

The Planet

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THE SNOW.

"The witchery of the snow! How in a few hours it silently transforms village and street and tree! It falls on the roofs of the houses, it stretches arms of the wind, sighing as though the white burden, nestling against them had brought troubled memories of other northern lands where no smoky city air ever blows through their spreading shadowy branches.—Comber Herald.

That's all right. It may roost on the firns around Comber, but here it gets on to the sidewalks and runs you out of bed half an hour earlier than usual to practice physical culture with the snow shovel. Can the poetic soul of the editor of the Comber Herald, when it is not otherwise devoted to the more profitable construction of auction sale bills, see any witchery about that?

GO THOU AND DO LIKEWISE.

Dr. D. K. Pearsons, of Chicago, who, during the last ten years, has given to the colleges and charitable institutions gifts amounting to \$2,500,000, is about to deed away the remainder of his fortune, \$1,500,000 in all, for similar purposes. For the maintenance of himself and his wife during the remainder of their lives Dr. Pearsons will stipulate that only an annuity of two per cent. be paid by those who receive his gifts hereafter. On the \$1,500,000 which it is his intention to bestow, this will mean a yearly income for the doctor and his wife of \$30,000, which will cease when both he and his wife are dead.

Plans for the disposal of the remainder of his fortune have long been matured by Dr. Pearsons, but it will be some time, he thinks, before the last of his great property, all accumulated in Chicago or close by, will have passed to other hands. Who the beneficiaries will be and how much they will receive is still unsettled.

"I have schemed for years to be my own executor," Dr. Pearsons said, "and to see with my own eyes what ever good my gifts are doing. All I shall ask is an annuity. The property will pass from my hands." Dr. Pearsons will be 80 years old in a few weeks.

INCREASE IN LIBERAL REPRESENTATION IN THE SENATE.

When Sir Wilfrid Laurier came into power in 1896 there were only eight members in the senate who posed as declared Liberals. Now there are 29. In three years and a half death has wrought the change.

Since 1896, the balance between the parties has been fast becoming adjusted, and to-day there are 29 members of the Liberal party in the Senate to 52 Conservatives. This gives the Conservatives a majority of 23, but in the course of a year or two, at the rate of the change that has prevailed since 1896 the Liberals will have a majority. They now have a majority of the senate representatives from New Brunswick, but no other provinces. They divide Manitoba with their political opponents. Here is how the parties stand:

	Conservative	Liberal	Total
Nova Scotia	3	7	10
New Brunswick	7	3	10
Prince Edward Island	1	3	4
Quebec	8	16	24
Ontario	7	17	24
Manitoba	2	2	4
British Columbia	1	2	3
Northwest Territories	0	3	3
Total	29	52	81

When the present government came into power they had only one representative in Nova Scotia, three in New Brunswick, one in Quebec and three in Ontario.

General French is evidently one of the boys. The despatches tell us he took five hangers in one day.

A Beeton, Ont., man has been fined \$10 and costs, in \$20, for harboring and selling a stray cow without advertising it. Here is the usual moral, it pays to advertise.

We do not want to raise any race over this South Africa war, but at the same time cannot refrain from remarking that Monday's advance was a brilliant French undertaking.

The open-air treatment for the alleviation or cure of consumption is now recognized as one of the most potent factors, but it has remained, for Rev. Mr. Lawrence, of Stouffville, to demonstrate the advantages to be received by the consumptives, by camping out in zero weather. The reverend gentleman is afflicted with lung trouble and, after a course at the Gravenhurst Sanitarium, returned home to take up the duties of his parish. As an experiment he erected a tent on Main st. there, and with the assistance of above, has thus passed through the winter. He has improved in health during the occupancy of the tent, and attributes the improvement to the course adopted by him.

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We hope Gen. Roberts won't regard it as presumptuous meddling with his well-laid plans if we express a hope that he will not brilliantly execute one of Gen. Buller's turning-back movements just as the public expect to hear of the relief of Kimberley.

And then there are ungallant sons-of-guns who will find something humorously appropriate in the election of Mrs. Cag to the presidency of the National Woman Suffrage association.—Detroit News.

She will probably insist on all reports submitted being dealt with claws by claws.

It would appear from a reply given by the minister of militia to Mr. Casey in the house of commons, that in the fall of 1895 500 men were called out to repel the Fenian invasion. On the 9th of March 1,000 men were called out, and in a few days the strength was increased to 14,000. In June, 1896, 14,000 were called out, and in a day or two there were fully 20,000 men under arms in Ontario and Quebec. The first deputation to the minister of militia, in connection with the issue of Fenian raid medals was in the fall of 1896. The first steps taken by the minister to secure the medals was in May, 1897. The sum of \$25,000 had been appropriated for the medals, and more would be required. About 10,000 applications for medals have been received to date.

FIRST GOOD RESULTS.
Hamilton Herald.
The Bar war has to be thanked for one good thing—it has made loyalists of Messrs. Tarte and Charlton.

WILL BE ABLE THEN TO SUMMON ONE.
London Advertiser.

A Washington woman has applied to be appointed a constable. She may have despaired of catching a man in any other way.

NATURAL CURIOSITY.
Kingston News.

The Hamilton hotel keepers have contributed \$120 to the Patriotic Fund out of a total of \$15,000 raised in Hamilton. Less than forty out of seventy-five licensed hotelkeepers responded to the call. We should like to know what country those who refused changed their birth-place.

WHO TOOK THAT BEER?
London Daily Mail.

A certain gallant corps at Chieveley Camp provided the guard that Christmas day. In the morning two dozen bottles were missing. "Disgraceful!" said the authorities. "Double the guard!" And they doubled it. Next day four dozen were missing.

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PHUNNYGRAPHS.

There are two things in this life for which a man is never prepared—twins. Don't blame the farmer for looking all dragged out; his work is often harrowing.

"Of all wise words from a woman's pen, the wisest are these, leave the pants to men."

Inquiring Boy to His Mother—"Ma, what did the ciths eat before Adam and Eve wore clothes?"

"Ma, the minister is coming." "What makes you think so?" "Did you see him?" "No, but I saw pa take the parrot and lock it up in the stable."

"A New York divorce lawyer advertises: 'Hymeneal incompatibilities as specialties delicately adjusted.' The slavery to detain the hand after the heart hath fled."

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "couldn't have no trouble 'bout getting rich if dey held on as tight to de money dey earns a dey does to de money dey borrows."

"Is there any difference between 'sick' and 'ill'?" "Why, it's just like this: the man who gets sick sends for a doctor, while the man who becomes ill summons a physician."

"Joshua fixed our next congressman." "What did he do?" "He wrote to him for \$3 so he could renounce the garden seed that didn't grow."—Chicago Record.

Warden (to condemned man, eating his last breakfast)—Will you have some high and eggs? Condemned man—A couple of eggs, please, but no ham. It gives one indigestion.—Tit-Bits.

"We ought to have some new furniture, but—" "But what, Carolyn?" "I don't know whether to get an ice-chest that looks like a folding bed or a folding bed that looks like an ice-chest."

The Ellis family has a long, lank, leather-colored horse named "Shoe-string." "Why," asked a visitor, "do you call your horse Shoe-string?" "Because he always stays untied," replied the young Ellis.

Jones asked his wife: "Why is a husband like dough?" He expected she would give it an answer and then he was going to tell her it is "Because his wife needs him." But she said it is "Because he is hard to get off her hands." A slight coolness followed.

"Why, Freddy," exclaimed the mother of a precious five-year-old, "aren't you ashamed to call auntie stupid? Go to her at once and tell her you are very sorry." "Auntie said the little fellow a few minutes later, 'I'm awful sorry you are so stupid.'"

A rich Scotchman at the point of death said to his pastor: "Do you think that if I left \$10,000 to the Presbyterian Church my soul would be saved?" "I can't promise you anything," answered the good man; after a second thought he added, "But it is worth trying."

"Taint only English people drop their stitches," said a little boy to the new teacher. "I never heard no American pronounce the stitch in my name." "What is your name," asked the teacher. "Johnny," said the little boy.—Harper's Bazar.

Bobbie is one of those diverting little boys who add to the attractions of life by thinking of important questions for his father to answer. His latest problem has a certain literary interest. "Say, pa," he said, "didn't that feller Cyranus de Buggyrack have an awful big nose?" "Yes, my son."

"How big was it, pa?" "Oh, I don't know—why?" "Oh, nothing! I was only wondering how pa pairs of spectacles he could wear if he tried."

BRIC-A-BRAC.

The golden rule exactly fits into every honest business transaction.

In Germany, during the year ending July, 1898, out of 387,391 persons looking for employment, 23,595 found occupation by means of free employment agencies.

At the recent first congress of Russian dentists in London to appoint a visiting dentist for every school and high school in the empire.

The Bank of Spain now holds \$12,700,000 more gold than it held a year ago, and \$41,700,000 more silver. Its note circulation meantime has increased \$21,800,000.

A fund is being collected in England to raise a monument to John Newbury, the first man to collect and publish the immortal melodies of "Mother Goose." He was a friend of Goldsmith, and his grave in St. Thomas' churchyard, Waltham, is almost unmarked.

Gas and electric lights can be automatically extinguished at a predetermined time by a new English device having a disc revolved by clockwork with adjustable hands on the face of the disc, which are set to come in contact with the key at the desired time to cut off the gas or electricity.

Mr. Zola thinks that the English use of the capital I is one of the most curious features of the language. He calls attention to the fact that "a Frenchman, referring to himself, writes 'je' with a small 'j' a German, though he may gratify all his substantives with capital letters, employs a small 'i' in writing 'ich'; a Spaniard, when he uses the personal pronoun at all, bestows a small 'y' on his 'yo,' while he bestows the person he addresses with a capital 'V.' The English 'I' strikes Zola as being very arrogant.

A year ago Cornell University secured 30,000 acres of woodland in the Adirondack mountains for the exclusive use of her forestry department. The land has been divided into a number of sections and several seed beds have been planted over a million small trees of different varieties. The students of forestry will study the theory of the subject from October to April and from then until commencement they will study the practical side of forestry. Cornell University is the only college in the United States which has a forestry department. Prof. John Gifford was recently elected to the chair of forestry in the university.

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