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RICHMOND HILL NEEDS PARK IMPROVEMENT

The members of the Richmond Hill council at a recent meeting unanimously agreed on the necessity and advisability of improvement of the park. No definite action was taken and the proposition was left in mid air with some sort of an understanding that if funds permitted some work would be done there this year.

Even if it is found that some funds will be available for the work this year and a start is made, it will be admittedly by even the most optimistic, just a start. The 1929 council may have some very estimable ideas of park planning and park improvement. But people have a habit of changing councils every so often and the 1930 or 1931 council may have entirely different ideas of park planning and park improvement. It is therefore difficult to think that a program of park improvement as carried on by the council can be as successful as if carried on by a Parks Commission appointed for three or five years. The Commission could consist of three members, one to be appointed by the council, one by the Horticultural Society and one by the Board of Trade. The council could yearly manifest its interest in the promotion of Park Improvement by a substantial grant. This grant could be supplemented during the year by the Commission by any series of activities held with the view of raising money for this commendable enterprise. In this respect the Commission would have a decided advantage over the council in that substantial sums could be raised without adding to the tax burden of the people. In some towns Community Spirit has even prompted "bees" when the townspeople turned out to assist in the work.

A spirit of co-operation, an ability and a willingness to pull together has contributed much to the development of some towns over their less fortunate rivals. A Parks Commission backed up by whole-hearted community spirit could provide a creditable park for Richmond Hill in a very few years and we'd like to see the idea given a trial.

To preserve the Peace of the World we need guns of smaller caliber and statesmen of larger caliber. There are few more important factors tending to disrupt the world than the "jingoist politician."

The proper measure of a man is the size of the thing required to "get his goat."

A new process, found in London, will make cardboard as strong as iron. This answers a complaint from Scotland that Christmas-cards wear out after a few seasons—Detroit News.

We know a member of the younger generation who declined an invitation to attend a horse show recently, on the ground that he'd already seen a horse.—San Diego Union.

The millennium will be here when it takes the nations as long to declare war as it takes the United States Senate to declare peace.—San Diego Union.

One of the greatest menaces to public safety is the UNLIGHTEED vehicle on our highways. Legislation against the practice has been enacted but despite a multitude of warnings and some convictions the prevalence of the infractions of the law is a great source of danger. The authorities are apparently giving the people every chance to adjust themselves to the new regulations before being too strict in the matter of enforcement but the time has arrived when the unlighted vehicle should not be tolerated on our highways after dark.

Even the keenest breezes from out of the north cannot prevent the sun from disintegrating the winter's snow on these brightening February noons. The battle of winter and spring has begun, and while at intervals it may seem that old winter still holds firmly the ground he has won, the result is never in doubt. The sun climbs higher each day and radiates its warmth with increasing strength.

We were told the other day of a robin having been seen in Richmond Hill. In recounting the incident to different callers at our office we learned the difference between a pessimist and an optimist. The optimist said it was a sure sign of spring and the pessimist said the robin was crazy.

We have always been inclined to think of the immensity of this great banner province of Ontario. It does not seem so vast after all when a couple of young men will slide down on a pair of skis from the great northland to Toronto in the matter of a few days.

Way Back in Liberal Files

DO YOU REMEMBER?
 This Week of 1904

When an interesting hockey match took place in the rink here, composed of High school students and a team from the hockey club. The score being 7-3 in favor of the High school boys. The referee was Mr. J. Glover and Mr. R. Redditt was time-keeper. The players were as follows:—Citizens, W. Clifford, F. Dolan, R. Haffey, F. Ludford, B. Newton, C. Glover; High School—B. Sliney, S. Boyle, F. Boyle, R. Palmer, E. Smith, J. Naughton, S. McMahon.

When in Richmond Hill, Nicholas Sliney passed away at the age of 47 years. Interment took place in Thornhill R.C. Cemetery.

When the burlesque hockey match held in the rink here was an immense success. The ladies hockey team showed the Richmond Hill seven that they were no novices, but very expert exponents of Canada's National game. The score of 7 to 4 in favor of "The Ladies." The line-up was as follows: Ladies team—Miss Lizzie Stoop, Miss Fannie Poet, Miss Jennie Stout, Miss Kate Hamilton, Miss Georgie Starr, Miss Helen Boddy. Richmond Hill—Boyle, Sims, Metcalf, Burnett, Ludford Newton. Mr. Herbert Hooper gave universal satisfaction as referee.

When the Richmond Hill curlers went to Thornhill and played a friendly game with their southern friends. The following is a summary.

Richmond Hill	Thornhill
T. B. Ludford	J. Davidson
E. J. Cable	Rev. J. Gibson
J. P. Glass	R. Forbes
C. P. Wiley, sk. 8	R. Wilson sk. 10
D. C. Steele	J. Garvin
R. Tyndall	P. McCarter
W. Savage	E. Seager
A. Savage, sk. 5	H. Hooper, sk. 20

DO YOU REMEMBER?
 This Week of 1900

When two large loads from Maple attended the concert at Vellore. The programme which was lengthy, was well carried out. The debate proved very interesting. The subject was "Resolved that Canada is a better country to live in than United States". The speakers of the affirmative were Messrs J. W. McDonald, J. G. McDonald and W. Sanderson, of Vellore, while Messrs R. S. Thompson, C. H. Byam and J. R. Campbell, of Maple upheld the States. The judges, Mr.

Farquharson, Dr. Sisley and A. Carley gave their decision in favor of the affirmative, the side winning by one point.

When at Thornhill the curlers held a series of matches, played for a silver trophy, between rinks of the club. R. Clark defeated F. J. Gallanough by a score of 23-10. The next match was to be played between J. Morgan and Dr. Nelles.

When at Victoria Square, Thomas Hunt passed away at the age of 78 years.

When the annual meeting of the Richmond Hill and Y.S. Agricultural Society was held. The following officers were elected: President, Thos. Lloyd; 1st Vice-President, W. H. Pugsley; 2nd Vice-President, D. Lynett; Secretary-Treasurer, H.A. Nicholls; Directors, Wm. Thompson, L. L. Hartman, C. Norman, W. Wells, T. H. Legge, J. Slater, W. Ormerod, Geo. Leek, G. Padget, D.C. Steele Geo. Gormley, R. Elliott, J. N. Boyle, W. H. Clubine, F. J. Gallanough, Geo. Dibb, T. F. McMahon, I. Crosby, J. H. Sanderson, J. Palmer, W. Eyer, P. G. Savage.

When at the W. C. T. U. meeting held at the home of Mrs. H. F. Hopper Richmond Hill, a service in memory of the late Miss MacArthur was held.

When Mr. F. C. Keam, pastor of Thornhill Methodist church preached in the church here last Sunday evening.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

This Week of 1895

When at Dollar, Mary Clark, relict of the late James Clark passed away at the age of 76 years.

When Messrs J. Palmer, W. Proctor and J. Kelly attended the Hamilton races and had the pleasure of seeing Mr. Al. Proctor's "Dick French" win the open trot.

When the following was the results of the High School examination in Primary Literature:—J. Tran 86 per cent.; W. C. Gohn, 81; G. Grant, 79; C. Hall 76; J. McKinnon 69; B. Elliott 68; H. Glover 66; F. Moodie 63; R. Storey 60; W. A. Glass 54; L. Keffer 43.

When at the residence of J.D. Trapp 138 Close Ave., Parkdale, David W. Leek passed away at the age of 23 years, second son of Jonah Leek, of Headford.

HEALTH SERVICE

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THE USE OF DRUGS

Many of our correspondents have written to us, asking for advice in regard to treatment and, particularly, concerning the value of some particular drug as a remedy for the illness of which they are the victims.

We refer to this because it shows that there is a lack of understanding concerning the use of drugs. In the first place, the proper treatment of disease depends upon a diagnosis. Some treatment may be given to relieve the symptoms of which the patient complains, but the real treatment of disease is directed, as far as possible, towards the removal of the cause of the disease. If, for example, a patient suffers from headache due to faulty eye-sight, the proper treatment of such a case is not to give some drug to deaden the headache, but to remove the cause, by prescribing proper glasses which will end eye-strain—the cause of the headaches.

All cases are not as simple and direct as this, however. In many cases it calls for all the skill which the physician acquires, from years of training and experience, to search out the cause and to prescribe proper and adequate treatment. It is just because it does require this special training and experience, which the layman lacks, which makes it dangerous for people to attempt to treat themselves. Not only may considerable harm be done by the improper use of drugs, but, in addition, time is being lost in obtaining skilled medical treatment for the real cause of the trouble. There is no question but that the best chance for successful treatment lies in early treatment. The longer treatment is delayed, the less chance there is for it to be successful.

For these reasons, it seems evident that it is in the interest of the patient

to secure proper, adequate treatment from his physician, rather than to attempt to treat himself.

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