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## WOODEN WALKS!

The Mayor of Toronto Denounces Them Strongly.

They are Bad, Unsightly and Expensive, He Says-Calls on the Council Not to Lay Another Foot.

The mayor of Toronto brought down a message on sidewalks Tuesday afternoon, which ought to open the eyes of some people in this city who fondly imagine they are saving money by going in for plank walks. Toronto has engineers and street commissioners without end, they have tried almost everything, and the city has paid for their experience. So the city ought to

know. "For some time past," said the mayor to the council, "I have been giving consideration to the question of sidewalk pavements for the city, and have come to the conclusion that we have been acting most unwisely in the past in putting down so many miles of wooden walks."

The mayor, in further condemnation of the waste involved by laying wooden sidewalks, produced the following opinion from John Jones, city street

"The average life-time of an ordinary plank walk is four or five years, during which time it will require but little repairing, but after this it requires constant repairing and supervision, so that an additional four or five years' wear may be obtained, and then, adding the cost of repairs to the original cost of construction, you have a figure in exfirst place to have constructed a first class walk of the same dimensions with hard grey sewer brick; and there is the further advantage in favor of brick that it will last in my opinion, at least twenty years with comparatively little repairing.

His worship then goes on to strongly favor Mr. Jones' recommendation for brick.

He says, "Brick makes a first class payement, and can be constructed at a slightly increased cost over wood. Brick is used largely in American cities and in the old country, and even in this city it is beyond the experimental stage, and is demonstrated to be most suitable for sidewalk purposes.

Six different kinds of bricks were put down as a sample. They have all stood well, with the exception of one lot of shale brick, which had not been vitrified. The city's experience with the two pavements above referred to should convince every member of the council and every citizen of Toronto that the time has come when we should discard and absolutely cease laying wooden sidewalks.

"I think that Mr. Jones' estimate of the life-time of a first-class brick sidewalk is very moderate, and I am more disposed to think that a pavement of this kind, properly put down, will last for a great many years longer than the period mentioned by The cost of such a pavement, according to the city engineer's estimate, would be sixty cents per lineal foot for a sex-foot walk, and if the time of payment for such a walk were extended over a term of years, it would only amount to eight cents per foot per annum. This is such a small charge that I think there are few property owners in Toronto who would object to it, as in the long run it would be far cheaper than a wooden sidewalk, and we also save in the neighborhood of \$20,000, which amount is annually paid for the purpose of partially keeping wooden sidewalks in repair. The cost of a six foot sidewalk laid with vitrified paving brick, upon concrete foundation, would be about nine-

ty cents per lineal foot. "In view of the facts which I have laid before you as to the cost of brick pavements, in view of the probable lifetime of brick, and in view of the fact that claims for damages will be greatly reduced, the cost of repairs the same, the better appearance that such a pavement will give to the city, and in view of the fact that the wooden sidewalk is unsatisfactory, and only makeshift, that the cost of the same



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BUNGLING THE FISHERY RE-GULATIONS.

The bass fishing regulations have again been changed. It will be remembered that at the instance of M. K. bered that at the instance of M. K.
Cowan, the young Liberal M. P. for
Essex south, a Yankee fishing club at
Pelee Island and the natives adjacent
to their preserves were granted leave by to their preserves were granted leave by our wise and patriotic government to fish a month longer than the rest of us.

Mr. Cowan ably pointed out that the water in that section was very cold, throat and lung diseases, Ayer's Cherry that the fish spawned much later than related to the later than the results than a neglected cold or cough. For all throat and lung diseases, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the best remedy. It is invested to the later than the related to the later than the related to the later than the related to the later than the rest of us. that the fish spawned much later than in Lake St. Clair and the neighboring rivers and that consequently the close season should begin later. Well, this GRAND NEWYORKEX URSION VIA widely read and influential family newspaper protested against a few Yankee sportsmen being granted exceptional privileges in Canada.

Instead of cancelling the outrageous license given them the blunderers at Ottawa proceeded, according to Mr. Cowan's arguments, to make things worse by opening up the Lake St. Clair district also. They are trying to put us on a footing with their Yankee friends instead of putting their Yankee friends on a level with us. If the spawning season in the warm water of Lake St. Clair is as much earlier as Mr. Cowan says the permitting of net fishing in its waters until May 15 must inevitably injure the base. And if the blunder is repeated one or two years it will no doubt result in their entire distruction in that lake.

THE NOVA SCOTIA ELECTIONS.

The Liberal Government in Nov. Scotia, according to the Liberal press has scored a brilliant victory. With only some 28 or 30 supporters against 5 or 6 Conservatives it precipitated the elections before the time, caught its opponents napping when it already had its own party primed, invoked the aid of the Dominion Government, got that Government to hold back the tariff bill to aid its chances and then went to the country. Under those circumstances it held its own. Mostly any government ought to.

The tariff tinkers will now proceed to show us what they didn't do in nine long months.

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How would it do to dedicate the proposed new block pavement on King street to Her Majesty as a Jubilee memorial. The truly great will not despise small things.

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of the feat. Laying the dollar flat on the table, he held the card on edge just behind it.

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shoved through the hole ir the card
until it touched the edge of the coin. "Pushing the dollar—through the hole, see?" "Here comes Jouesey, said the loser." "Lend me your dollar and your funny card and I'll get revenge.
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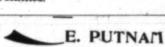
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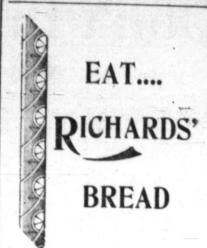
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