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WRITE IT CHRISTMAS.

The Planet is glad to see that potent and energetic journal, the Hamilton Spectator, come out in vigorous advocacy of the abolition of the use of the word "Xmas."

As well, as has been pointed out, talk about the Xian church, the Xian nations and the Xian religion.

Christmas has a sacred significance in its origin and observance. Why not seek to give this permanent prominence by embodying in full the holy title.

Write it "Christmas."

CITIZENSHIP.

Chatham has a great, big, hearty, grateful handshake coming to three of her splendid sons, Messrs. Manson Campbell, G. P. Schofield and John Pigott.

As a result of their personal sacrifice, indomitable energy and sterling hustling qualities, her Council yesterday passed a by-law, under the provisions of which a prosperous and enterprising firm have pledged themselves to erect and operate a gigantic factory here.

This trio of citizens — representatives of the Board of Trade — acted as soon as they learned of the intention of the industry to locate. They travelled to the present headquarters of the concern at their own expense and earnestly set before the gentlemen at head the advantages of this thriving city.

The result has been what they deserved. Chatham owes much to citizens of the Campbell, Schofield and Pigott stamp. And she is grateful.

CHRISTMAS CHEER.

The Planet is in receipt of the following communication from the lady president of the Hospital Assisting Society.

It should commend itself to the consideration of the citizens:—

"As the holiday season is now at hand and we all think of the Christmas cheer for our own homes, let us not forget those confined in our hospitals; and let each one send some little tokens of Christmas cheer. Nurses are there who would enjoy a happy home Christmas, but duty keeps them in the hospital with those who are more unfortunate in being ill during this festive season. Florists, do not forget the flowers. Grocers, groceries of every description. Merchants, sheets, pillow cases, towels, tablecloths, napkins, tray cloths, etc. From our friends in the country, fowl, meats, vegetables, dairy produce, etc.

"The above list is offered as suggestive of what we always need, and we hope that men may find it a help in their selection of donations.

"From our lady friends who have so generously aided us in the past, we suggest preserves, jellies, canned fruits, catsup, chili sauce, pickles, etc., as well as the ever welcome money.

"Owing to the recently increased capacity of the hospital, which necessitated a greater number of nurses, the Ladies Assisting Society were obliged this summer to enlarge the Nurses' Home, and as we still have a small liability to meet, money will be very thankfully received by this society.

"Parties sending donations of money will kindly address it to Mrs. W. A. Thrasher, treasurer, L. A. S., or leave it to Mr. Macdonald's store, King St. All other donations sent to the Public General Hospital, in care of Miss Johnston, superintendent."

PIOUS WRATH.

The Hamilton Spectator says:—The Westminster of this week has nothing, directly, to say about its proposal that the premier of Ontario

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should refuse to do what he solemnly promised to do. But our glorious contemporary is worthy. The remarks of the secular press upon the Westminster's extraordinary attitude have annoyed it, and it pours out a vial of wrath. The Westminster finds that Canadian journalism—secular journalism, of course—is "degenerating," that "the forces are at work which make for the hell of the yellow journal;" that "the prostitution of a great privilege to personal or party ends is the darkening course of Canadian journalism." Our pious contemporary uses forceful language, and it is so intent upon castigating the bad secular journals that it does not see that almost every accusation it makes against them lies against itself. One of the most remarkable of our worthy contemporary's utterances is this: "No public journal can afford to bear the reputation of untruthfulness or of cowardice." That is true. But it sounds odd coming from a journal which has advised the Hon. Mr. Ross to "untruthfulness or cowardice," or both. Perhaps the Westminster thinks that while a secular journal cannot afford to be untruthful or cowardly, a pious journal may advise a public man to forget his promise and sneak out of the position into which that promise put him. Perhaps it imagines that while a newspaper may not profitably be a cowardly liar, the premier of Canada's greatest province may—indeed, should.

FAITHFUL CITIZENS.

The Jew always becomes a patriotic citizen of the country which he adopts. A service in memory of the Jewish soldiers of the King who have fallen in South Africa was held in London Sunday, and the whole Empire is surprised to learn that 2,000 Jews fought for England in South Africa. Some 325 figured in the casualty lists. Such a record of devotion ought to do much to abolish forever any silly prejudice that yet remains in the English mind against the Jew.

Strong citizens should be urged to candidature for next year's Council. The Maple City is going to have a big year and strong hands will be in demand. What a grand thing it would be to have Mr. Manson Campbell, Mr. G. P. Schofield or Mr. Jno. Pigott presiding as chairman of the civic industrial committee.

Stead is in very ill repute just now with his own countrymen. He lives at Wimbledon, where the poet, Swinburne, also resides. Not long ago the pro-Boer journalist went for a walk on the Surrey downs, and chancing to meet Swinburne, who is intensely anti-Boer, he accosted the poet. The poet stared at him, failing to recognize him, whereupon Stead said, "I am W. T. Stead." "Oh," said Swinburne in a tone of withering disgust, "Are you Stead? I thought it crawled!"—Toronto News.

Nay, Algernon, rather what should crawl walks in Stead.

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BUT IT'S A SCRATCH GAME.

Toronto Mail.
 Gen. Kitchener's barbed wire fences will hasten the end of the war in South Africa. It is an idea that has many good points about it.

COME HANDY.

Alexandria Glengarrigan.
 "Wicked Partners" may be all right under ordinary circumstances but when Ross runs up against prohibition it's very handy to have Deacon Cameron, of the London Advertiser, and the reverend editor of the Westminster, and to clear the way for him to break faith with the prohibitionists.

HUGH JOHN AND G. W. ROSS.

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