

## "NUTS AND RATIONS."

And still they come.

The cry from over there for "Men, More Men" is heard over here, and the E. T. D. is certainly playing no unimportant part in the response.

Whilst it does not come within the province of our remarks to comment upon municipal matters in our columns, we would, however, like to thank the St. Johns' District Council for the refreshing display of rural simplicity in the methods employed in cleaning up the roads of this City.

Our Editor being absent upon a vacation in the historic city of Quebec, has found a worthy substitute to "carry on" the good work. There seems to be no one Ells so well suited to the job.

During the course of our contributions to this column, we have rubbed some people the wrong way, (for which we offer no apology). We have been dubbed "Permanent Room Orderlie", "Sinn Feiner" and "Slacker". If we have hit hard, we are delighted to know that our shots have reached their goal, and we take to ourselves the credit of good marksmanship.

Much has been said and written about bells. Their casting and histories are interesting matter for study. We have read of the bells of Bruges, of Moscow, of Picardy, and of many other places. We have been enchanted with the descriptive poem of Edgar Allen Poe, wherein bells of every calibre are requisitioned to produce one of the finest efforts and flights of imagination.

It was said of Dick Whittington, that his fortune was attained by paying attention to an imaginative appeal from Bow Bells "to return again". The marvelous colour tones of Millet's "L'Angelus" have inspired our wonder. The tongue of Great Paul has summoned us to worship beneath the great dome near which he swings. It has been our delight to wander through the leafy lanes of Kent and Devon, and to listen to the peal of evening bells borne upon the still sweet summer air.

But why dilate upon the uses and abuses of bells in the past, when what we have to say has reference to the immediate present. Previous to the introduction of the "Daylight Saving Act", it had been our custom to rise with the bird who breakfasted upon the unfortunate worm, and anywhere about the hour of 5.30, would have found us busy preparing for the strenuous duties of our vocation.

But we have recently discovered that our soporific tendencies are governed by the sun and not by the clock, and around the hours when we are most desirous of following the comforting advice of Harry Lauder, to "lie in bed", we hear the Reveille sounded upon the many bells in St. Johns, unintermittently for about thirty minutes. Our beauty sleep is spoiled, and our usual equanimity is upset for a period ranging from one hour to ten, according to the intensity or energy displayed by the bellringers. We have developed a mephistophelean dread for the bells, and are convinced that the late Sir Henry Irving must, at one time, have resided in this ancient city, in order to understand, and be the better able to portray, the poignant terror displayed by Paul Le-clerque whenever the sound of bells came to him. Why importune high Heaven for the repose of souls, by the discordant notes of G. sharp and A, at such an unearthly hour? when the chief desire is the repose of our body.

PAT.

### OVERHEARD AT A LOCAL HOTEL.

Proprietress (with deep feeling): "Yes, the situation is becoming almost unbearable. I have to rush from the bridge table to the kitchen, and from the kitchen to the dance. Maids are so very hard to get just now!"

Lieut. Rice (feelingly): "Yes, indeed, yes, indeed, quite so, quite so!"

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