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GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

At Ladoga, Indiana, recently the heat killed a setting hen. The sun actually hatching out her chickens for her four days after the mother bird had died. At Neenah, Wisconsin, somebody threw some eggs into the city dump where they were hatched by the sun. As the flapper said:—"Ain't nature grand?"

Some years ago there was a popular song the refrain of which was, "You've got to quit kicking our hound around." This was the modernistic method of the day of impressing the lesson that even the worm will turn, and that just about the time the world imagines it has a scapegoat that will not even answer back, there is a kick from that goat from head and heels at once that jars complacency, or words to that effect. For years past it has been the custom with many to blame anything and everything on the newspapers. There were people who blamed the newspapers for the late war and even for the later peace. Recently some of the newspapers have kicked back at this sort of thing, even though it be considered not quite professional to do so. The governor of one of the United States of America some weeks ago made an ill-considered speech. If he had been caught but a governor: it would have been considered foolish. When he saw the speech in cold print, he realized how foolish he had been in his remarks and so he just blamed it on the newspaper that had reported him. He denied the statements and left the newspaper in the position of having been careless and inaccurate. "You know how newspapers get things twisted," he likely remarked, as other public men have done so frequently. But this particular newspaper refused to be the scapegoat for even a careless governor. The newspaper took up the question again and practically proved that the governor had said all he was reported as saying. The governor faded into the background, with no more than muttered curses. Newspapers have a disinclination to defend themselves over-much, but once in a while they do hit back to the advantage of all concerned. It may be the hot weather or it may be the depression but a number of newspapers recently have even talked back to their readers and upset the popular criticism that is so common. The North Bay Nugget some days ago, for instance, went after the fellow who is continually using the parrot cry that "there is nothing in the newspaper." The Nugget talked right out and the critic must have been ashamed of himself for taking the paper at the small price asked, let alone grumbling at its contents, when he read the true review of the scores of columns of interesting and important news and views, novelties and features actually in the issue of the paper criticized. Some years ago, because of lengthy references to a Burns banquet and two hockey matches a friend of The Advance described its issue as "nothing but hockey and haggis." That was humorous enough to be allowed to pass without murmur, but the belligerent bachelor who last week branded The Advance as "nothing but school reports" will have to guess again. There were a number of school reports and they made interesting reading for the children, the mothers, the fathers, and the friends of the family. Anyone not interested in these reports is to be pitied. It is too bad for him! But a review of some of the other items in the issue may crush even that belligerent bachelor. These items included reports of:—meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade; police court news; the finding of the partly burned body of a baby in a waste burner at Schumacher; visit of the ladies of the Iroquois Falls golf club to Timmins; farewell sermons preached by Rev. J. D. Parks, former Timmins pastor, recently at North Bay; odd accident to a car that broke through the railing of the bridge at the river and landed on the top of a boat-house, the occupants of the car escaping serious injury; advantages of the Timmins tourist camp; automobile that broke off iron lamp post at the brewery; Mountjoy settlers planning to organize; twelve fire brigades in tournament at Schumacher and big day of sports; golf tournaments to be held in August; baseball match between McIntyre and Wright-Hargreaves; swarm of shad flies at river; several overcome at Timmins with the heat; gasoline cheaper at Kapuskasing and Hearst than at Timmins; A. F. Kenning M.P.P., on unemployment in the North; new contest at golf club; loyal Firms start society at Kirkland; new postal rates; contract awarded for addition to High School; Moderator of United Church visits Timmins; young lady drowned at South Porcupine; drowning accident at Porcupine Lake Sunday; handsome new ambulance for Timmins; Dr. George hurt in motor accident; Northern A.Y.P.A.'s joint meeting at Iroquois Falls; Iroquois Falls golfers at Timmins for week-end; another little parade by communists; death of Mrs. Leroux; Duncan B. Harrison in another lawsuit; annual meeting of McIntyre Mine; record of Timmins gold in regard to monthly cases; motion by J. A. Bradette, M.P., in House; "Ten Years Ago in Timmins"; "The Canadian Legion in the Porcupine"; Schumacher news; South Porcupine news; and literally a score of other items and articles; not to mention "Gravel and Sand—and Placer." That crusty old bachelor may go and get married, if anyone will have him!

Hon. R. B. Bennett has been good enough to allow the use of postage stamps for use on cheques in lieu of the revenue tax stamps. If Hon. Mr. Bennett will add one more favour to this he will win more renown. At present the postage stamp glue is not nearly so palatable as the glue on the revenue stamps. It may be that the glue on the revenue stamps is made from horses' hoofs. If so that on the postage stamps must be made from bunnions from a kangaroo. At any rate the gum has that kangaroo kick. Why not use the revenue stamp glue on the postage stamps and vice versa. The present postage stamps are far from tasty on the gummy side.

On the recent occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of the establishment of the newspaper, The Renfrew Mercury published some jokes and humorisms from its issue of June 25th, 1871. Other newspapers sometimes publish the same type of jokes but fail to label them 1871. The sage who declared there was nothing new under the sun no doubt included jokes in his list of old-timers. However, as there are always a few new people around, to whom everything looks new, things are not so bad in the world.

Several newspapers have recently published pictures of Hon. Geo. S. Henry, premier of Ontario. The pictures have appeared with little black spots on the face, caused no doubt by the ink being allowed to fill up on the half-tone cut. The black spots give the premier the appearance of having hair

on the sides of his face. As Hon. Mr. Henry does not wear a beard, it is apparent that he does not wish to appear with hair on his face. Consequently the pictures referred to can scarcely be pleasing to the premier. Without being too critical The Advance would suggest that if newspapers are too busy or too careless to keep the black spots off the cuts altogether, they might let them gather on the head, rather than on the cheeks.

People do seem to be getting kinder and more tolerant. At Perth recently a farmer rescued a canvasser for a magazine from drowning in the lake.

Jim Curran of the Sault Ste. Marie Star trotted out the Algoma wolf and all the daily newspapers of the province agreed it must be a wonderful country, Algoma, with its high rocks and its low wolves, and they dug in to get roads and bounties and what-not for the Sault Ste. Marie district. Then Jim Curran brought out the Algoma wolf again and killed it before their eyes and said it had never existed, and that he was simply using the gentle art of josh upon them. And the newspapers at once decided again that Algoma must be a miraculous country, and so they dug in once more to have the Trans-Canada highway pass through Sault Ste. Marie and along the rocky road of the north shore of Lake Superior, though the route should cost \$75,000.00 per mile, chiefly for explosives and bridges across gullies. Verily, as the wise man might say:—"It is a funny world, if you don't weaken."

At first glance it might appear that Major W. D. Herridge is a lucky man. He came through the great war with credit to himself and to his country. Then he became a friend of Hon. R. B. Bennett. Then Hon. R. B. Bennett became premier of Canada, and still Major Herridge remained his friend. Then Major Herridge was appointed ambassador from Canada to the United States. Still lucky! Then Major Herridge married Miss Bennett. The lucky stuff! Then he couple went on a honeymoon trip to England. Did you ever see such luck! In England, Major Herridge won an appeal case before the Privy Council, with high honour to himself. Can you beat luck like that? But The Sudbury Star makes this lucky man take pot-luck. The Star heads the story of the appeal case before the Privy Council:—"Argued For Five Days While on Honeymoon!" What rotten luck!

At the meeting of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade at Iroquois Falls last week endorsement was again given to the idea of a belt line of roads for this part of the North Land. The completion of a roadway between Timmins and Sudbury would give such a belt line. Practically all of the route is now cut out. Parts of it are in use now as motor car roads. The completion of the belt line of roads would not be a very costly matter, speaking comparatively. As a matter of fact The Advance believes it of more immediate importance to this part of the North Land than the Trans-Canada highway. It would connect up by roadway all the towns and centres of the North. It would put Cochrane, Iroquois Falls, South Porcupine, Timmins, Matheson, Ramore, Val Gagne, the new Matachewan gold area, Elk Lake, Shiningtree and West Shiningtree, all in touch with each other and with Sudbury. It would open up rich new country and hasten the development of the whole North. It would double the attraction of this part of the North to tourists, as travellers to this country could come up here by one route and return by another. They would see twice as much of the North and find something of interest every minute. The scenery in the Montreal River area of the route of this proposed roadway is unexcelled anywhere in Canada. There is fish, game, timber, agricultural land, mineral wealth along the route. Tourists could come to this North from the west as well as the east. All these things The Advance has repeatedly pointed out. Some years ago Hon. Mr. Finlayson seemed convinced that this road should be completed. He wrote to the president of the board of trade at Timmins that the route would be considered as soon as funds were available. It may be that funds have not been available since then. As a measure for providing work for the unemployed the proposed road would benefit many sections where help is badly needed. It would not be right to deny that the road would benefit Timmins and Sudbury, but it should be emphasized that it would be of equal advantage to many other communities and would indeed be for the general advantage of the North. The Advance has advocated this road for ten years or more. At the same time The Advance strongly favours roads for settlers and the Trans-Canada highway. They all should be built. The Trans-Canada highway is largely a Dominion undertaking. Roads to tap that highway are chiefly a provincial consideration, as are the roads for settlers. Eventually, all these roads will be built. In the meantime, it is largely a question of building first those most badly needed and those that will have the greatest immediate benefit in the development of the country. The Advance believes that roads for settlers should have first place if this country is to progress and prosper. Coincident with the construction of the needed settlers' roads, the province seems to be obligated to the maintenance of its main highways here and the construction of the needed "feeders," while the duty of the Dominion and Provincial Governments seems to be to expedite the building of the Trans-Canada highway for the general good of the province. Among the connecting roads none seems more immediately pressing than the link that will connect Timmins, South Porcupine, Matachewan, Elk Lake, Gowganda, Shiningtree, West Shiningtree and Sudbury by roadway.

In effect The Northland Post says that the Associated Boards of Trade can not speak for the North because Cochrane differs in opinion from the rest of the boards. In reply to this The Advance has a happy wise-crack about "compromise" that cannot be used, because it might touch Wood.

There is a genuine boom on at the new Matachewan gold camp these days, with much actual prospecting and developing work being carried on and a large number of men at work in the area. There can be no question as to the unusual promise of this new gold camp, yet it should be noted that much nearer Timmins there are areas where the gold showings are even more notable and where the prospects for important new mines seem to be even more promising.

The swimming facilities at the tourist camp at Gillies Lake should be reserved for men, women and children. Dog owners should find a special swimming pool of their own for the big dogs, little dogs, medium dogs and just dogs.

If the automobiles continue taking their present toll of life, it may not be necessary to start another war to attend to the surplus population of the world.

There were nearly five hundred deaths in the United States during the celebration this year of the Fourth of July. Unfortunately in nearly every case it was the wrong people who lost their lives.

New rules and regulations announced by the dictator of Russia, Joseph Stalin, suggest that Russia has found it impossible to continue under communistic doctrines and is returning step by step to the individualistic and capitalistic system.

Work of the Canadian Forestry Association

On several occasions The Advance has referred to the valuable work carried on by the Canadian Forestry Association and its journal, "Canadian Forest and Outdoors." Recently there have been several references to "Forest and Outdoors" and articles from that magazine in these columns and more than one reader has asked about the work of the Canadian Forestry Association. The following is a resume of the work carried on by the Canadian Forestry Association:—

1. Maintains fourteen field campaigns with 1500 public mass meetings a year to enlist the Canadian public in forest conservation and (on the prairies) tree planting. The association makes two million human contacts annually.
2. Handles every month nine thousand schools throughout Canada with teaching material eagerly utilized by the teachers before a multitude of young Canadians.
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The latest census shows Noranda and Rouyn as having a combined population of over 6000. There were 2200 residents in Noranda, with about 4000 in Rouyn, Glenwood and Rouyn Landing.

V. Saarinen, aged 24 years, was drowned in Goodfish Lake on Dominion Day. Another Finlander, Jack Saranpaa, aged 40 years, was drowned the same day in O'Connell Lake also in the Kirkland Lake district.

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