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**CLEANING HOUSE.**

This is the great cry among the women in all parts of Canada at this season of the year. The iniquity of "servants" is forgotten, the feelings of neighbors are set aside pro tem, and the great question of house cleaning fills the female mind, to the exclusion of all other questions, great or small.

And, yet if the gentler sex did not put their shoulders to the broom and clean house once a year, at least, we would become as noted for dirt, as the almond-eyed subjects of His Imperial Majesty of China are supposed to be. Yes! house cleaning is a necessary evil, and the wise father of a family is he, who accepts the inevitable with calm resignation, and allows everything to be turned topsy-turvy, living in hope of quieter days to come.

The subject of house-cleaning may seem small, but it leads up the somewhat greater subject of town-cleaning. We want our dwellings free from dirt, within, and we want them to look well, without.

Woodstock is taking a step in the right direction. We have always had a lot of good looking residences—many of them especially attractive—and care has been bestowed upon the surrounding grounds. But the average citizen who works late and early, was, until lately quite indifferent as to the appearance of his house. It was home to him and that was enough.

Things are changing. When a man builds a house, now, even if it costs little, he pays some attention to architecture. He wants his house to look well, and builds accordingly. He wishes some ground to go with his house, and makes a lawn in front, and so many pretty houses with many pretty lawns are being done away with, as the terror of the Woodstock cow is gradually decreasing. Few people wake up, in the morning, now, with the fear that they will find the cow, breakfasting in their place at the table.

And so the idea of the beautiful, grows. Woodstock may yet be known as the tidiest, and prettiest town in eastern Canada. We have the situation, and we have a start in our residential quarters—but Main street—alas, alas!

However we can at least keep the poor old planks clean. It would not be well to sweep them too hard, or they might break, but gently dust them. Treat them as you would an old friend in the last stages of disease, and be kind. Then, next year, when all our debts are paid, we will put asphalt on Main street, and house cleaning and town cleaning will seem worth the while.

**Is The Land Rough?**

The annual report of the Department of the Interior is at hand Mr. S. Gardner of St. John reports for this province. He says regarding Carleton County, all the persons who came into this county during 1896 are Canadians from the United States, bringing their effects; those from Maine bringing their teams and farming implements. The land is rough, but raising good crops. Centreville—Farms could be bought in this vicinity. One is offered at Tracey's Mills, good land, 75 acres cleared, good buildings, price \$2,000. The Centreville and Woodstock Railway is being surveyed. Victoria County.—The arrivals during 1896 are mixed nationalities. Canadians 85, Danes 21, English 5, United States citizens 12. Some have taken new farms, others have returned to the farms they left. At South Tilley several farms have been purchased by parties from the United States—ex-Canadians—who at once began work, having brought their effects, including farming implements, with them. Very little Crown land left in this vicinity and that poor. My correspondent adds:—"If the owners would send in settlers on the railway land, which starts at the rear of my land, a big settlement could be formed, for the land is very good. Our settlers are in a flourishing condition. Scotch colony few new additions. The people are contented and working away improving their places." Madawaska County.—Only two correspondents replied. They report 53 immigrants reached the county and all have taken up Crown lands and settled on them,—all French Canadians, bringing their cattle, &c., with them.

AT FOREST GLEN on the Tobique River the ice jam did great damage to the low lands and the R. R. is a wreck for quite a distance. Those rails and ties were like straws in the enormous boulders of ice as they plunged along taking everything before them, to the uninterested it was a majestic sight but to those immediately concerned it was not so pleasing. Messrs Timmerman of the C. P. R. Tapley, Barbone Kinney Stewart and others have been on the C. P. line investigating the amount of damage done the road also the proximate sum for repairs, the probability is the road will be moved to higher land. Rev. George Nicholson came to Limestone Sunday morning to baptize the child of William Watson; after leaving the village some part of the road cart gave way, and Mr. Nicholson was thrown forward between the horse and the cart in such a manner as to be unable to free himself from his perilous position. He held to the cart with one hand, and, to the reins with the other, and in this way was dragged some distance, but finally succeeded in stopping the horse. Mr. Nicholson was considerably bruised, and will no doubt feel the effects of the accident for some time.—Fort Fairfield Leader.

**A GOOD MOVE.**

To Repair a Bad Bit of Road.

The many who travel over that bit of road between Dickenson's tannery and the brook forming the town's lower boundary, will be glad to hear that there is a prospect of the road being put in such a shape that it will not be the rule for travellers to wallow to their waggons' hubs, in spring while bravely endeavouring to get to the centre of the town. This matter was taken up at a meeting of the town council on Friday evening last, when the full board were present.

Coun. Lindsay, after the council opened, drew attention to the electric light in Wellington Ward, which on account of the building of Fred Moore's new house, was not in a position to light along the street. He moved that the light be moved to about opposite Montgomery's. This was carried. Then, Coun. Lindsay spoke of a light about McElroy's which many residents around wished moved somewhere else. He moved that the light be moved. Coun. Ketchum thought a good deal of hard feeling would result and it would be better to have another light rather than move the present one. Coun. Lindsay's motion was lost.

Coun. Lindsay spoke of a bad sidewalk in Wellington Ward, and asked that the planks be taken up and the walk gravelled.

Coun. Ketchum said there were a good many worse sidewalks, and it was impossible to fix them all at once.

Coun. Lindsay said there was another question. Many merchants complained of truck teams taking up positions so close to the sidewalk that customers from the country had no show. He moved that the truck teams be requested to stand in the middle of the road from the fountain up, and the motion being seconded by Coun. Graham, carried.

Coun. Lindsay, then drew the attention of the council to the condition of the road between Dickinson's tannery and Upham's brook. His worship had hired a team and taken two members of the legislature over the road. They interviewed the third member, and the three members said that the government would pay one half of the cost of repairing this piece of road. Mr. F. B. Bull, supervisor, was sent by the direction of Mr. J. T. A. Dibblee over the road. He staked out 40 rods and prepared specifications. His plan was to remove the top of the road, fill in with small stones, to have the road turned piked and generally made up, 1 1/2 feet on the sides and two feet in the centre.

Coun. Graham suggested that the expense was likely to be very heavy. He was in favor of the government giving aid, as the road was a great road, and we should have money for it.

On motion Mr. F. Byron Bull who was present addressed the board. He was as much interested in the road as anyone, as he drove over it a great deal. It had been proved this spring that teams would go down as deep as three feet, and the only way to make a solid road was by putting in stones. He spoke of a piece of road this side of the Hodgdon road which had been very bad several years ago. Government aid was secured, the road repaired at a cost of \$300, and it had been unnecessary to put any repairs, excepting a little gravel, on it since. Asked as to the cost Mr. Bull said the cost would probably be \$5 a rod. There being 40 rods to do between Dickinson's and the Grove, the cost would be \$200, making the town's share \$100.

The street committee was authorized to deal with the matter, to furnish specifications of the work and to ask for tenders.

Coun. Ketchum asked the opinion of the council with regard to keeping the road machine. He thought it was doing good work, and it was decided to keep the machine. Coun. Ketchum, then, asked the council what he should do about hiring the machine, when the town was not using it. Two parties had already asked for it. The committee was instructed to hire it at \$6.00 a day and furnish a competent man to go with it.

Coun. Flemming drew attention to the proposed sewer on Broadway from Merritt's corner to St. Gertrude's, and the sewer committee was authorized to issue specifications and ask for tenders for its construction.

On motion of Coun. Graham the printing committee was instructed to put an advertisement in the St. John paper, of the sewer bonds which the council proposes to issue.

**Sunday School Convention.**

Yesterday afternoon the English Church Diocesan Sunday School Convention opened in St. Luke's school house, Very Rev. Dean Partridge presiding. There is a good attendance of clergy and delegates.

Today's session will be preceded by a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Luke's at 8 a. m. At 10 o'clock the conference will meet in the school house. From (10.15 to 11.15 o'clock,) subject—"The training and selection of Sunday School Teachers," Paper Reverend Canon Forsyth; Address, Reverend Scovil Neales; from (11.15 to 12 o'clock,) Answering of Questions by Committee: from (12 to 1 o'clock,)—Free Discussion and closing Remarks by the Chairman.

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**News From Seat of War.**

Arta, May 14, 6 p. m.—Desperate fighting has been in progress all day near Griboro, on the road to Filippidia. Two brigades of Greeks, with many guns, two companies of sappers and a squadron of cavalry, attacked the Turks, who were almost without artillery. The Greeks forced the first Turkish line of defence, but met with a stubborn resistance at the second. In several places the bayonets were so close to the cannon that they (the bayonets) could not be used. Already five hundred of the Greeks are hors d'combat. The battle still continues as this despatch is being sent.

Domokos, May 14, 7 p. m.—The Turks have retired in the direction of Pharsalos.

Arta, May 14, 9 p. m.—The fighting at Griboro has ceased and the Greeks have occupied various heights in the neighborhood Twenty-five officers and four hundred men are hors d'combat. The battle will be resumed to-morrow.

Since 4 o'clock p. m. the gunboat flotilla has been attacking Nicopolis from inside the Gulf of Ambracia, with a simultaneous attack proceeding from the land side. The Turkish batteries replied vigorously and firmly resisted the engagement. All the Greek efforts are now concentrated upon capturing Nicopolis and Preva before advancing to Pentepiphadia.

CANEA, Island of Crete, May.—The Greek troops have begun to embark, and their departure from the island is apparently to be unopposed.

ATHENS May 14.—A despatch from Lamia says that the Crown Prince Constantine has not yet left Dokomo.

LONDON, May 15.—The correspondent of the Times at Athens says: "The resumption of offensive operations in Epirus greatly complicates the situation and tends to hamper the negotiations for peace. The evident intention of the Greek commanders is to capture the Turkish positions there, in order to show that they have not been defeated."

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 16.—The porte has replied officially to the note of the powers, and declines to agree to an armistice until the following conditions are accepted: The annexation of Thessaly; an indemnity of £10,000,000 (Turkish) and the abolition of the capitulations. The porte proposes that plenipotentiaries of the powers should meet at Pharsalos to discuss the terms of peace and declares that if these conditions are declined the Turkish army will continue to advance.

The demand for the annexation of Thessaly is based upon the fact that the province was originally ceded to Greece on the advice of the powers with the object of ending brigandage and incursions into Ottoman territory, the porte believing at the time that the cessation would attain these objects; but the recent incursions of Greek bands and the events immediately preceding the war have proved to the contrary. This is the substance of the reply.

The ambassadors met to-day to consider the porte's answer, which is regarded as raising an extremely grave issue. It is thought that representations will be made to the sultan personally to induce a modification of these terms; but it is foreseen that this will be very difficult owing to the attitude of the powerful old Turk war party. If the porte should prove obdurate a European conference is not improbable, although at present Russia is opposed to such a step.

It is regarded as quite certain that the powers will not consent to a retrocession of Thessaly. Even Germany is believed to be resolute on this point, because it would involve a violation of the Berlin treaty and imperil the peace of the Balkans.

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