

Guide-Advocate

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THE INTER-CHURCH FORWARD MOVEMENT

Just a few words concerning this great movement upon which so much has been recently spoken and written now that we are reaching the time when one phase of the work is about to express itself in the tangible form of Dollars and Cents. This will be an acceptable and, in some measure, adequate expression of gratitude to God for his wonderful mercies and blessings and at the same time a pledge of faith in God's interest in and sovereignty over all things concerning both individuals and nations.

Many of the "stunts" of the Victory Loan campaigns are being applied by the churches in the financial drive of the Inter-Church Forward Movement. This is not to be wondered at as so many of these methods have proved themselves acceptable to the Canadian heart and mind. This drive according to mutual arrangement is to take place simultaneously by all the co-operating churches next week. It starts Monday the 9th inst. and will be finished on Saturday the 14th. Each local church is carefully organized and with the generous and loyal support of the members and adherents it is confidently expected that each will go over the top and thus make possible larger and better work for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ in Canada and upon the various mission fields in foreign lands. It behooves each person interested in the best things and anxious for the Redeemer's Kingdom in the world to fervently pray at this time "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?" And then "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might," remembering that "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

BAD ROAD TAX IS GREATER THAN THE GOOD ROAD TAX

An Appeal to Rural Communities to Build Roads, by Rodman Wiley, Commissioner of Public Roads of Kentucky.

It is no longer a question of not being able to afford good roads because, from a plain business standpoint, rural communities cannot afford to be without good roads. The tax for bad roads is many times more than the tax would be for good roads. Consider the country store located ten miles from a railroad station on a bad road. On every article that is purchased at the store there is a bad road tax, whether it be a plow, a hoe, a pair of overalls, or a dress; not because the country merchant is making any more profit than the town merchant, but because the country merchant has to pay an enormous price for hauling his goods from the railroad station to the store, and that cost must be added to the selling price in order that he may make the same profit that is made by the town merchant.

"No Money" a Poor Excuse
The excuse of not having the money to build roads is one that we have framed in our minds; it is not really true. A country will always be poor financially speaking, if it continues to have bad roads. As a plain business proposition, a man could well afford to take options on the property on both sides of the highway and build that road of good material at his own expense because when the road was completed the increase in the property values alone would more than pay for the cost of the road and at the same time leave a good profit.

Suppose a road is to cost \$20,000 per mile, and that the county's share of the cost is 25 per cent. or \$5,000. There are 640 acres to the square mile, and for both sides of the road that would be 1,280 acres; and if the country is not benefitted for any greater distance than a mile from the road and the property owners are to pay all the county's part of the cost, that would mean that they would have to pay only about \$4 per acre. Any sensible man knows that a good road will benefit a farm a great deal more than \$4 per acre. Besides, the country is benefitted for a much greater distance than one mile from the road. Why is it that a man will confront such figures and yet not be willing to build good roads? It is one of the best investments in the world. No government, no province, no county, and no individual that has

ever built roads is willing to sell the roads for what they cost; which is sufficient proof that roads are an excellent investment. That one fact should be the reason for building good roads throughout every county in every province.

The Farmers

Before the farmer would lay away the cradle and use the modern reaper; before bankers and other business concerns would purchase adding machines; before all business houses would have telephones installed, it was necessary to have a campaign of advertising and education. If such things are desirable, figure what was lost by doing without them. But why cannot we skip the agitation and the educational campaign and build roads now instead of waiting a number of years and losing money by having bad roads?

If a county should build an earth, gravel or macadam road costing \$200,000 and it happened to be of such an assessed valuation that the county paid only 25 per cent of the cost, the county's part would be \$50,000 and in building the road there would be left in the county at least \$150,000, or three times as much as the county furnished. The reader has a chance to verify this statement by going to the records of his own county where provincial aid work has been done. He will find that practically all the money has been paid out in hiring men and teams and about the only money leaving the county is that which goes to purchase a few feet of culvert pipe, a steel bridge, perhaps, or some reinforcing steel.

THE FUNCTION OF THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

The services that may be performed by the agricultural colleges in Canada in the up-building of a sound rural spirit, as viewed by the presidents of these institutions, are graphically outlined in the January number of The Agricultural Gazette of Canada, published by the Department of Agriculture, at Ottawa.

President Creelman of the Ontario Agricultural College considers the time has come when some attention should be given to demonstrations of the principles that have been proven by investigation. He says "If then we can do these things, and at the same time know 'why' as well, and in addition give the lads a good working knowledge of English, both written and spoken, then we should expect not only support and appreciation from our constituents, and our governments, but we should look for the establishment of practical high schools as feeders to our agricultural colleges."

Them Was The Good Old Days

The present day high prices of the necessities not only make it hard to live but exceedingly hard to die. But it was not always thus.

In the Surrogate office in Buffalo a few days ago they dug up an undertaker's bill for the burial of one Richard Morrison who passed to the sweet subsequently in the far-off year of 1837 at Hamburg, N. Y. The undertaker in this case was Clark Dart.

Well, anyway, here is the bill:—
April 27th, 1837
Richard Morrison of Hamburg, deceased
To Clark Dart
One Coffin.....\$ 4 00
Digging Grave.....1 00
Making Shroud.....50
Conveying corpse to grave.....50
To watchers and board and whisky 2 43
\$ 8 43

In what new times do we live. In these days the whisky alone, for a respectable burial, would cost more than the whole charge for laying away the remains of the late Richard Morrison.

We boast of our own age as the best but surely a man could die with less dread if he knew it was going to cost him only \$8.43.

There occurred at High River, Alta., on January 15, the death of Mrs. Royal Rouse, formerly Miss Euphemia Park, and also Mrs. Rush Boughn, her daughter, who were both thrown from a democrat onto the frozen ground. Mrs. Rouse, with her husband was one of the very first pioneers on the 8th con. of Ennis-killen.

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"Dad's" Squibographs

A list of the "striking events" of the year 1919 would fill a large volume.

It is surprising how far and fast a cold wave can travel without developing a hot box.

In case of emergency every passenger on the "Soviet ark" could qualify as a "skipper."

On closer inspection the reported discovery of the philosopher's stone proves to be a "gold brick."

The Montreal man who says that a family of five can be clothed for \$149 a year probably means bedclothes.

The return of the paper collar is predicted. As the public is accustomed to "getting it in the neck" it will occasion no surprise.

Soap is becoming so expensive that, as a matter of economy, many small boys are willing to dispense with their Saturday night scrub.

The censorship has been removed on free speech but the individual who calls a hunkier man than himself a liar does so at his own risk.

Instead of organizing a boycott to reduce prices Seattle women are advocating "sauc" buying. A reservation might be made in the case of bargain days.

As eggs are now in the luxury class it is suggested that they are subject to the revenue tax. Some brands would be exempt as the tax does not apply to antique works of art.

A financial expert says that the trouble with the country is that it is flooded with money. Nobody out this way seems to be making a mad scramble for an ark to escape the deluge.

With alfalfa selling at \$40 a ton the Los Angeles Times thinks that our old friend Nebuchadnezzar would have a dickens of a time keeping up with the parade in these extravagant days.

A Kansas City girl borrowed a chum's \$400 fur coat to have a christmas picture taken. It is suspected that she decided on a dissolving view, as neither girl or coat have since been seen. No negatives preserved.

A system of markings is proposed which would show the progressive cost of an imported article, including all intermediate charges and profits incurred in its passage from producer to consumer. By the time it reached the final purchaser it would be decorated with as many labels as a globe trotter's suitcase.

STORMY WEATHER HARD ON BABY

The stormy, blustery weather which we have during February and March is extremely hard on children. Conditions make it necessary for the mother to keep them in the house. They are often confined to overheated, badly ventilated rooms and catch colds which rack their whole system. To guard against this a box of Baby's Own Tablets should be kept in the house and an occasional dose given the baby to keep his stomach and bowels working regularly. This will not fail to break up colds and keep the health of the baby in good condition till the brighter days come along. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Lucky for Someone!

LUCKY IS RIGHT! We have a few small sizes in Ladies' Footwear that we are clearing out at less than original cost. All of the very best quality leather and made by Canada's most particular manufacturers. If you wear size 2 to 4 come and see them.

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STORE PROPERTY on Main street, Watford, for rent, sale or exchange. Consists of property lately vacated by Farmers' Co-operative Assoc. For full particulars apply to A. J. MOFFATT, R. R. 3, Watford. J16-4t

50 ACRES OF PASTURE LAND For Sale—half of the east half lot 20, con. 4, N.E.R., township of Warwick. Good creek of running water on same. Apply to W. G. MCKENZIE, Watford R. R. 2. f6-4

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

In the matter of the Estate of MICHAEL MAHER, late of the Township of Adelaide, in the County of Middlesex, Farmer, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario (1914), Chapter 122, Section 56, and amending Acts, that all persons having claims against the Estate of the said MICHAEL MAHER, late of the Township of Adelaide, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, who died on or about the tenth day of January, A. D. 1920, are required to send by post, prepaid, or to deliver on or before the twenty-fourth day of February, A. D. 1920, to the undersigned Solicitors for Daniel Maher, Executor of the Will of the said deceased, their names, addresses, and descriptions, and a full statement of particulars of their claims and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And notice is hereby further given that on and after the said twenty-fourth day of February, A. D. 1920, the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the Estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

ROSS & BIRKH, Solicitors for Executor. Dated at Stratford, Ontario, this 23rd day of January, A. D. 1920. f3



However;

After all is said and done there is nothing that will take the place of good Glasses. One may move nearer the light or bring the light nearer to them, they may twist and turn the book or paper, they may do as they please, yet, if the eyes need Glasses they must have them, otherwise there is the inevitable eye strain, followed by headaches.

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