The Planet

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A FAKE ON THE FACE OF IT.

No man can serve two masters, neither can the Government of Canada stand in successfully with both the binder twine combine and the farmers. The manner in which it is trying to get the good will of the one without injuring the other is theroughly exposed by the London Free Press. The Free Press points out:

The binder twine made by Government in the Kingston Penitentiary is advertised in lots to suit purchasers who may get terms "on application." The price is kept dark. At the same time it is said that the business is to be conducted on "a strictly commercial basis," so that "the interests of private manufacturers will not be interfered with."

By this the farmers are to under stand that the price will not be suit under the current list of the market. Then, of what advantage is it?

The plant was put in at the Central Prison plainly as a mere bid for the political support of the farming community. It must have been for that purpose since no attempt has ever been made through it to serve the farmers by giving them cheaper twine than they could get elsewhere. The Mowat-Hardy Government of Ontario having started the manufacture of twine in the Central Prison, the Ottawa Government under Sir John Thompson followed suit in the Kingston Benitentiary, and a large quantity of twine was in stock there when the Conservatives left office. Their successors instead of selling this twine to the farmers, followed the example set at Toronto, and sold the stock to the syndicate which had control of the Central Prison industry. Thus/ the whole purpose of making twine by prison labor, namely, to relieve the farmers of the Combine Tyranny, was defeated. Instead of the Government breaking the shackles imposed by the Combine, the Combine controlled the Government as regarded the twine

And this is the situation to-day, Two governments, working hand in hand are making twine ostensibly to cheapen it to the farmers, but both are joined with the Combine to keep prices parallel. The Dominion Gov ernment will not sell twiner "to inter fere with the interests of private manufacturers." The Ross Government make no pretence of serving the farmers at all. No twine is offered to them from the Central Prison.

This is very different from the way the business is done in the State Pris ons of the U.S. where twine is made In Minnesota, for instance, the price is advertised in the trade journals, together with the cost of raw material and labor. The farmer knows exactly what he is doing, what advantage he gains when he buys from the State Prison. First come first served in any quantity required. No maudlin talk there pabout safeguarding "the interests of the private manufacturer." He has got to look out for himself. It is in deep contrast with the way such things are done at Kingston

CHATHAM NOT SO BADLY OFF.

The following figures, compiled from the Government statistics, showing the rate of taxation per head of population of the different towns and cities in the Province, is full of interest as well as information :

Walkerville, Avlmer. Niagara Falls. Welland. Petrolea. Kincardine Owen Sound. Barrie. Ingersoll. Tilsonburg. Woodstock, Galt. Brampton. North Toronto. Toronto Junction Whitby, Bowmanville. Namanee. Brockville, Peterborough, Sault Ste Marie, Port Arthur. Rat Portage. Windsor. Chatham. St. Thomas. London. Brantford. Stratford, Guelph, St. Catharines. Hamilton, Toronto. Kingston, Ottawa.

> Thus, these 36 places show an average tax per head of \$9.15; so Chatham is not so badly off after all. It is only thirty-three cents per head above the average, and besides, the assessment here is low, except on outlying property.

Belleville.

9.21

The killing and wounding of eighty Canadians has brought the horrors of

They died for their country. The cost came high, but the Cana dians did their duty.

Poor Donegan! He nobly died in a good cause, but the pity 'tis that he hould have died at all.

Sunday's losses will not shorten our nemories regarding the fact that Edward Blake voted that this war was unjust and unnecessary and inspired by greed and the desire of conquest.

Now that the sorrows of war are ours in reality, we can appreciate to the full the utterances of those home rule traitors in the British parliament who boldly assert that they glory in every success of the Boer arms.

Our somewhat sleepy acquaintance, the Banner, included an announcement of the relief of Ladysmith in an 'extra" it got out yesterday. Now, if it really wanted to show enterprise it could have copied that announcement from the Planet of the day before and issued its "extra" Tuesday night.

Readers of The Planet will please notice that this great family journal contained the news of the raising of the siege of Ladysmith just one day ahead of any other newspaper in Western Ontario. It appeared under a large heading in Tuesday evening's

Does the poor old Banner think it got its share of the government patronage? It came in for \$71 last year, when other Liberal dailies got their thousands (see public accounts). But perhaps the government is net aware our esteemed cotem is a daily paper, and is rating it in the same category as the Bothwell Times, which Replacing News, which came in for divided the hotel from the hill. The Blenheim News, which came in for nothing.

Cablegrams from South Africa are rated at \$1.24 per word, and the Globe's special announcing the Canadian losses at the Modder must have cost somewhere about \$150. It arrived just after the regular paper had gone to press, but the Globe showed its enterprise by immediately getting out a second edition in time to catch the morning trains, and thus the whole province got the news.

A despatch from San Francisco says that William Macdonald, a young Californian basso, who has been singing with the Bostonians for two seasons, is seriously ill, suffering from what physicians say is paralysis of the jaw. Here is an opportunity for our Liberal friends to rise and remark that Sir Charles Tupper should take warning by poor Macdonald's fate.

THE GREAT EQUALIZER. Philadelphia Press. Lives, of great men all remind us, We are just as great as they,

When we die we leave behind us All that we can't take away. WHAT ABOUT EDWARD BLAKE

Hamilton Herald. If the electors of South Mayo elect Major John McBride, leader of the Irish Brigade in the Transvaal army, to the seat vacated by Michael

Davitt, they will have as their repre-

sentative a man who is no worse

enemy to Britain than Davitt is.

SMIFF THE DOUBTER. Bobcaygeon Independent:

This heart failure fad is getting. very silly. A man is found hanging to a beam, and it is heart failure; he steps on a glare bit of ice, and sits on it, and it is an attack of heart failure he suffers with. Now, a man near Guelph, loaded himself with a tremendous heavy meal, dropped dead, and of course, it is heart failure. Heart fiddlesticks. It was the man's stomach that failed

PRITISH AND BOERS.

Buffalo News.

It is remarkable that General Jou. bert could not have done greater things with his army than he has done. For four months his armies were in fighting order, fully equipped and provisioned from the start. For four months the British armies, small in numbers, fought aggressively and defensively to a stand still. They awaited the coming of men and artillery and munitions of war from a long distance across the sea. They would not give way. and they could not advance. They became contented to hold the Boers in front of them. Sometimes they battled for effect and sometimes for strategic reasons, but always with determination and the best of military spirit. On 10.61 the side of the Boers, it may be said, that while they defended well, they did not seem to have the faculty of advancing. They shot well, but if we You know Cleveland was unknown may include pluck and determination under the protection of trenches and picious of Northern Democracy; berocks, that is all the military qualifications they have shown.

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WAYBACK TALES.

AS TOLD BY TWO MEN FROM THE WEST.

at Seward's Statue, Madiso Square, New York of One Assigned to Egg Him as a Boy-President Arthur's Trip

Two men, one from the West, the other from the South, were in Madison square. They stood before the

"I never see that statue," said the Western man, "that I do not think of the time when, as a boy, I was selected to regale the gentleman with a stock of eggs that had depreciated in the market. It was on the occasion of Mr. Seward's first trip beyond the Mississippi, or his first campaigning

"He went to my town, St. Joe, Mo.,

on the assurance of the Wide Awakes that he would not be insulted, for at that time a Republican speaker in any part of Missouri was not hilariously popular. Up to the time of Lincoln's Presidential nomination his adherents about my town were not aggressive. But they organized a club and finally become suficiently bold to parade. The Seward meeting was extensively advertised by handbills. There were some old Secesh chaps living in St. Joe then; they were the same who afterward refused to go to the front and fight, who hated a Yankee, or anybody who came from the North, and whenever there was any devilment to be done they fell back on the boys of the town who had peculiar talent for anything that came under the head of cussedness.

"The balcony from which Mr. Seward was to speak was that of the Patee House, a building some distance from the business centre. It was built by a very rich old man who owned all the land thereabouts, and he thought a hotel would draw business. Opposite place was a bully one from which to make an attack. I was selected to go there with my basket and do the huriing act about the time Mr. Seward got under headway.

"Mr. Seward and his party arrived by the Hannibal and St. Joseph train in the evening: The Wide Awakes met the party at the old station on the plateau. The club had their torches burning; a brass band had been hired, probably under protest. No Union music had penetrated into northwest Missouri at that time, and I remember that Mr. Seward was taken to his hotel behind 'Wearing of the Green, 'Wait for the Wagon,' and 'Pop Goes the Weasel.' The Wide Awakes formed company front before the hotel. I remember that nervous fathers and mothers of the town called in their broods early that evening for there was grave apprehension, emphasized by the Gazette, the Southern paper, that there would be trouble in the streets if the Wide Awakes did not be-

"When Mr. Seward stepped out on the balcony my curiosity to see a live black Republican got the better of me. I can't explain how it was that his first utterance unnerved me, nor have I ever forgotten it. It was a quiet night, and his voice sounded like a trumpet around the amphitheatre of

"'Fellow citizens of St. Joseph and Buchanan county,' he said, 'we come to you to-night as Republicans." "Then the Wide Awakes gave the eggs,

holfer. That was the time to throw but the situation was novel to me and I looked on. When the hollering was over, Seward, evidently en couraged, followed the first words with these, Black Republicans, if you please.' That was said defiantly, and from that on until he quit talking he hammered our side until I got tired. and leaving the basket and its contents untouched. I sneaked home and went to bed."

The two men walked across the square and stopped before the Arthur statue, which reminded the man from the South of a story:

"If the Republicane had nominated Arthur in 1884, I believe he would have been elected." he said. "Do you remember Arthur's trip to Kentucky when he was President? It was to open the Cotton Exposition at Louisville. Most of the Citizens' Committee on Entertainment were ex-Confederates. The most elaborately decorated homes and business houses were those of Southern people. The people of the South were just opening their eyes to their interests. If there ever was a time when its solidity as a political section could have been broken it was in 1884.

"The women of the South were at Arthur's Louisville entertainment. Every representative citizen was present. Southern women always had a good deal to say in big politics in Dixie. There was an informal gathering of these women at a citizen's house in Louisville the day after they had met the President. Old Gov. Buckner was informed that the women had rather see Arthur continued President than any Northern Republican, and that he was less objectionable than some Northern Democrats. The incident passed as a compliment. But at the reception to the President at the Pendennic Club the business men of Louisville, most of them Southerness, informed Secretary Folger, who was one of the Presidential party, that if the Republicans nominated Arthur for President the South would vote for then, and the South was a little sussides, it didn't believe Cleveland could

"I was one of the committee from the commercial South that went to Chicago in 1884 to lay the proposition before the men who held the cards. But they pooh-poohed our intentions and said Arthur couldn't be elected. We were jolted so hard and so unceremoniously in the matter that we went home disgusted."

THE PLANET End - of - the - Century

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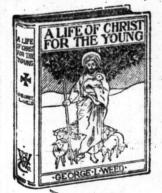
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SECONDLY, The one undivided part or share in part of Lot Eighty five, on the Southerly side of King Street, in said City of Chatham, particularly descrited in a certain deed dated Sixth of October, 1886, to one Charles Northwood, from the Canadian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

teen, 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 Hun-

ired and Nineteen, on the North side King Street, in the said City of Actham.
PUTHLY, Lots numbers Ninety

nine and Fifty-seven, Northwood's Survey, in subdivision of park Lots One and Two, on the West side of the Gravek Read in the said City of Chat-

Gravel Road in the said City of Chatham.

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