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NOTES.

The progressive town attracts progressive people.

A country that can produce such weather as this is a good one to live in.

Keep your cash for home investments. Cease helping to fill the pockets of Western land speculators.

Perhaps some of the British statesmen who are the objects of the wrath of the militant Suffragettes would be willing to exchange places with some of the combatants in Mexico.

A large proportion of our "troubles" never materialize. A short time ago one of the great sources of worry was that we would have no ice for next summer. Did you ever see a better crop of ice harvested than the one this winter?

During 1912 the County Council assessed the ratepayers \$10,000 for road repairs. Ingersoll's proportion of that amount is about \$700 and not one dollar of the \$10,000 was spent on our streets. Should we contribute that amount, and probably more in future, towards repairs on rural roads?

The council of 1913 should seriously consider the question of separation from the county for municipal purposes. The time has arrived when about all the advantages to be derived go to the county. It is up to Ingersoll's representatives in the County Council to furnish the town council with the data.

In Town and Out.
(Canadian Courier.)

Whether one lives in the town or in the country, he is interested in the methods adopted to keep the rural population on the land. As citizens, we are either interested in land development or in the price of products grown on the land. To every householder and every housewife this is a vital problem. Even those who live in apartments are affected by the prices of apples, potatoes, butter, eggs, cheese, poultry and meats.

Therefore we should all take a deep and abiding interest in all efforts to keep the people on the land, and to enlarge the output derived from every unit of labor. Canada's urban population, as in other countries, is growing faster than its rural population, hence the price of foodstuffs goes steadily up. Every effort to stem this tide is vital to us all, vital individually and vital nationally. Cheap food means strong, healthy bodies. Cheap food means lower wages for the mechanic and still leaves him a wider margin for saving. Cheap food begets cheap manufacturing.

Every movement to teach agriculture in rural schools, every change towards graded country schools instead of the one-roomed school-house of old, every advance in the methods of production employed by the farmer means better times for him and for the rest of us.

Social Reform.

At a recent conference in Edinburgh Mrs. Sidney Webb, whose work and writings on social reform are well known to all those interested in the subject, proposed the following resolution, which was agreed to.

That parliament devote the whole of next session to the consideration and passing of measures which will permanently raise the standard of life of the large masses of the working people who are suffering from the evils of poverty, and that this be done by means of legislation to secure:

- 1.—A legal minimum wage.
- 2.—Reduction of the hours of labor.

3.—Complete provision against sickness.

4.—A national minimum of child nurture.

5.—Prevention of unemployment.

6.—Healthy homes for all.

7.—The abolition of the poor law.

"The above program may seem to be a little ahead of public opinion in some particulars, but in the light of what has taken place in Great Britain within the last few years, it cannot be said to be made up of dreams." In fact, if Lloyd George is kept where he is much longer, it is pretty certain of complete, or almost complete realization."

Brantford Expositor.—The State of Washington is the first state to consider seriously a proposal to provide for the destitute wives of inmates of penal institutions, and a measure is now before the Legislature which says that the state or county shall pay to such wives \$1.50 a day for each day that the imprisoned husband works either in prison or in road gangs. There is often a long way, however, between the introduction of a bill and its adoption, and it is not safe to assume that this particular proposal will become law. It is, however, to be regarded as a step in the direction of dealing with an evil which many legislatures have confessed to have an existence, but have been unwilling to tackle.

ON AN EVERLASTING TOPIC

Mr. Louis Tribus, Consulting Engineer, at the annual meeting of the American Society of Municipal Improvements, read a paper on "The City Economic." In it he holds that beauty and convenience may be considered together. Why, he asks, have congested districts grown up in most cities? And he answers: "Simply because the community as a whole has neglected its duty." There are certain basic principles, he thinks, which will be recognized by all.

"1. That the worker should be able at the minimum expense of time and money to earn his wage, to raise his family, to enjoy the necessities and privileges of pure light, water, air, etc., and to secure helpful recreation both intellectual and physical. Moral and religious education have not been included, for, given the named essentials, more uplift will follow without special fostering and man being naturally a religious creature, given proper conditions of life, will secure necessary satisfaction for such cravings.

"2. That the factory, shop or store shall receive supplies and deliver output with economy of transportation and time.

"3. That the central civic features such as public buildings, large parks, waterfront development and specially important educational, historical and art institutions, shall be within easy reach of all portions of the community.

"4. That public transportation lines shall be so designed as to deliver to and take from the various lesser centres which will develop in meeting the foregoing conditions, the thousands of people who would seek at times the greater centres, without congestion or discomfort, and at equal cost to all."

Some Municipal Experiments.

Kingston Whig: Westmount, a part of Montreal some time ago decided to appoint a manager of public affairs. Westmount is a progressive constituency. To keep up with the requirements, the council met about three times a week last year, and business men concluded that this involved too great a tax upon them. Hence, the idea of a manager, one who, with a knowledge of municipal affairs and experience, would give the business his time and attention, and see that the legislation of the council was carried out.

Fort William is about to try the same experiment. It has appointed a civic expert at \$5,000 a year. He will, it is said, be clothed with large powers, will have control of all the departments and will systematize the ideas. Some one, passing judgment upon the experiment, remarks: "The watchful eye, the practical application of ideas, the centralization of their workings, according to the authority coupled with prudence of action, are all factors that should make for the success of the innovation."

Now this is a development which is not calculated to extend very widely rapidly. The manager is but a substitute for the mayor, who has ordinarily the supervision of the public departments, but has not the time which effective supervision involves.

The council still rules with its committees and their irregular service. A manager—a new official reporting to the council but not to the people and in no way subject to them will not reign very long. He will be like unto the commissioners of utilities in some cities that are appointed by the council. Sooner or later they and the council clash, and their usefulness is at an end.

The Montreal Board of Trade passed a resolution calling for lower marine insurance.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets after five years of suffering and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by all dealers.

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Fairy Touch of U. S. Steel Makes Sandwich Man Rich

Windsor, Feb. 23.—Like the magic touch of a fairy wand turning everything to gold is the effect on adjacent property in Sandwich of the recent announcement that the United States Steel Corporation will spend \$20,000,000 in erecting another new Canadian steel plant there. A practical and striking demonstration of this rapid increase in land values came last week to Henry N. Williams, when he sold a 160-acre farm just back of the Steel Corporation's property for \$500 an acre. Mr. Williams bought the land seventeen years ago for \$25 an acre. Leaving taxes and other expenses out of consideration, his profit would be \$76,000, or 1,900 per cent. The farm covers an area one-half mile long on each side, and is situated on the southeast corner of the Malden and Elliott roads, just back of Ojibawa. The sale was made to a syndicate, but Mr. Williams was unable to learn what interests it represents.

C. H. Silson, of Picton, was chosen town foreman for Galt.

HYMENEAL.

Pasley—White.

A quiet wedding took place in London on February 19th, when Miss Pearl White, a daughter of Mr. T. White of this town, was united in marriage to Mr. Fred Pasley of London. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Clark of London. Mr. and Mrs. Pasley went to Toronto for their wedding trip and on their return will take up their residence in London.

DEACONESS WORK.

I wish to thank the philanthropic people of Ingersoll who are so liberally supporting the work of the sewing class held in St. James' parish hall every Friday from 1 to 4.30 p.m. I desire also to report a very encouraging result from labor, time, and money expended in behalf of this social service. Seventy-six garments have been cut out, basted in the meeting and instruction given for the making which is done chiefly at the homes of the mothers, and returned for inspection and further guidance at the following meeting. When we think that only six meetings have been held we consider ours a good return. I desire to thank Mesdames Thompson, Caddy, Scoffin, Calder and Misses Wilson, Richardson, Logan and others for their kind service. Mesdames Gibson, Boyse, Dunn, Sumner Forman, Canfield, for gifts of material "Cast thy bread upon the waters and thou shalt find it after many days." Mrs. Wm. Thompson gave the Bible

reading at the mothers' meeting on Wednesday, the subject being, "The Finished work of Christ in Redemption." Vocal and instrumental music was rendered by Misses Webster and Brown. We gratefully acknowledge several parcels of clothing received. These are of material help in the work. Ida E. Collins, Deaconess.

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