

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE ROADS THAT YOU PAY FOR?

Read This Letter and See Where Some Money Goes

PUBLICITY NEEDED Publish the Full Information About Road Money, as About School Money, and Each Community Will Be Its Own Critics and Auditors.

To the Editor of the Telegraph. Sir—We in the country have been talking about bad roads and thinking about improving them for a good many years...

Without considering for the moment, Mr. Editor, any of the improvements suggested, some of which were excellent, it occurred to me, as no doubt it has to many others...

And the reason for this is that the people have every right to say about the administration of road monies. The highway boards are in the main made up of politicians...

So far, so good. Then the superintendent arrives and he gets busy with the books and the collection. There are people who will not work upon the roads for twelve and a half cents an hour...

Now, after the superintendent comes the road masters. They oversee the statute labor crew. They too, have friends. Everybody who has a horse and a team wants to haul dirt or gravel.

Now let us see what a parish that has \$1,000 in road taxes pays out for "administration"...

Assessors fee, 4 or 5 per cent, say \$40.00 Highway board, each \$10 (Secretary paid by government) 20.00 Superintendent, 10 per cent, 100.00 Superintendent's percentage on expenditure, say 50.00 Six road masters (estimate) 25.00

I am sure these figures are below the usual charges, and it will be noted I have made no allowance for the waste to farmers, or the overcharges. There are more than more than \$1,000. I think the average is about \$600, and the percentage upon the smaller ones all the greater.

their favorites. I can see every official trying to make each and every transaction and expenditure meet with the approval of the people.

And would that not be a most desirable state of affairs? The people today have no means of knowing how the road money is expended. The highway board knows, but the superintendent knows, and the public knows nothing about it.

With thanks for your space, E. HARRISON, Kings County, Jan. 30, 1913.

Two Amherst Thieves Sent to Dorchester. Got Two Years for Stealing Watch from Man Who Fed Them—Jack Tar's Window Smashing Antics Land Him in Jail.

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To Establish a Chair of Spanish. Governors of King's College Also Decide to Enlarge Accommodations for Students.

At a meeting of the governors of King's College, Windsor (N. S.), yesterday, it was decided to take steps to have the accommodations for students enlarged as at present the buildings are taxed to their capacity.

TEST BORINGS FOR THE NEW REFINERY. Mr. Wilson Says Good Headway is Being Made; Twenty-five Men at Work Already.

L. R. Wilson, engineer of the Atlantic Sugar Refining Co., Limited, said yesterday that considerable headway had been made with the test borings in connection with the foundations of the new refinery.

OBITUARY. Mrs. John Clark. Nov Scotia, N. B., Jan. 29.—Rebecca, wife of Alderman John Clark, and formerly Miss Hicks, of Point de Bute, died at her home in Chatham on Friday afternoon at the age of 81 years.

Rev. Father Fitzgerald. Chatham, N. B., Jan. 27.—In the Hotel Dieu this morning Rev. Father Fitzgerald died in the 64th year of his age, after an illness from stomach trouble, which he contracted in Chatham.

Woodstock, Jan. 27.—G. Leonard Cronkite, one of the most highly respected citizens of Carleton county, died at his home, Royalton, near Centreville, on Friday afternoon, at the age of 83 years.

Albert Burger. Tuesday, Jan. 29. The death of Albert Burger took place yesterday afternoon at the residence of his son, Frank Burger, 89 Elliott Row.

Mrs. Mary Benson. Apohaqui, Jan. 27.—The death of Mrs. Mary Benson took place at her home, Belleisle Creek, on Jan. 18, after a week's illness with pneumonia.

John Savary, Accountant in Manitoba Bank, Died from Revolver Wound—Cause of Tragedy a Mystery.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 30.—John Savary, ex-manager of the Bank of Ottawa, resident here for several years, was shot and killed by a revolver, which he shot himself with yesterday.

Mrs. Peter Russell. Newcastle, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Peter Russell, of Whitesville, formerly Miss Joanna Johnston of Little South West Miramichi, died Monday morning, aged 78.

Amherst, N. B., Jan. 29.—At an early hour this morning there passed away Mrs. Treadwell, wife of Rev. James Treadwell, a veteran Methodist clergyman, who for many years labored in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Salisbury Notes. Salisbury, N. B., Jan. 30.—Miss Beattie Francis is spending a few days with friends in Moncton.

Webster, Mass., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Elizabeth Vincent of Prospect street, died at St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, following a severe attack of influenza.

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LECTURE. NATURAL GAS. Natural History Society Audience Heard Instructive Address Last Evening—Some Valuable Information—The Use of Natural Gas and Its Benefits.

At the Natural History Society rooms last night a lecture of J. A. L. Henderson, Ph. D.; F. G. S. M. Inst. M. C. M. Can. L. M. T., on Natural Gas and Its Possibilities, was held before a fair sized audience, composed in part of business men of the city.

The lecture commenced with an analysis of natural gas, and its history, and described in detail the various methods of use. The lecturer told of the important place that the gas had in the commercial world, until in 1911 the production for the year amounted to \$28,000,000.

There are two classes of natural gas, the lecturer said, "dry" gas and "wet" gas. The latter being the gas found in New Brunswick. It is composed of the lightest gases, chiefly of methane and ethane, and occurs in large deposits or so called gas pools, with little or no oil in association.

In certain places the gas contained harmful and dangerous impurities, but in New Brunswick natural gas has been found to be quite pure and free from moisture and deleterious compounds. The lecturer said that the gas in this province is so great in volume as to throw the heavy tools, weighing between 2,500 and 3,000 pounds, out of the hole, or to keep them suspended in the hole so that drilling cannot be resumed.

A Big Expenditure. Since the machine oil fields have been established in New Brunswick they have caused the expenditure of about \$700,000 through themselves and the distributing company, which was formed in 1907.

Natural gas, the lecturer continued, is transported to the centre of consumption by means of pipes of wrought iron, tested to 1,000 pounds pressure or more. This piping costs from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per mile. One natural gas company in the United States has no less than 210 miles of piping.

The "Interests" in the Saddle. "No member can sit here without realizing that there are influences which bring about strange conditions. I have ventured to say that the great transportation, financial and industrial interests of the world, whether it be to your right or to your left, there is need for vigilance."

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PELLETIER FIRED A WOMAN FOR POLITICAL PARTISANSHIP. Ottawa, Jan. 28.—(Special)—"Political partisanship," as defined by Hon. Mr. Pelletier, postmaster general, is not confined to men alone.

Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills. Constipation is an enemy within the camp. It will undermine the strongest constitution and ruin the most vigorous health.

DECLARES THE CITIZENSHIP REAP THE BENEFIT. C. P. R. Industrial Commissioner Commends Board of Trade Activity. MR. TIMMERMAN HAS FAITH IN ST. JOHN.

Gives Some Timely Advice About Getting in Touch With New Industries—His Department Sympathetic, He Explains, and Ready to Assist Whenever Possible.

H. P. Timmerman, industrial commissioner for the C. P. R., is in the city, and registered at the Royal Hotel. In an interview last night with the Telegraph, Mr. Timmerman commended the progressive methods of the St. John business men, and declared his confidence in a movement that came from within the town's own resources, and which was carried out by both the old and young business men of the city.

"My department of the C. P. R.," Mr. Timmerman said, "has been in the interests of St. John, and has been glad to see it develop. I think the possibilities of the town are now generally recognized. I personally have always been very optimistic in regard to the future, and I am very glad to see the change which is now abroad in the city."

In reply to a query as to the work of the department of natural resources of the C. P. R. in New Brunswick, a representative of which was in the city some time ago, and gave some indication of settlement and reforestation work along the C. P. R. line, Mr. Timmerman said, "should be reforestation was a very live one to the railways. In the United States several railways had commenced planting trees to reduce a supply of timber."

Bank Bill Gets Second Reading. (Continued from page 1.) The interest of the depositors, shareholders and people at large. If there was any doubt, so far as the minister of finance was concerned, as to that suppression, we need only turn to the utterances of the great honorable leader of the government and the tone in which it was made.

Mr. Emmerson turned his attention to the question of external audit, for which he had a strong demand throughout the country. He deprecated the objections of the minister to government inspection and asked for an explanation of the policy he opposed external audit.

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WAR STAIN IN THE ADRIANOPLE BOMBARDMENT BY THE ALLIED ARMIES. Hostilities Opened Promised. Skirmishing Also Took Place at Fortifications Near Constantinople-Ottoman Gate to Peace Conference Predicts That His Countrymen Will Fight to the Ditch This Time.

London, Feb. 3.—The Balkan front has been resumed. The bombardment of Adrianople began at 7 o'clock on a small skirmish occurred at the lines. The armistice has lasted for months.

Bulgaria has turned a deaf ear to remonstrances of the powers at Turkey which the Balkan allied armies will now attempt her completely out of Europe.

According to a despatch from tonight, Scutari is already on the falling. It is reported that the commander has sent two representatives of the Bulgarian command to Constantinople to negotiate an armistice.

Sir Edward Grey had a long conference, but nothing of what was transacted, there being no developments since Saturday. The Ottoman minister of foreign affairs, Mr. Nispet Ziya, is reported to have returned to Constantinople.

Foreigners Ask Safe Concessions in Adrianople. Constantinople, Feb. 3.—The Adrianople has requested that the powers should be permitted to return to the city. The condition of the Turkish army is reported to be such that they would find themselves out of a redoubtable enemy, the allied armies.

WOODSTOCK'S COUNCIL ORGANIZED. Mayor Jones Optimistic Inaugural Address. Woodstock, N. B., Feb. 3.—The first meeting of the new town council was held in the town hall on Friday evening. The following committees were appointed for the year.

Finance, audit and legal—Seymour, Jones and Lindsay; Water and light—Cousins, Gallagher and Burden; Streets—Cousins, Gallagher and Burden; Police, fire and license—Cousins, Jones and Burden.

Mayor Jones, in his opening address, thanked the ratepayers for their confidence in him, and spoke in glowing terms of the progress of the town since the first meeting of the council.

More Pay for Moncton School Teachers. Moncton, Jan. 30.—At a special meeting of the school board last evening it was unanimously decided to add the sum of \$800 to the 1913 estimates for the purpose of increasing the salary of the teachers in the city schools at the beginning of the next school year.

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