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# Editoria

some kind of a sermon every day.

### ROAD MAKERS

The condition of the highways of the Province should be a matter of great interest to every good citizen. Even though we may not all enjoy the delight of rolling along these roads either in auto or carriage yet we know that the roads form a true asset to the life of the com-

munity.

Nova Scotia by the improvement of its main thoroughfares in recent years has greatly added to its resources, and any endeavor to aid in the good work should have our support. It must be recognized that with all that has been done there is yet room for improvement, and if in some way a sense of individual responsibility for the up-keeping of our roads could be impressed upon every citizen it would be a great gain. It is one of the barriers in the way of progress today that we have the habit of looking for governments to do a great many things which should be done by the individual and our road policy is such that we expect the government to do it all. But why should we not take enough personal interest in our highways to occasionally lift a hard. In the cities, if a sidewalk becomes covered with ashes or snow, or is obstructed in any way, the owner of the property in front of which the sidewalk runs feels it to be a duty to take broom or shovel and engage in some manual exercise. But on the same principle surely out through the country the property owner in front of whose land the highway runs might occasionally remove a stone or two, or fill in a cavity, or remove a barrier. We are not suggesting that responsibility be transferred from government to private owner, that responsibility be transferred from government to private owner, but only that we take enough interest in our highways to aid just a but only that we take enough interest in our highways to aid just a little in a practical way in their upkeep. There are many cases where a few moments work with a crow bar, a shovel or a pick would have saved many dollars to the owner of a conveyance. It might not be out of place to suggest that owners of automobiles who travel much over certain pieces of road which need slight repair might occasionally place a shovel in the back seat and spend a few moments in physical exercise, without the lose of any dignity. All over the country there are spots where the werk of a very few moments on a road would make a great change in conditions.

Passing down the street in a city the other day a little man about ten years of age brushed a banana peel from the sidewalk into the gutter. He was a road maker. And in city and in country we can show the same spirit. Be a road maker!

### OVER THE BACK FENCE

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We have often wondered why women stand talking in their back yards, each hand thrust up the other sleeve when they know the water in the dishpan is getting cold and the milk ought to be put away. There isn't any reason. It seems foolish, and it is foolish, but of the word in the same, and the men would do it if they were women. Man would say that if he were going to stay out in the cold he would put on his hat and coat. Woman would, too, if she went through the performance with malice aforethought. But the woman is always going into the house the very next minute. She doesn't, however, even though she believes she will, and come to think of it, a talk over the back fence would never happen if she deliberately planned it and wrapped herself up to keep warm during the performance. A woman never does it deliberately. She just stops as she carries out the potato peelings or hangs up the stockings. First she calls, long distance, to her neighbor, who is sweeping her back steps. Then each moves a little closer until only the fence is between them Each insists that she is very busy and must go in immediately, and each one tries to wrap herself in her apron or her sleeves and each talks and talks. Beginning with the never-disputed fact that woman's work is never done, to say nothing about when it commences, the back fence philosophy ranges widely, settling many minute problems that vex mankind and discussing the more difficult problems of woman's welfare. The experienced housekeeper tells the newly-wed how to mange her husband: "It's best not to tell him everything—what he doesn't kind and discussing the more difficult problems of woman's welfare. The experienced housekeeper tells the newly-wed how to manage her husband: "It's best not to tell him everything—what he doesn't know won't hurt him." The bride says her husband doesn't like biscuits. Well if she makes good b'scuits there is no reason why he should not like them in time. Grocers, milkmen and wash-women are more difficult problems to settle than husbands, and they require hours of comparison and discussion. In the end they are decided in as many different ways as there are women, and are always ready to be brought into discussion again. No, women are not shivering on either side of the fence over solicitude for the political future of on either side of the fence over solicitude for the political future of our city or whether Germany will eventually pay the reparations to France. They are taking care of the real question of life—domestic politics and the eternal war against the high cost of living. God bless, 'em.

### OUR TREATMENT OF PRISONERS

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The Acadian has in season and out during the past few years endeavored to interest our county legislators with regard to the need of some provision being made for a more business-like treatment of persons guilty of minor offences and sentenced to imprisonment. The present method of confining these individuals, often in unsanitary and ill-kept quarters, for months without work of any kind at the public expense appeals to us as decidedly unwise. Viewed either from the standpoint of the offender or the community such a proceeding cannot be logically defended.

In another place in this paper we publish a report of an address delivered before the Rotary Club, of Halifax, by the Warden of the Dorchester Penitentiary, who apparently has made this subject a special study. We commend it to our readers and particularly those who have at heart the welfare of our county and its people. We cannot but feel that under existing conditions the money now expended in the administration of this department of our municipal affairs is practically wasted or worse.

A TIME TO KNOCK

In a local church last Sunday the minister referred in a very suggestive manner to a number of matters demanding consideration on the part of citizens. It is not our intention at the present time to discuss these in detail but merely to point out that we regard the incident as a hopeful one. Some time ago in another church another minister deprecated similar criticism as knocking and admonished his hearers to "boost and not knock". There is a time to boost and there is also a time to knock and when lawlessness is allowed to continue unnoticed the latter procedure ought to be productive of good results, whether administered by the pulpit or the press.

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### SHEFFIELD MILLS

Miss Ruby Rodgers, North Kingston, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Rodgers and other friends.

Rev. G. A. Logan organized a community Sabbath School in the Hall on Surday with an enrolment of 35 pupils.

Mr. Arthur Harris, B. A., A. A. G. O., Organist of Redeemer church, astoria, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Harris.

To the regret of many Mrs. Ratthei, who has given much pleasure by her beautiful voice, leaves the end of the month for her home in Providence. The kindness of Mrs. Ratthei in singing in various churches has been appreciated. Mr. Cecil Harris and two sons motored to Truro while visiting at the Mills, and after visiting friends in Upper Canard returned to Barton.

Miss Ella Kinsman and Miss Cressan, Vancouver, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kinsman.

Miss Laura Ells, D. A. R. Station agent, is spending her vacation at Bras D'Or Lakes, her friend Miss Ray, of Cambridge, accompanying her. Mr. Harry Hoyt is relieving during the absence of Miss Ells.

Mr. Eugene Ells returned to Boston on Tuesday, Mrs. Ells and daughter remaining for a few weeks guests of Mrs. Edgar Ells.

### FORMER TEACHER AT ACADIA SEMINARY MARRIED

SEMINARY MARRIED

The Baptist church at Waterville was the scene of a very pretty and interesting event on the morning of Thursday, August 2nd, when Minnie May, the second daughter of Mr. F. M. Chute, was united in marriage, with William Alfred Maw, head of the Poultry Department, MacDonald College, Quebec. Rév. H. B. Camp, of the Baptist Church, officiated.

Promptly at 9.45 to the strategies of the Materville Baptist Church, officiated.

Promptly at 9.45 to the strategies on the arm of her father, came up the aisle and took her place beside the groom under an arch of ferns and wild flowers. The church which had been very prettily decorated for the occasion by girl friends, was a bower of greenery and cut flowers from the organ loft to the arch.

The bride, who was unattended, looked charming in a sport suit of white Tussach silk with white hat. She carried a heautiful shower bouquet of Ophelia roses and sweet peas. Her travelling suit was blue and grey French flannel, with hat, fur and gloves to match.

After a honeymoon spent at Lake Edwards, Quebec, they will return to their future home at MacDonald College, St. Anne De Bellevue.

### LITERAL LEM AGAIN

Judge Symthe—"The reckless drivers ust go!" Prosecutor—"Yes, but why go so fast,"
Rap-rap-rap—Order in the court-room.

## BIBLE THOUGHT -FOR TODAY-

THAT WHICH SATISFIES:—When fore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? Hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.—Isaiah 55:12.

LORD, LORD:—Not every one that saith unto me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doet the will of my Father which is in heaven.—Matthew 7:21.

DOMINION:—God hath not given us the spirit of fear: but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.—2 Timothy 1.7.

BETTER THAN SILVER AND GOLD:—Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us therewith be content.—
1 Timothy 6:6, 7, 8.

ADMIT THE MASTER:—Behold I stand at the door, and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

He hath that an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith.—Rev. 3:20, 22.

AUGUST 23

PERSONAL SELF GOVERNMENT

He that hath no rule over his own spirit
is like a city that is broken down, and
without walls.—Proverbs 25:28.

## HOMEY PHILOSOPHY FOR . 1923

Once we knew a man in far away India who for more than thirty years had not spoken to a human soul. His last words were that it was better to thiak and do things than to waste time talking; moreover he believed nobody ever had said anything of lasting value. It would be a strange world if all of us just shut up and talked through our actions. Gee, how lonely it would be. Lots of things might be accomplished that are now left undone, but we'd miss that human contact that seems to make the wnole world kin. And it isn't true that nothing has been said of lasting value. There are three everlasting words tha stand as the foundation of human happiness and development; Love one another. We don't need to talk a great deal if we say something.

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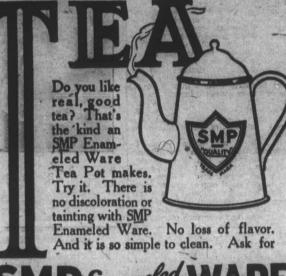
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