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## VALUE OF GOOD ROADS.

The great importance and value of good roads as an investment is well set forth by the Minneapolis Journal. Discussing the important subject a few days ago it said:

"The two forms of public investment that most appeal to the American people are public schools and public roads. We tax ourselves more heavily for schools than for anything else, though dividends from this investment are indirect. But roads bring dividends directly back on the return trip. A hard surface road from farm to town, a road that will bear the maximum load for twelve months of the year, is a great time-saver. Moreover, there are times when produce must be rushed to a briefly high market. Good roads are indispensable then. Many a farmer can tell of times when, held at home by a mud embargo he has helplessly watched a fall of the market costing him a hundred dollars or more. Supposing a farmer's land is assessed at ten thousand dollars and the additional tax, due to the issuance of road bonds is one dollar in the thousand. This would add ten dollars to his tax. But suppose he saves an hour a week when man and team are worth six dollars a day. His saving for the year on this small item is \$31.20, which is interest on his investment at the rate of 312 per cent.

"But any farmer knows that the saving due to such a road is not confined to so small an item as one hour a week. The wear and tear saved on team and vehicles amounts to more than that. The profits on a single crop taken to market in the nick of time may be much more than that. In fact, there is no factor that so vitally affects the value of farm land or the margin of farm profits as that of transportation. And the larger part of the cost of transportation from farm to ultimate consumer is that incurred by the haul over public highways."

The provincial government is fully cognizant of the great value of good roads to the people of the province and has gone to great expense in making improvements to them during the past three seasons. As a result of this expenditure the province today has the best roads in its history. Hon. Mr. Veniot, the Minister of Public Works, is a man of remarkable energy and he is determined that the province shall have value for every dollar expended. He is not only looking after the roads but he is devoting a lot of attention to bridges and culverts. So vast have been the improvements made by Hon. Mr. Veniot's department during the past two years, that one almost wonders what kind of shape the roads and bridges must have been in when the present administration took office.

Thanks to Hon. Mr. Veniot and the Provincial Government, the old time grouch about bad roads is no longer heard throughout the rural districts of the province. The people are getting value for the money being expended in roads and public works, and they appreciate what is being done to better the conditions of the roads.

## FORWARD, NEW BRUNSWICK!

The All New Brunswick Tourist, Game and Resources League was successfully launched at a large and representative meeting at St. John yesterday. New Brunswick as a province possesses a glorious summer climate and has enormous resources awaiting development, but it has not made the progress which it should have made. The object of the new organization is to wake things up and give this fine old province its proper place in the sun. If the newly formed league succeeds in getting our own people better acquainted with their own province it will have served a most useful purpose, but we feel confident it will accomplish more than that. The manifold attractions which this province has to offer the sportsman, the tourist and capitalist will be advertised extensively in the United States and Europe, and good results are bound to follow the efforts which will be put forth. If the attractions of the province

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are made known, and strangers in large numbers are brought here, development along other lines is certain to follow. The Province of New Brunswick has all to gain and nothing to lose by the forward movement successfully launched in St. John yesterday. It is the duty of energetic and public spirited citizens in every section of the province—in both town and country—to join the League and to do their utmost to make it a grand success.

St. John Telegraph: The Valley Railway, it is now announced, will be completed to Westfield by August 1. St. John will then have a direct connection with the National Transcontinental by way of Fredericton and McGivney. The road from St. John to Fredericton is a line of fine construction and low gradients. When the McGivney branch has been improved and a new bridge built at Fredericton, St. John should begin to get its fair share of the traffic carried by the Canadian National Railways. St. John is the natural winter port. The Valley line and the McGivney connection should give us a greatly increased portion of the national business, beginning next winter.

## THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Ice! What a lovely little word!

Among human frailties count the disposition to butt in.

In these days of high prices we are investing in more holidays than ever.

It's just like this: If an aviator gets across the London Daily Mail will come across.

Hop, flop, drop and blop are nautical terms used by blimps and nancies in transoceanic aviation.

"Old John Barleycorn," remarked the Man on the Car, "fooled a lot of men with the idea that he could cure a cold."

The young girl with her hair "done up" for the first time possesses more awe-inspiring dignity than a floor walker in a dry goods store.

Of course no one would employ force against a poor German to make him sign if he didn't want to.

If the plumber had been less wasteful of solder, Hawker might have got across.

Nature, wise or otherwise, seems to have made provision for the minority to make more noise than the majority.

## MEN ASK FOR 44-HOUR WEEK

Toronto, Ont., June 4—The Metal Trades Council decided at an early hour this morning to go before Premier Hearst to-day and ask for legislation enacting that the 44 hour week and collective bargaining be the law of the Province of Ontario. Failing this, the Metal Trades Council may ask the district trades council to call a general strike in Toronto.

## A Popular Sport.

That trout fishing is the popular sport with the masses was attested by the great holiday exodus of anglers from this city yesterday. The Nashwaak and its chief tributary, Cross Creek, were alive with fishermen and some excellent catches were made.

## Died on Sunday

The death occurred at an early hour on Sunday morning of Patricia Lillian Charters, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Charters of this city. The deceased was but fifteen months of age and besides her parents she is survived by two brothers. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Interment was made at the Rural Cemetery. Rev. W. C. Kierstead conducted the service.

Mr. Edgar H. Fairweather of St. John as at the Queen.

## ALL NEW BRUNSWICK LEAGUE FORMED

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annual dues for the current year. By-laws may be adopted at any annual meeting of the association by a majority of the members present. It shall be the duty of the council, without delay, to adopt suitable by-laws, which shall be in force until rescinded by the association.

Each member shall pay one dollar to the secretary-treasurer, as annual dues, and no person shall be qualified to exercise any privilege of membership who is in default. Such dues shall be payable and the payment thereof enforced, as may be provided in the by-laws.

This association shall meet annually and at such a time and place as the council may select, and ten members present in person at any session of such annual meeting shall constitute the quorum; special meetings may be called by the council at such times and places as the council may select. The executive shall meet at the call of the president or at the request of five other members by giving at least three days' notice.

The constitution may be amended at the annual meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose by a two-thirds vote of the members present, after one week's notice of such amendments.

At the afternoon session a number of resolutions were adopted, and Dalhousie was selected as the next place of meeting.

In the evening a very successful banquet was held at the Union Club, presided over by Mr. E. A. Schofield. The list of speakers included Governor Pugsley, Premier Foster, Mayor Hayes, Dr. Travis, of Forest and Stream, Morris Ackerman, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mr. A. H. Lindsay, of the C. N. R.

## LOCAL NEWS

## Adjourned Until 17th

On account of the illness of His Honor Judge Wilson the York County court which met this morning was adjourned until the 17th inst.

## Twin Boys Reported.

Mrs. M. L. Stevenson has received a telegram announcing the arrival of twin boys Sunday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Miller, Edmonton, Alt. Mrs. Miller was formerly Miss Winnifred Stevenson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stevenson, of this city.

## Car for City Engineer

After lengthy discussion in committee Monday night the City Council decided to purchase a Chevrolet touring car for City Engineer McDowell at a cost of \$1,035. The tenders for cars were as follows: Capital Garage, \$1,020; Fredericton Garage, \$1,475 to \$2,200; R. L. Phillips \$760.

## Will Defend Any Action

The City Council in committee Monday night instructed the Finance Committee to defend any action which Mr. Dell Hossack may bring against the city for the accident which his car suffered recently on the river road in the eastern part of the city. Mr. Hossack's solicitors have been informed that the city does not consider that it is liable in the matter.

## Gains Control of Committee

The City Council which has objected to the Citizens' Committee of five members having control of the joint committee on Public Playgrounds on which there were only three aldermen solved the difficulty at Monday night's committee meeting at which Ald. Davidson, Ald. Barker and Ald. Young were added to the membership giving the City Council members a majority of one.

## Double Wedding Yesterday.

A very pretty double wedding was performed at St. Anthony's Church, Devon, yesterday afternoon, when Miss Julia L. Chambers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Chambers, of Marysville, and Mr. Hubert Dunbar, South Devon, were united in marriage by the Rev. Father Murphy, and Miss Mary E. Owens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Owens, of Marysville, was united in marriage to Mr. Leo J. Chambers. The young couples attended each other, a double wedding taking place. A large number of friends and relatives were present.

Hon. E. A. Smith of Shediac minister of lands and mines arrived here last night. He is at the Queen.

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