MR. DOOLEY JR.

What Kind of Progress Can Any People Make While Wallowing in Mud Holes Called Roads.

(Rhamkatte Roaster)

"Oi notice that th' pa-apers is hevin' a lot to say aboot muddy roads," said Mr Hennessy, "an shtreets an' th' loike."

"Iv course they ar-re," said Mr Dooley, "f'r now is th' winter iv their discontint. Nixt sumher they will f'r git all aboot it an' th' most hospitable, ginerous, progressive, moral, wonderful pa-aple on earth namely, fh' gr-reat Tar Heels, will vote doon ivery proposition f'r beither roads."

"Indade an' it does look lioke," said Mr Hennessy, "it does look loiketh' pa-aple wud git out of the mud sometime. They hev hed since Dan'l Boone to do it.'

"An' it will be nearly till Dan'l comes again bafure they will," said Mr Dooley. "Oi am proud iv th' ould North Shtate, hivin's blissins' attind her whoile we live we will droive along, git shtalled an' sink through her an' Oi wud paste anny domned furiner in the mouth who wud t'row mud on her fair name, but Hinnissy, wau must admit thot she is mostly muddy this toime iv th year. In a few of the progressive counties an' towns of the Shtate they hev planted rock in the mud, but allmost all North Carolina is to day takin a mud bath from Junaluska to Manhatten Oiland doon to be the broad Cape Fear; sloshin along in a Charybdis iv ooz an' a Scylla iv compounded earth an wather, with a broken cuss wurrd here an there, ye can count on your finghers th' counties in this Shtate thot he macadem roads an they wudnut heve hed thim iv it hadnt been f'r them heardhearted town pa-aple who outvoted the farmers' an th' towns wouldent have paved the streetsiv all the monied pa-aple wud hev had their way. Talk of you rich min! Thot town or county or ehtate or nation that has th' most rich divvils is the wan thot is curst more thin Aigypt iver was be Moses an' Aason's rod. Its th' poor divvils that pay the fraight, an' its thim as has a small amount iv this wurrld's goods that make ould progress pussh th' domned community out iv the mud. To the deminition bow wows with yure sich min. They help developement th' least an' hinder it the most, an' heve th' heaviest raysponsibilities an' th' largest amount iv pure cussid Adamantine selfishness in their mouldy carcasses iv any dozen classes iv American citizens. An ould he divil worth fifty thousand dollars will foight a graded school till his miserly ould soul cant sleep o' nights thinkin iv the foive children of Luzrus thot his tax wud idchoocate. He is a foine type of th' fool who looses soight iv deaah an' hivin because a dollar roise bechune him an' him, loike a full moon. Oi would rather be a onion-atein' dago with macaroony an' fifteen Eyetallian children in th' middle iv th' Panama canal or Boston thin such a haythin, heartless, skin-flint loike that. Money? Oiwudnt give a poipeful iv plug cut f'r all th' cash iv thot ould robber Rockyfeller if Oi hed to murdher th' smallest desoir to help me poor frien Hogan idchoocate his brats or vote a tax on th' tained money of my neighbors f'r good roads. Oi would rather have a heart inn me, warmed be the bludiv a man God made thin to be anny tax-dogin', unprincipled, shtufied-up figger iv a humin bein' that looses th' soul God gave him whoile he runs his dirty finghers t'hrough th' filthy coins he has shtole from his fellow citizens. Th' ignorance iv pa-aple on wan hand and th' greed iv hounds on th' other hand is th' reason North Carolina has mud-trails f'r roads an' shtreets. Fraid they'll help somebody ilse; fraid they'll git the county in debt till poll tax will be ninety dallars on wimmin an a thousond on min. Bah! Hinnissy. Oi want to croak whin Oi think iv it. Progress? Phat koind iv progriss can anny pa-aple make whinn they wallow in mud holes. Mud, Hinnissy, affects th mionds and souls iv min It dont only wear out horses an waggins, but it makes us sordid and un clean. It pulls us doon frnm high thoughts an makes us do those things we wud not do an lave undone phat we wud do—if we traviled on macanam. Whin ye droive tin moile through mud deep enough an sticky enough to trap pterodactyai, ye hev cussed iverything in soight till your vocabulary is ixhausted an thin ye cuss yure vocabulary f'r bein so limited. Whin ye git to town with mud dabs above yure eyes an in yure ears an bechune yure teeth, all over your overcoat an yure hands, ye ar-re on aidge an the bar room is the first place ye go to. It is degradin' f'r it ruins yure chanct iv hivin. Min in a mud country ar-re contint with less than pa-aple on solid ground. Ye can judge any county or town by th' roads or shtreets it has. Oi dont care if every other resource in it has been developed to the point iv diminishin rayturns, if th' highways is hub deep in mud, there is thot issintial lakin in th' chracter iv th pa aple thot is nicissary to breezy life an hoigh toned ways; to business success an shatesmonship. Ye might build a model city sn top of grandfa-thers mountain an if pa-aple couldent git to it, phat th' divvil use is it to annyboly or its self. A town may hev ivery modhern acquiremint, but iv th' pa-aple in th' rual disthricts can't roide into it with their projooce; git new oideas an' catch a glimpse iv th' wurrid to carry back to make straighter furrows, better corn an' more cotton at less cost, to th' divvil with yure town. The oidea is a inloightined pa-aple goin year in an' year out, draggin' alone thray months in ivery dozin through mud mud, mud whin at one good grab they cud take shtagnation by th' heels an 'bate her to rags over th' idgit heads iv tax-shy misers an' ignoramuses, issue a few hundred thousand iv bonds f'r prosterity to pay willingly, an' make good roads in a few weeks. Ye can prate aboot developmint, growin, increase, advancement, uplift, progress, till your old Webster's is wore up hunt-in' f'r synonyms to publish to th' wurrid thot yure town and county an' shtate an' section is astride th' autymobile iv go-doon-th'-pikedness but whin yure roads is full iv mud an' pedestrians hev to wear snow-shows, horse wings an' waggin sled-runners to navigate thim, yo moight as well shut up yure fountain iv colored adjectives an' emigrate to Halifax, f'r ytre delapidated citizenship as is indicated be yure roads, dhroiv oft anny new-comer possessin anny gray-matther at all, at all. Ye can make a counthry's laws if ye'll lemme make its roads. Oi'll show ye a pa-aple thot ye can't legistate annything into iv ye'll on'y give thim rock roads; th' heel of th' oppreseer can never crush thim into the mud. They travil a moile whoile mud road pa-aple is hitchin' up. They'll git to town, take th' hoighest proice f'r a load of hay an' be back to home whoile yure mud farmer is lettin' his horses blow afther pullin' a dozen aiges an' fure naked wheels through a slough iv despond. Shud ye ask me which Oi would rather hev, good schools or good roads, Oi would say give me the roads. F'r wanet git roads an' the population will git so shpeedy it is on'y a matther iv toime till they'll hev good schools an' good roads an' ivery other good thing thot is. An' Hinnissy, th' way to git th' oidea into pa-aples heads is to build a piece iv good road, an' let it end in a mud hole six feet deep. When they drop down into it, they will git some iv their domn fool oideas out iv their heads by th' shock."

"An' whin do ye look f'r good roads in North Carolina," said Mr Hinnissy,

"Whin th' gineration hot pays th' tax is dead an' gone to gloay," said Mr Dooley. "Praise be to Allah th' death must come to all min."

"Hit in the Belly With a Pone of Bread."

The Southern Republicans have no bread except Federal patronage. They care nothing for the opinion of the people in their own State. Washington is their mecca. If they can obtain approval there they are happy. Brownlow has been distributing the patronage in Tennessee and the fellows who haven't had their slice of pie are after his scalp. They have held a meeting and adopted resolutions against the "ignominous despotism" of Brownlow. The only thing that will make them quiet will be to "hit them in the belly with a pone of bread" to quote Vance. It is the same way in North Carolina. Of course there are good Southern Republicans, who resent "despotism," but nine out of ten who raise a row are men fighting for a peice of pie.—News & Observer.

Hottest on Earth.

A correspondent of the Anglo Saxon of Rockingham, asks "Where is the hottest place on earth?" The learned editor replies that Hamlet is the hottest place; that it is so warm there at some seasons that the trees leave.

Now, any one knows the editor is only joking, for everybody knows that Yuma, Arizona, is declared the hottest.

We are reliably informed that a man once died at Yuma, and emigrated to the land of fire and brimstone and after reasonable time for acclimation he could stand it no longer and immediately sent back to a friend at Yuma asking him to send him a fur coat and blankets.

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How to Make a Hot-Bed.

The location of the hot-bed is an important matter. It should be on well-drained soil, well sheltered from wind and fully exposed to the sun. It should be near the house, for convenience.

Fresh manure from the horse stable, mixed with litter from bedding, is the material most generally made use of to furnish the heat needed in the hot-bed. A pile of this material is spread on the place selected for the hot-bed, covering an area somewhat larger than the hot-bed itself is intended to be. It is thrown on the ground in layers of a few inches in depth. Each layer is trod down firmly before another is added. The pile should be finished off by rounding it over. Leave it in this condition for a few days, until fermentation sets in. This can be told by a warm moisture which will be rising from it. It should then be forked over, shaking out the long straw as this is done, and making another heap of it, as at first. In two or three days it will again give evidence of further heating. After this, it is in condition for final disposition in the bed. As the manure is now thrown into shape, it should be packed down well, making it as uniformly compact as possible. There should be about two and a half feet of this material.

It is now ready for the frame. This should be put in place and covered with sash. Bank up well outside the frame with manure. Allow the sash to remain in place until strong heat is generated. When this begins to decrease, and the thermometer does not register more than 85 or 90 degrees, cover the manure inside the frame with about six inches of fine, rich soil, worked until it is in the mellowest possible condition. The bed is now ready for use.—Eben E Rexford in "Making the Country Home," in The Outing Magazine for March.

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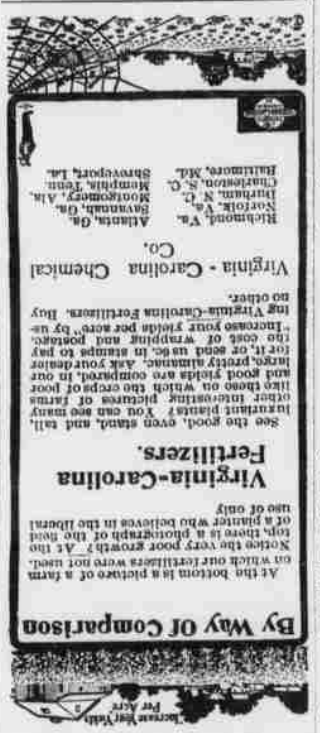

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