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MORE ABOUT HYDRO.

It was inevitable that as the hydro enterprise developed there would be conversations with the New Brunswick Power Company. The company could not be indifferent to the fact that at last the city is in a position to dictate terms. Hydro accomplished this result. Conditions have changed completely since the time when citizens had to carry their protest to Fredericton and vainly demand a square deal now. They will get a square deal now. It is the turn of the company to betray anxiety. While it goes without saying that the city does not want competition it will not subsidize anybody to get rid of competition. Looking to the future, and knowing absolutely that there could be but one end to the struggle, there need be no hesitation in going briskly forward with its programme, leaving the power company to fight or quit as it may choose.

We have only to look to Ontario to learn what hydro does. The Toronto Mail and Empire has just issued a splendid magazine number to commemorate its fiftieth anniversary, and in its pages a good deal of attention is paid to hydro. Consider these figures:

"In the year 1910 the Hydro Electric Commission supplied 700 horse power to ten urban municipalities; in 1916 very nearly 10,000 horse power was supplied to over 120,000 customers in 112 urban municipalities and 18 townships; in 1921 more than 305,000 horse power was supplied to 285,000 customers in 224 urban municipalities and 44 townships; and in addition about 70,000 horse power was exported to the United States."

Not only is there the vast Niagara system but the Severn, Engadine, Wasdella, Muskoka, St. Lawrence, Ottawa, Rideau, Thunder Bay, Central Ontario and Nipissing. These are owned and operated by the municipalities through commissions. What has been the result? Has a burden been placed on the taxpayers of the municipalities? Read what the Mail and Empire says:

"The fundamental basis on which power is supplied in that it must be sold at cost, but not everyone is aware just what is meant by this term. Cost, so far as hydro power is concerned, includes all charges arising out of the generation, transmission and delivery of power to the municipalities. These charges include for each municipality its proper share of the interest and sinking fund for the cost of lands, stations and equipment required for supplying power, as well as a proportionate share of the administration, operation, maintenance renewal and other costs entering into the business of supplying electricity. The financial standing of the municipalities in respect to their own hydro systems is well indicated by the fact that their accumulated surpluses, after paying all items included in the term cost as just defined aggregate at the present time over \$700,000."

Since the cost of the development at Musquash compares very favorably with that of Ontario developments of a similar nature, similar results would be obtained here. All the people need is the courage to go ahead. The Mail and Empire says further that the total investment involved in Ontario, covering the activities in connection with about 900 municipal undertakings, approximates \$200,000,000, and that eventually this indebtedness will all have been paid for out of light and power rates, because "not one dollar is being collected by means of municipal or other direct taxation."

There is the answer to those in St. John who in the interests of the New Brunswick Power Company cry out about the taxes. In less than fifteen years light and power have been supplied to fifty per cent. of the people of Ontario, and the work goes steadily on. St. John and the province at large can afford not to learn the lesson taught by Ontario. The hydro policy of the Foster government must be carried out, to the great and lasting benefit of the people.

Operating expenses on the Canadian National Railways, exclusive of the Grand Trunk, have been reduced nearly \$18,000,000, or twenty per cent. in five months, and Mr. Hanna is able to say that for the month of May the earnings almost equalled the expenditure. This or course leaves nothing to take care of capital expenditures in the past, but it is a long step in the right direction. The country is making a huge experiment in public ownership, and each favorable showing will be a source of general satisfaction among the people who are the owners of the property. What they desire is that public ownership shall justify itself in this great venture.

The Ottawa Journal extends this doubtful word of welcome to a prize fighter who did not fight—"Jack Dempsey is to make an eight day tour of Canadian cities, and it is presumed that he will visit Ottawa. All those who gave up occupations to play a humble though necessary part in the little scrap in Europe should be glad to hear what the champion fighter of the world has to say about the devastated part of France. Mr. Dempsey for the first time visited the war zone including the cemeteries three years after the close of hostilities."

TORONTO VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS

Reference was made in the Times-Star a few days ago to the rapid growth of vocational high schools in Ontario. A new school of this class is to be built in the Riverdale section of Toronto, to meet the needs of that portion of the city. They have had an evening vocational school with accommodation for about 700 students, but this was very inadequate. It is estimated that the new building will cost about \$800,000, and when completed will hold 3,500 pupils, 1,000 day pupils and 2,500 evening pupils. The corner-stone was laid last week, and Mayor Maguire took occasion to say there were too many classical high schools and not enough vocational. Chairman P. M. Douglas of the Board of Education agreed with this view. Mr. Joseph Harris, M. P., said that he thought technical schools were an improvement on high schools. He himself had graduated from a technical school some sixteen years ago. He also pointed out that there were vast resources in Canada as yet untouched, and he thought that the men to do the research work would receive the requisite knowledge through technical school education. What is being said in Toronto is being said throughout Ontario, where the vocational high school has passed the experimental stage. It would be a great misfortune if St. John failed now to grasp the opportunity to get a vocational high school, of which the federal and provincial governments would together pay half the cost.

The province of Ontario wants to develop water power at Lake of the Woods. Federal legislation appears to stand in the way. There were two courses open to the Ontario government and a press despatch quotes Premier Drury as saying the senate must not be permitted to have its way. The despatch says: "Premier Drury asserted at Smith's Falls that the Ontario government would take action to protect the people's rights in the Lake of the Woods development. What that action would be, he said he did not yet know, but intimated that it would be through the courts. One method was to take legal action, which was costly and undesirable, and the other to negotiate with the new government of Right Hon. Mackenzie King. The Ontario government had chosen the latter course; the King government had done its share in putting a repeal measure through the commonsense to be blocked by the Conservative majority in the senate."

Some readers got the impression from reading a recent report from London that Canada is getting more liquor from the United Kingdom than was imported prior to prohibition. The Toronto Globe removes this impression as follows:—"The assertion that Canada is consuming more imported whiskey under prohibition and government sale than in the days of the open bar is disproved by a return brought down in the British parliament. In 1918 Canada imported British whiskey valued at \$799,000. In 1920 the imports had increased in value to \$2,518,000, but as the average value of a gallon of whiskey was five shillings and sixpence in 1918 and twenty-nine shillings and sixpence in 1920, the actual import into Canada was reduced 40 per cent. in volume."

Boys and girls' summer camps are growing in favor. When properly conducted they are of great benefit, not only from the physical standpoint but from that of training and character building. The young people live in the open under proper discipline, and are not left to shift and plan for themselves. They learn much that will be useful, and many of them get a new outlook on life. Many an impression of camping days is put away in memory's storehouse, to be recalled with pleasure in after years. The one great requirement in these camps is leadership and the training of leaders is a necessary preparation for an extension of the scheme of summer camps for boys or girls.

A remarkable evidence of changing views in regard to church union is found in the following despatch from Regina:—"That the union of all Christian bodies into one church is an event within the possibilities of the next century, and that union of many bodies will be effected within the next few years, were opinions freely expressed by speakers at yesterday's session of the Union Church Council of Canada, meeting for its annual convention here. Hon. J. G. Gardiner, provincial treasurer, who was one of the speakers at the convention, declared: 'I believe that the union church movement is the greatest movement in the interests of our Canadian citizenship today.'"

GETS MONSTER STURGEON.
Soo, Ont., July 5.—A sturgeon weighing 310 pounds, eight feet in length and a hundred years old as years can be determined, was caught at Batchewana Bay on June 29, in the net of a local fisherman, Frank Lapointe. It was sent to New York. Lapointe figured that the fish should average him ninety cents a pound, making a total of \$279.

TURTLE MAKES HAVOC AMONG FARMER'S DUCKS
Brookville, Ont., July 5.—A murderer mud turtle, which got into the poultry yard of W. McDonald of Bishop's Mills on Monday night, killed seventeen young ducks.

FIFTEEN MINUTES OF RADIO EACH DAY

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Lesson No. 44.

THE RADIATION OF ELECTRIC WAVES.

The radiation of electric waves into the ether by a transmitting station may be likened to the waves set up in a pool of water by the impact of a stone. The large water waves sent out by a heavy stone may be compared to the radiation of waves by the high power transatlantic stations while the ripples resulting from a small stone represent the emission of electric waves by the low power transmission of an amateur station.

The water waves spread out in all directions from the point of disturbance, passing around any obstacles they may encounter and continue in their course. The distance between the crests of the waves caused by the large stone is of constant value but differs in length from the crest to crest distance of the waves developed by the smaller stone.

In radio this distance from crest to crest is known as the wavelength and is always of constant value for a particular set of waves regardless of the distance of transmission.

Just as the waves spread out in the pool, so do the electric waves radiate in all direction from the aerial of the transmitting station, being intercepted by the antennae of the receiving stations but continuing with practically undiminished energy.

The powerful transmitting stations used in transoceanic communication have aerials so designed and geographically located as to have directional properties. By this means the strongest waves are sent in the direction of the receiving station with which communication is carried on.

It must be remembered that electric waves, like waves of light, are subject to absorption, re-reflection, refraction, reflection, and deflection.

As explained in a previous article, waves may be divided into two classes, continuous or undamped waves, and discontinuous or damped waves. Continuous waves consist of high frequency oscillations spaced so closely together as to form a practically continuous wave of constant amplitude. Such waves may be generated by a radio frequency alternator, a vacuum tube, or an arc transmitter.

Damped waves consist also of high frequency alternations but are generated in groups, each group being composed of a series of oscillations of decreasing amplitude. Such waves are generated by the periodical charge and discharge of a battery of condensers in the circuit of a spark transmitter. The development of the radio telephone had been made possible by the discovery and development of continuous waves, as the tones of the voice or the musical notes which are of lower frequency may be superimposed upon the high frequency oscillations of the continuous wave and transmitted in all directions.

ANNUS MIRABILIS.

The poet is peer of the peer,
He loves every month of the year;
Is happy in winter and spring
And his heart all the year doth joyously sing,
For the poet sees beauty in everything.

In the wondrous dome of the sky,
In the mighty roll of the sea;
The sephyras that whisper and sigh,
The stars, and the moon's mystery,
And his heart all the year doth joyously sing,
For the poet sees love in everything.

To him how majestic, how grand,
Is nature in all of her moods;
In the air, on the sea, on the land,
Mid the hills or the pathless woods,
And his heart all the year doth joyously sing,
For the poet sees God in everything.

HOPE A. THOMSON.

LIGHTER VEIN.

She Said It.
The old housekeeper met the master at the door.
"If you please, sir, the cat has had chickens."

"Nonsense," he laughed. "You mean kittens, Mary. Cat don't have chickens."

"Well," inquired Mary, "was them kittens or was them chickens that you brought home last night?"

"Why, they were chickens, of course,"

"Just so, sir. Well, the cat's had 'em."

Dear Little Souls.

"I don't understand why mothers can't see the faults in their own children," said Mrs. Green. "Do you think you could?" asked Mrs. Green.

"Certainly I would, if my children had any."

Familiar Sound.

The state was such that the radio transmitted nothing but a battle of voices such as a battle of words. "What's that?" asked Henrietta, who sat near the horn.

"I don't know," replied Robert, "but I think some women's club is just letting out."

NEGRO PASTOR'S VISION FAILS AS LOOT FINDER

Rev. F. S. Boyd Tells Dream, Police Follow Tip, but \$3,700 Bankroll Stays Stolen.

New York, July 5.—The Rev. F. Samuel Boyd, pastor of the Centennial Methodist Episcopal Zion church of Mount Vernon, induced the police to investigate a dream in which he said spirits had told him in a vision that the banknotes who stole \$3,700 from messengers of the Bronx National Bank on Tuesday, had hidden the money in the tires of a light automobile.

The psychic experience of the colored pastor was so vivid—he has been told his dream for the reward of \$500 for the discovery of the bankroll.

The Rev. Mr. Boyd first went to the officials of the Bronx National Bank. He told them he would find the money in a tire of the automobile in which the bankroll had been hidden. The bank officials, however, were not convinced of the validity of the dream with such force that the hard-headed financiers sent him to Captain John E. McGrath, in charge of the detectives at the Fifth Detective Bureau.

Whether impressed by the story or anticipating that he would get no attention to the figure and it later proved to be correct, Captain McGrath assigned Detectives Clark and Gorman to go to the Morrisania station and investigate the tires of the automobile.

They took off the four tires and searched their interiors with great care. They took off the spare tire on the rear of the car and searched it with great care, and still no money was found. Then they thanked the colored pastor for the call and he moved off, shaking his head in silent meditation.

Matter of Ownership.

Can two men own the same newspaper? Can each pick it up and hand it to the other? That is what a couple of men seemed to be trying to do the other morning on an East St. John street car but, unfortunately the one who made the strongest claim for ownership found later that his own paper was in his pocket. He stooped to pick up this paper which was lying near him on the car floor and, in rising found another had also grasped the paper. He waited until the other let go, thinking that he had merely stooped to get it for him as an act of courtesy. There followed an embarrassing pause in which each waited for the relinquishing of the news sheet and each tried by gentle pulls to signify that he was ready to take possession

Man in the Street

Meet an Old Friend.

The Times today brings back an old familiar figure—The Man in the Street—who went on a vacation nearly two years ago and forgot to come back. The combined forces of radio and spiritism were put to work with the result that today he emerged from his seclusion, jabbed the end of his pencil between his lips and promised faithfully to be with us every Wednesday and Saturday. We trust his return will be welcomed.

"I passed your place last week," "Thank you."

"What for?"

"For passing."

Last Wednesday night, addressing the Winnipeg Rotary Club, Sir William Schooling of London, branded the Canadians as "Narrow-minded." Almost at the same hour, the Duke of Devonshire, a former Canadian governor-general, speaking to the British Empire League in London, lauded the fineness of spirit of the Canadian soldiers and said that the people of this country, in their whole-hearted demonstration in honor of the Prince of Wales, showed true faith in the British crown. "I would be a good deal to bring these two gentlemen together."

Seaplane which could not carry cargo from here to four near Portland with 200 quarts of spirits aboard. Page Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

Commissioner Thornton is considerably worried about his coal supply. The commissioner need not think he is the only pebble on the beach.

Divorce court now in session—probably the sequel to correspondence with co-respondents.

Headline—"Bound Over to Keep the Peace"—The only way to make some people keep the peace is to bind them tight that they can't do anything but speak—and then gag them.

Joseph D. R. Freed of New York has been paid a fine of \$100 for driving a radio. Kind of rough on Joseph.

Regina police believe that brass buttons in a man's coat pocket lighting which caused his death. Here's a hint for radio enthusiasts.

The Amherst branch of the Canada Car and Foundry Co., Ltd., will make 2,500 car wheels for the C. N. R. Business begins to roll in.

A home brew contest will be one of the features of a sports day in Saskatoon. A spirited event is anticipated.

"Marconi dances to his own music!" title of a picture in a local paper. One old-timer suggests that he plays a mouth organ too.

From the sublime to the ridiculous—going from the pavement of Prince Edward street to the stretch between Haymarket square and Cooper's Corner.

When birthday honors and decorations are being handed out we suggest a pair of wings for the traffic cop at the head of King street. The reasons are obvious.

The fourth of July celebrations in the republic to the south have something in common with a big battle—they are always followed by a casualty list.

Headline in advertisement—"The Destructive Force of Silence"—we remember with pain one occasion in which destruction followed a failure to remain silent.

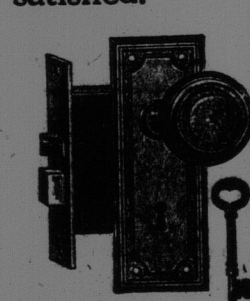
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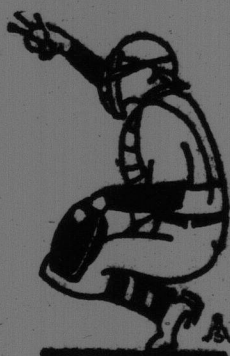
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RADIO NEWS

Our "outfit" was certainly "tuned" to catch everything that was going during the week-end, if the volume of "vibrations" we received was any indication. Thousands of people "listened in" on our week-end programme and were well satisfied with the "shocks" they received.

Below are a few "flashes" that should be of interest:

Girls' white and brown canvas pumps, with rubber soles and heels at\$1.00	Listen, men! Only about a dozen pairs of those "Regals" left at\$4.95 Better "get in" on these.	Growing girls' patent ankle strap pumps, low heels, 2 1/2 to 7, at\$2.35
Boys' black and brown sneaker oxfords, sizes 1 to 8, at.....95c	Men's mahogany calf brogue oxfords, Goodyear welts. A corker for the price\$4.95	Those women's black and white sport oxfords, with rubber heels, are going fast at\$2.45
Youths', blue only; sizes 11, 12, 1385c		

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of his property. The first man was begging to get impatient and had almost got possession of the article in dispute when the other said, "That is not your paper, yours is in your pocket." A paper, yours in your pocket. The first man let go the paper, flushing a little with embarrassment and apology for his mistake. The second man, while apparently accepting the apology, nevertheless must have been suspicious of the other's motives for, almost immediately afterwards, he rose and took another seat removed further from his opponent of the struggle.

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