

..The Planet..

S. STEPHENSON - Proprietor.

To the Readers of The Planet:

For over twenty years I have published The Planet, and many of the men entering my employment at that date are with me to-day, and during that period I have paid out in wages over three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and those with whom I come in almost daily contact are probably better judges of my general reputation than the editor and proprietor of my contemporary, who have but a few months been residents of Chatham. During that time I have never found it necessary to intrude my personality upon the readers of The Planet, and I would not have done so to-day but for reference to the Carter-Banner-News libel suit, which I understand will come up for trial at the September sittings of the courts. When R. Victor Carter, Managing Director of the Krause Conservatory of Music in this city, informed me of his intention to bring suit against the Banner-News I urged him to try and arrange a settlement of his differences with the paper without the entanglement of litigation if it could be avoided, and I also took the trouble to inform A. C. Woodward, proprietor of the Banner-News, in front of C. C. Dingman's bookstore on King street, in a conversation that lasted nearly half an hour, that Mr. Carter had obtained the written opinion of Matthew Wilson, K. C., and was determined to make the paper prove its statements and that a writ would probably be issued in a few days, and I strongly advised him to try and smooth matters over, as, if the case went to trial, in any event it would prove a costly affair without any compensating advantages. He will hardly deny this, nor do I think he will deny the fact that he ridiculed the idea that Mr. Carter would attempt to test the correctness of his paper's statements. As an evidence of my sincerity in this matter, I may say that I instructed my reporters to make no reference in The Planet to the service of notice of action or the issuing of the writ, and no mention was made of the former. It did, however, appear in the Banner-News and it was only after this that I permitted the information to appear that a writ had been issued when the notification was received from Mr. Carter's solicitor, and that also appeared in its own columns; and the thanks I get for this interference in a matter that I was not directly interested in is to be accused, amongst a number of other things, as encouraging the prosecution of this suit.

The rest of the violent personal attack upon myself and my relatives I am quite content to leave to the judgment of the subscribers of the Banner-News and those persons who have seen the article, most of whom have known me many years longer than those who are responsible for its production.

Your obedient servant,
S. STEPHENSON.

CLOSING WORDS.

The emphatic instructions laid down for this journal in the discussion now closed—as far as The Planet is concerned—were: Total absence of all personalities or offensive methods, preservation of dignity and decency and absolute accordance with the truth.

These instructions emanated from the proprietor of this journal. Their observance has been the corner stone of its steady progress, and past and present success. They account for the fact that to-day—as all our contemporaries know full well—The Planet stands without a rival in the West, that its circulation is hundreds above that of any other Canadian newspaper this side of London and that its advertising patronage—as readers can estimate for themselves—is nearly double that of its closest competitor.

These instructions have been followed. They will continue to be followed. And this necessitates the close of the discussion as far as The Planet is concerned. Repeatedly we have urged the Banner-News, in a spirit of kindness, to rise above the language and illustrations of the Chicago slums and the tactics of the coarsest of Yankee newspaperdom, and fight its battles upon the high plane and dignified ethics of Can-

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adian Journalism. Its response to these appeals is two editorial columns of vicious personal abuse of the proprietor of this journal, of contemptible insinuations concerning the founding of the paper by his revered father, of miserable reflections against his relatives. This is coupled—in corresponding ill taste—with the flaunting of the personalities of the members of the Banner-News staff and their family connections.

Such a record is unique in the annals of Canadian Journalism. The Planet will make no reply to it. It carries its own boom-rang—whether it goes—in the condemnation and contempt of an intelligent public.

In thus closing the matter we believe we shall gain the endorsement of the community. It must be remembered that the chastisement the Banner-News has received was brought upon it solely by itself. The Planet had no intention whatever of instancing its untruthfulness in the matter of Thursday evening. Such tactics are altogether too common to its career to gain individual prominence. The Market Guide, however, noted the falsehood and, indignant at its publication, the Banner-News at once falsely charged this journal with instigating the item, reiterated the untruth and blumpuously "dared" and courted an expression of opinion from The Planet.

It got it forthwith. With its falsehood nailed and its challenge promptly taken, the Banner-News, as anticipated, hurriedly departed thence and drew the aperture in after it. Then, in an effort to cover up its ignominious retreat, it has since engaged in a refuse-distributing exhibition which would doubtless break records even in the native slums of Chicago.

It shall have no contestant in this journal for "honors" of that character.—Editor Planet.

Under the head-line, "Not an Echo," the Market Guide of Saturday says:—"The Banner accuses us of being an echo of The Planet. No one will, at all events, accuse the Banner, under its present management, of being an echo, in editorial practice, of the old Banner as originated and conducted by the present sheriff,—a hard bitter but always above the belt and with such strict regard for journalistic propriety as to draw respect even from opponents."

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THE TELEPHONE BELLES.

Vancouver World. The Philadelphia Record has failed to observe the telephone girls are partial earrings.

HER WINNING VOICE.

Buffalo Times. A New York man who has just been married says that he was caught by the voice of his bride. This will offer encouragement to the "hello" girls.

SECRETS OF THE TOILET.

Toronto Star. The Hamilton post man says if he wants to wear shirt waists he will do so. Now that he is on the subject he might tell us it is true that he wears corsets.

A BELATED ROW.

Brantford Expositor. "Trouble has broken out in the Sultan's harum," said a despatch. With about 84 women there it's a wonder the trouble didn't break out about ten years ago.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND.

Montreal Herald. When Montreal sends thousands of dollars yearly to Christianize the heathen, it should not be necessary to solicit aid in England to Christianize Montrealers.

WHY NOT EXPOSE HIM?

Vancouver Providence. The local liar who telegraphs fiction for the edification of the gullible public is reaping a harvest over the fishermen's strike. He must be a good man to be able to make this stories go so well.

CANADIANS DITTO.

Kingston Freeman. This is said to be the way Lord Kitchener bade good-bye to a regiment of Australians as they were leaving the Transvaal for home: "You Australians have come out here to do a certain work, and you have done it. Good morning."

HIS MUCH BETTER HALF.

Stratford Beacon. Sympathy and respect the British people everywhere had for the old lady of Pretoria, but neither can be summoned for the wrecker in Holland, who sacrificed thousands of lives, his wife's among the number, for his own aggrandizement.

NO NEW-FANGLED TITLES FOR SMIFF.

Bobcaygeon Independent. Sovereign Lord of Canada is an addition suggested in some quarters, to the title of the King. What is the matter with Conquering Cockleorum of the Colonies. But why have any monkeying with the title. King is good enough.

ANTI-SEMITIC REPORTEER IN LONDON.

London Globe. A neat example of Anti-Semite repartee occurred not long ago at a crowded lock up the river. While the usual manoeuvres were going on an over-dressed youth of unmistakably Jewish type, was making himself unduly prominent in directing the various craft hither and thither. At last a quiet man in a punt could stand it no longer. "Here, I say," he remarked, "you're making a mistake. This river's the Thames, you know—it isn't the Jordan."

THE FRANK AND SENTENTIOUS TEXAN EDITORS.

Pecan Valley News. The man who is afraid to look fairly and squarely at his own life and character is the man for others to avoid.

Palestine Press.

We will state the mudhole which involved the editor in a pugilistic twist on the street has dried up, and we started out to dry it up, and we never fail to do what we undertake.

Refugio Review.

Our paper is late this week for several reasons. The editor was detained at Buell's Jeeville a few days the first of the week, then the "Glorious Youth" was celebrated in the editor's family by a new arrival of the Mary "Yellow" Lease variety. If these excuses are not sufficient we have seventeen other good reasons which will be given on application. But we'll get our paper out yet, if

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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.

Elections 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.

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