

The Planet

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THIS CITY MUST NOT BE USED AS A TOOL.

This city would vary much like a tobacco or any other factory, but at the same time should not be drawn into making bids for one. Such bids are more likely to be used as a lever with which to raise other towns than to prove an inducement to a factory to locate here. If the gentlemen behind any proposed tobacco factory think Chatham a favorable site, let them tell the city council just what inducements they require to come here and then the council can answer them, yes or no. As a matter of fact, we believe if the council would pay the preliminary expenses of a local company and find the right man to manage it, the citizens would readily subscribe the stock themselves. We don't want to discourage any industry from coming to Chatham by any means, but all the same we do not care to see this city played off against Windsor, Leamington, Essex and Kingsville in bidding each other up for an industry which if established would probably pay its projectors well without any bonus.

A SAMPLE AMERICAN DIVORCE CASE.

An unusual divorce suit is in progress in Philadelphia, wherein the petitioner, Emma Jane Jones, a deaf mute, charges her husband, who is also deprived of vocal and auricular powers, with acts of incredible cruelty. She was patient under his beatings, but when he began to "revile her with shocking oaths, calling her all manner of bad names," she rebelled and demanded a decree of separation. If there is justice in Philadelphia, her prayer will be granted. Profanity of a personal nature is always disagreeable under the most favorable conditions, but when it is resorted to from the fingers it becomes unbearable. What more blood-curdling experience for a gentle wife could well be imagined than that of having her husband consign her immortal being to caloric flames by a series of smoky finger exercises? Think of her feelings in the unbroken silence while those convulsing fingers traced terrible sentences and the awful anathemas were burned in upon her shuddering soul and her own paralyzed dexterity could frame no adequate response!

COLLAPSE OF THE SEMLIN MINISTRY.

Fighting Joe Martin has proved too much for the Semlin Government of British Columbia, and it collapsed on Friday afternoon. The Government has been struggling along on a majority of one for some time, but found it hard work. Finally Premier Semlin decided to carry a redistribution measure, dissolve the House and measure the Province. However, even in carrying out this limited program he has met with defeat. The direct cause was the moving of the previous question on the redistribution bill by Mr. Hall, member for Victoria, which was supported by Messrs. Martin and Prentice. The vote resulted in nineteen to eighteen in favor of the motion. The Speaker declared the bill lost, and the Opposition benches and galleries, which were crowded, immediately broke into cheers. The Government did not expect defeat, as Mr. Martin had stated he would support the redistribution bill if it was a fair measure. As soon as the result was known Mr. Semlin asked for an adjournment until Tuesday, which was granted, and the members swarmed out into the corridors, where an angry altercation took place between Ralph Smith and Joseph Martin, whom the former accused of dishonorable tactics in withdrawing his support from the Government. A Government caucus followed, and it is understood they will ask the Governor for a dissolution and appeal to the country. It is doubtful, however, if Governor Melnes will grant the dissolution, as the estimates have not yet been reached. It is believed that he will call on some member of the present House, and there is a well defined suspicion that it will be Martin, as the Governor is understood to have a high opinion of him. The impression prevails that Mr. Martin will make a junction of forces with W. W. B. Melnes and then appeal to the country. Mr. Turner, the leader of the Opposition, when spoken to, said he would not entertain the idea of a coalition with the present Government if he were called upon to form a Government.

MID-FEBRUARY IN VANCOUVER.

Vancouver Province, Feb. 16. To-day the roses are blooming out of doors, the early primrose is drinking in the kisses of the sun, the buds of shrubs and trees are getting ready to uncurl the green leaves nestling within like the helpless hands of little babies. And the breeze comes up across the ocean moist and soft after its long ride, and all is glad and all is beautiful; and British Columbians, if they had nothing else to comfort them, would be happy in the knowledge that there are still such perfect days as this to be enjoyed on earth.

"Evil Dispositions Are Early Shown."

Just so evil in the blood comes out in shape of scrofula, pimples, etc., in children and young people. Taken in time it can be eradicated by using Hood's Sarsaparilla. In older people, the aftermath of irregular living shows itself in bilious conditions, a heavy head, a foul mouth, a general bad feeling.

It is the blood, the impure blood, friends, which is the real cause. Purify that with Hood's Sarsaparilla and happiness will reign in your family.

Blood Poison.—"I lived in a bed of fire for years owing to blood poisoning that followed small pox. It broke out all over my body, itching intensely. Tried doctors and hospitals in vain. I tried Hood's Sarsaparilla. It helped. I kept at it and was entirely cured. I could go on the houseboats and about about it." Mrs. J. T. Williams, Carbondale, Pa.

Scrofula Sores.—"My baby at two months had scrofula sores on chin and arm. Local applications and physicians' medicine did little or no good. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured him permanently. He is now four, with smooth fair skin." Mrs. S. S. Wooten, Farmington, Del.

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Archibald Giekie, in a recent lecture, claimed that the formation of the stratified rock of the earth's crust dated back one hundred million years. It is pretty nearly true in that case our esteemed local contemporary, the Banner, got hold of the occurrence as an item of news.

According to the latest, or at least one of the latest, interpretations of our school by-law, a pupil refusing to allow punishment on the hand may be punished "elsewhere."—Toronto Globe.

In the word "elsewhere" specific enough for the proper administration of the spirit of the Toronto school by-laws?

To be sure, it was wrong for Sir Richard Cartwright to abuse his franking privileges and distribute 300,000 copies of his speech free through the mails. But what magnificent impudence the Tory leaders display in denouncing the thing of which they were themselves guilty when they were in power!—Hamilton Herald.

Not at all. Didn't the Liberals ask to be entrusted with power so that they could reform all these abuses? Now they perpetuate them.

WHY NOT?

Bobcaygeon Independent. Is there any way of getting rid of partyism? Yes. A very easy way. Let the votes in parliament be taken in the same way as the votes of the electors,—that is, by secret ballot,—and partyism would be instantly struck dead. If the ballot is good, out of parliament, why should it not be good in parliament?

THE BOND SEALED WITH BLOOD.

Montreal Star. We Canadians have grown up. We are no longer in leading strings. We can no longer look abroad upon the great wrongs and the tyrannies of the world, and plead our childish weakness as a reason for bearing none of the burden. We are now an adult member of the world empire; and the boys dead by the Mosler will forever forbid that we shrink back again into a provincial and cowardly impotence. Their death was more than the incident of a bloody campaign—every bullet that struck down a Canadian youth became a rivet driven with irresistible force into the steel bonds that fasten the empire together.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY LOST.

Simcoe Reformer. Come to think of it we are something of an Irish Canadian ourselves, and we know where our sympathies lie, and they are not with Paul Kruger. Further than this we believe that the conduct of the Irish parliamentary party has done more to alienate the people of Canada, irrespective of descent, from the cause of the Irish, home rule, than anything that has happened since the murder of Cavendish and Burke. The Irish parliamentary party had a golden opportunity for winning the friendship of the remainder of the British Empire. Had it seized it, the object they affect to seek, would have been moved very near them. The loyal support of the British cause in South Africa would have won over to their side tens of thousands of wavering.

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BRIC-A-BRAC.

Germany has about 25,000 physicians and surgeons.

Game cocks in Ponce, Porto Rico, bring as high as \$100 each.

Smoking, long common among Burmese children, is on the increase.

Benares, India, was an ancient capital, before Babylon or Ninevah were founded.

There is an Icelandic superstition that ambidextrous people are born to good luck.

Milkweed, commonly believed to be poisonous, is used as food in some parts of the Tyrol.

A Belleville (Ill.) man recently added \$63,000 to his tax returns because his "conscious commanded it."

An apparatus has been devised for automatically photographing people as they enter shops and other places.

Six companies have been formed in Baltimore for manufacturing automobiles. Two of these already are in operation.

A community in Alabama containing four hundred colored people and but two white persons, is about to be incorporated.

The Hebrew community of Athens, Greece, consisting of eighty families, has taken steps for the erection of a synagogue.

Lord Kelvin in a lecture stated that as a result of recent investigations it was estimated that the earth had been the abode of life for about 20,000,000 years.

A Port Angeles (Wash.) man took 300 chickens into Dawson last summer. During the trip they average three dozen eggs a day, and the eggs were sold for \$4 a dozen.

Notwithstanding the fact that there is nothing new under the sun, the United States Patent Office granted nearly 25,000 patents last year to people who had hit upon a new idea.

The Government is paying from \$200 to \$600 a day for each vessel carrying horses, supplies and army baggage to the Philippines, and \$1,000 a day for each vessel that carries troops.

The men-of-war of the Romans had a crew of about 225 men, of which 174 were oarsmen working on three decks. The speed of these vessels was about six miles an hour in fair weather.

Although one-half of the rubber product of the forests along the Amazon goes to the United States, most of the steamers, wharves and banking houses in the region belong to the English.

The military household of the Czar is composed of ninety-eight officers of various ranks, eighty-three of whom belong to the army and fifteen to the navy. Nineteen members of the Royal family are included in this list.

WOMAN'S WAYS.

Women are things of beauty and jaws forever.—Central Illinois Democrat.

A woman doesn't need a blotter when she writes. She uses her fingers.—Washington Democrat.

When a woman meets a mind reader, somehow, she always shudders.—Little Falls Transcript.

Ever since Eve thought of dress, woman has thought of nothing else.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

The woman most greatly to be envied these days is she who has naturally curly hair.—Philadelphia Times.

When a man offends a daughter, her mother and all her sisters go out on a sympathetic strike.—Athensian Globe.

It is a habit with some women to set a whole house to rights before they think of taking off their hats.—Berlin (Md.) Herald.

Money and women are at the bottom of all a man's troubles. Usually it is a lack of money and another woman.—Baltimore Herald.

There may be some women who find a greater joy in saving money than in spending it, but we have not met them.—Feminine Observer.

One reason why Eve went around as she did was because like other women, she disdained to be her own dressmaker.—Kansas City Star.

NOTES OF NOTABLES.

Lord Kitchener is the fourth bachelor who has been elevated to the peerage in the last seven years.

Thomas Bain, new speaker of the Canadian house of commons, is the first farmer to gain that post.

Cecil Rhodes is confirmed in his misogyny that he employs none but men even around his house.

Archduchess Stephanie, daughter of the King of the Belgians, is known to her friends by the nickname of "Step."

The Duchess of Portland is the tallest woman in England. She married the Duke in 1839. She was then Miss Dallas York.

John Philip Sousa owns a more or less good-sized example of the musical manuscript of nearly every great composer since the time of Bach.

Professor William Somerville, doctor of economies at the Durham college of science, has been elected to the newly established professorship of agriculture at Cambridge.

The father and brother of Ethel Root have both held professorships in Hamilton college, where they were known among the students as "Cube" Root and "Square" Root.

Lasker, the world's champion at chess and winner of the first prize at the recent tournament, is only thirty-one. Yet he has been a conspicuous figure in the chess world for the past ten years.

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Mortgage Sale

Of Valuable Real Estate, in the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, under Power of Sale contained in a certain registered Mortgage made by James Lamont to the Vendors, will be sold by Public Auction by A. Thompson, Jr., Auctioneer, at the Garner House, in the City of Chatham, on Friday the Second day of March, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m., the following freehold property, namely:—FIRSTLY, Those parts of Lots numbers Four and Five, in Block "C" on the North side of King Street, in the said City of Chatham, known and described as follows, Commencing at a point on King Street in said Lot number Five, distant Seventy-five feet from Third Street and butting on land sold to John McDowell, thence Easterly along King Street a distance of One hundred and three feet more or less on said Lots Four and Five, thence at right angles from King Street to the River Thames, thence down the stream to the limit of that portion of Lot number Five purchased by John McDowell, thence in a line at right angles to King Street to the place of beginning, being the two parcels of land heretofore conveyed by instrument Number 13584 and number 11086 respectively.

SECONDLY, The one undivided part or share in part of Lot Eighty-five, on the Southern side of King Street, in said City of Chatham, particularly described in a certain deed dated Sixth of October, 1886, to one Charles Northwood, from the Canadian Bank of Commerce and Joseph Northwood and duly registered, save and except that part thereof heretofore conveyed by registered deed to Edwin C. Radley.

THIRDLY, Part of Lot number Fourteen, on the corner of King and William Streets, in the said City of Chatham, as describe in said deed to said Charles Northwood, fifty feet more or less on William Street by Seventy-five feet more or less on King Street.

FOURTHLY, Lots numbers One Hundred and Eighteen and One Hundred and Nineteen, on the North side of King Street, in the said City of Chatham.

FIFTHLY, Lots numbers Ninety-nine and Fifty-seven, Northwood's Survey, in subdivision of park Lots One and Two, on the West side of the Gravel Road in the said City of Chatham.

SIXTHLY, The Southern part of Lot One Hundred and twenty-two, in the Government Survey of the said City of Chatham, described as follows, Commencing at a point on the South East side of King Street Fifty-six feet South, Westerly along King Street from the angle of King Street, formed by said Lot at the North West angle of said Lot, then South Easterly parallel to the South Westerly boundary of Lots One hundred and twenty-one and One hundred and twenty-two, thence South Easterly along said boundary Eighty-three feet, more or less, to the South Westerly boundary of said Lot number One hundred and twenty-two, then North Westerly along said boundary One hundred and fourteen feet six inches more or less, to King Street.

On Parcel No. 1 there is a large three story brick block 48x55 feet, all in good order. There is also frame warehouse 36x45.

On Parcel No. 2—Two brick stores three stories, having a frontage on King Street about 34 feet, one being occupied by G. O. Scott (Dry Goods), and the other by J. W. McLaren (Drugs), this is in the best locality in the city and all in good repair.

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