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## Old Europe Shows Us The Way.

HE Toronto World in a recent issue preached the following pointed sermonette on the evils of poor roads: "As the result of an inquiry made by the United States Department of Agriculture, replies were received from over 1,200 counties, giving the cost of hauling crops in various parts of the United States. The average load hauled was found to be 2,002 pounds; the average length of haul, 12.1 miles; the average cost of hauling a ton of crops to market was \$3.03; while the average cost of hauling a ton for a distance of one mile was 25 cts. In order to compare the roads of the United States with those of Europe, the bureau, through its consuls. made careful inquiry on the subject of cost of hauling in England, France, Ger-many, Belgium, Italy and Switzerland The average cost of hauling one ton one mile was found to be in England 10 cts.; in France, 10 cts.; in Germany, 8½ cts.; in Belgium, 9½ cts.; in Italy, 7½ cts., and in Switzerland, from 6 to 8 cts., the average for all these European States being 8.6 cts. per ton per mile. More than one cause may enter into this determination of cost, but that the great cost in America is due to our poorly-made dirt roads is proved by the fact that while over the superb roads of Europe a farmer will