

## WHEN WOMEN PAID \$20 FOR HAND MADE SHOES

New Brunswick Dealer Recalls Early Experiences in the Trade

(Shoe and Leather Journal.)

Just forty-four years ago, in the city of Boston, W. Bayard Belyea, a prosperous shoe retailer of Woodstock, N. B., made his first acquaintance with shoes. He was six months in a ladies' shoe store on Tremont Street, when he worked at the trade. They made a splendid custom boot by hand, and the lowest price at which the store sold a pair was \$3.00. The purchaser was not necessarily confined to this figure. She could go up to \$20.00 if she pleased, and many ladies had their own patterns at the store. Mr. Belyea says that he absorbed more knowledge and experience about shoes in that time than he fully realized, and even at this late day, a lot of data comes back to his memory.

The career of Mr. Belyea has been rather a stirring one. He has always been a public-spirited man, and was mayor of Woodstock for three years, 1901-2-3, and for the past eleven years has been a member of the School Board, seven years of which he has been chairman, a position which he holds to-day, and fills with both zeal and ability. He is also secretary-treasurer of the Carleton County L. P. Fisher Memorial Hospital, and was incorporated with the board as a trustee at its formation eleven years ago. Mr. Belyea has also been a member of the Board of Health of Woodstock for twelve years. Fraternally, he is both an Odd Fellow and a Free Mason. In fact, he has grown up and taken part in all the town's activities. He is also known throughout the province and the adjacent state of Maine as being a lover of good horse flesh. He has owned a number of fast animals at times, many of which he was quite proud.

Mr. Belyea is a son of R. B. Belyea, and was born in St. John in 1855, and located with his parents in Woodstock in 1861. His father kept a general store for a number of years, but afterwards confined his business to groceries and dealing in country produce.

The subject of this sketch entered into partnership with his father in 1875, and continued until the death of his father, which took place in 1884, on the steamer "City of Columbus," while on his way from Boston to Savannah. Mr. Belyea, Jr., conducted the business until 1903,



when he purchased the widely known and long standing shoe establishment of J. D. Dickenson & Sons, and removed it to the corner of Main and Court Streets, where a splendid trade is done and a good class of customers satisfied.

Mr. Belyea has had some unique experiences in the shoe business. In 1877 they bought quite an order of shoes from Richard Roche, traveler of the W. B. Hamilton Shoe Co., who was then selling for the Sussex Shoe Co., in Sussex, N. B. Nearly all these shoes were lost in the big fire of that year, which visited Woodstock and destroyed most of the business places. This is the reason that the firm did not re-stock shoes at the grocery store. In that year Mr. Belyea, Sr., and his son, started a dry goods store, with clothing and shoes and this business is still continued in Woodstock and owned by Dr. Manzer, a nephew of the subject of this sketch. Shoes were discarded after a time. Mr. Belyea says that he well remembers when B. B. Manzer once bought 300 pairs of women's shoes at \$1.00 per pair, from the late J. M. Humphrey, of St. John, and gave him in payment a horse worth \$300. He also bought at another time, a car load of women's rubbers at 25 cents per pair.

ed, most people in Wentworth know. Her only other son was Cecil B., eleven years the junior of Ernest D., who was educated for a civil engineer, receiving his degree at McGill university, where he distinguished himself by graduating at the age of nineteen with silver medal for general proficiency, being head of his class in twelve subjects and second in the only other two subjects. His rapid rise and most successful career was cut short by death at the comparatively early age of forty-eight, when he had already achieved an eminence in his profession equaled by few in Canada. He was senior member of the firm of Smith, Kerry & Chase, civil engineers.

## DEATH OF SENATOR SMITH'S MOTHER

(Hamilton Spectator.)

Mrs. Sylvester Smith, of Winona, Ont., who passed away at the residence of her eldest daughter, Mrs. H. A. Coon, of Weston, Ont., on November 18, was born near Hartland, New Brunswick, September 27, 1831, and receiving an education fitting her to teach school, came to Ontario, then called Upper Canada, at the age of eighteen. She taught school in Saltfleet at a school situated near the top of what is called the Lee Mountain, and at the age of twenty-one married the late Sylvester Smith, who owned a good farm of 170 acres two miles east, where they lived until the death of her husband, in 1885.

Mrs. Smith was said by those who knew her to be a woman with ideas twenty-five years in advance of her time. She was a constant reader of current events, and kept herself well posted on the chief topics of the day throughout all her long life. She perceived that education was necessary to the fullest success in life, and determined at an early date that her children should all have a first-class education, and this desire was shared by her husband. They had six children, all of whom received as good an education as circumstances would allow. The eldest, Ernest D., now Senator Smith, was intended to be educated for a civil engineer. He passed through high school and one year of university work, when, through carelessness, his eyes were so seriously injured that he was obliged to quit college and turn his attention to other pursuits, with what success, no doubt largely due to the education to far received.

The funeral took place from the

## TUMOR IN THE STOMACH

Completely Removed When She Took "Fruit-a-lives"

NEWBURY, ONT., April 4th, 1913. "Some years ago, I was sick in bed, and thought I was going to die. I had a growth in my stomach, which the doctors said was a tumor and they said that the only thing to do was to go to the hospital and have the tumor cut out. I dreaded an operation although both doctors said it was the only cure. I said I would die before being operated on."

At this time, my mother in Alvinston sent me some "Fruit-a-lives" and induced me to try them as she had heard of another woman who had been cured of a similar growth in the stomach by taking "Fruit-a-lives."

To please my mother, I began to take "Fruit-a-lives" with the happy result that they cured me. I have not been to see a doctor since and my health is first class.

I recommend "Fruit-a-lives" every time I get a chance and I will be glad to have you publish this letter as some other woman may now be a sufferer from the same trouble and "Fruit-a-lives" will cure her. Mrs. A. McDONALD, D. 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

Hunter street station to the Stanley Creek burying ground on the arrival of the 2.18 o'clock train from Weston Thursday afternoon.

### The Split Log Drag

I have used the split log drag long enough to know its efficiency on clay roads. I never really understood the principle, however, until three or four years ago when a sound Institute speaker explained it in this manner:

"Did you ever see a hog rolling around in a clay wallow? At first, after a rain, the water all sinks out of the wallow. Presently, however, the walls become impervious, and the water will stand in the wallow for weeks after a rain."

"That," said the speaker, "is the principle of the road maintained by the split log drag. You smooth over the surface with the drag until presently you have a hog wallow turned upside down. Instead of retaining the water it sheds it."

I have seen people smile when a split log drag enthusiast was talking. This simple illustration so thoroughly explains the operation and shows that the split log drag is effective in spite of its simplicity, that I pass it on for the benefit of others.

—Farm and Dairy.

Two Irishmen, who were having a little jollification, arrived home in the early hours of the morning. There still remained one bottle of whiskey, and neither Pat nor Tim could trust each other not to drink the whole of it. Finally they agreed to leave it downstairs in the corner of the parlor and went to bed.

An hour or so later Pat got up and went down to the parlor and drank the whiskey.

Later still, Tim woke up, and was stealing out of the room.

"What do you want?" said Pat.

"Oh—nothing, nothing," replied Tim.

"Very good," said Pat, "you'll find it in the bottle in the corner."



## If you are a Family Man

you should save part of your earnings. There's no telling when a severe sickness may lay you up, or you may find yourself out of employment. Have you made provision for your family in such a case?

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### SIR RODMOND.

I'm a leader of the people, a Premier and a Knight  
Set high in public office, a bright and shining light;  
The influence of my station I appreciate and prize,  
And I use it in Knightly way—except when otherwise.

When I choose a Cabinet colleague my first and foremost aim  
Is to guard my Knightly honor and my Province's good name;  
I pick a man incapable of crooked scheme or job,  
Except when I may happen to select a chap like Bob.

When a contest is in progress—as in Macdonald, say,  
I fight an honest battle in an open, Knightly way.

And I never use corruption, or put my foes in jail,  
Unless I think there's danger that my candidate may fail.

I set a good example to the youth of our fair land,  
And the widespread influence of my words I fully understand,  
So I never use low language like a loafer on a jag—  
Except such terms as "liar" and "English jelly-bag."

I hold that truth and honor and purity and right  
Should be precious to a statesman, especially a Knight;  
And to the high ideal I ever seek to rise,  
Except when my department may be slightly otherwise.

### SOME POULTRY NOTES.

Begin now to have things in snug condition for winter. Be careful that you do not take the young stock from airy coops and shut them into winter quarters that are warm and tight. Let them have plenty of fresh air but no draughts. Do not have too many windows as they make the houses hot during the day and cold at night.

Remember the birds have on their winter coats and are not in need of so much warmth. Damp and wet are far worse for fowls than cold, and hens are often kept from laying on account of poor houses. This time of the year a change to damp and cold will often give colds that will perhaps lead to a case of roup during the winter.

Keep the house, clean, warm and dry, disinfect often and much will be done to prevent disease. Warm and dry quarters are necessary for the birds that are not through with moulting.

Do not keep the cockerels intended for market too long as the price is going down as it is now November, and the turkey has the right of way.

If you have a number of cockerels on hand and they fight a great deal, put an old cock in with them. He will settle the scraps and be proud of his job.

Some of the best birds that are shown at the shows this season have been raised on the farm. The farmer can let them have free range and a variety of food, both of which are valuable in the production of shape and color.

Early hatched pullets, or yearling hens that have moulted in season; airy houses that have not too many glass windows and no draughts; plenty of litter to keep the fowls busy scratching; a good supply of fresh air; clean water, shell and grit; and all this mixed well with a good supply of human kindness is a simple recipe for getting eggs this winter.

Bank the houses to keep them free from draughts and keep enough litter on the floor to keep their feet warm and to give them plenty of exercise scratching for their morning feed. The circulation of the blood is very active through a hen's foot and she cannot make her food into eggs if it takes too much of it to keep her feet warm.

### TO REMOVE STAINS

Ink Stains—Soak in sour milk. If a dark stain remains, rinse in a weak solution of chloride of lime.

Blood Stains—Soak in cold salt water, then wash in warm water with plenty of soap; afterward boil.

Grass Stains—Saturate the spot thoroughly with kerosene, then put in the wash tub.

How many beautiful homes we have in town! Is yours beautiful? Would you like to have it beautiful? Give it a coat of paint. Ramsay's Paints. They are so reasonable and they last so long. Go and see A. E. Jones about Ramsay's.

## Suitable Christmas Gifts

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