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### The Planet.

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#### A STRONG GOVERNMENT.

The speech from the Throne, given at the opening of the Legislature yesterday, and published in full in The Planet, contains a very lengthy program of important issues, which will occupy the attention of the House during the present session. If the full program is carried out, and Mr. Whitney and his colleagues continue along the lines already mapped out, Ontario's destinies will be perfectly safe in the hands of this intelligent and progressive Government.

This promises to be a busy session and there is no doubt that the action on the various matters proposed to be dealt with, will be fruitful of much useful legislation. Among the most important of these are the educational reforms. These will be dealt with along lines very much similar to those which have been previously mentioned in this journal, and which have been received with such hearty approbation all over the Province.

Among other things which will come before the gentlemen composing the Legislative Assembly will be, the Amendment to the Liquor Act, the Amendment to the Mining Laws, the Amendment to the County Councils Act, the Railway Act Revision, the Revision of the Street and Electric Railway Act, Railway Taxation, and the many other measures mentioned in the address will all come in for their fair share of attention.

Much has been looked for from Premier Whitney, but the list of reforms contemplated is far in excess of the expectations of the most sanguine. The prevailing feeling seems to be that Mr. Whitney has started out on a strong constructive policy. He has conceived a practical insight into the pressing needs of the country and will give force and vigor to the business of the Province in its various phases.

We shall have a thoroughly business session, giving us an installment of the reforms for which the people have so long looked in vain.

#### THE SPREADING OF DISEASE.

A few days ago a case was brought to light by the press, of infection through paper money. A person handling money bills was infected with a very serious optic disease and doctors without difficulty traced the origination of it to paper money.

It is surprising that such a thing could be made public without attracting more than ordinary attention from medical men and deep thinking people, yet the object lesson of this case seems to have passed unnoticed by the majority of newspaper readers and doctors.

Authorities have said that a coinage is much less liable to spread disease than paper money, and if this is the case the withdrawal of the latter should at least receive the consideration of the Governments of Canada and the United States. This is conceded to be a matter which cannot be dealt with in a day and there may be many difficulties which would confront those who would undertake its advancement.

There is, however, another great influence in the spreading of disease which can readily be rectified, and which should receive prompt attention. Books are taken away from Free Lending Libraries and returned without any guarantee that the borrower is not living in a disease infected house or district. Would it not be wise to pass a by-law compelling borrowers to sign a declaration to the contrary and making it a punishable offense to return a book from a disease infected house without declaring the same to the Library officials?

It would certainly minimize the danger of disease being unconsciously spread by these worthy and useful institutions, and in the cause of humanity anything that can be done to fight disease should be done at once and done willingly.

It is much easier to profit by the mistakes of others than by our own. All the great work in the world is simply doing the best that is in us.

## CONSUL IFFT LIKES CHATHAM

Visits his Former Home and  
Tells his People of the  
Beauties of The  
Maple City

Says the People Here are Very Friend-  
ly and Weather is every thing that  
Could be Wished for

The following extract from an interview with U. S. Consul Ifft, on Chatham, appeared in a recent issue of the Pocatello Tribune: "George Nicholas Ifft, Consul of the United States at Chatham in Ontario, and, incidentally, president of the Tribune Company, of Pocatello, Idaho, dropped off No. 5 from the East at 10:10 o'clock this morning and will spend a few days at home. "How do I like Chatham and what sort of a place is it? I like it fine. It is a splendid little city, about 12,000 population, wide awake and up to date. When I tell you that it has more than 15 miles of excellently paved streets you will know that this is a fact. It is a fine business town. It is situated in the centre of the fat Ontario peninsula between the lakes, the garden of Canada, where everything from tobacco and grapes to wheat, corn, barley and beans, is grown. Four railroads, an electric line and steamers on the Thames river and great lakes furnish abundant transportation facilities.

"How about the weather? What sort of a winter have we had at Chatham? Well, there is perhaps the biggest surprise of all. I had heard so much about Our Lady of the Snows that I really expected some cold weather. But we haven't had any. I used to boast a good bit of our Italian skies and Florida zephyrs here in Pocatello, but I must admit that for mildness this winter at Chatham beats everything I have seen before. The river, a sluggish stream, has never been frozen over. In Tecumseh Park, a very pretty playground in the heart of the city, the buds on the trees are swollen almost to the bursting point and on in the middle of January I saw a bunch of enthusiastic old Scots bowling on the green and growing in the broadest dialect because it wouldn't get cold enough to freeze ice on the curling rink.

"Speaking of Tecumseh Park reminds me of that old savage, Tecumseh, who is held in high esteem in Canada and honored as a lofty patriot and noble warrior. This is rather a new point of view for here we regard him as a bloodthirsty and treacherous old redskin. My son often comes home from school worked up to the point of a declaration of war and all because of his history lesson. It is rather amusing but will do the boy good—broaden his view and impress on him forcibly that there are two sides to every question.

"On the whole, though, Chatham is very like an American city; its people differ in no respect from our own people. I found an Elk club in Chatham, just like our Elk club here at home, and was made very welcome. "The sentiment of the Canadian people toward the United States I have found always most cordial. Everywhere I have noted a feeling of kinship—of blood relationship."

#### He Had References.

In her book "A Southern Girl in '61" Mrs. D. Giraud Wright tells a capital story about General John C. Breckinridge of Kentucky. He was invited by a certain lady of rank in London to luncheon. The lady had just advertised for a footman. Mistaking the house before the appointed time and by some accident was ushered into Lady Blank's presence without being announced. The day was in June. Drawing to the heat the blinds were drawn, letting in subdued light. Lady Blank, glancing at the advancing figure, to the astonishment of the visitor, greeted him thus: "Have you a reference from your last place?" The general took the situation instantly and, with a twinkle in his eye, unobserved by the hostess, answered respectfully, "Yes, my lady." "What were your duties?" was the next query. "Well, my lady, in the last three places I held I was vice president of the United States, major general in the Confederate army and secretary of war of the Confederate States of America."



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#### DESERVED PRAISE

The following is taken from the Continental Herald, an American journal issued in Berlin, Germany: "Mrs. MacIntyre was informally at Home Monday from 4 till 7, and welcomed a number of 'aloneers.' Mrs. Garmen MacIntyre, who has an unusually beautiful voice and unlimited temperance, sang a group of English and Scotch songs." The article has reference to Mrs. E. J. MacIntyre, wife of the local jeweler, and their daughter, Miss Garmen, who is studying music in Germany.

#### PLEASANT EVENING

All who had the privilege of attending the social evening given by members of the League of Wesleyan church received a rare treat. The first part of the evening was spent in sampling the many tasty delicacies which the ladies of that district always supply. The latter part of the evening was devoted to a first class program, under the direction of Miss G. Hollinrake, assisted by Mrs. M. Bogart, Miss F. Bogart, Miss H. Bedford, Mr. F. Stevenson, and Mr. M. Bogart, all of this city. It is needless to say the program was of the very highest order, and was appreciated by the audience, and was shown by the encores given each number. Rev. Mr. Spurgeon acted as chairman in a very able manner. Those who assisted in the program were tendered a hearty vote of thanks for the excellent program given.

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#### Cavalry School For Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—The establishment of a provisional school of instruction for cavalry officers and non-commissioned officers at Ottawa has been authorized. This school will be opened May 1, under the supervision of the officer commanding the Royal Canadian Dragoons, and will last until June 15.

Ask any "JAP" that you may see, "Why the Bear, with Bear behind," had to climb a tree. The Yanks, God bless the Yanks, says he, They gave us Rocky Mountain Tea. A. I. McCall & Co.

#### SCOTLAND.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Holdaway were the guests of the latter's brother, Mr. Burk, of Blenheim, on Sunday. To Mr. and Mrs. B. Handy, a daughter.

The manager of the Scotland horse exchange bought another team of horses last week.

Mr. W. R. Bell was the guest at the home of Mr. R. Simmons on Sunday last.

Mr. H. D. Reynolds and Mr. Geo. Ray were visiting in Detroit for a few days last week.

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Broadcloths and Venetians—52 in. Chiffon Venetians, superior pure wool quality, colors black, navy, light navy, cardinal, brown, myrtle and fawn, the best \$1.25 cloth in Canada for \$1.00.

Saturday Clothing Bargains—Owing to our millinery being moved upstairs we are compelled to close our Clothing Dept. As we must have the space it occupies by the 1st of March we are compelled to make sweeping reductions as follows—

Men's Suits, fine tweeds, worsteds and serges, regular \$12.50 to \$15.00 each for \$8.90.

Men's Suits, pure wool tweeds, regular \$8.50 to \$10.00 each for \$5.90.

Men's Suits, strong serviceable tweeds, worth up to \$8.00 each for \$4.90.

Men's Pants, regular \$3.75 and \$4.00 a pair for \$2.69.

Men's Pants, regular \$3.00 to \$3.50 for \$2.39.

Men's Pants, regular \$2.00 to \$2.50 for \$1.69.

Men's Overcoats and Reckers clearing at about half price.

Boys' Clothing of every description at Sweeping Reductions.

Prints—3000 yard, heavy 32 inch Canadian prints, light and dark, fast colors, at a yard 10c.

Table Linen Bargains, 60 inch cream damask, worth 40c a yard for 25c.

70 inch pure linen cream damask, the best 50c Table Linen in Canada, at a yard 39c.

44 inch English Pillow Cotton, pure bleach, circular weave, fine round thread, reg. 20c a yard for 15c.

2 1/4 yd. Bleached Sheetings 23c—Heavy English Wigan Sheetings, pure bleach, full 2 1/4 yards wide, regular 30c yd. for 23c.

20c Kimona Flannels 14c—8 pieces fine quality, in choice designs and colorings, regular 20c yard for 14c.

Bengal Cotton 8 1/2c yard—Full 36 in. wide, even round thread, clean finish sheeting cotton, worth 11c yard for 8 1/2c.

7c Stripe Shakers 5c—30 inch wide, good quality in range fast color stripes, worth 7c yard for 5c.

Ladies Skirts \$2.98—19 only Tweed and Cheviot Skirts, all this season's styles, regular \$3.50 to \$5.50 each, clearing at \$2.98.

Ladies' Coats—Your choice of any coat in stock almost Half-Price.

Ladies' Fur Coats—

\$25.00 Astrachans for \$16.90

35.00 Astrachans for 25.00

50.00 Seal, sable trimmed, for \$34.90

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Girl's Sailor Suits—Fine pure wool Navy Serge, pretty styles, prettily trimmed, regular \$2.50 for \$1.89.

35c. Wool Hose 25c—20 dozen Ladies Fine Wool and Heavy Cashmere Hose, ribbed and plain, regular 35c. a pair, for 25c.

Lamb Wool Mats—Long fleecy wool in rich red shades—3 sizes, Regular \$1.00 for 89c.

1.25 for 98c

1.50 for \$1.19

Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 8 for 25c—Fine Swiss Lawn with narrow hemstitch hems, regular 5c. each for 8 for 25c.

Satin Ribbons in fancy colors, 9 in. wide, regular 25c a yard, for 9c.

Collar Tops—25 dozen fine Swiss Embroidery Collar Tops, 8 choice designs, regular 25c. each, for 15c.

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## AUCTION SALE

### Farm Rented

Mr. Geo. Stacey has decided to devote his whole time to his prosperous grocery, butcher and dairy business in Chatham, and will sell by public auction, without reserve, on MONDAY, FEB. 19, at Ten o'clock a. m., on his old homestead farm in Dover, lot 12, concession 6, Winter Line, two miles from Pain Court, all his valuable farm stock and implements, including a number of thoroughbred Durham cattle and a number of good grade cows with calves by their sides, also a few fine Jersey cows which are unsurpassed milkers, both in quality and quantity, also a number of hogs with several good brood sows which are due to farrow in March or April. We wish to call special attention to the hogs, as they are from imported stock (York and Tamworth).

The horses are all in good order and ready for work. For full particulars see bill, and do not forget the place and date, Feb. 19th.

P. S.—The auctioneers respectfully call the attention of the public to this very important sale, as Mr. Stacey has always been very careful in selecting his stock and, being a good judge, has raised nothing but the best. No reserved bids, everything must be sold, as he is entirely giving up farming. We ask you to get there early as it is a large sale to get through with.

Lunch served to those from a distance.

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