

## REV. DR. McNAUGHTON A ST. JOHN RECTOR, SPEAKS FORCIBLY ON THE SUBJECT OF FOREST PROTECTION

The following address by Rev. J. D. MacKenzie Naughton, Rector of St. John's Church, Saint John, N. B., was specially written for Canadian Forest Week and broadcast from radio stations CFBO and CFNB at 7.15 p. m., April 25th., 1928, and from radio station CNRA afternoon programme.

The value of a tree as a Thing of Beauty comes home to us early in life, for as children we soon learn to appreciate beauty. It often comes to us as a surprise to learn that it is also an Object of Usefulness, that the toys we play with, the chairs we sit upon, and probably the house in which we live are all made from trees. As we grow older we discover that the tree is a Source of Wealth. Timber can be sold for money. The felling of trees provides employment to woodworkers, and to these are added the workers in the pulp and paper industry, and the printers who largely depend upon them. Then we find that these workers need food and clothing and many other things, the supplying of which gives employment to another army of workers. And when we add all this the taxes paid for the privilege of chopping trees for the privilege of cutting down the trees, we begin to realize that the forests of Canada are a great source of wealth.

Further consideration shows yet another aspect of the value of trees; they are a Source of Well-being to the Country. Forests conserve moisture, tending to prevent disastrous floods and to equalize the flow of our rivers and streams. They provide the cold, clear water that makes our fishing unexcelled, and afford shelter to the wild-life that makes Canada a "Sportsman's Paradise."

We Canadians are a young Nation, and Youth is apt to be thoughtless and extravagant, but surely we are old enough to pause and consider the importance of our Canadian Forests.

We think of Canada as an Agricultural Country and almost, if not actually, the largest wheat producing country in the world. Yet last year our exports of Forest products ranked next to those of agriculture. Canada is the principal source of softwood supplies in the British Empire.

### Cry for Industries

The great cry today is for industries, we are told on all sides. But what of the industries we already possess? More than half of Canada's manufacturing industries depend upon wood as a raw material. Wood products enter into every phase of human existence.

From this we see that the preservation of our forests is a very important matter, and one that demands immediate and serious attention.

### Deadly Foe

The forests of Canada have two deadly foes. They are Prodigality and Fire.

We all know the parable of the Prodigal Son. That young man received fortune and, with no thought for the future, squandered it until he was reduced to beggary. The people of Canada have inherited a great fortune in the forest lands of the Dominion. Let us not squander this heedlessly.

We did not plant the timber we are cutting today; we inherited it, and should take steps to pass on this heritage to future generations. For every tree that is cut another should be planted. To see that the duty of reforestation is performed is a responsibility of the Government.

To combat the other foe is the duty of us all. And fire is the deadly foe of the forest. The original forest wealth of Canada has been estimated at 925 billion cubic feet. Since men began to realize the value of timber we have used thirteen per cent of this, and sixty per cent has been burned. If you drew one hundred dollars out of the bank, spent thirteen, and put the rest in your purse, then when you arrived home, found that you had lost sixty, you would feel that it was about time you got a new purse.

Since Confederation the lumbermen have cut 100,000 square miles of timber; in the same period fire has burned eight times that amount.

When the lumberman goes through a timbered area and cuts down the choicest trees, what remains? Young trees to take the place of those cut down. Work for the teamsters to get the cut out of the bush. Work for the sawmills. Work for the furniture factories, or for carpenters and builders. Work for pulp and paper mills and printers. Work for artificial silk factories and dress makers. Work for the railways. Work for the butcher, the baker, and a host of others who make things needed and bought by all these other workers.

### The Results of Fire

But supposing a forest fire passes over the same area, what then remains? A charred and blackened landscape with possibly the ruins of several homes and the cremated bodies of some who were not able to outdistance the rapid advance of the flames. No young trees are left standing to provide supply for the future. There is no cover for wild life, and if there by a river close by, there are silt and ashes for the rains to wash down to impede its flow and poison its fish. Unemployment and loss may follow, but no one benefits from a forest fire. It is the enemy of us all.

Let us all unite to fight the fire. And in this connection, as in others, prevention is better than cure. Will you bear with me while I offer one or two suggestions as to what we all can do:

(1) To whose business it is to superintend the widening of our roads. Do not allow your slashings to accumulate in piles along the roadside waiting for the first careless match that is cast among them.

(2) To campers and picnickers. Be careful where you make your fires. Make them on gravel if possible, and away from anything through which the fire may spread. Never leave a fire unattended, and make sure that it is out when you have finished, thoroughly soaking it with water wherever possible.

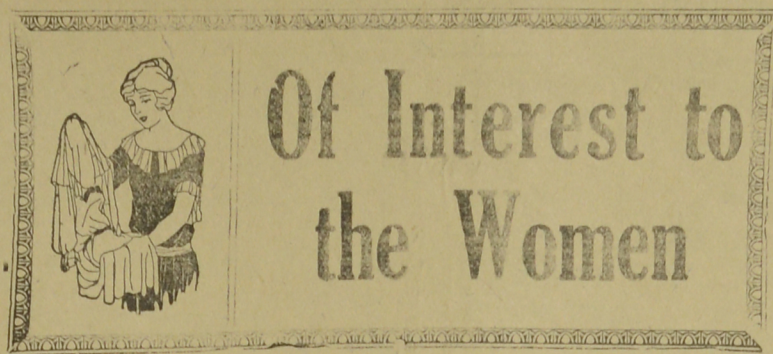
### The Deadly Cigarette

(3) Smokers are responsible for one-third to one-half of the forest fires in Canada. If you intend to smoke in the woods, smoke a pipe. A lighted cigarette will burn even if it is not being smoked. Make sure that cigarette butts are really out before throwing them away.

(4) Every man, woman and child in the United States uses an average of seven matches a day. The same is probably true of Canada. That means about 70 million matches lighted every day. Get the habit of thoroughly extinguishing a match before you throw it down — ALWAYS — even though you are throwing it into a fire. If we will heed these simple rules, we shall help materially to Save the Forests of Canada.

Bricklayers are in competition with artists in an art exhibit in New York, the first clash for precedence, we take it, between the trowel and the hod, and the brush and the palette.

In New York now a person who operates an airplane while intoxicated commits a crime; but, personally, we should think he was doing the impossible.



## Of Interest to the Women

### SPRING AND THE MODE.

Bright green and red combinations seem to be a new note in fashion. Usually the frock is of bright green, topped with a bunch of red cherries instead of flowers at the shoulder and worn with a bright green hat. Tailored bright green wool crepe fashions many of these smart frocks.

A new idea in wedding gowns was seen recently when an ivory satin frock was embroidered with flesh pink pearls and the white tulle veil lined in flesh pink.

An odd combination and an effective one, seen on Fifth avenue this week was a jumper worn with a dust pink pleated skirt. Another much favored combination are navy coats worn with red frocks.

Another new ensemble note consists of short jacketed suits with checked skirts or frocks and plain coats, in the reverse. Frequently they are of blue and white and often of black and white.

Back net evening frocks seem to be taking the fashion world by storm. Many have simple basque-like bodices, full short skirts and a huge net bow from which fall two huge streamers, forming a short train. Often these are lined with pink net.

### WHITE ROSE CAKES

1-2 cup butter  
1 cup sugar  
1-2 cup milk  
1 1-2 cups flour  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
2 egg whites  
1 teaspoon rose extract

Cream the butter and sugar; add alternately the milk and dry ingredients sifted together; fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites and add the extract. Bake in buttered patty pans in a moderate oven—350 degrees—for about twenty minutes. These cakes are especially nice frosted with a pink icing and decorated with a sugar rosebud.

### COFFEE CUP CAKES.

1-2 cup butter  
1 cup sugar  
3 eggs, separated  
2-3 cup strong coffee  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
2 1-2 cups flour  
1-2 teaspoon coffee extract  
1-2 teaspoon vanilla  
1-2 cup seedless raisins  
1-2 cup nut meats, chopped

Cream the butter and sugar add the beaten egg yolks, then add alternately the coffee and the flour and baking powder sifted together. Then add the flavorings and stir in the nuts and raisins. Last of all fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites. Bake in well buttered patty pans in a moderate oven—350 degrees—for about twenty minutes. Makes eighteen cakes. Ice with either a chocolate or a mocha icing.

### LITTLE DARK CAKES.

1-2 cup brown sugar  
1-2 cup molasses  
3-4 cup buttermilk  
1-2 teaspoon salt  
1-2 teaspoon each of cinnamon, cloves ginger, allspice  
1 teaspoon soda  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
2 cups flour  
2 tablespoons melted shortening

Add the molasses and buttermilk to the sugar. Mix and sift the dry ingredients and add to the first mixture and last of all stir in the melted shortening. Bake in buttered patty pans in a moderate—350 degree—oven for about twenty five minutes and when cool cover the little spice cakes with chocolate icing.

### A CLEAN-UP

Clara cleans the kitchen,  
Dotty cleans the stairs  
Pa, he cleans the knives  
And Helen cleans the chairs;  
Ma, she cleans my face and hands  
Well as she is able,  
But when it comes to dinner-time  
The boarders—clean the table!

—Home Magazine

## COURT SAYS MULE'S ACTION IS UNCERTAIN

Richmond, Va., April 26—What a mule will do under given circumstances may be a matter for scientific investigation, but it is not a matter for judicial ruling, in the opinion of the Virginia supreme court.

Wesley M. Smith was driving his automobile along a Virginia highway when a mule suddenly veered into his path, damaging the car and injuring the driver. Smith was awarded \$5,000 damages. In appealing the case, the mule's owner asked the court to decide why the mule acted in such a manner.

"We decline as an appellate court, to take judicial notice of what a mule would do under any circumstances," the court says in its opinion. "We would prefer to commit ourselves to the proposition that there is nothing more uncertain than the actions of a mule under any circumstances."

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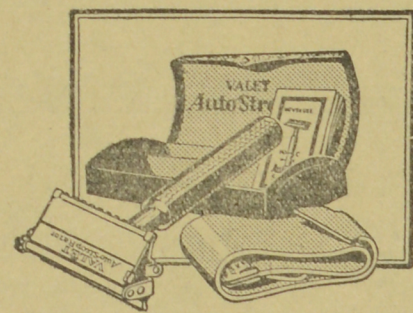
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