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RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

The collapse of a portion of the bridge at Quodvux promises to result in an unfortunate delay in the development of transportation in Canada as a whole. While New Brunswick will suffer to a considerable extent by this disaster it would seem that this province can be placed on a much better footing than at present by the completion of those lines already projected.

Until the bridge is finished through traffic from the west to a Maritime Province port over the G. T. P. will be an impossibility, and it is obvious that the whole line cannot thus be in operation for some five or six years. In New Brunswick the development of traffic of this nature will consequently be delayed, but there is no strong reason why the section of the railroad which it is proposed to build in this province should not be hurried to completion. The G. T. P. will, like other railroads, cater to both through and local traffic. The former must wait; the latter may be developed, and in New Brunswick there is every reason to believe that a highly profitable local business can be secured. A line such as has been surveyed, reaching to rich sections of country hitherto somewhat out of easy access, a line of low grades, and which can carry heavy freight at the minimum rates, should, and no doubt will, almost revolutionize the lumbering industry in a large portion of the province. This is only one field in which traffic may be developed, and there are many others through which profits can be earned through a purely local business.

It must be admitted that the present season has been disappointing in so far as railroad construction is concerned, but in certain respects New Brunswick has not suffered any more seriously than have other parts of Canada. The weather throughout the entire spring and summer has been disheartening, and in some sections the excessive rain has caused a suspension of operations for fully half the time. In addition to this, the prevailing scarcity of labor has wrought havoc with the plans of the contractors. High wages have been offered, but men cannot be had at any price, and the delay and inconvenience caused in this way has been unfortunate. Taking all things into consideration the contractors for the Grand Falls-Quebec Boundary section of the G. T. P. have made creditable progress.

This cannot be said of some of the remainder of the road in New Brunswick. In January last a contract was awarded to the G. T. P. Construction Co. for the building of that portion of the line which will extend from Moncton to a point five or six miles distant from Chipman, the contract being for fifty miles of road. The successful bidders found, however, that they had more work on hand elsewhere than could easily be accomplished, in view of the condition of the labor market, and made an attempt to sublet the contract. At least two other companies, not overburdened with work, would have taken this job at a price slightly lower than the original bid, but did not feel like accepting it at such a reduction as was asked. In consequence of this no sub-contract was made, nor has the G. T. P. Construction Co. even commenced operations. Nothing will likely be done this fall, and by next spring there will be further increases in the cost of labor and materials, and at contract figures it will be even more difficult to sublet the work.

The central section, from Chipman to Grand Falls, has not yet been given out, but tenders will be called within a few weeks, though there is no need of great haste just now. The location survey is being completed, four gangs are at work, and the contracts for this, the only portion over which differences of opinion existed, should be awarded in time for the early commencement of work next spring.

The two hundred and sixty miles of the New Brunswick section of the G. T. P. will be a valuable provincial railroad for the next few years if construction is carried on with reasonable haste. The province will in this matter remain entirely in the hands of the transcontinental companies, but the people will be particularly pleased if these companies insist on no further delay in the construction of the Moncton-Chipman section, and see to it that the middle section is given proper attention. Pending the completion of the whole line as a through system, attention to the needs of local traffic will be appreciated.

GENERAL BOOTH.
St. John is honored by the presence of General Booth, head of the

Salvation Army, and without doubt the most noted Christian worker in the world today. Denounced by Spurgeon and others only a few years ago as one who made religion an object of contempt, and who sought personal notoriety at the sacrifice of all that is best, General Booth has lived to prove that his methods are not those of the demagogue, but having been well applied have wrought results which can be regarded only as wonderful. A devout follower of Wesley, he believed that there were many who were misled by the ordinary work of the church; that much was to be done which could not well be accomplished without some original and energetic effort. He became an evangelist, so called, and the results attending his mission were such that he was induced to extend his field of operations. The Salvation Army, one of the most recent organizations in existence, is now a power for good in almost every country of the world. There are many who are now wholly in sympathy with some of the Army's methods; there can be none who fail to recognize the immense amount of valuable work that is being done. In every line of Christian endeavor General Booth's followers play a part; they know no distinction of race or creed; their minds turn not to the past but to the future, and the earnest practical sympathy extended to those who have wandered from the track, is just what the wanderers need.

General Booth is not a stranger in St. John. He has been warmly received on previous visits, and it is the hope of all that he may be spared to come again. But he is getting to be an old man now; long since he has passed the allotted three score years and ten; and while his constitution seemingly retains its old time vigor, while his health is rugged as in the early days of his career, the passing of time must surely leave its mark. It is unlikely that General Booth will ever undertake another tour of America. Other fields require a share of attention and it may be that St. John will never have the opportunity of greeting this great leader who has done so much for the extension of the Christian faith. The World's Grand Old Man is heartily welcome.

LILACS IN THE CITY.

(By Brian Hooker.)
Amid the rush and fever of the street,
The shrill and clash of countless
quarreling bells,
And the sick heavy heat,
The hissing footsteps, and the hateful
smells,
I found you, speaking quietly
Of sunset hills, horizons and clean
earth;
While the pale multitude that may
not dare
To pause and live a moment, lest they
die,
Swarmed onward with hot eyes, and
left you there—
An armful of God's glory, nothing
worth.

You are more beautiful than I can
know.
Even one loving you might look an
hour
Nor learn the perfect flow
Of line and tint in one small, purple
flower.
There are no two of you the same,
And every one is wonderful and new—
Poor baby-blossoms that have died
And you that droop yourselves as if
for shame,
You too are perfect. I had hardly
known
The grace of your glad sisters but for
you.

You myriad of little blues!
Not as our bitter-plexy, subdued
To cold creed that denies
Or lying law that severs glad
and good;
But like a child's eyes, after sleep
Up-lifted; like a girl's first wordless
prayer
Close-held by him who loves her—no
distress
Nor storm of supplication, but a deep,<
Dear heart-ache of such utter happi-
ness.

As only utter purity can bear.
For you are all the robin feels at dawn.
The meaning of green, dinnies, and
calm noons
On high fields far withdrawn,
Where the larks glimmer and the wild
bee croons.
You are the soul of a June night:
Intimate joy of moon-swept vale and
sable
Warm fragrance breathing upward
from the ground,
And eager winds tremulous with
sharp delight
Till all the tense-undimmed gloom thrills
like a sound
Mystery of sweet passion unafraid.

O sweet, sweet, sweet! you are the
proof of all
That over-truth our dreams have
memory of
That day cannot recall.
Work without weariness, and tearless
love,
And countless laughter. While we run
To measure dust, and sounding names are
hurled
Into the nothingness of days unborn.
You hold your little hearts up to the
sun.
Quietly beautiful amid our accom-
pany
God's answer to the wisdom of this
world.

UNCHANGED BY TIME.

(By Eugene C. Dolson.)
While in her happy home she sees,
With pride and joy, her children dear
To manhood come, and womanhood,
From year to year—

Still, still, enshrined within her heart,
One face can never older grow—
The little child she loved and lost
So long ago!

SATURDAY SERMONETTE

WHAT SHALL I WRITE?

That is a question asked over and over again by thought weary men every day in the week. Sometimes editors of daily papers ask it. There are times when there are so many things to write about that the question is "What shall I write first, and what can I best leave for another day?"

What respect many people would have for the staff of a city daily if they could get behind the scenes and know something of the pressure upon them and how the paper must be out on time no matter who is sick and unfit for work. There are times when they are not the times when an election is on—when what can I grind out today that will be read with interest, the burning question. As a rule the experienced chief of a great paper does his work easily, quickly, accurately, but there are times when even Homer nods and the head aches and seems empty of everything but the pain, and then, for it is almost press time, copy must be ready and the editorial machine goes to work mechanically, automatically and something is handed to the boy who is asking for copy and the editor wonders if he will dare to look over what he has written the next morning.

Instead of complaining of the dullness of the paper and saying "there is nothing in it," we would wonder at its brightness if we could know how much work went into it.

Here is a poor hack writer who must grind out so many words every day or week, to turn his bread and butter, or to get a little jam for his bread, he calls himself a fool more frequently than you do, for he knows even better than you what drive he has written and he knows as you do not, how he has interrupted his work and at the last possible moment had to send away his copy without reading it over for correction.

It is only the man who writes occasionally, who rarely does his work, and proof reader when he finds his pet sentence jumbled. When he has his pen in his hand he comes to have the greatest respect for composition and line type and proof reader very often a bright, bright, bright girl—and he takes off his hat to them; for well he knows it is his quick eyes and accurate knowledge that "frees him from many a blunder."

If I could get behind the scenes into a minister's study I could see him sometimes asking the question, "What shall I preach about?" and if I could know about his trials and how his time has been stolen from him by inconsiderate people I would marvel not at his dry dull sermon, but how he could preach at all. And then I imagine if I could go into a minister's home just after he had heard him sometimes asking the question, "What shall I preach about?" "I wonder what I shall get for dinner?"

And then how many "Flora McFlimsies" are asking themselves the question "What shall I wear to dinner, to ball to church?"

How shall I meet the note maturing? How shall I pay this dun? are questions as old as hard times and bills and duns. But there has always been a way to write "the lender" and if it was not very strong how many found it out?

The sermon was preached and if some person went to sleep when there is a time when people do not use the church for a bedroom? We went to the hall and how many knew our dress was an old one made over? The minister's wife did get up a dinner and how many of the yesterday's dinner warmed over? The debt was paid and we did not go to jail. And my sermon is a reason for the debt I asked myself with an empty head, "What shall I write?" when I commenced it.

THADDEUS

BROKE WORLD'S RECORD FOR A HUNDRED MILES

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 21.—Win. Davis, driving a four cylinder 45 h. p. car in twenty-four hours endurance contest for automobiles at the state fair park yesterday afternoon, completed the first one hundred miles in 2 hrs. 1 min. 19 sec., which is said to be a world's record. The previous record for the distance having been 2 hrs. 2 min. 26 sec.

ACCIDENTS TO SEAMEN.

Deaths from accidents among seamen number thirty-three per 10,000, five times higher than in "dangerous occupations."

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STILL DESTROYING THE LOUVRE PICTURES

PARIS, Sept. 21.—Two more well known pictures in the Louvre galleries have been damaged by unknown vandals. The paintings are Daubigny's landscape called "The Harvest," and a well known impressionist work called "Mond-Olympique."

The vandalism was committed in spite of the elaborate precautions of Louvre officials to protect the paintings in the galleries from just such attacks.

THE GOLDEN CALF.

The Egyptian women were bangle hoppers of gold in their ears, which were regarded as the wearer's choicest possessions and were parted with only under direct stress. The golden calf was supposed to have been made entirely from the earrings of the people.

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Agent.

MARRIAGES

WILLCOX-TURNBULL.—On August 31st, at Withyham, Sussex, England, Henry Howard Willcox of Buffalo, N. Y., to Grace Frederica Turnbull of St. John, N. B.

DEATHS.

WILSON.—At Winnipeg, on September 12, 1907, the death occurred of Andrew Sterling Wilson, aged three months and three days, only child of Andrew T. and Matilda C. Wilson, formerly of St. John.

LARK.—In this city on the 21st inst., Donald, infant son of Justus G. and Lottie Lark, aged 6 months.

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CONTESTED HOSE REEL RACE; STATEMENTS OF WITNESSES

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the man turned coupling I called out to him to stop it.

(Sgd.) THOS. RANAHAN.

Sworn to before me this, the 3rd day of September, 1907.

(Sgd.) JOHN E. WILSON, J. P., For the City and County of Saint John.

JUDGES DECISION.

After weighing the evidence, we decide that Halifax receive first prize, Charlottetown second, and that Sydney be disqualified because Mr. Hart tampered with the hose.

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