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### WANTS THE NAME

To The Planet.—I am much interested in the letters of "H. T." to The Planet and would like to take issue with him on some points. But as I always write over my own name I cannot reply to H. T. until he does the same. Yours truly,  
**CHAS. A. WILLIAMS,**  
Raleigh, July 23, 1900.

**SUGGESTS MANSON CAMPBELL.**  
To The Planet.—You requested that I should suggest suitable nominees for parliament at the forthcoming election. As a man who would meet with the approval of all classes, as a man who could command both the city vote and the country vote, I would name ex-Mayor Manson Campbell, of Chatham, as a fit and proper person to represent us in the next house. Yours truly,  
**CONSERVATIVE.**  
Kent Bridge, July 23.

### MR. BLACK'S THANKS

To The Planet.—I, the undersigned, do hereby wish to thank the citizens of Chatham in behalf of the players and myself for the kindness and many favors extended us during the past season, and we all heartily regret the disbanding of the league at so early a date thus depriving those who love the game as well as those who subscribed towards the maintenance of the team of much pleasure. I also wish to personally thank those who gave their subscriptions towards helping the players to their respective homes, for which they have all now departed. My only regret is the bad position in which we finished the season. Had the league been in a position to warrant the strengthening we should have been higher in the percentage standing. Once again thanking you all for your kind letters I remain, respectfully,  
**GEO. BLACK,**  
Late manager of Chatham International, Chatham, July 23rd, 1900.

### C. A. WILLIAMS AND THE SERPENT.

To The Planet.—In conversation with two of Chatham's popular citizens, the conversation was turned to the serpent race. They challenged me to show where the serpent race had anything to do with the destiny of man as the instrument of his fall in Eden. I will endeavor to comply with their request through the columns of your valuable paper. First, in the forty-first chapter of Job—The crocodile, under the name Leviathan, is pointed out and described as a specimen of the Creator's power and authority, and as serving to abate the pride and humble the haughtiness of mortals. And when in comparison with the serpent we consider this reptile's vast dimensions, its enormous voracity and strength, its fleetness in swimming, its frightful mouth and impenetrable scales, it is well calculated to inspire terror, to humble man, while it displays and magnifies the power of Him that created it. Yet geologists tell us, and their statements are confirmed by visible proof, that even the crocodile and the gaviel are but pygmies compared with the race of Saurians that occupied the surface of the globe far back in the pre-Adamite period of its history when, says Hugh Miller, there were lizards "bigger than elephants, reptiles whose bodies furnished with necks slim and long as the bodies of great snakes, flying dragons, while those two gentlemen would stand in awe as they contemplate such appalling monsters. They could feel a glow of thankfulness that their number, range and magnitude have been now reduced to a point consistent with human safety. The serpent race stands in interesting but painful association with the history and destiny of man as the instrument of his fall in Eden. Sin, the scripture informs us, had entered the universe before the creation of man. A great number of the created spiritual beings that surrounded the eternal throne at some dateless period had revolted and swerved from their allegiance to Jehovah under the guidance of one particular leader, called Satan, or the Devil, and this fallen archangel, now puffed and depraved, not content with the ruin of himself and associates, sought the ruin of the newly created man likewise. And for the more successful accomplishment of his malicious design, he employed the agency of a serpent. To us at this day, this creature is a loathsome reptile, an ugly apparition, a most unsuitable instrument for this purpose, but we must remember that the Scripture teaches us that the serpent is not now what it was—it is now in a form and state of degradation. This is the point of interest. The Hebrew name given the serpent in this place is Naphath, as term signifying discernment and sagacity. The original name, therefore, of this creature, indicates one of more than ordinary intellect, and not a stupid reptile, and the sacred narrative expressly states that the creature stood at the head of the animal creation, and was the most sagacious of all the beasts the Lord had made. We have, therefore, grounds to believe that this animal was not of its present serpentine character before the fall of man. But immediately that sad event and in consequence of its instrumental connection with it and for a memento to man of his own fall and degradation it was transformed and degraded into such a reptile as we now behold it.

In the beginning it stood chief among the brute creation, but from the day of man's fall it became a vile and creeping thing. "Upon thy belly shalt thou go and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life." There is no evidence that this creature ever possessed the faculty of speech, but, as Balaam's ass under the influence of superior power was enabled to speak with human voice, so it may be that the serpent for the time was gifted with vocal power under the influence of the fallen archangel, or what influence the true explanation may be the facts that words proceeded out of the mouth of the serpent are certain for God hath said it. The words and reasoning addressed to Eve were in reality the words and reasoning of Satan, who had entered the serpent; that is, they were the product of Satan's intellect. In the crawling serpent we have a perpetual reminder even to the end of time that we are the fallen offspring of a fallen parent.

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## LOCAL BRIEFS

Rev. J. C. Tomin, of Windsor, is in the city to-day.

The condition of Mrs. Garner is not so satisfactory to-day.

Adm. Lewis of Park St., is very low at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Robt. O'Neill has entered the office of Blonde Bros. & Co. as assistant clerk.

Albert Smart, of Merlin, is in the city. He is registered at the Hotel Merril.

Dr. J. P. Rutherford was called to Blenheim yesterday on professional business.

The Catholic Order of Foresters will run an excursion to Marine City on Aug. 21st.

Mrs. C. Bechard, who has been ill for the past week, is somewhat better this morning.

W. E. Cruikshank, has returned from a visit to Detroit.

The funeral of the late Charles Colby is taking place this afternoon at the old home in Harwich.

Williams & Co. of Toronto, have secured the contract for the new gravel roof on the Rutherford block.

John Green severely lacerated one of his fingers in the machinery at Campbell's factory last evening.

The work of painting Aberdeen bridge is going on rapidly under the supervision of the city engineer.

Chas. Morrison, son of ex-Warden Morrison, was last evening removed to St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday suffering from kidney trouble.

Miss Maggie McCormick wheeled to Cedar Springs last evening, where she will spend a few days visiting friends.

Mrs. Ferguson, of Murray St., was removed to St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday suffering from kidney trouble.

Good Girl Wanted.—For general housework. Apply to Mrs. F. A. Roberts, corner Selkirk and Elizabeth streets.

Wm. Carlyle, who has been ill for the past four months, leaves St. Joseph's Hospital to-day much improved in health.

Mrs. Whitehead, of Montreal, formerly Mrs. (Rev.) J. H. Ware, of this city, is a guest at the residence of Dr. Rutherford.

Lost—Umbrella on Eau train Friday evening. On handle are the initials E. W. B. Finder will be rewarded by leaving it at the Bank of Commerce.

John B. Downey, who fractured a rib while working at St. Joseph's Hospital, has recovered sufficiently to return to his duties at Blonde Bros. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Schweimler, William St., returned last evening from a visit to their cottage at Rond Eau.

County Commissioner Thos. Robinson, of Coteauville, is advertising for tenders for repairing and rebuilding parts of the stone bridge over Two Creeks.

Walter Piggett returned last evening from Georgian Bay district, where he has been superintending the shipment of lumber for the firm of Piggett & Sons.

Dr. J. P. Rutherford has given the contract for the new roof on the Rutherford block and for repairs on the Mrs. Whitehead block. Both contracts will be proceeded with at once.

Gen. Agent Tilson, of the Lake Erie, is getting out a neat pocket folder, giving a record of the suburban service and also the band concert excursions to Rond Eau and Port Lambton.

Chas. Holden, conductor of the choir of the First Baptist Church, Bradford, is in the city. On Sunday he sang an excellent duet with Rev. J. J. Ross at the William St. Baptist Church.

It is expected that the Windsor Lacrosse Club will play here Friday. John Piggett, who was in Windsor yesterday, says the club there is practicing diligently and the players are in fine fettle.

**HAS A BROTHER IN LEAMINGTON.**

Abel Curtis, aged about 60 years, was struck and instantly killed by a west-bound passenger train on the Michigan Central railway at Dunsmuir's crossing, three miles from Windsor, yesterday afternoon.

Curtis was driving a team of horses attached to a wagon, and had started to drive across the track when the train struck him. Curtis was thrown 40 feet, and when picked up was dead. The head was almost severed and all the limbs and the spine were broken, while the body was badly cut up. One horse was killed and the wagon completely demolished. He is said to have a brother living in Leamington.

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## PETTY FIGHTING

In Which Both Britons and Boers Are Suffering Losses.

**Dewet's Force After Being Dispersed Comes Together Again—Roberts' Communications Cut.**

London, July 23.—The Daily Express has the following from Machadodorp, dated Monday, July 23:

"There has been severe fighting during the last three days and the Boers have inflicted heavy losses upon the British at Derdepoort."

"Six hundred women and children from Pretoria, including Mesdames Kruger, Botha and Meyer, have arrived at Barberton."

Gen. DeWet has again succeeded in cutting Lord Roberts' communications, both by railway and telegraph, and captured 100 of the Highlanders. The story of the federal commander's bold raid comes in the form of a telegram from Gen. Forester-Walker dated at Cape Town, Sunday, July 23, forwarding a dispatch from Gen. Knox, as follows:—

"Kroonstad, July 22.—Following from Broadwood, sent by dispatch rider to Honingpruit, wired thence to Kroonstad:—

"Have followed commando since July 16. Hard, sharp fighting at Palmietfontein, July 19. Prevented from pursuing larger by darkness. Eight dead Boers found. Our casualties five killed and 70 wounded. Reached Vallkraal to-day. Enemy doubled back through Paardekraal in darkness. Shall march to-morrow to Roo de Vaal station. Send supplies for 3,000 men and horses, also any news of the enemy's movements. I believe the commando consists of 2,000 men and four guns, and is accompanied by President Steyn and both the DeWets."

Gen. Knox continues:—"The wire and main line of the railway north of Honingpruit have been cut and also the telegraph to Pretoria via Potchefstroom. According to my information, DeWet has

crossed the railway and going north."

Gen. Kelly-Kenny telegraphs from Bloemfontein, under date of Sunday, July 23:

"The railway has been cut north of Honingpruit and a supply train and 100 Highlanders captured by the enemy. A report was received this morning that the enemy again at Oliphant's Nek and completely dispersed them inflicting heavy loss. Our casualties were slight. By these successes Rustenberg has been relieved and Methuen and Baden-Powell have joined hands."

"Hunter reports that Bruce Hamilton secured a strong position on the Spitzkoppe yesterday with a battery and the Cameron Highlanders and 500 mounted men. Our casualties were three of the Cameron killed and Capt. Keith-Hamilton, of the Oxford; Capt. Brown and Lieut. Stewart and 13 men of the Cameron wounded."

Letters reaching London from the British troops in Orange River colony assert that both men and horse are on short supplies and out of condition for hard work. If this be true, there is little cause for wonder at the failure to capture DeWet and at the apparent paralysis of the operations.

### A Thousand Tongues

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