blow him up if he vexes her? Dinah Might. Why is a bald man's head like heav-It's all bright and shining; no parting there.

Whose feet are we most apt on? Our own. When is a hov's head like the roof of a barn? When he's shingled.

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Bicycle Repairs at Brisco's. At the R. C. church, Ridgetown, on Sunday, the approaching marriage was announced of Lawrence O'Connor and Miss Edna Palmer, of Wyndam, Norfolk county.

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St. Thomas Journal:-Mr. Charles Grant, of Ridgetown, who is visiting his daughter, Mrs. H. M. Williams, is 90 years of age and still enjoys good health. He is the only surviving member of Col. Ermatinger's troop of cavalry, which did duty in 1837. When he first came to St. Thomas in 1834 there was not a house east of Church

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