

## The Planet.

DAILY AND WEEKLY  
Chatham, Ont.

## OOM PAUL'S POSITION WHEN THE WAR IS OVER.

In all likelihood Kruger has escaped. If so, it is probably just as well. He will be an outcast anyway, and the British will be saved the trouble of keeping him at St. Helena. He never more will be permitted to return to British South Africa—Stratford Beacon.

Nonsense! As soon as Kruger ceases being a belligerent he will be entitled to the same treatment in British South Africa as any other foreigner. Whether at the outbreak of hostilities the Transvaal was rebels or not, Great Britain when she officially notified the powers that a state of war existed between Her Majesty's government and the government of the Transvaal, recognized the latter as a sovereign state. As a sovereign state it had the technical right to go to war with Great Britain with or without justification. Were Kruger to be captured he could only be detained as a prisoner of war pending the duration of hostilities. Once peace is restored he, along with the other prisoners, would have to be liberated. After that, after the Transvaal had been formally made and declared British territory, if Oom Paul again attempted to stir up trouble he would make himself amenable to the civil law and could be punished by death or as otherwise decreed by the civil law, as in the case of the raiders under Dr. Jameson. We venture to predict that when peace is restored not only will ex-President Kruger be allowed to live in British South Africa but he will find it a very safe and pleasant place to reside as long as he behaves himself.

## THEY LOVE DARKNESS BETTER THAN LIGHT.

The ministry at Ottawa seem determined to use their majority to block investigation into all charges of wrong doing, no matter from what quarter they may come, or how serious they are. They have in this matter totally reversed the policy of their predecessors. If a Conservative minister, member of parliament, official or contractor, were ever accused of wrong doing on the floor of parliament Sir John A. Macdonald never dragged the good name of the whole party in the mire to shield him if he were a wrong-doer. He always invited investigation, and if conviction followed the guilty parties were invariably punished. Never was the majority of the government marshalled, as it often is now, to shelter the accused. We all remember the expulsion of McGreevy, the retirement from the cabinet of a prominent minister involved in the same scandal, the resignation of another member to avoid expulsion, the prosecution of some bridge contractors and suits instituted against others to recover large sums out of which it was claimed they had defrauded the country.

Under Sir Wilfrid Laurier all this is changed. Charge a protégé of the government with crookedness and the members are called in to vote that the light shall not be turned upon his conduct.

On Thursday, in the commons, Sir Charles Herbert Tupper reverted to the Yukon scandal and went into details so particularly that one would imagine the government could not escape taking the matter up. Centering his remarks upon a single charge, he declared that Major Walsh had prostituted his official position to exploit the valuable mineral claims on Dominion Creek for the benefit of himself and his family. The Carbeno charge was the specific one. Carbeno, of Brockville, had gone up into the Yukon with Major Walsh, as cook. He was an employee of the government, but agreed with Walsh that in all the claims the stake Walsh was to get a three-quarter interest, and Carbeno to retain the rest.

This agreement was made on the Quadra, while Walsh, Carbeno and the rest of the commissioner's party were en route to Dawson, yet the agreement was ante-dated at Port Arthur. Carbeno made the agreement over to Phil Walsh, a brother of Major Walsh. He was threatened that if he did not do as Walsh said he would be sent home.

Another friend who shared similarly was Mrs. Koch, a restaurant keeper. Sir Herbert concluded by placing in the hands of the Speaker a resolution that the failure of the government to investigate this matter deserved the censure of the house.

Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick replied to Sir Herbert, and refuted the charges that Walsh had prostituted his position. As a proof of this he cited Walsh's high reputation among his fellows, and the success of the Liberals in the notorious Brockville case. The Carbeno agreement was all right, for Walsh was taking all the risk.

Interrupted, he confessed the gov-

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ernment was the risking party. About the closing of Dominion Creek claims, he argued that it was done not by Walsh, but by an underling. Further, there was no evidence that Carbeno got a claim owing to Walsh's connivance.

Mr. Fitzpatrick claimed that not from Walsh, but from MacBeth, a dog driver in the pay of the government, Carbeno had heard of the premature opening of Dominion Creek. This removed all blame from Major Walsh. The Solicitor-General's defence was weak at the best, but it was sufficient for the government's machine supporters. The resolution was defeated by 74 to 38.

What has become of the iron-willed Kitchener?

When Kruger said he would fight it out to the end, he probably meant the far end.

After Roberts Kitchener. If the Empire should lose Kitchener before a capable successor appeared on the horizon, what would the army do for a military genius?

The proposal of the militia department to give out free ammunition for rifle practice is a good one. If it became necessary to turn out every man capable of bearing arms in defence of this country, as has been the case in the Transvaal, thousands would come forward who could not tell a cartridge when they saw one, and would not know which end of the rifle to put it in if they happened to be told what it was.

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Toronto spent a day and two nights celebrating the fall of Pretoria. The fact that Pretoria hadn't fallen didn't interfere with the festivities in the least.

**HATS BROKEN IN CELEBRATIONS.**  
London Cable in New York Sun.

The city police collected four cartloads of broken hats opposite the Mansion House after Saturday's celebration of the relief of Mafeking.

**THE MOVING CAPITAL.**  
Chicago Journal.

"This," remarked President Steyn, pausing at the top of a kopje to get his breath, and looking about with a critical eye, "this is as good a place as another to locate the Free State's capital for to-morrow."

**GOOD TIME FOR HOUSECLEANING.**  
Ottawa Journal.

The present seems a most opportune time for the leaders on both sides to strike for cleaner politics and to unite to get rid of the political barnacles that are a drag not only on party but necessarily on national progress.

**RECIPE FOR UNPOPULARITY.**  
Vancouver World.

An American contemporary makes the remark, which can be taken to heart by some of the British Columbia politicians and studied with great profit:

"There are various ways of killing popularity, but after you have delivered a long speech to a tired audience you need not bother about the others."

**SLURS FROM JEALOUS HAMLETS.**  
London News.

The Chatham Planet boasts that for nearly three years now Chatham has been doing its own street lighting. The cost per annum during that time has not reached \$40 per light, but that's not to be wondered at. They say that in summer time the fire flies in Chatham's swamps supply all the light necessary and the area are not used.

**Watford Guide-Advocate.**

Per contra it must be admitted that the citizens of Chatham absorb more and reflect less light than do people who are not of African origin. On the first of August and similar festival days, it is said, that the glorious orb of day is quite unequal to the task of illuminating King, Queen, Con and Raleigh streets, and consequently the electric street lights have to be kept running at high pressure all day. Under this consideration \$40 a light is remarkably cheap for a town like Chatham. The light furnished by the swamp fire-flies is both flickering and uncertain, and is more than offset by the color of the population.

**LITERARY NOTES.**

**"THREE MEN ON WHEELS."**

By Jerome K. Jerome, author of "Three men in a boat."—This book has several distinctive features placing it above the ordinary novel. First, it is not a novel, but a comic history of the later lives of three men already met with in the Boat episodes. It has not a so-called novel, but a point of view, a correcting finger at you, and destroy the perfect enjoyment of reading. It is full of keen humor for the alert mind (and with enough satire to satisfy the cynic)—an ideal book for reading aloud; and one which every man will enjoy reading, providing he has a capacity for seeing humor in domestic situations. Throughout the book the many clever illustrations by Mr. Harrison Fisher add realism to the various situations. Published by The Copp, Clark Company, Ltd., Front St. West, Toronto.

**A MASTER OF CRAFT.**

The delightful humorist, Mr. W. W. Jacobs, surrounded himself with a host of admirers when he sent out "Many Cargoes," followed by "More Cargoes" and now comes "A Master of Craft" to add to his reputation as a story writer.

The title of this new book has more in it than appears before the story is read, for the first conclusion is that it is a sea yarn only; but the main significance of the name works out in the crafty nature of Captain Flower, who combines the ideal of a hero and villain, though a harmless proportion of each. This burlesque upon villainy consists chiefly in Captain Flower's faculty for becoming engaged to several women at the same time; and the enormous amount of tact required to steer three various courses at once with his single, unsteady land-craft, taxes his ingenuity to the utmost, ending finally in a smash of his mental compass, after which it is only a matter of time before there is a crash wreck on the rocks of despair, and this reckless seaman is heart of no more.

The book is full of purest fun, and will be hailed from afar by lovers of a good yarn. It has just come from The Copp, Clark Publishing House, Toronto. The Copp, Clark Company, Ltd., Front street West, Toronto.

**LIDCOTE.**

Joseph Kime, of Chatham, passed through these parts this week.

A grand concert took place in French's Church, Wednesday evening.

Miss Jessie Melrose was the guest of Mrs. Jenner on Wednesday.

Miss Maggie Melrose, of Cedar Springs, spent the 24th with her parents here.

A number from here took in the picnic at Mitchell's Bay on the 24th.

Miss Martha Mackness, who has been visiting her parents here, has returned to Detroit.

Henry Brown and W. Groom have each purchased a new windmill.

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## A VIRGINIA ROMANCE

A Dead "Future President" Made His Sweetheart "Mistress of White House"

There is a White House in Virginia, not many miles from Washington, according to the National capital. There is nothing in its exterior to warrant the name, he says. It does not, in fact, get its name from its appearance.

"It never was white," continues the Virginian, "within my recollection, and I have known it for thirty-five years. I reckon the people who live in it never thought to ask why it is called the White House. They are not people who would look up the reason. This is the story, and I know it is true, but if it ever was printed I never heard of it."

The house became the property of a young woman after the death of her people. Her lover and affianced husband was a student at the University of Virginia. It was his ambition to be President, and as she believed he was deserving of the honor, and because she had high social aspirations, she encouraged him in his aspiration. They had some sort of vague idea that if they were sincere in their wishes and would pray for the honor they would succeed. They did not understand politics as we do. They used to come over to Washington and wander about the Presidential mansion and the grounds, and go up to the Capitol and sit in the galleries and watch the public receptions. I have been told that the young woman confided her secret to President Johnson and that, doubtless to please her fancy, he told her that her young man had Presidential chances. It was quite a natural thing that Mr. Johnson should have believed this.

"When she returned to her home in Virginia she entertained after the manner of the President at his public receptions. Her husband, of course, had the post of honor. It was quite a rare thing that the young man and woman were rehearsing for White House receptions or not, but the young man had that in mind. They prayed for a realization of their dream as earnestly, from all I have heard, as old Stonewall Jackson prayed for strength to whip the Yankees. There was an old black servant in the family who preached salvation to the dainties on Sunday and stripped tobacco during the week. His young 'misus,' had great faith in Ephraim's influence with the Almighty and she would call him in to exhort in behalf of her loved one's ambition. Ephraim became so imbued with the idea that his supplications would win that he got to calling the young man 'Mr. President' when he visited the plantation.

"I reckon you have heard of the tournament which used to have in the South? This young Presidential aspirant was a fearless and graceful horseman. He rode at a tourney one day for the last time. He was confident he would take the necessary number of rings to entitle him to choose and crown the queen, and of course there was only one woman in the world upon whom he would bestow the honor. She saw him in his saddle, lance in hand, start for the wire. Before they reached the goal he had stumbled. There was the usual shout of horror. The Knight of the White House, for that was his title in the tourney, was carried from the course dead. In the fall he had broken his neck.

"The moment the young woman realized what had occurred her reason fled, nor did it ever return, in spite of skillful care. Her hair whitened but her face remained young, so I am told. Her management never took on a violent form. Instead she became the Mistress of the White House. She held levees and receptions and gave elaborate dinners. Her servants were her guests. A chair was reserved for the President who never came. In this hallucination she died. That is why the place was known as the White House."

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