

The Planet.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20.

TRY IT IN CANADA.

Payne has decided to make the experiment of employing baggagemen on trains which are not provided with mail clerks to take charge of and deliver open newspaper mail. This decision has been reached after much consideration and in response to a petition filed by many of the leading newspaper publishers of the country, who asked the Postoffice Department to provide facilities for distributing open bundles of papers along the line from trains which carry only closed pouches.

The plan contemplates that the baggage masters shall be sworn in as Postoffice Department employees, and that they shall be paid for their services. It is intended that they shall deliver the papers to those to whom they are addressed at points along the line from the car doors, thus saving much time which would be lost in case the papers were enclosed in the pouches, as this would necessitate their being taken to the local post office, before they could be delivered to agents.

Newspaper subscribers in Canada are greatly inconvenienced by delays in the "sorting" of the parcels sent out from the offices of publication. And such delays are in very many cases due to the causes which the system to be tried in the United States is intended to overcome. It would be well worth while to give the system a trial on this wider line.

THE LAW'S OPPORTUNITY.

It is not many weeks since a little girl was murdered by a tramp near Collingwood. Only the other day, near Montreal, a little girl was dragged by a tramp into the woods and there brutally assaulted. The human fiend who did these deeds are yet at large and probably will never be caught.

Today morning an attempt to outrage a little girl was made near Stony Creek. In this case also the villain was a tramp. Fortunately he was caught in the act, and is now in custody.

As we do not know the degree of the man's guilt, but there seems to be little doubt that at the very least he is guilty of an attempt to commit rape and indecent assault. For the first of the crimes he is liable to seven years imprisonment. For the second he is liable to be imprisoned for two years to be whipped.

Upon which charge he should be arraigned must depend upon the circumstances of the case as ascertained by the police. But in either case, if the case can be substantiated, the vile act should get the extreme penalty. This is the first time in several years that the administrators of the law have had an opportunity to strike a blow at the tramp evil by giving a tramp of gaudy propensities, caught in a crime, the full punishment prescribed by the law. In this case justice is mercy for unprotected little girls.—Hamilton Herald.

Her to the plucky Shamrock III. May winds speed her to victory and coveted cup.

Como think of it, it would be too big to retain the Canada Cup and the America Cup in the one year.

The fact that R. R. Gamay might be a member of a Conservative government should be less distressing to moralists than the fact that Hon. J. R. Stron is a member of a Liberal government.—Toronto Telegram.

Twelve in the House have had exceptional opportunities of forming correct opinion on the Cox project. One is Mr. Haggart, Minister of Railways in the Conservative Government. The other is Mr. Blair, Minister of Railways in the Laurier Government. It is significant that both these gentlemen oppose the scheme.—Guelph Herald.

Half off to the Hamilton Spectator! Not only does it turn out every looking day in the year, one of the best and most readable samples of wide-awake and enterprising Canadian daily journalism—but, ever and anon, presents its patrons with something of a vastly superior stamp in magazine souvenir editions. A copy of the carnival number of the Spectator has reached The Planet and has been universally admired. It is a triumph of the art of handsome magazine making, entertainingly written, charmingly illustrated and mechanically perfect. Very heartily The Planet congratulates its enterprising and successful Hamilton contemporary on the splendid issue. If the Hamilton carnival is one-half as good as the Carnival Spectator it's a hummer and we'll be tempted to board the next train and take it on ourselves.

THE VENICE OF CANADA.
Brantford Courier.
Splendid boating on most Brantford streets to-day.

UPS AND DOWNS OF FINANCE.
London Advertiser.

If stocks had gone up George Rowley would be hailed as a Napoleon of finance.

THE NEW BOSS.
Hamilton Spectator.

According to Hon. Mr. Blair—and he knows—Senator Cox is the master of the administration.

WHAT BLAIR DID.
Toronto Telegram.

Oh, but did not Hon. A. G. Blair cut loose and play havoc with Sir Wilfrid Laurier's icing sugar figures of speech?

ECHOES FROM ERIEAU

Master James Boyd has been appointed as agent of The Planet at Erieau. Subscribers of this paper who fail to receive it regularly at their cottages will please report the matter to him and he will receive and forward any orders from those who desire The Planet sent to their cottages.

Miss Jessie Harper returned to the Eau yesterday.

Miss Annie Anderson is spending a few days in town.

Mrs. Wardle spent Tuesday with Mrs. W. W. Scane.

Mrs. G. W. Cornell and son were Erieau visitors this week.

John Park and family spent the beginning of the week with Archie Park.

Mrs. A. I. McCall and family were the guests of Mrs. Chris. Smith this week.

Mrs. McCorvie, Johnnie and Ray were the guests of Mrs. Abram on Tuesday.

Mrs. (Dr.) R. V. Bray will spend the balance of the week the guest of Mrs. A. F. Falls.

Miss Helen McTaggart, of Chatham, is the guest of Miss Mildred Turner, of Belvedere.

Miss McKinley has returned home after spending a few weeks the guest of Miss Abram.

Miss Bessie Brackin, Miss Elda Rankin and Miss Lily McCorvie spent a day with Miss Abram this week.

Mr. Barnett and family, of Cleveland, are returning home to-day, after a nine weeks' holiday at Erieau.

Miss Flora McGeorge and her friend Miss Robinson are spending a few days with Mrs. James Glenn, of Killarney.

Archie Park and family moved into town yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Park intend leaving shortly for a trip up the lakes and this necessitated their early departure from the bar.

About half-past two yesterday afternoon a slight blow struck the bar. Onajag and another small boat were caught out in it. The latter put ashore, but Onajag, sailed by young Hall, and having on board three young ladies from Blenheim, anchored for a while. The anchor began to drag so they put up sail and struck out for the middle of the Eau. The wind proved too much for them, so they put to shore and landed the ladies at Star Cottage. Young Hall afterwards sailed to the moorings. Shortly after this the rain fell and a small boat, with three boys in it, started for the centre of the Eau, evidently to test their boat and see of "what stuff" she was made. The test was successful, as they got her back to shore bottom side down.

"A SUMMER FAIRYLAND."

To those who are planning a summer outing and seeking "green fields and pastures new," some place where they may cast care aside and commune with primitive nature, where, though the sun shines ever brightly, cooling breezes always blow and great heat is unknown, it is safely promised that among the rocks and lakes of the Muskoka district, about 100 miles north of Toronto, situate in the Highlands of Ontario, (1,000 feet above sea level), they will find enchantment. Handsome, illustrated, descriptive publications will be sent free to any address on application to W. E. Rispen, City Pass. Agt., 115 King Street, Chatham.

WHAT ABOUT

That order for Groceries. We will take it to-day, please.

Our goods are fresh.

Our prices right.

Good Ginger Snaps, 6 cts. per lb. Pickles, mixed, 10 cts. per bottle. 1 lb. can Sunlight Baking Powder 10 cts. Lemon Biscuits, 9 cts. per lb. 6 cans Sardines, 25 cents. Rubbers for fruit jars, 5 cts. per dozen. Fine Flavored Japan Tea, 25c per pound. Fresh ground coffee, 15 cts. per lb.

Crockery.

A quantity of pretty glass water sets, will be sold at a bargain. China, lots of it, new goods at out prices. Dinner, Tea and Chamber Sets, at prices that make people look pleased to hand over the money for them.

John McConnell,

Park St. East Phone 190

Last Call!

Grand stand finish of the greatest and most illustrious Clothing Sale that has ever taken place in Chatham. Adieu to summer—this month winds up the season with us. No stone will be left unturned to make this a banner month. We will sell thousands of dollars worth of High Grade Clothing this month at less than cost of Material and Making. Our store shall ring with the hum of the delighted. Remember, prices are easy to quote, but it's quality only that tells the tale—it's quality backed by price that makes this the Model Store. A lesson in money-saving that will echo for years to come.

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YACHT REGATTA

"I'm going to a gasoline yacht regatta at the lighthouse shortly," remarked Samuel Trotter this a. m. There are three launches at the lighthouse and then there is the Maple City fleet made up of E. Blake (Arnold's Winkie, W. W. Scane's Christeen, John Waddell's Marjorie, Douglas Glass' steel boat and our Bessie.

"I'm going to be referee and expect to make a little money out of the race. It will be a free for all with five to enter and three to start. The entrance money will be \$5. This will be a handicap race and must be finished within a time limit."

The Chatham Youngster.
Mrs. Mary E. Mumford, a well known club woman, and a former member of the Philadelphia Board of Education, tells this at her own expense:

Entering a crowded market street car not long ago, she attached herself to a strap directly in front of a woman who had a boy and a girl seated beside her. Both children held and offered their seats to Mrs. Mumford, smiling her acknowledgment, took her vacated place. The boy was clearly disappointed. Turning to his mother, he said, in a voice which could be heard all over the car:

"Mamma, can't I give up my seat to the next fat woman who gets on board?"

Mrs. Mumford's figure is not exactly sylph-like, but from the fact that she related the above before a public assemblage in Washington, it is inferred that she is not over sensitive on the matter of avoirdupois.

From School Exercises.

"Virgil was a Vestal Virgin."

"Serenade, a greenness as of grass."

"Reverberation is when it is made again into a verb."

"The British museum is the principal building in Paris."

"Affability is the state of being inane on one subject only."

"Ingenuous, a stupid person, from in, not and ingenious, a smart person."

"As I roamed in the deep woods I saw a herd of greyhounds hunting for prey."

"Hannibal was an early Greek explorer who wrote a book called 'Heredotus.'"

"The early Briton wore a skin, he used it at the waist. He wore leggings on his legs. He had eyes of a blue shade, which plainly showed his semi-civilization. He wore on his feet moccasins or sandals."—World's Work.

MUSKOKA'S POPULARITY.

The following voluntary testimonial of the Muskoka region and Royal Muskoka Hotel was received at the Grand Trunk General Offices recently from one of the most prominent doctors in New York City, who was sojourning for a few weeks in that district:

"I take pleasure in recommending the Muskoka region as a health resort of the first class. Its altitude, dry atmospheric conditions, and water supply free from infection, make it particularly beneficial."

"The Royal Muskoka Hotel, a hotel perfect in all its appointments, adds materially to the comfort of the tourist."

The thousands of people who are now enjoying the summer months in the "Highlands of Ontario," are profuse in their praises of that part of the country, as a summer resort, and consider it the finest on the continent."

The Northway Co., Ltd. {The Busy Cash Store} The Northway Co., Ltd.

...BARGAINS IN... CARPETS, HOUSEFURNISHINGS FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

10 pcs. Heavy Union Carpet in this season's best patterns and colorings, full yard wide, reversible, good value at 90c a yd, sale price 22c.

Union Carpets, heavy reversible qualities, full yd. wide, reg value 25c to 40c a yd, sale price 29c.

Heavy Wool Carpets with cotton chain warp in choice designs and colorings, reg. 65c a yd, sale price 48c.

2-PLY All Wool Carpets, superior quality, reversible patterns and colorings, reg. 75c to 85c a yd, sale price 67c.

Tapestry Carpet, rich designs and colorings, worth 90c yd, sale price 39c.

Heavy Imported Tapestry Carpet in splendid range of patterns, worth 65c and 75c a yd, sale price 58c.

Brussels Carpets, English make, firm heavy quality in good designs and colorings, reg value 90c a yd, sale price 75c.

Velvet Carpets, superior quality English make, rich colorings and designs, body and border to match, reg. \$1.25 a yard, sale price, \$1.10.

English Brussels Carpets.—Extra quality handsome patterns and colorings, reg. \$1.15 a yd, sale price 98c.

Regular \$1.25 a yd, sale price \$1.12 1/2.

Scotch Linoleums.—4 yds and 3 yds wide, heavy quality, in choice floral block and tile designs, a splendid wearing cloth, worth 65c a sq yd, sale price 48c.

Floor Oilcloth.—Good serviceable quality in large range of new designs and colorings, at per yd, sale price 21c.

Window Shades.—Full size, mounted on spring rollers, complete at each 25c.

Window Shades.—Superior quality, mounted on guaranteed rollers, at each 50c, 45c, 40c and 35c.

10 pcs Art Muslins.—For curtains, in choice range of patterns and colorings, wide widths, reg 12 1/2c and 15c a yd sale price 10c.

40 pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains.—5 yds to the pair, in good designs, overlook edges, reg. 35c a pair, sale price 25c.

25 pairs Fine Nottingham Curtains.—Latest designs, overlook edges, 3 1/2 yards long, wide widths, reg 1.75 to 2.25 a pair, sale price \$1.48.

Strictly Cash... THE NORTHWAY COMPANY, Limited. One Lowest Price.

The words of the friendly counselor to the ambitious youth, "Beware the awful avalanche," might have been amplified to include a warning against the snow and ice through which he bore his excelsior banner. If he was a typical American youth he would be quite sure to use it to cool his drinking water and any articles of food which are more palatable cold than hot. This is the national habit, and it is said to be spreading over Europe as well. Probably no bacteriological fact is better established than that much of the ice of commerce is dangerously impure. The assumption that water purifies itself in freezing was long ago shown to have but a limited basis in truth. The individual crystals are likely to be purer than the mother liquid from which they are formed, but ice is a mass of crystals in which may be entangled all kinds of impurities.

Peps on Copyright.

Samuel Peps in his famous diary takes occasion in one entry to unburden himself thus:

"Moreover, I am overborne with Grief, seeing that I, who must fain withstand bickerings at home and banter abroad in my walks from Seething Lane to the Navy Office, receive no gain from the publication of this my Diary. My pouch is in no wise enriched thereby; yet many, methinks, do ride in fine coaches and keep open house by reason of my unconsidered Book, all so simple and innocent. It galls me to be told by my attorney (a shrewd knave and fairly honest as attorneys go) how this law of Copyright holds me powerless to gain a ducent for mine own enrichment, which makes me mad. The parliament men might well consider to amend so harsh a law of Copyright."

A New Kind of Tax.

The taxing of fat is a fiscal expedient which is new. A town in Sweden, it is announced, has introduced a municipal tax on stoutness, which appears to be graduated according to the most approved modern principles of public finance. Any one weighing less than 135 pounds goes free, an exemption which would scarcely apply to any able-bodied man. The great bulk of active taxpayers would be included in the second division, which consists of persons scaling between 135 and 200 pounds; they pay \$3.12 yearly. As for the 200 pounders, their bulk is rated at \$6 up to 270 pounds. Above that point every additional twenty pounds costs the proprietor of flesh another \$8.

New Arsenic Is Found in Eggs.

A chemist who has a theory that arsenic is one of the essential elements of every living organism and who is never happy unless he is making tests has just made a series of exhaustive experiments with hen's eggs and as a result claims he found that all parts of an egg contain arsenic in appreciable quantities. He says of the whole quantity found in any one egg two-thirds belong to the yolk and one-third to the white.

Curious Wells.

A well recently drilled in Canada produces sand instead of water. The sand comes up in a fine stream like a fountain. The force by which it is driven to the surface from a depth of a hundred feet has not yet been discovered. A magnetic well was discovered recently in New Guinea at a depth of 600 feet. Anything made of iron or steel and dipped into the water at once became magnetic.

While our efficient fire department

gives our citizens a good measure of protection from fire, the surest and safest protection is to have a policy in one of the fire insurance companies represented by W. E. Rispen, general insurance and loan agent, 115, King St., Chatham.

All reading notices of local announcements must be received at this office not later than noon of the day on which it is desired that they appear in The Planet.

A Surprised Bore.

The late Justice Carter of the supreme court of the District of Columbia used to relate an incident of a Philadelphia man who called at the White House so frequently and took up so much of President Lincoln's time that the latter finally lost his patience. One day when the gentleman was particularly verbose and persistent and refused to leave, although he knew that important delegations were waiting, Lincoln arose, walked over to a wardrobe in the corner of the cabinet chamber and took a bottle from a shelf. Looking gravely at his visitor, whose head was very bald, he remarked:

"Did you ever try this stuff for your hair?"

"No, sir; I never did."

"Well," remarked Lincoln, "I advise you to try it, and I will give you this bottle. If at first you don't succeed try, try again. Keep it up. They say it will make hair grow on a pumpkin. Now take it and come back in eight or ten months and tell me how it works."

The astonished Philadelphian left the room instantly without a word, carrying the bottle in his hand, and Judge Carter, coming in with the next delegation, found the president doubled up with laughter at the success of his strategy. Before he could proceed to business the story had to be told.—"The True Abraham Lincoln."

Auction Sale of Farm Stock

AND IMPLEMENTS.

On lot 6, concession 13, Township of Tilbury East, 1 1/2 miles from Glenora, on John Sales farm, on

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1903,

Commencing at 1 p. m.

One bay horse, 5-year-old, weight 1300 pounds; one brown horse, 5-year-old, weight 1250 pounds; one sorrel mare, good quiet driver; one sorrel mare, 6-year-old; one bay mare, 9-year-old; two heifers, 2-year-old; six first class steers, 2-year-old; one farm truck and box; one top buggy, one road cart, one plow, one scraper, one set iron harrows, one set double harness, nearly new; one set single harness; one robe; also whiffletrees, forks, shovels and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Everything will be sold without reserve as the proprietor is quitting the farm.

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J. L. Davis' Drug Store.
W. W. Turner's "
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