

..The Planet..

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CANNOT BE PUBLISHED.

The Planet is in receipt of a communication from a gentleman who signs himself, "An ex-employee of The Planet and the Banner-News," relative to the recent personal attack by the latter paper upon the proprietor of this journal. As the writer makes several charges against Messrs. Woodward and Macdonald as employers, and the Planet columns are closed to the introduction of personal criticism—even if it be absolutely truthful, as the writer assures us—his letter can not be published. At the same time The Planet sincerely appreciates the kind words he has to say concerning this journal and his tribute to the proprietor as an employer. — Editor Planet.

ENCOURAGEMENT TO MARKSMEN.

Canadian military men are seriously considering the advisability of giving up the Bisley, and, if possible, devoting the amount received from the Government for that purpose for some other urgent need, says the London News. The military men complain that the prizes at Bisley are small, and that few men who go can make it pay. The Imperial influence which the team exerted, according to these men, is since the South African war, no longer necessary, and the only good result is the incentive to the individual to become a scientific shot in the yearly competitions at Ottawa.

No two classes of people differ more completely than the soldier and the civilian. The man of war sees ruin, devastation and total annihilation unless a certain line of expenditure is not made. The civilian looks upon all expenditure on the military as questionable, and most of it as unnecessary.

But there have been wars, there are wars, and we fear, there will be wars for some time to come. That being the case we must be prepared and modern warfare means rifle shooting. If there must be a shifting about of the grants from the Government let them, be short on parade and all that kind of thing and long on rifle practice. It would be unwise to give up Bisley.

DRIFTING WITH THE TIDE.

That was a remarkable speech delivered in the House of Lords a few nights ago by Lord Salisbury, judging by the specimen sentences the cable has brought us.

"The tendency to extravagance," he said, "is increasing. We have had no choice. We have had to protect ourselves and must pay the cost. For years public opinion was in favor of a pacific policy, but now that state of opinion has passed away. The tide has turned, and who am I, and who are we, that we should attempt to stem the tide? If the tide has turned, we shall have to go with it. We are in the presence of forces far larger than we can wield." This speech recalls a passage in Justin McCarthy's history, "The Four Georges." "It is melancholy to have to make the statement," says the historian, "but the statement is nevertheless true, that in the England of Walpole's day, and in the England of our own day as well, the statesman who is known to love peace is sure to have it shrieked at him in some crisis that he does not love the honor of his country. A periodical outbreak of the craving or lust for war seems to be one of the passions and one of the afflictions of almost every great commonwealth of Europe. A wise and a just policy may have secured a peace that has lasted for years; but the mere fact that peace has lasted for years seems to many, unthinking people reason enough why the country should be favored with a taste of war. We are constantly declaring that England is not a military nation, and yet no statesman is ever so popular for the hour in England as the statesman who fires the people with the passion for war. Many a minister, weak and unpopular in its domestic policy, has suddenly made himself the hero and the darling of the moment by declaring that some foreign state has insulted England, and that the time has come when the sword must be drawn to defend the nation's honor."

The chapter from which these words are taken is instructive. Walpole was at the head of the government. He was a man of peace. War had no fascination for him. He saw it in all its horrible aspects. His policy was to go direct and manage the foreign affairs of the nation as to make war unnecessary. But the tide turned upon Walpole, as it has turned upon other statesmen before and since, and who was he that he should attempt to stem it? To use the words

of the historian, "much as he loved peace, he loved his place as Prime Minister more." He yielded to the popular clamor, and the nation was plunged into a war with Spain. The war proved to be a miserable affair and brought honor to no one, and before it was over the purpose for which it was commenced was forgotten. But it settled the political career of Walpole. He was blamed for all the mistakes, and he got no credit for the successes when there were any. He was even blamed for having yielded to the popular clamor for war against his own better judgment, and blamed, too, by those who were most urgent in raising the clamor. The storm raised against him by the very people whose policy he had adopted as his own was greater than he could weather, and he went down, never to rise again.

The great blot on Walpole's career as a statesman, is that he had not the courage to stand out to the end for what he thought was right. He was opposed to war, but if the people wanted war he could give it to them as well as anybody else. The world has moved far in many respects since the days of Walpole; but the advance in statesmanship would not be hard to measure. The pessimistic plait of Lord Salisbury—"the people want war and extravagance and who am I to say nay?"—is but the policy of Walpole condensed into a few words. Theoretically, it is accepted that the highest duty of statesmanship may be at times to save the people from their passions and their follies; but practically the highest duty of statesmen is to keep themselves popular with the people, whatever the cost to the country.

PERSECUTION BY POLICE.

The Fosberg trial at Pittsfield, Mass., which has just been terminated by the acquittal of the brother of the murdered girl on the charge of killing her, gives a striking example of the almost autocratic powers which the police of the United States possess for the annoyance of citizens, comments the Toronto News. The police of that town were unable to find any clue to the real murderer, and feeling that their reputation was at stake they fell back on the theory that the girl had been shot down in a family quarrel, and they endeavored to fasten the crime on the brother as the most likely person to have committed it. The evidence did not disclose a single detail to throw suspicion on the young man, and the methods pursued by the police made it about as plain as it could be that in their anxiety to find a victim and save their own reputation they deliberately attempted to compass the death of a man whom they knew to be innocent. This case is by no means a solitary one. All over the United States the main point with the police is to have some one convicted of the crimes which occur. They may prefer to convict the guilty parties, but failing them they have no hesitation in fastening the guilt on innocent persons. The wonder is that the people, who are always proclaiming their freedom to the rest of the earth, should endure a form of tyranny which even the Russian police practice with great circumspection. In a British country a policeman who trumped up a charge against anyone in the man-ner in which the chief of police of Pittsfield trumped up the charge against the brother of the murdered girl would be indicted for conspiracy, and if not severely punished, would at least lose his position.

Farmers!

What do you need worse at this season of the year than a

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Water Tub

in sizes 5 bbls. and up, always on hand at

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Admiral Dewey and the rest of that board of enquiry are in luck to go sailing in midsummer, murmurs sweltering Brantford Courier.

The Goderich Signal, Liberal, gives the government this able slap in the eye:

What has become of that good old policy, "The land for the settler and not for the speculator?"

If Rosebery continues to annoy a lot of people with his vivisection reports on the northern Liberal party we will have to change his name to Raspberry—Ottawa Citizen.

Quite so. But if he manages to awaken the Liberal party to her loyal duty and consecrates himself to the further development of imperialism he'll become her genuine "Huckleberry."

The pink lemonade they are understood to sometimes dispense at the Pan-Am. must have had a disastrous effect on the usually buoyant spirits of the Hamilton Spec. man. On Saturday's his editorial contributions were based upon "Bald Heads," "Victims of Hay Fever," "The Dark Side of Life" and "What are you going to do about it?" Brer. Cameron has got a bad attack this time.

THAT'S US.

Goderich Signal.

The only true independent newspapers will always be found in the straight-speaking press of the two grand old parties.

TART'S FRIGHT.

Woodstock Express.

Mr. Tart must have imagined the Hamilton Spectator was after him when he heard the order of the Ottawa policeman to keep off the grass.

RUMOR UNCONFIRMED.

Brantford Courier.

It is announced that Hon. Mr. Tart has bought a gasoline yacht. The rumor that he has also purchased a British flag to float at the prow has not yet been confirmed.

WHERE HE SHINES.

Woodstock Express.

Hon. Mr. Tart has qualified as an engineer, and is now able to run his own gasoline yacht. But Mr. Tart has long had a reputation as an engineer, though his practice was supposed to be confined to political jobs.

WHERE HE WAS HURT.

Brantford Courier.

The Hamilton Post, in recording a fracas, says—

"Officer Nicholas was severely kicked in the mixup."

Suppose that's a polite way of referring to his stomach?

GREASED LIGHTNING SLOW.

Montreal Gazette.

George, the fellow who planted his stakes on Mr. Cloughes New Ontario land property, has not only had his claim disallowed, but has been placed under arrest. It was felt that something awful would happen to the man. The Ontario law may be slow in catching ballot thieves, but it acts like lubricated lightning when an affront is offered to a rich concessionaire.

Clerk's Notice of First Polling of Voters' List.

Voters' List, 1901, Municipality of the Township of Dover, County of Kent.

Notice is hereby given, that I have transmitted or delivered to the persons mentioned in Sections 8 and 9 of the Ontario Voters' List Act, the copies required by said sections to be so transmitted or delivered of the list, made pursuant to said Act, of all persons appearing by the last revised Assessment Roll of the said Municipality to be entitled to vote in the said Municipality at Elections for members of the Legislative Assembly and at Municipal Elections, and that the said list was first posted up at my office, at Chatham, on the 18th day of July, 1901, and remains there for inspection. Electors are called upon to examine the said list, and, if any omissions or any other errors are found therein, to take immediate proceedings to have said errors corrected according to law.

Dated the 18th day of July, 1901.
JOHN WELSH,
Clerk of the said Municipality.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound

Is successfully used monthly by over 1,000,000 ladies, both effectual, Ladies' Compound. Take no other, as all mixtures, pills and injections are dangerous. Price, No. 1, 25¢ per box; No. 2, 50¢ per box; No. 3, 75¢ per box. No. 4, 1.00 per box. The Cook Company Windsor, Ont.

No. 1 and No. 2 are sold in Chatham by C. H. Gunn & Co., Central Drug Store.

The Northway Co., Limited

The Busy Cash Store

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Come Trimmed Hat Wednesday Half Price

The last day of the busiest July in the history of this busy store—come and secure some of the biggest bargains that are likely to come your way this season. Remember, many of our best bargains are not mentioned here. Shop early.

300 yards fine Swiss embroidery, choice range of patterns, 1 inch to 2 1/2 inches wide, worth regular up to 8c a yard, Wednesday price 5c.

15 pieces American Prints, pretty new designs and colorings, fast dyes, Wednesday price a yard 5c.

6 dozen Bureau Covers, pure bleached Marcelline weaves, choice designs, fringed ends, extra large size, regular value, 25c. each, Wednesday price 2 for 25c.

8 pieces all-over laces—pretty designs in white cream and black, worth regular up to \$1.00 a yard, Wednesday price 25c.

Summer Corsets—Two special lines, perfection in fit and finish, short or long waist, any size, special at 75c and 50c.

Those curtain ends (samples) have gone like hot cakes. We have another lot of choice lengths for Wednesday buyers at each 25c and 19c.

Homespun suitings, 52 to 56 inches wide, fine quality, guaranteed shrunken, five best shades, regular value 90c to \$1.00, Wednesday price 69c.

Table Linens—Pure Irish flax, 2 yards wide, grass bleached, three choice patterns, worth 90c to \$1.00 a yard, Wednesday price 75c.

Velvet ribbons—Fine quality satin back, width 1 inch, in 10 yard lengths, Wednesday price 10 yards for 25c.

Men's Summer Coats—Linen crash well made, sizes 36 to 42, Wednesday price 95c.

Fine Luster Coats—Well made, good fitting, sizes 36 to 44 in., Wednesday price \$1.38.

Boys' Cool Coats—In medium grey and brown mixtures, neatly finished, for ages 6 to 14 years, Wednesday price 68c.

Fine Sailor Hats—Ladies fine straw sailers, latest shapes, plain and rustic, grouped in three lots for quick selling, Wednesday—

Sailors worth up to 40c, at 18c.

Sailors worth up to 75c at 33c.

Sailors worth up to \$1.25 at 58c.

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Our Cutter, Mr. Williston, is a thorough mechanic and has none but first-class men cut makers under his directions. We guarantee to save you money on Ordered Clothing and make them first-class and up-to-date.

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