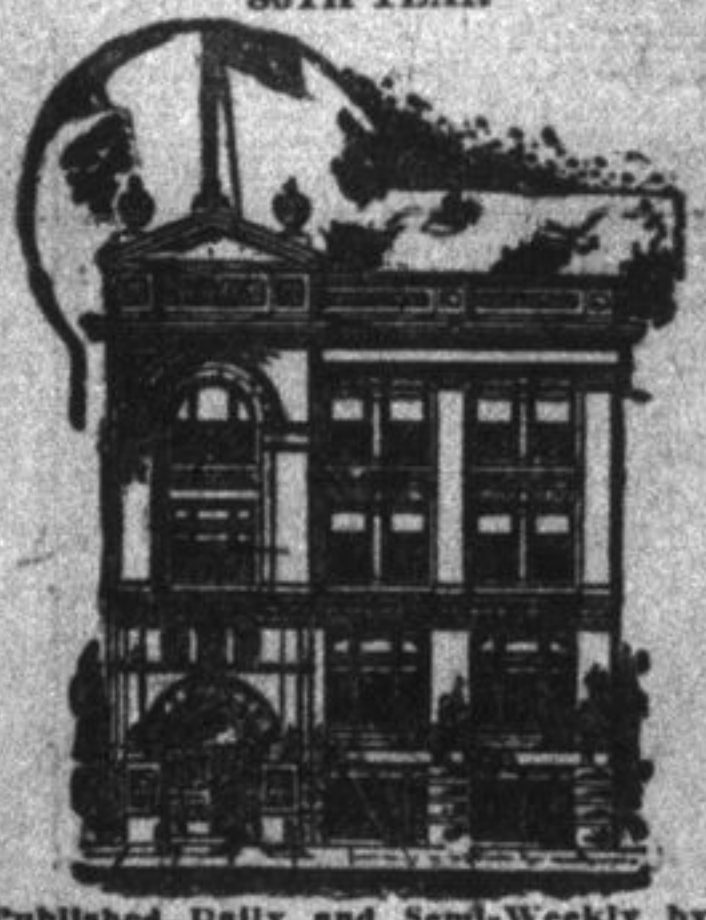


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Women's skirts are to be a great deal shorter next year. Looks as if we soon won't be able to tell the girls from the kitties.

No longer can the farmer be termed "the man with the hoe." He will hereafter be known as the man with the tractor—and the auto.

Talk about going from one extreme to another. A Russian soldier led the peace parade in Ottawa on Saturday night and was in jail next morning charged with murder.

Count von Bernstorff admits that Germany can never have a world policy such as she dreamed of before the war. But it took a lot of hard teaching to change the viewpoint.

The war has had a considerable effect upon the English language. A new word has alone added over 200 new words. The children will have to learn not only new histories, but also new dictionaries.

Henry Ford knew how to make automobiles, but his knowledge seems to have stopped right there. His million-dollar libel trial shows him to be sadly in need of a tutor.

ONTARIO LAW ABIDING.

According to an official announcement there are 552 prisoners in the provincial penitentiary at Port Hope. Of these twenty-five are confined in the insane department, so that in reality these may be eliminated from the total.

One would be pretty safe in saying that fully one-third of those sent to the penitentiary would be just as safe to society if they were outside prison walls, that having broken some law they might be given a chance to make good.

AGRICULTURE IN THE SCHOOLS.

At last the Department of Education has come to recognize a long neglected duty it owed to Canada and Agriculture. Outside of the various provincial departments of agriculture, our educationalists held aloof in their stilted exclusiveness born of an exaggerated idea of the paramount importance of purely academic attainments.

ACCEPT HIS RESIGNATION.

The attitude of Alderman Graham towards the city engineer at the council on Monday evening was simply the climax to a long and persistent campaign of persecution of that official, which has been carried on by at least two of the aldermen. The trouble is traced back to the old question of the tenders for road paving material and road oil, which was the cause of so much controversy three or four months ago. At that

time the Whig pointed out that Alderman Graham was prepared to go to almost any length to get his own way, and he is still adopting the same policy. City Engineer McClelland balked him on the question of road oil, therefore he was considered fair game for the choleric alderman.

Alderman Graham tries to put the blame of delay in preparing by-laws upon the shoulders of the city engineer. But what city engineer could prepare by-laws when he did not know what class of material the council was to provide, when he did not know that any material would be provided? Alderman Graham by his blocking tactics in the allotment of the contracts for material was the primary cause of the whole delay.

That the health of the city engineer should break down at this particular time is unfortunate, for if he were able to be on duty, then he would be able to answer the charges of Alderman Graham in a satisfactory manner. But the chairman of the Board of Works seized the opportunity provided by his absence to make an attack upon him. He seems to forget that it is easy for him to have things done with the large staff of engineers at his command. After refusing to give the city engineer an office assistant to attend to the office while he was out on the streets looking after the jobs on hand, he immediately turns around and puts three more engineers on the job, thus giving the city four engineers, one of which, Engineer McClelland, is on sick leave. It is therefore easy for the other three to do more work than one man formerly did without assistance.

Financially, the city is about five thousand dollars a year to the bad in salaries, in addition to the money that is being squandered in road work. For the chairman of the board of works, in an endeavour to blacken the reputation of Engineer McClelland, is spending money like water in an effort to get a large amount of work done, without any consideration of the character of the work he is doing. Limestone roads are being patched with tar, a senseless proceeding, and gallons of road oil are being wasted by being poured into the holes on various streets. Of course, this may be part of Alderman Graham's plan to discredit the use of asphaltic oil, which he opposed so strenuously at the council meeting in April.

The best thing Alderman Graham has done this year was the handing in of his resignation as chairman of the board of works, coupled with his threat to resign from council. The best thing that could happen would be the acceptance of his resignation. His threat simply meant that the council has to discharge the city engineer or Alderman Graham will resign. He says, in effect, that either Engineer McClelland or himself must go. Then by all means let him go. Any alderman who thinks he can take the rest of the city council by the throat and demand that he be allowed to have his own way or he will resign is unworthy to represent any of the electors of Kingston. His attitude was childish, like that of the schoolboy, who says: "If you do not play the game my way, I will not play at all." The resignation that was handed to the city clerk must be acted upon, and for the good of the city, and, in order that the council may be rid of a man who has persistently blocked every progressive measure that has been discussed this year, it must be accepted. There is no other course which will give so much satisfaction to the great majority of the electors.

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knowledge hitherto undreamed of, and the farmer's children are entitled to the instruction that will enable them to attain the highest degree of success.

Reports from the summer school now being conducted at Guelph and Whitby show that there is a record attendance of school teachers this year, the number being 540, including 27 teachers from the Roman Catholic Separate schools. The first class was opened in 1911 when the number in attendance was 100. The teachers present this year are from every part of the province between Ottawa and Kenora. In addition to the manual work of digging the soil and seeding, the subjects taught are bee-keeping, care of poultry, physics, bacteriology, entomology, botany, weather, chemistry, field husbandry, live stock, dairying, soils, organization and methods. The great majority of the students are women, although there is a goodly number of men, and there are classes for principals and inspectors.

The benefit of this policy to Canada is incalculable, as it will assuredly result in stimulating new interest in agriculture, as a vocation, for growing youths will receive appropriate instruction and the teacher will be regarded as a vital part of the life of the community.

Much of the credit for this great advancement is due to the farmers themselves, many of whom have been sending their sons to the agricultural colleges and dairy schools for years, where they found that agriculture was to be made what it ought to be the benefits of technical training should be within the reach of all.

PUBLIC OPINION

Another Objection. (Buffalo Enquirer) Come to think of it, the majority of the League of Nations are "wet" nations.

Not Worth the Price. (London Answers) The brand of popularity that one can buy isn't worth the price.

Good Results of Union. (Hamilton Herald) Not only much of the work which

Rippling Rhymes

SUMMER. The summer time is here once more, with scented winds from far off shore, suggesting eastern drugs; the air's voluptuous and sweet; the summer time would be a treat, but for the beastly bugs.

Oh, I would take my lyre in arms, and sing of summer's gorgeous charms, in most exalted terms, and celebrate her queenly ways, her starlit nights and sunny days, but for the slugs and worms.

—WALT MASON.

the Union Government has done could not have been done by any Government depending for its existence upon the support of a single party, but also that there is work yet to be done which no single party Government would be venturesome enough to undertake and carry through. It is in the interests of Canada that Union Government should be continued for some time.

A Good Record. (Toronto Star) The Union Government has made good with state owned elevators; in nationalizing railways; in limiting the profits of millers and packers; in taxing business as severely as in any country in the world; in launching upon a state-owned merchant marine; and, finally, in creating a court of commerce to deal with combinations and individuals in restraint of trade?

RAILWAY GASOLINE CAR.

Ford Is Completing One to Make Fast Time. Detroit, July 23.—Plans and castings have been completed for two hundred men are at work rushing to completion the new railway gasoline car designed by Henry Ford. This information was given the Detroit council meeting by Charles E. Sorenson, general manager of the Fordson Tractor Plant.

The new car, Mr. Sorenson stated, will materially cheapen transportation, as it can be operated for less money than either steam or electric cars. As soon as the car is ready it will be given a test run over the Michigan Central tracks from Detroit to Chicago in competition with the Wolverine, the fastest express train on the road. It is said to be capable of developing a speed of 95 miles per hour.

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