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Editorial

Our pulpits are our work clothes. Each of us live some kind of a sermon every day.

GRAVEL VERSUS CRUSHED ROCK

THAT A great deal of money has been practically wasted in the construction of gravel roads in this province is beyond question. When we say this we do not for a moment question the fact that the highways in many directions have been vastly improved and are in much better condition than they were a few years ago. It has been proved, however, that gravel roads are expensive and far from permanent.

That section of the provincial highway between Wolfville and Kentville has received pretty nearly continuous attention during the past three years and is still in a far from satisfactory condition. When the work was under contemplation a delegation from the municipalities especially interested urged that macadam should be used instead of gravel, but without avail. Experience has pretty well established that the people were right and the Highway Board wrong on that occasion.

The writer was interested to note recently that on the northern side of the Valley where work is now being done gravel is not being used. There rock of various sizes is being used and apparently the macadam system is being followed. The reason given by employees was that no gravel was to be had in that locality, which is a fortunate thing for those who use the roads. We were told that the price of the material was very little if any greater, and the life of the road cannot fail to very much be more lasting.

SAFETY FIRST

THESE DAYS when motor vehicle traffic has grown to such proportions the driver who wishes to protect his car and the lives of his passengers from injury has little time to admire the scenery. It is necessary for him to attend closely to business and keep his eyes on the road in front of him. Because of these conditions in most places those who are responsible for public safety are looking about for opportunity to make the task of the motorist as easy as possible.

In the state of Maine a law has recently been passed which provides that "the state highway police shall remove all signs, billboards, panels, placards, posters, notices or other advertising devices existing within the limit of the highway". This is to prevent the possibility of the drivers attention being averted and in order that he may realize that any sign which appears is intended for his guidance.

It seems to us that the provision is a wise one and worthy of imitation. Aside from the disfigurement of the landscape which much of the advertising matter along our highways undoubtedly does, the fact that its presence endangers the safety of the traveling public ought to be a sufficient reason for its removal and prohibition.

MORE CO-OPERATION NEEDED

THE REPORT that the employees of one of the industrial concerns of the Maritime Provinces have made an offer to work overtime free of charge in order that their employers may be able to compete on favorable terms with foreign manufacturers, indicates the existence of a spirit which alone can straighten out the tangle resulting from and following the Great War. This is the spirit which more than once during those dark days when defeat threatened made victory possible.

Of late years there has been a falling down, which in Canada as well as in other lands, has made for conditions which have been far from satisfactory. There has been friction between labor and capital which not only has resulted to the detriment of both the contesting forces but has delayed the coming of the time when world conditions shall have again become normal. When we consider the wonderful possibilities which are in store for Canada when that time really comes the evidence of a better understanding in the industrial life of our Dominion is most encouraging. Today Canada needs more efficiency along every line of activity, which can only result from the same patriotic endeavor on the part of all to do "our bit" in the time of peace, as was manifest in the time of war.

SPRAYING BRINGS BETTER APPLES

IT IS STATED that the present season will demonstrate as perhaps never was done before the efficiency of spraying and other orchard work as a factor in insuring a crop of good apples. This is the testimony of leading orchardists and apple-men, who believe that another season will witness a great increase in work along this line.

That the valley as a whole will produce an abundant supply of fruit this season is now pretty well assured, as is also the fact that the quality in some instances will be inferior, in the case of orchards which have not received proper attention. On the other hand many of the larger orchards which have been properly looked after will, it is said, show an excellent yield of superior fruit.

That the growing of apples profitably is not a matter of chance has been pretty well established and the man who persistently and scientifically feeds and protects his orchard is pretty sure of an adequate return. A neglected orchard is a menace to the industry. It costs money to grow apples properly during these times when so many pests have to be dealt with, but in the end the result as a general thing leaves no doubt as to the wisdom and profit of the outlay.

SELF-RELIANCE

WE OFTEN FIND that boys who have educated themselves in the country make the most vigorous thinkers. They might not be quite as polished or cultivated, in some ways, but they have something better than polish, and that is mental vigour, originality of method and independence. They do not lean upon their schooling or depend upon their diplomas. Necessity has been their teacher and they have been forced to act for themselves and be practical. They know little of theories, but they know what will work. They have gained power by solving their own problems.

After all, self-help is the only help that will make strong, vigorous lives. Grit is more than a match for any handicap. The worst handicap a man can have is a machine-fed education that makes him think he is too good for his job. If he had had to educate himself he would never have got it. He will have to educate himself all over again if he wants success. He will have to become imbued with the idea that no act of our lives is really insignificant. The most trivial tasks should be done in such a way that they will prepare us and enable us in due course, to do big things.

SHOULD BE BETTER INFORMED

THOSE responsible for the statements which appear in the Halifax daily press would do well to become better informed regarding conditions in the province of which that city is the capital. Recently it was pointed out that in Ontario and British Columbia parking and camping facilities are provided for motorists and it was urged that in Nova Scotia similar action should be taken. Halifax offers no such conveniences for visitors, it is true, but not a few such camping grounds have been provided in other centres. These are yet of a rather crude nature, but as time goes on they will become better equipped.

The other day one of these Halifax papers described Hall's Harbor on the Bay of Fundy, as a seaside resort near Kentville. Nova Scotia is a small province and no place within its borders is very far distant from any other place. For that reason it should not be difficult for these metropolitan journals to be better posted as to its geography. Sane journalism demands a reasonable amount of knowledge concerning the subject under discussion, whether it be on the part of a writer for a city daily or a country weekly.

"EVILS THAT MENACE SOCIETY"

(Rev. J. Phillips Jones, M.A., B.D., Social Service Council of Canada.)

In one of our largest Canadian cities, when six young men were placed on trial for statutory offences, startling revelations were made of the path whereby youthful "butterflies" brought disgrace to themselves and their families. It was a night of revelry which included childish play on ferris wheels and merry-go-rounds, followed by a drink called "gin", as the girls told the court. They were also given beer in a room in a downtown hotel. One of the girls is 13 years of age, the other 15.

This raises the question—are we living in a fool's paradise? What of the evils of society that are rampant among us today? For instance, the modern dance-hall! Are your young women properly chaperoned at such places? Are these places frequented by the type that we wish our young men and women to associate with? Serious charges are made against many such places and not without cause. It behoves our fathers and mothers, for the safety of their sons and daughters, to know beyond peradventure that the dance halls are children's delight in, is under proper auspices, with no shadow of doubt as to its moral influence.

Another evil is that of pernicious literature. In spite of all vigilance, trashy magazines and periodicals find their way to our bookshelves. One minister says, "it is coming in by the ton". If so, then a campaign of suppression is the call of the hour. Nothing so inflames the passions and dulls the moral sense as gloating over pictures and sketches that have a salacious suggestion. What is your boy reading? What magazines delight your girl? And not all literature that is ever allowed by law is the type your boy and girl should read. What they read, reacts on their lives. I think of a conversation I heard recently by a group of young women at a summer picnic. What were they talking about? Just the things they had been reading of—photo-plays and vaudeville artists and the life at "Hollywood". These girls were light, giddy, irresponsible, empty. What they were reading was reacting on their interpretation of life. There is a world of difference between insipid and so-called Puritanism. There is a wealth of happy, pure ideals for virile men and wholesome young women between these two extremes.

"It's high time someone started to clean things up", said one who knows of conditions. What he referred to was the joyride after the dance. About the evils in question it was said, "the police knew, and the doctors knew and hospitals knew". What are we to do about them?

And then there is the orgy of gambling that goes on at the horse races through-

out the land. "I won \$200.00 last week" said a young woman who had been beguiled into the ensnaring evil of betting. "Won \$200.00"! She little thought she had lost more than she had won. She had lost her sense of moral values. She had lost the finer idealism of life. She had lost that true perspective which always regards "others". No one wins without someone losing. And the tragedies of lives ruined by gambling would fill volumes.

Whenever our young women, to say nothing of our young men, are thus led on, what shall we say of our future citizens? Are we to raise a race of gamblers? The immoral and deteriorating effects of gambling are beyond question. These, and other evils are flagrant disease spots in our national life. It behoves all true lovers of our country to arise and wipe them out.

PROTECTION AGAINST MOSQUITOES

Certain protective mixtures applied to the skin are of great value in warding off mosquitoes, black-flies and similar pests, especially when the insects are very numerous. A number of formulas for such mixtures are given in a pamphlet on the methods of protection against mosquitoes and black-flies, just issued by the Entomological Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. A mixture recommended by the author is composed of 3 ounces of oil of citronella, 1 of spirits of camphor, 1 of oil of tar, 1/2 ounce of oil of pennyroyal and from 4 to 6 ounces of castor oil. Another mixture consists of 2 ounces of oil of citronella, 1-3 of an ounce of pennyroyal and 2 ounces of castor oil. The castor oil is included to prevent injury to the skin. Tallow may be used instead if it is desired to have the mixture in the form of a paste.

When the insects are abundant it is necessary to apply the mixture at least once every half hour, using liberal quantities and rubbing it thoroughly over the hands and face. Care should be taken to have a sufficient quantity of a mixture when on an extended trip in the woods. At least an ounce per person per day is necessary if the flies are anyway abundant. The mixture should be carried in a small aluminum flask or screw top tin, but not in a glass bottle as it is apt to break.

Mimard's Liniment for Burns.

Keep Your Shoes Neat
2 IN 1
WHITE
Shoe Dressing
CAKE OR LIQUID

Homes Wanted!

For children from 6 months to 16 years of age, boys and girls. Apply to H. STAIRS, Wolfville Agent Children's Aid Society

"I've Never Advertised in Twenty Years"

"Yes, I'll admit times are a bit slow with me but I'm hoping for the turn of the tide."

Waiting for their ships to come in has spelled disaster for all too many Canadian merchants. Don't think along the lines of the man above. Advertise!

Advertising in THE ACADIAN will keep your name and store constantly before the people in this town. Advertising is a wonderful business-building force—and profitable to use. Talk it over with us.

PROGRESSIVE MERCHANTS ADVERTISE

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THIS WEEK'S SHORT STORY

Jaunty Jerome drew his elegant eight up alongside the roadway, directly in front of a pretentious inn. Looking tenderly into her eyes he said, "We shall dine". She said, "Hot dog!" So he drove down the road a half-mile to Fat Frankfurter's stand.

MURINE
Keeps EYES
Clear, Bright and Beautiful
Write Murine Co., Chicago, for Eye Care Book

Home-made money on the farm

Of many a farmer retiring to a well-earned rest it has been said, "He made a lot of money on that farm." The fact is that he made no more money than his neighbour, but he saved a great deal more.

Acquiring wealth is largely a matter of systematic spending and saving. Without a definite plan few men get anywhere. Hard work is not enough; the fruits of the work must be conserved.

Save your money regularly. Open an interest bearing Savings Account.

"A Bank Where Small Accounts Are Welcome"

BANK OF MONTREAL
Established over 100 years
Total Assets in excess of \$700,000,000

Come in and let us demonstrate to you the new CANADIAN BEAUTY RANGETTE. Takes the place of an oil stove.

Two burner size \$35.00. Three burners \$45.00
Oven can be supplied extra if desired.

Use electrical appliances in your kitchen this hot weather.

J. C. Mitchell
Kentville, Phone 251 Wolfville, Phone 320

LOW PRICES

SUGAR, 13 lbs.	\$1.00	per bag	\$7.00
BEANS, hand picked, White, 3 lbs.	25c.	17 lbs.	\$1.00
TOMATOES, full weight, 20c. can,		5 cans	.90
PEAS, full weight, 18c. can,		5 cans	.80
CARNATION MILK, 15c. can,		12 cans	\$1.70
SALMON, 20c. can,		12 cans	\$2.20
PURE CREAM TARTAR, 28c. lb.,		4 lbs.	\$1.00
RICE, 3 lbs. 25c.,		14 lbs.	\$1.00
CHEESE,		per lb.	.25
MOLASSES,		10 gallons	\$6.50
SEEDED and SEEDLESS RAISINS,		15 oz. size 15c.,	2 for .25
GLASS WASH BOARDS			.65
GOOD BROOMS,			.30
NEW BRUNSWICK SARDINES, 3 cans 25c.,		13 for	\$1.00
CORNSTARCH,		per package	.12
CREAM OF WHEAT, 4 lbs. 25c.,		17 lbs.	\$1.00
ROLLED OATS, 4 lbs. 25c.,		17 lbs.	\$1.00
GRAHAM FLOUR, 4 lbs. 25c.,		17 lbs.	\$1.00
GRANULATED CORN MEAL, 4 lbs. 25c.,		17 lbs.	\$1.00
RINSO, 3 pkgs. 25c.,		13 pkgs.	\$1.00
PALM OLIVE SOAP,		3 cakes	.25
SURPRISE SOAP, 3 bars 25c.,		15 bars	\$1.00
P. & G. SOAP, 3 bars 25c.,		15 bars	\$1.00
SNOWFLAKE AMMONIA, 3 pkgs. 25c.,		13 pkgs.	\$1.00
AMMONIA, 3 bottles 25c.,		13 bottles	\$1.00
JUBILEE MATCHES,		3 pkgs.	.35
PINEAPPLE,		4 tins,	\$1.00

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