

The Horseless Carriage.

(A weekly column devoted to the interests of the Motoring Public.)

As there seems to be considerable dissatisfaction among some small car owners, who think they are entitled to a rebate on the taxes paid last year, we have succeeded in obtaining the following explanation covering the matter:—

"Re the Rebate on 1920 Taxes for Motor Cars:—

"The intention of the Act was to place all small cars in one class that would pay \$35 license, then to make another class that would pay \$50, and a third class that would pay \$75. When those who were responsible for the drafting of the Bill were considering how to place the various cars, they made an enquiry from the Municipal Council as to the Horse power of such cars as the Ford, and were informed that the Ford was under 20 Horse power. Because of this, the Bill was drafted that cars "up to 20 H.P." would pay \$35. Later it was discovered that the actual horse power of the Ford was in excess of 20 H.P. and the Ford owners, who comprise a large proportion of the motorists in St. John's, were compelled to pay \$50, which they felt to be an excessive tax and which they were given to understand was not in accordance with the intention of the Act. A recommendation was therefore made that a rebate be given in each case so as to carry out the spirit rather than the letter of the Act, and, after repeated efforts on the part of the Motor Association, their request in this matter has been acceded to. It is understood that owners of other small cars feel that they are entitled to some reduction of the tax paid in 1920, but the foregoing explains the intention of the original Act when drafted; first, that the motorists should be taxed so as to provide the necessary money for road improvements, and secondly, that the cars should be grouped into three distinct classes paying taxes of \$35, \$50, and \$70 respectively."

A well intentioned motorist has suggested that we advise parents in this column re the desirability of keeping their young children off the public streets and thereby lessen the risk of their being run down by motor cars. We think not. Seventy-five per cent. of the children of this city simply have to play on the street, because there is nowhere else for them to play, and we think anything in the nature of advice that might keep even one child confined to the house on the few fine days we have in summer, would be most selfish. Of course the youngsters might play in the Parks, but what healthy kid wants to play in a place where he has to "keep off the grass," keep out of the flower beds, etc., etc. The grown up athlete is well looked after with St. George's Field, and now the Parade Ground, but it is the youngster of between six and fourteen, who has to find his own playground either in a vacant lot or in the middle of the street. If some of the money that is wanted in other things in this city was employed in providing two public playgrounds for young children, similar to those conducted during the summer months in all Canadian towns of importance, from Halifax to Vancouver, with a superintendent in

charge to organize different games, results would certainly be shown in the health of some youngsters of this town, who at present spend the summer months inhaling the dust and dried dirt of the back streets. Till some such scheme is started the children simply have to play on the street, and it is up to the motorist—even if he has to crawl through the city streets—not to run over the youngsters. Any advice we can give parents in regard to educating their children to look out for approaching cars and to cut out the silly game of running across the street towards an approaching car, turning around half way, and running back, would, however, be well advised.

We made a resolve when this column was started that we would not slip in any free advertising. Subject, however, to editorial sanction, we are this week going to deviate a little from this rule to give a "boost" to an ingenious device which was recently brought to our notice, and which we think will be a perfect Godsend to most motorists, especially those who look after their own car. Everybody knows what a disagreeable job it is washing a car especially in cold weather. This device (which is an inexpensive outfit known as the "Wonder Mist," and consists of a sprayer and a can of some harmless liquid), does away with all slopping around with a sponge and cold water. You simply squirt the liquid over the car (body, cushions and all) with the sprayer, give it a rub off with a soft rag, and immediately all mud, grease, dirt, etc., is removed and you have apparently what is a new car. We suggest to the agent for this device that an advertisement in this paper calling the attention of motorists to it, would probably sell a gross of them, especially if it were arranged to give car owners a demonstration.

The Newfoundland motorist, in nine instances out of ten, is the most good natured individual existing. For instance, suppose Mr. Motorist has the misfortune to run over a hen, sheep, cow or other of the farmyard animals that parade our country roads, in nearly every instance he will stop and settle up for the deceased animal, notwithstanding that the price asked is usually "blood money" in all the meanings of the term. As a matter of fact we should be very interested in hearing from one of our legal friends exactly what liability (if any) a motorist incurs when he runs over an animal that is grazing in the public road. Are not horses, cows, chickens, etc., left on the public roads, wandering there at their owner's risk? If they get damaged, is there any liability on the part of the motorist to settle up, or does he do so just from good nature. Take a cow, for instance. We have yet to see the cow that can make up her mind which side of the road she wants to occupy when a car is approaching, and, however careful a driver may be, it is sometimes impossible to prevent charging the bovine in the southwest corner. Well, the public road is the correct place for the motorist—it is certainly not the correct place for the cow. In the case of a collision between the two, should the motorist

be liable? (A witty driver with whom we discussed the point, during the week, suggests that we advocate a campaign to supply cows with "tail lights". We might think of this if our friend will undertake to go around and see that they are lit up each evening.)

We call the attention of whoever's business it is to look after Manuel's Bridge, to the disgraceful condition of same. On one side, over half the railing is down, and if a skittish horse should meet a car at this particular point, the team would be extremely likely to land down in the river, with a very considerable risk of loss of life or injury to the occupants. A few dollars spent on this bridge would be money very well invested.

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Trepassey Notes.

When Rev. Father O'Flaherty left here several months ago, universal regret was felt by his people, as during his sojourn here of 5 years he had endeared himself to all, and his departure caused much sorrow to his parishioners. His successor, Rev. Father Wilson, has been here three months and during that time has won the hearts of all. His sermons are most edifying and his cheering words have infused new life in his people, who in him have an adviser in their troubles and trials. In Father Wilson we have a noble priest of whom we feel proud. We pray that God may spare the Rev. gentleman many years to labour amongst us as a loyal son of our Holy Church, and that his labour in God's vineyard will be productive of much good. His determination to put down strong liquor is most commendable and deserves the strongest support. The trap fishery here has been very poor. In the early part of the season a few good hauls were made, but unfortunately the success was of short duration, and the summer's voyage turned out much below the average. We believe that had fishermen been fitted out a week earlier that much more fish would have been procured, and we have no doubt that had supplies been issued a week sooner, many hundreds of quintals of fish would have been secured.—COR.

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Shipping Notes.

Messrs. Jas. Baird, Ltd., were apprised by cable yesterday that the barquentine "Gaspé," Capt. Wakeham, is leaving Barbados for this port to-day. S.S. Digby left Liverpool at 4 p.m. on the 23rd, bringing 400 tons general cargo and 50 passengers. S.S. Roseland sails for Halifax at 1 p.m. to-morrow. S.S. Systrand is loading about 12,000 qts. fish in casks at the Furness Wharf pier. On finishing the ship will proceed to Port Union, where the balance of her cargo will be completed. S.S. Svanholm is loading a cargo of Labrador fish at Battle Harbor for Messrs. Baine Johnson and Co., and sails for market early next week.

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Plaid Skirts in Grey and Saxe, Red and Grey, Navy and Tan check. Price \$9.75
Gaberdine in fancy stripes of Grey and Wine, with side pockets and belt. Price \$9.75
Fancy Striped Eolienne in Saxe, Sky Blue and Grey. Price \$7.00
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If you have any leftover boiled corn-on-the-cob, slice the grains off, put them in a paper-lined pan and dry in the oven.

To make cucumbers green put them in cold vinegar in a porcelain-lined kettle and heat slowly until they are green.

Refreshing summer drinks easily made and taste better if served with sugar syrup. Keep in hand.

"Laugh and grow young." We advise good tonic, nameless. Price \$1.00 extra—\$1.25.