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THE HIGHWAY ACT.

Reports from all over the province are to the effect that the new Highway Act is proving much more satisfactory than was expected by its most sanguine friends.

It must be remembered that the monies raised by this year's assessment have not been, and cannot be expended until next year, therefore the superintendents have only had at their disposal this season the provincial grant for the year. Next year they will have the road monies assessed this year. It is therefore very unfair to judge the Act by the operations of the present year, as the provisions of the Act are such that it does not practically come into full effect until next year.

However, it is wonderful what a change has come over many of the opponents of the Act. From one parish in this county it is stated by those who formerly opposed the Act that more work has been done with the limit means at the command of the Superintendent than in any three former years. Opposition to the act has disappeared, and reports of a similar character are coming into the public works department from all over the province.

This is not at all surprising, when one considers how very unsatisfactory the old optional system was. Those who went on the roads to work seemed to have lost all public spirit, and the only object seemed to be to have a soft time and do as little work as possible. The monies that came into the hands of the roadmasters were not sufficient to accomplish anything and the whole business had come to be a kind of a go-as-you-please affair.

This is all changed; no more loafing under the pretence of doing road-work, but every cent of both the provincial grant and the local tax are made to tell in the work of making the public roads. The larger districts make for uniformity, and more attention can be given by those entrusted with the work to the science of road-making.

About next fall those who have been so foolish as to denounce the Act in all the moods and tenses will be going around telling the people that Mr. Hazen and the opposition supported the Act, and are as much entitled to credit for it as the government and their newspaper organs and spouters can do it without turning a hair, or displaying a blush.

NELSON AND CANADA.

Lord Nelson spent nearly a year of his life in Canada. He came with his ship to Quebec in 1782, when under twenty-five years of age, and remained till 1783, also visiting Halifax.

It is told of him that while at Quebec he fell violently in love with a young Canadian lady, and would have married her on the spot had he not been dissuaded by a friend who convinced the future hero that marriage at that time might mar his chances of promotion.

Like many another Englishman, Nelson before coming to Canada had an idea that it was an Arctic country. He was in indifferent health and did not want to come here, but he changed his mind about our climate, after he had visited Canada, and his testimonial has been used to break down the foolish prejudice of many people on the subject.

Nelson's ship, the Albermarle, was ordered to Quebec in the summer of 1782. He had the average Englishman's conception of this country as a sub-Arctic region "I want much to get off from this voyage," he wrote. "Mr. Adair (an eminent London surgeon, who a year before had treated him for paralysis of his limbs) has told me that if I was sent to a cold damp climate it would make me worse than ever." The Albermarle reached Quebec on July 1, 1782, but sailed three days later for Boston Bay, returning Sept. 17. One of Nelson's biographers writes:

"The fears for his health that he had expressed before sailing from England had happily proved groundless, and a month's stay in port, which now followed, at the most delightful and invigorating of the American seasons, wrought wonders for him. His letters to Locker state that the voyage agreed with him better than he expected, while from St. Lawrence he wrote to his father:

"Health, that greatest of blessings, is what I never truly enjoyed until I saw fair Canada. The change it has wrought, I am convinced, is truly wonderful."

ABOUT MR. BLAIR.

The Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Globe, discussing Hon. A. G. Blair's recent resignation of his position as managing director of the Toronto Roller Bearing Company, makes the following kind reference to that gentleman:

"To those who know Mr. Blair his action is not at all surprising. He is devoted to his family, and to be absent from them every week, only returning to spend the week's end here, was a deprivation felt by him and them most keenly. The separation grew more intolerable as time went by. Some men would have regarded the giving up of residence in Ottawa and removal to Toronto as a comparatively simple matter, but Mr. Blair is fond of Ottawa, and he has a very comfortable residence here. Likewise the capital is in some respects better adapted for the practice of law, in which he is about to engage. Now that he has retired from business he is free to leave for a change of air, by means of which he will shake off the last vestige of grip. Not that Mr. Blair is an invalid by any means. Nevertheless, he was for a time badly shaken up, and although he has almost regained his wonted energy and strength he will decidedly benefit by a sojourn in another climate. He may go to Cuba for a few weeks, and on his return open a law office in the capital."

QUEEN HOTEL FIRE.

General sympathy will be felt for Mr. J. J. McCaffrey, in the loss and inconvenience which he sustained today in the Queen Hotel fire. Mr. McCaffrey has made the Queen one of the best hotels in Eastern Canada, and the citizens of Fredericton as well as the travelling public very much appreciate the fine reputation the hotel has achieved under Mr. McCaffrey's able management. It is hoped however, that the damage to the building and its valuable furnishings will not be as serious as it at the present writing indicates, and that the Queen in a few days at least will be in good shape for the extensive patronage it enjoys.

On Friday the hotel is to have the honor of entertaining Prince Louis of Battenberg and other notables, and it is hoped that everything may be in readiness then for the guests of that day.

A PLEASING INCIDENT.

St. John has a new American consul. Hon. Gebhard Willich, whose first acquaintance with his new home was made under peculiar and happy circumstances. He reached St. John Saturday afternoon and in the evening dropped into the St. George's Society celebration of the Nelson and Trafalgar centennial. During the progress of the programme, Mr. Willich's presence was discovered and he was compelled to make a speech, which he did with dignity and eloquence and amidst great enthusiasm. He lauded Nelson and his great victory and caught the crowd immediately and at once became a persona grata with the audience. Mr. Willich comes from Milwaukee, but spent much of his life in St. Paul, where he was prominent in civic and state politics as a Republican, and for some years served as a county court judge and legislator.

Over at Boisdale, Cape Breton, there lives a man 103 years old, healthy, strong and with his faculties practically unimpaired. His name is Michael McNeill and during the past season he greatly assisted his two sons, with whom he lives, in their work on the farm, taking his place among the reapers this autumn and doing his share of the work. He insists on doing all the chores necessary about the house on those days when his services are not needed in the fields. The old gentleman, whose sight has begun to fail him of late, yet manages to read his daily paper with the aid of glasses. He has lived to see three generations of the McNeill stock grow up beside him.

Mr. J. F. McMurray has returned from a business trip to Boston and New York.

BITS OF NEWS.

Items of Interest Culled from Our Exchanges and Other Sources.

A launch containing nine men, all of Philadelphia, collided with a barge in the Delaware river off Beverly, N. J., Sunday afternoon, resulting in the drowning of six of the occupants of the little boat. The other three were rescued by the crew

of the tugboat Bristol, which was towing the barge when the accident happened.

A marriage of no little interest to Canadians took place at Rostrevor, County Down, in Ireland last week, when a Miss Skeffington, granddaughter of Viscount Massarene, was married to Major George Brenton Laurie, Royal Irish Rifles, and son of General Laurie, M. P., who for some years was a member of the Federal Parliament, and whose country house is situated in Oakfield, Nova Scotia.

The Prince and Princess of Wales who are journeying to India for a six months' tour, arrived at Genoa Saturday, and went on board the battleship Renown. They were given a most cordial reception. The Prince telegraphed King Victor Emanuel recalling the bonds of friendship uniting the British and Italian royal families and their respective countries. The Princess sent a telegram to Queen Helena, expressing regret at learning that Her Majesty was somewhat indisposed.

Sidney Aston, the 14-year-old Truro (N. S.) boy who disappeared from his home Sept. 25, and for whom the police have since been looking, was found in East Boston Saturday. He was living at a boarding house on Summer street, and had obtained employment as office boy in the office of E. C. Emerson, 394 Atlantic avenue, under the name of Sidney Moore. The ad is the son of W. A. Aston, a prominent jeweler of Truro, and gives as his only explanation for running away that he was tired of Truro at this time of year and tired of going to school.

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John W. Mackenzie, on trial at Pictou for manslaughter in the death of Ferguson, who was shot by him at Stellarton last summer, was acquitted on Saturday.

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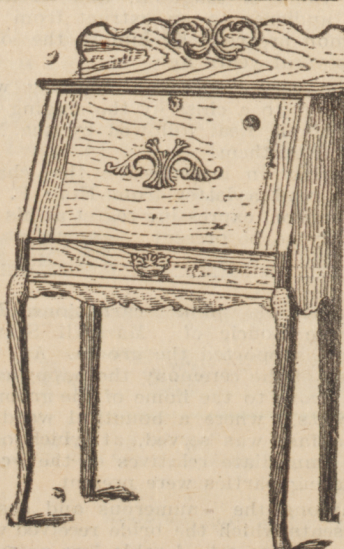
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