

## The Planet.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30.

## DISCHARGE OF DUTY.

The Toronto Mail and Empire said editorially yesterday:

"In seven minutes a jury at Chatham found a verdict for the defendant in the libel action brought against The Chatham Planet. The case arose out of a report of a meeting of the officers of the 24th Regiment, at which the conduct of the ex-bandmaster was adversely criticized. The meeting was not a public one in the ordinary sense, but the question was one of public interest, while the report was accurate and without malice. These facts weighed with the jury, which promptly agreed that there had been no libel. It is well that juries are learning to protect newspapers in the conscientious and faithful discharge of their duty."

## A GOOD SETTLEMENT.

Two months or so ago—when The Planet first submitted the suggestion that a strong and representative committee of citizens should visit General Manager Carpenter and the officials of the Pere Marquette Railroad and hold a personal, definite conference upon the car-shop problem—this journal predicted that the results would prove eminently satisfactory to the ratepayers and the city at large.

The Planet's suggestion was energetically taken up by the Mayor and acted upon by the Council. A splendid deputation of citizens was secured, headed by Major G. P. Schofield and ex-Mayor Hugh Macdonald, and the results were made known yesterday.

Chatham is to get the car-shops within two years or receive in lieu thereof the sum of sixteen thousand dollars. In addition, Chatham preserves the respect and friendship of the Railroad Company—and there is no bitter aftermath of a long, tedious and costly litigation.

There are many citizens entitled to much credit for this fortunate outcome—and every one of them should be accorded their full share. Particularly, however, are the citizens indebted to Mayor McKeough, Major G. P. Schofield and ex-Mayor Hugh Macdonald. The Mayor has energetically promoted and brought about the conference, while to Messrs. Schofield and Macdonald apparently fell the major portion of the work of negotiation.

Both of these gentlemen are strong, far-sighted and clear-headed business men—they are men who are esteemed in the community, who enjoy the confidence of the people. They gave their time and their efforts freely and generously to the cause of the public weal and the result was such as might have been—and was—anticipated.

Mr. Carpenter and the officers of the Railroad Company met them in a fair and friendly manner and an agreement, satisfactory to both parties, was arrived at Chatham is nearer the car-shops to-day, as Mr. Schofield said, than she ever was before; and, in any event, she receives a satisfactory and adequate compensation for the old Erie & Huron Railroad agreement.

## DISSOLVE THE LEGISLATURE.

The seriousness of the Ontario situation has been recognized and emphasized by the friends of the government, points out the Toronto World. The Globe appealed to Muskoka and the Sault to "strengthen the government" in order that it might be able to administer the affairs of the province. They have not responded to the appeal. They leave the government with exactly the same majority in the legislature as before. But this is not all. The loss of Muskoka is far more significant than the loss of Sault Ste. Marie. Local issues were raised in the Sault, and the government took an scrupulous advantage of its action in coming to the aid of the workmen. In Muskoka the issue was of provincial importance. When Gamey appears in a constituency and attacks the findings of the judges, he raises the whole question of administration of the affairs of the province. The government and the Globe recognized this fact, and trained their heaviest guns upon the man from Manitoulin. Mr. Crossin was induced to make a declaration which re-opened the case that the judges were supposed to have finally settled months ago. The Globe said that the defeat of the government in Muskoka would be a Gamey victory, with all the evil consequences that such a victory would involve. That which it feared has come to pass. The defeat in Muskoka is most disastrous; and if Gamey were as bad as the Globe paints him, so much the worse for the government. We could only say in that case that the people had regarded Gamey as the less of two evils.

The net result is that we have a

government with a majority of four in the legislature; with a popular majority against it; with the tide of public feeling running against it; and with a constituency vacant for seventeen months, in flagrant violation of the spirit of the law, because the government fears another defeat. Can the affairs of the province be well and honestly managed under such circumstances? To what sort of campaign are we to look forward in the by-elections, every one of which will be a matter of life or death for the government?

The best solution we can see is to take a fresh appeal to the people. One general election would be preferable to a series of by-elections, held with every temptation to fraud and corruption.

If Mr. Ross thinks the people are with him there is his chance to obtain a working majority. Let him trust the people. If either party obtains a decisive majority, the province will have a rest from politics for four years. If the result is another deadlock, an effort must be made to find a government that would be acceptable to all parties. But we believe that there is a strong and growing feeling in favor of a change. The parasites that fasten upon a weak government will be shaken off, and the province will have a new chance of vigorous life and growth.

## ONLY A SUGGESTION.

But It Has Proven of Interest and Value to Thousands.

Common sense would suggest that if one wishes to become fleshy and plump it can only result from the food we eat and digest and that food should be albuminous or flesh forming food, like eggs, beefsteak, and cereals; in other words the kinds of food that make flesh are the foods which form the greater part of our daily bills of fare.

But the trouble is that while we eat enough and generally too much, the stomach, from abuse and overwork, does not properly digest and assimilate it, which is the reason so many people remain thin and underweight; the digestive organs do not completely digest the food, forming beefsteak and eggs and similar wholesome food.

There are thousands of such who are really confirmed dyspeptics, although they may have no particular pain or inconvenience from their stomachs. If such persons would lay their prejudices aside and make a regular practice of taking, after each meal one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets the food would be quickly and thoroughly digested, because these tablets contain the natural peptones and diastase which every weak stomach lacks, and by supplying this want, the stomach is soon enabled to reach its natural tone and vigor.

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## DISTRICT DOINGS.

## WALLACEBURG

Oct. 29.—On Tuesday evening last at the Whitney Brothers entertainment Mr. Jno. Bowes was presented with a medal from the Huron Society by Mr. Dundas. The medal was given for an act shown by Mr. Bowes some time ago in saving ex-Mayor Heath's youngest son from drowning.

Mr. Claude Brundage, of Chatham, is a guest at the home of W.J. Macdonell.

Mr. Steiner, of Toronto, has been stationed at the Wallaceburg branch of the Bank of Toronto.

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