

The Planet

S. STEPHENSON, Proprietor.

A GOOD LIST OF CANDIDATES.

The class of candidates put in the field on Monday for the city council, which, of course, includes the majority, and for the water commission, indicates that the abolition of wards has had an excellent effect in raising the standard of our representation, even if we had many good men in the past whom it would be invidious to name.

The Maple City has every reason to so far congratulate itself on the change. While other cities talked, Chatham acted. It was the first Ontario city which took the initiative in this progressive province. Other cities are slowly coming into line, as they are also coming into line on the question of civic electric lighting plants.

In the matter as to whom we are to throw bouquets for its leading position, we may say that credit is probably due to the intelligence of the electors, the high ability of its civic representatives and—modestly permitting—the enlightened manner in which the local news papers have taken up all local questions of interest.

But whatever past councils have done we do not see, in looking over the names of nominees, how the city can be a loser in the race on Monday next. There is an excellent list to select from.

RAILWAY FREIGHT RATES.

In an address to the Fruit Growers' Association, Alex. McNeill, of Walkerville, spoke strongly concerning discriminating freight rates, and commenting on his speech the Windsor Record says:

The same discriminating rates against Canadians, we are told, prevail in all kinds of farm produce. It is high time for the government to provide a remedy for such objectionable and unfair treatment to Canadian shippers. The appointment of a railway commission has been urged upon the government for years, but so far without success. It may be that such a commission, no matter how extensive the powers given to it, may not be able to cope with shrewd and unscrupulous railway tariff-makers, but if we are convinced, as Mr. McNeill draws attention, that the rates of transportation to which the approaching session should not be allowed to go past without dealing with this question of railway discrimination by a commission or in some other way, a commission is our preference at present.

"It is difficult to discuss the matter without specific instances," declares the London Free Press, but it is clear as a general principle that railways, as common carriers, possessed of a public franchise, should not have the privilege of making discriminatory rates. Whether a commission would better matters would depend largely upon who composed the commission."

Now, what would be expected when ministers, M. P.'s and senators go around with more railway passes each than they can keep track of?

Why the school trustees should hang onto the obsolete ward system would somebody say?

Dr. Bray and W. D. Sheldon have been selected by the citizens union for the third time, thus making a water board record for service. The citizens know they have secured capable representatives and wish to keep them. In this case they have made no mistake.

Millionaire Cadaby has been threatened with death if he fails to withdraw the \$25,000 reward offered for the arrest of the St. Louis kidnapers. If Mr. Cadaby has a nervous man, this offer puts him in an awkward position. To withdraw it would admit his cowardice to the world; not to do so makes him take the chance of the threat. We think he could safely take them. With the face of the crime staring them in the face, abductors would probably be more anxious to put the greatest distance between themselves and the millionaire.

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A minister at a conference at Newburn, North Carolina, declared it to be sinful for any young couple to "do any courting on the Lord's Day." Without entering into the merits of the question, it might be pertinent to ask the reverend gentleman how he would propose to prevent it.—London Free Press.

If the reverend gentleman cannot make more sensible suggestions in his sermons than this we are afraid he will never prove the beginner of the movement. Would he object, for instance, to an engaged couple walking together to his church on Sunday?

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Barrister R. L. Gosnell, Blenheim, was in the city Monday.

The Y. M. C. C. will hold one of their popular potluck parties some evening early next week.

Fred Mitchell, Detroit, formerly of this city, is visiting his father, W. W. Mitchell, of the postoffice.

William Gessmiller, son of Sheriff Gessmiller, Chicago, and Fred Malcomson, Minneapolis, are in the city.

Miss Josie Bogart, of the Marion Syme Sanatorium, Chicago, Ill., is visiting her brother, J. H. Bogart, Cross street.

S. J. Sutherland, Jas. Innes and G. B. Douglas left for Detroit to-day to attend the annual meeting of the Northwest C. O. P. E. R. Company.

The London Free Press says "The Female Drummer" drew a large audience and that the program of the company was highly satisfactory. The company will appear in the Grand to-night.

The chatted mixtures registered in this country for the present year are over 100 less than last year, which shows that the country must be more prosperous.

Workmen of Blomfield Bros. & Co., left on Monday for Tecumseh, where they are setting up a new altar and fitting the school room with new seating.

We must have a number of reliable persons and families in this locality to work for us whole or spare time, at wages paid. No canvassing. Write for position to-day. People's Syndicate, Dept. A., 130 Yonge street, Toronto.

Charles E. Blaney's latest and most successful comedy, "A Female Drummer," will be the attraction at the Grand this evening. The production is on a magnificent scale, interpreted by forty artists, well known throughout the country, and is destined to eclipse all the many efforts of the author, as a money-maker. Three acts are necessary for the interpretation of the work, and their scenes are laid in the interior of a large department store, an interior view of the store in which a bargain day sale is on, and lastly the tropical gardens of a well known New York hotel, with the annual ball of the celestines in progress. The mirth is long and hearty through the efforts of the fun-makers, who are headed by Miss Nellie O'Neil as Carrie Cash, Helen Byron, Oscar Fighan, Willie P. Sweatman, George Richards, Harry Ladell, Albert Favre, and a number of others of equal prominence and ability. Twenty five pretty girls and a number of specialties are interspersed throughout the play.

Scotch Terseness and Thrift.
In a dull Scottish village on a dull morning one neighbor called upon another. He was met at the door by his friend's wife, and the conversation went thus:

"Canst?"
"Aye."
"Gae to be weety, I think."
"Aye."
"Is John in?"
"Oh, aye; he's in."
"Can I see him?"
"No."
"But I wanted to see him."
"Aye; but you canna see him. John's deid."

"Deid?"
"Aye."
"Sudden?"
"Aye."
"Very sudden?"
"Very sudden."
"Did he say anything about a pot of green paint before he deid?"—Anecdote by Ian MacLaren.

Cicero's Wit.
The retort exasperating is not a modern feature of a trial by jury. In the case against Verres, one of the great trials of antiquity, in which Cicero appeared for the prosecution and Hortensius for the defense, Cicero made a typical excursion against his opponent.

Hortensius was known, in violation of the law, which required the services of advocates to be gratuitous, to have received as a present from his client a valuable image of the sphinx, one of the spoils of his government in Sicily. While Cicero was examining a witness, Hortensius made a rally.

"You speak in riddles," said he. "I cannot understand you."
"That is odd," Cicero rejoined, "for you have a sphinx at home to solve them."—Youth's Companion.

IRWIN.
The annual Christmas tree and entertainment was a great success on Christmas eve. Dr. F. V. Bray acted as chairman. E. Wells, who has been connected with this section for four years as P. S. teacher and worker in S. S. was presented with a handsome secretary. Proceeds \$18.75.

Percy Chiniquy read an address to the school as follows:
Dear Teacher,—It is with deep sorrow and unfeigned regret that we, your pupils, have learned that you are about to leave us. We desire to take this opportunity to thank you for the many kindnesses we have received at your hand, to express our appreciation of your services, and to wish you God's blessing in your future life. Though God's blessing in your future life. Though times you have appeared firm and strict with us, yet we feel now, and will more fully realize in the future, that it was the firmness of love and was intended for our good. Your who care and thought have ever been for our welfare and advancement. Nor have they been in vain; you have brought honor upon honor to our school during your four years' work among us. We look always look back upon this part of our school life as upon a bright and happy spot, and shall often think of the many pleasant days we have spent together in the school room. We hope you will forgive and forget all the trouble and annoyance that our thoughtlessness may have given you, and that you will look back with pleasure upon these days with us, remembering only the bright and happy side.

We beg of you to accept this gift as an humble token of our love and gratitude. We bid you good bye and pray that the Great Teacher may give you rich blessings and grant you still greater success and deeper joy in your life.

Signed on behalf of the school:
PERCY CHINQUIY,
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