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## Bohan vs Toronto Construction Co.

A case of much importance has been occupying the Circuit Court in Woodstock since last week. Judge Barry presides.

John Bohan, of Bath, through his lawyer, Hon. W. P. Jones, claims he furnished the Toronto Construction Company, which had a contract to build part of the N. T. R. through the province, some 10,000 ties at 39 cents each, and other articles to the company, that he received \$24,498.48 from the company and that \$3,016.49 remains unpaid.

The company, through its attorney, A. J. Gregory, makes a general denial. They claim they did not get the goods charged against them, but they did owe the plaintiff some \$700, but they had a counter claim of \$196.60, and would be willing to suffer judgment for about \$500. After three jurors had been stood aside, the following panel was selected to try the case: Alex. P. Ritchie, Theodore Cain, Stanley Hatfield, Harry Furrington, Charles Noddin, John McLean and John Flemming.

In the foregoing case the Toronto Construction Co. offered settlement yesterday and Mr. Bohan received the full amount of his claim.

## Presentation to J. E. Hawker at Centreville.

The choir of the United Baptist church called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hawker on the eve of their departure for St. John and presented Mr. Hawker with a set of solid gold monogram cuff links and the following address of appreciation:

"Our meeting here tonight fills us with regret as we realize that you and your family are soon to depart from us. We feel that we as a choir are losing a great helper and true friend. In the six years we have been associated we have ever found you to be generous, kindly and courteous. Your place in our social life and church service will be hard to fill. It gives us great pleasure to present you with these cuff links as a loving token of friendship from the United Baptist Church, Centreville. We trust that you will not value your worth to us by the dollars and cents in this gift, but by the spirit of friendliness that moves us to come here to-night. When you leave us here to settle in your new home, be assured that you carry with you the highest respects, the best wishes and the kindest regards of all. May God bless and prosper you and family wherever your lot may be cast, and keep us all in His love until we meet with the hosts of the Redeemed from all nations to worship God, and sing His praises forever."

F. Jean Estabrooks, (Organist); Mrs. J. E. Alexander; Mrs. C. A. Long; Mrs. B. B. Estabrooks; Mrs. C. R. Cliff; Mrs. J. D. McLean; Laura A. Burpee; Bessie W. Campbell; Bertie M. West; Daney C. Burt; Randolph Clarke; and Rex S. Beckwith.

Mr. Hawker, although taken wholly by surprise, responded very feelingly and fittingly in a neat speech. The gathering was in a nature of a surprise party and Mr. and Mrs. Hawker had no knowledge of the affair until the guests assembled.

## Govt. School Books Not Available.

(Sackville Tribune.)

There seems to be a great deal of complaint in reference to the inability of the people of Sackville town and parish to obtain first primers for use in the school. The demand for these books seems to be great while the supply is very limited. The Tribune had a talk Saturday with L. C. Carey, who is the Sackville vendor. Mr. Carey states that he sent an order about the first of the year for a supply of these primers but none had been sent, the excuse being that the government book department had none in stock. About four weeks ago Mr. Carey again sent in an order for first primers. Fifty were asked for, but only twelve were sent. In the meantime people have come from all over the parish looking for these books and there has been a great deal of dissatisfaction over the matter. What is still worse there seems to be no solution of the difficulty in sight. The school book department have not stated when they expect to be able to make delivery of these much needed books, and teachers in the town and parish are thereby put to a great inconvenience and annoyance.

It is time the Hazen book department appointed another inspector to find out what the trouble is.

## Stricter Measures against Trespassers.

In view of the fact that the number of personal accidents to trespassers on the C. P. R. property, is assuming such proportions, that last year on Eastern lines out of a total of 123 casualties, 98 or over 75% were to trespassers, V. A. Harshaw, superintendent of the Northern Division, has decided to adopt stricter measures to stop it, and he has instructed his agents, roadmasters and section men, to have summonses served on habitual offenders to appear before a magistrate, and in the case of tramps they are to be arrested at sight. All trespassers should govern themselves accordingly, as the instructions of the superintendent will be carried out.

## Mother's Day

A movement which has proved a very popular one is that of observing the second Sunday in May as "Mother's Day" by wearing a white carnation. Although only started last year already it has spread widely. In Canada the sponsor for the movement is W. G. Rook of Toronto, President of Canadian Home Journal. He is receiving cordial assistance from the press and the pulpit.

In the May issue of Canadian Home Journal there is a strong appeal for the observance: "The small boy with his cut finger, the tiny girl with her torn frock, make an immediate appeal for 'Mother'—sure of a wisdom that will repair the injury even if some whole some advice be thrown in about 'Not doing it again.' Then come the impatient half grown years when the exclamation 'Mother' is so old fashioned; and 'Mother' doesn't understand that things are different now; are constantly heard. But the years, those unbalancing years, march steadily by, and we hear the man and the woman, with their own stern problems to solve, admitting regretfully—I believe 'Mother' was right, and I wish I'd done as 'Mother' advised me."

So, on the breath of a white carnation, on the second Sunday of May, will come back the old-time memories with their childish joy and pain. It may bring the keenest sorrow in remembering happier things; or it may be but a badge in honor of the living mother."

A very touching little episode occurred last May in a well-known and prominent Toronto family. On the Tuesday morning after Mother's Day the postman brought a letter from a member of the family who had been a wanderer and rather a black sheep for many years, addressed to the mother of the group. As that dear old person had been with the angels for some time, the letter was opened by a daughter, who read as follows: "Dear old Mother: The nurse in the hospital where I am has been telling me about Mother's Sunday, and I have made up my mind to write to you. I am not long for this life, being far gone in illness, but if you are still alive, I want you to know I am thinking of you on Mother's Day. I enclose the white flower nurse pinned on me this morning. Good-bye dear old

mother."

There is an interesting account of "Mothering Day"—an observance of fifty years ago, when it was customary to visit parents, especially mothers, on the mid Sunday in Lent, taking some small gift. Herrich writes: "I'll to thee a sinnet bring, Gaiest thou go a mothering? So that, when she blesses thee, Half that blessing thou'll give me."

## Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

### PERT PARAGRAPHS

NEARNESS dissolves enchantment. Airships that used to be regarded as airy nothings are now regarded as thrilling and death dealing affairs.

Many a woman has been driven to bridge by her husband's baseball talk.

The football season is over, but the aviation meets still fill the obituary columns and cemeteries.

When a woman loses her temper over the remarks of an acquaintance her friends say it is her sensitive disposition and her enemies say it is merely one of the symptoms of a bad conscience.

Some women are so constituted that they can't be happy as long as the woman next door has more solid silver spoons than they have.

Lots of men think they have a call to reform existing institutions when it is only a desire to air their opinions at so much per.

When a man says he doesn't know what the world is coming to it is probable that one of the giddy ones has stepped on his corn.

Many a man who wouldst upon a scuffle from a flank movement is busy planning a successful campaign against a newly discovered enemy.

Because a little girl refuses to play with dolls is no indication that she will grow into a suffragette.

How you like the cold weather depends a good deal upon the state of your credit with the coal man.

The defeated candidate gets much pleasure from watching his successful opponent squirm as campaign promises fall due.

### Late Locals.

Bishop Richardson of Fredericton, preaching in Ottawa on Sunday said that if the immigration from the United States continued to increase as it has in the past Canada would annex the States rather than vice versa.

On Monday owing to the breaking of the ferry boat rigging at Edmundston, the boat capsized and five of the six men aboard were drowned. One of them was a son of H. W. Phillips, C. P. R. station agent.

There really never was anything come to Hartland in the line of men's boots, so stiff, snappy and varied as the stock opened this week by H. R. Nixon. You will hear more about these in our next issue, meantime make it a point to drop in or look at the window.

A. G. Turney, provincial horticulturalist, was here on Monday and sold to the Hartland Poultry Yards 450 apple trees. He gave also a useful lesson on setting out and grafting. The owners of the yards are endeavoring to have their orchard operated as a demonstration orchard.

The funeral of John Graham took place on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 from his residence at Ashland. Mr. Graham was confined to his bed for the short period of two weeks. Blood poisoning was the cause of his death. He was the son of Frank Graham of Ashland and was 24 years of age. He leaves a father, mother, six sisters and two brothers, besides many friends to mourn their loss. He was widely known in the surrounding community and was a faithful worker in the church and the Orange Order of which he was a member. The services were conducted by the Orange men about sixty being present, the pall bearers were F. A. Aiton, E. C. Morgan, A. T. Dickinson and David Clark. Rev. S. W. Schurman conducted the service assisted by Rev's Cahill, Jas. Copeland and C. S. Young. Interment took place at the cemetery at Coldstream.

Moses Taylor has gone to Boston.

Miss Lu Smith of Woodstock, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Percy Graham.

Miss Alta Libby of Marysville arrived on Monday to take a position with M. L. Hayward, barrister.

Work has already begun on the new post office. A cat of lumber arrived for the purpose on Thursday.

### Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the people of Rockland for their great kindness during my sister's sickness. MRS. LOUISE L. ACKERSON.

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