Just Folks.

By EDGAR A. GUEST.

HOMESICKNESS.

The thoughtless say that trees are trees wherever they may grow
And men are men where'er they meet, but this is never so.
For every homesick heart will sigh until his journey's o'er
To see the gentle maple tree which stands before his door.

I've stood upon the crowded streets and watched the men go by,
But in the multitudes of smile a lonely man was I.
A lonely and weary man who watched them come and go
And hungered for the little street where walk the men I know.

I've seen the sun come up by day and seen the moon arise,
I've watched as shepherds, long ago, the constellated skies,
But sun and moon and stars, I swear, do not so brightly shine
As when I see them high above that little house of mine.

The homesick boy upon the curb would turn away from kings
To meet the man who comes from home and hear the news he brings,
Though countless robins sang to him he still would hunger for
The robins nesting in the tree which stands before his door.

Tit for Tat.

At a busy street crossing the policeman on point of duty had just stopped a taxi driver to enable the cross traffic to proceed.

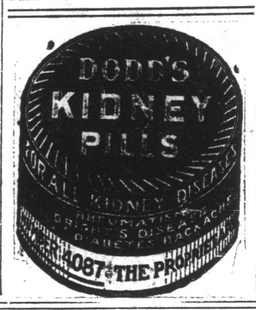
Now the man in blue kept the taximan waiting longer than was strictly necessary, so that the latter, beginning to get restive, started to proceed, although the hand was still against him.

The policeman turned to him in a rage.

"Don't you see my hand?" he asked.

The taximan smiled scornfully. "Well I did notice that it began to get dark suddenly," he said, "but I didn't know it was your hand. You see, it's taking me all my time to keep out of the way of your feet."

Stockings which are stained from the inside lather of a shoe may be cleaned if one teaspoonful of borax is put in the water in which they are washed.



Force of Example.

Bobby's mother was anxious to know whether he had obeyed her injunctions and behaved like a little gentleman at the party. He assured her that he had.

"When Mrs. Brown asked me to take another piece of cake, I said, 'No, thanks.'"

"Did she ask you again?"

"Yes, and I told her that I had had enough. But after a while she asked me once more."

"And what did you say that time?"

"I said what pa always says. I told her to take the stuff away."

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Municipal Council.

WEEKLY MEETING.

The weekly meeting of the Municipal Council was held yesterday afternoon. The Mayor presided and all Councillors were present.

After the preliminary business of the meeting was disposed of, the following matters were given attention:

Dr. L. V. Keegan drew attention to the condition of Forest Road, which, he stated, was complained of by ambulance drivers. Orders will be given to have this road immediately repaired.

Mr. White wrote re the treatment of city streets with "Tarvia," stating from standpoint of cleanliness and preservation of streets this treatment has been most successful, the only objection to its use being from horse-owners, who find the tarred streets during this season and wet weather, very dangerous. He suggested the advisability of having the oiled surface coated with fine chipped stone. At a previous meeting the Council gave instructions to the Road Department along the lines suggested. Mr. White is to be thanked for his interest in the matter.

Mr. A. Snow, Springdale Street, asked that houses on this street be renumbered; that, at present, the residents are caused considerable annoyance and inconvenience owing to numbers being incorrect.

This was ordered to be attended to immediately.

Inspector General Hutchings, in reply to Council's communication, re the parking of vehicles on Barter's Hill, stated that owing to the present congested condition of New Gower Street, particularly on Saturdays, the police had to order owners of such vehicles to park same on the cross streets. He also informed the Board that before long it would be necessary to pass regulations to prevent vehicles from suburbs and nearby outports parking on such streets as New Gower and Duckworth Streets.

The City Engineer pointed out the necessity of piling certain places on the Southside Road. It was ordered that specifications be prepared and tenders called for same.

It was ordered that the Avalon Telephone Company be communicated with and asked to have the telephone poles moved back to new street line, as in their present position they are dangerous to vehicular traffic.

The Plumbing Inspector reported during the week notices had been served on several house owners to install sanitary appliances, and that many already notified had complied with the regulations.

The following plans were approved: M. Janes (extension) Cookstown Road; B. Manuel (extension) Freshwater Road; Mr. A. Dawe, Alexander Street must submit ground plan before his application for permission to erect dwelling can be given consideration.

Health Officer Brehm reported four cases of Diphtheria and five Scarlet Fever.

Report on City Tax Collections, amounting to $2515.00, for the week was tabled. In this connection notice has been served on all persons who have not yet paid, requesting immediate settlement, and the Solicitors are getting after delinquents.

The reports of the City Engineer, Sanitary Supervisor, etc., were read, accounts presented ordered paid. The meeting then adjourned.

Household Notes.

To prevent a scum from forming on starch which must stand for a while after made, sprinkle top of starch with cold water.

Ends of crochet cotton are nice for sewing on buttons and working buttonholes, as crochet cotton is unusually strong and smooth.

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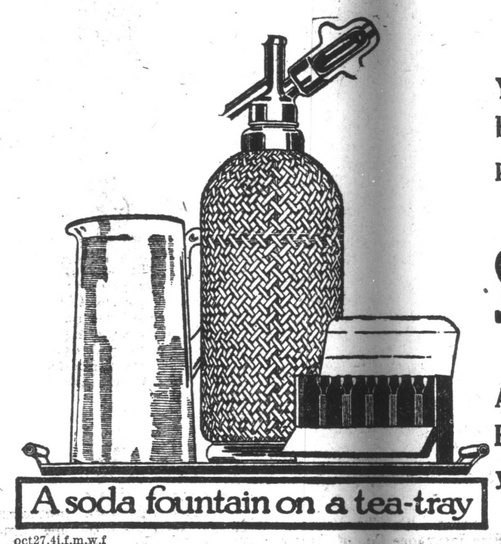

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