

The Planet

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THE PULP BUSINESS.

The Quebec government has done what it can to preserve for Canada the manufacture of pulp and paper from Canadian pulp, says the Hamilton Spectator. It has fixed the stumpage duties at \$1.95 a cord, allowing a rebate of \$1.50 a cord on all pulp wood manufactured in the province.

The trouble with this regulation—and the same fault is found in the Ontario regulation—is that it does not apply to pulp wood owned by private citizens, and these may be able to supply the American mills for a time. Again, neither the Ontario nor the Quebec regulation applies to the export of pulp, which may still go out of the country free.

What is wanted is a law that shall give Canadians the whole business of manufacturing for and supplying paper to the world. To bring about that very much to be desired state of affairs all that is necessary is that the Dominion government shall impose a prohibitive export duty on pulp wood and pulp.

Why does the government not do so? Is the government—as was alleged by Hon. Mr. Davies in respect of the decision to send soldiers to Africa—waiting to ascertain whether the "great heart" of Canada is "beating in sympathy" with Sir Wilfrid Laurier before it does its duty?

Is not the fact that the Ontario government and the Quebec government have both declared for making the pulp and paper at home, sufficiently indicative of the opinion of the people of Canada to justify immediate action?

After the relief of Ladysmith, what? By-elections are taking place today in three Dominion constituencies, one in Manitoba and two in Quebec.

The Dublin says they will go through the Irish-Boer brigade like the Devil through Athlone. Now, we don't know just how the Devil went through Athlone, but the fact that he did go through and found no inducements to stop, shows that Athlone is nothing like St. Thomas. But let that go. What we want somebody to do is to tell the history of the famous excursion referred to.

The Attorney-General of Massachusetts is in favor of supplanting the death penalty for murder in that state in the case of women and minors under the age of eighteen. Why should a woman murderer escape full responsibility for her crime?—London Advertiser.

Don't know. Can't see any reason why a man should monopolize the privilege of being hanged any more than he monopolizes the right to exercise the parliamentary franchise for the whole family.

The recent order received by the British agents at New Orleans to stop shipping mules to South Africa has been explained by a subsequent order from the British War Office providing for the inoculation of the animals as a precaution against glanders. This action is the result of the alarming development of the disease among American mules either while on their way to Cape Colony or just after they were landed. The inoculation, which will now be performed before shipping, is made with carbonized melina, a Pasteur preparation which does not prevent the mules from having the disease, but which develops it in a few days. All the mules in which the glanders appear will be rejected, while those which withstand the treatment, will be sent to South Africa. A large force of veterinarians is engaged in the work, but fully a week must pass before the inoculation of the animals now at New Orleans will be completed.

NO SO IN ENGLAND.

Chicago Times-Herald.

Under circumstances like these which confront England, France would be able to point with pride to at least one hundred and twenty-seven cabinet crises since the beginning of the trouble.

PROPER ATTENTION TO BUSINESS.

Philadelphia Record.

Any business that is worth engaging in is worth while increasing. No business can be increased without the help that advertising lends to the energy and enterprise which makes the business possible. Publicity reaches its highest development in the artistic advertisement. Those who freely patronize the advertising columns of a daily newspaper help themselves to commercial supremacy.

HUSBANDS SPOILED IN COOKING.

Philadelphia Telegraph.

A good many husbands are entirely spoiled by mismanagement in cooking, and so are not tender and good. Some women keep them too constantly in hot water; others freeze them, others roast them, others put them in a stew, and others keep them constantly in a pickle. It cannot be supposed that any husband will be good and tender managed in this way, but, as a class, husbands are really delicious when

properly treated. When selecting your husband you should not be guided by the silvery appearance, as in buying mackerel; nor by the golden tint, as if you wanted salmon. Be sure and select him yourself, as tastes differ. Do not go to the market for him, as those brought to the door are always best. It is far better to have none than not to know how to cook him properly. It does not make so much difference what you cook him in as how you cook him. See that the linen in which he is wrapped is white and nicely mended, with the required number of strings and buttons. Don't keep him in a kettle by force; he will stay there himself if proper care is taken. If he sputters or fizzes do not be anxious. Some husbands do this; add a little sugar in the form of what confectioners call kisses, but no vinegar or pepper on any account. A little spice improves them, but it must be used with judgment. Do not try him with anything sharp to see if he is becoming tender. Stir him gently the while, lest he stay too long in the kettle and become flat and tasteless. If thus treated you will find him very digestible, agreeing nicely with you, and he will keep as long as you want.

WHY PRINTERS SHOULD ADVANCE PRICES.

Practical Printer.

The great advance in the cost of all materials used in production of printed matter has made it necessary for the printer who would make a living to proportionately increase his charges. In many cases the cost of paper—usually the principal item—is now fifty per cent. greater than it was a year and a half ago. Other materials have also greatly advanced. At the present writing it would be difficult to mention anything used by the printer which can be purchased at the same price at which it was obtainable two years ago.

CENTURIES BEGIN WITH 1 AND END WITH 0.

London Leader.

I have resolved, and announced my resolution again and again, that I will not trouble my head to explain why the next century begins on Jan. 1, 1901. It seems to me that if a man does not see this at a glance he is an outsider whose ignorance cannot be enlightened. Of course the whole trouble begins in this way:—If the first year is the "Year 1," then the twentieth century begins when 1901 dawns. But there are poor creatures who say that the first year is the year zero, and so when Dec. 31 is reached at the end of the first year we are supposed to call it "Dec. 31, year nothing." That seems to be absurd to me. I am prepared to put it in this way:—If the first year is the year nothing, then the other fellows are right. But it strikes me that the first year which came along should be called No. 1.

And with apologies to those who would like to call it "year number nothing," I beg leave to ignore the subject from this time forth and forevermore. Or, at least, I may be allowed to add this:—If you like to call the first year "nothing" or "zero," why should you call any other year anything? One year is as good as another. And if the first year does not count, then why should any other year count? I know this subject has caused fearful trouble in families, and has split fire side circles into little segments. But I have given my decision, and I will not refer to the subject again as long as I live, my final decision being this:—If the first year is nothing, then all other and following years are nothing.

THE AFTER-MONEY BEGGAR.

St. Thomas Journal.

Now you've elected your councillors and chosen your trustees, and have done some holidaying with your friends, there's a fellow that is asking your attention, if you please, and the matter is not when the century ends.

He's an after-money printer, and he wants that dollar due on subscription for the paper that he sends. He's been waiting, waiting, waiting, and still he waits on you. Come forward now, you absent minded friends.

Shoe bill—grocery bill—bill for your last year's hat, forget them all, and think of him that talks to you to-day. This is the month you've got to come, you can't get away from that. Dig in your purse for your credit's sake and pay—pay—pay.

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LAUGHING GAS.

The Cry of the Hostess.

Oh, I am weary, heart and hand,
And weary and worn and strained;
So tired of entertaining and
Of being entertained!

So prostrate is my weighted soul
With dinners, luncheons, teas,
I'd build a house at the north pole
To get away from these.

And with what joy I'd wait about
In hourly growing gloom
If no one came to ask me out
Or ever called on me.

Oh, what delight to sit and gaze
Over the wastes of snow,
Quite sure no form would cross the space
Either of friend or foe!

Fearing for friend, man nor child,
For even the postman's ring,
The cards and invitations piled
That he is sure to bring.

Yes, could I pay my calls and see
My list quite clear again,
My score wiped out, my tablet free,
My mind at ease—ah, then

I'd ask of fate, with grateful tears
This dearest blessing shown—
For the remainder of my years
Just to be let alone.

—Life.

A Shameless Impostor.

"I am 98 years old," he insisted.
Of course we laughed him to scorn.
"How," we retorted, "if you are as old
as you say, does it happen that you cannot read fine print without the aid of spectacles?"

Whereupon the fellow, perceiving that his imposture was discovered, broke down and confessed that he was only 83.—Detroit Journal.

Just to Forget! Just to Forget!

"Remember," said the moralist, "that property is no disgrace."
"I've been remembering it all my life," answered the young man with a cynical tone. "I've been remembering it so hard that I am getting brain fog. I'd like to have a chance to get rich and forget it awhile just for the sake of the rest."
—Washington Star.

The Way to the Front.

He longed to reach the front,
To lead in the maddening race;
He struggled and strained,
But he never gained.

A glimpse of the coveted place.
He longed to reach the front,
The way was free and fair,
But he dodged in and out,
Ever treading about.

What the others were doing there.
He longed to reach the front,
To lead on the toilsome track,
But he failed, for instead
Of just going ahead
He tried to keep others back.
—Chicago Times-Herald.

Changing a Maxim.

Hopewell—I expect to make \$20,000 out of that deal within six months. Glumbird—I wouldn't count my eggs before they're hatched.
"That's a poor maxim. If you can get any fun out of counting them, it's so much gain. What you don't want to do is to discount them."
—Brooklyn Life.

Its Protective Features.

"Ruggles, if I had such a cough as that, I should do something for it."
"That cough, Whiggins, is indispensable. When a life insurance agent calls to turn it on, and he never stays longer than about three minutes."
—Chicago Tribune.

The Tale of a Manuscript.

He "dashed it off."
"Twas but a moment's idle inspiration,
And yet it might be sung to thrill a nation,
Patrons their hats unto the strain might doff."
He "dashed it off."

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The editor a moment paused
For the inspiration running through it;
Then to that basket at which poets scoff
He "dashed it off."
—Atlanta Constitution.

Proof Positive.

"I wonder if all men are fools," snapped Mrs. Snepke during a little domestic tiff the other morning.
"No, indeed," replied her husband, "I know a number of men who are bachelors."
—Chicago News.

The Sun Did It.

"I didn't know Bozer was so bow-legged."
He wasn't until a few days ago. He went to sleep in the sun and that wooden leg of his warped.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Lucky Man.

He loitered at the festive board,
A man of might and power;
A modest feast adorned the face
Of this hero of the hour.
Twas at a spread for charity,
And strange it is, but true,
He caught the only order that
Was swimming in the stew.
—Chicago News.

No Damage Done.

Indignant Young Man—Waiter, your coat sleeve dipped into this lady's soup.
Obliging Waiter—Don't mention it, sir! It was wash out. What kind of fish, please?—Ohio State Journal.

A Stolen Kiss.

"Jones' wife left him because he stole a kiss."
"She is. He stole it from the cook."
—Philadelphia Bulletin.

The Fault.

In lovers' quarrels one, with shame,
Most truly say, "I am to blame."
Then one will add, with face aglow,
"Yes, dearest, and I told you so."
—Chicago Record.

She Could See a Chance.

"What did George say to you when he proposed?"
"He didn't say anything; he just looked at me."
—Chicago Times-Herald.

Room For the Duke.

Let all the silence be preserved
That is just now demanded;
New York's hush ton is quite unswayed,
For Manchester has landed.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

His Literary Tastes.

"You don't seem ambitious to keep up with current fiction."
"No, I'm ambitious to keep away from it."
—Chicago Record.

Missiveness.

Here the misanthrope's sad holler
As the autumn fades away—
"Vow! which once were worth a dollar
Are't worth a cent today!"
—Washington Star.

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Pursuant to a judgment of the High Court of Justice, made in a matter of Liddy vs. Liddy et al., the creditors of Honorable Liddy, late of the Township of Hurwich, in the County of Kent, widow, who died on or about the sixteenth day of October, 1898, are on or before the seventeenth day of February, A. D. 1900 to send by post prepaid to Messrs. Scane, Houston, Stone and Scane, of the City of Chatham, solicitors for the plaintiff in the said proceedings, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, or in default thereof they will be summarily excluded from the benefit of the said judgment. Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before me at my Chambers, Harrison Hall, in the City of Chatham, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1900, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudication on the claims.

Dated at Chatham, this 22nd day of January, 1900.
(Signed) R. O'HARA,
Local Master at Chatham.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF the estate of Catherine O'Keefe, late of the City of Chatham in the County of Kent, widow deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of the 11th section of the Statute of Ontario, 1897, chapter 129, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Catherine O'Keefe, who died on or about the 28th day of November, A. D. 1899, are required on or before the 20th day of February, A. D. 1900, to send by post prepaid or deliver to Messrs. Scane, Houston, Stone and Scane, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, solicitors for Albert S. Jahnke, the administrator of the estate of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts and nature of the security (if any) held by them.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that after said mentioned date said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only for the claims of which he shall then have notice and that the said administrator will not be liable for the assets of any part claims he shall not have notice of at the time of said distribution.

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