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A MUCH ABUSED LAW

There is a provision in the Towns' Incorporation Act which makes it illegal for any person who is a party in any contract with the town—either expressed or implied—for the supply of material or the performance of any work, from filling the position of mayor or town councillor, or any office under the town government for which salary is paid. Ever since Wolfville became a town under this act this section of the law has been a veritable "thorn in the flesh" to the city fathers, and from time to time amusing expedients have been resorted to in order that it might be evaded without the fact becoming apparent to the ratepayer. Frequently some particular article was required for use which could only be procured in Wolfville from a member of the class excluded from the privilege of dealing with the town. In such cases the common method has been to render the bill in the name of a "third party". There have been mayors and councillors who insisted that such a policy was not consistent with the sacred oath of office, and others who had no hesitation in declaring the law a bad one and not worthy of being regarded or observed.

Unquestionably those who were responsible for the drafting of the "Towns' Incorporation Act" considered this prohibition as being in the interest of the public safety, and we can readily see how its absence might open the door under certain conditions to dealings that might be detrimental to civic interests. One thing is certain, this requirement should either be duly and faithfully observed or steps should be taken to eliminate it from the charter. Other towns, we understand, have had similar experiences to Wolfville and probably some of them have made similar evasions. Under the circumstances it is a wonder that no attempt has been made to have the law so amended as to solve the difficulty, but so far as we know the idea has not even been suggested, and this paper is not inclined to recommend such action as desirable.

LOCATION OF TOWN OFFICES

The change that has been recently made in the location of the town offices does not appear to be meeting with any general approval. Criticism is made that the new offices are too far removed from the business centre and that it was a mistake to enter into a contract for such a long term without consulting the citizens.

Be that as it may the incident recalls that on one occasion in the history of the town there was a well considered move made for securing adequate accommodations in a municipal building which would furnish room for all the town's needs and be at once a credit and convenience to the community. The matter was voted on by the citizens and passed by a good majority, but was held up by the interference of the legislature, which regarded the wishes of the minority which chanced to include some of its political friends. Had this important undertaking gone through and the wishes of the citizens been regarded Wolfville would not be in the position in which it now finds itself, as ample provision would have been made at a time when a good building might have been erected at a comparatively small cost, and a suitable site might easily have been secured.

HIGH PRICE OF IMPORTED FRUITS

Last week we referred to the fishermen as a class that are not receiving proper compensation considering the excessive prices which the consumer of the product of their labors is paying. Another class of people who are apparently suffering from the same inequality is the farmer. The other day at a town grocery we saw one of these receiving for butter twenty cents per pound and for eggs twenty-five cents per dozen, in spite of the fact that for goods which he is obliged to buy he is often called upon to pay three times normal prices, or more.

One instance of this is the price of imported fruits such as bananas, which formerly sold for from fifteen to twenty-five cents per dozen and now cost seventy. If patriotically inclined we should refrain from purchasing these expensive foreign products and in so far as we can do so endeavor to make our living on the products of our own land. Such a policy would do more than anything else to bring about normal conditions and a return to the old time prosperity which as a people we enjoyed before the war.

BOOST YOUR TOWN

"My town is the place where my home is founded, where my business is located, where my vote is cast, where my children are educated, where my neighbors dwell, and where my life is chiefly lived. I have chosen it, after due consideration, from among all the towns of the earth. It is the home spot for me. My town has a right to my civic loyalty. It supports me, and I must support it. My town wants my citizenship not partizanship friendship, not offishness; co-operation not dissension; sympathy, not criticism; my intelligent support, not indifference. My town supplies me with law and order, trade and friends, education, morals, recreation, and the rights of a free-born Canadian. I should believe in my town and work for it, and I will".

The above, from an exchange, is good horse sense. It displays the proper spirit, and is applicable to any town. Why should we not all be boosters for this town? The answer must, perforce, be in the affirmative. Every resident should be a supporter to advance this town in every way, and to quote a Coueism, "Make it better day by day, and in every way".

Read the advertisements every week and you will be surprised to find how many messages seem to bear directly on your needs and desires, and how they solve the problem of prices.

A car going 20 miles an hour should stop under proper control within 30 feet. If your car doesn't do this, except by slamming on the emergency, the service breaks should be adjusted.

A man isn't an intellectual genius unless he has his photograph taken with his chin resting in his hand, and maybe even then he isn't.

Automobile tourists in Austria must deposit the sum of 10,000,000 crowns before their cars are permitted to enter the country.

A little wisdom is a dangerous thing, but a little widow is much more so.

SUMMER CRUISES

S. S. "FORT HAMILTON"
Halifax, N. S.

QUEREC to NEW YORK

Plan your Summer trip by this cruise to Quebec and enjoy the eight days of wonderful Canadian maritime scenery, the exhilarating sea air, and the comforts of the modern ocean liner.

To England
S.S. "DIGBY" S.S. "SACHEM"
Regular Sailings.
Cabin class only.

For sailings and rates apply to

Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd.
Halifax, N. S.

CONTROLLING THE MOSQUITO

The discomfort produced by the mosquito during the early summer months leads not only the scientist but the man on the street to consider whether the pest cannot be controlled. The question often asked, "Of what value is the mosquito?" has not been, satisfactorily answered. Fortunately, methods of controlling this insect have been discovered and are being applied with greater or less success. Portions of the tropics would, perhaps, never have been made habitable for the white man had not successful mosquito control methods been discovered. The means employed in the tropics have been found applicable to other places.

It has long been understood that the multiplication of the mosquito depends on pools or areas of water, more or less stagnant. In these the mosquito deposits its eggs, which soon develop into larvae and then into adult insects. The larvae, it has been discovered, are destroyed by contact with an oily substance. The remedy, therefore, is found in applying oil to the breeding places of the insect. A very small amount has been found sufficient to spread itself over a considerable area of water. This extremely thin layer is sufficient to destroy all of the larvae that comes in contact with it.

The Entomological Branch of the Federal Department of Agriculture has for several years been working on this problem in British Columbia. Last year the district surrounding the town of Banff in Alberta was dealt with. An area of several miles in extent was surveyed and breeding places were treated. The area treated included both open ponds and marshy spots clothed with dense willow growths. The work was done during May and June, when 2,800 gallons of oil were applied. Watering cans and knapsack sprayers were used in spreading the oil, which was sprayed on all water where larvae were found. Coal oil alone was used, as it was feared that, owing to cold nights, heavier oil would not become thoroughly distributed. Although a number of inaccessible places were missed, the results of the oiling were very marked. It is estimated that seventy-five percent of control was realized. In an article describing this work, in the May-

June number of The Agricultural Gazette of Canada, the author states that the town of Banff and vicinity was rendered comparatively free from the pest.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia.

For Fascinating Eyes

Make the Use of **MURINE** a Daily Habit. This Refreshing Eye Lotion soon Makes Eyes Clear, Radiant, Beautiful, Harmless, Enjoyable. Sold by All Druggists.



MURINE
For Your EYES

If you think of

BORROWING MONEY

for improvements or alterations etc.

CONSIDER

Our Instalment Re-payment Plan. \$1000.00 costs in eight years \$1353.60 or just \$353.60 interest for that term. This is equal to \$44.20 per year on every \$1000.00. And the loan cannot be called in during the term agreed upon, but you can pay it off at any time.

The above is based on monthly repayments — you can have quarterly or half yearly terms.

THE EASTERN CANADA SAVINGS & LOAN CO., OF HALIFAX

Apply to

R. B. Blauvelde, Agent,
Wolfville, N. S.

Self-Filling Fountain Pen

FREE

One of these pens will be given away **Free** with every new subscription to **THE ACADIAN**.

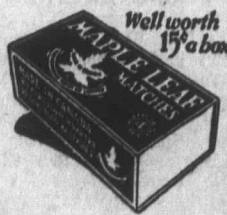
This is a splendid pen, made in Japan of bamboo, and is being sold by agents everywhere at \$2.75. By special arrangement we are able to give you this pen and a year's subscription to **THE ACADIAN** for the price of the subscription alone, \$2.00 (price to U. S. \$2.50).

The above offer is good for a limited time only so send in your subscription today. Upon receipt of the \$2.00 we will enter your name on our books to receive **THE ACADIAN** for a whole year and will immediately send you by mail a Bamboo Craft Self Filling Fountain Pen.

Do It Now

7 reasons why you should demand them

1. Different and better
2. Stronger and safer
3. Contain no poison
4. Rats won't gnaw them
5. Withstand more moisture
6. Will not glow after use
7. Canadian made for Canadians



MAPLE LEAF
Different and better **MATCHES**

THE CANADIAN MATCH CO LIMITED, MONTREAL

FIRST THE BOY, THEN THE MAN

YOUR boy—any boy—has the right to expect from his parents the best they can afford to give him to equip him to fight life's battles when he reaches man's estate. Build up his future—\$10 saved each month for his education will mean \$1,399 in the Bank in ten years.



THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

WOLFVILLE—R. CREIGHTON, Mgr.
PORT WILLIAMS—R. S. HOCKEN, Mgr.

This Trade Mark is Your Safeguard



EVERY genuine piece of SMP Enamelled Ware carries the SMP shield shape trade mark. Only the choicest articles carry this sign. It guarantees the value in the article, and the use of SMP Enamelled Ware itself guarantees quick heating of foods; absolute purity; ease of cleaning, tenderly cooked food and long wear. Ask the hardware merchant for

SMP Enamelled WARE

Three finishes: Pearl Ware, two coats of pearly grey enamel inside and out. Diamond Ware, three coats, light blue and white outside, white lining; Crystal Ware, three coats, pure white inside and out, with Royal Blue Edging.

The Long Distance Telephone is the Standby of the Travelling Salesman

When he waves good-bye to his family he isn't able to dismiss family affairs entirely from his mind.

There may be sickness in the little household, an instalment on the price of his home may be nearing due date, the question of where the family is to spend vacation may have to be decided, and a dozen other things may need to be attended to. He hates to leave all these difficulties to his wife, but duty calls and he must go.

He has one great consolation, however.

There's the Long Distance Telephone at his service!

His wife knows his route, and can at need call him and get his advice; and he can lighten his own anxieties by calling up his house, finding how things are going and giving any directions he thinks necessary to help his wife.

These Long Distance Telephone Talks are great mind easers to him, and result in more aggressive salesmanship on his part.

Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company Limited

Boston and Yarmouth Steamship Co., Limited

FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICE

FOUR TRIPS WEEKLY FARE \$9.00

Leave Yarmouth Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 6.30 p.m. (Atlantic Time).

Return, Leave Boston Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 2 p.m. (Daylight Saving Time).

For staterooms and other information apply to

J. E. KINNEY, Superintendent, Yarmouth, N. S.

YALE LOCKS and HARDWARE

Yale Builders' Locks and Hardware are the finest expression of good taste combined with security, for your home or place of business. Yale Padlocks are made for every purpose from locking a hen coop to protecting a million dollar warehouse.

Yale Night Latches are especially designed to reinforce doubtful locks.

Yale Guard Locks are the utmost protection against the burglar who uses a jimmy.

Yale Door Closers are silent faithful servants who save you the annoyance of open or slamming doors.

When selecting your Locks and Hardware look for the name Yale. Buy the name Yale.

Our stock of Yale goods is complete, covering a wide range of finishes and designs.

Our service is backed by experience and we stand back of all merchandise we sell.

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"Yale Distributors for the Valley."

KENTVILLE, N. S.