

Prince Edward County Sand Dunes.

One of the noted features of Prince Edward County, Ontario, is the five mile stretch of sand dunes which lie between Lake Ontario and West Lake. These dunes lie along the Lake Ontario shore in undulating hills some of which rise to the height of 150 feet.

For years past they have formed a great attraction to the tourist, but the nearby farmers, while just as much interested are not as enthusiastic. The fact is that these shifting hills of sand constantly moving under the action of the wind, are a menace to agriculture.

Like all other sand areas the evil is that they will not stay in their original position, but are constantly advancing on the fertile lands causing serious loss. Even the summer resort feature which would seem to

be a permanent industry on the dunes suffers from the shifting character of their snowlike particles. One summer hotel has already been moved twice, and another was recently sold for a ridiculously small price because the three acres of fertile land on which it originally stood has been completely covered by a spur of one of these hills.

Reforestation would doubtless fix the sand and turn what is now a menace into a profit producing and beautiful area. It has been done in France and other countries, and all that seems to be necessary is that it be undertaken on a sufficiently large scale. It is to be hoped that when we have had more experience in dealing with sand lands in Ontario and Quebec the work of reforesting this part of Ontario will not be long delayed.



Evergreen House, Which Has Been Moved on Account of Sand Encroachment.