

The Planet

S. STEPHENSON - Proprietor.

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THE INDEPENDENT PRESS.

We do not think that the report of the Royal Commission will be entirely satisfactory to the majority of the people of Ontario. A good many Liberals, as well as the whole Conservative party, are likely to object that it leaves too many circumstances unaccounted for. That Mr. Gagey deserves much of the severe censure which is directed against him, probably few people will care to deny. He was already discredited in the public eye by his own actions and words. The censure of the commissioners only expresses in a formal manner the opinion that most respectable people have formed with regard to him. But the fact that Mr. Gagey is erratic and shifty and the fact that he needed and desired an explanation of his erratic conduct do not account for the presence of the money. Did he put up that \$2,000 himself which the commissioners impounded? Was he willing to pay that price to "square" himself with his party? Evidently that is the assumption of the commissioners. We venture to say that the majority of people will not agree with them. The question, "Where did the money come from?" still requires an answer. Another weak feature of the report is the virtual ignoring of the damaging testimony given by Mr. Hammond. The commissioners do not think that the provincial secretary did anything at all blameworthy when he requested Reporter Hammond to alter a signed document and to "forget some things" when he went on the witness-stand. Possibly there are even good Liberals who do not take so lenient a view of these matters as the commissioners do. There is no doubt that the report of the commissioners will be adopted by the Legislature. It would be very sweet to the Ross Government to know that the report is as sure of endorsement by the electorate. — Hamilton Herald (Ind. Liberal).

The attempt to treat issues of supreme public importance as if they were mere details of an ordinary lawsuit was an outrage on public rights. The inalienable public right of comment on the methods of investigating a charge of public wrong-doing was abridged by the fact that the enquiry was in the hands of judges. It was a mistake to force Sir John Boyd and Chief Justice Falconbridge into a line of action in which strictly judicial methods have never availed to expose great public wrongs. Opponents of the Royal Commission were justified at every point in the progress of the enquiry, which failed to really grapple with the question, "Where did the Money Come From?" They are still further justified by the tones and terms of a finding which accentuates rather than eliminated party divisions of opinion upon the facts and theories raised by the evidence of witnesses and the addresses of counsel. — Toronto Telegram (Ind.).

The report of the Royal Commission appointed to investigate the charges preferred by R. R. Gagey against Hon. J. R. Stratton and the Ontario Government will probably be read with astonishment by Conservatives and Liberals alike. The evidence of Mr. Gagey was of such a character in parts, and was so affected by his own extraordinary conduct, that nobody could reasonably expect the judges to accept it in its entirety; on the other hand it is doubtful if even the most sanguine Liberals anticipated so complete a justification of Mr. Stratton and his colleagues as the report is evidently intended to be. The people are not trained in the matter of nice legal distinctions or in judging evidence by the standards, customs and precedents of the law courts; but there is a good average of common sense among the electors of Ontario, and when they choose to apply it they will probably be able to get as close to the truth, as—well say, the Royal Commission. In ordinary trials it is frequently the custom of juries to bring in verdicts that are not in accordance with the charges of the presiding judges—that is what juries are for, to exercise their own judgment; and the duty of the people of Ontario is to give a verdict in accordance with the evidence, just as much as if they were sitting in a jury box. One thing the report does; it fully justifies the opposition that was raised at the time to referring the charges to a commission instead of a committee of the Legislature. — Woodstock Express (Ind.).

RECESSIONAL UP TO 1903.

Canada's comic paper, The Moon, has been bringing Kipling's Recessional up-to-date and adapting it to conditions in Ontario. The extraordinary report of Commissioner Boyd and Falconbridge will not alter the feeling of many that the adaptation is very



WIDE ARE OUR DOORS

And we are ever ready to welcome you to our store. You can search the world over and you can't find a better spot than right here for your buying—the best place for your **Clothing and Furnishing Needs.**

We're in a position to give you prices a little closer than other clothing stores. Ours is a strictly cash business—one price, money refunded if asked for.

See our Window for a display of **Summer Suits**, lined and unlined. Our regular prices are on every suit, the same inside as in window.

50% **Men's Suits and Stiff Front Shirts, 50c, and 75c**, lines, while they last, 35c.

Meynell's

Three doors west from market, King St.

apt. The author is D. S. Macquodale.

Recessional up to 1903.

(With apologies to none.)

God! but our bluff it must be bold
If sweet of office still be mine.
Ross, by whose wily hand we hold
Dominion over spruce and pine,
And, Hammond, you'll be with us yet,
If you forget—if you forget!

Our flunkies are not willing spies;
The Caps and Sullivans depart,
Still standing for the needed prize
And ready, ay, to say their part.
So, Hammond, man, be with us yet—
Try to forget—try to forget!

Far-fetched, The Globe works out its
cue,
On this last dump we stake our
pile;

There's nothing left for me and you
But make denials all the while.
Judge of Commissions, spare us yet—
Hammond, remember to forget.

If drunk with hopes of pow'r we
choose
Teles wad mak' Ananias sma',
Such lying is of little use.

Unless reporters hold their jaw,
So, Hammond, you'll an island get—
Only remember to forget.

The heathen Tory puts his trust
In ballot-box with iron barred,
Which ours the duty is to bust.

And call upon the Globe to guard
Therefore, friend Hammond, you're a
bird—
If you'll forget my every word.

Sunlight Soap will not injure
your blankets or harden them. It
will make them soft, white and
fleecey.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Ex-Aid, Joseph Ross of Hamilton is
dead.

Mr. George Eason of Keene, Ont., drop-
ped dead.

The first shower in fifty days fell at
Ottawa yesterday.

The steamer Sheridan is aground in the
St. Lawrence below Sorel.

C. Lascelle, a ten-year-old Ottawa boy,
was drowned while bathing.

Four Bulgarians who participated in the
bomb outrages at Salonica were sentenced
to death.

The Presbyterian church at Egmond-
ville was struck by lightning and seriously
damaged.

Charles Black of Brockville, 17 years
old, fell off the drawhead of a car, was
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THE LOCAL BUDGET

Bicycles for hire at Brisco's. If
W. A. Hadley is north on a business
trip.

Miss Agnes Lawrence is visiting in
Windsor.

M. Wilson, K. C., has returned
from Toronto.

The Maple City Gun Club made \$130
at their tournament.

Miss Mary McPaul returned to
Dresden this morning.

Ed Northwood left last evening on
a business trip to Chicago.

Frank Malcolmson spent yesterday
in the City of the Straits.

W. D. Sheldon and G. B. Douglas
spent yesterday in Detroit.

Miss Agnes McPaul left to-day for
Dresden on a two weeks' visit.

James Carswell has a new 'phone
in his house; 372 will catch him.

Mr. P. Keenan has returned home
after spending a few days in Toledo,
Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Frankland, of
Morpeth, were guests at the Merrill
House Sunday.

Quartermaster's Sergeant Joseph
Hadley left the Public General Hos-
pital yesterday.

C. W. Rekowski, of the Wallaceburg
Sugar Company, was in the city yester-
day on business.

Mrs. Jas. L. Eberts, wife of con-
ductor Eberts, of the L. E. & D. R.
R., of a daughter.

Ted. Bogart returned to Detroit
yesterday morning after spending
Sunday in the Maple City.

There will be an abundance of music
by 24th Regimental Band on moon-
light excursion, Friday, June 12th.

Crown Attorney H. D. Smith went
to Thamesville yesterday to attend
the preliminary hearing in a burg-
lary case.

Everybody come along and spend a
pleasant evening on moonlight ex-
cursion, Friday, June 12th, per str.
City of Chatham.

A. H. Patterson has just received
a large consignment of hay cars.
The New Myers Unloader is the best.
Call and see them.

The meetings of the Young Peoples
Society of the First Presbyterian
church will be discontinued during
the summer months.

Moonlight excursion per steamer
City of Chatham, Friday, June 12th,
given by Victoria avenue Epworth
League.

Architect A. M. Piper has let the
contract for Mrs. Ferguson's resi-
dence at VanHorn to Geo. Fielder and
Chas. Allen at \$2,600.

Lost, on Wednesday, between Von-
Guntens and Thos. Stone & Sons, a
lady's open face silver watch. The
finder will please return to J. L.
Scott, Fifth street.

The best line of fishing tackle in
Chatham is in the window of A. H.
Patterson's hardware store, three
doors east of the market.

Refrigerators, screen doors, ice
cream freezers, lawnmowers, hose,
hammocks and bicycles. Full and
fresh assortment at low prices. Geo.
Stephens & Co.

The marriage of Rev. J. M. Oster-
hout, B. A., B. D., to Miss Nellie Gam-
mage, will take place to-morrow in
Park street Methodist church. The
ceremony is strictly private, only the
invited guests will be admitted to the
church.

The most popular trip this season
will be the excursion via L. E. & D.
R. R. to Port Stanley, on Wednesday
next, under the auspices of the A. O.
E. Train will leave Chatham 7:30,
Fargo 7:40, Blenheim 7:50, Ridgeway
8 o'clock. Return tickets \$1.00; chil-
dren 50 cents.

Roger Philp is in receipt of an in-
vitation which reads: "Miss Con-
way's paper cordially invite you to
a school girls' confidential chat in
the 19th Century Club Hall, Memphis,
Tenn., June 30, 1903." Roger will
likely take it in.

Rev. H. E. Kellington, B. A., has
been awarded the degree of M. A.
in the Toronto University.

Kellington is a member of the local
football club and congratulations are
extended to him by his many Chat-
ham friends, with whom he is very
popular.

A serious case of cruelty to chil-
dren has been reported to Dr. R.
W. Bray, the local executive officer
for the Children's Aid Society.

A certain couple in one of the surround-
ing Townships took a child to raise
from the local Children's Aid Society.
A few days ago one of the foster
parents undertook to whip the
child, and in so doing broke its
arm. The case will be investigated.

Col. Rankin, K. C., commanding of-
ficer of the 24th Kent Regiment, has
received instructions from head-
quarters to order the return of Sergt.
Bethune so that he can attend Brig-
ade Camp, which begins to-day.

Sergt. Bethune left yesterday after-
noon for London. Col. Rankin is
high in his praise of the drill instruc-
tor and the good work he has done
for the Regiment during his sojourn

in this city. Sergt. Bethune is not
only a clever soldier, but a gentle-
man, and while here he won not only
respect for his courteous bearing,
but also admiration for his many
sterling qualities as a soldier.

CORRECT Dress Materials.

All the Stylish Fabrics are to be Had Here, and in many instances there is less to pay than you would imagine, all the newest weaves and colorings without a desirable style missing. Why not inspect stylish fabrics when in the store?

Fine Imported French Voiles, 44 in. wide, pure wool, soft, clinging fabrics, the correct material for summer wear, in black, champagne, reseda, cream, pearl, etc., special per yard 50c and 1.00	Black Crepines, rich, soft finish, fine silk and wool fabrics, 44 in. wide, will make a handsome dress or gown, two special lines, at per yard \$1.25 and 1.50	Satin Cloths, rich, silky finish, pure wool, 42 in. wide, in 10 leading shades, special per yard 50c.
Eolienne, in rich, soft silk and wool weaves, colors pearl, bisque, sky, reseda, royal and black, 44 in. wide, special a yard 1.25	Nun's Cloth, 42 in. and 44 in. wide, pure wool, soft finish, in white, cream, sky, pink, reseda and black, at per yard 25c and 40c.	Black Mohair Lustres, 42 in. wide, fine weave, bright finish, special per yard 35c and 25c.
Black Etamines, fine, soft, open weaves, best wools and dye, 44 in. and 48 in. wide, fine, medium and coarse weaves, special at per yard 75c, 85c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.40 and 1.50	Colored Etamines, 46 in. wide, fine, pure wool, soft finish, in range of colors, special per yard 85c.	Silk Finish Lustres, superior quality and finish, 44 in. wide, special per yard 50c.
		Crope de Chenes in all the newest spring shades, fine, all wool and silk and wool weaves, 44 inches wide, colors reseda, pearl, old rose, pink, cadet, bisque, castor, brown, navy and black, at per yard 75c, \$1 and 1.25

STRICTLY OASH The NORTHWAY CO., Limited. ONE LOWEST PRICE.

in this city. Sergt. Bethune is not only a clever soldier, but a gentleman, and while here he won not only respect for his courteous bearing, but also admiration for his many sterling qualities as a soldier.

FENIAN RAID

Just 37 years ago last Tuesday, June 2nd, the Fenians and volunteers met and fought at Ridgeway. Two days later T. W. Maclean, of this city, and a party of twelve others, drove out to the battle field. Mr. Maclean is now clerking in James Paul's grocery, but at the time of the Fenian Raid he was a lad living in St. Catharines. There were just 13 in the load and as a proof of the unlikelihood of the baker's dozen Mr. Maclean points to the mishap that befel the party. After visiting the battle field and securing relics of the fray in the shape of Fenian rifles, etc., they returned in the evening by way of Chippewa. On the Niagara Falls frontier they were stopped by St. Anne's Co. of the 19th Battalion and, when the guns of the Fenians were found in the rig the party were made prisoners and held for two hours as suspected Fenians. After securing credentials they were allowed to proceed.

TRIED AGAIN AND WAS CURED

A. Bailey, after Repeated Disappointments used Dodd's Kidney Pills

And Now his Old Pain Is Gone for Good and he can do any kind of Stooping or Lifting Work.

Winnipeg, Man., June 8.—(Special).—So many deaths are now charged to Kidney Disease and ailments resulting from disordered Kidneys that the cure of Mr. H. Bailey, of 256 Patrick street, of this city, is being widely discussed. Mr. Bailey says:

"Some time ago I suffered a lot with pains across my back and in the region of the Kidneys. I had spent considerable money in England treating this ailment, but got no permanent relief.

"All by chance I read of some wonderful cures by Dodd's Kidney Pills and though my previous failures made me hesitate I finally decided to try them. It was a fortunate thing for me that I did.

"After taking three boxes, I found myself perfectly free from any pain whatever, and no matter what stooping or lifting work I do, I never have the old pain.

"It is now two years since I was cured, and I think in justice to Dodd's Kidney Pills, I have the right to recommend them to anyone suffering from Kidney Disease."

A CHURCH BLOWN UP.

The Baptist Edifice at Rochester, Minn., Destroyed by Dynamite.

Rochester, Minn., June 6.—The Baptist Church in Byron, was blown up by dynamite. There has been a bitter feeling there between the churches ever since the Baptist minister resigned and joined the Methodist Church. No arrests have been made.

The Cedric Delayed.

Liverpool, June 5.—The White Star Line steamer Cedric, Captain Lindsay, which sailed yesterday for New York, is detained in the Mersey. It is supposed that she has had an accident to her machinery.

WARNING

This is to notify any person or persons to not cash a check made by endorsement of the city of Chatham dated May 30, payable to Henry Dunn, for the sum of \$50, payable at Standard Bank. Payment thereof has been stopped.

HENRY DUNN.

Auction Sale City Lots

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from Mrs. Joseph Eberts to sell, at the Garner House, on Wednesday, June 10th, at two o'clock p. m., lot 7 and part of 8, west side of Victoria avenue, corner Forest street. This is a beautiful residential lot and should command attention.

MRS. J. E. EBERTS, Proprietress.

Auction Sale Household Furniture

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from Mrs. J. P. Middleton to sell, without reserve, all her household effects at her residence, 66 Selkirk street, North Chatham, on Thursday, June 11th, at one o'clock sharp, consisting of the following: One parlor suit, silk covering, spring edge, cost \$125, nearly new; one large mirror, 4 1/2 feet by 5 1/2 feet; parlor table, pictures, carpet, sewing machine, large number of chairs, new; hall carpet, heater, Queen; secretary, arm chairs, dining room chairs, one coal stove, Art Countess first class condition; fancy goods, lamps, one beautiful walnut bedroom suit, spring and mattress; one oak bedroom suit, spring and mattress; one large clock; one steel range, Home Comfort, cost \$69; dishes and glassware, one safe, music rack; fruit jars, cupboard, tubs; lawn mower, window screen, rake, scythe, etc., and many other articles too numerous to mention.

All will be sold and no reserve. Remember day and date, Thursday, June 11th, at one o'clock.

MRS. J. P. MIDDLETON, Proprietress.

ANDREW THOMSON, JR., Auctioneer.

Trust and Private Funds to Loan

On farm and city property. Terms to suit borrowers. Apply or write to

THOMAS SOULLARD

Office lately occupied by Edwin Bell, Victoria Block.

Carving Set

We send, express prepaid, to any address this fine three-piece Carving Set for \$2.50.

No. 125—Price \$2.50

Knife, full length, 10 1/2 inches

Joseph Rogers & Sons Sheffield Steel

Knife and Fork with Steel

Write for our new Illustrated Folder of extra value with articles

RYRIE BROS.

JEWELERS

118, 120, 122 and 124

Yonge St., Toronto

PARROTT & ROTHWELL

Office King Street, Opp. Market.

NEW Tinsmith and Plumbing SHOP.

The undersigned has opened a Tinsmithing and Plumbing Shop on 4th Street, nearly opposite the Catholic Church, where he is prepared to do all kinds of tinsmithing and plumbing. Estimates cheerfully given.

CHAS. GORSELTZ, Fourth St

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, in business carried on at the city of Chatham, was dissolved by mutual consent, on the 30th day of April, 1903.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to W. E. Rispin at 115 King street, Chatham, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said W. E. Rispin, who is authorized to act for us in the winding up of the partnership.

Dated at Chatham this 23rd day of May, A. D. 1903.

G. K. ATKINSON, W. E. RISPIN.

Witness: O. L. LEWIS.

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