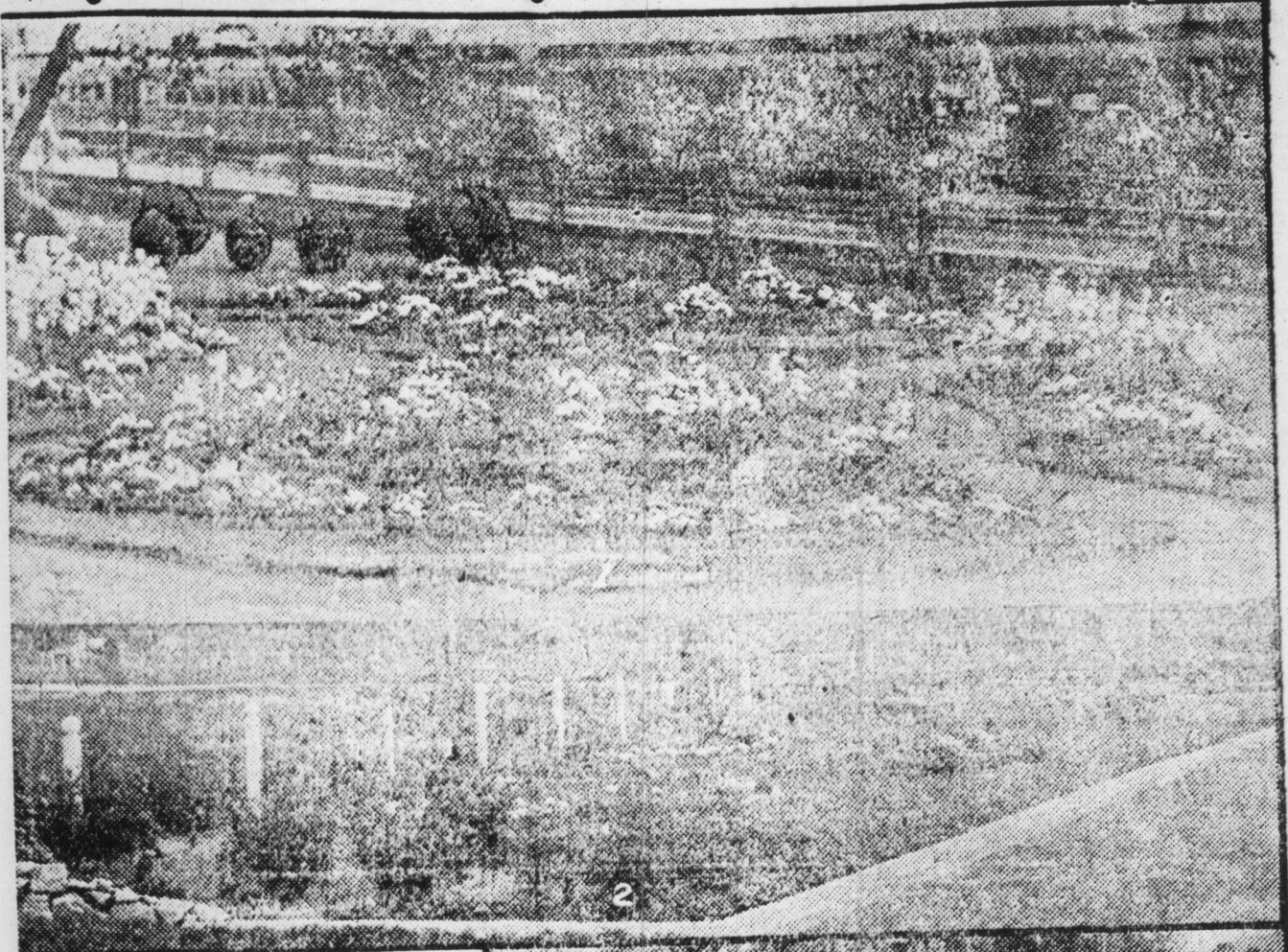


TRAVEL BY FLOWERY WAYS



There are many who believe that all big corporations and industrial concerns only look to the material side of things and work machine-like for the production of wealth, regardless of the winter's snow and unheeding of the summer's bloom. This is often an erroneous idea, for it is generally realized that man does not altogether live by offices and pens and papers and engines and other accoutrements of labor—he requires trees and shrubs and flowers and the loveliness of nature.

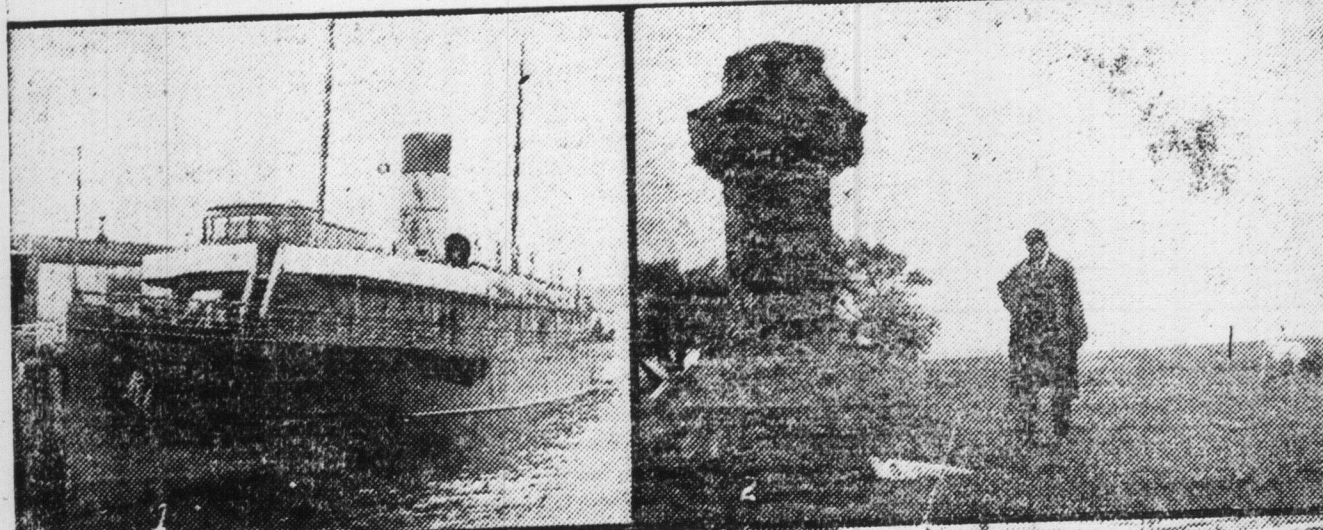
The Canadian Pacific Railway has always paid considerable attention to the development of garden plots along its lines. It is just thirty years ago since a C.P.R. employee raised a few varieties of flower seeds in his own garden, and distributed them amongst his friends in the service of the company, with the object of promoting flower gardening at the various station plots of the railway. A vast advance has been made since then; and now the company possesses a Floral Department with headquarters at Windsor street, Montreal, and a Floral Committee which embraces members from the Eastern and Western lines. It is under the guidance of this department that the various station plots and other properties of the company are cleared up and beautified. Thousands of packages of flower seeds, bulbs, trees, and shrubs and large quantities of grass seeds and fertilizers have been distributed during the last few years to station agents, section foremen, caretakers of round houses, and all employees living on the property of the com-

pany. Travellers on the line observe the happy results achieved. The cultivation work is done in all cases by the employees themselves, who in most cases acquired the art of amateur gardening by taking their lessons from leaflets issued by the Floral Department. The best material is always provided. Amongst the varieties of trees supplied are: Maple, birch, beech, poplar and cat-ypaw. Some of the shrubs are: weigela, berberis, laurel leaf willow, alpa, Oriental poppies, iris, phlox, veronica, gallardia, larkspur, columbine, sweet william, and pinks. Bedding plants used include: geraniums, coleus, cannas, pansies, asters, verbenas, petunias, and castor oil plants. Standard seed packets sent out contain: Nasturtiums, alyssum, mignonette, sweet peas, phlox and kochia. Ferns and house plants are given to the larger stations. The establishment and main-

(1) Along the line at Moose Jaw, Sask. (2) Woodstock, Ont. (3) Vaudreuil, Que.

The encouraging influence of flower growing on the C.P.R. during the last thirty years has in large measure assisted in the inauguration of floral societies all over the country. There are hundreds of societies, and most of them received their first lesson in flower culture at the C.P.R. flower beds. Flowers and improved the railway stations, and inspired by the beauty of the stations, residents of the towns have planted flowers and improved the appearances of their homes. In every division of the C.P.R. prizes are given every year for the best displays, and many of these amateur products with success against all comers at the big Canadian and American flower exhibitions.

ANCIENT CUSTOMS IN ACADIA



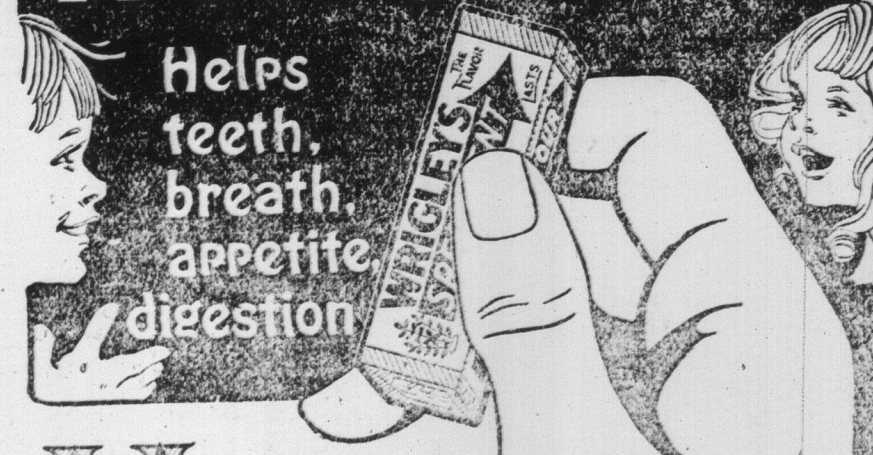
The invention of the automobile supplanted the once favourite horse-drawn coach, and now the aeroplane may to a large extent, take the place of the automobile. But, however science progresses, there still are places where the ancient order of things endures and the people are contented following the simple customs of their ancestors. Oxen may yet be seen drawing drays in that part of Nova Scotia known as the Land of Evangeline. It is quaint to see such a sight on the street of a village or town. Unlike horses, oxen have their greatest strength in their necks. The drays are yoked to the brows and horns of the animals with leather straps. Bells tinkle on their breasts as they move along. The tips of the horns are nearly always decorated with brass knobs. A pair of oxen will walk leisurely drawing a load of four tons. If you interview the driver he will tell you that they are easily trained and do their work just as well as horses, and you can use them in places where horses would be difficult to manage. They plough and draw logs with the same docile temper as they show when yoked to the drays.



There are other old customs still surviving in the Land of Evangeline, and these add to the attractiveness of one of the most picturesque, romantic and historic regions in America. Silvery bays and rivers, shores of golden sand, hills and valleys covered with fragrant meadows or towering pine or fruitful apple trees, sunny skies and freshening sea and breezes give health and pleasure to thousands of tourists every year. Across the Bay of Fundy from St. John, New Brunswick, to Digby, Nova Scotia, is a delightful trip occupying a few hours. Approaching Digby Gap the Bay is dotted with the craft of Nova Scotian fishermen. Passing through the Gap the homes of the people, amidst the woods on either side, look so pretty that one might fancy they were the dwellings of the fairies. Digby Gap leads into Annapolis Basin, whose deep and sheltered waters cover an area of sixty square miles. The Basin is unsurpassed for bathing, fishing, boating and canoeing. Good roads and walks radiate from Digby amongst enchanting scenes. There are some good hotels in this prosperous little town, and tennis, croquet and golf are amongst the games provided. Tourists to Evangeline's Land generally make a tour of all the beauty spots of the region. Yarmouth, beside the sea, offers many allurements to the visitor. A colony of French-Canadians, whose ancestors were expelled from Grand Pre, resides in the vicinity of Yarmouth, and still retains the traditions of the Acadians. The Dominion Atlantic Railway which serves the entire district, Grand Pre was the site of the village from which the Acadians were banished in 1755. The well where Evangeline was wont to go for water and the willows under which she rested are still there; Blomidon mountain and the Basin of Minas near by are just as they were of old, the meadows are green on the dykelands and the dykes keep out the sea, and a little inland the gentle hills are patched with luxurious orchards. Wolfville, the headquarters for tourists to Grand Pre, is built in the midst of one of the greatest apple growing localities in the world. The late King Edward was amongst those who visited and loved this spot. It is only a short walk from Wolfville to Grand Pre, and the marshlands extend from one place to the other. The Dominion Atlantic Railway has purchased the "big field" where the Acadians made their village, which was their capital, and this has become a public park. A memorial cross now stands there on the site of the ancient burial ground, and a statue of Evangeline sculptured by Philippe Hebert and his son Henri, descendants of an Acadian family, will soon add the grace of art to attractions of a haunt where nature has lavished her rarest charms.

(1) The C.P.R. steamer Empress, docked in Digby Harbor. (2) At Grand Pre. The Willows, a memorial cross and a pilgrim. (3) An old-fashioned freight car on a Digby street.

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Weddings

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SNOW—BOUTILLER
A wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Snow, of Middleton, on Monday when Boyd, eldest son of Mr. Arthur Snow, was united in marriage to the daughter of Mr. Arthur Snow, President of the National Co. of Halifax. The bride was attended by her sister, Emily while the duties of best man were performed by Mr. Arthur Snow. The ceremony was held at the church of England wedding had been performed and the happy couple left for Boston on a bridal trip to the New England States. The bride is a graduate of Mt. Allison University and has a host of friends in the Maritime provinces who congratulate and best wishes are being sent to the young couple. Amongst those present at the wedding were Mrs. Wm. Snow and Mrs. Ethel and Dorothy, who were to Digby via yesterday's train.

BROWN—BISHOP
A home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Brown, on the 10th inst. when Rev. F. H. Bishop officiated in the marriage of their daughter, Pearl Marjorie, to Mr. A. Brown of the same town. The bride looked charming in a gown of white silk and crepe with a white veil, carrying a bouquet of roses. The little bridesmaids were Margaret Hall and Mrs. Bishop. The bride had tastefully decorated the rooms with a profusion of flowers. The drawing room was decorated in yellow and pink and green. The ceremony was performed beneath a white arch and bell of white and evergreen. A wedding collation was served to about fifty guests. Valuable wedding gifts were presented by the young couple who are now in the community.

Lawrencetown Enterprise
credit is due Mr. T. G. G. of Lawrencetown, for taking matter with Graham's, and using his influence to them to establish an or plant in that town. The charge of C. H. Lowell is pushed rapidly forward and at may be in operation Oct 15th. This will be a boon for the fruit growers in and surrounding districts. The surplus stock of fruit for ready cash. It is estimated the capacity will be 100,000 more per day and (from) hands will be employed. Annapolis Valley Fruit and Co. have sold one of the houses to Messrs Graham's Evaporator for storage etc. We wish the success every success.

A Royal Reception
members of the 85th Battalion, which presented the "ad" in the Prim Monday night, reception in Bridgetown. The business section of the business section decorated with the arrival of the purchased in advance turned away doors unable to receive Dr. M. E. A. age pretty decorations. The boys in a way that is decorated by the big and features being wish them continue their tour through

Acadian: Dr. resigned his of the staff of torium, where all work will year and a full time Wolfville