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THE USE OF LAKE WATER

Those of you who are kicking over the admixture of admittedly poor lake water with artesian well water should take pause. What right have more consumers to set up their opinions against the Commission's judgment?

Admitting that the Provincial and Local Board of Health pronounced it unfit for human consumption, can a capable commission err?

What though Waterloo offers more pure water than that taken from the lake, will it not cost a few cents per thousand gallons more and therefore make it more difficult to show a surplus at the end of the year?

Are consumers so shortsighted as to place their health before profits? Perish the thought!

The lake water may be discolored and leave a dark brown taste in your mouths—like the morning after—but it has not yet bred an epidemic of typhoid. Should it do so, it will be well to recall that the city is on the point of buying a new cemetery.

May it not be that in declining to buy pure water from Waterloo, the Commission has an objective in view? This to encourage the sale of drugs or of 23 per cent. beer? It is not yours to reason why. Either drink mixed lake water or go dry.

Seriously speaking, the Commission may have an alleged reason for persisting in using lake water when a better supply can be easily had. If this be on the ground that lake water is cheaper than Waterloo water, its case falls to the ground. If they have a better one, they have thus far declined to take the public, who are the owners of the works, into their confidence.

Were the waterworks privately-owned, the people would raise the roof with their protests, and refuse to endanger their health by drinking impure water or a mixture of good and bad.

The local Board of Health has wide powers and seems to be trying to exercise them. The public will endorse any measure they deem it wise to take, to put a stop to the practice once for all.

While they are putting their machinery in motion, every household which has a telephone should voice its protest and those who have not should write.

It is up to the Commission either to prove that impure water when mixed with pure water is healthy or that their present rates will not permit of their buying daily a few hundred thousands gallons of Waterloo water to make up the shortage.

We may be in error but it does appear to us that further to use lake water would be an offense against the welfare of our citizens.

COMMISSION GOVERNMENT

There was recently sent from London a deputation to wait upon the Attorney-General of Ontario and press for legislation enabling cities to introduce Commission Government.

After meeting Mr. Lucas the deputation is unable to say with Caesar: "I came, I saw, I conquered." He was not sufficiently impressed to hold out a hope that their request would be actually considered.

Had it been a new proposition and an untried system, the Attorney-General would have been warranted in turning a deaf ear to it. But it is not. Long before the war, the Associated Boards of Trade of Western Ontario had been impressed with the merits of the plan and recommended the appointment of a committee to study and report upon it.

Provincial Governments have in part recognized the principle of small bodies of men being given the management of municipal utilities. It set up a Commission to direct and manage the Hydro power undertaking. A year ago it passed a private act permitting Guelph to adopt a cross between the old and the new systems but which permits that city to merge its council and with one exception, its utility commissions.

London should not, by the way, be discouraged, even if its progressives are disappointed at the reception given their proposal. Governments do not usually act at sight of the first robin. They wait until almost every tree has its songster. London is on the right track and will, providing it exhibits patience and perseverance, eventually gain its point.

It is not the only Commission Government robin, though one of the earliest. Progressive municipalities in western Ontario are seeking a system of city government. Some would go the whole length and adopt the Commission-Manager form, while others would put new patches on the old garment.

Then London should take the initiative and line up, not to get legislation at the present session, for this would be too late, but to press for the appointment of a special committee to investigate Commission form of city government.

HOUSING IN THIS COMMUNITY

With new additions to industries being constructed, which in essence means more employment, it naturally follows that more housing will be needed to accommodate the city's population.

The Record is informed that while the housing situation is not acutely short, it is easier to buy than to rent a home. Consequently rentals have stiffened in some sections.

Owing to the high prices of materials there is no rush being made by contractors and others to erect houses. Most of these are pursuing a waiting policy.

Here is where the Provincial Housing Act will stand in good stead. The sum of \$25,000,000 is to be set aside by the Dominion government to encourage the building of citizens' homes. Ontario will be able to borrow \$8,000,000 of this sum.

The province is seeking power from the legislature to augment this eight millions, by way of public loans and may itself expend as much for housing as the Dominion is setting aside. When the Dominion makes its loans to the provinces, it will stipulate that local improvements, including sewers, pavements, sidewalks, pavements and lighting services, shall as far as practicable be constructed prior to or simultaneously with the building of houses. No house will be permitted to be occupied until provided with proper means of drainage and means of sewage disposal and an adequate supply of pure water.

In all new housing schemes provision is required for reserving at least one-tenth of the total area, where a new tract is utilized, for playgrounds, sites for public buildings, etc.

Interest attaches to the provisions under which loans may be made.

- (a) The purchase of suitable land for housing schemes.
- (b) The construction of the necessary local improvements on and in connection with the development of such land as part of a housing scheme.
- (c) The erection of sanitary and economical buildings.

It is further suggested that where \$3,000 is to be expended on a home, constructed under this plan, the loan be apportioned as follows:

Cost of dwelling.....	\$2400
Cost of land.....	300
Cost of local improvements.....	300
Total.....	\$3000

One-tenth of the whole is suggested for the purchase of the land and another tenth for local improvements.

To share in this state loan, it will become necessary for a municipality to form a Housing Commission, which in turn may authorize Housing companies to build houses, as well as itself, should this be desirable.

Under the provincial plan it is estimated that a mechanic will be able to buy and pay for a home with a monthly sum of \$20 spread over 20 years.

Seeing that the City Council has already appointed a committee to ascertain the needs of the housing situation, the ratepayers will commend the proposed investigation and if found necessary to appoint a Housing Commission.

Extracts of Exchange

DO IT NOW

From the Philadelphia North American
If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing,

If you like him or you love him tell him now.
Don't withhold your approbation till the parson makes oration

As he lies with snowy lilies o'er his brow;
For no matter how you shout it, he won't really care about it;

He won't know how many teardrops you have shed;
If you think some praise is due him, now's the time to slip it to him.

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead!

More than fame and more than money is the comment kind and sunny

And the hearty warm approval of a friend,
For it gives to life a savor, and it makes you strong, etc., braver.

And it gives you heart and spirit to the end.
If he earns your praise—bestow it; if you like him let him know it;

Let the words of true encouragement be said;
Do not wait till life's over and he's underneath the sod.

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead!

WAIT A MINUTE

ITALY REMEMBERS HER FAMOUS POET

The Italian world of art and letters to-day paid notable tribute to the memory of Torquato Tasso, one of the greatest of the poets of Italy, on the occasion of the 375th anniversary of his birth. As the author of the great epic, "Jerusalem Delivered," the life and works of Tasso have been recalled with uncommon interest since the recovery of Jerusalem from the Moslems. Especially notable were the anniversary celebrations held to-day at Sorrento, the place of the poet's birth, and in Rome, where he lived and died.

Tasso, the poet of the Crusade, has been called admiringly the "crusader of poetry," the story of his life is one of the most melancholy in the whole history of literature. His chief work was the epic on the delivery of Jerusalem by Godfrey de Bouillon, but his lyrical poems are unsurpassed in their descriptions of disappointed love, and he wrote many other things worthy of memory.

From the time that he was 7 years old his life was filled with sorrows and disappointments, and when at the age of 36 his "Jerusalem Delivered," the work upon which his fame chiefly rests, was published, he was the inmate of a cell in an institution for the most violent maniacs.

That Tasso was afflicted at times with some degree of mental disorder there is no doubt. He had hallucinations and believed himself to be visited by a spirit with whom he held familiar discourse, and on occasions his maddened exhibited itself in violence, but his confinement in a prison for seven years was inspired largely, it is believed by the malevolence of his enemies.

Historians are puzzled to discover the true cause for the cruelty with which Tasso was treated. At 21 he had become a friend of the Duke Alfonso of Este at Ferrara, and become attached to his court. Here he met the Duke's sister, Eleonora, who allowed herself to become interested in his poems as they progressed, and to listen to them as the poet read and also to act as his gentle critic.

The question will never be settled as to a possible love story between these two. Poets have so believed and written and historians have related its pathos and tenderness.

When he was 30 Tasso completed his great epic, and for a time he seemed to be on the point of being settled in a position of enjoyable repose. But soon he was involved in more trouble. He fled from the court of Duke Alfonso, and when he returned was coldly received, and after an outburst of resentment was imprisoned in an institution for paupers and lunatics by the Duke. Those who believe it was the discovery of a love between Tasso and Eleonora that caused this action point to the fact that during the seven years he was detained in prison he did much of his best literary work.

Eleonora died during this time of his confinement, and soon after his release was obtained. Thereafter, he wandered from city to city—poor, unhappy and ill. Then Clement VIII came to the papal throne and he befriended the poet by granting him a pension. Thus the last years of his life were spent in comfort and he was the object of the most complimentary attention. The Pope determined to crown him at Rome with the laurel of the poet, an honor that had been conferred on nobody since Petrarch. Tasso did not survive to be thus distinguished, but died on the day set for the coronation ceremony.

He is buried in the small church of St. Onofrio, and in the room where he died, and those adjoining, there is a museum containing personal effects of the poet and rare editions of his works.

TO-DAY'S ANNIVERSARIES

1848—Henry Wheaton, whose work on international law was translated into the Chinese language, died at Dorchester, Mass. Born at Providence, N.J., Nov. 27, 1785.

1862—Gen. George B. McClellan became commander of the Army of the Potomac.

1869—George S. Boutwell of Massachusetts became Secretary of the Treasury in the cabinet of President Grant.

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If we all would practice inside-bathing what a gratifying change would take place. Instead of thousands of half-sick, anemic-looking souls with pasty-muddy complexions we should see crowds of happy, healthy, rosy-cheeked people everywhere. The reason is that the human system does not rid itself each day of all the waste which it accumulates under our present mode of living. For every ounce of food and drink taken into the system nearly an ounce of waste material must be carried out else it ferments and forms ptomaine-like poisons which are absorbed into the blood.

Just as necessary as it is to clean the ashes from the furnace each day before the fire will burn bright and hot, so we must each morning clear the inside organs of the previous day's accumulation of indigestible waste and body toxins. Men and women whether sick or well are advised to drink each morning before breakfast a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate salt as a harmless means of washing out of the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels the indigestible material waste, sour bile and toxins, thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach.

Home Sewing Week

To Help Housewives and Dressmakers to Prepare for the Coming Spring and Summer Season

Our displays this week will give first place to Materials for making up Garments and our Collection of Dress Goods and Cotton Goods will bring you into close touch with the very latest and newest stock and the best we have shown for some seasons. These goods include, Ladies' Suitings, Coatings, Dress Goods, Silks and Cotton Goods, Pictorial Review Patterns. A full stock of these popular patterns are always on sale—which make sewing a pleasure, prices 15c, 20c, 25c and 30c.

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