

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

By the Editor. Original Sayings and Otherwise.

Good roads and increase of population by immigration.

There is an awakening of sentiment for good roads.

The pleasure of living in the country is greatly increased by good roads.

Good roads would increase the value of farm lands at least four-fold.

Good roads will not only benefit the rural patron but the city and country merchant.

The Courier has long realized the vital importance of public education and good roads to every citizen of the State.

Good roads means easier and cheaper access to market, and also the extension of educational facilities for the children of the farmers.

What we want is not finished scholars, but equipped learners, minds that can give and take; people who are ready to go forward wisely toward a larger wisdom.

There should be a State road commissioner who should be a skilled civil engineer, and who should have general supervision of all the road working counties of the State, and a county road commissioner for each county. There should be provision for general road tax instead of compulsory road duty.

Nothing is so important to all the people of the State as good roads. More than three fourths, yes, nine tenths of the worry and expense to farmers in marketing crops come from bad roads. The bad and sometimes intolerable condition of roads will never improve under the present slipshod conditions of road working.

The State spends something like one and a half million dollars every year for public schools. We do not in any way object to this. The education of all the people at public expense is an important matter, but the democratic party is pledged to improve the public school and the schools are being improved at considerable expense and out lay by the State. What we want is not only better educational system but also provisions from the state for public roads.

It is the duty of every justice of the peace, in every township who knows of any road overseer who has failed to keep up his road and failed to work the right number of days required by law, to swear out a warrant before some other Justice of the Peace for such overseers; and failing to do so makes such justices of the peace, who so willfully and intentionally neglect such duty, guilty of improper conduct in office.

Why don't the grand juries do something about the failure of the overseers to work the public roads. Because the legislature took it out of the jurisdiction of the Superior Court and made the offense exclusively within the jurisdiction of Justices of the peace for twelve months after the commission of the offense. And every one knows how difficult it is to get information about how many times the roads were worked and their condition eighteen months ago.

In one of the townships in this county it is said that at the last election one of the candidates for the justice of the peace said he was running for the office to keep from working the public roads. It is needless to say that this man has made a poor officer. We might further state that he has not traveled over the public roads in his township and sworn out warrants for overseers who have failed to work the roads six full days of ten hours each within the past year.

First Help For The Drunkard.

In almost every county the good citizen who is overcome by his devotion to the flowing bowl is left to the tender mercies of the policeman, the pickpocket or the passing stranger. A rescue service has been instituted in Berlin and if it proves to be practicable it will be extended to all of the Prussian cities and probably throughout Germany. The service is entirely in the hands of women, who wear a uniform similar to that of the Salvation Army.

When Three's Company.

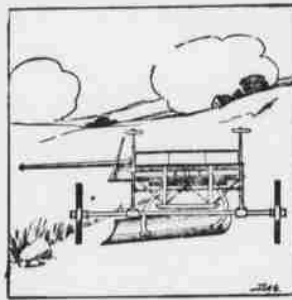
The wind howls 'round the house,
We hear it swell and die,
We three, shut in together,
Fearing nor wind nor weather,
Just you and Love and I.

Life's bitter storms assail,
The winds of Fate blow free,
We closer draw together
And there's nor wind nor weather
For you and Love and me.

—American Magazine.

NEW ROAD GRADER.

Reversible Machine to Which Horses Can Be Attached to Either Side.
Road graders are used extensively in the west, not only upon roads, but also upon other stretches of ground where an even grade is desired. An inventor of Oklahoma territory has patented a grader to which horses can be attached to either side, something which has heretofore been impossible, says the Pittsburg Dispatch. For that purpose he uses a rod or chain attached to the side of the framework of the grader and a brace bar, having one end loosely secured to the frame some distance in advance of where the draft rod or chain is attached. The horses are attached to the forward end of this rod. We show in the illustration the upper framework of a "western reversible



REVERSIBLE ROAD GRADER.

grader," the draft chain or rod being hooked to eyebolts near the end of the side. A brace bar composed of two pieces of gas pipe is secured to the draft rod, one portion being larger and admitting the smaller portion, the adjustment being made by means of a pin. The swingletree is attached to the front of the draft rod, and in operation tends to guide it straight, while the pressure on the blade of the grader when moving earth crowds the rear of the machine away from the earth. The machine can be adjusted for different grades of ground by lengthening or shortening the draft. Among the advantages are convenient means for attaching horses to the side to assist in propelling the grader and at the same time to prevent it from sliding sidewise, commonly called "crawling," away from the moving earth. Attaching the horses to either side of the grader, the draft being near the rear of the grader, the rear ditch wheel is prevented from climbing and cutting the bank, insuring a clean ditch or furrow. It cannot be upset and will work successfully in loose or sandy soil.

THE GOOD OLD WAY.

Why It is of Little Use in Modern Road Building.
The Columbus (O.) Journal recently reprinted from its issue of Aug. 7, 1823, this paragraph:

Many gentlemen of this vicinity, feeling the importance of improving the road between Columbus and Granville, are now engaged in circulating subscription papers for labor upon the road, in conjunction with the citizens of Licking county, on the first Friday and Saturday in October next. It is hoped there will be a general turning out for the accomplishment of an object so long pursued.

This was eighty-two years ago. And though every branch of science, industry and business has made almost miraculous advances in that time, the majority of farmers are still working the roads in this "good old way," says Good Roads Magazine.

The horn raising, the quilting party, the husking bee, have been relegated to mythology by scientific economy. Why should this other relic of pioneerism alone remain?

There is poetry about the old time customs, but there is more of music in the telephone bell than in the hum of the thrasher than in the pounding of the nail, and more of profit in bowling over a hard road than in racking and creaking and moping through tire deep mud.

For their own best interest the farmers should be up to date in road building.

Good Road Maxims.

A good road affords an excellent way to church.

A dollar spent on the road is as good as two spent on the farm.

A community is known by the roads it keeps.

Better go two miles on a good road than half a mile on a bad one.

The wide tire maketh the glad path master.

The country road frighteneth the auto.

A bogged down auto will not go that way again.

A bad road and its travel are soon parted.

Many path masters spoil the roads.

A little gravel is a dangerous thing.

Sow deep or wallow fall and spring.

The horse knoweth the bad road and letteth his ears drop.

Many country roads are paved—with good intentions, but for the most part with lumps of sod, stones, roots and rubbish.

The wide tire fulfilleth the Scriptures—it maketh the rough places smooth.

The auto is sowing the seeds of a healthy discontent at the condition of hundreds of country roads.

It is always, safer passing on a good wide road.—Buffalo News.

May Repair Old Roman Roads.

There is talk in Great Britain of repairing the old Roman roads for the use of automobiles. It would be a curious fact should the road building of the Romans of the time of Christ be turned to account for the use of our modern vehicle after the lapse of nineteen centuries. The fact that such a thing is considered possible shows that the Romans builded to last.

ORDER BIG ADVANCE IN LUMBER.

North Carolina Pine Association Takes Sensational Action in Meeting at Norfolk.

A dispatch from Norfolk says the most sensational advances ever recorded in the price of lumber in the South Atlantic States was ordered at a meeting of the North Carolina Pine Association here to-day.

The price on all grades of lumber was advanced \$2 a thousand feet for some of the better grades, and \$5 on some other grades, principally the lower.

This means a net advance of from five to almost 15 per cent, according to grade.

A Lucky Hunter.

Report has it that G P Parker, of Climax, Randolph county has made a hunting record that will be hard to beat. He was out alone for a three day hunt last week and killed 3 wild turkeys, 24 quails, 12 squirrels, 6 rabbits, 2 owls and 1 hawk. Parker is the champion Nimrod as far as heard from. If Editor Deal, of the Wilkesboro Chronicle, cannot excel this record in the State of Wilkes, the case is doubtless without a parallel.—Union Republican.

Men Afraid of Smart Girls.

From the Gentlewoman.
The modern girl is all for being in evidence, for showing off. With all her aspirations it is difficult to find a husband for her. Good-natured, simple young men are getting more and more afraid of the "girl of the period."

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Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It.

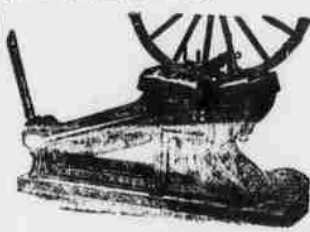
How To Find Out.
Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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