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AUTOMOBILE LAW.

City Clerk W. G. Mayrith has received from the Provincial Secretary's Department a copy of the Ontario's Legislation Respecting Motor Vehicles, which was passed at the last session of the (Provincial) House, to come into effect on the First day of July, 1906.

The act is a very strict one, and contains a few clauses which it might be well for motorists in this and other cities to become thoroughly acquainted with. According to the strict reading of the act as laid down, there are very few motorists in Canada who are adhering strictly to the law in this respect. The future alone will tell if the act is workable or not.

Among the new clauses which have been added, are those stipulating that the motorist must keep his number exposed at all times. When it is dark he must have a light so placed that the number may be plainly seen. He must not carry a search-light. The speed in public highways in cities, towns and villages, shall not exceed 10 miles an hour, while the speed on highways outside of these must not exceed 15 miles an hour. A driver who drives his machine recklessly or carelessly comes under this act as punishable. Any motorist who, while passing any vehicle, sees that he is causing danger to the occupants of such vehicle, must remain at a standstill until such vehicle has passed. The raising of the hand of any occupant of any vehicle is an imperative command to the motorist to stop.

The new clause, which at present is the one which is possibly most lost sight of, is relative to a motor vehicle crossing a bridge. It is clearly stipulated that the motorist cannot drive faster than a walk over any bridge. Many motorists may not be aware that this clause is contained in the act. Ignorance, however, would not be considered a very strong plea in the courts if an action were entered.

This is the law as it stands, and under it there is no doubt that a person who wished to be disagreeable might put a damper on the pleasure of the majority of people who own automobiles. It is something for the enthusiastic auto-drivers to think over.

THE BOWLERS' BLARNEY.

The fact that a majority of the visiting British bowlers are Scotch does not alter the fact that they are as smooth of tongue and as full of blarney as Irishmen are popularly supposed to be, says Editor P. H. Bowyer, M. P. P., in his paper, the Ridgeway Dominion. Every place they visit is the "prettiest place," and every "time" they have is the "most enjoyable." We have been amused at comparing the various tributes paid at the different places—they are all so much alike. At Clinton, according to the press:

At no point in this country have we enjoyed ourselves more, said one of the most prominent members of the party. You made us feel at home and your kind hospitality we will not forget.

At Ridgeway we were assured that the visitors felt more at home than at any place they had visited in Canada. The Ridgeway men were the real stuff, and the ladies—well, words failed, etc., Ridgeway would long remain stamped upon their hearts, and more to the same effect.

Whereat Ridgeway people felt pleased, and went home from the green well satisfied with themselves and took a long look in the mirror.

The bowlers went straight from here to Chatham and next day we read in the papers:

"We had easily the most truly enjoyable time in Chatham that we have had on our tour," was the way the captain of the visiting British bowlers put it yesterday.

From Chatham the bowlers went to Walkerville, where they had "the time of the tour."

Now all this is very human. The visitors know and feel the warmth of the welcome with which they are received at every point. It is not

unusual that they should make acknowledgment in kind words. The hosts, in truth, expect it, and the guests derive sincere pleasure in saying nice things of their entertainers.

The lesson is that while words of praise are pleasant to hear they must not be valued too highly. We must not become vain and don't superior airs.

A BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual report of the Berlin Board of Trade, as reported in the Toronto News, affords some clue to the steady and general prosperity which marks the town and the district. The year 1905 showed an increase in population which brings the total to nearly 12,000; the assessment is nearly \$5,000,000. Three hundred new residences were built during the year (and no vacant houses to-day) a number of new industries have located in Berlin during the year; others have made important extensions, even to doubling their capacity. The address of the President of the Board of Trade contains a reference to the reasons for the steady progress of the town. He gave as the chief reason that the people of Berlin are a unit in anything which pertains to advancement. They have abounding faith in its future, and never lose an opportunity of saying a good word for the town to which they belong. Also, it may be added, the council does not waste whole meetings in oratorical floods of debate. It is more like a consultation between the partners of a firm. That is something which communities larger than Berlin might study with advantage, and Chatham is one of the chief of these. There was a time when Chatham also had a Board of Trade, but that time seems to be passed. It is plainly seen what a live Board of Trade is doing for Berlin. Chatham in this respect lies dormant. A shaking up is in order in the Maple City.

THE CAUSE OF CRIME.

Cocaine is the cause of the sudden and enormous increase of degeneracy and crime in one of the most notorious sections of Chicago, according to a clergyman who is familiar with conditions there. He says there are at least three drug stores in the neighborhood where this most horrible of all drugs is freely sold to all comers, in spite of the stringent law against it. Cigarettes, whisky, morphine—all these are destructive to body, mind and morals, but they are all harmless compared with cocaine. This terrible poison wrecks the strongest physique within two or three years, whereas the whiskey drinker and cigarette smoker may drag out a miserable existence for many years, and the morphine slave may live long. Cocaine eats away the brain in even a shorter time, and while morphine makes men sleepy and feeble, cocaine fills their minds with murderous impulses almost from the beginning. After the cocaine habit has once been firmly fastened upon its victim, as it invariably is within a few weeks, he is doomed to continual insanity with homicidal mania, growing constantly more violent. He is absolutely irresponsible, and the most dangerous individual in the community.—St. Thomas Times.

Seven seats are vacant in the House of Commons, and bye-elections must be held in Ontario, North Renfrew, North Bruce and East Elgin are without representation. Quebec county is vacant through the retirement of Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick. St. Mary's division of Montreal must select a successor to Mr. Piche, who has gone on the bench, and an election must be held either in Nicolet or Gaspe, both of which returned Hon. Mr. Lemieux. The Nova Scotia bye-election is due to the unseating of Hon. W. S. Fielding.

The editor of a Windsor paper, who resided for some time in Chatham, writes:—"An evangelist speaking at Chatham on the subject, 'Hell and Back,' told his hearers that hell is only a hole in the ground with temperature at normal and no suspension of brimstone. To that wayward hamlet the message was one of great and ineffable comfort."

In spite of the comforting assurance, there is as yet no great influx of Chathamites at Windsor. The Chatham people are not worrying, and are by no means anxious to test the truthfulness of the preacher's assertions.

HARMLESS.

What does your friend do? He's a road agent. What? Oh, a harmless one. He now represents a maddened concern.

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JUST A LITTLE BIT OFF THE TOP

The straw hat crop has turned a beautiful ripe yellow. It will soon be time the harvest were garnered in.

Shoes have been raised in price, and coal took a mean advantage by sneaking up a notch or two while we were not looking.

One physician says that cigarettes are good for the complexion. This is quite right. Provided a man smoked enough of them, there would probably come a day when his friends would drop in, and in the customary tones of condolence, tell his relatives how natural he looked.

The old market bell showed praiseworthy obedience by coming down out of the tower without being tied.

They are going to reform spelling, but of course the only kind of spelling that can have gone wrong are the bad spells.

A Windsor editor says that Chatham is hell. We would like to ask the Windsor editor what portion of this city he figures on locating in when he arrives.

A Jack the Huggler has been operating on Grand Ave., London, and now they say they have to put a special policeman on after nightfall to avert a stampede of Forest City young women to that direction.

THE BRIDGE HABIT.

From the Detroit Journal. A family passionately devoted to bridge whist was plunged into mourning by the loss of the father. A discussion arose as to whether the deceased would have chosen to be buried or cremated. The decision was left to the eldest son, who, looking at his mother, said, "I will leave it to you." To which the lady replied, "I make it spades."

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FROM PLANET FILES OF HALF A CENTURY AGO

From The Planet files, from June 29, 1865, to July 6, 1865.

An oil boom was on in the vicinity of Bothwell. No oil had yet been struck, but four wells were being sunk and the drillers were very hopeful of making rich strikes.

A Sabbath school festival in connection with the Middle Road Chapel, Raleigh, was held on the 22nd. The program consisted of speeches and songs.

A colored man, named Joshua Stanley, was scalded to death at Wallaceburg on the steam ship Union Express. The fatal accident was the result of an explosion, in which the article states several others were more or less injured.

A big fire occurred in Quebec City, Que., in which 150 houses were destroyed.

A disastrous fire occurred at Bramford in which the total loss was estimated at \$200,000.

Notice appeared for a by-law to raise \$4,000 for the construction of a bridge across the Sydenham River.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

THE LONE MAN.

Say, what a snap he seems to have—The only man about the place Where women go in summer time To rest the brain and tan the face! No oriental potentate Has things more neatly in his mitt As round among the girls he struts And bills himself as Mr. It.

They hold a sunshade over him And bring a match to light his pipe. And if he'll only go along They'll show him where the fruit is ripe.

They sing for him their sweetest songs And charm him with their brightest wit. And they will even elude it If he will only stand for it.

But that is just the brighter side. If some one has a trunk to strap Or a valise to lug around Of course he is the handy chap. It is a boat that's built for three A dozen ladies wish to go. They like to have him come along That they may sit and watch him row.

It isn't such a lovely snap As you might for a moment guess. Were it as good as it appears, The man would die of happiness.

There are some drawbacks, you observe, That for the other things alone, And one is this: He never has A chance to stroll with one alone.

Needed Tinkering.



"Thirteen prisoners got away during the night," reported the officer to the commander of the Russian fortress. "Where was the watch?" "He claims he was on duty." "Send for him. Something is the matter with that watch's escapement," growled the commander.

Laying For Him.

Did you ever pause in the midst of a busy day to contemplate the egotism of the man who thinks it will rain because he forgot and left his umbrella at home?

He thinks that the powers which have the contract to make the rain, hail and other things in the wet goods line are hiding behind a tree as he passes by to see if he had put on his new spring suit and forgot his shower stick.

He doesn't know that the rain falls alike on the just and the unjust. He thinks that the condition of the crops, or whether some city along a river is needing a fresher to keep it from getting too fresh, is a secondary matter as compared to whether he is protected or not.

The man who feels that way about it is too hopelessly dense to provide himself with an umbrella in the natural way should a shower come, and deserves to get a dinking.

One Drawback.

"He has given up the chicken business that he went into with such enthusiasm."

"Yes; he made a great discovery that the poultry journals had not mentioned."

"What was that?" "That chickens eat as well as lay eggs."

Had Help.

"Has he changed his mind about running for congress?" "Well, not exactly. The voters changed it for him."

Down Grade.

We strive and plan to get ahead; To win the prize our coats we shed. But we are lucky if we stand A slender chance to get a hand, And more than likely from some "plute."

Instead of both we get the best.

er, on the allowance of road between the fourth and fifth concessions, Gore of Calmden.

The members, attendants and others of the Primitive Methodist denomination held a "soiree" at the Ronald schoolhouse, Raleigh Plains, for the purpose of raising funds for Rev. Messrs. Hassard and Adams, who had withdrawn from the Chatham circuit. William McGuin acted as chairman, and speeches were delivered by A. McDougal, Mr. Parks, a teacher, and Rev. Messrs. Adams and Hassard, and others.

Lambert & Co.'s dry goods store was broken into in the night by burglars, and between five and six thousand dollars worth of goods was carried off.

Crops were reported to be looking splendid, and the harvest was expected to excel that of any previous year.

The Kent County Council was in session. Those reported present were: Warden Geo. Young, and Councillors Anderson, Cotsworth, Coll, Dolsen, Evans, Poott, Gonell, Johnson, Kerr, Kinney, McMichael, McKerricher, Ridley, Roberts, Smith, of Chatham, and White.

Big Fire at Arthur.

Arthur, Aug. 31.—Fire broke out in the Arlington Hotel barn about 1 o'clock Wednesday morning, completely destroying the barn and sheds, J. Fair's carriage works and residence, M. Campbell's blacksmith shop, Dr. Fisher's and W. Buschalen's barns. Very little of the contents of any of the buildings were saved. The proprietor of the Arlington lost his valuable mare and outfit. The loss is estimated at \$1,000, partly covered by insurance.

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Strike Movement Extends.

Madrid, Spain, Aug. 31.—The strikers' censorship is maintained in regard to strike news, but it is known that the movement is extending at Santander and Bilbao.

Sir Wilfrid Will Open It.

Ottawa, Aug. 31.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier was waited on by a deputation yesterday morning and consented to open the Central Canada Fair, Sept. 3.

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Personated Mr. Stratton.

Toronto, Aug. 31.—J. R. Dundas, a year ago, posed at the Palmer House as Hon. J. R. Stratton, whose coachman he had been, and rolled up a bill he didn't pay. Yesterday he was given suspended sentence. He is on the Brantford fire department, and they want him back.

Election of the "Black Pope."

Rome, Aug. 31.—The delegates to the congregation of the Company of Jesus are arriving here to go into convention to elect a general of the society. The election will be held about Sept. 1. The important post has been vacant since May, when the last general, Father Martin, died.

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