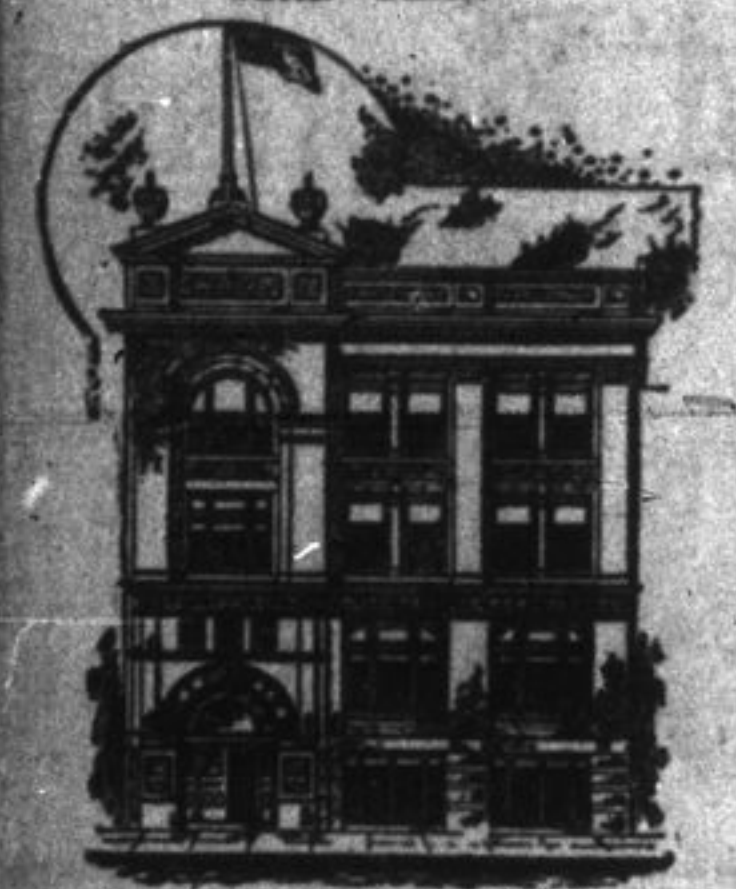


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ENJOY THE HIGHWAYS.

Every motorist should take advantage of the month of October. It is really the last month when motoring is a pleasure, and it is a pleasure in October because of the wonderful colorings to be seen at every turn of the road. The Fall is probably the most beautiful season in Canada and the month of October the most colorful month. The Ontario Department of Highways is very thoughtfully presenting the attractions of motoring to the people through the medium of newspaper advertising. At the same time the Department is pointing out the necessity for careful and moderate driving. Not only does it afford protection from accidents but it saves the road surfaces. As the Department of Highways points out, speeding eats away the road surfaces and "milks" the pocketbook for road up-keep.

We are sure that this series of advertisements will appeal very strongly to all reasonable men and women and that an effort will be made to get into the country as much as possible during the month of October and at the same time to try to avoid speeding and thus add not only pleasure to the trip but real profit.

WORTHWHILE GAINS REMAIN.

The Rochester, N.Y., Democrat and Chronicle expresses the view that many thoughtful people on its side of the border deprecate beauty shows as serving no good purpose, but rather in their whole effect as lowering the tone of social life. But arguments are futile to combat a popular tendency, even in Canada, which is somewhat more staid and respectful of traditions.

An age is on us which is out of the control of conservative thought on almost every matter, the paper goes on to say. The age of the "new freedom," a recent president called it. It has broken various shackles of convention which should no longer bind mankind; and if it laughs to scorn some others needed for the preservation of social decorum, all that can be said is that the tares grow with the wheat and that in an epoch of innovation the evil must be taken with the good. The extravagances of epochs are impermanent. Reaction checks them, but the worthwhile gains remain.

WASTE IN SMOKE.

The Vancouver Province has been talking to Mr. MacPherson Robertson, the candy king of the Antipodes, now touring in Canada, and among other things he spoke of the smoke nuisance and the effective way Australia handles it. He thinks his country leads the United States in this matter. "Wherever I go I see tall smoke stacks belching huge clouds of thick black smoke to the skies," Mr. Robertson says. "That situation never would be tolerated in Melbourne, or anywhere in Australia, for two reasons. In the first place, it is an economic waste, and in the second place we have too much civic pride to deface our buildings with smut." Mr. Robertson points out that scientific furnace stoking is given much attention, not only in his own plant, but everywhere throughout Australia. This is considered of such vital importance that a stoker who allowed his

STAR BIBLE THOUGHT: BATH THE LORD with the greatest delight in burst of joy and sacrifice as in obeying the voice of the Lord!—1 Samuel 15:22.

stack to smoke would be instantly discharged.

INSTRUCTIVE FIGURES.

In only two provinces in Canada are per capita provincial taxes higher than in Ontario. The following figures recently issued by the Citizens' Research Institute of Canada are instructive:

Table with 2 columns: Province and Per Capita Cost of Provincial Government. Rows include P.E.I., Nova Scotia, Quebec, New Brunswick, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Alberta, and British Columbia.

A WORD ON SLEEP.

The scientific researches of modern years have served to confirm the opinion held by physicians for centuries that rest is a great healer of disease. During sleep the tissues of the body recuperate from the chemical changes that have been going on during work or activity.

The person who has lost sleep appears haggard and worn and actually suffers a loss of weight, representing the actual wear and tear upon the body.

An old proverb said, concerning sleep, "Six hours for a man, seven for a woman, and eight for a fool." According to Dr. Max Scham, the need for sleep in various people varies, and is modified in the same person by his age, temperament and the climate. Girls, especially during growth, require more sleep than boys.

People are likely to sleep longer in winter than in summer. An investigation of the health habits of 500 healthful children indicated that a child six to eight years of age should sleep 12 hours; eight to 10 years, 11 1/2 hours; 10 to 11 years, 11 hours; 11 to 12 years, 10 1/2 hours; 12 to 13, 10 hours, and 13 to 15 years, 9 1/2 hours. Grown persons vary in the amount of sleep for recovery from fatigue.

A successful man is not one who spends his time in sleep, but it is a dangerous doctrine to apply this attitude to the growing child, since research has shown that insufficient sleep and sleep of inadequate quality are responsible for more absences from and failures in school than are other factors.

DR. ELLIOT AND THE SCHOOLS.

The late President, Elliot, of Harvard was supposed by many to be almost wholly occupied with problems of higher learning, but how keen his interest in character development in the public schools was may be gathered from the following from his pen:

Student self-government or student participation in school or college government conforms to three of the most fundamental principles of education—principles too often neglected, even by persons whose lives are devoted to educational service. The first of these fundamental principles is that the real object in education, so far as the development of character is concerned, is to cultivate in the child a capacity for self-control or self-government, not a habit of submission to an overwhelming, arbitrary, external power but a habit of obeying the dictates of honor and duty as enforced by active will power within the child.

The second fundamental principle, to which properly conducted self-government seems to me to conform, is that in childhood and in youth it is of the utmost importance to appeal steadily, and almost exclusively, to motives which will be operative in after life. In too much of our systematic education we appeal to motives which we are sure cannot last; to motives which may answer for a little children of six, ten or twelve, but which are entirely inapplicable to boys or girls of fourteen, sixteen or eighteen. Thus, the motive of fear is one of these transitory motives on which organized education in the past has almost exclusively relied; yet it is well determined by the history of the race that the fear of punishment, whether in this world or the next, is a very ineffective motive with adults.

The third fundamental principle in education is Froebel's doctrine that children are best developed through productive activities, that is, through positive, visible achievement in doing, making or producing something.

Student self-government enforces positive activity. It appeals steadily to motives in the boys which will serve them when they become men; it is constantly trying to develop in the boyish community the capacity of self-government. Therefore, I say it is based on sound educational principles.

It is also interesting to know that President Elliot kept in touch with the modern thought as to the upbringing of the children. He read the publications devoted to them and showed keen appreciation in these matters frequently writing on the subject, the excerpt published above being one of many he delated upon.

The addition to the Chateau Laurier will make it the finest hotel on the continent, Mayor Ballarrie, Ottawa, adds that if the announced plans are carried out "one of the finest civic parks on the continent will be somewhat marred."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A quiet neighborhood in which to live is just inside your income.

Education is a slow process, and even the best of men get it by degrees.

A dinner cooked in New York is to be carried by airplane to Paris and eaten there hot, a proceeding which is manifestly unfair to the New York waiters.

Looking over the lengthening roster of American millionaires we haven't spotted one who made it following the plow, the Houston Texas Post, remarks.

The Perth Courier is convinced that of a hundred thousand proverbs there is a true one: "You will find the reckless driver is the bird that wrecks your car!"

Why not change the name of the cowcatcher to autocatcher? Trains hit fewer cows than automobiles. Does that mean automobiles have less sense than cows have?

Only one passenger lost his life as a result of accidents on British railways last year, though over 1,700,000 persons were carried. The British know how to travel.

The perambulator is now almost a thing of the past. The baby goes out in the auto now with the family to get fresh air. The perambulator will soon be as rare as the family cradle.

Perhaps Chicago will now suggest says the Toronto Globe, that the recent heavy rains be accepted as compensation for the withdrawal of water from the Great Lakes by its drainage canal.

Governor Smith, New York, has announced he will run again for the governorship. Without knowing who will be his opponent we can reasonably tell who will be the next chief magistrate of the State.

In that conservative city, Boston, some 600,000 have purchased the so-called skeleton cup or green visor introduced by Miss Helen Wills. It is a cheap and healthy affair. Hundreds of them are found in Canadian cities and towns.

Professor John Dewey, of Columbia University, opines that American culture is immature, very little original philosophical thought having been produced so far. This kind of thought is not merchantable, hence the scarcity.

Philip D. Hoyt, head of the New York Police Department Traffic Bureau, says he will arrest any person caught blowing his horn to call friends who are indoors. This, possibly, is the worst type of offender against decency in the matter of street noises.

The Earl of Clarendon pronounces the 3,000-family settlement scheme in Canada a great success, having formed his opinion after a very thorough investigation in the course of which he personally visited scores of the newly-settled families. This is gratifying news, says the Montreal Gazette, and goes to show that where there is a will there is colonization.

The Village Post Office

(Carleton Place Canadian) Passing of the village post office proves that modern times are fast removing another source from which much of the gentility of neighborhood people constantly flowed as well as much of the gossip and hearsay conversation that found inspiration there.

There never were more lovable spots upon the earth than the village post office. The whole neighborhood revolved about the centre. Going after the mail afforded excuse whether we went or not, as it was an excuse that would generally pass muster with one's parents or employer. One met his best girl there and she coyly smiled at the fellow

QUEER QUIRKS OF NATURE

Well he is called the Kingfisher, with his crown of blue feathers, holding peaceful dominion over winding stream or shallow lake. Flying from one commanding perch to another, with his cheerful rattling call telling us that all is well in his kingdom, he seems a fitting part of his chosen valley.

For ages before this quiet haunt was known to human being, his ancestors gained their living from the waters, sharing with heron, fishhawk, eagle and other their bounty. It has remained for our later civilization to raise fishing to the dignity of a virtue when practiced as a pastime by man. But to make of it a crime, when pursued by a bird for a living. So we sometimes find our friend of the gentle waters with a price put on his head just for catching a few fishes.

Were they not his before they were ours, and even if we now lay

claim to them, may we not spare a few for him, in exchange for that extra bit of cheerful life which he lends to pond or stream? In late spring or early summer, Mr. and Mrs. Kingfisher seek some sandy bank near a good fishing place, and dig a burrow extending back several feet. In a small chamber at its end, on a few fishbones or debris, Mrs. Kingfisher lays her generous clutch of white eggs. When these hatch more fishes are needed, and until the young are grown and trained to fish for themselves, the parent pair lead a busy life.

Let us hope that before this clamor for the destruction of our feathered fisherman results in their further destruction, fairness to the birds and their well-wishers, shall turn the tide in favor of our fisher friends, and that so long as water runs their cheery rattle shall echo along our waterways.

that she thought something of. One heard the town joke first and often brand new scandal while waiting on the slow clerk opening the mail, and there was laughter and joshing that fitted one for the day's grind even if they did go back to get the evening mail. This, too, afforded excuse for many a youngster to stay out late at night, and older ones too. Oh, there are so many happy incidents to be recalled that linger about the precincts of that old post office building. A big book would not hold them, and most of them do one good by even recalling them because they contain smiles, good feeling and brotherly friendship which is so much needed to make the world a better place in which to live. Nothing is offered that contains these human ingredients to take the place of that hallowed spot.

Quebec Viewpoint

La Presse discusses the principles underlying the Imperial Conference.

"The settled conception in the British mentality is that the interest of Great Britain, venerable ancestor, the eye of the Empire, should be the supreme objective, the first consideration of the Imperial conception, and that it ought to dominate everything else. The conception of the Dominions, at all events that of Canada, is that, in the enjoyment of responsible Government, the interest of our own country ought to be the first and dominating consideration. Every decision ought above everything else to take into account the national point of view. Egoism, say certain Britons. No doubt, but legitimate egoism, sacred egoism and an essential condition in a nation which is conscious of its destinies and intends to safeguard them. Moreover, is egoism absent from the British theory which pretends to make everything relate first, if not exclusively, to the interest of Great Britain? But do we think of denouncing British egoism?"

Le Canada anticipates the necessity of resorting to elevated railway lines in Montreal.

"Montreal will, no doubt, have to seek before long for new means to relieve the growing congestion of street traffic. The tramway company has already made an effort to remedy the existing condition of things by establishing a series of autobus services. But it is evident this will not permanently relieve the congestion. The autobus services themselves suffer from the narrowness of the streets where the circulation of vehicles is increasing every day. A system of elevated railways, though it would not add to the beauty of the city, would nevertheless respond to a need which increases with the growth of the city. Some people would prefer underground railways. Either kind, underground, or overhead, would meet existing needs for such service to the outskirts of the city. A project for overhead railways has been submitted to the municipal authorities by the Tramways Commission, and it should receive punctual and attentive study."

A Friend in Need.

Accused (just acquitted, to counsel); Thanks awfully, old man. What on earth should I have done without you? Counsel: Oh, about five years.—Smith's Weekly.

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