

The Planet.

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RAILWAY RATES

W. F. Maclean's amendment fixing the maximum passenger rate on railways in Canada at two cents a mile was voted down by the "representatives" of the people, as was expected. Easy for the "representatives." They travel on passes; they don't pay even two cents a mile. What do they care what the people pay? What need they care? The people are too much interested in party politics to bother their heads about anything else. Mr. Maclean pointed out that while in certain of the United States the rate was fixed by law at two cents a mile, and the railways made money at that rate, in Canada as high as four cents a mile is charged. An American buying his ticket in the State of Michigan, is able to travel over Canada at the rate of two cents a mile; but the Canadian must pay three cents, even on railways which the people themselves have practically built. But he argued in vain. It is to be feared that the railway pass is of more importance to some of the "representatives" than the interests of their constituents. And who can blame them? When people fail to take an interest in their own affairs they need not expect others will do their work for them.—Woodstock Express.

THE GREED FOR POWER.

Chicago Record-Herald.

It is claimed that two cousins of the King of Serbia are running saloons in Brooklyn. The craving for political power must run in that family.

MORE ELOQUENT THAN WORDS.

Atlanta Constitution.

"I don't preach no long sermons in de summer time," said the colored brother, "I des calls de 'tention er de winners ter de state er de thermometer, er bless God, dey knows what's comin'!"

USEFUL AS WELL AS ORNAMENTAL.

Stratford Beacon.

Our friends across the border may scoff at kings as anachronisms in democratic countries, but under Victoria and Edward Britons have found that monarchs may accomplish tasks that, to the man embroiled in politics, would be impossible.

A FINANCIAL GENIUS.

London Advertiser.

C. W. Mitchell, who has sold the Ottawa Free Press, intends taking it easy for the rest of his days, and can well afford to. We have not the pleasure of Mr. Mitchell's acquaintance, but the fact that he has made money in the newspaper business argues that he must be a pretty smart man.

PRAYER OF THE CONVERT.

Carleton's Magazine.

A South Sea islander, at the close of a religious meeting, offered the following prayer:

"O God, we are about to go to our respective homes. Let not the words we have heard be like the fine clothes we wear, soon to be taken off and folded up in a box till another Sabbath comes round. Rather, let Thy truth be like the tattoo on our bodies, ineffaceable till death."

OUR PIOUS WITNESS GETS GAY.

Montreal Witness.

The hunting of the shark is going to be outdone by the hunting of Mr. Rothschild's flea. A peculiarity of the flea was established by a celebrated Irish philosopher, namely, that when you put your finger on it it is not there. Its moves are like those of the chess knight; so that, after one, there is no way of knowing where it is. The flea hunt is a favorite pastime with most uncultured peoples, from the Neapolitan to the Apache, who, at evening, sit in strings in each other's laps to be gone over. But we do not remember before of the flitting out of a maritime expedition in pursuit of a flea. The Greeks of old fitted out one. It is true, to obtain a golden fleece, and there may have been some fleas in that.

ALEX. F. PIRIE.

London Advertiser.

His humor sparkled in all his utterances, written and spoken, and seemed the natural expression of a sunny and buoyant temperament, in love with life and inclined to see the bright side of things. Among his friends he was the soul of geniality and good fellowship. It was a privilege to know him intimately and to feel the sunshine of his personality. There was no trace of morbidness in his nature, and if his wit, was keen it left no sting. The most kind-hearted of men, he never employed his gifts of tongue and pen to wound the feelings, even in the heat of controversy. It is inconceivable that he committed this tragic act when in his right senses.

ECHOES

FROM

ERIEAU

Master James Boyd has been appointed as agent of The Planet at Erieau. Subscribers of this paper who fail to receive it regularly at their cottages will please report the matter to him and he will receive and forward any orders from those who desire The Planet sent to their cottages.

Miss Abram spent the day in town. Mrs. W. D. Samson went to Blenheim on Thursday.

The Misses Glenn were the guests of their brother, S. M. Glenn.

A party of young people from Erieau spent the day at Erie Beach.

Miss Nell Young, of Portage la Prairie, returned from Detroit today.

Misses Georgia and Rose Morrison returned home this week, after spending the summer on the bar.

Large fish are the order of the day. Another good sized maskilonge was landed at the pier yesterday afternoon.

W. H. Harper and others interested in sealing, are talking of having a regatta in the near future. It is to be hoped that definite arrangements will be made.

On instruction from Game Commissioner W. B. Wells, Game Warden Quillman was at the Eau inognito night before last and got information which, if it is used will lead to the conviction of some of those violating the game laws with reference to duck shooting. A deputy warden is likely to be appointed with full power to act.

WILDGEN--PAULI

On Monday, Aug. 10, at 7 a. m., at St. Vincent de Paul Church, Pontiac, Miss Minnie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Wildgen, formerly of this city, now of Pontiac, Mich., was united in matrimony to Frank Pauli, a prominent young man of the same place, employed in the post office as a mail carrier. Only immediate relatives were present. After a sumptuous breakfast the happy couple left on their honeymoon trip on the lakes and the St. Lawrence to the Thousand Islands. After a two weeks' sojourn they will take up their residence in Pontiac, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Mulrooney, Port Dodge, Iowa, are visiting Mrs. J. J. Donovan, Wellington St. West.

Miss Belva Morand, Sandwich, Ont., is visiting her cousin, Miss Charlotte Neff, Head St. West.

Athena Saved by Poetry.
When (B. C. 404) after a heroic struggle Athens, the "City of the Violet Crown," was captured by Lysander there were not wanting clamorous voices to urge that the city whose lot for empire had brought such woes on Greece ought to be laid level with the ground.

The Spartan general at first lent a willing ear to his powerful allies, but while the council was still debating this momentous issue a plaintive voice was heard from the city walls chanting these noble lines from the "Electra" of Euripides, that most human of the poets of Greece, in which the heroine contrasts her fallen lot with the splendid exploits of her father, who had dismantled the towers of Troy.

Lysander bent his head and pondered on fortune's cruel reverse. Triumphphant as Agamemnon, who could tell but that he might be reserved for a fate as cruel? The lesson of moderation was accepted. Athens was saved. Milton has immortalized this dramatic event in one of his best known sonnets:

The repeated air
Of sad Electra's poet had the power
To save the Athenian walls from ruin bare.

Language Was Not Needed.

"I don't see how the count could propose to you when he can't talk any English and you don't speak French."
"Oh, it was very easy! We were sitting in the parlor. Pointing up at an oil painting of papa, the count took out a piece of paper and a pencil. Then he set down a dollar mark and after it placed a figure 1. Looking at me out of his big, deep, eloquent, lovely eyes, he began making ciphers after the dollar mark and the figure 1. When he had made four ciphers, which, with the other figure, meant \$10,000, he stopped. I nodded my head for him to go on. Then he made another cipher. That meant \$100,000. I nodded my head again. He made another, which raised it to \$1,000,000. I nodded for him to go ahead. He put down another cipher, making it \$10,000,000. Then I smiled and took the pencil from him, and he caught me in his arms and—oh, it was so lovely! It almost seems like a dream to think that in three weeks I shall be a real countess."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

BLENHEIM

Aug. 14.—Last week Mrs. A. Lombury met a bad accident by which she nearly lost her eyesight. She had been on the stove, by which she was heating some ammonia. She went to lift it off, and the top blew off and the boiling liquid was thrown in her eyes and face. It is not thought her eyesight will be permanently injured.

Miss Grace Feetham is visiting her brother at Florence.

Miss Elva McBroom, of London is staying at Mrs. J. M. Denholm's.

The social held by the Blenheim Loyal Orange Lodge 1722, at the residence of W. J. Burroughs on Tuesday evening was a great success. Rev. L. P. Jones was chairman. Music was furnished by the pipe and drum band. About 400 were present.

Mrs. Larne Smith, of Manitoulin Island, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Henderson.

At Missoula, Montana, Aug. 11th, the wife of Mr. A. P. Carmichael, of a son.

Miss Beatrice Hall returned this week, after visiting friends in Listowel and Stratford.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Russell, of Charing Cross, who left that place last spring for British Columbia, have returned and have taken Mr. Geo. Thompson's house on Sheldrick St. He intends moving to his farm in the spring.

A large picnic was held at the government house by 200 descendants of the Hamlet families.

Miss Rowe, of Petrolia, is visiting Miss Jessie Plater.

Mrs. Callaghan left on Wednesday for her home in Duluth, Minn., after spending a month with relatives here. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. T. Hildreth, who will remain for some time.

Mr. Angus Courtney, of Courtright, has come to reside with his daughter, Mrs. Blake Goulet. Mr. C. has just returned from a trip, through the Northwest.

O. V. Lee, buyer for the Toronto Feather Co., will be found at the Sheldon House after August 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Miller and family, of Plainfield, N. J., are visiting at Mr. N. H. Miller's.

Mr. J. J. VonGutten won the handsome trophy which has been on exhibition in G. W. Campbell's bakery.

T. W. Pearson left Wednesday for a "three weeks' trip. He goes to Kingston and Merrickville, where he will visit his mother. From there he will go to Ottawa and Rideau Lake.

WALLACEBURG

Aug. 13.—Miss Ida Husband, of Chatham is visiting at her home here.

Misses Frances and Belvedere, of Lambton, entertained a number of friends at their cottage last evening. A number from town attended.

Miss Yula Burgess returned this week from a visit with friends at Port Huron.

Miss R. R. Ayres, who has been spending a few weeks at St. Thomas has returned home.

Miss Ada Husband has returned from a visit with Bothwell friends.

Died—In Chatham Gore, on Tuesday, Aug. 11th, John R. McDonald, aged 85 years, four months and six days. The funeral took place today from his late residence; service at the R. C. church; interment in the Wallaceburg cemetery.

Mr. Will Boulton returned yesterday from a few weeks' holidays at London and St. Catharines.

A lot of young people enjoyed a yachting party to Dresden last evening.

Aug. 14.—One of the cleanest, swiftest games of lacrosse that has been played in this district this season took place here yesterday, between the C. L. A. team of Wallaceburg and a team that Chatham gathered up from the best teams in the province for the occasion. We might say that Chatham was represented. The game was played for the Gray cup. Wallaceburg opened up well, scoring twice before Chatham. The latter then scored in the first of the second quarter, followed by a score by Wallaceburg. Chatham again scored, followed again by Wallaceburg. Two scores were then obtained by Chatham. In the last quarter Wallaceburg scored one. Chatham then scored for the last time, making the score 5-5. Wallaceburg did their best to play out the

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Ribbons Less Than Half Price.—We've had many big ribbon sales during the past, but here's the best ever offered in the city.

950 Yards Ribbon, rich pure silk, crystal cord, fancy stripes, rich embossed ribbons, Persian stripes, plain taffetas, soft satins, etc., in range of beautiful colorings, 4 in, 5 in. and 7 in. wide. almost every yd. good value at 50c a yd, Saturday clearing price 15c

Shirt Waists at 39c Each.—All our reg. 50c, 60c and 75c percale and print waists, Saturday clearing price, 39c.

\$1.00 Shirt Waists at 58c.—All our white and colored shirt waists, lace and embroidery trimmed, reg 75c. 85c and \$1 each, Saturday clearing price 58c.

\$1.50 Waists at 89c.—All our white and colored waists, 1.00, 1.25 and 1.50 each, Saturday clearing price 89c.

All our 2.00 fine white waists, Saturday clearing price \$1.39.

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game, but Chatham wouldn't listen to it. Evidently their splendid combination work did not give them confidence enough to finish the game. Wallaceburg considers the treatment very unfair, as the Wallaceburg team stayed over at their own convenience and played the tie out with Chatham at their last game. Chatham put up the best game they ever did, owing to the imported material. The Chatham players spent more time off for rough plays than Wallaceburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Colwell were Chatham visitors to-day.

TILBURY

Aug. 14.—Tilbury and Chatham played a ball game here yesterday, resulting in the defeat of Chatham by a score of 9 to 10.

Our three hotel-keepers were each fined \$20 and costs last Tuesday for selling on Saturday night after hours, a month ago.

Gordon O'Keefe, of Mount Clemens, Mich., is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Coutts.

Thos. Mayo, Jr., arrived here Saturday from Onaway, Mich.

Mrs. Wall, of Cleveland, arrived on Tuesday on a visit with her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart.

A Persian missionary will conduct morning services in the Presbyterian Church a week from Sunday.

Dr. Ferguson left today to represent Tilbury Independent Foresters at the High Court convention in Galt, his old home.

Then the Band Worked.

Some months after K., as Tommy calls Lord Kitchener, had taken over command from Lord Roberts during the recent war in South Africa he had occasion to visit some block-houses which were in course of erection just outside one of the leading commercial towns. One, he noticed, had been placed in a rather exposed position, and he therefore ordered trenches and sangas to be thrown up at once, in order to strengthen it.

Going inside one of the block-houses—they are all connected by telephone—he rang up the officer commanding a unit in the town, when the following dialogue took place:

K.—Are you there?

C. O.—Yes, sir.

K.—Are you in command of the shire regiment?

C. O.—Yes, sir.

K.—I want a working party, fifty strong, with trenching tools, to be here at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning.

C. O.—I beg your pardon, sir, but my men are all employed on something or other, the majority escorting prisoners down the line.

K.—Oh, I see. Ah, is that a band I hear playing there?

C. O.—(heating)—Y-yes, sir.

K.—Oh, it is. What band?

C. O.—Regimental band, sir, playing under the mess.

K.—Playing at mess? Well—ah—just have those instruments put away for some future occasion, will you, and make that working party 100 strong, to arrive here to-morrow at 6 a.m., or there will be a regimental command vacation.

C. O. (stammering)—Very good, sir.

That working party were mostly bandmen. Kitchener had heard the music vibrating on the telephone instrument.

Bears a Charmed Life.

Colonel Gordon Money, the new commander of the forces in Ceylon, in succession to the late Sir Hector Macdonald, is a soldier who has borne a charmed life. He is being moved up slowly for an officer of his dash and ability, for he only now takes brigade rank at Colombo, but doubtless he will soon be given the K.C.B. Col. Money had his baptism on the Nile nearly twenty years ago, and for his brilliant work at Omdurman got special mention at the D. S. O. At Athara in later times he had his horse cut from under him, and on the heavier day further on at Khartoum he had two horses shot between his legs, and got out of trouble by a miracle. For this the despatches included him again, and he was enrolled on the C. B. list.

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75c Black Taffeta Silk at 50c a yard.—200 yds rich pure silk French taffeta, best Lyons dye and finish, full 23 ins wide, good value at 75c yd, Saturday clearing price 50c.

Boys' Rib Hose at 12½c a pair.—10 dozen boys' hose, heavy and fine rib, elastic knit, splendid wearing quality, fast black dye, double soles, in all sizes, Saturday clearing price 12½c.

Children's Hose.—In all sizes, plain and rib, seamless, double soles, fast dye, regular up to 15c a pair, Saturday clearing price 10c.

Ladies' 2½c Hose at 19c a pair.—8 dozen ladies' fine Egyptian Mocha Cotton Hose, full fashioned, seamless feet, double soles, best black stainless dye, reg value 25c a pair, Saturday clearing price 19c.

10 doz. Ladies' Hose.—Fine imported make, full fashioned, seamless feet, fast black dye, reg 15c to 17c a pair, Saturday clearing price 12½c.

Ladies' Lisle Hose, fine imported quality in plain, drop stitch and fancy lace patterns, Saturday clearing price a pair, 35c and 45c.

\$8.50 Trimmed Hats at \$2.68.—Trimmed Hats in this season's best styles, reg \$5 to \$8.50, Saturday clearing price \$2.68

\$4.50 Trimmed Hats at \$1.89.—All our trimmed hats, reg up to \$4.50, Saturday clearing price \$1.89

Ladies' Straw Sailors at 10c Each.—All our ladies' straw sailors, reg up to 75c each, Saturday clearing price 10c.

Children's Straw Sailors Half-Price.—Your pick of all our broad rim sailors, assorted colors, reg 25c to \$1.50 each, Saturday at Half-Price

\$1.25 Flowers at 25c Bunch.—4 Dozen lovely flowers and roses, reg up to \$1.25 a bunch, Saturday clearing price 25c

Flowers and Roses, worth up to 50c a bunch, Saturday clearing price 10c

75c Scotch Linoleums at 50c Yard.—Genuine Scotch Linoleums, 2 yds, 3 yds, and 4 yds, splendid heavy quality, choice floral, tile and block patterns, good value at 75c a sq yd, Saturday clearing price 50c

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