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NEW PROBLEM OF GOOD ROADS.

The Office of Public Roads of the United States Department of Agriculture has recently been conducting a series of experiments to learn the extent of the damage done to the rock-surface thoroughfares by automobiles. The results prove that the modern fast moving motor car is the greatest menace to macadam roads that has ever made its appearance.

Not only in America does this condition prevail. The men of England, France, Germany, Holland, Belgium and other countries of the old world there hard-surfaced highways are appreciated have also learned that the big, soft rubber tires of the automobile are doing almost incredible harm.

To many it may seem beyond belief that a pneumatic rubber tire can work any injury to a road composed of bits of crushed flint rock; but this becomes plain when the theory of such roads is explained. The macadam road, named after John Loudon Macadam of Ayr, Scotland, who was for years highway surveyor of Bristol, was first laid down by the eminent French road engineer, Tresauget of Limoges, who wisely foresaw that slowly-moving iron-tired wagons would crush dust particles from the stones of the road's surface; that those particles would be constantly sifted between the interstices of the large stones, that every passing wagon would crush them firmer into all ruts and inequalities; that rains would aid, and the ultimate result would be a smooth surface, water-shedding highway.

Thesaugat planned wisely; MacAdam came two decades later, made a slight change in the laying of the road foundation and gave to such thoroughfares his name. For a century and a quarter the wisdom of the road engineers of Limoges and Ayr was justified. Then arose a condition they had never conceived of—a fast-moving vehicle running on broad, soft tires. The roads began to suffer at once for the following reasons: The rubber tires, being soft, creates no rock dust itself as does the iron tire of a wagon, and the very life of these roads demands a constant supply of that material. It is the surface binder that keeps the road smooth and cracks filled in; that maintains the evenness and binds the rubble stones into one impervious mass. Every iron-tired wheel does its own small quota of good by acting as a rock-dust maker and a miniature road roller. The auto, whirring along at dizzy speed, simply flattens its tires against the ground and the tractive force so exerted hurls the precious rock dust into the air, whence it is swept to the adjacent farms and lawns in blinding clouds. So pronounced has been the mere dust nuisance in many portions of the country that real estate has decreased in value to an appreciable extent, and farmers complain that the ever-increasing dust on their fields, vines and trees makes it impossible for them to sell their harvests at as good prices as formerly.

In the struggle to overcome the conditions created, highway engineers must do one of two things—

With the Toast and Tea

GOOD EVENING.

The doctor sees all the weakness of mankind, the lawyer all the wickedness, the theologian all the stupidity. —SCHOPENHAUER. If Schopenhauer had lived in Coos County he might have added to the above, that the politician hears all the lying of mankind.

"Easyville."

I've traveled round this world a bit, an' I am goin' still; I'm tryin' hard to find a place that some call "Easyville." They tell me folks don't have to work, an' care is never found. That all they do in "Easyville" is just to loaf around. They have enough to eat and wear, an' sleep just all they please, An' pick the choicest fruits of life right off the hangin' trees; Now, do you wonder I have tramped these years o'er dale an' hill To find the everlastin' joy an' rest of "Easyville"?

Cry and the world laughs at you; fail and it gives you a groan.

There must be some good in some men in Marshfield for the Lord never made anything just to pass away the time.

There are some people in Marshfield who would never smile if it were not for other people's bad luck.

Insincerity isn't always so blame-worthy. Sometimes it is more important for us to keep our friends

"Sonny," said Uncle Eben, "did you ever watch one o' dis here little tugboats come snortin' along takin' kyah of a great big ocean steamer?" "Yas indeed," answered Sunny Jim.

"An' did you ever see one er dese motor boats pick up a great big scow an' drag it thru the bay?" "Lot's o' times." "Well, sonny, dem's all to remind you dat no matter how big or important an' stylish you gits, dar ain' no tellin' when you may need help 'um somebody dat don' seem to cut no figure wuf mentionin'."

"Does the razor hurt you, sir?" inquired the Coos Bay barber anxiously. "Can't say," replied the victim, "but my face does."

find a roadsurfacing material which makes no dust and needs no dust to maintain its integrity, or discover a method of controlling the dust on the roads already laid. No dust-proof road surface material cheap enough for use in country districts has been found, and the experiments now proceeding are therefore along the second line—the controlling of the dust by various methods of spraying and by the use of binder materials. In some sections, especially through the great fruit belts of California, splendid success in dust suppression has been attained by spraying the earth roads with oils possessing asphaltic bases. In other portions of the country the wise use of coal tar preparations has aided to a great extent, and drenching with calcium chloride has shown that the dust can be kept at a minimum. Those methods, however, are not solution of the vast problem of road maintenance and dust suppression. They are merely palliatives and while they are being advocated in such sections of the country as will be immediately benefited, the bigger problem of discovering an absolute antidote for the action of the automobile is occupying the attention of scientists on both sides of the Atlantic. The solution of that problem may be given at the congress at Paris in the fall, or it may be discovered before—possibly on this side of the western ocean; possibly in the lands where good roads were known when America was in its swaddling clothes.

than for them to know just what we think of them.

Thinking will produce wrinkles, no doubt — especially thinking that thinking will produce wrinkles. The life which has outlasted its illusions is the biggest illusion of all.

Where propriety closes a woman's eyes and ears to so many things which she is dying to know about, is it any wonder that her intuition is superiorly developed?

"STRAWBERRY EDITH."

Delicious Dish Invented by Escoffier, the Famous Chef. Now that strawberries are in the market and will soon be plentiful some of the ambitious Coos Bay cooks may be interested in the very latest mode of serving the delicious dish. The Times is not advised if all the ingredients are obtainable in the local markets but it might be worth trying. That Curacao-Kirsch-Maraschino sounds suspiciously like the ingredients of a Millicoma cocktail instead of an innocent dish of strawberries. But here is the story and the recipe as sent to me by an eastern correspondent:

Before sailing from New York for Europe Maitre Escoffier, the famous chef who invented many dishes that made Emperor William forget the charms of beer and sausage and who knows how to cook eggs in 168 different ways, left as a token of his appreciation his latest invention in the gastronomic line. The day he was to sail he placed before James B. Regan of the Knickerbocker hotel, whose guest he had been for a week, a dish of which strawberries was the foundation. Regan wanted more, but there was no more. It was the only sample of the new dish, and Maitre Escoffier had tried it on Regan to see if it was worthy of leaving as a souvenir. He said it was "the strawberry Edith" and something entirely new.

It was offered to the guests of the Knickerbocker that night and made a great hit at 85 cents a dish. The demand for the recipe was so great that Mr. Regan made it public. Here it is: "Fresh strawberries rolled in vanilla sugar, flavored with curacao-kirsch-maraschino—dished in Melba dish, covered with whipped cream, flavored with vanilla sugar and violet leaves crushed."

AN APPEAL

Dry your tears, dear April. Try your best to smile. What's the use, sweet alister, Weeping all the while? True enough, your sprinkling Makes the posies start. Still you needn't take it Quite so much to heart. Once a day is plenty. Truly, goodness knows. For your large endeavor With your busy nose. That will make the moisture Start the buds of May. We could stand once only Every other day.

You're appreciated Doubtless, April, dear. Still you are too busy Oftentimes, I fear. With your busy nose. With your water cure. Don't try to discover What we can endure. Try us with a happy Medium. Perhaps We would wish that treatment Suffer no relapse. You are much too thorough. Do your work too well. On your job of weeping Try to loaf a spell.

Knew the Remedy. "Oh, doctor," said the languid young lady, dropping into the softest chair in the office, "I am so sick! I do hope you can tell me what to do to get well." "What are the symptoms?" asked the doctor. "Let us find out first what ails you, and then we will see what we can do." "Oh, doctor, can't you make up the symptoms?" "But how can I do that?" "You ought to do that easy enough. I want a set of symptoms that call for a six months' trip to Europe."

Misunderstood.



"Lady, I haven't eaten anything for a week." "How interesting! I have a cousin that is crazy about the fasting fad. He claims it will do wonders. Won't you come around in a week and let me know how you feel?"

Make a Difference. "Old Jenkins doesn't seem to have much of a reputation for truth and veracity." "No, indeed. I wouldn't believe him under oath. Would you?" "Well, not unless he was my witness."

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