### The Planet

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TO CANADA'S SHAME.

The Imperial blue book shows that Britain received offers of help from the following colonial governments in the order given:

Queensland Victoria. New South Wales. New Zealand. Western Australia. Tasmania.

South Australia: The Canadian Government yielded only in response to a circular issued to all the colonies explaining what course they might take. There had been Canadian offers, but these were unofficial.

#### THE TEACHER'S SALARY.

At a meeting held in Toronto re cently an opinion was advanced by one of the speakers, Dr. John Potts, to the effect that there should be established throughout Cntario a minimum rate of salary for public school teachers. If it should prove practicable to carry out this idea it would in effect be a practical recognition of the true status of school teachers. School teachers are now, and must always be engaged in a work that is of the very highest importance to the country, the work of preparing and fitting the young people of the community to fill their places in the community to the best advantage not only of themselves but also for the benefit and advancement of the whole people. Knowing then that to these public school teachers is delegated this task of supreme importance it can hardly be said that Dr. Potts' suggestion to treat teachers as recognized officers of the state is unreasonable and beyond the bounds of careful con-

#### THE BONUSING EVIL.

The list of applications to the Ontario Legislature at the approaching session for special acts to enable municipalities to bonus industries is a long one. Either these applications should be thrown out, or the general act should be repealed, and of the two the former is the better course. The legislature having hedged bonus granting about with such restrictions as to make it practically impossible to grant them under the general law, should be consistent, and see that all municipalities are placed on the same footing in this respect .- St. Thomas

Journal. The law against bonusing industries is a farce. The whole humbug system is one of those we have to thank the Mowat-Hardy-Ross administration for. They put a law through forbidding bonuses to private indus Ever since they have been busily engaged in passing special acts to enable municipalities to evade this general act. What Ontario requires is a stringent law that cannot be got around, but the province need not expect to see any proper and effective legislation as long as it entrusts its affairs to tricksters who purposely enact statutes, which are full of loop-

FREE · DISTRIBUTION OF SEED GRAIN.

The Planet is in receipt of the fol lowing communication from Prof Wm. Stunders, of the Central Experi mental Farm, Ottawa:

Under instruction of the Hon. Minister of Agriculture another distribution of sample packages of the best and most productive sorts of cereals, &c., is now being made from the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. The distribution will consist, as heretofore, of samples of oats, spring wheat, bar, ley, field peas, Indian corn and potatoes. Each sample will weigh three pounds. The quality of the seed will be of the best, the varieties true to name and the packages will be sent free to applicants, through the mail. The object in view is the improvement of the character, and quality of the grain, etc., grown in Canada, an effort widely appreciated, and the choice of varieties to be sent out will be confined to those which have been found sto succeed at the Experimental Farms.

These samples will be sent only to those who apply personally, lists of names from societies or individuals cannot be considered. Only one sample of one sort can be sent to each applicant, hence if an individual receives a sample of oats he cannot also receive one of wheat or barley. Applications should be addressed to the "Director of Experimental Farms, Ottawa," and may be sent any time before the 15th of March, after which date the lists will be closed, so that the samples asked for may all be sent out in good time for sowing. Parties writing will please mention the sort of grain they would prefer and should the available stock of the variety named be exhausted, some other good sort will be sent in its place. Letters may be sent to the Experimental Farm free of post-

Any of The Planet's readers who de sire these samples should send at once. They are well worth securing.

### "A Word to the Wise is Sufficient."

But some stubborn people wait until "down sick" before trying to ward off illness or cure it. The wise recognize in the word "Hood's" assurance of health.

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So one member of the Canadian coningent has given up his life for the

Buller was so slow in making that urning movement that most of the asses were probably due to old age.

The London Advertiser will please note that the opposition carried Sherbrooke by a frontal attack, and Winnipeg and Lotbiniere by clever turning movements.

THEY COULDN'T BACK HUP 'ERE. Contributed.

Our boys as run agin another snag En Kruger's land, Though they 's a hear o' pluck An 'as got all kinds o' sand. strikes me most peculiar

That when they makes a stand.
They retreats and gives it up to old.
Oom Paul. They find it most convenient to vacate a captured kop

Just when our caps were ready for hoist, They finds the place untenable, Not a fittin' place to stay, Or perhaps it was the ground there

was too moist. I'm a gettin' most confounded sick throw'n up me 'at. 'earin' it come down with dull thud:

What's the matter with our generals?
I'll be blowed if they'd back up,
If we 'ad 'em' 'ere in some of Chatham's mud.

#### READY TO DIE.

Not until Saturday was the mur-derer, Levi Stewart, in Sandwich jail, made aware of the fact that the Minmade aware of the fact that the com-ister of Justice had refused to commute his death sentence to imprisonment. Stewart hung his head and almost sobbed when the sheriff ook the news to him. Then he braced up and said:—"Oh, well, I am prepared for the worst. God has forgiven my sins, and I am prepared to die. I am sure my prayers have been an-I never thought that they would change the sentence. I wish I could shake hands with the men that handled the petition. It was kind of them, and I hope they will be reward-Tell them I am thankful for their efforts." Stewart's voice seem-ed very weak when he spoke the last and he fell back on his cot from sheer exhaustion. He has now seven days to live as his execution will take place at daylight, February

Masterpieces of art are greater teachers of aesthetics than the phil osophers.

Never to cease shaking up instituto make them take root and be fruit-

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TRAP-DOOR SPIDERS.

And Others That Show They Have In.

A curious species of insect is the trap-door spider, whose nest consists of a tube excavated in the earth to the depth of six or eight inches. It is always lined with silk and it is closed with an ingeniously constructed door One sort of door closes into the nest like a cork in a bottle; another is as, thin as a piece of paper.

In all cases the door opens outward, and when the nest is placed, as it usually is, on a sloping bank, it opens upward, so that there is no fear of its gaping. The object of the trap-door is to conceal the nest, and consequently it is always made to resemble the general surface of the ground. Sometimes, however, an enemy attempts to open the door, and then the inmate braces its legs against the sides of the nest and holds it as fast as possible.

Still other spiders have inner doors besides outer, so that if their first defense be carried, they may have another behind which to retreat. More curious still is the ingenuity of the branch trap-door; that is to say, a door that opens from the main tunnel of the nest into a side branch, which the spider knows, of course, but which no stranger could discover, since there is nothing to distinguish it from any other part of the main nest. So, then, if an enemy should effect an entrance, the lawful occupant of the nest can quietly slip into the side branch, close the door and there remain in security while the intruder wonders what has become of her.

If all these worderful things are done by instinct, have we any proof whatever of individual intelligence among spiders? Most assuredly. It we remember that intelligence is

proved whenever we observe a manifest application of means appropriate to the accomplishment of particular ends, it is hardly possible to deny that there is some evidence of the intelligence of spiders. Many instances have occurred more or less like the follow-

One of my friends was accustomed to grant shelter to a number of garden spiders under a'vacant veranda, and to watch their habits. One day a sharp storm broke out, and the wind raged so furiously through the garden that the spiders suffered damage from it, although sheltered by the veranda. The mainyards of one of these webs, as the sailors would call them, were broken so that the web was blown hither and thither, like a slack sail in

a storm. "The spider made no fresh threads, but tried to help itself in another way. It let itself down to the ground by a thread, and crawled to a place where lay some splintered pieces of a wooden fence, thrown down by the storm. It fastened a thread to one of the bits of wood turned back with it and hung it with a strong thread to the lower part of its nest, about five feet from the ground. The performance was a wonderful one, for the weight of the wood sufficed to keep the nest tolerably firm, while it was yet light enough to yield to the wind, and so prevent further injury. The piece of wood was about two and one-half inches long, and

quill. "On the following day a careless ser. vant knocked her head against the wood and it fell down. But in the course of a few hours the spider mended her web, broke the supporting thread in two, and let the wood fall to the ground."-Our Animal Friends.

Case of Sherlock Holmes. "Speaking of insurance frauds," said a gentleman who has been in the bust. ness (insurance not fraud), "I am reminded of a case which is so singular that I feel I ought to remind you in advance that I can personally vouch for the story. Some years ago a merchant, who was insured for \$12,000 in a company I then represented, was killed in a peculiarly shocking manner He had arranged to go on a hunting trip and was in his room, packing up PATIENTLY BORE DISGRACE his camp kit, when a loud explosion was heard, and the family, rushing in, found him lying before a closet with the entire top of his head blown iiterally to atoms.

"He was barefooted and in his underclothes, and a double-barreled shot gun lay across the body. Its leather case was open, and the floor and everything pointed to the theory that in taking the weapon from the closet one of the hammers had caught on some clothing and accidentally exploded the charge. Of course, it was important to know whether it could have been a case of suicide, for such an act voided the policies, but there was nothing whatever to point to an intention of

that kind. "I made a careful examination and had about determined to recommend immediate payment, when I happened to notice a curious circumstance. The rear trigger of the shotgun was black and gummy with oil, which had evidently exuded from the lock while the weapon was in the closet, but the front trigger was perfectly clean and oright. Like a flash a strange thought entered my mind, and, stooping down, I looked at the under side of the dead man's right foot. There was a small but perfectly distinct streak of black oil on

the ball of the great toe. "That infinitesimal smear cost the heirs exactly \$12,000 and made the tragedy as plain as daylight. As it afterward proved, the man was on the verge of ruin, and evidently planned to kill himself in such a way that his family would receive the insurance. He arranged everything to give color to the theory of accident, and at the last moment cocked the gun, put the muzzle under bis chin and pressed the trigger with his toe. If he had taken the precaution to wipe off the oil the truth would nome l been known. -New Crisens Rimes-Damperat.

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#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE WATTER OF the estate of Catherine O Keefe, late of the City of Chatham in the County of Kent, widow, deceased.

that after eard mentioned date the said ad-ministrator will proceed to destribute the ministrator will proceed to distribute the a-sets of the said deceased among the parties entitled there is having regard only for the claims of which he shall then have notice and that the said admin strator will not be liable for the assets or any port thereof to any person or persons of whise claims he shall not have notice at the time

of said distribution.

DA! ED at Chatham, this twentieth day of January, A D , 1960.

#### Notice to Creditors.

IN THE MATTER OF the estate of William Phillips, late of the Township of Dover East, in the County of Kent,

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario 1897, chapter one hundred and twenty-nine that ail creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said William Phillips, who died on or about the 26th day of October, 1899, are re-quired on or before the 28th day of Fenruary, 1900, to send by post prepaid or delivered to Messrs. Fraser & Bell, of the city of Chatham, in the County of Kent, Solicitors for Thomas Boyle, executor of the last will and testament of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions with full particulars of their claims and a statement of their accounts

such last mentioned date the said execu-tor will proceed to distribute the assets for will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims to which he shall then have notice and that the said executor will notice and that the said assets or not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or per-son of whose clasms notice shall not sous of whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time

FRASER & BELL, Scheiters for the executor.

Dated at Chatham the 17th day

#### NOTICE.

al local improvement by law No. 377 of 1899 to construct a witrified brick pavenotice for two weeks in the Chatham Daily Planet and the Chatham Evening Banner, and the assessment of the cost of such work will be made upon the real properties to be benfited there by unless the majority of the owners of such real properties according to the last revised assessment roll representing at least one half in value thereof, petithe council against the same within one month after the last publication of this notice of the intention of the council to undertake the said work. City Clerk's office Jan. 24th, 1900.

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and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after

of such distribution.
THOMAS BOYLE,

January, 1900. 4Wd 4Sd 4Fw.

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council of the City of Chatham will proceed under Section 669 of the Municipal Act and under the gener-

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ing valuable property :
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### Defries, Venders' Solicitors, 74 Church St., Toronto, or to C. F. W. Alkinson, Esq., Barrister, Chatham. d27 34 3 Notice to Credito's.

Pursuant to a judgment of the High Court of Justice, made in a matter of Liddy vs. Liddy et al., the creditors of Honorah Liddy, late of the Township of Harwich, in the County of Kent, widow, who died on or about the sixteenth day of October, 1898, and all percents having any general or specific country of the country of the sixteenth day of October, 1898, and all percents having any general or specific country of the country o the sixteenth day of October, 1898, and all persons having any general or specific liens or encumbrances upon or against the estate of the said deceased or upon or against any individual share thereof, are, on or before the seventeenth day of February, A. D. 1900 to send by post prepaid to Messrs. Scane, Houston, Stone and Scane, of the City of Chatham solicitors for the plaintiff in the ham, solicitors for the plaintiff in the said proceedings, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them; or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said judgment. Every penellit of the said judgment. Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before me at my Chambers, Harrison. Half, in the City of Chatham, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1900, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudgmentary on the appointed for adjudication on the

Dated at Chatham, this 22nd day of January, 1900. R. O'HARA.

(Signed)
Local Master at Chatham.
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# In The High Court of Justice

Liddy vs. Liddy, Etal. Pursuant to the judgment made in this cause and dated this eighteenth day of December, 1899, there will be offer-ed for sale at Public Auction, with the approbation of Robert O'Hara, Esquire, Local Master of the Supreme Court of Judicature at Chatham, by Andrew Rags, Rubber, Iron

| Robert O Construct a Wittined Drick pave approbation of Robert O Hara, Esquire, ent to be laid on a concrete bed on Local Master of the Supreme Court of King street from the post office is William street, after the expiry of one liam street, after the expiry of one month after the last publication of this GARNER, in the City of Chathem, on Saturday, the 17th, February, 1900, at the hour of tweive o'clock noon, the following lande and premises in one parcel, namely; -All and singular that part of lot number three, in the first concession, on the River Thames, in the Township of Harwich, in the County of Kent, described as follows: intersection of the east.rly boundary of the present right of way of the Erie and Huron Railway Company and the northerly boundary of the present travelled River Road across said lot, thence northwesterly along the said easterly boundry of said Railway Company's right of way two hundred and ten fact to a resistant ten feet to a point; thence easterly and parallel to the said River Road two hundred and 12 feet to a point; thence southerly and parallel to the said eastery boundary of said Railway Company's right of way two hundred and ten feet to the northerly boundary of said River Road : thence westerly along same last named limit to the place of beginning

containing by admeasurement one acre more or less.

There is upon the said property a one and one half story brick veneered residence and the property is immediately outside of the city limits.

outside of the city limits.

The property will be offered for sale subject to a reserved bid which has been fixed by the said Master.

TERMS—Ten per centum of the purchase money to be paid at the time of

sale and the remainder within thirty days thereafter without interest.

The title is good, but the purchaser will at his own expense satisfy himself as to title. The purchaser will be fur-rished with an ordinary Registrar's abstract only and with such title deeds and evidence of title as are in the pos-

session of the parties, but with no others or copies of others. In all other respects the terms and conditions of sale will be the standing conditions of the High Court of Justice. Further particulars may be had upon application to J. B. Rankin, Esq., Q. C., J. B. O'Flynn, Esq., or to the undersigned solicitors for the plaintiff. Dated at Chatham, this twenty second

day of January, 1900. SCANE, HOUSTON, STONE & SCANE, Solicitors for Plaintiff. R. O'HARA. Locol Master, Chatham, Ont.

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