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THE GEOGRAPHY OF GRAFT.

The Woodstock Express draws attention to a New York paper which prints a map of the United States, showing the geography of graft. The map, which is based on the reports of correspondence all over the republic, shows that the evil is widespread. Half a dozen states are reported free, from about a dozen others, the courts are kept busy.

The redeeming feature of the situation is that the courts are kept busy. If graft is widespread, the fight against it is general. Senator Dietrich of Nebraska was accused of selling post offices. He was acquitted on a technicality—the acts charged were committed before his election but before he took the oath of office—but his official career came to a close. Senator Burton of Kansas was accused of acting as the attorney of a "get-rich-quick" concern, from whom he received a salary of \$500. He was convicted, but appealed, and his case is still pending; but his usefulness is also gone. Senator Mitchell of Oregon was convicted of land grafting. And so on.

In Philadelphia "the most notorious" of the grafters have been removed from office, several of them have been indicted, and the grand jury is looking into the case of others. No doubt there will be a thorough house-cleaning before the people of Philadelphia get through with the job, and an important increase in the prison population.

In New York "there has been a strenuous effort to get rid of a judge accused of grafting," that is to say, of using his official influence for personal enrichment. This judge has had powerful support in secret from cunning enemies of the public welfare, but therein every reason to believe that his days of office-holding are drawing rapidly to a close. In Boston, in Chicago, and particularly in St. Louis, the fight against the "grafters" is being vigorously and with the most encouraging success. Governor Folk of Missouri has proved a tower of strength in the movement. His theory was that the people as a mass were honest, wanted honest government, and would uphold the man who made a strong fight in their interest.

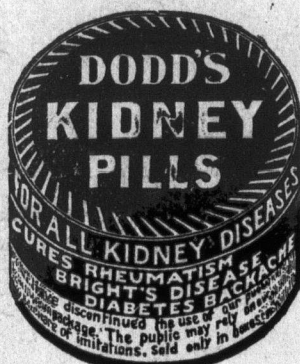
For many years the politics of Missouri has been corrupt, but last year the people rose in their might, put in a Republican legislature, cast the vote of the state for Roosevelt, and at the same time elected an independent and honest Democrat to the governorship, thus giving a surprising manifestation of a realizing sense of the importance of independence at the ballot box. One judge was acquitted by the Senate, though the evidence was plainly against him; but as a general thing there is little mercy shown.

In New York District Attorney Jerome has got after the crooked lawyers. "Never before in the history of the Court of General Sessions have there been so many attorneys under indictment as there are now." Several are already behind prison bars, and indictments are pending against several more.

It would, therefore, be very unfair to judge the people of the United States by the corruption which is eating into their political and social life without taking into consideration the splendid efforts put forth in the interests of purity and honesty. Evidence is not lacking in support of Governor Folk's theory, that the people at heart are honest, and want honest government, and all they need is honest leaders, in whom they can have confidence, to show them the way. So long as a country is capable of waging such a fight against corruption as the people are now putting up in many parts of the United States, its case is far from hopeless.

PATRONIZE OUR MERCHANTS.

A city merchant has been good enough to draw our attention to an article which appeared in a recent issue of Dun's Bulletin, dealing with the practice of people in the various communities of Ontario sending their money to and purchasing their supplies from the large departmental stores in the provincial capital, instead of patronizing the merchants in their own localities, remarks the Woodstock Review. The article quite rightly maintains that this practice is not fair to the local merchants. The article goes on to show how the numerous catalogues that are mailed by these departmental stores to the individual addresses of everyone in the community having any purchasing power, together with the large amount of newspaper adver-



tising done by these same stores, are responsible for this unsatisfactory state of affairs. The article rightly claims that the home merchant helps to build the houses and churches, the public buildings, thereby assists in every way in maintaining and building up the town in which he resides, thus making the community richer thereby, and at the same time a more desirable place to reside, while the departmental store in the city several hundred miles distant pays nothing back to the communities from which it derives a large portion of its revenue, and is consequently of no benefit to these communities.

We feel that the above conclusions are right. Local merchants ought to receive as much of the public patronage as it is possible to give them. It is true that complaints have been made that certain merchants have endeavored to take advantage of many of our citizens because they were railroaders and therefore supposed to have the ready cash which is generally put down for goods without the dickerings that clerks have with others. Railroaders are good buyers.

They make good wages and do not haggle over a few cents in prices. When purchasing goods they expect the best and naturally suppose that they are being treated fairly, and are not being imposed upon because of the fact that they do not endeavor to beat the merchant down in his price. It must not be supposed the practice of imposing on any class is a habit with any of our merchants, but the complaint has been made that buyers have been subjected to such treatment in the past. We have great faith in our merchants and believe that they are prepared to deal fairly and honestly with the public. It is true that there are more shoddy goods disposed of in the States and railroads, who are not expert in knowing the qualities or value of goods may, in some cases, imagine they are getting a bargain, when on the other hand they are in reality paying more for their goods, as to real value than they would have paid had they purchased at home, and paid a little higher price. Our merchants are the backbone of our city and when they do the right thing by the public, are justly entitled to the first consideration. As advertisers they are second to none in any city in Ontario, and they are always found foremost in the promotion of the city's best interests. For that reason, their goods and prices ought to be examined and considered before purchasers take or send their money out of town to departmental stores, which contribute nothing towards the development of the city or the welfare of the citizens. Our merchants, as a rule, are wide awake and carry stocks of the right quality, so that the people ought not to consider it necessary to go to the larger cities for their requirements. Furthermore it is said by people who should know whereof they speak, that shopping can be done in the local stores on a more economical basis, than in the large departmental stores of the metropolis. Consequently the public, in addition to leaving their money at home, and thus building up their own city, thereby enhancing their own property and at the same time, making the community a more desirable place in which to reside, do so with a direct financial benefit to themselves.

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DAYS OF AULD LANG SYNE

Interesting Events of Ye Olden Times Gathered from The Planet's Issues of Half a Century Ago

From The Planet files from April 2, 1862, to April 9, 1862.

Removed—We are requested to state that Mr. Samuel Cowan has removed his harness shop from Northwood's row to the new shop near the creek bridge, corner of King and William streets, and opposite the store of John Northwood. He keeps constantly on hand a variety of harness ready made, also other articles in this line. He is a young man and a good tradesman, and we hope that his industry and perseverance will meet with public encouragement.

The Weather—To-day is mild and pleasant and many people are beginning to prepare for making gardens and putting out trees, shrubbery, etc. The river is open and navigation will be resumed in a few days. The wheat is said to be looking remarkably well and promises a good crop. The roads in the country are not settled yet; a good rain will do much towards settling them and making good wheeling in a few days. The sidewalks are as dry as in summer and the boys playing marbles are making good use of them.

A meeting of the members of the Drill Association of the County of Kent met in the counting room of The Chatham Planet Office, Lieut. A. P. Salter in the chair. But little business was transacted. A committee consisting of Messrs. Askin, Simpson and Stephenson, was appointed to draft a code of by-laws regulating the working of the Association.

Frederick VanAllen, at one period employed in The Planet Office, has left the types and entered another calling, which we trust will be a lucrative one. Last week he bought out the market store from John Russell, who intends shortly to go to the West Indies to reside permanently. We recommend our friends to give Fred a call at his new stand.

The annual election of city engineer and two assistants for the Chatham fire department was held in the Town Hall in the presence of a crowded house. Two candidates were nominated for the office of chief, viz, James Marquand of Excelsior Co. No. 1, and formerly first assistant engineer, and Rufus Stephenson of Union Co. No. 2. The election, which was by ballot, was conducted with much animation and good feeling and resulted in the return of Mr. Stephenson, the vote standing—Marquand 31, Stephenson 59, majority 28. Messrs. David Walker, late second assistant, and T. G. Rutley, both of Excelsior Co. No. 1, were nominated for the office of first assistant engineer, the ballots for whom stood respectively as follows: Walker 34, Rutley 53, majority 19. Mr. John Cleve, of No. 1 Co., was elected second assistant engineer by acclamation.

Birth—In Owosso, Mich., on the 31st of March, the wife of Charles F. Jubberville, of a daughter.

David Smith, Secretary of the Chatham Public School Board, advertises for an assistant female teacher for the Central school, salary \$120 per annum.

That \$10,000 verdict in favor of Helen Bell, who sued Mr. McGregor for breach of promise in Ohio, is making a good deal of talk among editorial men. It certainly seems a large penalty for a man to pay just for refusing to "ring a bell."

Married—At Morrisburg, on Wednesday, 2nd inst., by Rev. Dr. Boswell, Mr. Duncan McGregor, Jr., of Chatham, to Ella Brouse, of Morrisburg.

Married—At Chatham, on Tuesday, the 8th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Sandys, in St. Paul's church, Mr. W. Allen McCrae to Eleanor S. Andrew, both of Chatham.

The Spring Court of Assizes for the County of Kent was held, Justice Hagarty presiding. Among the gentlemen of the long robe present we observed Albert Prince, Esq., Q. C., John Wilson, Q. C., H. C. R. Beecher, Q. C., A. D. McLean, Crown Attorney, Walter McCrae, C. R. Atkinson, S. Woods, and William Douglas, Esqrs.

The Clerk of the Court called the Grand Jurors as follows: Edmund Baby, Fred. Cornwall, Wm. Duff, Robert Johnston, Geo. Lester, Duncan McVicar, Henry Verrall, Duncan McNaughton, Hugh McPherson, Francis Ogilvie, John A. Patterson, John Rice, A. Shaw, G. W. Foote, foreman. The civil docket contained ten cases. One man was charged with having committed murder, one for theft, one for horse stealing and one for timber stealing.

Tactical. Mrs. John Sherwood was as famous for her exquisite nature as for her fine style. At a dinner one night at the time when her novel "The Transplanted Rose" was having a wide circulation her neighbor turned and asked in perfect good faith the almost incredible question, "Mrs. Sherwood, do you know who wrote 'The Transplanted Rose'?"

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Miss Pratt's experience proves the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to every weak and ailing person. These pills can be had from any medicine dealer or by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., at 50c a box or six boxes for \$2.50.

The Term "Crony." Every one uses the term "crony" in the sense of "chum" or "pal," and the phrase "old cronies" has become specially familiar, but it is doubtful whether the original word bore any reference to friendship. The new English dictionary puts down its origin to academic slang and quotes the immortal Pepsys for the earliest instance of its use. Quite recently, however, an old letter of a still earlier date has come to light, in which a scholar is described as "content to destroy his body with night labors and everlasting study to overtake his cronies and contemporaries." From this it would seem clear that the word was a bit of university jargon, used to denote students of the same date and cohort from the Greek word that appears in the terms "chronology," "chronometer," "chronograph," that are connected with time.

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JUNE'S FRESH JOYS.

WEDDING MODES ARE BREAKING AWAY FROM TRADITION.

The Conventional No Longer Rules. Striking Gown For a Bride-To-Be. For Bridesmaids—Delightful Frocks of the Trousseau.

The wedding season is in full swing with the beginning of June this year; for, in fact, May has witnessed an unusual number of nuptial celebrations, and the old superstition of the unlikelihood of the month of May for matrimony seems to be fading away. Then, too, originality is invading the peaceful fields of the conventional in wedding garments.

A model for a bride's gown of striking style and much individuality is presented in the first cut. A court train of white faille is slung gracefully from



the shoulders, the interior softened by masses of mousseline de soie and tulle, ephemeralities that are chiefly responsible for the actual gown. The full flowing skirt of white chiffon is yellowed in tulle, powdered with the tiniest roses of white baby ribbon. A deep folded belt of faille forms the chief component part of the corsage, a high, clear chemise temporarily rendering the corsage a high one, while high wrinkled gloves fill up the deficiency of the short sleeve. In view of use for social functions following the wedding, the merit of this adaptable corsage becomes very apparent.

For the bridesmaids pretty frocks are devised in white, crystalline silk. The skirt, inset with cream lace, carries a froth of tiny lace edged frills, while the bodice forms a fichu effect beneath a chemise of lace. A gown of the trousseau, a leaf green chiffon, is trimmed as fashion now suggests, with blond lace, and has one of the new ruffled bolices set into a becoming pointed corset of lace. The two models of the second cut show creations in voile, occurring in recent trousseaux. Of a rather deep pink is the first, with a high belt of voile inclosing the fullness of the simple little bodice. A rose crin chapeau accompanies this recherche toilet, the crown draped with the softest of ribbon and clustered with faded Gloire de Dijon roses. A delicate shade of pink voile is responsible for the companion gown.

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To Recover Her Child. "Can you help me to recover my child?" asked the poor woman. "Is your child lost?" "Oh, no. His clothes are worn out."

Continuous Elopement. That the course of love does not always run smoothly was amusingly illustrated in the experience of one Koraleff, a Russian land owner, who took his bride to Berlin upon a honeymoon trip.

The second day of their stay Mme. Koraleff possessed herself of some \$15,000, all of the money her husband had with him, and eloped to Switzerland with her husband's valet.

In due course the deserted husband obtained fresh funds and set forth in search of the guilty pair. After some delay Mme. Koraleff was located in Zurich, where she had been left destitute by the partner of her flight, whose fancy had been attracted by a woman more to his liking than the wife of his late master.

There was a reconciliation, and the reunited pair again set forth in search of the valet, whom they found at Lausanne, again in a state of single blessedness, his latest partner having taken herself off with a newer ideal, though she broke the chain by leaving what was left of the money with the valet.

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