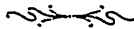


side the right-of-way or spreads therefrom to adjoining land. The railways are exempt from this fine if they can show that they have the best modern appliances on their locomotives to prevent the emission of sparks, that their employees have not shown negligence in conducting to the starting of the fire, and that they have maintained an efficient and properly equipped staff of fire-rangers. In other words, the Committee proposes to lessen the number of fires caused by sparks from locomotives by having the railways fined for the damage they do, unless they take every possible precaution to prevent such damage. This is obviously a fair recommendation as regards both the railways and the public, and the effort to have it made law is worthy of public support. Every Canadian is deeply interested in the protection of our forests; for each forest fire means that he and his children will have to pay higher prices for every foot of lumber they use. Such a measure, for the preservation of our forests, as that recommended by the Committee on Forests of the Commission of Conservation should, therefore, commend itself to every public-spirited citizen in Canada.



The Duke of Wellington put it tersely when, according to Rev. J. R. Cohn, he said: "Teach your children the Three R's. and leave out the great R. of religion and you will only produce a fourth R., Rascaldom, and get a nation of clever devils."

Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis., will open a school of journalism in October. The school will be under the directorship of Rev. J. E. Copus, S.J., who has had many years' experience in newspaper work, and who will conduct the practical side of journalism.