

## VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT.

It Should Not Be Undertaken Without a Settled Plan.

The only safe procedure when one goes a single step beyond the neat and orderly provision for generally recognized practical necessities of the village is to look fairly and squarely into the future, to adopt a definite and comprehensive plan and policy and never to undertake or accept a project of improvement without earnestly and deliberately comparing its probable results with the aims of the plan, says Frederick Law Olmsted in *Atlantic Monthly*. However wise and comprehensive they may be, such general plans must from time to time be modified, but the modifications should be thoughtfully and deliberately accepted, not drifted into haphazard.

A savage, forced by the limitations of his condition, may live upon a spare and healthy diet, give him the opportunities of civilization, and he will gorge himself with indigestible combinations, selected at random from among the endless number of things that individually please his palate. The civilized man may be equally fond of the same things, but when he wants a good dinner he resolutely rejects nine-tenths of the things which please him on the bill of fare for the sake of adequately enjoying what he elects to have at that particular place and time.

What village improvers seem often to forget is that their selections from the bill of fare are not for a day only, but for many years, and must be considered in relation to the selections of the past and of the future for the locality in which they are to occur.

"Will it be beautiful?" should be asked as to any proposition for improvement, but it is not by any means the first question to be asked. "Is it in purpose and tendency aiming in the direction we have deliberately chosen?" "Is it appropriate to that particular kind of common, park, street, dooryard or township which we can reasonably look forward to having during the period in which the improvement will be effective?" These are the first questions to ask in such a case. They are often hard to answer, but real improvements are not made easily and thoughtlessly. Time, effort and money expended on embellishments without painstaking thought as to their ultimate result are apt to be worse than wasted, while wise forethought as to purposes and tendencies may so shape the simplest utilitarian necessities of a village as to give it the beauty of consistency, harmony and truth.

## BEAUTIFYING TOWNS.

Noticable Progress Toward Municipal Adornment in the Far West.

Desire for municipal beauty makes strong growth in the west, and considerable additional interest has been aroused by the recent visit to the coast of Clinton Rogers Woodruff, first vice president of the American Civic association. Newspapers tell of San Francisco's ambitious plans, involving years of work and millions of dollars, to enhance the natural beauty of that water city of commanding hills. Portland and Tacoma newspapers earnestly enjoin the citizens to "preserve the roses," these cities being distinguished for the abundance of that flower. Tacoma recently celebrated a rose carnival and such good advice as "beautify your garden," "help to make the town a bower" and "grow roses" has been given away with each issue of the papers.

In Spokane there is a call for the preservation of the native pines. The Spokane Spokesman-Review says: "Many buyers of residence lots in the hill sections of the city are greatly injuring their properties from both an aesthetic and a monetary standpoint by cutting down the native trees on their land. After their houses are completed and occupied the owners generally regret their folly when it is too late to repair the damage done to their surroundings. One of the characteristic and most attractive features of northwestern towns is their wealth of pine trees, distinguishing them from the cities of every other section of the country. Eastern visitors of taste almost invariably remark the pines of Spokane as forming a high decorative natural background for residences, many even placing them above the class of the New England towns or the magnificence of the middle states. These are shade trees, of course, and often of stately beauty, but they lack the picturesque quality of the pines, as they lack its clean, spicy fragrance. Such an ornament to the city and its homes is worth preserving and will be preserved by thoughtful persons who value beauty in their surroundings."

## Winter Garden in a Station.

At Ghent, in Belgium, is a very large terminus to the railway system, covered in with a glass roof. One portion of the station not being required for use has been turned into a winter garden, the floor of the building being utilized for the planting out of various subjects in the form of beds and groups, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*. An illustration of this floral station is given in the *Revue de L'Horticulture Belge* for July. This shows some stately palms from Australia planted along the center. A group of bamboos is also pretty. Several other plants are used, such as American aloes, muscades, phlox, zonal pelargoniums, New Zealand flax, hydrangeas, fuchsias, begonias and others. Owing to the very high roof of the station we should think, says *Gardening World*, the flowering plants less suitable for the situation than the fine foliage plants. This is an experience which applies to tall conservatories, where the plants are a long way from the glass. It would be quite a novel experience to see a flower garden in a London railway station.

Arthur Pearce to Marry.

Invitations have been issued as follows: "Mr and Mrs M A Newlin will give in marriage their daughter, Laura, to Mr Arthur Bascom Pearce Wednesday afternoon, January 24 1905, at 5 o'clock, Christian church Burlington, N. C. Your presence is requested."

"At home after February 5th, 225 East Market street, Greensboro, N. C."

Mr Pearce is a son of Mr and Mrs J R Pearce, of this city, and is a popular young conductor on the Southern Railway.—Greensboro Telegram.

## Mad Dog Scare at Lexington.

Lexington is having a mad dog scare. Seventeen dogs have been killed in the last few days, and the police is still armed with shot guns for the purpose of canine destruction. Last Sunday a dog manifested mad madness near the cotton mills in West Lexington, and on his way through town is said to have bitten 27 dogs in all, and was finally killed. As yet only dogs have been bitten.—Lexington Cor. in Charlotte Observer of January 13th.

## A Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness to us during our recent bereavement. God saw best to take our little Dewy to be with Him and may our loss be his eternal gain. By God's help we hope to meet him in heaven.

Mr and Mrs W P Moon  
Franklinville, N C  
December, 29 1905

## Cutting Glass Under Water.

Imagine trying to cut a piece of glass with a pair of shears. How many cracks would form! How pieces fly into the air! But try it under water. You will be surprised to see what a fine bit of cutting you can do there. Only be sure that the glass, the shears and your hands are entirely immersed in the water.

The mill dam at Marleys mill, Randolph county, was tapped last Friday and yesterday when the water was low, several hundred pounds of fish were caught. There were about five hundred people at the mill yesterday. Two of our sportsmen, Messrs. John H Fox and Edgar T Jordan, were among the number, both securing a large carp. The carp weighed 24 and 15 pounds respectively. It is said that this dam was built by Indians over 100 years ago and since that time the water has not been let off. It will be remembered that last summer there was an epidemic of chills and fever in the vicinity of Marleys Mills, and as the disease was supposed to have had its origin from the pond, the county board of health ordered the water let off.—Siler City Grit.

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Mr Alan Browning, bookkeeper for J J Stone & Co for some time, has given up his position to engage in work not so confining, as his health necessitates a change. He will engage in the insurance business at Durham. His successor in the printing establishment is Mr S T Wyrick.—Greensboro Patriot.

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The South Carolina Dispensary.

Gov Heyward, in his annual message to the General Assembly of South Carolina last Tuesday, has some hard things to say of that peculiar institution. He says "the onerous shadow which throws a shadow over the State in the unsatisfactory condition of the dispensary," and "no one can deny that the present atmosphere surrounding the dispensary is a grave reflection upon South Carolina," and he further insists that any odium attaching to the dispensary necessarily attaches to the State because it is a state institution. He regards the widespread dissatisfaction with the dispensary move as a rebuke to the mode of operation than repudiation of it as a system. And adds: "It is inspiring for the honor of the State that existing conditions should be immediately remedied."

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The next term of Montgomery court will convene on the 22nd of January. This is a criminal term of only one week. There are yet but few in jail to be tried at this term of court.—We are requested to announce that the vocal talent of Wadeville will give a comedy, "The Courtship of the Deacon," at Mt. Gilead on Friday evening of the 5th inst. Admission 25 cents; children 15 cents.—The management of the Uwharrie hotel underwent a change at the first of the year. Mr G M Hearn, the former proprietor, gave it up to George W Morris, who is running it on the same plan as the Hearn management.—Montgomeryian.

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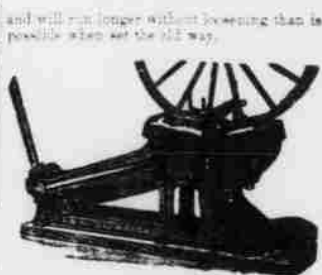
There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

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