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## New Report on Water-Works of Canada

A new edition of "Water-works and Sewerage Systems of Canada," by Leo G. Dennis, has just been issued by Commission of Conservation. In the present report the various physical and financial data respecting water-works have been brought up to date and a new section on sewerage systems has been added. The book is a royal octavo volume, handsomely bound in cloth, contains 179 pages of text and is well illustrated with 25 half-tones and 5 diagrams.

In the year of Confederation there were only 7 water-works plants in Canada; to-day there are 528. These have been built at a total cost of \$123,725,633 and entail an annual maintenance charge of \$4,558,539. The total daily consumption is 429, 877,000 imperial gallons, ranging from 50 gallons in Manitoba to 143 in New Brunswick.

There are 206 plants supplied from springs or wells and 322 from lakes or streams. In 72 plants the water is filtered and in 21 plants it is treated with hypochlorite, specified, it is shown that flat rates are used in 209 cases, meters in 30, and both flat and meter in 141.

There are 279 sewerage systems in Canada, having an aggregate mileage of 4,223 and which have been built at a total cost of \$74,504,418. In only 75 municipalities is the sewerage treated. Proportionally to population, the West, with 28 treatment plants, makes a much better showing than the East, with 47. The total cost of the treatment plants is \$3,218,985.

## Death of John L. Ferguson

Mr. John L. Ferguson, a native of the township of Escott and resident near Junetown until two years ago, passed away Tuesday May 16th at 8.30 at the residence of his son, Mr. Charles Ferguson, Spring Valley. He had been in ill-health for three years and the past three months he had failed rapidly.

The late Mr. Ferguson was 76 years of age last January. He followed farming all his life, and was known as an industrious and upright citizen throughout the front portion of Leeds county. His wife, who was Miss Mary Hogaboon, died 18 years ago in Escott and surviving their father are three daughters and two sons, namely, Mrs. Wm. Horton, Mrs. Jason. Trickey, Escott; Mrs. Charles S. Tennant, Mallorytown; Messrs. Delmar Ferguson, Lansdowne, and Charles Ferguson, of Spring Valley. In politics the deceased was a life-long Liberal.

The funeral took place Thursday morning at 8.30 to Mallorytown Methodist church, where service was conducted at 10.45 by Rev. Thomas Meredith, of Addison. Interment was in Mallorytown cemetery. The pallbearers, all nephews, were Messrs. John M. Ferguson, Lansdowne; Benjamin, Richard and Barnett Ferguson, all of Junetown.

## Death of William Topping

There passed away in Elgin on May 5th, an aged resident, William Topping in his 87th year. Deceased was born and reared in the township of South Crosby, spending his long and useful life in the occupation of farming. He was a man of sterling qualities, loved and respected by all, a consistent, zealous member of the Methodist church and conservative in politics. He leaves to mourn his demise his wife (nee Miss Elizabeth Johnston) three sons viz. Wesley, William and John, and five daughters: Mrs. S. Pennock, Mrs. George Summers, Mrs. Dawson of Elgin, Mrs. E. Edgers, Leeds, and Mrs. W. Sherwood, Smiths Falls. The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon May 7th to the Methodist church, Rev. J. P. MacFarlane preaching a very impressive sermon to a large audience of relatives and friends. Pall bearers were Messrs. W. A. Coon, Wm. Chisland C. X. and E. V. Halliday, T. Dennison.

## Zutoo

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## HILL AGAIN ATTACKED

## Verdun Onslaught Centres on Le Mort Homme.

Entire Sector is Violently Bombarded and German Infantry Advance Results in a Momentary Success Along the First Line of Trenches—French Counter-attack Restores Original Positions.

PARIS, May 22.—The Crown Prince's forces returned Saturday afternoon to their efforts to capture Le Mort Homme, on the west bank of the Meuse. The attack, which was preceded by more than usually violent artillery fire, was made simultaneously on the whole sector of the French front which has Le Mort Homme as its centre. After fighting through the rest of the afternoon the Germans were left in occupation of some elements of French advanced trenches on the northern slope of Le Mort Homme and to the west of the height.

Momentary success also was gained by the attacking troops to the east of the hill, but the counter-attack which the French launched all along the line immediately after the first German rush drove the Germans out of the positions they had gained in this eastern sector.

On the northern slopes and to the west of the height the German gain was not made until the attack had been repeated time and again under an extremely heavy fire from the French artillery and rifles. Finally, the attacking waves drove over the first French line and pushed on to the second-line trenches. But as they reached the latter they came under so terrific a fire from the French 75's and mitrailleuses that they wavered and fell back in disorder, at certain points retaining possession of the French first line, on the rest of the line retreating to their own trenches.

## British Recover Position.

LONDON, May 22.—A charge of the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment resulted in the recapture from the Germans of the crater of a mine on the Vimy ridge which was lost by the British last Thursday. After a heavy bombardment the Germans made a raid on the British salient south-west of Loos, and entered the British front trench, but was driven out immediately. The Germans also attempted to rush a post north-west of Wietle, but were driven back.

There were thirteen combats in the air on Saturday, in the course of which two hostile machines were brought down behind the enemy's lines.

Aside from three small German attacks south-west of Wietle last night, which were repulsed, the activity on the British front in Belgium and France in the past 24 hours was confined to the artillery and the flying corps. The front from Vimy to Loos was subjected to a heavy bombardment all day, the bombardment being especially heavy to the south of Souchez Sunday afternoon and night.

## MINISTER TO GET MEDAL.

Rev. E. J. Brooks is Recommended for a Decoration.

LONDON, May 22.—Lieut. E. J. Brooks, the Baptist minister from Falmouth, N.S., who as a machine gun officer distinguished himself in a crater fight near Ypres, has been recommended for a decoration.

Colonel Rexford, of the Grenadier Guards, was in London Sunday.

Major D. S. Bauld, who was wounded and saved by his pocket-book, which diverted the bullet, is recuperating.

Major L. E. Hudon, of Montreal, will sail for Canada shortly.

Captain Charles G. D. Roberts, the Canadian litterateur, was with the Liverpool Regiment at Curragh, and had a hot time and several narrow escapes in the Dublin fighting. He will join the staff of the public records office under Sir Max Aitken next month.

Major Manley Simms, D.S.O., Sir Max Aitken's representative at headquarters in France, has recently been promoted lieutenant-colonel.

Lieut. Thomas H. Parker, of the Dominion Observatory, who was wounded, is doing well at a West End hospital. His injury is not likely to be permanent.

Lieut. George Simpson Bateman, who was killed in the south of England on Thursday, was formerly with the 49th Hastings Rifles, Marmora Company.

## German Steamer Attempted Escape.

STOCKHOLM, May 21.—The steamer Trave, the fourth vessel sunk in the new submarine campaign against German shipping, attempted to escape when she caught sight of the submarine. Her captain headed her under full speed for Swedish territorial waters, but stopped promptly when the boat was struck by a well-directed shot from the submarine. The crew, including two women, was given ample time to leave the ship before it sank.

## Famous French Acrobat Killed.

PARIS, May 22.—Georges Boillot, automobile racer and aeronaut, was killed in a fight with five German aeroplanes. He succeeded in bringing down one of the German machines before a bullet pierced his heart.

M. Boillot served earlier in the war as chauffeur for General Joffre. He won the Grand Prize of the Automobile Club of France in 1912 and 1913.

## Two More German Ships Sunk.

LONDON, May 22.—The German steamers Hebe and Pera, carrying coal, were sunk Saturday night by a submarine off the southern coast of Cape Oland, in the Baltic.

## CHARLESTON

May 15—Harry Webster lost a horse last week. The animal dropped dead in the field.

C. J. Banta of Brooklyn N.Y. has taken possession of his cottage.

Ormond Nunn has purchased an Overland car.

Mr. and Mrs. Latimer attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Sterry on at Elgin on Monday.

Mrs. E. King has recovered from an attack of German measles.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Covey and family are tenting on the Black farm since the house was destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Wattenburg arrived last week and is now occupying her cottage.

Mr. John Hudson, Brockville, was a week-end visitor here.

Miss Maggie Finley is again teaching in our school.

Send 5c. to Davis & Lawrence Co., Montreal, for new book, entitled, "How best to prevent Lung Ailments." Ask also for sample of "The D. & L." Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil.

## Local and District News

A mill at Philipsville, owned by Mr. Reuben Haskins, was washed away on Friday by the high waters caused by the incessant rain of last week.

Rev. W. G. Swayne attended the Deane's meetings of Leeds and Grenville at Prescott last week, and gave a lucid paper on "The Origin and Use of Creeds and Anathemas in the Early Church."

While driving to Athens on Saturday, Mr. Josh Moulton and his son were thrown off their wagon by an obstreperous hog they were taking it to the B. & W. station. The hog by some means overbalanced the rack, which in falling, jerked the reins out of Mr. Moulton's hands. The frightened horses ran for a mile until stopped at Athens. Mr. Moulton and his son were badly bruised but no bones were broken.

Keep a Bottle of the old reliable Perry Davis Painkiller on hand ready to apply for sprains, bruises, and for colic and cramps. 25c. and 50c. bottles.

## Interviewing a Humourist.

"Good morning, Wagge. What's on the carpet today?" asked Singleton.

"Dust," said Wagge.

"Clever boy! But I mean what have you on foot?"

"Shoes," said Wagge solemnly.

"Oh, come off, Wagge. What are you up to these days?"

"Date," sighed Wagge.

"I'll give you just one more chance, you poor fellow, you. What are you doing now?"

"Everybody," said Wagge.

"As usual, eh?" said Singleton as he showed the remains down the nearest available coal hole.

## The Word "Derrick."

The word "derrick" for a machine used to lift heavy weights is curiously derived from a London hangman in the beginning of the seventeenth century whose name was Theodoric and who is often mentioned in old plays. "He rides circuit with the devil, and Derrick must be his host and Tyburne the inn at which he will light" occurs in "The Bellman of London," published in 1616. The name thus corrupted came afterward to be applied by an easy transition to the gallows and later still to any frame or contrivance resembling it in shape.

## How a Meaning Changes.

"Cheat" is a word that now has a very ugly sound. To cheat a man is to defraud him. Originally the word conveyed no such meaning. The old word "escheat" referred to the dues that fell to the crown. It came from the French echolr (Latin, excedere). The modern meaning that attaches to the word tells a sad tale of the extortion and greed that must have been practiced in collecting the dues.

## Characteristic.

"Did my housemaid testify at the trial?"  
"Yes, but her testimony was stricken out as incompetent."  
"How very like her!" murmured the party of the first part.

## Looking Backward.

"Boss, I can't live on \$2 a week any longer."  
"Stick it out for awhile," urged his thrifty employer. "Think of how you can brag about it when you've made your fortune, my lad."

## Naturally.

Muggins—Those two fellows don't seem to be on very good terms. Bug-gins—No; they are rival dentists. Muggins—Don't pull together, eh?

## Hardly Polite.

"Don't you think the baby favors his father?"  
"Hm! Looks like him, but I wouldn't call it a favor."

## Methodists in Conference

The Brockville District of the Methodist Church met in its annual meeting in Wall street church, Brockville, Wednesday of last week at 10 a.m.

All the ministers of the district were present except Rev. Capt. Hagar, who has been in charge of the circuit at Frankville and Toledo.

Rev. W. S. Jamieson, chairman of the district, presided, while Rev. Reuben Calvert, of Delta, was appointed secretary.

In the evening a public meeting of purely devotional character was held in the church when two deeply spiritual and thoughtful addresses were given. Rev. George Stafford, of Spencerville, dealt with the "New Covenant." Rev. C. D. Baldwin, of Westport, spoke on the "Works of the Holy Spirit," particularly dwelling on the teaching of 1 Cor. 12th chapter, where Paul teaches the great diversity of gifts for work that is the result of the Spirit's operation on human hearts.

Thursday morning at nine, the general session of the district meeting composed of the ministers and the laymen, was opened.

The churches of the district were well represented by laymen.

A general view of the work of the Church in the entire district, showed a marked advancement in every department. The Sunday schools, both in attendance and especially in their missionary givings, have a splendid record. The missionary givings to the general fund, considering the numerous demands on the people, are most encouraging. There is an increase of \$331 in missionary offerings over last year and in addition Wall street church gave a special donation of \$500.

Rev. J. W. P. McFarlane, of Elgin, was elected to represent the district with the chairman, on the stationing Committee, at the coming conference, and Rev. A. E. Runnells was elected alternate.

The following laymen were elected delegates to the annual conference in Smith Falls:—Dr. J. C. Mitchell, D. M. Spaidal, W. T. Rogers, W. J. Cairns, C. A. McLean, J. M. Bishop, Col. Bennington, Prescott; W. H. Wilkie, J. Gordon, Athens; A. Newman, J. F. Barnard, Spencerville; G. W. Cardiner, N. Moore, Lyn; B. Elliott, Mallorytown; A. Blanchard, Addison; A. W. Burthol, Lansdowne; Chalmers Singleton, Delta; G. F. Warren, Elgin; D. K. Preston, Newboro; Alex. Blair, Westport; R. A. Foley, Escott; S. P. Walker, Fairfield; Joseph S. Towle, North Augusta; G. J. McCrear, Bishop's Mills.

The following were elected as alternate—J. E. Bass, Prescott; O. Mallory, Lyn; Alf Willows, Elgin; A. F. Bass, Auguste; Wm. Reader, Bishops Mills.

At the public service on Wednesday evening, Mrs. C. C. Lyman and Mrs. C. D. Perrin sang very sweetly, a duet which was greatly appreciated.

Mr. Dingle presided at the organ.

## Delta Womens Institute

The Womens Institute of Delta held their annual business meeting on Thursday, May 11th, bringing to a close a most profitable year. The Sec'y's report showed receipts from concerts, etc. \$975.92 expenditures in Red Cross work \$197.59 and other ways \$177.12 leaving a balance on hand of \$111.12.

Committees were formed to make arrangements for entertaining the soldiers of the 156th making a trek through Leeds. Letters were read from soldiers in France and England thanking Institute for shirts and socks; also one from sick member for flowers. Election of officers as follows.

Pres.—Mrs. T. J. Frye.  
1st. Vice Pres.—Miss M. Barlow.  
2nd Vice Pres.—Mrs. S. Gilbert.  
Sec'y Treas.—Mrs. W. J. Morris.  
Assist. Sec'y.—Miss Eva Morris.  
Directors—Mrs. Steele, Mrs. Birch, Mrs. Slack, Mrs. C. Morris.  
Auditors—Mrs. C. Frye, Mrs. L. Halladay.

The scissors and mirrors have been to our soldiers in Delta. Miss M. Bolton entertained with a reading. Meeting closed with the National Anthem.

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