

# The Planet.

DAILY AND WEEKLY  
Chatham, Ont.

## WILL DEWEY SURVIVE THE OR- DEAL?

The action of the New York authorities in preparing for Dewey's reception shows what the hero of Manila may expect on his arrival on this side of the Atlantic, when the whole American nation goes after him.

In order to have the loving cup, which is to be the gift of the city of New York, ready for the festivities this month four sets of artisans are now working upon it night and day. The cup is to be of 18-carat gold, and to cost \$5,000. It will be of the three-sided Roman pattern, with Greek dolphin handles. A band of stars, one for each State in the Union will surround the rim, and upon each side, between the handles, will be a chased figure—one a portrait of Admiral Dewey supported by oak leaves and the spread eagle, the second the cruiser Olympia, and the third an inscription stating that the cup is presented to Admiral Dewey by the city of New York. A twisted rope, emblematic of the navy, will surround the neck of the cup while upon the base will be the initials "G. D." the four stars of an admiral, and the seal of the city of New York. The legs of the cup will be anchors, four in number, resting upon oak leaves.

## OUR POOR CLASS OF JUDGES.

The Windsor Record says because this province has some "bum" judges The Planet's leaders are responsible for their appointment. Well, The Planet isn't to blame. It hasn't endorsed everything the Conservative party did. Further, that party's leaders have been punished for their mistakes by being turned out of office. The people looked to the new Liberal administration for better things. Will the Record tell us if Sir Wilfrid Laurier is appointing a better class of men to the bench? We don't see it. The Planet will admit, though, that he is appointing none of poorer calibre, but that may arise from the fact that he cannot find any.

It is time we got an abler class of men for the Canadian bench. If the salaries paid are inadequate, raise them. You cannot expect a \$25,000 a year lawyer to become a \$6,000 judge. Neither can you expect a \$6,000 a year judge to know better than a \$25,000 a year lawyer. Hence, the judges recognizing their own inferiority may, unwittingly, permit themselves to be dictated to by abler men than themselves. Thus, a good lawyer with a bad case may have a better chance than a less known one with a just claim. This is not as it should be. Let us have an overhauling even if the B. N. A. act has to suffer a fractured to accomplish it.

Hon. G. W. Ross' last-issued curriculum will soon be printed into some sort of reasonable shape. The school boards all over the country are carving it up according to the ideas of their own, treating among the members as to what should be dispensed with first. The Toronto board has decided to drop Euclid and algebra from the public school lists.

Julius Guerin, who has defied the French government for several days is about 34 years old. He was bred to the triple sailing trade, but quit work 12 years ago, to become a professional agitator. He is perpetually looking for trouble and has started more street fights than any man of his age in Paris. He has been beaten almost to death several times and has half murdered a score of policemen. His paper, the Anti-Juif, financed by Guerin, is a great source of revenue. A coarse, brutalized creature is Julius Guerin, whom a couple of Chatham policemen would run in on a charge of disorderly conduct in about 15 minutes. Yet his very bull-headedness has enabled him to put at defiance the authority of the whole French government.

## FREE AS SALVATION.

Hamilton Herald.

"You can buy a wife for \$4, and a very pretty one at that," said an American visitor just back from the Philippines, to a reporter of the Baltimore American. If he had thought a moment he would have seen that there is nothing remarkable in that. In his own country plenty of wives can be got for the asking.

## A HOMEOPATHIC DOSE.

Detroit Free Press.

"Henry," she said to her troubled husband, "you know I have joined that new Progressive Club and I mean to take some intelligent part in its discussions. What do you think would be the quickest and surest way of purifying politics in Michigan and the entire country?"

"My dear, I should most certainly urge the propriety of a second deluge."

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## AN AWKWARD QUESTION.

Toronto Sun.

The Globe tells its readers (and its reports daily with our own) that the farmers are taking advantage of large receipts to pay off their mortgages. Why is the example of the farmer not a good one for Sir Richard and his colleagues to follow? If a period of prosperity is a good time for the farmer to pay off his mortgages, how does it come to be a time for the government to put more mortgages on? Is it not rather a good time for reducing the debt?

## A LOT OF FAKERS.

Chicago Tribune.

"If you want an item for your paper," said the sunbrowned pilgrim in the dusty suit, stepping into the office of the Globeville Weekly Voice, "you may say that the celebrated Capt. Sam Leggett, of Portland, Me., passed through here Wednesday morning on a pedestrian tour across the United States, which he is making on a wager of \$5,000 that he will reach San Francisco before Christmas—also that the captain was looking well and was confident of making the distance on time and with several days to spare."

The next number of the Globeville Weekly Voice contained this item in its "Local Shorts" column:

"A long distance hiker, who claims to be walking across the continent on a bet, performed the town a little while one day this week. When last seen he was headed toward the east garden just west of the town."

## WHAT YOU'VE GOTTEN TO SAY!

Denver Post.

When de trumpet am a tootin' an' de wahs dey am a shakin' an' de ovis dey am a hootin' in de trees, When de earl it am a quakin' an' de dead dey am a wakin' in de knes, When yo' hea' de rollin' thunder an' de rocks am rent an' de hots am in deir wondeh standin' awed, An' yo' fin' yo' self a tremblin' while de nations am a tremblin', O sannah, what yo' gwine to tell de Lawd?

When de planes get a knockin' an' de eads adder an' a rockin' an' de bumps seem a mackin' an' yo' wop, When de de'ness am a fallin' an' de buzz' de am a squallin' an' de angel am a fallin' yo' to go, When de sun hab quit its shinin' an' de brack waves am a whinin' an' de mon'nehs lay reppin' on de tod, An' yo' asked to tell de story what yo' dain' up in glory, O sannah, what yo' gwine to tell de Lawd?

When yo' see de righteous swingin' up de road an' all a singin' 'twill de earl'll be a ringin' wif de pain, When dey get de wings an' rally in de golden river valley singin' halallelujah-hally to de Lam', When de hills dey am a crashin' an' de sulphur fire's a flashin' an' yo' feel de cuttin' lashin' ob de rod, When de sheep am bein' chapsen from de goats, what yo' 'supposin' wicked sannah, yo' a gwine to tell de Lawd?

Oh, befor' de vial's broken an' de wrathful fiery token with its awful flames is chokin' up de sky, 'Fo' de dragons gitt a barkin' an' de eart begins to darken, ask de Mahkels fo' to harken to yo' cry, Skip yo' sinnin' an' transgressin', listen to de wahnin' lesson, git yo' wicked knees to pressin' on de telf, When yo' see de bar an' Satan am a eyelin' yo' an' wakin', tremblin' sannah, what yo' gwine to tell de Lawd?

## TREES FOR DRAINAGE.

Land That Would Be Improved by Being Drier Should Be Planted.

It is a popular belief that trees about a house tend to make it damp. It is true that after heavy rains a dwelling with trees surrounding it takes more time to dry out than one not so surrounded. On the contrary, it is just as true that where trees are the soil is very much drier than it would be otherwise. Some years ago the daily papers had much to say of the drainage of a malarious district in Rome by the planting largely of the fast-growing blue gum tree of Australia, Eucalyptus globosa. There is no doubt that this rapid-growing tree would quickly change the character of a half-swamp, as it grows fast and has thick foliage. When there is a lot of trees full of foliage there is great call for moisture from the ground. The roots are drawing it in continually, and this in the long run accomplishes as much as a system of drainage would do. I have myself witnessed the great change brought about by the cutting down and clearing of trees from a low piece of land. What was a fairly dry place while the trees stood, became almost a swamp. It is not as easy to start evergreens in such a spot as it is deciduous trees, otherwise they would be better for the purpose, as there is more evaporation from them in the winter season. But it must not be supposed that there is entire rest on the part of a deciduous tree in winter. The roots are active and especially toward spring an enormous lot of water is taken from the earth by the roots of a large tree. This is why trees near dwellings which are in damp situations are so valuable. The cellar of a house which is surrounded by large trees will be very much drier than before the trees were there. This I have seen many examples of. There is no need to plant trees so close that the branches will reach to the house and it is not at all desirable that the limbs overhang it. Deciduous trees are better than evergreens for planting near a house. An evergreen is not a top spreader and affords but little shade. The deciduous one gives the shade in summer when it is needed, and its roots are drying the soil to a great extent in winter as well as largely in summer. One of the best trees for the purpose is the common white pine, which grows quickly, makes a good deal of foliage, and it is much more of a surface rooter than many trees, and this is what makes it so good for drainage. Those who may have a piece of land that would be improved by being drier and would not object to trees doing the work for them should plant some. The result would please them very much.—Practical Farmer.

## DASH CHANGED TO CRANK CHURNS.

There are a large number of butter makers who will use only the old-fashioned dash churn, believing that it gives the butter the best and quantity of butter considered. The great fault of the dash churn is the labor of operating it, so much of the exerted force of the operator being lost on account of no machinery to utilize it as in the crank

churn. In Figs. 1 and 2, dash churns are converted into crank churns. In the device shown in Fig. 1 an old buggy wheel can be used for the fly-wheel. All the iron work, such as the crank shaft, bearings, pitman, etc., can be made by any blacksmith at a small expense. The framework any farmer will be able to make himself.

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Then spread over the branches cut from the trees, allowing the green leaves to extend down her sides. The milk can then be milked in comfort. It will need a fresh branch every two or three days, keeping it in water when not used as a shade for the cow.—American Cultivator.

## Backwater in Orchards.

There is no grain crop that can be grown in orchards to better advantage than buckwheat. It is not exhaustive and the broad leaves shade the soil so that it does not make the land dry as other grain crops do. Besides, one of the effects of buckwheat growing is to keep the soil mellow so that every rain will soak into the soil instead of remaining on the surface until winds and sun dry out the moisture. It is the practice of some orchardists to sow buckwheat in orchards two or three times each year, plowing under the growth as soon as it was in blossom or before. This fills the soil with vegetable matter, making it very porous. It often turns the last buckwheat growth to humic acid if a wet winter follows.

## Ground Bone for Layers.

The use of ground bone in the poultry yard should be encouraged. With ground bone in reach of the poultry, there is no danger of the egg-eating habit assuming large proportions, and it is doubtful if the hens will be practiced at all, where ground bone is accessible. We have noticed that when the fowls are thus supplied they even lose their liking for broken egg shells, which is certainly an indication that ground bone is effective.—Farmers' Review.

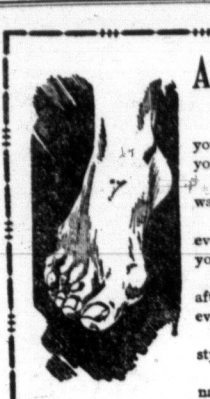


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