

## The Planet.

DAILY AND WEEKLY

Chatham, Ont.

### BRITISH CANNON SUPERIOR TO ANY IN THE WORLD.

At the banquet of the Iron and Steel Institute in old London, George J. Goschen, first lord of the admiralty, responding to the toast "Army and Navy," said the government fully recognized that the finer the troops sent out to battle for the country the greater was the obligation to provide for them the best means of success.

Therefore, he continued, they had not forgotten and must not forget the manufacturers of armor plate and of implements of war and other scientists whom they had pressed into the ranks to aid in solving the terrible problem they had to face.

"We have formidable competitors," he said, "in Herr Krupp and in the works at Le Creusot and in the United States, but we may rely upon the inventive genius and pertinacity of English manufacturers and scientists to secure results which are so vital to the British Empire."

Mr. Goschen emphatically denied the statements made in the French chamber of deputies regarding the quality and propelling power of British guns, declaring that these would hit harder and had greater bursting power than the French. He announced that the government had decided to appoint a scientific committee of inquiry to examine all smokeless propellants and all desirable modifications of the existing guns, adding: "And the government is not going to be strangled in the coils of red tape in this undertaking."

### THE GOVERNMENT OF PORTO RICO.

The Government of the Island of Porto Rico is to be exercised by a Governor, an Executive Council and a House of Delegates. The Governor and Executive Council are to be appointed by the President; the House of Delegates is to be elected by the people. The Governor is vested with the general powers of a Governor of a Territory of the United States. The Executive Council, consisting of a Secretary, Attorney-General, Treasurer, Auditor, Commissioner of the Interior, a Commissioner of Education and five other members, is vested with the legislative powers of an upper chamber, and is authorized to determine the qualifications for popular suffrage, and such regulations respecting registration as it deems expedient. Five members of this Council must be Porto Ricans. The House of Delegates is to be composed of thirty-five members, elected biennially, five from each of the seven districts into which the island is to be divided by the Executive Council; but no person is eligible to membership unless he is twenty-five years of age and is able to write either the Spanish or the English language, or is possessed in his own right of taxable property situated in Porto Rico. No franchise of a public or quasi-public nature can be granted, except with the approval of Congress. A resident Commissioner is to be elected by popular suffrage, who shall reside at Washington, to represent the Porto Rican Government there. He must be a bona-fide citizen of Porto Rico, and able to read and write the English language.

### THE PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND CASE.

It seems that if anything illegal is to be done, if the rights of the people are to be trampled on, if elections are to be thwarted, if representative government is to be turned into a farce, if Russian and Turkish methods of ruling are to be adopted, the Liberal governments of this country, Dominion and Provincial alike, cannot help resorting to these methods to keep themselves in office. It seems to be anything high-handed or bad to keep themselves in power from the corrupt machine gang in Ontario to the most outrageous coercion in Prince Edward Island.

In the latter case it appears that Mr. Wise, a former Liberal and colleague of the Premier, Farquharson, has for some time been dissatisfied with the conduct of the party. Towards the close of last session he voted want of confidence. On February 28th last he informed Mr. Farquharson that he could not support him. Mr. Farquharson claimed that Mr. Wise was acting against the wishes of his constituents, whereupon Mr. Wise offered to resign his seat and test the feelings of the people, on condition that he (Farquharson) would immediately issue a writ and bring on the election, which condition was embodied in the resignation which Wise at once wrote out, signed, and delivered to Farquharson to transmit to the Speaker.

Two or three days later Farquharson met Wise and told him that the resignation could not be acted upon unless the condition was eliminated. Thereupon Wise signed an unconditional resignation on the solemn understanding that the writ would be immediately issued.

In the face of this solemn promise the Premier implemented the resignation, but did not open the constituency by bringing on the election. Mr. Wise,

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feeling that he had been over-reached and an attempt made to cheat the people out of their representation, claimed that equitably he was still a member and took his seat.

In ejecting him, the Speaker has acted most high-handedly, and will probably have to answer for it in a court of justice, as in the Woodworth case in Nova Scotia.

The case of Henry G. Pineau is a Parliamentary scandal of a character rarely perpetrated in Canada. He was elected about nine months ago as a pronounced opponent of the Farquharson Administration, having been nominated by a Conservative convention and elected in a severe party contest. In February last he was tampered with by agents of the Federal and Provincial governments, and induced to go to Ottawa to arrange for going to Paris on the staff of Mr. Tarte. For nearly two weeks he hung around the capital, and, finally, Mr. Tarte went to Paris without him, when he was spirited away to the United States. Next he appeared in Charlottetown and entered the House of Assembly, and voted in direct opposition to the mandate he received from the people a few months ago.

Two constituencies are deliberately deprived of their voice in the affairs of the island. The Government have secured a majority of one, but they have lost every vestige of responsibility.

Remember every time you buy a gallon of coal oil that you are contributing five cents to the coffers of the Standard Oil Company, who have been given a monopoly in Canada by the Laurier government. This company have just appropriated on their watered stock of \$100,000,000 some \$5,000,000 more of dividends, making a total of \$30,000,000 in six months. Rockefeller is doing pretty well, thank you, in both this country and the States.

Poor Sir Charles is quietly working away at his parliamentary duties, quite unimpaired of the frantic squealing which our esteemed but hysterical acquaintance, the Banner, is indulging in over him daily. Banner readers get Sir Charles served up day in and day out, hot and cold, done in every imaginable style. It is the worst attack of Tupperphobia the ex-organ of the Chatham Liberals has yet had. Still this may, perhaps, be accounted for by the approach of the full moon.

They tell us that no effective law can be aimed against trusts and combines. It is all fudge! If two or more persons agree together to extort money from a specified individual that is conspiracy and the conspirators can be jailed for long terms. But if two or more persons conspire together to extort money from a number of persons not particularly specified that is all legal and proper and they can go on and rob just as much as they like. The public at large are legitimate prey. Yet there are people chumps enough to argue that one class of extortioners cannot be made as amenable to justice as another.

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Reta Kittredge, of Belfast, Me., holds the world's record for fine writing by placing 46,000 words on an ordinary post card.

Dr. O. P. Wolcott, of Milwaukee, is a practicing physician at the age of ninety-seven. His first vote was cast for John Quincy Adams.

Melba, the prima donna, is an excellent whistler, and is reported as saying that she always whistles the music of a new part before trying to sing it.

The record of the greatest number of notes struck by a musician in twelve hours is said to have been made by Paderewski, who struck 1,030,300 notes.

E. H. R. Green, son of "Hetty" Green, has organized a tarpon fishing club and built a \$25,000 club house on Mustang Island, near Rockport, Tex. Senator Hanna is one of the members.

The captain of a big Atlantic liner, after many calculations, has come to the conclusion that the general size of a fog in the Atlantic is about thirty miles in diameter.

It is getting to be the fashion to address and stamp envelopes on the back. With the directions written across the folds the letter cannot be opened by an unauthorized person without the fact being noted.

Much amusement was caused by the fact that the Marquis of Salisbury, on his reappearance in the House of Lords had his usually long hair closely cropped, with the result, as one paper says, of "transforming him from a Cavalier into a Roundhead."

### PHILOSOPHICAL NOTES.

The man who is always late has his shortcomings. Women have few friendships; love is more to their liking.

Men, who live by their wits have no visible means of support.

Philosophy enables us to make light of our neighbor's troubles.

Some men walk home, some ride and some simply hang on the straps.

Theories are impracticable plans for doing things that are impossible.

Distance doesn't lend enchantment to one's view of an expected inheritance.

When an actress marries her manager the management usually changes hands.

Politicians resemble shoes in one respect; the higher grade are not machine made.

A male boxer puts up his "dukes," therefore a female boxer should put up her "duchesses."

Your personal history doesn't have to repeat itself; your neighbors will attend to that.

It may be foolish to kick against the inevitable, but one seldom discovers that it is the inevitable until after the kick has been duly registered.—Chicago News.

### POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Gray hairs that can be counted don't count.

Trouble never troubles the contented man.

The woman who marries for spite invariably gets it.

All things come quicker to the man who meets them half way.

When some actors attempt to sing there is no place like home.

The receiver is often as bad as the original board of directors.

Satan is the father of lies and matrimony is the mother of excuses.

The only swell thing about some men is located directly under their hats.

"Every man for himself" is a doctrine that girls do not take any stock in.

Starting for heaven on a gravestone recommendation is pretty risky business.

The wise man never loses his reputation by attempting to answer fool questions.

Some of the ancients were pretty swift, but Samson was the first to get a gate on him.

Mar proposals, and later on he sometimes wonders how he managed to make such a fool of himself.

"Evil lawrow ght by want of thought," says the poet. Very true, and much is wrought by thoughts of want.

### A REMARKABLE FAMILY.

David Dudley Field—Lawyer of international reputation; author of reforms in civil and criminal procedures; his codes adopted in more than twenty States.

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Cyrus West Field—Dry goods clerk; paper manufacturer; founder of ocean telegraph cable; promoter of elevated railway system in New York.

Henry Martin Field—Clergyman; historian; author of theological works and books of travel; many years editor of the Evangelist.

Jonathan Edwards Field—Several times president of the Massachusetts State Senate.

Matthew D. Field—Civil engineer; builder of bridges.

Timothy Field—Lieutenant in United States Army; 1864 at age 13.

## UNHAPPY WOMEN

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