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TOWN TAXATION.

Every year there is the same remark by one or more councillors—"This is a hard year, and it will be difficult collecting taxes." Since the DISPATCH has been issued, at all events, such has been the exclamation. It is something like the "hard times." Like the poor, they are always with us, even when times are good. Does anyone ever remember a merchant stating that times are good and money plentiful, especially when the boy with the drafts is around.

There is something radically wrong with our system of municipal taxation. We are always in debt, and while modern living demands certain improvement, the money is not forthcoming. Now, we certainly do economise in Woodstock. We use the moon to light our streets, and that kind luminary has never yet sent in its bill. Of course this may be accounted for by the fact that communication between the earth and moon is difficult, and the heliograph won't work. The snow also helps us in lighting up, for street lamps are never lit excepting when absolutely necessary, and quite often, not even then. Surely we are economical. But save and grind as we will, we cannot keep even with the game. There is a big balance against us at the bank.

At the last meeting of the Maritime Board of Trade Mr. W. M. Jarvis made quite an impression by his carefully prepared remarks on the question of municipal taxation. He succeeded in thoroughly convincing his audience that there is a complete lack of system in our municipalities regarding taxation.

We know ourselves what a difficult time our assessors have. There is an awful hub-bub when any man's taxes are raised ten cents, and if there is a raise all along the line, the howl is general. The fact is we expect to have all the modern appliances in our town, and at the same time pay as few taxes as possible.

The Economy Of Good Country Roads.

It is an illustration that our rural communities are awakened to the changed condition of the present day, when we found Ontario and Quebec farmers disposed individually and collectively to forward steps for the improvement of country roads. Time was when the farmers thought trust-worthy roads on which to bring his produce to market or to railway a very subordinate matter. He thought first of clearing his farm and of getting his stock; schemed how he was to get his seed grain and how to pay for implements; worried about fencing and about barns and stables. And, when harvest was over and the need to get grain, roots or hay to market arose, he for the most part took the roads as they came and thought Providence responsible for them. Or, if he did not he probably reasoned that it was not his business but the township's business or some other fellow's business to have mud or ruts or broken bridges attended to.

Of late years the farmer had become more of a business man. He sees perhaps that a farmer in the next township has better roads than he and can haul four loads to the railway station; and he realized that the fact effected his pocket. He feels effect of competition and becomes almost without know it, a student of economics. He has begun to have doubts whether the township method of repairing country roads by statute labour is the best. And indeed this system is being discredited in many parts of the country as one-side and ineffective. Here is what the Huron Expositor says of it: "As it is now under township management each township not only has its own system but there are a dozen different systems pursued in each township. Under such circumstances it is impossible to have good or uniform roads. Not only this, but in many instances where two or more townships are interested in leading roads, they vie with each other as to which will do the least work on the roads, and the consequence is that very little work of any kind is done on it and it is allowed to get into disrepair and decay."

The Government of Ontario, and its representative roadmaster, Mr. Campbell, have done good in showing how roads can be vastly improved and in providing facilities for obtaining the machinery to improve them. The other day a deputation from the Ontario Good Roads Association waited on the Government to request legislation next session which shall take the building and maintaining of highway roads out of the hands of the townships. It is proposed, instead, that roads be placed under the control of the county councils; and it is urged that Government aid be given to assist county councils in the work. While we do not assume to predict that the change, if made, will do all

that is expected of it, we do think that it should result in more sound and economic work. For one thing, a consistent method of re-making and maintaining the roads might be adopted by a county, which would prove better and cheaper than the petty patching attempts now made by different townships. It is well to remember, too, as our Seaforth contemporary says, that "improved machinery, such as graders, steam rollers and stone crushers could be got and maintained. No one township can afford to keep machinery of this kind, and it is difficult if not impossible, to get two or more municipalities to unite of their own accord. This improved machinery would not only ensure better roads, but would effect a very great saving in their maintenance." We are glad to note the awakening among farmers to the importance of good roads. It is a guarantee that sensible steps towards improving them will become general.—Monetary Times.

GOOD HEALTH MINE.

Most Valuable Discovery by a Prominent Halifax Traveller.

But Rockingham People Have Known it for Several Years—Dodd's Kidney Pills a Perfect Mine of Health. They Cure all Kidney Diseases.

ROCKINGHAM, N. S., March 19.—(By telegraph) The rich mine recently discovered by the oldest traveller in Nova Scotia, Mr. J. H. Ireland, of Halifax, is said to have been known to the citizens of this town five years ago. An old resident states that he drew a new lease of life from the mine, at least four years ago. Others have made similar claims.

Mr. Ireland says he cares not how many people use the mine. He has named it the Good Health mine, and says that this is the most suitable title for it, as Good Health is enjoyed by all who use its output—Dodd's Kidney Pills.

There is no doubt about the genuineness of Mr. Ireland's cure. All his friends, and he has hundreds of them, have remarked the improvement, and congratulated him upon it. To each inquiry he has replied that Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him in a few days.

The reputation enjoyed by Dodd's Kidney Pills in this section of Nova Scotia, is indeed a proud one. It is safe to say that they are used in every household. And in every case in which they have been tried, a complete and lasting cure has followed. A large number of cases of Bright's Disease, Diabetes and Dropsy have been cured by them here, and the cases of Rheumatism, Lumbago, Lame Back, Sciatica, Gravel, Stone in the Bladder, Blood Impurities, Diseases of Women and all Urinary Diseases, that have been cured by them, are simply uncountable.

Great Leaders in Camp.

Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener, his chief of staff, passed through here. A special train conveyed the commander-in-chief and his extensive staff. Very few seemed to know of the coming of the party, but the train had no more than pulled in at the primitive little station when the news of the arrival of the great military men spread through the camp like wildfire. Lord Roberts, modestly attired in khaki and helmet, alighted, closely followed by Kitchener, the smallness of the former being greatly in evidence when he walked beside the Khartoum man.

They were the smallest and largest on the platform as they walked along conversing with Col. Rookford Boyd, the camp commander, and Col. Otter. Lord Roberts' five feet six inches looked even less than that when compared with the six feet and inches to spare that both Kitchener and Colonel Boyd possess. The guard at the station was inspected and the commander-in-chief thought that the bandoliers worn by the Canadians were not a good kind, since they leave parts of the cartridges exposed. He suggested that new ones should be sent up, or that covers for the ones now in use should be procured. General Kitchener, with his massive frame and determined, set face, strode with the party from end to end of the platform, taking in everything through his monocle, while Lord Roberts seemed too much engrossed in conversation to pay much attention to what was going on around him. Camera fiends popped up here and there and showed their threatening little instruments as close as was safe to the great generals, and whether sun favoured them or whether the kodaks were properly focused or not, they were snapped in all directions, but the special train could not wait till some of our officers rushed over to the camp for their cameras.

There was pressing work for Roberts and Kitchener to do at Orange river, and consequently a few were not able to take pictures. Cameras are good in some places, but there are times when gentlemen wish to walk without elbowing their way through a lane of lanky-jawed photograph machines. I should have thought that was one of them.

A hasty good-bye and the field marshal and his staff boarded the train and were whirled up to Modder river, where, no doubt, their arrival means the beginning of a big move.—S. McK. Brown, war correspondent in Toronto Mail.

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"Yes, you see, Mr. Blifkins had an annual pass on a steamboat excursion line but Mr. Barkus has some friends in the theatrical business. Between them I am putting in a perfectly lovely year."—Chicago Post.

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"Yes," she answered. "Why?" "Oh, I was just wondering if you would like to make me a fourth."

"I'm very sorry," she replied, "but I will be a wife to you."—Philadelphia North American.

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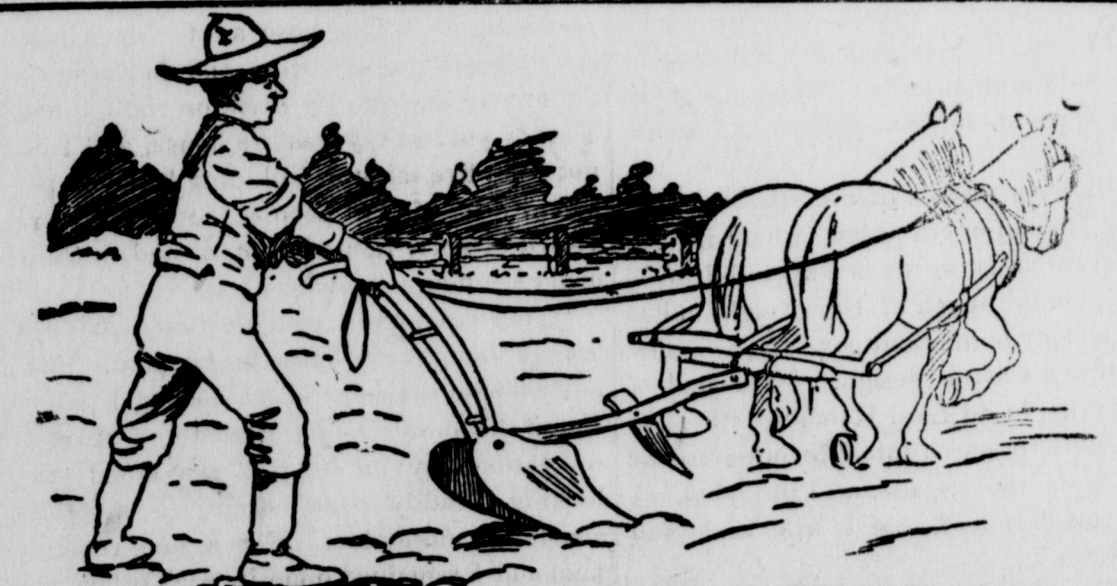
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I am a farmer located near Stony Brook, one of the most malarious districts in this State, and was bothered with malaria for years, at times so I could not work, and was always very constipated as well. For years I had malaria so bad in the spring, when engaged in plowing, that I could do nothing but shake. I must have taken about a barrel of quinine pills besides dozens of other remedies, but never obtained any permanent benefit. Last fall, in peach time, I had a most serious attack of chills and then commenced to take Ripans Tabules, upon a friend's advice, and the first box made me all right and I have never been without them since. I take one Tabule each morning and night, and sometimes when I feel more than usually exhausted I take three in a day. They have kept my stomach sweet, my bowels regular and I have not had the least touch of malaria nor splitting headache since I commenced using them. I know also that I sleep better and wake up more refreshed than formerly. I don't know how many complaints Ripans Tabules will help, but I do know they will cure any one in the condition I was and I would not be without them at any price. I honestly consider them the cheapest-priced medicine in the world, as they are also the most beneficial and the most convenient to take. I am twenty-seven years of age and have worked hard all my life, the same as most farmers, both early and late and in all kinds of weather, and I have never enjoyed such good health as I have since last fall; in fact, my neighbors have all remarked my improved condition and have said, "Say, John, what are you doing to look so healthy?"

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