#### The Acton Free Press

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SUNNY DAYS WILL COME AGAIN Don't let trouble spoil your face, What's the use, my dearle, This old world's a happy place, Though some days are dreary. First the showers, then the flowers, That's the way, my dearle, Pleasure always follows pain; Sunny days will come again.

Don't you worry, don't you fret, What's the use, my dearle, Happy days are coming yet. Though to-day you're weary. Some days sad and some days glad That's the way, my dearle, Never mind the falling\_rain, Sunny days will come again.

Treat all your troubles, while they last Like they were bubbles, floating past, Storm clouds may gather in your sky, They're sure to gather if you cry; . Tears are all in vain, in the falling Sunny days-will surely come-again.

#### GAMES IN THEIR SEASONS

Is it true or merely a fancy that the absorbing interest of our generation in the great games-football, baseball, tennis-is-helping the decadence of some of the lesser pastimes onet popular? Forty years ago there were no school athletics in the modern sense of the term; but every school yard at recess time was the scene of a dozen different games. One of With them, which seems to have disappeared completely, was a glorified game of deapfrog, called "head-and-footer." One after another the players feeped at ever-increasing distances over the back of a crouching boy who remained "down" until some unfortunate "spurred" him, and had to take his The spray of white coral, the bit of place. It was particularly a frostyweather game like "peelers and thieves," "French block-tag," shinny and football. One good thing about all those pastimes was that a player need

As for seasonal sports, no bird was Until gentle teproof made you cling truer to its time of migration than was the schoolboy with his marbles and tops and kites. Marbles and tops and kites are with us still, but they Oh, did you not love the long, starchy seem to have fallen from their high estate. Are there boys to-day who pride themselves in their marbles, treasuring like gold the smoky moss agates, the china alleys with the encircling lines of blue and red and green? Do they make long quest for a boxwood top of just the desired Oh, don't you remember the smell beauty of grain and the perfect modeling that makes for miraculous spinning? Can they buy in all Canada a The hair wreath; the wax flowers. whip top such as used to hum by dozens up and down the streets of Ontario towns? Who is there among our boys that aspires to make and fly the biggest kite in the neighborhood— But oh, the sad day when the par one that, when aloft, pulls, like the horses of Jehu? Does anyone nowa-

not be especially brawny or nimble to

days ever see a boy on stilts? 'And how about the girls? The girls of the present age, though scarcely out of grammar school, seems to have at their tongues' end all the tactics and strategy of baseball and football. Have the bean bag and jackstones and return-ball, once beloved of her mother and perhaps her grand- How mother, no more a place in her young life? Is she no longer impelled by some strange instinct in the warm days of May to keep a pin-wheel shop, taxing the resources of Mrs. Murphy's little corner store for papers in silver and gold and rainbow hues? Perhaps pin wheels have gone the way of Mrs. Murphy's famous taffy, which a few my boyhood's friend, Malcolm Keninextricably blent with the safron-house is a cottage with a history. It hued butcher's paper in which it was was built by John Holt, when he

away," and "stump master" are still gave up the mills, he removed from played in our school yards and the Acton, and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Smith. streets, the signs thereof are neither Sr., resided there. . This was their visible nor audible. However, those home during the erection of their who have left youth far behind must palatial residence, known as Fairview not speak with a voice of too assured Place the past fifty or sixty years, and dejection. Sometimes on turning into where Mrs. C. S. Smith lived for most a quiet suburban street the wayfarer of her married life, and where she like a startled Crusoe perceives the passed away last spring. tracing of a hopscotch plan upon the After Sidney Smith moved to his walk or, if it be a genial afternoon new home, the late Hon. David Henn May, perhaps catches a glimpse in derson and family had this as a restthe distance under the sunny green dence. They came here from Miltonnew foliage of the shining braids in the spring of 1873, when Messrs. of a girl's hair rising and falling as Christic and Henderson purchased the she goes through all those intricate mercantile business of Messrs. C. and steps with a skip rope, beloved of J. Symon. Since the days of the relittle girlhood for unremembered ages. moval of Mr. and Mrs. Hehderson to If those sports persist, it may be that Bower Avenue, there have been many the pastimes of the golden age are tenants in this house. The present not extinct, but only unobserved by occupant is the loquacious John Nicol, the dimming eyes of an older genera- the monument man, and erstwhile

### WISEACRES AND PESSIMISTS

"I told you so!" after things had turnd out well when there had been perhaps an equal chance of their turning out badly. It seems nevertheless somewhat curious that persons who wish to appear wise should always take a discouraging rather than an should be given to warning, and foreboding rather than to stimulating and strengthening counsel of expecting

The really wise persons are not the life in other parts, she went to live wiscacres; they are not pessimists. with her father there. Wisdom is much more often a guiding and directing force than an obstructily passed, and Mr. James H. Reid. principally in finding flaws in other Erin Township, purchased the proppersons' plans and purposes and pre- erty, and for the last twelve or fifteen dicting the failures that do indeed fre-quently come to pass; it proves itself self and his family. And Mr. Reid by the way it shapes the person's own has kept the place as neat as a new life and controls his alms and efforts. pin all the time.

Pessimism is never a part of it, for River Street what wisdom does for those who site of the Mill race and flume from possess it is to direct them to what the dam to the Woollen Mills. When is not wrong to say it, but I cannot the soil and also rendering soluble is really good in life and to the meas- the Acton Plow Company's works ures by which they may attain it were established, over where the Hy- misery in it." Wisdom always encourages the hope dre Power Station and the Mason of attainment; the utterances of the Knitting Works are now, the course

hearted, doubting, disbelieving, may Street opened. win a reputation for prudence, caution, conservatism, but he never at-

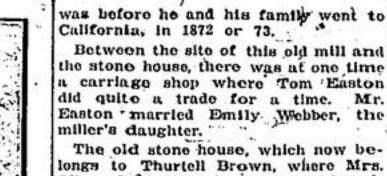
### YOUR OWN TOWN AND YOU

Your town boosts you. Why not do as well by the town as it does by The food that he eats, the clothes pine timbers went up in smoke when the town, because the money with - Acton Creek, which crosses Main coast. It is a very ingeniously con- are employed to keep up the supply of which they are procured is made there. Street nearby, was always a stream structed vessel, and the only one of he does not stop there. He is perform- tom, and in the early days for the tanks sufficient gas can be stored to ing an act that improves his own abundance of speckled trout which supply the vessel for several months. condition, for every good word and abounded there. They say that suck- Experiments have shown that the sumed. Of course all that the plant PASSED provisionally the twenty-

way of community betterment, and a shoal of speckled beauties in the there is no danger whatever of the of Plant Life." this improves the condition of not only creek and under the old log, bridge light being extinguished by wind or themselves, but also of those who do there, and I caught my, fair share of spray. If every citizen would constitute further down the stream.

himself a home town booster the re- On the north side of the stream also has a bell, which is made to ring sult collectively would be many times there was a saw mill at one time, in automatically by means of an ingen-

as great, and opportunities for self what is now the Smith prorperty. I four device which utilizes the gas, as improvement would be more numer- cannot remember when lumber was it passes from the tanks to the lahtern Think it over in your odd moments, felly when Peter McGregor was in the is not interfered with in the slightst Then get into the boost wagon and ment business in Acton, and used this degree by the device for striking the old mill as his slaughter house. That



The old stone house, which now beongs to Thurtell Brown, where Mrs. Oliver Cook lives, has quite a history think it was built, by Sandy Grant, for years known as Squire Grant, because he was a Justice of the Peace. Mr. Grant was a shoemaker, and had little shop in the south-west corner f the lot, across from the old California Hotel. Through some business deal Mr. Grant lost this house and emoved from it to another house he owned farther down the street, beside Midgley's store.

After Squire Grant and Mr. Mc-Gregor, I think Archie McNabb, of Eramoga, purchased the property and moved there. He lived there for a good many years. Later Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson, from down the mountain, below Speyside lived in this house. Mr. Anderson passed away at a ripo age, but "Aunt Janet," his wife survived him for many years. She was a kind-hearted citizen, but a woman of very decided opinions. She was a generous giver to missions and had a great admiration for Rev. Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Missions in the North-west. I think she claimed him as her nephew. "Aunt Janet" had no use for innovations in the method of conducting service in the Presbyterian Church. She had its use for the organ. She had been accustomed to sitting when the psalms and hymns were being sung, and standing during prayer. When this order was reversed she adhered to her old custom, and naturally she became rather noted for her perversity. We didn't like this in the old kirk, but put up with it for the sake of the genuine goodness of the dear old soul,

THE OLD FASHIONED PARLOR

Oh, don't you remember the old-fash-

green Brussels carpet,

don't you remember the

The carved paper knife, and

mounted with glee,

draped on the floor:

the old parlor door:

That grandmother put

bouquet of grasses

yet so far?

was opened.

dressed in black,

py Thanksgiving!

The frolic when Martha

ing so pleasant.

And oh, the swift years

breathe it to-day!

And oh, the dear folks that made

Memory's rose jar.
As we take off Time's cover.

OLD TIMERS ALONG THE NEW

I quit work last week at the home

man of Fairview Cemetery Committee.

planing mill for a time. Then again it was vacant. For several years,

prior to 1875 it was the rendeavous

General Skiddlemadinkbarudleburm-

Plow Factory. These fine old clear

But oh, the glad Christmas!

That stood on the mantel, so

And all the good neighbors came

lace curtains.

foomed the pink roses.

With flowery gilt paper adorning

And how in the corner, the What-

With the small lacquer box, that

'came straight from Japan,"

While staring round-eyed all the

favorite ambush; the kitten's

who was pure gold. Lane, ( it is now called, was not there in those early days, or for a good if not to their friends and families, saw; Fleury single-furrow riding plow, many years afterwards. It originated the fact that they are in a rut. They new; Cockshutt 2-furrow plow; as a private entrance into the Smith feel that as the years go by they wear property, but eventually became a their ruts a little deeper and see less wheel with box and spring seet. form public avenue, lined with the fine old and less of what lies beyond its walls. wagon, with box, nearly new; 1 set maples, which now give grace to it. Life seems to them to present a stead- 3 bench sleights, good as new; Inter-Holmes and his family reside, was, I their condition unfavorably with that buggy; buggy pole; Chatham familig think, the first brick house built in of the fortunately placed, who have mill; Peter Hamilton cutting box; That hung from the windows, and Acton. It was built by James Clark, leisure and wealth, who are not the hay rack. who was an expert brick layer, but slaves of routine, who can follow each . HARNESS-I set team harness temptation,

When you slid through the crack of proprietor of the Royal Exchange whose lives are enriched by variety

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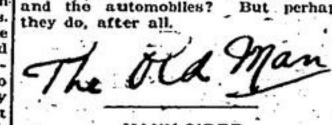
Market, now stand. yard, and then turned into the school routine tasks. The people who degrounds just below where the old teriorate are those usually who nenow live, were erected by James labhorrence. Brown and Horace Hall, when they conducted the shingle mill behind. Mr. and Mrs. John Stephenson lived in the Brown house for many years, and Mr. Stephenson died there. Asa Hall,

Cutcheon are now. and utilized the lumber when he built his fine commodious Ford garage.

lived in Horace's house with Mr. and

And this is the history of the proppavement, from the early days. I hope reasonably congenial, it should be my readers have enjoyed my story. I blessing and not a curse. If it is erected the Woollen Mills on the lot am glad to be able to preserve this reasonably congenial,-and the young If the games of "roly-poly," "cat," where Mr. J. H. Reld's fine brick resi- bit of history in the columns of the "mumble-the-peg," "pom-pom-peel- dence now stands. After Mr. Holt town paper, for the information and edification of the present generation, Mary is calling me to dinner. must go. I observe, however, that

Contractor King has the fine new that is denied to those who are morshall soon have the opportunity of enjoying a drive over the new roadway cases when routine becomes a rut it in one of the fine motor cars I see is because the victim perversely inrunning about town these days. My! What would those early residents say if they could see the new payement and the automobiles? But perhaps



member of Acton Council and Chair-The fine home of Mr. James H. Reid. at the corner of Main and River Sts., gar woman to whom he had refused cesses caused by wind, atmospheric There is really no difference between was erected by the late Richard Ham- alms. As he walked away from the conditions and other agencies of na-

Erin, where he went into the grocery lent to those afar off. He exhibited an enthusiasm for hu-Mr. Robert Royce purchased the manity on the largest scale. A score added to make up any deficiency. A property when Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton of great charitable undertakings restand daughter removed from Acton. ed on him. He did a vast amount in any case, as it is more than likely He had retired from farming up in of good by promoting legislation which trogen, in an insoluble form which protected women and children in fac-When Mr. Royce's daughter, Mrs. Orr. tories and coal-mines. But he also re- means just so much money thrown was left alone through the removal membered to perform all sorts of little away. In fact the farmer is better off of her children to make their way in kindness to individuals, and never did who mixes his own fertilizer, buying he omit an act of courtesy.

Not long before his death Miss Cobstudy. The conversation had fallen ity. on the woes and wrongs of the poor girls and poorer women of London, which he had learned by personal invesigation among the slums of the exdeavor to conserve the natural sup-

The old philanthropist found so cowpens, sugar beets, clovers, alfalfa much pleasure in doing good that even and other leguminous crops which the joys of heaven were less attractive should be frequently used in crop ro- on the above mentioned proposed byof the stream was diverted and the old The man who is timorous, faint- Mill race was discarded, and River to him than the work of mitigating tations to keep up the nitrogen supthe sorrow of earth. It required no ply. The residue of these crops when same places, and in the same manner The Holt Woollen Mill was a hive of moral effort for him to do good. He plowed under or used for pasturing as the vote in the annual municipal industry for a number of years. When did it not as a duty, but because stock will permit the return to the soil; it fell into disuse, it was used as a he loved it.

### USEFUL LIGHT

every good deed has its elevating in- ers and bass are quite abundant there light may be depended upon to burn

them there and under the grassy banks | The light is visible at a distance of eight to twelve miles. The light-ship sawn there, but I'do recall quite viv- to work the bell clapper. The light

# Weekly Fashion Hint



THE SMOCK IS POPULAR In business offices, as well as the art studios, smart women are wearing smocks. Here is a new version of the very popular garment, which may be developed in cotton rep, cretonne, sateen, or gingham. The model pictured has a V-shaped neck finished with a turn-down collar. There is shirring on either side of the front and on the patch pockets. Frills are formed at the wrists by the shirring of the long raglan sleeves. Medium size requires 31/8 yards 36-inch material.

#### ROUTINE AND RUTS

Many people lament to themselves, steel roller; disc; cultivator; circular The brick cottage, where Charlie ily narrowing vista. They contrast national 2-horse power hay baler; top

But people should not confuse ruts

kinds; but that is only another way of brings a person constantly into assoone of the earliest settlers in Acton, clation with others, and there is a routine that keeps him for the most Mrs. James Brown, after he left his part solitary. Whatever the routine farm where Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Mc- may be, it has its special facilities research worker finds reasonably congenial would be to the travelling salesman intolerable. The converse is man should not jump to a hasty conclusion that it is not, or he may find on being drafted into a routine of another sort that he had been better off enlargement of the mind and heart pavement about completed. I hope I osely grubbing along, making their

### PLANT FOOD IN THE SOIL

Of the many elements composing the soft, three are obsolutely essential to support plant life: phorphorus nitrogen and potash: [All three of these elements exist in the soil in two forms, soluble and insoluble; but it is only when they are able to be dissolved that these elements become available Lord Shaftesbury, the philanthrop- for plant food. The insoluble material amusement, the speech of an old beg- availability by natural chemical pro-

well as the least plentiful of the elements required, so the farmer should great city. Overcome by its emotions, ply of this material as far as possible and know I must soon die, I hope it the property of returning nitrogen to Among these are such products as and waterworks system

Stationed off the island of Islay, on raised for that purpose. The increase jum, on: the twenty-fourth of May, the west coast of Scotland, at the in acreage devoted to the growth of guide the mariner on this dangerous quality crops unless scientific means by-law. plant food in the soil, and the cheap-When a fellow boosts his own town admired for its purity, its pebbly bot- its kind in existence. In its two steel est and least laborious method is that consumes/cannot be regained, but a eighth day of September, 1926. in these modern spring days. My old continuously for months at a time. sreat deal of expense in purchasing A few people are always home town eyes are not sharp to verify this. The approximate duration of the light commercial fertilizers can be saved in consters. They accomplish much in the Fifty years ago, however, I saw many can always be predetermined, and this way.—T. T. Klett, "The Chemistry (SEAL)



#### ROOFING, FLOORING, STORM WINDOWS

HALLIDAY COMPANY, LITD

P.O. Box Ci98 Hamilton, Ont.

AUCTION SALE

ARM, LIVE STOCK AND IMPLE

The undersigned has received in

ALEX. CRIPPS

to sell by public auction at his farm,

lot 1, concession I, Erin, situated at Crewsons Corners, on the Provincial

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25

commencing at one o'clock sharp the

HORSES-General purpose team, 1

years old; 1 spring colt from Wallaco

COWS-Red helfer, with calf a

foot; red helfer, with calf at foot;

Holstein cow, 4 years old, with twin

calves; red cow, 6 years old, milking well, bred in Sept.; reg. Jersey cow, 9 years old, milking well, due in

March; spotted cow, milking well,

bred in Sept.; Jersey cow, due time of sale; Brindle cow, due first week De-cember; Jersey heifer, bred in May.

YOUNG CATTLE-1 steer, rising

spring and summer calves; pure-bred

IMPLEMENTS-McCormick, blinder

-ft. cut, in good condition; Deering

mower, 5-ft. cut, nearly new; Fleury

grain crusher: McCormick manure

spreader, new; 10-ft. Deering hay

rake; 3-horse International gas engine;

International Spring tooth cultivator

M-H 10 spout seed drill, complete

THE FARM (if not previously sold)

ROY HINDLEY, Auctioneer,

Village of Acton

years; 2 helfers, rising 2 years;

Shorthorn bull, 16 months old.

SHEEP-6 Oxford, Breeding.

POULTRY-20 Rock hens.

structions from

horse, a good one.

Highway, on



with routine. It is not in the least in-There was for years a blacksmith evitable that one who must pursue a shop beside the house, built by Wil- daily routine should eventually fall offered for sale, subject to a reserve liam Overton, but afterwards run for into a rut. The people who most suc- bid. This farm, which is well fenced years by Anthony Stephenson. Across cessfully preserve and develop their and in a good state of cultivation, the little creek was the old school lane. Individuality are generally those who of good running water, with plenty of It ran through Smith's Shingle Factory are most conscientious in performing shade. 85 acres under cultivation. There is a good 8-roomed stone pump stood. The two houses where glect routine tasks, or who do them stone barn, 60x54, with stabling un-Sandy McIsaac and D. A. Henderson poorly and carelessly, with distaste or derneath.

The situation is ideal, being on the Toronto-Sarnia Highway. Bus line Routine tasks, to be sure, are of all TERMS ON FARM-Terms on farm saying that they are suited to all temperaments. There is routine that may be had from the proprietor, or Separator; Dalsy Churn No. 3; Heater for developing and enriching the lives TERMS-110 and under, cash; ove The lane beside this house led to the of those who faithfully pursue it. The that amount 12 months' credit will be Storey Glove Leather Tannery, which routine of the research worker is as given on furnishing approved join ceased operations eight or ten years different as possible from that of the notes. 6% off for cash. Fowl and ago. Dr. Coxe bought the property travelling salesman; that which the Furniture, cash minutes after it was bought became nedy, the stone mason. The next wee erties lining the new Main Street equally true. So long as routine is Charles Parker, Clerk

ruts deeper and deeper. For in most

#### sisted on transforming it into one. By-Law to Establish a Public Utilities Commission for the

Village of Acton WHEREAS by by-law number 501 passed on the twenty-ninth day of November, 1920, according to Sub-section 1, of Section 34, of the Public Utilities Act R.S.D. 1914, Chap. 204 as enacted by 7 George V. Chap. 47, Bec. 2, there was established in the Municipality of the Village of Acton ist, used to repeat, chuckling with is gradually reduced to a state of The Acton Hydro Electric Commission for the purpose of controlling and managing the Hydro Electric System within the said Municipality. wiseacres and pessimists; certainly no liton, carpenter and contractor, for importunate beggar, she called after ture; but so slowly are the changes of himself and his wife, and Miss Ella, him. 'You withered specimen of by- of this sort brought about, that if the vides that the control and managewas an optimist; on one ever heard a their daughter. It was a perfect piece gone philanthropy!" Miss Cobble, in land is to be used constantly to sus- the Municipality may with the asof construction, and when built was her "Life," remarks that his lordship's tain plant life to a profitable degree, sent of the electors be delegated to regarded as one of the best houses in philanthropy, unlike that of some of artificial means must be resorted to a commission similar to that already this county. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton the other noted philanthropists, was in order to provide an adequate sup- established along with the control and resided there until Richard gave up never scantily kind to those immed-his contracting work, and moved to lately around him; while very benevo-of the soil will indicate in what pro-

Be it therefore enacted by the Municipal Council of the Village of Acton as follows: 1. Complete control and manage-

required percentage is added and that which shall hereafter be called and be "When I feel age creeping on me, than do some, while still others have of cheques and every other matter bear to leave the world with all the the otherwise unavailable supply, agement of the Hydro Efectric System-

4. On Friday the third day of Detained in the leaves and stalks. Sugar at the Council Chamber in the Town brets and alfalfa in themselves are ex- Hall in the Village of Acton, at 10 writing signed by him, two persons to Otter Rock, there is an interesting and sugar beets shows that the modern voting place on behalf of the persons novel light-ship, which is described farmer understands the value of this interested in and desirous of passing in Cassell's Magazine.

It is unnamed, yet it can be rethe factory was destroyed by fire lied on to display the warning light to land can continue to produce first persons desirous of opposing the said

of returning as much as possible of 1926, to sum up the number of votes what the crops themselves have congiven for and against the said by-law.

"A. MASON." Reeve. "H. N. FARMER," Clerk.

Notice is hereby given that if the therete the above by-law will be tak-en into consideration by the Munici-pal Council of the Village of Acton after one month from the fourth day of November, 1926, being the date of the first publication of this notice.

Dated at Acton, Ont., Nov. 4th, 1926.

H. N. FARMER, Clerk of the Village of Acton

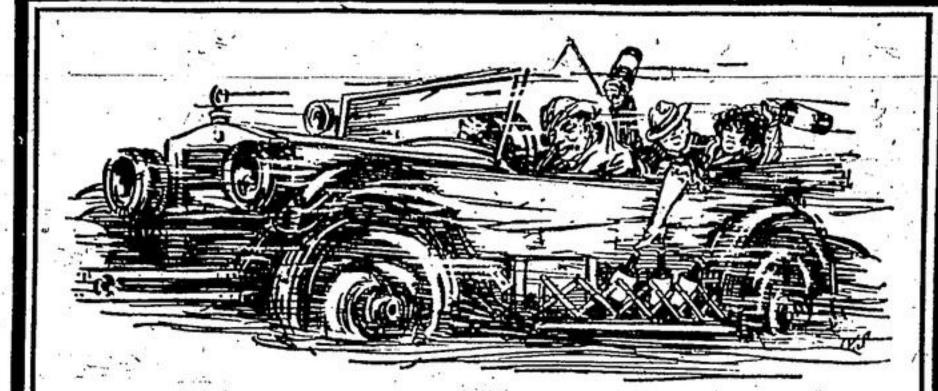
#### THREE MEANS OF GRACE

A negro preacher walked into the office of a newspaper in Rockymount, North Carolina, and said: "Misto Edito', they is forty-three of my congregation which subscribe fo' yo' paper. Do that entitle me to have church notice in yo' Sunday issue?" "Sit down and write," said the edi-

"I thank yo'." And this is the notico the minister wrote: "Mount Memorial, Baptist Church. The Rev. John - Walker, paston Preaching morning and evening. In the promulgation of the gospel, three books Is necessary: the Bible, the hymn book and the pocket book. . Come tomorrow and bring all three."

# "is good tea" TEA

Next time try the finest grade -- Red Rose Orange Pekoe Iea.



# Is this type of tourist really an asset to Ontario?

IQUOR advocates claim that Ontario will get thousands more tourists if it goes wet on December 1.

These are the facts:-

The Dominion Government Report for 1925 states:

Ontario under Prohibition had 1,290,000 motor tourists. New Brunswick under Prohibition had 476,555 motor tourists. Quebec under Government Sale had 111,983 motor tourists.

Government Sale means increased liquor sold and consumed, with increased dangers.

Do you want our highways thronged with hilarious joyriders and campfollowers of the liquor traffic?

Do you want to encourage and promote reckless driving upon the highways on the part of our own citizens?

Don't be fooled. Make your vote count against these

### VOTE for your DRY candidate

Ontario Prohibition Union 24 Bloor Street E., Toronto

# Did You Ever Stop to Think?

By Edson R. Waite SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA

THAT the grocery advertisements carry a wealth of suggestions for the housewife.

THAT they should be read carefully. Suggestions for your table needs await you there.

THAT they are money savers; they tell you what is on the market.

THAT the up-to-date grocer is enterprising. If it is on the market he keeps it in stock and quotes prices in his advertisements.

THAT why worry about what to select for the next meal? Let the grocery advertisements help you; they will make it easy for you.

THAT they always carry a wide selection of quotations on good things to eat.

THAT the grocer who advertises takes much pride in the quality of the articles of food he buys and he is as careful in his buying as the most painstaking housewife.

The modern grocer, knows that Quality, Variety, Service and Price is the paved road to success: He travels that