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CIVIC AFFAIRS.

While the general question of trading at home has been somewhat unexpectedly thrust upon people it may be of interest to note what the civic government has done in this respect during the past year; of interest also to speculate upon what would have happened had the civic government, like the Bell government, gone abroad for its purchases.

When the city undertook the work of street improvement there were many who regarded it as unnecessary extravagance to purchase a street making plant. They argued that it would be more economical to give the job to a contractor and thus save the outlay on an expensive plant. The Street Committee decided to purchase the plant however, and as a result all the work on the streets was done by local labour for which the sum of \$50,296.19 was paid.

Had the work been done by an outside contractor a very large proportion of this amount would have gone to outside laborers as the contractor would have brought much of his help.

This is only one item but a very considerable one and one which meant a great deal to our people when other work was not available.

There is another item also which meant much, that of purchasing supplies for the work on the streets. Among the payments for such supplies are the following:—Carvell Brothers \$10,745; Fennell and Chandler \$8,617.05; A Pickard & Co., \$8,163; Bruce Stewart & Co., \$6,548.33; Rogers Hardware Co., \$6,430.66; L. M. Poole & Co., \$6,307; Buntain & Bell \$3,034.33; Gormley & McDonald \$2,059; William Dalziel \$1,535; C. Lyons & Co., \$904; M. Conway \$815, and many others of smaller amount. These supplies were not purchased in a haphazard way; they were purchased as cheaply here as they could have been elsewhere and whatever benefits accrued from them came to the merchants and the city.

The Mayor and City Council are being very highly complimented on their administration of the street department. In view of the approaching election it will be interesting to learn what the prospects are for continuing the work.

Rumors of opposition to the sitting Mayor and Councillors are in the air and for the Mayorally several names in addition to that of Mr. Wright have been mentioned. A deputation some days ago waited upon Mr. D. J. Riley asking him to nominate for the Mayorality but he declined at that time. Later, however, he yielded and is now in the contest. Ex-Mayor Brown, Col. S. R. Jenkins and Mr. L. B. Miller were also waited upon but they all declined. For Councillors it is rumored there will be contests in all the wards.

THE CARFERRY.

Both Captain John L. Read and the Carferry deserve unstinted praise for the work of the past few days and especially for that of Tuesday. After a whole day's fight against almost insuperable difficulties, the return at night to fight the same possibilities and impossibilities over again in order that there should be no break in the mail and passenger service, was a feat for which there are few parallels in the history of our winter communication. Ice conditions this year are exceptionally severe and no surprise will be felt if, some day, the actually impossible even for Captain Read will be encountered. These conditions only emphasize the absolute necessity of a second steamer. We cannot continue indefinitely to do the impossible and some day our only link with the outside world may be disconnected. The only way in which this can be avoided is to have a second steamer—and as soon as possible. To this all the energy of the province and of our representatives should be persistently directed. Our dependence upon this one steamer leaves us absolutely helpless in case of accident or hold up. In the meantime we congratulate Captain Read on what he has done so far and we may rest assured that when he fails to make a daily crossing it will be because it can't be done.

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OUR NEGLECTED OYSTER

Sir—Mr. D. A. McKinnon, in a recent letter to the Patriot, made a just and pertinent claim for our island fisheries, and especially for the maltreated and misrepresented oyster. He errs, however, in blaming the absence of lime in Richmond Bay for a cause for failure. While in the sandy bottoms of British Columbia lime is necessary the opposite prevails at Malpeque, where lime is in actual excess. Man in his meddling is ever ready to make excuse, and scapegoats have been eagerly sought after, incidentally to account for depletion of the beds, and in a sense to conceal ignorance combined with neglect. First the "star fish," while admittedly a formidable enemy, and no doubt very destructive, it is not a new habitant, and was with us in the palmy days of the industry. Then, the "lobster," eating up the spawn and embryo fish. There were ten times as many lobsters thirty years ago, and just as fond of spawn then as now, yet the beds produced 60,000 barrels annually. The "disease," insidious, vicious yet of unknown character, became the scapegoat in the final decline. This "disease" they claim was introduced with imported American oysters. In spite of biological reports, I say "Ho!" I do not claim that experts have not discovered oyster diseases, but it has not been proven that these are of American or even recent introduction. The water, taken from oysters, fresh from the water, has been pointed out to me. Yes, insect pests, micro-organic and fungoid growth, bacteria, in varied forms can be found in almost every form of life, and it has been so from the days, and eons, of our job, yet despite these, man and nature has flourished and continues to flourish to this day. I make the claim, and I am prepared to defend my position, that our oyster areas can be restored to a greater productivity than ever before in their history. I say further that neglect of this industry at this time is a shameful and almost criminal, impotent upon generations to come. It is the plain

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THE LIFE OF MAN

In the following paragraphs someone whose name we have been unable to ascertain has succinctly outlined in a humorous and somewhat sarcastic manner the predominate ups and downs of the average man during his journey through life:

A man comes into this world without his consent and goes out of it against his will, and the trip between the two is full of contraries. When he is little the big girls kiss him and when he is grown the little girls kiss him. If he is poor he is a bad manager, if he is rich he is dishonest. If he needs credit he can't get it, if he is rich everyone wants to do him a favor. If he is in politics he is a grafter. If he is out of politics he is no good to his country. If he gives to charity he wants to "show off," if he doesn't give he is a stingy cuss. If he is actively religious he is classed as a hypocrite, if he takes no interest in religion he is a hardened sinner. If he gives affection he is a soft one, if he seems to care for nobody he is cold-blooded. If he faces danger he is fool-hardy, if he doesn't he is a coward. If he dies young there was a great future before him, if he lives to an old age he missed his calling. The road is full of bumps, but man loves to travel it, and he usually gets his money's worth.

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S. A. McDONALD'S

every field of nature. Editors are not enamoured with, and all people will not read long letters. This subject is a big one. To write as I could, more fully, might be tedious to all. To rehabilitate our oyster areas requires only compliance with nature's laws. These summarized for this purpose, embrace— 1. Influence on Ova, fertilization, embryo transitions, and its final stationary period. 2. Influences of temperature, water pressure, tidal movements, and changing currents. 3. Oyster enemies, their methods of operating, and how to combat them. 4. Oyster bottoms, suitability of foundation, excess or scarcity of lime or phosphates, sufficiency of diatom and food producing soil. Oysters can not be produced in defiance of required conditions, nor in any place where we choose to dump them. But in this province there are sufficient suitable areas to make it almost the Eldorado which a few years ago some people imagined it to be. I am sir, etc.

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