





**IT IS JUST A MAN'S WAY**

(By Corona Remington.)  
 "I'll be gone only a week, but you'll keep me in your thoughts every minute, won't you, dear?"  
 The girl in his arms trembled. She was so exquisitely happy. What a wonderful lover he was!  
 "Promise," Dick Stanton urged again.  
 "How could I forget you?" she asked.  
 "Oh, I you." He kissed her again.  
 "When are you going?"  
 "To-morrow morning at eight."  
 She wept a little. How could she stand it? Yet she had to—women did it all the time, so she could. And there would be telegrams and letters and maybe a long-distance telephone call.  
 "Do you just have to go?" she asked after a pause.  
 "Yes. I'm down on the program for a paper that I worked on until two this morning."  
 "Doctors are such important creatures, and already I'm beginning to believe they don't belong to their wives at all. They belong to their profession—wedded to it, that's it."  
 "If a man is to make a success in his profession, no matter what it is, he'll have to devote most of his time to it."  
 "I know," she admitted, but there was something pathetic about her tone of voice.  
 He left the next morning, and Constance McGuire slipped away in her little car to the depot. When he saw her coming through the crowd toward him his heart leaped and he darted forward to meet her.  
 "What a girl! I was feeling a bit blue, but now I'm all right. If it weren't for those darn doctors standing over there I'd kiss you on the spot, but they'd rag me about it."  
 They had a few short minutes together before the train was called for the last time, and Constance went back to her waiting car, depressed, yet somehow happy. After all, a week wasn't so very long, and she would hear from him constantly. She might even get a telegram that very night.  
 Returning home, she found herself strangely idle. Time dragged, she could think of nothing to do. She wandered around the house aimlessly, the hands of the clock appeared to be standing perfectly still—never had there been such a stretch between breakfast and lunch, yet she was not hungry.  
 That night the telegram came:  
 "Arrived O. K. Meetings are going to be great. Will write to-morrow, Love, Dick."  
 Short enough, goodness knows; but it cheered her up, and the day after to-morrow the letter would come. It did, but it was very little longer than the wire, and all about the medical convention, scarcely a word about her and his love for her.  
 He had forgotten her and how much they meant to each other. It could not be otherwise—out of sight, out of mind. That was it. Constance went around trying to hide her unhappiness, but as the fifth day of his absence dawned and only two short notes had been received she gave up the fight and crawled into her own room and locked the door. She would never show her face again; she could not bear to be looked at and pitted.  
 When Mrs. McGuire went in to lunch and found her daughter missing she ran all over the house calling her, at last to find that she was locked in her room, and no amount of coaxing would bring her out. Finally Mrs. Taylor was summoned. If any one on earth could do anything with Constance it was she.  
 "This is Mrs. Taylor, dear," she said through the door. "You must let me in or I shall go away heart-broken, and I've loved you all your life."  
 After long minutes of coaxing the door was opened and Mrs. Taylor saw a forlorn, dishevelled, red-eyed, little girl standing before her.  
 "My dear, what is the matter?" she asked in alarm, taking her in her arms.  
 Constance tried to keep her troubles to herself, but the older woman's warm, motherly sympathy was too much for the girl and she burst into tears and sobbed the whole dreadful truth out on her friend's shoulder.  
 "It's all over, Dick doesn't love me any more. He's met some other girl at the convention."  
 "Oh, my poor, poor dear, but it can't be true. Dick isn't that kind. How do you know all this? Has he confessed?"  
 "N-no, but his actions have; only two tiny notes and a telegram since he left and they were about as affectionate as a letter you'd write to your lawyer."  
 Mrs. Taylor was relieved. "Oh, is that all you have to go by? You frightened me at first. Will you let me read them?"  
 Sliently Constance handed over the two crumpled little letters and the message, and Mrs. Taylor quickly scanned them.  
 "Way—my dear, you foolish little girl. This is all right. He's just full of the convention and busy. That's all. Can't you see it? With a woman, Constance, love is the primary thing in her life. She thinks about her lover all day and half the night, but with a man business and love have a neck and neck race and often business gets the lead. It's a fortunate thing, since men have to earn the living. Divided attention never makes a success, so you see it's providential."  
 "But you can't fool me. It's all



over. Wait until he gets back, then you'll know."  
 "Wait until you've been married thirty years and then you'll know. I tell you a man can love a woman to distraction and forget her completely; forget her very existence, for days at a time. Now, if you take my advice, you'll treat him as naturally as ever when he comes back and tell him how glad you are to see him, and ask him all about the convention. He'll talk your head off for hours about things you can't understand, and that don't interest you, but a wife has to learn to be a good listening post."  
 "But what's the use of advising when it's all off and I'll never marry anyone else?" she said impatiently.  
 "The extension telephone on her little desk jangled. Irritably she took up the receiver.  
 "I'm back!" said an exultant voice at the other end. "I know it's two days earlier than you expected me, but I couldn't stay away another minute. Had to see my girl, and tell her all about it. It's been great! May I come right over! But I can't wait. I'll have to tell you now they've made me president of the State Medical Society. I'm the youngest man ever got it. When I heard that last night I had to run home and tell my girl. I was afraid you'd see it in the paper first. Good-bye, dear. Be right over."  
 "Oh, oh, oh! Mrs. Taylor, it's all right! It's all right! Oh, but if you ever, ever tell him!"  
 She was dancing around the room, almost hysterical.  
 "Tell him? Not I," laughed Mrs. Taylor. "I'm no traitor to my sex, but I want you to remember this little experience. You'll need it many, many times in the years to come."

**PRUNING THE APPLE ORCHARD**  
 Undoubtedly the latter part of March and the month of April are the best months to prune an apple orchard. The wounds made at that season will more readily heal over than if made earlier, and there is more time to give to the work. Coverings are generally of little value except in the case of large wounds, when waterglass reduced with an equal part of water can be applied with a brush to the wood surface to prevent checking and decay. Such wounds should be thus protected from year to year to preserve the wood until it is healed over.  
 The cutting should be made reasonably close as otherwise more time will be required for the wound to heal over. Subs of branches, if left, prevent the covering of the wound with new bark, and decay may result before the wound is healed over. Old neglected trees should be carefully pruned to remove all dead wood, leaving only the best and strongest branches. It is not always possible to make a good-looking, shapely tree in doing this, and the usefulness of many an old tree has been sacrificed for many years by a too extreme pruning at one time.  
 Sunlight is essential for vigorous leaf growth and also for ripening the fruit. A dense growth of limbs and foliage is therefore objectionable. Its prevention should for the most part consist of annual removal of such small branches as are likely in time to extend to where other more desirable branches should be. The tendency to remove all small branches should be avoided, as some of these can be allowed to develop fruiting areas for several years before they need to be removed. It is of course impossible to prune so that some of the larger branches will not in time have to be removed, but a little thought will reduce this possibility to a minimum.  
 While considerable pruning is necessary in the development of the young apple tree to maintain a proper framework upon which the fruit is to be borne, as well as to open the tree up sufficiently to admit an abundance of sunshine and air to both the leaves

and the fruit. Older trees need to be pruned sufficiently heavily to re-establish the proper balance between wood growth and fruit production.  
 W. S. Blair, Superintendent, Experimental Station, Kentville, N. S.  
**"THERE IS A LAND"**  
 There is a Land that we must love  
 A North Land, wide and fair,  
 A Land of Pine and Maple trees,  
 And beauty everywhere;  
 And there free hearts have found a home  
 And space to still be free,  
 Fronting the morrow confident  
 In her high destiny.  
 When the leaves are crimson,  
 When the fields are green in Spring,  
 Or bathed in Summer light,  
 Be sure we love her dearly,  
 Her woods, her streams, her flowers,  
 This sunny Pine and Maple land,  
 This Canada of ours.  
 And oh, her skies are bright and blue,  
 Her waters bright and pure.

**PROPER CARE OF FOOD IN HOME**  
 While most good housekeepers pride themselves on being able to care properly for the food they purchase and prepare for their families, there are many details in connection with the handling of specific foods which may have escaped the attention of many housewives unless they have made a special study of the subject.  
 Again, although everyone knows that spoiled food is both unpleasant and dangerous, many persons do not know that food may be contaminated with dangerous bacteria and yet show no outward traces of spoilage.  
 Emphasis is placed on keeping all foods clean; that is, protected from visible dirt and from contamination by insects and other carriers of dangerous micro-organisms. Most kinds should be kept cool. Dry foods, such as crackers, need to be prevented from absorbing moisture, and succulent foods, such as fresh vegetables, from losing it.  
 Milk, fresh meat, poultry, and fish and many fresh fruits and vegetables should be kept at a temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit, or preferably less in order to check the growth of micro-organisms that cause souring and decay.

And there free hearts have found a home  
 And space to still be free,  
 Fronting the morrow confident  
 In her high destiny.  
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 When the fields are green in Spring,  
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 Be sure we love her dearly,  
 Her woods, her streams, her flowers,  
 This sunny Pine and Maple land,  
 This Canada of ours.  
 And oh, her skies are bright and blue,  
 Her waters bright and pure.

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 All wou d worn men to cure;  
 The wholesome sea is at her gates,  
 Her gates both East and West.  
 Then is it strange that we should love  
 This Land our Land, the best?  
 When the hills stand dreaming,  
 When the Winter's here,  
 When the slumbering earth awakes,  
 Or Summer crowns the year,  
 Be sure we love her dearly,  
 Her woods, her streams, her flowers,  
 This sunny Pine and Maple Land,  
 This Canada of ours.

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DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS OF HANTSPORT AND VICINITY

### HANTSPORT HAPPENINGS

Rev. Mr. Prestwood, B. D., gave the third and last series of lectures on the "Story of the Bible" in the Methodist Church on Friday evening, under the auspices of the United Young Peoples League. These lectures, which have been largely attended, have been both interesting and instructive.

Mr. Ernest Spurr, of Devon, N. B., was called to Hantsport last week on account of the death of his father, Rev. J. C. Spurr.

Mr. J. Patterson Smith, of Windsor, was the rector at the Anglican Church on Sunday morning.

Mr. Campbell Gunn, of the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Fredericton, N. B., is enjoying a vacation with friends in Hantsport.

Mrs. R. Porter, of Canning, was in town last week attending the funeral services of her brother, the late F. R. Smith.

Capt. George Holmes was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. W. Clarke, Kentville, last week.

Capt. Young, of the "Otis Wack" spent Sunday at his home here.

Miss Gladys Frizzle left on Friday for Wolfville, where she has accepted a position in the office of THE ACADIAN.

Regrets are heard on all sides of the sad tragedy of the drowning of Capt. Gilbert MacCumber of New York, formerly of Cheverie, Hants Co. 8th Bn, and Mrs. MacCumber were well known, and had many friends in Hantsport.

Mr. J. R. Harrison, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Windsor, was at the branch here on Friday.

Miss Julia Loomer, of Boston, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Masters.

Miss Loomer was en route to Somerville, Hants Co., where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Handley Loomer.

A reception was given at the home of Mrs. Morgan on Wednesday evening of last week, for Miss Lilian Stevens, who left for Lowell, Mass., where she will train for a nurse. A large number of the Church members were present and after a dainty luncheon, Mr. Lawrence read an address on behalf of the congregation, who also presented Miss Stevens with a beautiful gold and silver brooch, in token of their appreciation of her services rendered in the choir and other church work.

Miss Stevens, who is a very popular young lady, will be much missed by the community.

Mrs. M. P. Spurr, of Aylesford, and Mr. Ernest Bishop, of Berwick, were in town on Saturday, attending the funeral of the late Rev. J. C. Spurr.

It was indeed cheering to hear the familiar whistle of the S. S. Rotundus on Tuesday on her first Spring trip to Windsor.

The many friends of Capt. Silas Mitchell regret to learn of his indisposition and hope soon to hear of a decided improvement in his condition.

Mrs. F. Burns was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ruggles Dodge, Aylesford.

The Hantsport basketball team defeated the Windsor team on Thursday evening by a score of 34-7.

Recent visitors to Hantsport were Messrs. J. H. Pullen, W. C. Churchill, and G. Hicking, Windsor.

Frank Anthony, of Maitland, is applying for the right to operate a motor bus service between Hantsport and Windsor.

Mr. W. T. Shaw left last week for Eastport, Maine, to join the Barge "Hamburg".

The Avon River is practically free from ice. On Saturday the "Otis Wack" brought two barges, "Baird" and "Coburn", from Eastport, Maine.

### JUDSON CROFT

There passed away very suddenly, at his home here on Thursday, March 20th, Judson Croft, aged 63 years. He is survived by a widow, four daughters, Edna, Mrs. Melvin; Mary, Mrs. E. Arnold, Augusta, Maine; Maude, Mrs. J. Wallace, Sheffield Mills; Ella at home; also four sons, Will, California; Frank, Percy and Fred at home. The remains were conveyed to Greenfield, Kings Co., for interment.

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### MEMORIAL TO LISTER



A very beautiful memorial has been erected in Portland Place, London, to the great British scientist and surgeon, Lord Lister, who made the use of anaesthetics in surgery possible. The picture shows a scene at the unveiling.

### FRED R. SMITH

The demise of Fred R. Smith occurred at his home here on Sunday afternoon, March 23rd, after a lingering illness, at the age of 59 years. Mr. Smith, who was a son of the late James C. and Annie Smith, of Windsor, removed with his family from that town to Hantsport at the time of the fire, and was very highly esteemed in the community. He possessed many admirable qualities. In his home he was a kind and loving father, and always most faithful in the performance of any duty devolving upon him. He is survived by two sons, Maurice, residing in town, and Frank, of Truro; and two daughters, Hazel at home, and Annie, Mrs. M. Fritzenburg, of Hantsport; four sisters, Mrs. R. Porter, of Canning, Mrs. J. McDonald, of Medford, Mass., Mrs. J. W. Baird, Honolulu, and Mrs. S. G. Ervin, of Everett, Washington; and two brothers, Allison of Malden, Mass., and Archibald of Bedford, Mass.; and two grand children, Orrie and Dorothy Fritzenburg; his wife having predeceased him about a year, and one daughter, Mildred, several years ago.

The funeral services which were largely attended were held from his late residence on Wednesday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. Dr. Dickie, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, assisted by Rev. F. H. Beals, of the Baptist Church, and Rev. Mr. Prestwood, B.D. Dr. Dickie based his remarks upon the 14th chapter of Job, 14th verse, "If a man dies shall he live again." The speaker stated that in the resurrection of our Lord we have the satisfying proof of the life beyond the grave. The male quartette rendered the beautiful selection, "We are Going Down the Valley". Other hymns sung were "Abide With Me" and "Lead Kindly Light". The floral offerings were many and beautiful, testifying to the esteem in which the deceased was held. Interment in Riverbank Cemetery.

### IMPOSSIBLE

Cheery Friend: "What, my dear old chap, ill again? Ah, but you should follow my advice and eat more onions—at least two a day. They are the secret of life." Invalide: "But how do you keep them a secret?"

### REV. J. C. SPURR

Hantsport has had many sorrowful expressions of late, but none more deeply affecting than the passing of our beloved and honoured citizen, Rev. J. C. Spurr, who went to his heavenly home shortly after nine A. M., Thursday, March 27th. Words fail to express our deep sympathy with the family and friends.

The funeral services which took place on Saturday afternoon, March 29th, were held from the church where he had many times told the story of Christ's love to dying men. Dr. Manning and Rev. C. H. Martell, of Wolfville, were present and assisted in the service, besides Rev. Dr. Dickie and Rev. Mr. Outerbridge, of Hantsport.

Rev. F. H. Beals, pastor of the church, spoke most beautifully of the last days and words of Mr. Spurr. He had shown himself to be an ideal retired pastor ever manifesting the sweet cooperative spirit and extending the loving hand of sympathy. On the morning of his passing away, the very last words he uttered were to his dear daughter, Mrs. T. Muir: "I think I hear the sound of chariot wheels, Hallelujah!" Then relapsing into unconsciousness, his spirit quietly took its flight.

Rev. C. H. Martell told of his wonderful life and long friendship which began at Acadia in 1858, continued through their college career at New- ton, and ended, without a break, when he was called up higher. He made a strong appeal for men to live as this 'honoured citizen, who ever kept before those to whom he ministered the wonderful saving power of Jesus Christ.

Dr. Manning gave reminiscences of Mr. Spurr's work on P. E. I. and spoke of him as the Bishop of our denominational section. He also spoke of the high esteem in which he was held as governor or of Acadia College, and brought sincere greetings of sympathy from the other members of the governing board. He said it was impossible to do justice, in a few minutes, to the wonderful life of such a man. He was always "sane in judgment," "firm of purpose" and "cooperative in spirit."

The town of Hantsport is poorer to-day, because a great man has gone to his reward. He was always true and steadfast in the cause of right, an advocate of temperance in all things; a loyal friend, a loving husband and father, a consistent Christian gentleman, and leaves a legacy (of honor) to his loved ones of which anyone might justly be proud. His last message to the Church on Sunday morning, Mar. 24th, was— "The storm rages, but my anchor holds."

The choir sang "Abide With Me" and "Home of the Soul", which were special favorites of the deceased. The male quartette, Messrs. J. Folker, W. Pulsifer, Geo. Holmes and I. Pulsifer rendered two most appropriate selections entitled, "We are going Down the Valley" and "My Anchor Holds".

He is survived by a sorrowing widow, one daughter, Edith, Mrs. T. Muir of Winnipeg, who spent the winter, with her parents; one son Ernest, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce of Devon, N. B.; and a step-son, Nathan Lockhart, a lawyer at Eastport, Saskatchewan. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful. Interment took place at Riverbank Cemetery.

### EVANGELINE IN ENGLAND

They are not nervous in England over the circulation of Longfellow's "Evangeline", as some people in Canada profess to be. A writer in the Manchester Guardian, discussing the agitation to have "Evangeline" banished from Ontario schools, likens the spirit which fosters this movement to the very spirit which brought about the expulsion of the Acadians. He says: "When fanatics set its fangs in history and poetry as well as politics it is time to call a halt. One of Canada's ex-Ministers of Education, Dr. Cody, has discovered a pernicious influence in her educational system—the admission to its school books of Longfellow's epic, "Evangeline". This revered Sagrado denounces the poem as—demoralizing for the rising generation."

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of Canadians, and an outrageous distortion of the historical facts. He declares he knows no poem with a more subtle influence to create a wrong yet indelible impression of British justice, chivalry and administration. He moves for its expulsion from Canadian school books, and as he has just been appointed chairman of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto, there is a chance that he may get his way. He has collected around him a number of experts who join in the hue and cry, and rail against the poem from their several standpoints. One of them condemns, with some show of justice its "tedious hexameters"; another greatly negative, cannot regard it as "very good literature." So the mischief is loose, and "Evangeline" must be hunted out of Canada, again, as her people were hunted out a century and a half ago. This, presumably in order that the Scriptures may be fulfilled which say that history repeats herself.

### DR. H. R. GRANT SPEAKS AT HANTSPORT

Dr. H. R. Grant, Provincial Secretary of the Social Service Council, was in charge of the service in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening. At 8.15 he very ably addressed a mass meeting in the Baptist Church. Dr Grant spoke particularly on Social Reform, Child Welfare, and Temperance. The following resolution was unanimously passed at the meeting: "Resolved that this meeting express appreciation of the action of the government in assuming responsibility for the enforcement of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act under the supervision of the Attorney General, and respectfully request the Premier, the Hon. E. H. Armstrong, and members of government, to provide at this session of the Legislature, that the sale of liquor by the Board of Vendor Commissioners, be hereafter, for strictly bona fide purposes."

### U. S. CAN'T COMPETE

That the United States government commission which recently toured Canada investigating the cost of grain production has decided that the United States cannot compete with Canada in this respect, is the opinion of L. H. Boyd, chairman of the Board of Grain Commissioners, who is very optimistic about Canada's future grain trade.

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### LITERARY MAP OF CANADA

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## TOWN OF WOLFVILLE

### Annual Report For 1923

#### REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

(Continued from last issue.)

As worked out in Wolfville, the office includes that of Superintendent of Streets, Water, Sewers and Electric Commission and Building Inspector. By resolution of Council, the Town Manager is also responsible for the duties of the Chairman of the different standing committees of the Council, and works in conjunction with each Committee.

To those not familiar with the history of town manager government it will be of interest to know that in the United States, beginning with the first appointment in the city of Staunton, Virginia, in 1808, the number of towns and cities operating under this system increased to 317 at the end of 1923. At the present time there are eleven towns and cities in Canada using this system, Wolfville being the smallest of these. In the large cities, the Council is usually superseded by a Commission of a few men, to whom as a Board of Directors the manager is responsible, practically all civic departments in turn reporting to the manager.

The Council is the best judge of any accomplishments achieved during the past eight months, working with the manager system. From a financial standpoint the expenditure on the whole have been kept within the estimates. The 1923 Council must be given credit for their attitude in estimating at the beginning of the year for reducing the deficit remaining at the end of 1922 by about one-half. Fortunately, the end of the year showed the whole deficit of \$4596.06 wiped out and a surplus of \$442.97 resulting instead. This improved condition of the Town to the extent of \$5039.03 is partly accounted for by \$2033.90 included in the estimates for the deficit, \$1000.00 estimated for the Boy Scouts and not spent, and \$640 reduction in the Joint Service Account.

A few facts may be brought out to show that any administration in Wolfville, which endeavors to make up their budget on a sound basis, is under a considerable handicap when allotting sums for improvements outside of necessary current expenditures. The following data, made up from the 1923 estimates, is instructive:—

#### WHERE THE TOWN INCOME DOLLAR GOES. 1923 Estimates.

Debiture Interest.....	17 1/2 Cents
Sinking Funds.....	51 "
Schools.....	21 "
County Tax.....	8 "
Highway Tax.....	3 "
Tax Discount.....	1 1/2 "
Insurance.....	1 "
Administration—Town Clerk, Superintendent and other salaries.....	7 "
Police.....	2 1/2 "
Street Maintenance.....	10 "
Water Maintenance.....	1 "
Sewer Maintenance.....	1 "
Street Lighting.....	4 1/2 "
Poor.....	3 1/2 "
Fire.....	1 1/2 "
V. O. Nurse.....	1 "
Contingent.....	5 "
Bank Loan Interest.....	2 1/2 "
Assessment for deficit.....	4 "

100 Cents.

The first seven items of this list, practically fixed charges, amount to 57 cents, and the first eight items amount to 64 cents, out of the 100 cents income. Streets, water and sewer maintenance and street lighting were allowed last year only 16 1/2 cents. It is plain that any extensive improvements must for the most part be financed by bond issues. This means an added charge to the yearly estimates for interest and sinking funds. The following table shows that the debenture debt and interest charges per capita for Wolfville are well towards the highest of several Nova Scotia towns taken at random:—

Towns	Population 1921 Census	Debiture Debt	Interest	Debt per Capita	Int. per Capita	Debitures Issued For
Amnapolis	88	\$71,750	\$3,600	\$807.70	\$43.00	Schools, Water, El. Light, Town Hall, Miscellaneous
Briggwater	3,147	\$438,000	\$22,000	\$139.30	\$7.00	Schools, Water, El. Light, Water, Sewers, Hospital, Fire Hall and Equipment
Kentville	2,717	\$236,000	\$13,000	\$86.90	\$4.78	Schools, Streets, Sidewalks, Water, Sewers, El. Light, Park, Town Hall, Fire Hall & Apparatus, Improvements
Lunenburg	2,792	\$251,000	\$11,800	\$90.00	\$4.23	Schools, Streets, Sidewalks, Water, Sewers, Court House, Notes, Ry. Land Damage
Toro (1921)	7,562	\$659,000	\$41,500	\$88.50	\$5.48	Schools, Streets, Sidewalks, Water, Sewers, El. Light, Park, Town Hall, Fire Hall and Apparatus, Railway
Windsor	3,391	\$255,000	\$14,500	\$77.00	\$4.03	Schools, Streets, Sidewalks, Water, Sewers, Town Hall, Fire Hall and Apparatus
Wolfville	1,743	\$303,000	\$19,680	\$174.60	\$8.19	Schools, Streets, Water, Sewers, El. Light, Fire Hall and Equipment, Town Buildings

A few remarks on the Sinking Funds of the Town may not be out of place. In 1921 the funds on hand were taken from the bank and very satisfactorily invested with the Eastern Trust Company of Halifax in high grade bonds yielding on an average about 5 1/2 % on the investment. The following statements are based on the assumption that the yearly payments into the Sinking Funds will continue to earn at least 5%.

**Sewer Bonds**—Sinking Fund at Dec. 31st, 1923, amounted to \$3452, with an annual payment of \$420. Adding the outstanding sewer frontage taxes, which with interest should equal approximately \$6000 in 1923, the total fund created in 1923 will just retire the bonds to the value of \$21,000 maturing in that year.

**Composite Bonds**—Sinking Fund at Dec. 31st, amounted to \$739, with an annual payment of \$350. The fund created in 1941 will amount to about \$11600, while bonds to the value of \$17,500 will mature in that year.

**Streets**—Sinking Fund at Dec. 31st was \$5,282. The present annual payment of \$640 will provide a fund of about \$12,000 at the end of 1930 to meet bonds to the value of \$17,000 maturing in that year. Besides this there are bonds for \$8,000 and \$12,000 due in 1932 and 1939 respectively.

**Schools**—Sinking Fund at Dec. 31st amounted to \$2870. This with the annual payment of \$1,000 will provide sufficient funds to retire bonds to the value of \$3,000, \$5,000, and \$21,500 due in 1930, 1934 and 1942 respectively, but will only provide funds of about \$1800 to meet bonds to the value of \$22,000 due in 1942.

The Sinking Funds of the Waterworks and Electric Commission are referred to under those departments.

It is to be regretted that Wolfville, 31 years after incorporation, does not yet own a municipal office building which could and should be one of the central and most attractive buildings in town. During the past summer, owing to the fact that the former office building was being remodelled and the rent increased, the Council obtained very satisfactory heated office accommodation in the building of the Wolfville Fruit Company for a five year term, with privilege of sub-letting, at the rate of \$300 per year. This rate, of course, is much below the yearly cost to the Town of a municipally-owned building.

During the past summer the matter of revision of our by-laws was undertaken by the Council. Much time has been spent on this work, and the Revised Fire Protection and Building By-laws and Traffic By-laws have already been completed and approved.

On the matter of further public improvements in town much might be said. Such public improvements as we lack are well known to the citizens at large. In view of the financial condition of the Town, the majority of the rate-payers will agree that the matter of financing and acquiring of such improvements must be very carefully considered before being carried out.

The reports of the different Departments follow.

**STREETS.**  
The Season of 1923 closed with the Streets throughout the town as a whole in fairly good condition. On certain streets, however, little or no expenditure was made and these will require attention during the coming year.

Considering our total expenditure for maintenance a large portion was spent on resurfacing our Tarvia macadam pavement. Also the comparatively large amount of money spent on keeping the roads and side walks open during the exceptional snow fall in the first quarter of the year, about twenty-five per cent of the appropriation, prevented the expenditure of that much money on other work where more results would have been seen.

As will be seen from the costs submitted below, considerable sums were spent on the Eastern Extension of Main Street, Maple Avenue and Gaspareau Avenue. These main approaches to town must be kept in at least fair condition. Our expenditures on side walk maintenance has been very small, and this important portion of our streets will require a good deal of attention next season. Whether or not any permanent side walks will be laid this year under authority granted some years ago will be decided on by the 1924 council. An expenditure for such purposes and also for completing the permanent pavement at the East of the town are the two outstanding items which should be considered before any other capital street expenditures.

Our permanent streets have been constructed as a general charge on the revenue of the Town. The special assessment of part of the cost of permanent streets against abutting property as adopted in most cities would relieve the general town funds of a considerable load.

The East and West Sections of Main Street, as well as part of the business section, and about one half the area of Linden Avenue was resurfaced with Tarvia B, the small breaks on both streets having first been patched with cold patch mixture. With such resurfacing carried out about every second season and with care taken to prevent any small breaks from being enlarged these pavements should last many years. Part of the pavement at the Church Hill bend on Main Street was widened, thus making safer conditions for traffic at that point.

Our Tarvia B this season was purchased jointly with the Town of Kentville in a tank car. The total cost per gallon unloaded into barrels and placed in the storage yard amounted to twenty-four cents, including freight and handling. The estimated cost of Tarvia B purchased in barrels and placed in the storage yard would be between 28 and 29 cents.

(To be Continued.)

**RECORD ISSUE OF THE BIBLE IN 1923**  
All records for Bible distribution were shattered in 1923, the American Bible Society announced recently, 2,395,000 copies in 100 languages and dialects having been circulated in this country; fewer than half that many were placed in 1922.

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#### TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO MAKE A MILLION DOLLARS

**King of Piggly Wiggly Stores, Who Lost Three Millions, Tells How He is Going to Get Them Back Again**

Memphis, March 13—The average man can make a million dollars. And he can do it easily, according to Clarence Saunders, dethroned king of the Piggly Wiggly chain of stores. Saunders piled up a fortune of three million dollars then lost it trying to buck Wall Street.

- 1—Thou shalt work hard, and thou shalt have confidence in thy own ability.
  - 2—Thou shalt be loyal to thyself and loyal to thy fellow man with truthful appraisal of each and every task and its result.
  - 3—Thou shalt render service to others, for success and wealth merely is the outward fruits of service mutually rendered.
  - 4—Thou shalt cast aside selfish interests for they are the stumbling stones to success.
  - 5—Thou shalt forget all thought of immediate reward for thy industry.
  - 6—Thou shalt desire to do and thou shalt have the courage to stand back of thy convictions, no matter what the price might be.
  - 7—Thou shalt be impersonal in discharging every impediment—personal or otherwise—in safeguarding everything that will promote success.
  - 8—Thou shalt dispel illusions of every kind as they concern the human machine.
  - 9—Thou shalt find personality the biggest asset or greatest weakness of any man, for it reflects character.
  - 10—Thou shalt preserve thy bodily health, mental clarity and spiritual understanding, for these are the foundations of the Gibraltar of Success.
- "If you get a good idea, pull it to pieces and then reconstruct it, leaving out the weak points," says Saunders.
- "The average man, who sets out to make a fortune, has the idea that he must get all he can for as little as possible."
- "The only way to gain wealth is to show the other fellow your proposition will benefit him. Make him see you are giving him a bargain and he is the one who will reap the big benefit."

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