

..The Planet..

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TO ABOLISH HANSARD.

The proposal to abolish Hansard, the official record of the oratory of the Dominion Parliament, need cause no alarm. The country would lose nothing if most of the speeches delivered in the House were never recorded. What is worth recording the newspapers may be depended upon to catch and give to the country. What is not worth recording in the newspapers is not likely to be worth much. It is estimated that it costs the country \$250,000 for reporting the speeches in the House, and certainly a good deal of money is wasted. It must not be taken for granted, however, that the abolition of Hansard would save that amount to the country. The proposal is to divide up the money saved among the members in the form of increased sessional indemnity, so that, so far as the economy of the thing is concerned, it would be merely a saving of waste on the one hand for the purpose of increasing the waste on the other. It is probable, however, that one real advantage would come from the abolition of Hansard. There would be no inducement to make long-winded speeches, and the sessions would be shortened.

INJURING THE WOOLLEN TRADE.

Commenting on the discouragement which the Laurier Government has brought upon Canadian woollen manufacturers, several mills having been closed and others having reduced the number of their operatives, the St. Marys Journal states that "S. Myers & Son, of the St. Marys woollen mills declare that the preferential tariff is disastrous to their business. They cannot compete with the woollen manufacturers of England. The reasons why may be briefly stated. The machinery costs less in England, the greatest wool market of the world. London is at the English manufacturer's door, they can manufacture a wider range of goods from the very best to the poorest qualities, and their business has been established for centuries." A recent issue of the Hesper Herald adds: "For the first time in many years part of the R. Forbes Co.'s mill is running on short time—40 hours per week, and there is just a possibility of the mill being even slower before the summer months are gone, and for this very undesirable state of affairs we can thank the Government at Ottawa and the preferential tariff, which allows the British and German manufacturers, with lower priced machinery and half priced employees, to enter into competition on almost an equal footing with our woollen manufacturers, and the worst feature of it all is the Government's refusal to rectify this great wrong, after it has been pressed to their notice so strongly and so frequently. Truly, Hesper is doing well under Liberal rule." In Hesper the people protested by electing Mr. Clare; but St. Mary's by helping to elect Mr. Erb seemed to show a relish for the process of self-extinction.

WHY DO NOT THE PACKERS PAY MORE.

A circular recently issued by the George Matthews Company, of Peterboro, has aroused a good deal of discussion. It is, says the Farmers' Sun, admitted on all hands that the advice given by the packers to the farmers is most excellent. Nor is the importance, both to farmers and packers, of maintaining the high position secured by our bacon on the English market questioned in any quarter. What is questioned is the method adopted by the packers to encourage farmers to raise the kind of hog which produces the best quality of bacon.

Good advice is all right in its way, but something more is required. A farmer who follows the advice and turns out hogs of the best quality is not encouraged in well doing when he finds that his neighbor, who has disregarded the advice, receives just as much for fat and cheaply fed hogs as he does for the prime article. This is an every day occurrence in nearly all parts of Ontario, and does more to deteriorate the quality of hogs than all the letters which the packers can write do to improve it.

If the packers wish to encourage the turning out of the right kind of hogs let them see that the farmers who produce them get more than the farmers who do not. The co-operative factories have, we understand, already made a move in this direction. They have in this respect an advantage over the other factories, as their supplies are largely drawn from nearby territory, and their shareholders, who are on the spot, can promptly report if quality is not recognized by the purchaser. But there seems to be no reason why all the packers should not arrange to pay according to merit. If they would do so, farmers would have a direct inducement to turn out the right article and a marked improvement in the quality of our output might reasonably be expected to follow.

An Honest Tired Feeling

There is an "honest tired feeling," caused by necessary toil and cured by natural rest.

But very different is "that tired feeling," from which so many complain and which may even be classed as a disease.

That tired feeling takes you to bed tired and wakes you up tired.

You have no appetite, have bilious taste, dull headache, are nervous and irritable, blue, weak and discouraged.

In such conditions Hood's Sarsaparilla does a world of good.

It begins in the right place—in the blood, purifying it and imparting vitality, then its tonic effect is felt by the stomach, kidneys and liver; appetite comes back, all waste is removed naturally, headaches cease, that tired feeling departs and you feel like a new person.

This has been the experience of thousands.

It will be yours if you take

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FOR GOOD ROADS.

A new good roads organization, called the Highway Alliance, has been formed in New York, and the expressed objects and intentions of the alliance leave no doubt as to its usefulness. Here are some of the reasons it gives for its existence:—

"1. Public agitation for highway improvement. 2. Obtaining and publishing information relating to highways. 3. Proposal of laws and ordinances for highway opening, construction, maintenance and traffic. 4. Opposing proposed laws and ordinances tending to diminish the usefulness of highways. 5. Urging the public authorities to improve the highways, and to keep them in repair. 6. Assisting in the vindication of highway rights of the public, and also aiding any person whose rights have been infringed while using the highways or as a consequence of such use, whenever the board of directors of this corporation, in their discretion, consider that the usefulness of highways will be advanced."

Among the directors of the alliance are men well known for their interest in road improvement. Most of them have observed closely the work accomplished in that direction by the League of American Wheelmen, and, doubtless appreciate the desirability of having an organization, which, while it may not literally join hands with the wheelmen or with any other organized body, shall, nevertheless, exert itself vigorously in championing a common cause, namely that of the highways.

The Highway Alliance will introduce a new feature so far as concerns its membership. In order that it shall not be obligatory upon all who join the alliance to give it their support financially, two grades of membership will be in force, persons belonging to one grade to be known as active or contributing members, and those belonging to the other as general or sympathetic members. Any one in the latter grade may change his status whenever he likes, upon payment of the dues of a contributing member for one year.

We would like to see branches of the Highway Alliance established right here in Kent County, and we believe the organization could accomplish much good in the line of road improvement.

ARE YOU PLUMP

or thin? red cheeks or sallow life in your step or feel your weight? are you comfortable or hoping to be so next spring or summer or fall?

One is health; the other is not-quite health.

This condition of not-quite health can be turned into health with Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil.

It is a pity to get in the habit of thinking of health as a thing to be hoped for; why not go for it now!

There is only one way to make strength; by food. You want appetite first, then food. The emulsion will give you food-rest, to master your food with.

We'll send you a little to try, if you like. SCOTT & BOWNE, Toronto, Canada. Ask for Minard's and take no other.

Woodstock complains of the young men who besiege the church doors there. Woodstock isn't the only sufferer. There are others.

The Arkansas Senate has passed a bill imposing a license fee of \$5 a year on all persons who drink intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

A number of New York correspondents are discussing the question, Can a man marry on \$20 a week? Well, around here he can if he can raise the \$20.

The Missouri and Kansas Telephone Company has a subtle sense of the fitness of things. It has just engaged Miss Grace Holler as one of its operators.

The resignation of Col. Leys, M. P. for London, reminds us that the Colonel never had any use for the present premier of late years. Col. Leys on one occasion issued a writ against Hon. G. W. Ross for some \$1,600, claiming that he had advanced him that sum for election purposes. But the case never came to trial.

The Toronto police commissioners decided to enforce the law forbidding boys under 16 to have air guns, and forbidding dealers to sell them to boys under 16 years. In all sales of air guns dealers must register the name and address of the purchaser. The Chatham commissioners, if they have the power, would also do well to put down the air gun nuisance.

Next May's total eclipse of the sun, longer than any eclipse hitherto, will be observed from a track crossing Samatra, Borneo, Celebes and Ceram, in regions for the most part inhospitable and far from accessible. The prospects of the clearest skies in the Dutch East Indies at noon on the 18th of May are, it is declared, anything but bright, but the astronomers of many nations will take the great and necessary risk, and already their parties are en route. They include three parties from Great Britain, and five from the United States.

The Hamilton Times suggests that the "circular to census commissioners," about which so much fuss was made, but which it appears did not get farther than the hands of a Conservative sensation monger, may have had an origin something similar to the forged edition of the Globe—St. Thomas Journal. "That item is simply untrue and it is hard to realize that the Journal did not know it at the time of publication. That census circular was sent out, and on the floor of the legislature Hon. G. W. Ross defended it, though it invited the census enumerators to commit perjury. The Journal and Hamilton Times of course know their own business best, but it seems to The Planet it is poor policy to wantonly lie to readers."

OSLER'S SUCCESSOR.

Woodstock Express. Jim Mabey, of Stratford, is hailed as the successor of B. B. Osler because he succeeded in getting a dollar damages out of a Hamilton newspaper. Isn't the praise a little premature? Has he got the dollar yet, or merely the verdict?

A MODERATE EULOGY.

Nelson Tribune. Editor J. C. McLagan is dead. Many a worse man lives.

All men have tongues, but few know how to use them properly.

Proved the Bishop a Liar.

A clergyman desirous of a living went to the bishop of London and asked him for an introduction to Lord Chancellor Thurlow. The bishop said, "I should be willing to give it, but an introduction from me would defeat the very end you have in view." However, the clergyman persisted in his request, and the introduction was given.

The lord chancellor received him with fury. "So that awful scoundrel, the bishop of London, has given you an introduction. As it is he who has introduced you, you will certainly not get the living."

"Well, so the bishop said, my lord," said the clergyman. "Did the bishop say so?" thundered Lord Thurlow. "Then he's a convicted liar, and I'll prove him so. You shall have the living." And the man got it.

British Society.

British society has been eaten into by the canker of rotten. From the top downward the tree is rotten. Beauty is the slave of gold, and intellect, led by beauty, unknowingly dances to the strings which are pulled by plutocracy. What shall we say of the new order of wealth, of the greed for gold which is the mainspring of the way in which those who by birth and education should be the sternest protectors of the race abandon all and fling themselves on the shrine of the golden god?—Lord Charles Beresford in North American Review.

Sincerely Admiring.

"I am proud to say that I did not spend a hundred dollars to secure my election," said the statesman. "Yes," returned Senator Borghum, "I meant to congratulate you before this. You certainly got a bargain."—Washington Star.

It doesn't require much philosophy to take things as they come, but it requires a lot of it to part with them as they go.

The prices of medicines in Prussia are regulated by the government. Every year a new price list is published.

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We are showing a magnificent assortment of the finest fabrics for ladies' costumes. Each season the looms seem to double their skill in turning out beautiful weaves, and we make a point of procuring the best in the markets of the world for our customers. Prices here are often a deceptive criterion of value, we mark them so moderately that you must judge the worth of the goods on sight—not by its price. That's what we want you to do with the following handsome fabrics:—

New Harris Suiting, 58 in. wide, in heavy pure wool quality, fine finish, in fashionable shades of gray, fawn, brown, reeds, blue and oxford, special per yd. 75c and \$1.00
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Colored Broadcloth suitings—Rich venetian finish, pure wool, good firm weight for tailored costumes, 44 in. to 54 in. wide, in fashionable shades of brown, gray, blue, red, green, fawn and Rose Du Barri, matchless values at per yard 50c 60c 75c \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.40, \$1.50 and \$1.90



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Handsome new patterns, in black and colors, just opened out, prices range from per yd. 35c to 85c

Prunella Cloth, a rich satin finish, all wool material, in black and leading shades, for spring wear, 44 to 48 in. wide, special per yard at 50c 75c and \$1.00
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Black Poplin, firm round cords, bright finish, rich raven black, 42 in. to 48 in. wide, special per yard \$1.25, \$1.50 75c and 80c
Colored Poplin Cord, superior all-wool quality, in leading spring shades, special at per yd 50c and 75c
Black Broadcloth Suitings, rich Venetian finish, made from finest French wools, medium and heavy weight, superior black dye, 44 in. to 54 in. wide, at per yard 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.15, \$1.25 and \$1.40

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Farm for sale very cheap and on easy terms of payment. About 45 acres, lot 11, Con. 4, W. C. R. Harwich, about one-half mile north of Cedar Springs. On the farm is a good frame house, good barn and drive, and other out-buildings in good state of repair, first-class artesian well, good orchard of peach, pear, plum, cherry, quince and apple trees, and an abundance of small fruits. The place is well tile-drained and is conveniently situated to school, church, postoffice, butcher shop, blacksmith shop, two general stores and railroad station. For further information apply on the premises or address box 402, Chatham.

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Frame house, two stories, 12 rooms, Lot 50 ft. front by 115 deep, \$1,000.00. Brick house, two stories, 7 rooms, Lot 40 ft. front, by 208 feet deep, \$1,100.00. Frame house, 10 rooms and summer kitchen, lot 60 ft. by 104 ft. \$8,000.00. Frame house, 8 rooms and summer kitchen, lot 60 ft. by 208 feet, good stable, \$1,100. Two vacant lots, each 60 feet front, by 104 feet. House, 8 rooms, lot 60 feet by 208 feet, \$1,000.00. Farm in Howard, 23 1/2 acres, house, stable and orchard, \$1,000.00. Farm in Chatham Township, 110 acres. All cleared. Good house, barn, stables and sheds, \$5,700.00. Will trade for 25 or 50 acre farm, part payment.

Farm in Township of Raleigh, 50 acres. All cleared. Good houses and barn, \$3,750.00. Farm in Township of Chatham, 90 acres. All cleared. New frame house. Large barn, stable, granary and drive house and other buildings, \$7,500.00. Farm in Township of Chatham, 50 acres. All cleared. Good house, and barn, \$1,500.00. Valuable suburban residence, 11 rooms, with 1 1/2 acres of land. Good stable, \$3,500.00.

Apply to W. F. SMITH, Real Estate, Solicitor, &c.

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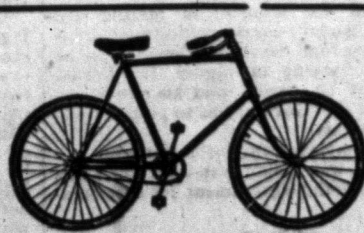
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