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TRUTH BEFORE FAVOR- PRINCIPLES, NOT MEN

LOTS OF WATER—LITTLE LIGHT

Some people in this neighborhood are so perfectly heartless as to suggest, and even affirm, that our Police Trustees are the biggest jokes on record—that they draw their pay (?) and let it go at that, not caring particularly whether school keeps or not. The Advance is not prepared to go to such a length as that; but it does seem as though something should be done by the Trustees to tap the particular body of water which overflows the road at the south of the town.

Several years ago a tile drain was laid to carry off the surplus water at this point, but it does not appear to give satisfaction and requires frequent cleaning. Almost constantly since the snow disappeared has the water lain in a great pool on both sides of the road and completely covered it. The fault appears to be in the drain, and if so, should be remedied at once. A surface drain is in slight danger of being choked up, and would appear to be the better style for the place. The Police Trustees might perform a good work, which would send their names down to posterity along with those who laid the cement sidewalks and performed other great public works here, if they were to take up this matter and push it to a successful issue.

Another matter which might well be looked after is that of placing a street light or two where they would benefit the sidewalk through the swamp at this point. On an ordinary night the sidewalk there is so dark as to be absolutely dangerous. A single mis-step would drop one into the "drink" by the roadside, and those who know the spot know best what that implies. The Advance will give the Police Trustees the names of people who are ready to assist in installing a light if the village will but pay the maintenance, as it has a perfect right. Now, Trustees, The Advance has pointed this out before, but no move has been made. Surely you have sufficient interest in your office to do what is plainly a necessity. A move in the right direction would be highly appreciated by both villagers and those who live in the southern suburbs.

MURDER INCREASING

The awful frequency of murders and murder trials in our province cannot be longer ignored. At no period in its history has there been so much crime in the province as in the past few years. It is not long since several murderers were saved from the gallows after having been tried and found guilty by a jury of level-headed gentlemen chosen for the purpose. Is it not logical then to regard the lamentable increase in this terrible crime as a logical sequel to the pardoning of convicted criminals?

There may be some doubt as to the right of one man to take the life of another, even in punishment. We are not at present prepared to give an opinion, but when murder is punishable by the death sentence it is making light of the law to commute it to even life imprisonment. In our belief it is very unwise (though possibly more humane) to defeat the end of the law by exercising executive clemency. The convicted murderer lies in his cell for months, resigned to his fate and awaiting the end, and then when his neck is almost tickling with the hempen noose a reprieve comes, and he must lie for weeks more awaiting—the end, or a prolonged imprisonment, he knows not which. Between hope and despair his agony may only be imagined. This, then, is our reason for saying that it is only POSSIBLY the humane course. We cannot truly judge.

The Advance believes the present frequency of murder to be largely the outcome of the pardoning of several murderers last fall; and that while the individual case may have much to commend it for mercy, yet the case must not be considered on its own merits alone. Its bearing on other cases is one of the most important matters to be considered, and so long as the death penalty is on the Statute books it should be enforced when the circumstances demand it, though pity may cry for clemency.

THESE HOTELMEN POOR LOSERS

The actions of the Dundalk hotelmen in the recent local option fight single them out as a bunch of pitiably poor losers. They had the hearty support of a number of the business men, and while the merchants were working for them were "hail fellows, well met." But the by-law was carried, over the heads of the "anti" workers, and the hotelmen turn tail and bite the hand that fed them (that's Irish)—and bond themselves to close up their hostelries, and keep them closed, thus killing the town in so far as they have power. Farmers, not being assured of accommodation, will be compelled to trade elsewhere, to the direct loss of the merchants of Dundalk. That's gratitude, isn't it?

The town of Dundalk as a whole is bound to suffer. There's nothing else for it. Private houses may take boarders, restaurants spring up, and church sheds be thrown open, but the loss of well-conducted hostelries cannot be made up entirely by any such makeshifts. Flesherton, however, will feel the benefit of this dog-in-the manger action of the hotelmen, which has placed them where they are beyond all sympathy. Travellers will "hit" this place with its two home-like and excellent hotels to spend the night, and farmers will drift in in still greater numbers to buy from our merchants—where there is ample stable room at very reasonable rates and unlimited shed room. "It's a poor wind," as Josh Billings said, "that blows nowhar."

In spite of any pecuniary benefits Flesherton may derive, we cannot but regret the unsportsman and child-like tantrums of the hotel proprietors to the south of us, who cut off their nose to spite—not their faces alone—but the faces of their friends, among others.

AN OLD MAN'S FOLLY

For the past several months a grizzled old man, over seventy-one years of age, has been toiling across this continent. The self-assigned task is one to appal the nerve of even a young man, but is simply remarkable for one of such advanced age. But after all, what's the use. When he completed the task he had lost more than he could possibly gain.

He has lost physically—put himself under a severe strain—and all for a mere bauble. His wonderful feat (for it is wonderful, though foolish) will be remembered for a few short days, only then to be eclipsed by a man who runs ten miles in fast time, or a great win for the baseball team. Then when Edward Payson Weston has worn himself out in a foolish tramp of months he is forgotten and will rest in oblivion, until the few remaining years of his life have run their course—then his memory will be recalled, only to sink deeper from the minds of men. There is a futility about it all which makes the old man's jaunt a pathetic one. That he may not regret the folly of his later days is our worst wish for him.

CANADIAN ATHLETES ON TOP

It is gratifying to observe the success of Canadian athletes in the United States. A boy came all the way from Nova Scotia to Boston a week or so ago, and, in competition with some of the best runners in the States, romped off with the first prize. Canadians also won all the other prizes, save one, in this big race, the record for which is held by Tom Longboat, the Onandaga "has been."

On Saturday Hans Holmer of Halifax broke the world's record for fifteen miles at Buffalo in competition with the best 15-milers of the States and the former world's champion, also a Canuck.

Geo. Goulding, the Toronto walker, has repeatedly walked rings around the fastest walkers of the States.

Other instances could be given, but this is sufficient to show that good athletes thrive 'neath the maple. Canada has no shame for her athletic status, nor need she have.

OUR NEWS-GATHERERS

This week we introduce a budget of news from Lady Bank, and welcome to our staff another reporter. May he long continue to write newsy budgets from that particular hub of the universe.

The Advance has a large staff of reporters at various points throughout the townships of Osprey, Euphrasia and Artemesia, who are helping us to make and keep The Advance the best rural newspaper of its class anywhere. They manage in spite of multitudinous cares and duties, to snatch time to portray the news of the neighborhood for the benefit of others. Their work is largely a labor of love, and is appreciated by a host of readers every week.

There are still some points in the field visited by The Advance which are not represented by regular reporters, and we would be pleased to hear from these. Surely there are some people in each neighborhood who can report the local happenings. Write this office for further information.

Were every careless remark we make to be recorded and bound in volumes some of us would have a unique record.

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Rev. Dr. Milligan is to resign after a long service, says a newspaper heading. Why will they have these services so long?

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If Suffragettes got their votes, and their candidate should be defeated would they continue the militant tactics and insist on his (or her) election?

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Milk is now made from pulverized almonds and distilled water. The milk thus made is not the milkman's pump and chalk variety, but is much better.

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We believe in spending everything in the home town—even the summer.—Walkerton Telescope. Quite so. Ten to one the editor hasn't the price get out of town.

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It may not be generally known that the benefactions of the Hart A. Massey estate in Toronto total over $2,000,000 exclusive of certain buildings for the University of Toronto. Mr. Massey was the first president of the Massey-Harris Company.

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The death of Tommy McArthy at San Francisco as a result of a prize fight will probably do more to kill the sport (?) than all the newspaper and pulpit sermons in Christendom. It is a drastic lesson, but probably the more impressive for its tragic side. There are many other sports to engage in, from checkers to baseball, and if personal trials of strength and skill are demanded, wrestling is all right, but prize fighting, never.

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The item on the local page, referring to the record of Mr. Fisher's cows and hens, points a moral in a quiet way. How many farmers are there in this neighborhood who keep records of their stock? We know of one farmer who keeps such a record, but only one. System is just as necessary on the farm as it is in business. If other of our readers keep records of their stock and poultry The Advance will be pleased to hear from them, and to publish interesting items.

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The merry ha ha is on Owen Sound and other newspapers, which were mightily perturbed over a strange light, observed in a field one night near Owen Sound. All imaginable theories were advanced—in fact many vastly beyond the power of common mortal's ken were advanced—to explain away the mystery. However the bubble has been pricked. The mystic light was simply a powerful bicycle lamp, which had a perfectly legitimate excuse for its presence in the field. Now the county town newspapers will have to drop their tales of mystery and go to sleep again. Hush-sh-sh—sh——

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The commander of the cruiser Niobe, the most powerful of all the ships of the new Canadian navy, is a son of Senator McDonald of British Columbia. Of course politics will not enter into the selection of officers and men. But the probability is that after the next election (when the Conservatives will have a majority!) the Liberal officers and crews will gradually disappear and be supplanted by Conservatives. You understand. Conservatiues will then be the more efficient seamen, as the Liberals are today. Has the gentle reader ever heard of Political Pull, M.P. He is reputedly a hard worker in a case of this sort.

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