

The Peoples' Forum

[Contributions to this department on matters of public interest are invited.]

AN EYESORE

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.

Dear Sir:—Since coming to your beautiful town I have often walked up towards the "Ridge" along what is known as Central avenue. The hill is steep but I have always been more than repaid by the magnificent view spread out before me as I turned toward the north. I have visited places in America from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from Winnipeg on the north to San Diego in the south but have never seen anything that appealed to me more than the panorama that may be viewed any fine day from the upper portion of Central avenue.

But, Mr. Editor, imagine my feelings when I visited this place a few days ago and found immediately in the foreground the wreck of a shanty and a pile of half rotten timbers that would be despised in the slums of any self-respecting city.

I am told that the shanty was hauled to this spot and with the addition of the half-rotten timber is to be turned into a house.

Can it be possible that the town authorities will allow such a desecration of their chief asset?

VISITOR

FITTING NAME FOR WOLFVILLE'S STREETS

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.

Dear Sir:—I find myself in hearty accord with a correspondent, who signs himself or herself "Citizen", in your valuable paper of the 22nd inst., with regard to renaming of Wolfville streets. I would go a step further and would respectfully suggest that there be some correspondence between the character of streets and the names to be attached to them, so that in future days when strangers shall ask "What's in a name?" the answer will be obvious to every child.

There are streets to which the name "Cramp", "Crawley", "Trotter", "Sawyer", "Rockefeller" could be attached without doing violence to the eternal fitness of things. For instance, the name of "Cramp" could well be applied to the thoroughfare on which the drug stores are situated. "Crawley" could be attached to the street leading to the highest hill. It expresses the feeling and movement which many pedestrians have experienced ere they reached the top. What more suitable name than "Trotter Drive" could be found for the street on which most of the fast driving is done? The name "Sawyer" could be employed

with equal applicability to one of the streets where wood-sawyers have committed the most ruthless slaughter among the shade trees to make room for telephone and light wires. I might suggest that the name "Rockefeller" be reserved for a sidewalk. But that might lead to conflict between peaceful neighbors, for there are so many sidewalks to which the name is painfully applicable. The one which passes my door should have the first claim—it is a "rocky-feller", indeed—and has caused many a sprained ankle. Perhaps the sidewalk adjudged second in roughness and in stony affluence could be called Rockefeller Junior.

When it comes to naming streets, it is about as difficult as finding a suitable name for a baby. But, believe me, there are few families who would change "Earncliffe" for "Cramp", however significant that name might be. But to go back to the Wolfville streets, I am sure the Town Council will give my suggestions the consideration which their weight and worth deserve.

ANOTHER CITIZEN.

THOSE STREET NAMES

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.

Dear Sir:—Some weeks ago a letter appeared in your paper signed by our genial friend, the Rector of St. John's church, expressing his emphatic disapproval of the present names of the town streets and suggested that the names of long dead and departed worthies be substituted.

In last evening's issue we read another communication on the same subject supporting Mr. Dixon's proposal in changing the names of the streets and mentioned names of College dignitaries, some long since departed and unknown to the rising generation. Now, Mr. Editor, the "world do move", and when we are under the

daisies, who have also done some thing for the town, why not change again and let our names become prominent and noticeable, especially as they are certainly more euphonious and pleasing than some of those cited by "Citizen".

In the humble opinion of the writer the present street names are both suitable and suggestive.

A VOTER.

April 23, 1921.

THE MEMORIAL

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.

Dear Sir:—Your comment of last week on Wolfville's Memorial to our fallen heroes of war was, in my humble opinion, most timely. Any criticism that is to be made should be offered while the work is incomplete. I agree with you that the present design might be very much improved upon and in the manner you sug-

gest. You are careful, I notice, in declining to fix the responsibility for the design of the monument recently placed on the

grounds of the government building. Permit me to point out that the same genius is responsible for the architecture of that magnificent structure on Main

street occupied by the Telephone Co., and to which citizens so often point with pride.

CRITIC.



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