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#### Borrowing of the French.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. has borrowed \$50,000,000 on its bonds from the people of France.

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For this \$50,000,000, be it noted, is but a drop in the bucket of their surplus money. They have loaned \$1,000,000,000 to the Russian government and hundreds of millions elsewhere in Europe.

Do you remember what financiers said when France agreed to pay the big indemnity to Germany following the Franco-Prussian war? They said the burden of that debt would be felt by many generations of the French people. But this people paid the vast sum in one generation. John D. Rockefeller, now in France, tells the secret of French thrift: "The people save their money."

The common people of France permit no waste of any sort. They have learned through generations of saving ancestors the merit of close economy. Forty acres is a big farm over there. The man with five acres and a family gets rich and has money in the bank.

Americans are a very prosperous people. They get more money for their efforts than any other people. But they spend more.

Whether the earnings are large or small the surplus demands upon the measure of economy. Our grandfathers got ahead because of their frugal habits, not because of their earnings.

But the times have changed since the pioneers blazed their way through the woods and made the prairies blossom as the rose. Even a quarter of a century ago the family was accustomed to "come to town" in a big wagon. Now every beardless farm boy must have his top buggy.

It is alright for the the boy to

have his shining vehicle. He earns and deserves it. It is all right to enjoy prosperity. Only it must always be remembered that the way to both individual and national wealth is the way of economy and industry.

Rather startling, is it not, that the Pennsylvania company must go to the little country of France to get the money on its improvement bonds?—St. Paul News.

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#### Cash Road System.

(Farm, Stock and Home)

It is surprising that so few towns in Minnesota have taken advantage of the road law that permits any town to decide by vote whether it will do its road work in the old method of working out the road tax, or by paying the tax in cash and hiring the work done, under contract or otherwise by hired labor. It is surprising because the towns that have adopted the cash system have found it a great improvement over the old method, and have no thought of returning to the last.

The advantages of the cash system are many. A chief one is that roads can be worked earlier in the spring than farmers can do it, by reason of the other work that presses them

hard until the first half of June, delaying road making until that time which is too late for best results. Roads should be worked earlier before the soil has become dry and hard, and the making of huge mud holes and deep ruts prevented instead of attempting curing later on.

As the number of towns that adopt the better system increases road-making experts will develop, and by the systematic and uniform methods of working will be adopted, and one man under such conditions will be as effective as three under prevailing conditions and methods. A prominent farmer in a south Minnesota county estimates that two men with six horses, a road grader and a split-log or plank drag can keep the roads of a whole town in better condition than they are kept by make-believe road work that is now the rule. This great efficiency will be due largely to the ability of the hired road makers to get at their work when the roads require it, instead of waiting till the spring's farm work is done, by which time much labor is required to do a given amount of effective work.

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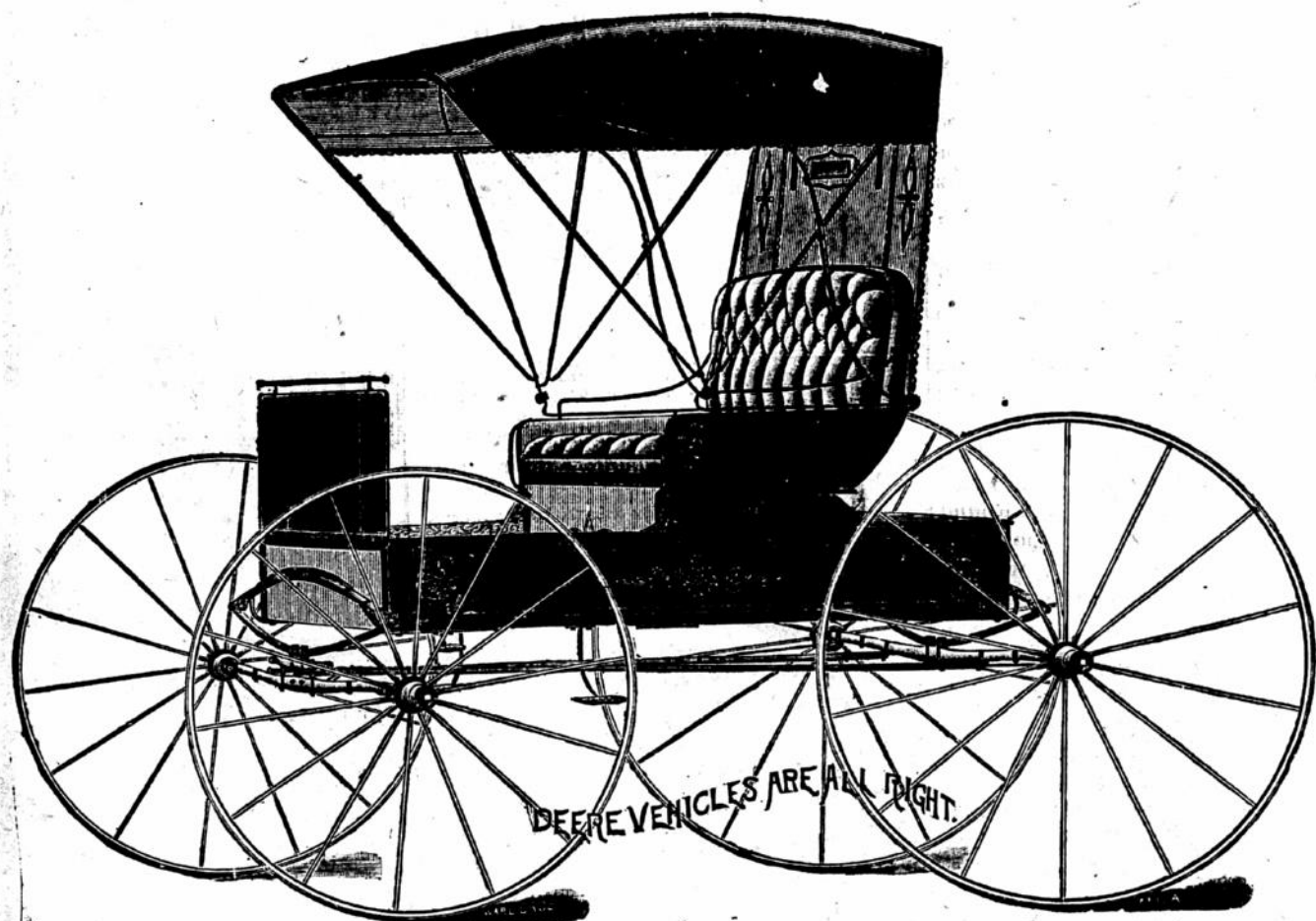
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