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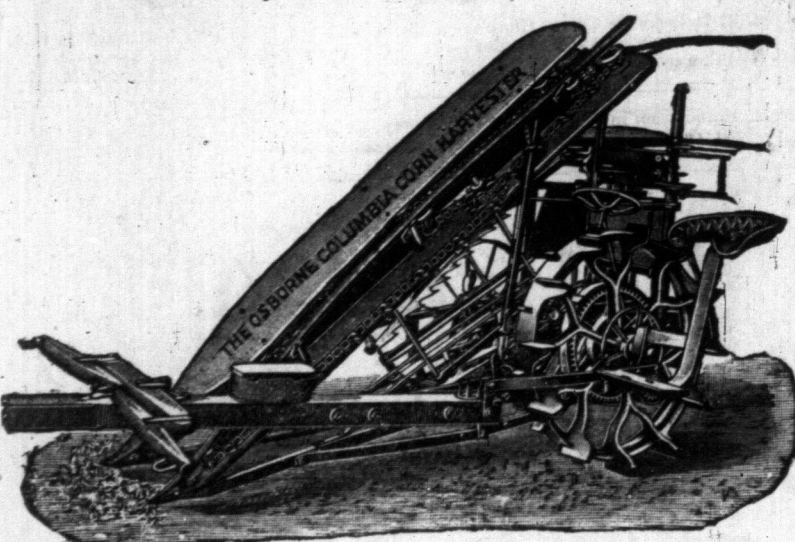
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FROM AN OLD FRIEND.

To The Planet.—I will send you in a  
day or two, a copy of one of my  
books, Roger's Travels. I now enclose  
a notice about it, which you may like  
to use. When I was in Chatham, the  
Planet published a full report of the  
meetings, and thus did much good. I  
still take an interest in the paper, and  
especially in the dear people of Chat-  
ham, who I learned to love. When I  
returned there after 19 years' absence,  
I found on every hand the permanent  
good that the meetings had done. Children  
converted at that time, were  
among the "leading people" in the  
churches. I have just received a let-  
ter from my old friend J. Warren  
Martin. It cheered my heart to hear  
from him, and to be thus reminded of  
those remarkable times, when people  
came from 10 to 20 miles to attend  
these services, which the Lord blessed  
in the conversion of so many souls.  
Yours most truly,

E. P. HAMMOND.

Hartford, Conn.

Note.—Mr. Hammond's book has been  
received and already noticed. Roger's  
Travels can be read by old and young  
alike, with profit and pleasure.—Editor  
Planet.

THE ATHLETIC GROUNDS.

To the Editor.—The city council is  
every year called upon to contribute  
towards demonstrations which are  
certainly conducive to the good of the  
city. These celebrations bring a large  
concourse of people to our town, help  
advertisers and also keep our money  
circulating among ourselves, but there  
must be some convenient place to cen-  
tralize attractions, where some reve-  
nue can be obtained for the necessary  
outlay. Why would it not be a very  
profitable investment and also a di-  
rect return for money spent for the  
city to purchase the athletic grounds  
and hold them for the benefit of just  
such entertainments, instead of con-  
tributing every year large sums of  
money to carry them on. By the use  
of the enclosed grounds, etc., to the  
benefit of making each celebration fi-  
nance itself through, and at the same  
time secure to the city a very  
valuable park in the country, which will  
always be the means of encouraging  
all societies or citizens to have their  
festivities at home. I would like very  
much to hear the opinions of  
others on this subject. If you will  
kindly submit this to the public  
through your paper, Yours, etc.,

CITIZEN.

THE NEW LIBERALISM AND THE  
OLD TORIISM.

To The Planet.—I make bold to take  
up my quill in answer to your cour-  
teous invitation for the farmers to ex-  
press their convictions on public mat-  
ters. In beginning, let me introduce  
myself. I was once a Liberal, but I  
am becoming more radical with mat-  
uring years. I am the most bitter  
and irreconcilable adversary of old  
Toryism that I know of—not the  
Toryism of George III., but the Tory-  
ism of Sir John A. Macdonald, that re-  
developed the Canadian Pacific R. R.  
and the National Policy, i. e., protec-  
tion and the iniquitous tax system of  
to-day. Still, I see signs of a new  
Toryism coming to birth; I want to  
see what it may be like.

The first sign I saw was in the  
Ottawa house within a couple of  
months, reported in your paper, in re  
tobacco tax. It was urged in the  
House by Tories that the Government  
had no right to pick out a class of citi-  
zens to bear an extortion tax which  
others did not bear. (Wording mine.)  
My second sign is from Winnipeg.  
Hugh John Macdonald, "having seen  
all his father's sins, which he had done,  
and considered and doeth not such  
like"—Ezekiel 18, 14—even lays a  
plank in his platform for government  
ownership of railroads. His father  
thought railroads should own the gov-  
ernment, country and all. My third  
sign is in your last week's paper. You  
invite us (farmers) to open discussion  
and promise us courteous treatment.  
You also acknowledge the discrimina-  
tion of the protective tariff against  
us. I hope as the old Grits have gone  
to the position of the old Tories that  
the new Toryism may be the hope of  
the country.

You seem, Mr. Editor, to imagine  
that the farmers only suffer from pro-  
tection and that it is a good thing for  
everybody else. Truly, the farmers  
are fleeced, and fleeced thoroughly,  
but I think it fleeces very many who  
are not farmers at all. Let us look  
The people of all towns and cities are  
fleeced in the matter of paying bonuses  
to factories. What about Chat-  
ham? Look at the major trotting the  
globe hunting for some capitalist who  
will condescend to be so kind as come  
and fleece the poor people of Chatham  
for a bonus. A while ago he found a  
dozen impeccable shapers from some  
country in Europe who could make  
glass. He made Chatham an offer to  
get them to come here. Chatham  
must furnish capital to start. Ottawa  
Government an import duty on glass  
equal to from 2 to 70 per pane on  
all imported glass, thus fleecing every  
farmer, every tradesman and every prop-  
erty owner from Vancouver Island to  
Cape Breton. Why all this fleecing  
of the public? So that the people of  
Chatham could be fleeced for a bonus.  
But Chatham would get a factory that  
would give employment to her poor!  
Yes, employment for her poor. There  
would be one man wanted to shovel in  
sand, one to shovel in coal and one to  
shovel out smoke. I, for one, consider  
the bonused factory an unmitigated

curse to any country, and more so to  
our country than to any other.  
My next article will be on tax ex-  
emptions.

H. F.

LAWYERS AND DOCTORS.

To The Planet.—There are two classes of  
representatives that the farmers are dead  
against for to legislate for them, the doctor  
and the lawyer, for they only protect their  
own interests and not those of the farmer.  
Hereafter doctors and lawyers' chances  
will be nil. [When the farmer looks at  
them it's \$5, and if they should do one  
month's work for the farmer just deal with  
your farm and then the account will be  
balanced. I hope the delegates will open  
their eyes on the day of the convention.  
I will be there.

S. A. DAWSON.

Renwick, July 9, 1900.  
Note.—The complaint that lawyers pre-  
ponderate in parliament is true enough,  
but the same charge does not apply to  
doctors. Did Mr. Dawson ever look at the  
matter in this way? If we must have  
lawyers, isn't it better to elect them direct  
and make them responsible to their con-  
stituents than to elect lay automatons  
who are simply tools in the hands of lay  
yers and do only what they are told to  
do by them. Has Kent done any better by  
electing laymen than lawyers?—Editor  
Planet.

CAMEO CARVING.

Tools and Methods Employed in the  
Workmanship.

All the tools used by the cameo carver  
would make but a handful. The worker  
sits before a wheel turned by a pedal.  
Tools occupy a small corner of the table  
surface on which the worker's hands  
rest while he holds the shaped stone or  
shell beneath the feedlike drill. The  
little pointed instruments which are used  
to drill resemble those employed by a  
dentist, and indeed it is from the cameo  
carver's kit that the dentist gets many of  
their ideas when the tools now in use by  
them came to be manufactured, 80 years  
ago. The drills vary in thickness accord-  
ing to the portion of the figure or design  
to be executed. Some are as fine as the  
point of a cambric needle. A small china  
receptacle also stands near, filled with oil  
and diamond dust, and into this the  
workman frequently dips the tool during  
the progress of his work.

The cameo cutter's occupation is very  
exact. He can put in only a few  
hours' work at a time as a usual thing,  
because of the tension on his nerves. A  
conversing hand may be responsible for  
the single stroke which will spoil a week's  
work. He must have an eye almost like  
a microscope and a very delicate touch,  
he must be as sure as a watchmaker.  
The work is a craft as is a watchmaker.  
He must know how to model and draw  
and he must have a knowledge of chem-  
istry, so as to remove offending spots.  
The work is executed in relief on many  
kinds of hard or precious stones, but es-  
sentially the chalcidonic variety of quartz  
and on shells. The cameo cutter himself  
prefers onyx because of its dark and  
light layers, which throw out in bold re-  
lief a white head, say, against a black  
background. He evolves his picture by  
removing all that portion of the white  
stratum remaining after the dark and  
light layers have been removed. Various  
bees, carnations, turquoises, amethysts  
and numerous other stones.

Unknown Birthdays.

Cardinal Manning did not even know  
the precise year of his birth, let alone the  
exact day. Francis Suter, the cele-  
brated French critic, never did know ex-  
actly the year, month or day of his birth.  
Lord Beaconsfield has somewhat added  
to the uncertainty regarding his birth-  
day by telling Lord Harrington of his having  
been born in a library. Many people  
contend that he meant his father's place  
in John street, Bloomsbury, and others  
point to a private house in Adelphi ter-  
race. The exact day, however, has not  
been settled. One account says Dec. 21,  
another Dec. 31.  
Mystery and uncertainty surrounded  
the true birthday of Arthur Wellesley,  
afterward Duke of Wellington. Most  
people will imagine, and rightly so, that  
it is difficult for a countess—his mother  
was the Countess of Mornington—to give  
birth to a son in her own castle without  
knowing it, and yet neither she, her hus-  
band nor others know exactly on what  
day it was that the boy was born. Yet  
this is what occurred on the birthday of  
the famous duke, and to this day the  
only really reliable statement about it is  
that he was born in 1769 in Ireland.—  
New York World.

Didn't Enjoy the Joke.

The late Duke of Westminster once re-  
ceived when at St. James, in West Suth-  
erland, a telegram from a friend, in which  
the hope was expressed that the duke's  
horse would win a certain big race. The  
duke had 30 shillings to pay for the car-  
riage of the telegram from the nearest  
office. He instantly wrote his thanks for  
the attention, adding, however, that his  
friend need not trouble to write again if  
the horse won. The friend at once tel-  
graphed in reply, "All right," which cost  
the duke 30 shillings more. The horse  
did win the race, and his grace netted  
£10,000, but it is doubtful if he ever  
gave his friend the little joke which cost  
him 60 shillings.—Tit-Bits.

BOSTON BOY.

By Mrs. Jean Blewett.  
Made himself at home as soon as he  
indented here last spring.  
Full of airs as he could be, nose turned  
up at everything.  
Told us twenty times a day that Cam-  
mucks was awful slow.  
Thought he owned the world and all,  
liked to strut around and blow.

"He's a visitor," said ma, "see that  
he is kept amused.  
Don't forget your manners now, see  
him as he should be used.  
So I kept my temper down just as  
long as ever I could.  
But one day it mastered me—felt right  
in my bones it would.

"Fourth July I'm going home," so he  
started up the fun,  
"Licked the British, don't you know,



Grand Old Men

Some men seem to  
defy old age. They  
walk erect. Their  
eyes are bright. Their  
laughter is hearty. They  
are men of to-day,  
not men of yesterday.  
They are also men  
who have kept  
themselves in good  
physical condition in  
the past. As we grow  
older waste matter  
accumulates in the  
system. The body  
cannot throw it off without assistance. So,  
little by little the machinery of the body is  
clogged, vitality is lowered, and enjoyment  
of life ceases. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical  
Discovery cannot make old men young,  
but it does make them strong and healthy.  
By removing the waste accumulations, by  
increasing the blood supply, by strength-  
ening the stomach and organs of diges-  
tion and nutrition, and thus increasing the  
assimilative and nutritive powers. "Golden  
Medical Discovery" makes grand old men.  
"I suffered for six years with constipation and  
indigestion, during which time I employed sev-  
eral physicians, but they could not reach my  
case," writes Mr. G. Popplewell, of Eureka  
Springs, Carroll Co., Ark. "I felt that there was  
no help for me, could not retain food on my  
stomach, had vertigo and would fall helpless to  
the floor. I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's  
Golden Medical Discovery and little by little  
I am now in good health for one of my age—60  
years. I owe it all to Dr. Pierce's medicine."  
Dr. Pierce's Pills greatly benefit old  
men by keeping the bowels in activity.

made the lion turn and run.  
He remembers it, you bet, atars and  
stripes can make him quail.  
Lion doesn't growl," said he, "if he  
did we'd pull his tail."

That boy needed to be trounced, need-  
ed it most awful bad.  
Naturally the job was mine, 'cause I  
was the preacher's lad.  
"Use him as he should be used," that  
was what my ma had said.  
Wasn't I obeying her when I up and  
punched his head?

He could fight as well as blow, had to  
use him pretty rough.  
Wool him round considerably, 'fore  
he'd holler out "enough."  
I was "most" a wreck myself, didn't  
know just what to do.  
Buttons off and braces broke, gingham  
shirt tore "most" in two.

Couldn't cover up my teeth 'cause my  
upper lip was cut.  
And you trust my ma to see that one  
She felt bad. How could I fight, and  
my pa a minister.  
Teachin' people peace and love! "Never  
mind," pa said to her.

"When a boy comes visitin'—pretty  
boy from Boston town—  
Nose turned up at our Union Jack,  
some one's got to turn it down."  
Ma she lectured for an hour, then I  
hunted cousin Jake.

An' we were by our two selves  
through the woods down to the  
lake.  
"That chap lied to-day," said Jake, as  
we sprawled out in the sun,  
"But that, oh you know, that yarn,  
how they made the lion run.  
I'd have heard it sure from you."  
Jake ain't much on history,  
Doesn't know a blessed thing, 'ceptin'  
what he learns from me.

I had told him heaps an' heaps 'bout  
the wars old England's fought,  
'Bout her soldiers, foot an' horse, and  
her ships, O, such a lot!  
Waterloo and Omdurman, battles won  
just everywhere,  
It had slipped my mind, somehow,  
'bout that fourth July affair.

"It was this way, Jake," said I,  
and went on to make things clear.  
Drew a map out on the sand, took  
me half an hour, near.  
"Then there was a little fuss?" Jake  
said in his solemn way.  
"Yess," said I, "but I wasn't like that  
boy said it was to-day.

"When the lion gets a fight 'tain't  
because he doesn't dare,  
Jake," said I, "you bet your boots,  
'tis because he doesn't care!"  
"So," he growled at last, and gave my  
black eye an easy touch,  
"Blowhard's yarn had some truth in-  
wish you'd given him twice as  
much."

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