

The Planet.

DAILY AND WEEKLY
Chatham, Ont.

STILL ANOTHER SCANDAL.

In the House of Commons on Wednesday, Mr. Ingram, M. P. for Elgin, brought out a pretty state of affairs in connection with the purchase of a site for the St. Thomas drill hall. The papers just brought down showed that Dr. Wilson, who had the patronage of the county, being the owner of the property, had the selection of a valuator, made by Mr. D. Macneish. He chose the President of the Loan Company, who held mortgages on the property, and that gentleman valued at \$300 each lot which he had previously valued at \$80. The net result was that the Government paid the equivalent of \$7,500 for what was worth \$3,000.

THE POTTER'S FIELD.

The railway wayfarer to and from the Eau Claire cemetery as he passes Maple Leaf cemetery a few lovely looking graves in one corner of what might otherwise pass for an ordinary pasture field. He cannot miss these for they are conspicuous by their very air of desolation which surrounds them. It is unnecessary to tell anybody who has ever seen the spot that this is the "Potter's Field." Placed as they are, forlorn looking, without tree or shrub, crowded in a corner as if the six feet of ground donated to each was grudgingly given, it requires little stretch of imagination to add a civic sign to the plot.

Here Lie a Lot of Poor Wretches
Who Couldn't Pay Their
Own Funeral Expenses.

The whole appearance of the place suggests that just as plainly as if it were put in letters a foot long. Now, this great family journal has no more respect for a poor man than for a rich one. It can see no credit in dying a pauper. But still people do die that way, and will probably continue the practice. As a consequence, the city, whether it grudges the space or not—space worth the magnificent sum of about \$125 an acre—will have to provide a last resting place for them. This being the case why not give them any ordinary grave in the ordinary cemetery? Why isolate them in this desolate looking corner where their graves only proclaim that while living they were unfortunate enough to be poor, and dead they have been as conspicuously separated from those able to settle for their last earthly requirements as if they were capable of transmitting the small-pox. We do not mean that the graves of the indigent should be dumped here and there in somebody else's lot, but we do mean that the cemetery should have no "Potter's Field."

A plot here and there as required could be utilized and its occupants rest in the midst of others unnoticed and inconspicuous. In the meantime, for those who do occupy this rather uninviting corner of the city cemetery, we would suggest that a few trees be put out, trees that will partially conceal the fact that the occupants of those graves have been cast away because they had not the wherewithal to pay for a grave along side of their formerly more fortunate but now death-equalized neighbors.

Dr. Borden has dropped his great reform providing for the free distribution of honorary citizenships among meritorious civilians. This cuts off a number of county court clerkship applicants from deserved promotion.

Dr. Spillane, of Eustache, Mich., has obtained most gratifying results from the use of egg membrane in place of human skin as used in the process of skin grafting. His patient is a resident of Eustache, and has been under treatment for a considerable time.

That honest Liberal journal, the Huntingtonian, holds that the ration card was so bad that the Government should sue the contractor for the return of the money paid to him. The Ottawa Journal (Independent) takes the same line. This would certainly be one way of repaying the wrong. The Government by replacing the cash taken from the treasury, would wipe out a share of its responsibility.

It is a pity that Chatham should lose the Canadian games through a misunderstanding of the city council. Couldn't that body square things by making the Sons of Scotland a grant sufficient to offset the injury done them by anticipating their games with a holiday? These games are commercially valuable to the city and \$250 or \$300 voted to encourage them will be money well spent.

We just want to call the attention of those people who have been deluded enough to put any faith in the Banner's anti-palmit crusade to the following advertisement now running in its columns:

Madam LaZell, scientific palmist, past, present and future, -25c and 50c. Room 8, Garner House.
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But half a century ago, even more aggressively exclusive than their continental neighbors—the Chinese—the Japanese emerged from the chrysalis state of development with a rush, and set themselves to the task of equaling those nations with whom they found they must needs associate. Now, far from seeking to confine foreigners and foreign trade to comparatively few treaty ports, they have practically thrown their country open to all comers, and are prepared to measure themselves in competition against the most enterprising of the commercial nations in their own markets and those of the world.

John Ramsford, the well known salt manufacturer of Clinton, having made a trip through the Maritime Provinces, writes to the Clinton News-Record the result of his observations:—"All through the Maritime Provinces the feeling is everywhere in favor of a change of Government at the next election. It's in the air; it's all around. Grit and Tory alike look for it and welcome it. I need not say that the old school of respectable Liberals deplore and refuse to countenance as vehemently as the most rabid Tory the utter, supreme indifference of the Laurier Government to its antiselection pledges. Dishonesty may endure for a night, but retribution cometh in the morning."

New Zealand has been the first of Her Majesty's colonies to grant to women the right to vote. The bill for female suffrage passed the house in 1892, but made no further progress. In 1893, however, it passed both houses and received the royal assent in September of the same year. Since this it has not been "one man, one vote," but "one person, one vote." The qualifications for electors—applicable to whites and Maories alike—are a residence of at least one year in the colony and three months in the district, or the possession of a freehold property worth \$100. Of this experiment much has been said on both sides, but neither its opponents nor most ardent advocates can, as yet, speak authoritatively, as to the final result.

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WINDSOR HAS HAD EXPERIENCE.

Windsor Record.
Chatham has a bad civic holiday clash. The Oddfellows claim one day while the Sons of Scotland think another is better. The council will hold a special meeting to weigh the respective claims. Windsor had a similar difficulty, and councils can avoid it by themselves choosing a day and standing by it. The right of one fraternal society is equal to that of any other.

THE BURG IS A FAST TOWN, BUT—

Ottawa Citizen.
Wallaceburg is not by any means the slowest town in Ontario, yet it has had to protest against the pace set by its new, now ex-chief of police. He had been on duty but two days when he was found between six and seven o'clock in the evening carrying a load that was too heavy for him. This has been decided to be "too swift" for the "Burg," and the council is accordingly advertising for a chief of police whose pace is not quite so fast. The mayor, in giving the casting vote, said he would not have done so had he not seen the chief in the condition alleged.

APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINERS.

Tilbury Times.
The expense in connection with the school examination in Chatham will no doubt bring about some changes on the part of the education department. There is altogether too much favoritism shown in connection with the appointment of the examiners, who are often appointed because of some "pull" rather than on their merits. The department also gives temptation in sending the papers out so long before the examination. There should also be a responsible person present at the opening of the papers, instead of leaving it to the children, who have no interest in the matter.

INFECTION CARRIED BY FLIES.

Medical Age.
An interesting experiment, illustrative of the possibility of transmission of infection through the agency of flies is communicated by Dr. F. Smith, of Sierra Leone (Public Health, December, 1899). Four Petri dishes were prepared, three with sterile, coagulated serum, and one with a culture of diphtheria on serum. A common house fly was made to walk first over a sterile dish (No. 1), then over the one on which was the growth of diphtheria (No. 2), and next over the other two sterile ones (Nos. 3 and 4). Nos. 1, 3 and 4 were then placed in an incubator. On the following day No. 1 showed only a few cocci, but Nos. 3 and 4 showed colonies of diphtheria bacilli in the track of the fly.

FARMERS CAUGHT ON ANOTHER SWINDLE.

Wingham Advance.
There was considerable stir here recently in connection with a land advertising agency. It seems that three years ago a number of farmers in this vicinity, gave permission to a Gaspish advertising agency to advertise their farms for sale, the agreement being that two per cent of the price asked was to be paid the agency as commission if the farm was sold, or if not sold at the end of three years to cover cost of advertising. The papers have been turned over to a legal firm, who are now collecting the percentages. For instance, one farmer, valuing his farm at \$6,000, was called on for \$120. Many, who have had large bills presented, have paid them, seeing no way to avoid doing so. Others have compromised for a reduced sum. One experience of this kind will satisfy the most of the sufferers.

BRUTAL.

Ottawa Citizen.
Certain Grit editors are making desperate efforts to destroy the damning force of the revelations in the emergency food scandal and some, as the Windsor Record, attempt to dispose of the subject with an unbecoming levity that offends the sensibilities of every loyal Canadian. Taking its cue from the Hamilton Times' heathenish remark that "Mr. Monk wouldn't care if every man in the contingent perished of hunger, if only the Tory party were not compelled to go fasting in the wilderness of opposition," the Record ventured this skit:—
If it killed the whole outfit Chatham wouldn't need to put on mourning.

The editor of the Chatham Planet, metaphorically speaking, placed the Windsor scribe across his knee and administered this little slipper: "The Record, of course, intends this to be funny, but under the circumstances it is simply an exhibition of bad taste. Chatham sent eight or nine men to South Africa and many others from the Maple City tendered their services. One of the first members of the Canadian contingent to fall at Paardeburg was a Chatham boy. The Record in its attempt at levity no doubt forgets this."

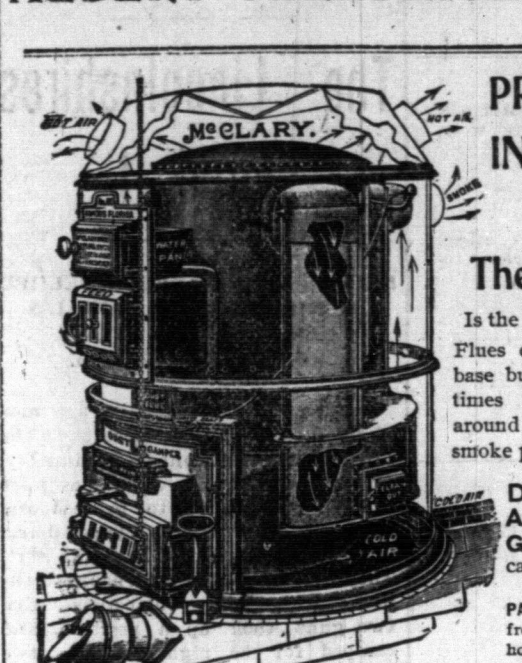
THE WINDSOR SCHOOL CASE.

Exchange.
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If the bishop means that he will build a school out of his own funds, or out of the funds of his church, nobody has a right to interfere. People in this country have a right to maintain and make use of any denominational schools they please. But the separate schools of this province are maintained by public funds, and it is an abuse of that system for a bishop to try to coerce his people into attending them against their will. The separate school law is intended to confer a privilege upon the Catholic people, not to subject them to coercion.

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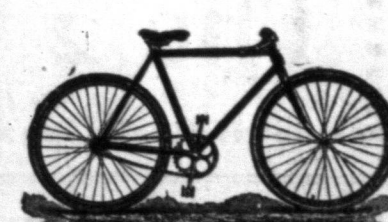
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