THE THOUGHTS OF THEOBALD.

LUXURY AND NECESSITY.

A line of type evidently got astray from one of my articles last week and prevented a point I wished to make from being as forcibly plain as I desired. What I wanted to draw attention to was the fact that the Council is spending many thousands of dollars on making a tarvia road in one of the least populated sections of the City whilst we have so many necessities staring us in the face. It is an astounding and disgusting fact that of the 6000 houses in the City, one third, or 2000 houses, are without sewerage connection. And some of these houses are right in the heart of the City, and in good localities as well as bad. I do not intend to paint the conditions under which such people live and all they have to put up with; the fact is a disgraceful one and it is rendered more disgraceful by the half hearted attention it receives and the wholesale enthusiasm in which cement drains are put in localities where only rainwater soils the drains, and in making tarvia sidewalks and road on Duckworth Street. A good road is a luxury; water and sewerage a necessity. I know $10,000.00 has lately been borrowed to install sewerage, but that will at the most only solve the problem for 150 houses. There will be 1850 houses still left.

HOPE.

The City woke to the week's work last Monday to find that not everyone had had a quiet Sunday or an uneventful one. A little boy killed, a man injured, a street car accident and narrow escapes from death, a man come home to find his wife dead, a man sent to the Lunatic Asylum, and in material losses bridges gone and railroads washed away. Each one has his sorrow and his worry, but after all what worry can equal the wild grief of that mother who saw her child killed before her eyes, and the dead pain and remorse of the man who unwittingly did it? What trifling disappointment can approach the speechless sorrow of that man who came home to find the wife he had left only a few days in health and happiness no longer able to greet him? And yet we are full of disappointments, or think we are. There are few who are not irritated and become quick and cross in a minute. And maybe we do not know what sorrow is,—or rather what sorrow can be. A preacher last Sunday gave his consoling thought that God would not be consistent with His own nature if He did not supply the solution of all sorrow and the levelling-up of life's inequalities, and that we should never have been given the social characteristics we possess, and the ideals we dream, if we were not, somehow, somewhere, to realise them. I believe he is perfectly right, and so it is that Hope is become our faithful ally and without it the outlook would be gloomy indeed. If there was no Hope, what comfort would be left to the relatives of those who are "missing"? What energy could be put into any endeavour if Hope was absent? Johnson calls Hope the chief blessing of man.

"Hope springs eternal in the human breast."

Hope tints to-morrow with prophetic ray, sings Byron, and is it not absolutely true that it is Hope that draws us onward from one day to another, some Hope of something we expect to happen? It would be indeed dreary if we had nothing to look forward to, or had no dreams unrealised. It is Hope that keeps the world sane, as it is often a blighted Hope that robs one of sanity. The world would represent to-day a great slaughter house if there was no Hope that eventually this slaughter of men would end and usher in a better day.

STREET RAILWAY ROUTE.

Mr. Reid has said that last Sunday's accident was caused by carelessness and that it should not have happened, and that the removal of the rails to Queen Street would make the danger of runaway cars even worse than at present, as motormen would feel too safe with such a long run before them and would be inclined to let the car travel fast over the hill. It seems to me that it is time that the route should be changed enough to take in the great number of houses now built and building on the higher levels. I should think it possible to drop the line from Rawlins' Cross to Adelaide Street, continuing it instead up Military Road, Harvey Road, LeMarchant Road, Cornwall Avenue, thence by way of Hamilton Street or other streets to Water Street. As far as the public is concerned this is the route that would mean a very great convenience to them. If the Reid Nfld. Co. do not feel like doing it—perhaps it may be left to the New City Electric Co. to take the matter up. But then I suppose the Reid Co. have the monopoly of the street railway service. Several cities of Canada are trying out a system of motor buses instead of street railway cars and they find them very satisfactory. The motor bus is not tied up if the street happens to be closed to traffic; it can go some other way. It can vary its route for different periods of the day, and there are no expenses of rails, overhead wires or electric stations. The City Council might enquire into this and see if some parts of the City cannot be served in this way. It would mean a big boom in suburban building if the City had some motor buses which would run to town early enough to bring men to work and bring them back to dinner and tea and run two or three times during other hours for the convenience of the families. For instance if this was done on such roads as to Broad Cove, Portugal Cove and Torbay, there are many who would be glad to build houses on these roads, even for the summer months.

At any rate, the large circle line which is suggested is quite possible and the Reid Nfld. Co. should be induced to build it. The Street Railway business is not, I believe, a money-loser. On the contrary, it shares in that money-producing plant at Petty Harbor, which takes so many of our shekels for electric light and power.

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The speaker, a Major ——, as second in command of a well known service battalion, has been in the thick of the fighting East of the Ancre and was wounded Northwest of Pozieres.

"Ovillers was pretty hot stuff, you know. If you can imagine fighting, hour after hour, in the bowels of a rabbit warren made by rabbits as big as tigers and as bloody minded, La Boiselle was bad, they tell me. My battalion wasn't there. Pozieres, Bazentin-le-Petit, Delville and then back West again, the fighting up to Mouquet Farm. Honestly, I don't think there has been tougher or bloodier fighting in all this war.

"Of course, we know from the papers taken on prisoners, as well as from what they have said, that the Boches gave orders over and over again that this ground was to be held at any cost at all. Fancy trying to hearten up your men by telling them in effect that the survivors would be court martialled! That sort of thing illustrates the difference between the general spirit in their army and in ours.

"Mind you, it doesn't mean that the Boche morale is broken. Not a bit of it. They have a magnificently efficient fighting machine. But their system is different from ours. It is their policy to drive and it is ours to lead. The way they will march straight into certain death is extraordinary. I only know of one thing finer, and that's the way our chaps will do it. That really is much finer, you know, because with us there's no driving power at all, but the free will and determination of the men themselves and their officers.

"Some fellow sees a bunch of Boches coming over with their hands up, wailing for mercy, and he says the Boche morale has been broken. All my eye. The Boche army has to be broken before you can break its morale. They carry on with their job and will carry on with it, because the machine behind them is a marvellously efficient one.

"Nobody who has seen anyhing of that line from Ovillers to Delville Wood can possibly doubt that the Boches have a marvellously efficient fighting machine. They have fought for every inch of it; their leaders have poured out their blood over every yard of that ground before we could win it—their men's blood, I mean, not their own. The Boche leaders are mighty careful of their own blood.

"And with all its wonderful efficiency and completeness, which overlooks nothing—unless, perhaps, the element of human decency—the Boche fighting machine is being beaten; slowly, surely, quite certainly beaten out there above the Somme, and for all the cold drawn lying of their despatches, the leaders must know it; do know it; I'm sure of that.

"Aye, it's a terrible thing, this war; but as sure as you're alive, it's the finest triumph of right over might that the world has ever seen. Talk about your miracle plays! It's nineteen hundred and sixteen years since there's been such a morality as this!" From the European Edition of the N. Y. Herald.

HORSE AND AUTO.

A year ago I drove a steed, and said, "A horse is better far (although deficient in his speed) than any chugging motor car. A horse is mankind's faithful friend, a thing of spirit, heart and sense, and serves you well till in the end, he kicks you through a barbed wire fence." My wife grew weary of our plug, that often needed whip and goad; "I want a car that goes chug-chug," she said, "and burns the dusty road." The man who wants a peaceful life, with minimum of jolt and jar, will always strive to please his wife—and so I bought a motor car. The motor car I now indorse, and often wonder how a man can have the nerve to drive a horse, the most distinctive also ran. I meet old Dobbin on the road, and weep with pity for his woes; how earnestly he hates his load, and, jiminy, how slow he goes! A million flies are on his legs, his busy tail brings no relief; in every movement Dobbin begs for chloroform, to end his grief. The flies can't bite my motor car, and so I blithely scorch along; no spavins can my pleasure mar, I fill the throbbing air with song.

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Few young women have been told much about the care of babies and no one knows but a mother how utterly helpless and overwhelmed she feels when the little live bundle is placed in her care for the first time. She realizes that its health, both of body and soul, depends upon her, and not only that, but perhaps the whole happiness of the family is hinged on her care of that baby.

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The concert and khaki sociable held last night at Sudbury, the residence of Mrs. C. R. Thompson, proved a great success and was declared by the large number who attended to be the best of its kind ever held in the city. The affair, which was promoted by a number of ladies of the West End of the city, had for its object the raising of a fund for disabled soldiers, though in what manner the fund will be disposed of is not yet decided. Mr. Alex. Robertson presided and announced the different items of the programme, which were of a patriotic nature, and under the direction of Mr. Gordon Christian, A.T.C.L. Those taking part were Mr. and Mrs. Foster, Misses M. Mitchell and J. Strang; Messrs. H. Courtenay, D. Trapnell and R. Trapnell. The band of H. M. S. Briton kindly attended and furnished excellent music during the evening. A number of soldiers who were present assisted in passing around the tea. The sum of $130.00 was realized, which is a handsome amount to start the ball a-rolling. The promoters are to be congratulated on their success and are deserving of every encouragement.

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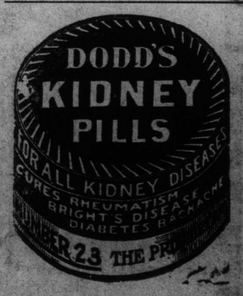
Weather Stormy, Dogfish Plentiful.

The latest fishery reports received by the Board of Trade from many centres are:—

Sept. 9th. From J. White (Colinet Island to Head of Salmonier)—The total catch is 6,500 qtls. and for last week 600. Twenty boats and 50 dories and skiffs are fishing. There were seven arrived from the grounds during the week, but no bankers. The latest report from the outer grounds says the weather is stormy and dogfish are plentiful. Prospects are fairly good and there is plenty squid for bait.

Sept. 9th. From W. T. Burke, (Boxey Point to St. Jacques)—Prospects are not good and the most of the fish being taken is with codnets. Bait is scarce there being only a little squid. The catch is 10,935 qtls., with 150 for last week. Thirty dories and skiffs are fishing.

Sept. 9th. From W. Paul, (Lance aux Leau to Port aux Bras) — Prospects are fair and there is sufficient squid for bait. The Donald G. Hollett and Centenary have arrived from the Banks with 600 and 200 qtls. respectively. The catch for the week is 1,350 qtls. including the obove, 75 dories and skiffs having landed 250 qtls. and 20 boats, 300. The total catch is 48,250 qtls.

Sept. 9th. From J. F. Williams, (Bay Bulls, South Head to Long Pt.)—Squid is plentiful and prospects are good. Sixteen dories and 31 motor boats are fishing and the total catch is 10,005 qtls. with 300 for last week.

GONE TO SEA.—The schr. Dorothy Baird, which was held up by her crew deserting, has left for Alicante with a cargo of fish shipped by Jas. Baird, Ltd.