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CITY SHADE TREES.

Citizens of Fredericton to whom our beautiful shade trees are a source of much pride, will be interested in the following from the last number of the Canadian Municipal Journal:

"The protection of trees in cities is rapidly assuming a much more important position in municipal affairs. Twenty years ago, the trees received no special care, and were, as a whole, in much better condition than at the present time. But as a result of the growth of cities and towns, the trees cannot now obtain the pure air, moisture, humus, etc., necessary to their growth, and many beautiful city trees are forced to grow under conditions entirely foreign to their natural element.

"Noxious gases from manufacturing processes are poisonous to shade trees. Roadways and pavements are laid entirely regardless of the damage done to tree roots. In some cities and towns the chief essential is to have a sidewalk perfectly straight, no deviation to save a tree being considered, and the tree is sacrificed to this obsolete engineering theory. Careless teamsters, electric and telephone wiremen and malicious persons are also causes of serious damage to the shade trees of city streets. Many cities engage tree-butchers, whose only qualification for the work is the low wage at which they can be engaged, regardless of the great damage they do to the trees.

"It is generally admitted that the shade tree is necessary in our cities, and should at least receive proper care and protection. Many trained arborists are now available for this work, men who have made close study of the conditions under which city shade trees have to exist. With the growing appreciation of the value of shade trees there is no doubt that at least the larger cities will eventually have trained city foresters in charge of the trees."

LORD ROSEBERY'S APPEAL.

Lord Rosebery has some interesting things to say on the war in a preface which he contributes to a book published by Smith, Elder & Co. It is by Mrs. Humphrey Ward, it consists of letters addressed to an American friend, and the object was to describe "England's Effort."

"To the American public," says Lord Rosebery, "we feel that we have a right to appeal. We do not presume to measure or criticize the attitude of the government of the United States, but none the less do we feel that we may claim the sympathy of the disinterested American people for the unselfish but heroic part that our nation is playing in defence of the liberties of the world."

Nobody, Lord Rosebery thinks, can doubt that if Prussian ideals were to prevail in the conflict it would mean the "definite abasement of Europe and an infamous invasion of freedom and public law which would not be restricted to the old world."

Philadelphia Public Ledger: The chauffeur doesn't care very much when he drives into another car, because the boss foots the bill. Nor does the boss worry deeply about it, since he simply passes the buck along to the insurance company. When an automobile owner buys a policy he is insuring himself against the carelessness of his own driver and the carelessness of all other drivers. Too bad that there is no sort of policy that will protect Little Boy Blue! He faces death, swift and sure, every time his small feet touch the street. Little Boy Blue's hair stands on end when he hears about the ravages of wolves, bears and Indians; but all the Indians and bears and wolves in the wild west have not killed so many people in ten years as automobiles have slain in Philadelphia during the last six months.

We are not the only ones who are complaining about the weather. The Westminster Gazette says: "It may be unphilosophical to grumble about the weather, but it is hard to preserve the equal mind when day after day June succeeds in being January—or rather something worse, colder and wetter. We all really want a little geniality in the weather; the farmer in particular

must be longing for the sunshine in which to make his hardly-ever-so-valuable hay—a good crop, too."

It looks as if the long expected big drive by the Allies on the western front was under way at last. The war news during the last two days is the most encouraging received in weeks. British and French artillery have been raining shells on the enemy positions and their troops have penetrated second line trenches at several points. The Allies have been months preparing for this drive. They have plenty of guns and ammunition, and should have no difficulty in holding the ground they have wrested from the Germans. Although the Huns are still far from beaten, it is beginning to look as if the turning point in the war had been reached.

Hamilton Times: The Murray government deserved to be returned to power by a big majority in Nova Scotia. It is the only Canadian government which has done anything substantial in the way of providing for returned soldiers. It has arranged to give free vocational training to disabled soldiers in the provincial technical college and will undertake to train soldiers at the agricultural college and assist them to go into practical farming after their period of training. That government does things.

ON THE SIDE.

Into each life some rain must fall. Do you get it?

Good job we didn't save the holiday till Monday.

Final responsibility is the toughest job of all.

The littlest heart thinks it knows the most about love.

If there wasn't so much illusion there wouldn't be so much delusion.

A critic too often thinks that his first duty is to find fault.

Whether a woman is fat or just plump depends upon whether you are talking to her or about her.

The average woman's idea of reckless magnanimity is admitting that another woman is pretty and good looking.

MISS JENNIE CURRIE
DIED FROM HER INJURIES

Kingsley Girl Struck by I. R. C. Train
---Funeral Yesterday Afternoon.

The remains of Miss Jennie Currie arrived here Saturday night from Penobscot, Kings county, and were taken to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Currie, Kingsley. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon, with the service at the Baptist church Kingsley. The clergymen who took part in the service were Rev. H. H. Ferguson, Rev. Dr. W. C. Kierstead and Rev. J. B. Daggett. Interment was made at Kingsley. The deceased is survived by her parents and by one sister, Mrs. Nelson Currie, of Kingsley.

Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family. The late Miss Currie died as the result of injuries received early last week while troops were leaving Sussex for Halifax. Miss Currie was standing near the I. C. R. track and was struck by the passing troop train. Her injuries were severe, the jaw being broken and the head painfully cut, but at the time were not thought fatal.

PERSONAL.

Miss Helen Wandless, of this city, is visiting her friend, Miss Crozier, of Alma, Albert county.

Miss Alta McAdam, who has been residing in Boston for some months past, is visiting her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hagerman, who have been spending a few days in St. John, returned home Saturday evening.

Miss Edith Emms, who has been in charge of the school at Lawfield, Queens county, returned to her home here on Saturday.

Miss Mary Palmer, daughter of Mr. C. K. Palmer, is recovering from a severe attack of measles.

Miss Jean Adams spent the week-end with friends at Zealand.

Miss Letha Wathen, formerly of the Model School staff, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Merrithew.

Mr. G. W. Hodge spent the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. Davidson, at Weymouth, N.S.

Messrs. T. D. Vincent and H. Stevens, who are here installing the fixtures in the Woolworth store, are registered at the Barker House.

IDEAL SCHOOL BOARD
WAS HER THEME

Mrs. W. G. Clark of This City Read Valuable Paper at the Teacher's Institute.

Mrs. W. G. Clark, a valued member of the Fredericton school board, was among the speakers at the Teachers' Institute meeting at St. John on Thursday last. On the subject, "The Ideal School Board," Mrs. Clark outlined the many and varied powers invested in a board. The test of its efficiency might be determined by its ability to maintain a high average attendance and to run the schools as simply and as democratically as possible. A good trustee must either be a father of a family or a partizan believed in the present educational system. A useful board member must believe that the best way to start a youth toward a good citizenship was to educate him properly.

The real educational problem that confronted the school board, Mrs. Clark said, was to finance the schools. Another was to secure good teachers; still another was to create and maintain interest in the community for things educational. The speaker then cited conditions in New Brunswick and pointed out where the superintendent and where the school trustees should take the initiative. One thought that suggested itself, said Mrs. Clark, one that always showed the hand of the superintendent, was the flying of the old flag. Frequent conferences with inspectors had been important in the favorable reception of certain proposals. She advocated the adoption of city control of kindergartens. Such a step was meeting with opposition, but it eventually would be realized. The school board should cooperate and confer with its teachers. It should stir up interest; it should have a pre-opening day conference; the board should not overlook its duty to keep in touch with the home. Failure to do so was responsible more than anything else for poor results in some schools. Discipline, progress, relation to the community, respect for school property, were some of the elements that figured in the realization of proper results.

In closing Mrs. Clark said that the work of the teacher and the work of the school board were identical, to perpetuate a progressive, democratic government.

Chancellor Jones took up the informal discussion and said that Mrs. Clark had brought out some excellent ideas, and that the teachers should make it a point to confer at frequent intervals with the school board.

British Big Guns
Outclass Germans

London, July 3.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Paris says: "I am credibly informed that the British heavy guns now absolutely outclass the German or Austrian famous 42 centimetre guns which the German command sprang as a surprise at the outbreak of the war.

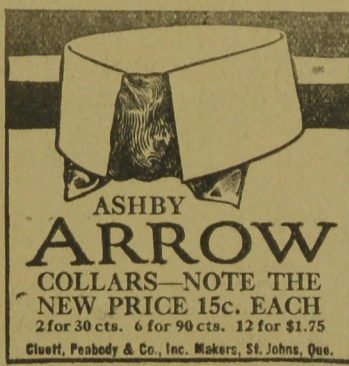
The supplies of munitions are so great that in the great offensive the question of economy of shells does not enter into account.

The French people have heard with pardonable satisfaction that the British asphyxiating gas has proved deadlier than any the Germans have invented.

Canadian Soldiers
Land at Quebec

Quebec, July 3.—Sixty-six Canadian soldiers invalided home reached Quebec Sunday on the Allan liner Gramplan.

Among the number are A. E. Rogers, Yarmouth, N.S.; J. Wiggins, Amherst, N.S.; W. Coughlan, St. John, and C. G. Foster, Halifax.



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