

..The Planet..

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This month's issue of The Printer and Publisher says:-

"The attention of editors is called to the unfortunate and disquieting fact that at least twice during the past year or so Canadian papers have been subjected to loss in the law courts for editorial comments that appear to the average mind to be fair and moderately expressed criticism. We refer to the cases of The Hamilton Spectator and The Chatham Planet. If such criticism as they were overhauled for indulging in is to be tabooed, the freedom of discussion is going to be very seriously hampered."

THREE V. C.'S FOR CANADIANS.

The granting of the V. C. to three more Canadians, Lieuts. Turner, Cockburn and Holland, is a well deserved honor. The rear guard fight at Lilliefontein was not an important affair judged by the standard of the numbers engaged, but no troops ever put up a pluckier fight under more trying circumstances. Nothing but the stubborn valor of the Canadian rear guard on that occasion prevented a most serious disaster to the British column. While all fought well, the three officers whose names have been mentioned were conspicuous by their gallantry. Lieut. Cockburn was wounded and taken prisoner, and Lieut. Turner fought on, rallying his men to support the guns, after he had been hit twice himself. Sergt. Holland, who has received a commission since his return, fought the Colt gun until the Boers were nearly up to it and then took it from the carriage and galloped off under a hot fire, thus saving the gun from capture by the Boers.

THE GAMBLING MANIA.

The card-playing habit is getting to be a very serious question; not that there is any great wrong in the playing of games for amusement, but the trouble is in the gambling spirit that is the outcome, says the Hamilton Spectator. Gambling comes natural to man, for in boyhood he begins to play marbles for keeps, and all through life the spirit and desire to play for keeps seems to be with him. But when the mania for gambling takes hold of a woman she never lets up while there is a dollar in the family purse. Gambling is almost as old as the history of the world, for when our Saviour was crucified they cast lots for his garments. All classes of society are afflicted with the gambling spirit, from the newsboy who shoots scraps on doorsteps to the millionaire who bets his thousands on a straight flush. It has invaded the social circle, and if no money is bet on a game of progressive euchre or crokinole there are prizes to be played for. Good church people, who would shudder at the idea of gambling in their home, think it all right and proper to present prizes to their friends who are invited in for a social evening. Even the children must have some stake to play for when they sit down in the home with their boy and girl friends for a game of cards or with the crokinole board.

It is this tendency to gamble that gives card playing a black eye, for while there is no more harm in a social game of cards than there is in any other simple amusement the spirit of the gambler seems to take possession of the players. Boys learn to play stealthily, for in many homes the father and mother look with horror on a pack of cards, clasping them as part of the devil's outfit. They get off into some secluded place and get their first lessons in playing for small stakes, and by-and-by they are ready to try their skill with those who have become experts in the seductive game of draw poker.

Once the gambling spirit has taken thorough possession of its votary, there is nothing that he will not bet on, from the chances of life of a sick friend, or of one submitting to a surgical operation, to a horse running on a race track a thousand miles away. The bucket shop agent and the book-maker on current events, such as an election, a horse race, a thumping match between two brutes in a prize ring, cater to the gambling spirit of their customers. Every village has its bucket shop and its number of customers, who invest every dollar they can scrape together in betting on the price of grain or pork or some stock. There is nothing more deceptive than board of trade or bucket shop gambling, for the victim lives daily in hopes that things will come his way to-morrow. These places are more dangerous than a regular poker room, for there is a class of men who will risk every dollar they have on the selling price of some product or stock, who would think it disgraceful to visit a regular gambling hall or even engage in a social game where stakes are played for.

Even the women have the gambling fever, for afternoon card parties now take the place of the old-time social functions, and to make the game in-

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Interesting there is either a money consideration or a valuable prize played for. When a fashionable gambler loses it is considered a debt of honor, and it matters not where the money comes from the loser must pay the next day or lose caste in society.

This mania for gambling has made defaulters and criminals of men who stood high in financial and business circles, and yet it is on the increase all the time. One day this week the presiding judge in the courts of a city down in the state of Georgia instructed the grand jury to inquire into the gambling prevalent in private homes in the city and directed them to bring into courts indictments against the owners of the houses as well as the guests who took part in the gaming. It would surprise one to learn how much of this gaming spirit prevails in private homes in our own city. A party of friends is invited to spend the evening where some progressive game of cards or crokinole is the diversion. While there is no harm in the simple game for amusement, yet there is always a number of prizes offered for the winners and the losers. This is where the trouble, though unintentional, comes in; it cultivates a desire for winning for the sake of the prize, and in time the transition is easy from a social game for a toothbrush or a pair of gloves to playing for money, be the stake ever so small to begin with. Now and then some story as the result of gambling comes to light. A young man, who cannot afford to lose, is lured into a social game, probably at the home of a friend, and before rising from the card table he finds himself without a dollar and with his due bill out for a sum that he knows not how to get. But it must be paid at once. Many a young man has taken his first step downward from just such a social game. Ladies, stop offering prizes for social games when you invite friends to spend the evening; and, above all, prohibit positively the playing of cards for even a penny game.

Mrs. Carrie Nation is up against some bars she cannot smash. They are jail bars and Carrie can't get bail.

A man in Chicago was fined for swearing in Swedish. It is probably as bad a form of profanity as anyone could indulge in.

Down in Suffolk, Virginia, they have resorted to the public whipping of women. The result will undoubtedly be the further degradation of both men and women.

The British Government is putting in disappearing guns and making other improvements to Halifax harbor. It will now be in order for some inland paper in the United States to raise a yawp about the sinister designs of Great Britain upon the U. S. and the menace to democracy.

The Toronto horse show must have been the usual big success, says the Brantford Courier, for, according to the papers there Mrs. Thingumbob was "very handsome in a black face dress"; Mrs. Highflyer was "very distinguished looking in a black gown"; Mrs. Gotrox "wore a smart tailor made"; and some hundreds made good just too killing for anything.

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When Graham Cameron apologized to his brother-in-law, Dr. Wilson, for the language he used regarding the latter, Mr. Cameron succeeded in raising himself several notches in public estimation. The difficulty of the task of having to apologize to one's own brother-in-law will be quite widely recognized and properly appreciated.

Col. Drury, of the Second Canadian contingent, explains why Richard Harding Davis became so bitterly malicious against the British and lied so freely as to the conduct of the British prisoners at Pretoria. He was taboed by the Authors' Club of London for making these accusations and revenged himself by publishing deliberate falsehoods about the British.

The Robeygeon Independent has always been a great admirer of the Ontario Government, ever since Sir Oliver Mowat undertook the leadership. But our contemporary is disgusted at last. It says: "It is much too evident that the control of the Liberal political machine in Ontario descended to the most disgusting depths of unprincipled rascality, and if the party desires to appear before the public as fit to be touched with anything short of a ten-foot pole, it will reorganize its machine clean out of existence."

The Australian troops are called "the scum of the earth" by an impudent pro-Boer paper in Cape Town, the News. Before leaving for home they wrecked the office of the paper and the British authorities promptly footed the bill. Of course it was a very lawless proceeding on the part of the Australians, but the loyalists of Cape Colony and Cape Town will feel like passing them a vote of thanks. Previous to the war the News did its utmost to work up an insurrection in Cape Colony, and after the war commenced it distinguished itself by abusing and misrepresenting everything British. On the night of the relief of Ladysmith the loyalist crowd stoned the News office and a detachment of Canadian troops were sent in from Greenpoint camp to protect it. On other demonstrative occasions the place was always so well protected by the military police that no harm came to it, and it remained for the Australians to do the wiping off the slate before they shook the khaki dust off their feet.

FEMININE GAMBLING.

Toronto News.
The Presbyterian Review says gambling is on the increase among women. It is a little early this year. June is usually the month for gambling at the game of hearts.

DIRTY LINEN.

Ottawa Journal (Ind.).
The Conservatives can congratulate themselves that of the dirty linen which has been washed in the Cook investigation, nothing belongs to them.

SAME OLD BUSINESS.

Belleville Intelligencer.
A Presbyterian minister in Chicago wants to resign, after long service, so that he can go into the fire insurance business. What has he been doing these years?

SUPT. PRESTON'S WRATH.

Toronto Telegram.
The Russell House rounds must have sounded like the inside of the Austrian reichsrath when William Thomas Rochester Preston, Esq., attempted to cut loose on Mr. Cook's lawyer.

THE QUARTS ERA.

Robeygeon Independent.
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