

The Planet

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WE ARE CR-R-R-USHED AGAIN.
By the Banner's own war expert

Surely the county council was called together at full moon, by mistake. If the Conservative members have not called on the "Family" Journal to receive instructions how to vote and speak on questions coming before them, they will have themselves to blame if they receive another scurrilous attack, as it is very offensive to the Planet man to see a Conservative vote or talk without getting his cue from "The Family Journal" that looks so closely after "family appointments."

WHERE PROTECTION BY CROWN PATENTS SHOULD CEASE.

There are a number of laws which should be on the statute books which are not. For instance, where the crown grants patents to mining lands and the mines are not developed, the property should within a specific time revert to the crown.

Again, where patents are issued, yet the patented article is not put on the market, the protection ought to be withdrawn. Manufacturers frequently purchase useful inventions to prevent others securing them, yet do not introduce them because the change might prove expensive. They find it cheaper to buy and bury the invention than to either utilize it themselves or risk competing with others who might.

Illustrative of how a monopoly can, by securing a controlling interest, lock up important mines, rendering them worthless to both the Province and a majority of the shareholders, is a suit that has just been begun at Arkon, Ohio. Charles Howland, in behalf of himself and other stockholders of the Vermilion Mining Co., of Ontario, is suing the Canadian Copper Co. for \$1,530,000 damages. He alleges that one Burke and others, fearing that the Vermilion company would become a strong rival of the Canadian Copper Co., conspired to secure possession of the stock of the Vermilion company and did illegally secure possession, and by controlling the same have kept the Vermilion mines idle, while reaping rich profits from the mines of the copper company.

HOW CORRUPTION SHOULD BE PUT DOWN.

Here is the way the Montreal Star suggests that politicians should be brought to their senses:

When all Canada, the old heads of families and the newly enfranchised young men, make up their minds that there is only one kind of government to be tolerated, and that an honest one; only one kind of policy to be supported, and that a patriotic one; only one kind of statesmanship to be commended, and that a straightforward, honest, unflinching one, then the baronies of both parties will be swept away and destroyed. Then it will matter not which party is returned to power, for they will know the people hold the lash, and the love of self-preservation will prompt both to respect it.

This vision of millennial conditions is not one whit too lofty to be realized. If England can do it, why cannot Canada? If Australians can rise to meet a national emergency, why not Canadians?

There is only one remedy. Let the parties and the party leaders feel there will be no further temporizing with offenders, and Canadians will be immediately placed on a new plane, carried into a new era, and will constitute a new class amongst the peoples of the world.

Turn out first one party that misbehaves and then the other party, if it defaults, and this generation will yet see a new Canada under a new class of politicians. Only the people can work the revolution; and if they believe they are powerless, let them turn to the metropolitan city of Canada, where the city council, purified, purged, exalted, stands to-day as a beacon of hope to the nation.

In Montreal, the council had become a huge juggling machine. The public debt grew to crushing proportions for unneeded public works. Friends of aldermen, although the highest tenders for public supplies and public services, knew how to secure acceptance. Health laws were disregarded, street pavements fell into a scandalous condition, sidewalks rotted and were unrenewed, and became veritable mantraps. On the first day of February, 1900, a gigantic effort was made to break the fetters, to throw out of public life the men who defiled public opinion. The polls, when closed, found ninety per cent. of wrong doing men beaten, and not only beaten, but overwhelmed.

The lesson in civic politics in a proverbially corrupt city, shows what the better element can do when roused. When will Canada be roused?

On that day it will be free!

Turn down the parties in unerring succession, until both sides cry for mercy.

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Now for Making.

Riot or wrong, French got there.

Roberts Bobs up where the Boers least expect him.

The Boers may not now insist that Rhodes paying that \$10,000,000 ransom.

Could the capture of those drifts on that Dutch river be called a riotous proceeding?

Mr. Frost is to be the new Liberal whip at Ottawa. They must expect to get frozen out next election.

When Col. Baden-Powell is through with his present job the British army will be able to boast of at least one real scout.

No cross-examination will be allowed in Hon. G. W. Ross' West Elgin corruption inquiry. What a farce the whole thing is!

French is so fond of taking laagers that when he hears there is a whole brewery at Pretoria, nothing will restrain him from making a dash for there.

San Francisco has a law by which a peddler who rings a doorbell of a house where the sign "no peddlers" is displayed is liable to a fine of \$100 or six months' imprisonment, or both.

The Mail and Empire most fittingly nominated Sir William Meredith to be chancellor of Toronto University, in succession to Hon. Edward Blake, and remarks, "He would adorn the office—a sentiment which will be universally re-echoed—Ottawa Citizen."

Sir William Meredith will be better engaged studying up the law of the land, which he was expected to administer when he was made a judge.

Here are the equity of Kent and two school sections in Chatham township plunged into a costly lawsuit, because the law relating to school arbitrations is not clear. It is most extraordinary how the Hardy-Ross government has muddled up every act in the statutes of Ontario that they put their hands to. These are the bungles that lead to litigation, and we very much fear in some cases they have been intentional with ulterior objects in view.

The Ottawa Citizen, after complimenting a local soloist upon her effective rendition of a sacred song at a Sunday evening service, was horrified to find that the foreman of the composing room, to fill up three or four spare lines at the end of the eulogy, had unwittingly transferred the following verse from the joke column:

She sings soprano sweetly;
Her voice is like a lyre;
But when she eats onions
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Sir Richard Cartwright justifies his conduct in using the mails of this country to carry free copies of his speeches to Toronto by alleging that the Tories did the same. That is a childish argument, even for Sir Richard to use. Two wrongs don't make one right. The people turned the Tories out of power and gave Sir Richard and his colleagues a chance to right the wrongs the Conservatives were charged with perpetrating. Now Sir Richard is doing wrong himself and his only excuse is that he is no worse than his predecessors.

WILL FIRE UP THE MEMBERS.
Hamilton Herald.

It is expected that the accidental destruction of those West Elgin ballots will be a burning question in the legislature.

MAY HAVE TO CARRY FUNERAL WREATHS IN STEAD OF 30 QUETS.
Detroit Tribune.

Those Detroit pro-Boers should hurry up or "Bobs" will turn that meeting into a mutual condolence affair.

HE HAS HER PROMISE.
Boston Transcript.

Hicks—Was that your sister I saw you with the other day?
Wicks—Not at that time. It was only last evening that she promised to bear that relation to me.

WHAT DOES HE BELIEVE?
Hamilton Spectator.

We do not believe the West Elgin ballots were purposely destroyed. Hamilton Times.

We do not believe that you do not believe it.

WHY CANNOT CHATHAM GET A FACTORY LIKE THIS?
Leamington Post.

The Wagner-Pentton Tobacco Co. has had wonderful success since they began business in November. They had to compete against firms possessing almost unlimited capital, and were obliged in several cases to put their goods on the market before they were properly cured, yet their sales are steadily increasing. In November the output was only 3,291 lbs., in December, 6,662 lbs., and in January 17,719. If the capacity of the factory could be increased their sales would soon reach 30,000 pounds per month. They cannot keep pace with the orders daily sent in, and must enlarge the factory. The demand for the goods has compelled several of the wholesale houses to send in heavy orders, and if the product is kept at the present standard, there is no reason why the promoters should not be very prosperous.

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SECONDLY, The one undivided part or share in part of Lot Eighty-five, on the Southern side of King Street, in said City of Chatham, particularly described in a certain deed dated Sixth of October, 1885, 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 registered deed to Edwin C. Radley.

THIRDLY, Part of Lot number Fourteen, 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 Hundred and Nineteen, on the North side of King Street, in the said City of Chatham.

FIFTHLY, Lots numbers Ninety-nine and Fifty-seven, Northwood's Survey, in subdivision of park Lots One and Two, on the West side of the Gravel Road in the said City of Chatham.

SIXTHLY, The Southern part of Lot One Hundred and twenty-two, in the Government Survey of the said City of Chatham, described as follows, Commencing at a point on the South side of King Street, Fifty-six feet South Easterly along King Street from the angle of King Street, formed by said Lot at the North West angle of said Lot, then South Easterly parallel to the South Westerly boundary of Lot One Hundred and twenty-two and One hundred and twenty-two, thence South Easterly along said boundary Eighty-three feet, more or less, to the South Westerly boundary of said Lot number One hundred and twenty-two, then North Westerly along said boundary One hundred and fourteen feet six inches more or less, to King Street, On Parcel No. 1 there is a large three story brick block 45x55 feet, all in good order. There is also frame warehouse 36x55.

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