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THE LATE A. R. WETMORE.

Fredericton lost a highly esteemed citizen and the Province of New Brunswick one of its most efficient and hard worked public servants in the death of Mr. A. R. Wetmore, chief engineer of the Department of Public Works in charge of bridges, who passed away yesterday at Guelph, Ontario, where he had been under medical treatment. The late Mr. Wetmore belonged to a distinguished family, members of which have taken a prominent part in the public affairs of the province. His father was the late Hon. A. R. Wetmore, the first Premier of New Brunswick, following Confederation, and who afterwards gave many years of splendid service as a Supreme Court Judge.

Trained at the Royal Military College at Kingston, Mr. Wetmore, after his graduation declined a commission in the British army, which would have necessitated his removal from Canada, and decided to devote his life to engineering work, and with that end in view specialized on steel bridge construction. In 1892, when the Provincial Government then led by Hon. A. G. Blair, decided on a policy of permanent bridge construction, and needed the services of a specialist in this line of work, Mr. Wetmore was sought out and prevailed upon to accept the appointment. When he was taken ill last fall, therefore, he had almost completed thirty-five years of faithful service in the employ of the Province. It is not an exaggeration to say that in his particular line of work he had no superiors and few equals in the Dominion of Canada. That he loved his work and was intensely loyal to his native province is attested by the fact that on several occasions he refused tempting offers from bridge construction companies which carried with them a much larger salary than he was in receipt of or ever could hope to receive from the government. He was a hard worker, and it is well known that after toiling at his desk all day he often carried his problems to his home and burned the midnight oil in an effort to find a solution for them. The many substantial steel bridge structures which span the rivers of the province which he designed, stand as monuments to his skill and devotion to the public weal.

A man of high intelligence, affable and courteous at all times in spite of the many worries and cares which go with a busy official life, Mr. Wetmore was respected by all who knew him and his death will be regarded as a distinct loss to the Province. The heartfelt sympathy of friends in all parts of the Province will go out to the widow and family in their great bereavement.

WILD FLOWERS.

Newspapers, east and west, have opened their campaign of pleading with the people to spare the wild flowers. It won't be long now until the beautiful things, born of heaven to brighten their particular spot of earth, will be up to meet the sunbeams. They are nature's spring offering, come to assure us that the earth is again awake.

More than a century ago Robert Burns, the Scotch bard who sang himself into the heart of the civilized world, unintentionally turned down a mountain daisy with the ploughshare. It is written of him that he went to the garret that night and wrote the sweet, tender poem beginning:

"Wee, modest, crimson-tipped flower,
Thou's met me in an evil hour."

It is an evil hour in the day of people who uproot and destroy the flowers that glorify the highways and by-paths. Uprooted or plucked from the parent stem, the pretty things die

within an hour or two and are thrown aside, a pathetic sacrifice to a selfish whim.

We cannot all be poets, but it would be good for our souls if we were to pray for a tenderness like that which found an abiding place in the heart of Burns. We wonder if the teachers in the schools could not help in the campaign to save the wild flowers?

Don't fret about an inferiority complex, says Dr. Alfred Adler, noted psychologist from Vienna. Big achievement comes from trying to get over a feeling of inferiority, he says. With much respect to this able student of the mind, it must be said there is another side to the question. Great self-assurance, to the point of conceit, has accounted for some outstanding successes. The few who think they can't fail may sometimes prove ridiculous. But they are more likely to make outstanding successes than those who fear.

Matrimony may end war and bring international peace. As a result of the marriage of a Swedish princess and the crown prince of Belgium the two nations have entered into an agreement never to go to war, no matter what the case or the cause. If the stock of princes and princesses holds out, the nations may be married into lasting peace despite the so-called diplomats.

Australian scientist says a protruding jaw or strong chin does not necessarily indicate its owner is of strong character. We can believe that for the same reason that we don't place any too much confidence in the "open countenance." One of the biggest liars we ever knew had one of the "frankest faces" we ever saw.

A well-known writer on religious subjects hints that this is an age of "religious decadence." He may be right, and it wouldn't be surprising if he is. One trouble with the church today is that it seems to run largely to theological disagreements.

Mussolini may be right when he says Italy must expand or die, but it's pretty tough on the other countries whose territory he intends to graft on to the Italian kingdom.

If the old stunt of sending clothing to the heathen is still operative it must make the savages blush when they see what they are expected to wear that comes out of the barrel.

Great increase has been made in the consumption of lettuce in this country. And it hasn't been so long ago that lettuce was considered rather effeminate by most men.

There is a growing feeling that balloon tires haven't helped the pedestrian to any great extent. About all they do is make him bounce higher.

Those Chicago gunmen are not sporting. They should at least give their victims a chance to duck by calling "Fore" when making their shots.

There is some reason for believing the ladies think they are making up in quality what they lack in quantity of clothes.

We don't believe gasoline is only four cents a gallon in Berlin, but if it is that settles the question as to who won the war.

"A boiler shop," says the Arkansas Gazette, "is the only place where a man making the most noise is doing the most work."

As between attempting to keep track of Chinese generals, we'd rather try to count horses on a merry-go-round.

It is possible to make the trip around the world in twenty-eight days, but one might as well go blind-folded.

The early bird going out passes the late bird coming in, but there's a difference in what they catch.

All men are born equal, but it's one's own fault if he stays that way.

Fined Ten Dollars.

A resident of Dumfries charged with creating a disturbance on a C. N. R. train was fined ten dollars in the police court this morning. He paid the fine.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

After all, the genuine, uncompromising ogre is a dog that dislikes a cat.

In all probability a coal strike will be the last trench the millennium will have to take before it arrives.

There have been many references recently to flaming youth. And youth getting the key has begun to imagine itself a bonfire.

"He argues that he is a good Christian" remarked the Man on the Car "because he doesn't cheat anybody on Sunday."

We don't know. It may be true that money talks but every dollar we get seems to be out of breath when it reaches us.

It is the duty of each generation to strive to be a little nearer perfect than the one preceding it. The only apparent difference is in speed.

Almee Semple McPherson must be given credit for possessing a magnetic personality. Otherwise she never could have captured the arteries of publicity in New York.

"Does prohibition pay?" asks an old-fashioned man. Huh! Of course it does; ask Bill McFarlane or anyone else getting a good income out of it.

When we have to listen to a long story for courtesy's sake, we try to fix our mind, such as it is, on something far-away—always trying to get back in time to say "uh-huh" in the right place.

WORKING ON INSECT PESTS

Woodstock, March 2—George P. Walker, assistant in charge of insecticide investigational work for New Brunswick, with the Federal entomological division, stationed at Fredericton is at present engaged in the Carleton county Vocational school, here, giving instruction to the agricultural students on insects injurious to crops and orchards, together with means of combating them, stressing as remedial measures proper spray mixtures and thorough spraying.

Presentations at Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Leonard Roberts of Woodstock who were married in Montreal a few weeks ago were given a surprise party on Saturday evening when a number of their friends waited on them and, through W. J. West, made them a presentation of a cut glass water pitcher with a half dozen glasses to match on a mahogany tray Mrs. Roberts formerly Miss Grace Black of Fredericton. Mr. Roberts formerly was with the Royal Bank here.

SPECIAL ATTRACTION

AT CAPITOL THEATRE.

"The Last Trail" is the photo play at the Capitol for the last half of the week with Tom Mix in the star roles.

Mix has his own troubles with a gang of stage looters but, of course he triumphs over them and wins the girl with considerable aid by Tony his famous horse. Many of the scenes were taken in the San Bernardino Valley one of the most picturesque locations in the West. One of the most exciting effects is that of a race between stage coaches, some of which upset and are otherwise wrecked. Mix drives the winning team. Also there is a sensational encounter with Indians. Carmelita Geraghty a promising young actress plays the role of the heroine.

H. Colby Smith, M. P. of Saint John is at the Queen.

Frank B. Mills of Saint John is in the city today on business.

DIED

WETMORE—At Guelph, Ont., on the 2nd inst., Andrew Ramsford Wetmore, Chief Engineer Provincial Department of Public Works, aged 65 years. Funeral Friday afternoon with service at three o'clock at Christchurch Cathedral by His Lordship Bishop Richardson and Very Rev. Dean Neales. Interment at Forest Hill Cemetery.

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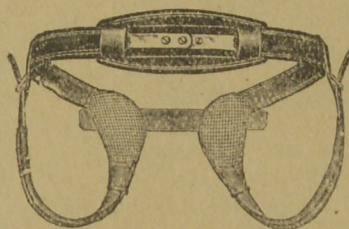
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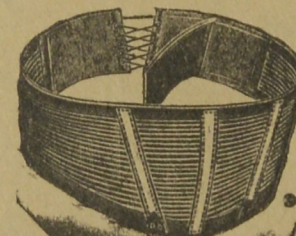
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