

THE ACADIAN.

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From the expressions heard on every side it is pretty evident that Wolfville, with its many natural beauties, has in no way lost favor with those who seek a pleasant retreat during the hot days of summer. Those who come for a brief change their plans so as to provide for a prolonged stay in our charming town and leave us when the time comes with manifestations of deep regret that their stay cannot be still further extended. Visitors who have been disappointed in other resorts of the province are charmed with the beauties of Wolfville and laud in their praises of her many attractions. That the possibilities are large for our town as a favorite summer resort cannot be questioned and it behooves our people to add to the attractions of our surroundings by providing increased facilities such as boating and other amusements for visitors.

The Canadian Magazine for August is composed mostly of short stories and entertaining articles. "Victoria the Aristocrat" is the title of a pleasing appreciation of Vancouver Island, and "In the Land of Windmills," by the late R. M. Yeoman, is full of quaint observations on Holland and the Dutch people. "The Witchery of the Alps," by Hedley P. Somner, is a well-illustrated description of Swiss mountain scenery and its effect on the spectator. The centenary of the birth of Alfred Tennyson and Oliver Wendell Holmes takes place this August, and therefore the number contains appreciative articles on the works and characters of these two celebrated authors—Tennyson by Rev. W. T. Allison, with portrait by A. J. Clarke, and Holmes by Grace McLeod Rogers. The fiction contributions are particularly strong, with short stories by Anna B. Fries, E. S. Kirkpatrick, Fred Jarman, Lillian Vaux Mackinnon, Marjorie L. C. Pickett and Helen Guthrie. The chief poem is a patriotic one by Wilfred Campbell and entitled "The Sea Queen." There are poems also by Virna Sheard, H. O. N. Bedford and others.

Pertinent and Impertinent.

What is the use of ringing the church bells at just seven minutes before the service thereof, especially if that service is at ten-thirty? Why not give us twenty minutes notice, and pay a decent, living wage for the accommodation.

The chap who reports the trotting races in the Herald must have been borrowed from tennis circles. He certainly knows more about something else than trotting races.

Sunday boating and the automobile are having a tight race to see which can put the most people over the plate, or in other words, which can pass the most people to the "Golden Shore" in a given time. In both cases it's the fool and his life are so connected.

To decide a bet what mathematician will answer the following problem: An army is thirty miles long. An aide-de-camp is dispatched on horseback from the rear of the army to the front to deliver a message. He rides the entire length of the army to the front, delivers the message and rides back to the rear of the army. During this time the army has marched thirty miles. How far did the aide ride that day?

Mr. Emmerson, M. P., joins himself with Senator Domville and criticizes the new system on the Intercolonial. Mr. Emmerson had his own chance with that unfortunate property. In 1904, he spent \$5,500,000 on it in maintenance and operating expenses, and earned as traffic receipts \$6,783,000. In other words, under Mr. Emmerson's ministry it cost \$1.25 in working expenditure to \$1 in income. Mr. Emmerson as a critic of the Intercolonial is discredited.

A love-smitten youth who was studying the approved method of proposal asked one of his bachelor friends if he thought that a young man should propose to a girl on his knees. "If he doesn't," replied his friend, "the girl should get off."

It is said that our town government is strenuously seeking for more policemen, in order to obviate the necessity of calling on grey haired, and over sixty gentlemen, to assist in gathering in the unruly. Why not insert an advertisement in the Western Chronicle, whose circles would be able to provide just the goods needed.

A July Wedding.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place on Tuesday afternoon in the St. John's church, at Church Street, when Alice Maud, eldest daughter of James Scott, of North Sydney, C. B., was united in marriage with John H. Good, of Wolfville.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. T. C. Mellor in the presence of invited friends. The bride was charmingly attired in a costume of tulle and wore a hat to match. After the ceremony a tea was given to the happy couple at the home of Mrs. George Webster, of this town. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful presents, among which was a diamond and tea set combined. The ACADIAN wishes the young couple much happiness.

Odds and Ends.

From observation we are firmly of the opinion that there is need of improvement, radical improvement, in our public school system and in much of the education, so called, that is handed out to the youth of this province at least. A system of grading, such as is contained in the school system of our province, with its attendant inequality and dog-day examinations, is simply criminal, and a menace to all educational principles.

The time has passed when human educators believe in a stereotyped education. Traditional education is not in common with the rising generation. The education required is such as will give the young the best preparation for the business of life. And as that business is to be by no means the same for all, an absolutely uniform system like that of our public schools, cannot possibly be the best. Of the business of life unquestionably the most necessary part is the making of a living. While it may be possible to anticipate the future calling of some pupils, the system should address itself to the educational needs common to all callings and to fundamental of the country's staple production and general economy.

In an agricultural district the school should introduce the pupils to the beauty of the plant life, chemistry, the action of the powers of nature upon the soil, and to interest the pupils in experiments to show the practical application of the things thus taught. In towns and cities the instruction should have a no less marked bent towards manufacturing and its chief underlying sciences. A manual facility and proficiency in simple book-keeping should be promoted in both urban and rural schools. In brief, education must be more and more definitely trained upon objects of life.

Boys and girls must from the outset be taught to think of themselves as seekers after knowledge that will make them the competent men and women in the coming years—and much depends upon the personality of the teacher, far more than upon any uniform or dogmatic system. Education is in such the same position as the tariff, in that it is ever changing, and as religion, in that every man has his own views on the subject. The man who hopes or believes that the present system can continue, should be shut up in an educational museum.

The most hopeful tendency of the present is the recognition of the fact that education is a process, not a qualification. Too long have we been talking over such terms as "in-culcate," "discipline of the mind," which implies punishment, "broad and deep foundation," and one upon another. It is all rot. In education as in architecture, there should be beauty as well as strength. People talk about the lack of originality and ideas, yet the schools are turning out children, as has been said, like dollars with stamp of nationality on one side and a mere difference of date on the other.

In the opinion of the writer, one reason for the prominence of athletics in modern school life, college life if you like, is the fact that the element of competition has been to a large extent eliminated from the intellectual life of the student. Ambition has been killed by the system. The student should be made to appreciate the end to be attained in his studies. The examination should be used only to reveal to the pupil what he knew or what he did not know, to organize his knowledge and to show the teacher wherein he had failed. Hence we claim the examinations should always be conducted by the teacher and not by a stranger. Many children leave the public schools at the age of 12 or 15 years, and few can go to the higher institutions. These children are handicapped in the world of action because of the lack of such special training as they needed. Very many of them can neither read, write, or figure properly, whereas under even the old miscellaneous school system, these necessities were made a prominent element in the pupil's education. More anon.

Canning Items.

Mr. Seth Crowell, who went West about a month ago, is now located 3 over 200 miles from Port Arthur, on the Trans-Continental Railway construction, as Inspector of concrete. This section of Ontario is a promising gold country.

A church council, composed of representatives of the United Baptist churches of Wolfville, Kentville, Hilltown, Pearsau and Canning, met at Canning on the 14th inst., and after considering the case of the Rev. Horace L. Kinsman, a minister of the Presbyterian church, who a few months ago had joined the Hall's Harbor U. B. church, recommended that he be publicly recognized as a United Baptist minister. The recognition service was held the same evening at the Canning Upper church, when an appropriate sermon was preached by the Rev. I. W. Porter on the Headship of Christ. The Chairman, Rev. M. W. Brown, gave the hand of fellowship, and Rev. Dr. Crowell the charge. Mr. Kinsman has returned to his field of work at and near Queensport in Guysboro county.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hensley and two children of Yellow Grass, Sask., spent several days last week with old friends here. Two sons and two daughters of Rev. Mr. Hockin are visiting him at the parsonage. Messrs. Joseph and Emerson Bigelow of Saskatoon have been awarded the contract for building a school building in Nutana, Sask. Miss Clara Chisholm of Wolfville is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Victor Eaton, who is now rustivating at Kingsport. Rev. Dr. Crowell spent last week at Scotts Bay. Miss Mattie Challen has returned from a week's visit in Canada with her friend Mrs. Everett Eaton. Mrs. John Bigelow and Miss Carrie Coalteet have gone to Wharton, Cumberland county. Mr. Sydney Meek of Minneapolis, Minn., accompanied by his wife, is visiting his old home here after an absence of eight years. Miss Emily Newcomb and brother Avery, who spent last week with their aunt Mrs. E. F. Avery, have returned to their home in Windsor. Miss Jessie Crowell is spending the holidays at Sutherland's River, Pictou county, with her grandmother, Mrs. McQueen. Mr. Leo Parker and daughter of New Haven, Conn., who have been visiting Mr. G. W. Parker, left on Monday for Truro, accompanied by the latter.

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The presentation of the farce comedy, "The Snowball," by the members of the Wolfville Tennis Club on Tuesday evening in Temperance Hall was most successful. It is to be regretted that the attendance was not larger, but those who were present enjoyed a delightful treat. The music of the orchestra was inspiring, the make-up good and the acting natural and exceedingly clever. The play is a decidedly amusing one, and the audience, which was most appreciative, enjoyed the many complications. All the parts were so well taken that it would be unfair to particularize. It is hoped that Wolfville people may have another opportunity of attending another such interesting entertainment in the near future. We understand that to Mrs. (Dr.) Moore, who since her residence in Wolfville has contributed so much to the social life of the town, is due much of the credit of the success of "The Snowball."

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