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SLOW DRIVING ON HIGHWAYS

The recent fining of a motorist for too slow driving on a congested highway has probably taught him the lesson that blocking traffic is to be looked after in this Province from now on. Reretofore we have been accustomed to motorists paying fines for speeding and the change to slow motion fine rather shocked some of us. We believe the magistrate was well within his rights and used good judgment.

We hope, however, that the traffic officers and the magistrates will use their heads in enforcing this new regulation. Enforced generally, the law will become a joke and a nuisance. A motorist driving ten miles an hour on a busy thoroughfare and blocking the traffic should be fined. It does not necessarily follow that that same motorist should be compelled to drive at any minimum speed on all highways. If so, where do the pleasure drivers come in? We would hate to think we would have to maintain a speed of thirty-five miles an hour, or pay a fine. It might be cheaper to sell the car. There are times when speed means safety.

We have little use for the recent ruling of an Ontario magistrate that a funeral hearse must maintain a minimum speed of thirty miles an hour. That sounds too arbitrary altogether, and depends upon where it is going. Our highways, while built mostly for through traffic, must also be used for local traffic and if local people care to take the car out for a spin and do not feel like driving over twenty railes an hour they should have that privilege.

Laws are made for protection, not persecution, and if the local magistrates of the Province are to have a free hand in determining what is right and what is wrong in speed limits then may the good Lord look after us. The maintenance of law and order is the object of our courts but from the manner in which some of them are run we could be excused for thinking that they were established for providing pocket money for the magistrates.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE

We have before us a letter from Mr. A. D. Mac-Kenzie, editor and proprietor of the Lucknow Sentinel, part of whose editorial on "The Decline of Sport" we referred to last week. While The Chronicle was referring more particularly to the disappearance of lacrosse from the majority of towns in Ontario, The Sentinel sticks to his guns and thinks that amateur sports in this country are in a flourishing condition. Referring to our last week's remarks The Sentinel editor says: "I think it depends upon whether you regard the game for the players or for the spectators. Baseball is, I think, the best field game for the entertainment of a crowd. But assuming that everybody should play in the open for diversion, exercise and fun, tennis is much superior to baseball. It is lively, develops skill and sociability, and provides splendid exercise for the office or facmy part I think that games should be for the playtory worker. Of course it is a game for the players,

It would seem from the above that Editor Mac-Kenzie and The Chronicle are referring to altogether different subjects. What we referred to more than anything else was the fact that Canada's National game, lacosse, was pushed to one side for the imported sports from other countries. Baseball is a product of the United States, golf came originally, we believe, from Scotland, bowling and tennis from Europe, while lacrosse is a distinctly Canadian game, as Canadian as hockey, and whose decline we very much regret.

We would not for a moment have anyone think that we are opposed to any of these games; on the contrary we would like to see them all prosper and lacrosse with them. Nobody but a bigot would wish to choose the game his neighbor should play. We appreciate Mr. MacKenzie's attitude that he likes a game that is for the players, but at the same time we think it is nice to also have something for the specators.

Personally The Chronicle editor is not very much of a sport. We are just naturally not built that way. We have a stomach that bounces too much when we run and flops too much when we attempt to play tennis. And anyway, liking the sport for sport's sake, we take more to baseball or lacrosse, for it is a game that both players and spectators may enjoy.

Last week's Maclean's Magazine had an article by Robert J. C. Stead telling why he preferred lawn bowling to golf. Lawn bowling was sociable, made friends and mixed one up with his fellows; golf is what is known as a "loner" game. The average golfer with his plus fours 'n everything goes it alone out on the green, and even if he is playing a foursome finds himself many times alone on the big course with his partner yards away. Not so with bowling.

There would seem to be a certain amount of reason in a multitude of opinions, and in the discussions we have listened to since we penned our first remarks on the decline of sport it has more than ever convinced us that there are always three sides to a question-our side, the other fellow's side, and the

And in the meantime Bre'r MacKenzie will stick to tennis, while we have the same old opinions regarding lacrosse. Here's success to both of us.

SOME ACTION NEEDED

There has been altogether too much petty thieving around town this past summer if we are to be-

lieve the half we hear. There have been numerous OTHER PAPERS' OPINIONS a very large extent of minor care. chicken thefts in the town and vicinity, and during the past ten days we have heard of two cases where tires have been removed from cars either in garages or stored in yards. Both the cases we refer to occurred on the front street.

Is it possible that Durham should have a nightconstable on the job? We know full well, before anyone calls it to our attention that it is going to cost us some money. Nowadays we get but very little that we do not pay for.

Times have changed and the advent of the automobile has made it possible for those who engage in burglary for a living to rob a store during the night and be two or three hundred miles away by

morning. We believe that the time for a nightwatchman in towns is coming, if not here. There may not seem much necessity for it for Durham as we have had no serious burglaries here for years, but we feel that we must be pessimistic and say that our

Night prowlers are well up in their trade. They know those towns which have nightwatchmen keep away from them. During the summer months especially when the motor cars are on the move, we believe a competent nightwatchmen is a good thing and would regard his appointment as an investment rather than an expense.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

Some weeks ago a man, alleged to have been Toronto poet may have discovered a under the influence of liquor, brutally beat his wife, new species.-Flesherton Advance. when their son, a young lad, shot and killed his father. Who is responsible?

Presbyterian General Assembly has the following to the lot of an Ontario magistrate the numbers of highways are to be The Rev. Dr. John Buchanan, Moderator of the else, can be worked to death, and it

"The sad parish father, the Rev. V. G. McFadden, says: 'The one who is responsible for the death of Anthony Tucker is the man who sapplied him with the liquor.' But do we not need to go back a step or two more? The government that authorized the sale of it did it. Then, we, the people of Ontario, who sanctioned the liquor-selling business, did it. So there it is: Drink did it-we did it."

There is no doubt that Dr. Buchanan's argument will find favor in a good many quarters, but if this kind of argument is true in the liquor business it must be true in any other business.

A hardware merchant sells a man a rope, or a shot-gun, or a razor. That man takes that which he has purchased and either hangs himself from a rafter of his barn, sticks the gun up against his body and pulls the trigger, or severs his jugular vein with the razor. Who is responsible?

Personally, we would say that the man himself is responsible in that he did not have sufficient backbone to face the worries of this world, or else, possibly he was ill and wanted to end it all.

According to Rev. Mr. McFadden, the man who sold the rope, the gun or the razor, was responsible, but Dr. Buchanan would go one better and say that the government was responsible because they allowed the manufacturers to turn out this kind of product, and that, finally, we, the people, were responsible in that we allowed the government to allow the manufacture of rope, guns and razors for the hardware merchant to sell that some poor unfortunate might purchase them and use them to do away with himself.

this question in all sincerity, and with a desire for estic troubles and first offences. more information.

THE COLOR LINE

a colored congressman to a recent social affair at the White House. From all over the south have come protests, and the end is not yet.

Despite its democracy, this "land of the free and the home of the brave" draws a most distinctive color line, so much so that there is a remote possibility, were it ignored sufficiently in the North, that it might cause another civil war.

The Southerner tolerates the negro. That is all. To ask him to treat him as an equal is an in-There is no argument as to whether it is right or wrong; so far as the Southern States are concerned the negro will never obtain his equality as long as the reins of government are in the white

Many of President Hoover's most intimate friends in the North simply cannot understand how he came to commit such a glaring political blunder, while others, who may sympathize with the black man in his fight for liberty share the same opinion.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

"Hanover Council May Close Its Eyes If Dances Are Held" says a heading in last week's Hanover Post. Gosh, but they must be wearing them short there! Why not cover their faces with their hands and the kind and quality of informaand peek through their fingers?

A contemporary says that husbands should share the housework with their wives. With the bowling season at its height they'll be lucky if they don't have to do it all.

The fining of an Ontario motorist recently for too slow driving and the daily fines for going too fast, merely emphasizes one point. The Government and the traffic officers are doing their best to check up mind the sphere of the weekly press, on the all too frequent accidents on our highways. Motorists should drive sanely and with common sense at all times.

Three violent deaths which occurred "within an hour" are reported by the North Battleford (Sask.) News, which says that an auto killed one and heart failure killed two. Is it possible that the three died from "head" failure in one instance and "heart' failure in the other two?

much as they will, but at this early ested. You have read letters from The berries are white and waxy season when the average working man friends which were full of news, while walks into a fruit store right in Kin- from others you may only get: "I am when dried, contain an oil which soon cardine and finds home grown toma- well, hope this finds you the same." toes selling at 30c per pound this week Papers are just the same; some are and tomatoes imported from Texas the product of a keen active mind, selling at two pounds for 25c, which while others look as though the prodo you expect him to buy for his fam- prietor had come to life the morning People often confuse poison ivy with ily to use?—Kincardine Review-Re- of publications, scratched a few items Virginia creeper, the two vines some-

Do Cuckoos Build Nests? The Toronto Globe has a poet who thus breaks loose: "There's peace in the quiet twilight, Where the cuckoo builds her nest,

Free from every kind of sorrow, Where the weary heart finds rest. Is there not too much poetic license in giving the cuckoo credit for contributing to peace by building her nest? If this bird ever builds a nest all the school books in the past generations have been circulating a fable. From our earliest years have we not been taught that the cuckoo is a lazy animal, who never bothers about a nest but lays her eggs in the nest of a neighbor bird, permits the other bird to hatch the young, who in turn usurp the home, and when they strength pitch the legitimate family out of the nest? The cuckoo has utterly failed to establish a reputation as a home builder in the past, but the

Traffic regulations, like everything warning signals to keep the tourist out to go the limit and issue a ruling that seen in every block, a most thoughtful is being met with the disgust of the expedient to guide a stranger through general public. This magistrate in his an unknown urban centre. The Oncourt ruled that a motor funera! cor- tario Motor League has also done much tege, travelling on the public high- to make automobile touring pleasant. ways must not travel at a lower speed But strange it is that no one has than thirty miles an hour or an offence thought of identifying the rivers to would be constituted under the High- the thousands of people who comment way Traffic Act. Such a ruling is pre- on the sparkling beauty of their limpid posterous. Since when did it become waters and the improvements made a law that any sort of a vehicle was along their banks. Going into Stratforced to travel at any given rate of ford one is told by the welcoming board speed on the highways, let alone a that the place is Stratford-on-Avon, funeral precession? Why should any but when the tourist drives around the man wish to hurry the dead to their city and sees what a beauty spot has grave? What matters it to other been made of the river right in the motorists along the road whether they centre of the business section he feels are held up for a few minutes' time or when driving on to the bridge like gca few hours' time, if out of respect for ing to the city clerk and protesting the dead? Never will any country be that the name of the river is not proworth a single count if it does not claimed on a little sign board at the honor its dead, who, while in life did right hand side of the bridge. The what it is. Canadian motorists are not Fergus and Elora and almost every of the low nature that such a ruling other place through which a river as this magistrate has given will ap- courses. The same is also true of peal to them. And any magistrate rivers with which some townships are who is wont to hand out such ignomin- favored. What use is the name of the ious judgment should be removed from rura! municipality to a visitor if the bench with the utmost speed. This cannot associate it literally with ruling should be counteracted by the beautiful stream which adds interest? Attorney-General immediately.- Kin- People are curious, especially when cardine Review-Reporter.

Common Sense Justice ly determined to have common-sense the visitor could carry away with him methods of law enforcement prevail in the name of the river. As it is he the courts of Ontario. In a memoran- intends to look it up when he get dum which he has addressed to the home—and forgets.—Allistor Herald. crown officials throughout the province, he lays great stress on the new method which he has decided to adopt Now, really, who is responsible? And we ask in cases of juvenile delinquency, dom-

> tooth for a tooth" regardless of the accident or discomfort. Nature is a the means by which offenders were perfect holiday. Among these is poison made to feel the force of the law.

Saner principles pervade the memorandum of Mr. Price. The keynote of it is found in the injunction that "The keeping of a family together is probably more important than the exaction of the pound of flesh in meting out punishment to the offender".

This is a new theory that is being put into practice, and it is hoped that the effort of the attorney-general to have common-sense mixed with law enforcement will be given the co-operation of all authorities. On the local officials, after all, rests the responsibility of putting these theories into effect, and it is only as they seek to apply in a practical manner the principle of the second chance, the principle that the future career of accused persons is just as important as the satisfying of the inexorable law, can the attorney-general's new system be given a thorough trial.

Why The Demand?

Why is there such a demand for newspapers, and what are readers seeking in their columns? While there may be other reasons, there are at least three main ones, namely-information, entertainment and inspiration. Each of these will arouse huinterest in reading the papers. Some papers give mainly information tion depends upon the field of thought covered. This may be of highly technical type, of a style more suitable to the general reader, or may be such as caters to the more sordid type. The same may be said of the other two; that is, the type of entertainment and inspiration contained in its columns will vary according to the type of

mind it is catering to. What place do these three main incentives for reading take in the weekly press? Well, if we keep in takes first place. People naturally want to know what their neighbors are doing and what is happening among them, and this not merely from idle curiosity. We like to learn if the editor has remembered our trip away, or something out of the everyday which may have happened to us. The whole neighborhood has an interest in the new baby, in Jones' narrow escape when new arrivals arrive, and in social events which have or are likely to take place. While we occasionally may get a great thrill, life is made up to

a very large extent of minor ones. his weekly sheet as being a persona! Politicians can rave about tariffs as them of the folk in whom he is intertogether, stuck in some stereotype matter and let her go.

Pleasures of Motoring A trip over the King's highways

from Alliston to Windsor and return affords an opportunity to see just what the government has done for tourists and when we use the word "tourist" the Canadian automobile traveller is oremost in mind. In the last three years have been laid in Ontario almost interminable ribbons of concrete eighteen feet wide on which a car runs without urging over hill and down dale and while the face is being bathed in ozone the eye is being delighted with the beauties of nature. And few people ever stop to think who is entitled to the credit for all this pleasure so many thousands of our population are enjoying. "The Governone might answer, but this answer is incomplete. True, the government with Hon. Geo. S. Henry as minster of highways has had a lot to do with providing the King's highways with their concrete surfaces, their great sweeping curves and their many of trouble. In the cities and towns same is true in Kitchener, in Galt, in something pleases them, and such places that are favored with a stream running through the municipality Attorney-General Price is apparent- would add much to their reputation if

BEWARE OF POISON I'Y

July is the month of care-free holidays, when everyone leaves the work-Under the old methods of dispensing a-day world for a brief glimpse into justice and enforcing the laws, there lands of romance to laze away peacewas a strong tendency to exact the ful hours by a cool lake or to play and full penalty provided, to follow the dance at gay resorts. Wherever you go principle of "an eye for an eye and a you want a vacation unspoiled by any effect of the penalty on the future life bountiful hostess, but in her rich offences, and these sentences became with are apt to ruin an otherwise ivy. Let us learn a few facts about

nooks and luring woodland. Poison ivy is a climbing or trailing shrub, with broad leaves in clusters of three, aerial roots and greenish flowers inflammation, and produces an intolerable itching. The poison seems most ever, has five leaves and lack the peculiar dark green shade of the poisonous

Poison ivy affects no especial habitat It is found in ravines, and on the border of woods; it climbs tall trees and nestles coyly in fence corners. It is anywhere and everywhere, and the only sure way to avoid it is to watch your footsteps and restrain yourself from promiscuous picking, especially in the autumn when its gay coloring makes it a desirable ornament.

become poisoned, wash the affected parts with soap and water, then with alcohol. A dressing kept soaked in cold baking soda solution will relieve the pain and itching and prevent the spread of the poison. If the case is bad, consult your doctor. But prevention is the best cure, and prevention means Safety First.

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What is a Bargain?

In this community are hundreds of individuals and families on the watch for an advertisement which will offer them what they want at an advantageous price.

Call them bargain-hunters if you will, but thrifty shoppers would be the better designation. Thrift is a commendable trait and merchants should cater to it.

One family wants a new carpet—the need is not urgent. Another family is looking forward to buying dining-room furniture—it may not be for a twelve month.

One man is thinging of buying himself a watch; one woman a shopping bag; another an umbrella. All can be made to buy earlier-by advertising. Advertising can make the desire so keen that the bargain is forgotten in the fever for immediate

A NOTE TO MERCHANTS

Stimulate business by the offer of some slowmoving lines of special prices. Brighten up business by advertising some desirable goods at resuced prices. Make advertising banish dull siness. Often you can tempt the buyer who is ding his or her hime, to buy from you-at a time of your own naming.

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