

## The Planet

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THE DAILY PLANET, one year \$4.00  
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THE PLANET will be sent free of postage to any address in Canada or the United States.

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## It Means Something

To have the largest circulation in Western Ontario, to carry more advertising than any other newspaper printed or published in this district. It means that

## "The Planet"

gives an advertiser the kind of satisfaction he wants, at a price he is satisfied to pay. It is the real reason—The secret others are seeking to solve—That The Planet is ever winning increased patronage and approval.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4.

## THE DUTY OF THE NEWSPAPERS.

The Ottawa Citizen discusses the duty of newspapers in connection with such cases as that of the two clergymen who got into trouble in Syracuse by injudiciously if not criminal action, on lines so fully in accord with the views of this great home journal that we produce the article in part:

The Citizen has heard more or less unfavorable comments on the "prominence" given by the press to the Syracuse incident in which two Canadian clergymen figured. Some people object to it on the ground that the wide-spread publication of such news is injurious to the church and to religion; others demonstrate on the line that the publication injured a number of innocent persons, including the families of the men implicated. Also that it is unfair to spread to such an extent on a case in which clergymen are implicated, when, had they been ordinary business men or the average citizen, comparatively little notice would have been taken of it.

In our opinion none of these grounds are tenable. In fact each is in itself to some extent a reason why much prominence should be given to the case of the newspapers. In the first place it will be admitted that any case which goes into the criminal courts is a fair subject for publicity. If one of the principals in the Syracuse case had not been arrested and tried in a police court there might have been nothing heard of the matter so far as the newspapers are concerned. As for the effect of publication on the church and religion it seems to us that the wide-spread publicity given to such a case is a guarantee to the public that such incidents are of very rare occurrence. The suppression or minimizing of such news would have the contrary, and, to the church, decidedly uncomplimentary and unwelcome effect of creating the impression that such cases are not rare, or that, if they do occur, the press does its best to whitewash them.

The most appealing, if not the most convincing argument, against wide-spread publicity, is that of the injury done to many innocent people. There is no doubt that many of the good and guiltless suffer much pain and distress as a consequence. But the newspaper has a duty to the public. It is not always a pleasant duty, but it is a duty. No small part of the punishment of the man who gets into the hands of the law is the exposure which in these days inevitably follows through the columns of the press. The man inclined to do wrong has before him the deterrent knowledge, that he will not only make trouble for himself, but bring distress and sorrow upon his perfectly innocent family and friends. The knowledge exerts an influence for good in the community. In fact, among the better classes of the community it would not be exaggeration to say that the influence is even stronger than that of the law, because of an appreciation of the wide-spread and

## Eczema

How it reddens the skin, itches, oozes, dries and scales! Some people call it tetter, milk crust or salt rheum. The suffering from it is sometimes intense, local applications are resorted to, but they mitigate, but cannot cure. It proceeds from humors inherited or acquired, and persists until these have been removed.

## Hood's Sarsaparilla

positively removes them, has radically and permanently cured the worst cases, and is without an equal for all cutaneous eruptions.

far reaching results which do not end with the direct action of the law. There is scarcely a day goes by but friends of persons who appear in the courts bring pressure to bear on the newspapers to have the facts suppressed. The duty of a newspaper under such circumstances is a most difficult one—a duty and a service to the public which the latter does not as a rule understand or appreciate, and one of the performance of which not infrequently results in pecuniary loss to the publisher. Yet most newspapers perform the duty most conscientiously. It would save them a great deal of trouble to accede to the requests, and few would be any the wiser, but the rule is that the suppression of any one case is an unfair discrimination when the cases of a dozen others are published. On some papers the rule is not an iron one. Cases arise of trivial importance to the community or to society, where it can be shown that the direct material damage to the person and his family will outweigh any good that the publication will do to society. In such cases, after verifying the particulars, the names are withheld.

An insight into the responsibilities of newspapers in connection with cases such as that at Syracuse will no doubt materially alter the opinions of many people who are prone to accuse the press of sensationalism.

## CANADIANS WOULD MAKE A MESS OF IT.

After all, why should the people of this country take umbrage because Lord Minto and Major Maude want to revise the addresses to be read to the Duke of York, before allowing them to be presented? They understand how these things are done. Things of this kind are formal. For the purpose of addressing royalty there is a fixed code, as in telegraphing or in signalling by means of flags—how could the people of this country be supposed to understand it if our people wrote their own addresses they might use the simple language of earnestness, and, to the mortification of the well-informed, omit some of the phrases that are habitual on such occasions. It is a kindness to save us from ghoulishities that might be the amusement of the royal court for twenty years to come.

No doubt, too, when His Majesty visits an English city the size of Toronto the same precaution is taken, by having the proposed address revised by some intermediary of Lord Minto's experience and judgment.

Therefore, why should we murmur? But for the kind intervention of His Excellency and Major Maude, Mayor Howland, of Toronto, or some other Mayor might startle His Royal Highness by reading some such address as the following:—

To His Royal Highness the Duke of York:

Dear Fellow-Being.—We are proud

## Farmers!

What do you need worse at this season of the year than a

## Cistern

—or a—

## Water Tub

in sizes 5 blbs. and up, always on hand at

## Blonde Bros. &amp; Co.

## MEYNELL'S

Extra Special Odds and Ends of Ties, they're beauties, regular 90c and 75c kind, till sold, for 25c.

We have also in our window some of the newest creations in Neckwear, worth while looking.

Note Prices of Clothing, come inside and examine qualities, all our Summer Clothing, which is a limited amount, at extra cut prices.

This has been a rushing season, reason why, one price the lowest, and proper business principles.

Geo. Meynell, Three Doors West of Market

and glad to have you visit us because you are heir to the throne around which you may rest assured the colonies stand grouped, and which they are ever ready to guard against attack, it being the symbol and guarantee of that approved and fire-tried system of Government which has staked out this corner lot on both hemispheres and given them as an inheritance to the descendants of our ancestors.

We are proud also to welcome you because forty years ago our fathers welcomed your father, as we hope, our sons will welcome your son in the days to come. It is a prosperous relation that exists between your Royal House and us, and if not a perpetual one, the fault will not be ours. However, you must be dead tired after travelling so far, and being lionized so much, therefore, we will conclude by saying that you are welcome to all this part of the earth, for we are all as loyal subjects as the peers of England themselves.

P.S.—If ever siblings don't go right in the years to come, flag us. We are, etc., etc.

But if such an address is submitted to His Excellency and Major Maude they could make a few slight alterations in it with a pen and return it, already for use, like this:

"To His Royal Highness George Frederick Ernest Albert, Duke of Cornwall and York, Duke of Rothesay, Prince of Saxony, Earl of Carrick and Inverness, Baron of Renfrew and Killarney, Lord of the Isles, and Great Steward of Scotland, K.G., P.C.K.T., K.P.J.G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., LL.D., D.C.L., etc., etc."

"May it please Your Royal Highness," we beg the humble privilege of paying our homage and welcoming your Royal Highness to our land. We humbly and dutifully crave permission to testify to the unwavering loyalty of this part of the dominions of your Royal House round which they form a trusty guard.

On this auspicious occasion we beg also to remind your Royal Highness that forty years ago your August and Illustrious Father visited these shores—a fact which yet remains as a fond memory in every colonial heart.

In recognition of such that may impress your Royal Highness as being raw and uncouth in the populace, we would plead that the arduous toil of subduing a new world has heretofore engaged a great number of those engaged in the cause of your Royal Highness may be pleased to see before you, but rough, untutored, and toll-marked though they be, no more loyal hearts can be found anywhere than those which, directed by His Excellency, the present Governor-General, whose future we recommend to your Royal keeping, your Royal Highness—now and herewith and hereby pledge to your Royal Sire and your Royal House their undying loyalty and most dutiful devotion.

Most humbly, etc., etc.

There is no telling what kind of address might be presented by Canadians in their excess of enthusiasm, and so it is not well to leave it to chance. Indeed, the only real safe course would be for His Excellency to authorize an address which could be used by all municipalities.

According to the despatches, the Sultan will yield to France, and the Sultan will not yield to France.

"Goluchowski warns Russia," we read. It practically is all over with the Bear. The name sounds like charging cavalry.

A newspaper man on his way to preach last Sunday, was thrown from a rig and injured. There is a moral in that story.—London News.

Well, rather! Several of them. But which one is the News driving at?

There are 502 prisoners in Kingston penitentiary. Those five hundred make a lot of good road for the season.—Bobcaygeon Independent.

Surely the peacemaker for Advanced Thought is not in favor of chain-gangs and convict labor.

A former Mayor of Washington, N. J., was fined \$1 and costs for using the word "damn" on the public streets. His remark was considered a work of supererogation in Washington, N. J., and he was fined for a willful waste of words.

It was real mean of Richardson—a professional writer—to take advantage of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and make a monkey of the statesman in the letter writing business. If it were a platform discussion, now, the silver-tongued statesman would down the editor in no time. And if he made any slips, Sir Wilfrid would afterwards refuse to be held responsible for "newspaper reports" of his speech. Gab is Laurier's forte.—Hamilton Spectator.

IT MAY BE TAFFY.

Toronto Mail.

An Ottawa preacher who got as far away from home as Boston is quoted as saying that Canadians hate the English. Boston must have a brand of candy that makes people there talk nonsense.

CAUTIOUS KRUGER.

Bobcaygeon Independent.

Kruger's incessant firing of hot air from the cover of a neutral state, is getting to be irritatingly monotonous. Some respect can be felt for Steyn or De Wet, who stake their necks in defence of their rights. A man who crawls under the barn, should not be permitted to sic on the scrappers.

\$100 REWARD. \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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What are the three big bargains in groceries at McConnell's, Park street. It will pay you to call and ask. The profit is yours, for the day.

Saturday, Aug. 31

I will sell two dinner sets, two tea sets, two chamber sets at a ten per cent reduction for the day only.

All other crockery sold at five per cent discount during the day.

All other groceries will be sold at three per cent discount for cash during the day.

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The Great English Remedy. Sold and recommended by all druggists in Canada. Only reliable medicine discovered. Six packages guaranteed to cure all cases of General Weakness, all effects of excess, Mental Worry, Excessive use of tobacco, Opium or Stimulants. Mailed on receipt of price, one package \$1.50. One will please, six will cure. Pamphlets free to any address. The Wood Company, Windsor, Ont.

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The Northway Co., Limited

The Busy Cash Store

The Northway Co., Limited

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Undoubtedly the finest display and best values that has ever been shown in the city. Call and see them. They are sure to interest you.

## BLACK TAFFETAS

22 in. Black Taffeta, rich pure quality, bright finish, very special at per yard 50c

## 24 INCH BLACK TAFFETA

Firm, heavy quality, rich black dye, will give splendid wear, matchless value at per yard 75c

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Best French make, rich heavy quality, will not cut, superior dye and finish, rare values at a yd. \$1.25 \$1.00 and

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The new Dress Silk, every yard guaranteed, rich, heavy pure quality, will not crush or cut. Ask to see this special make at per yard \$1.00

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Heavy pure quality, wide widths, bright finish, rich black dyes, wonderful values at per yard 75c, 90c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50

## COLORED TAFFETA SILKS

Pure quality, rich firm finish, very durable, 20 new shades, at per yard 75c

## COLORED SATINS

23 in. heavy quality, well faced, superior finish, in large range of new fall shades, the best value in Canada at per yard 50c

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DRS. RUTHERFORD & RUTHERFORD—Office, Scane's Block, King St. Residence, corner Wellington and Prince Sts. East. J. F. Rutherford, M. D. Specialty, surgery. J. W. Rutherford, M. B. Specialty, midwifery, diseases of women and children.

## LODGES

WELLINGTON Lodge, No. 46. A. F. & A. M., G. R. C. meets on the first Monday of every month, in the Masonic Hall, Fifth St., at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren heartily welcomed. WM. E. CAMPBELL, W. M. ALEX. GREGORY, Sec.

## A. O. U. W.

Members who seek to canvas with success secure our new circulars filled with up-to-date information about A. O. U. W. methods and terms; this is the time to work. Accident, sickness and death are at work. For want of a nail the shoe was lost; for want of a horse the man was lost; and for want of the man, the battle and the kingdom was lost. Insure now. CHAS. KELLY, J. R. SNELL, M. W. Recorder.

## NOTICE!

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