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SHADE TREES FOR THE HARLEM SPEEDWAY.

It will be seen from our concluding article on the Harlem Speedway that the second section is marked by the same general excellence which was noted in our description of the first half of the work.

We are informed that the planting spaces were put in on the recommendation of a prominent landscape architect, now deceased; but it is not definitely stated, and we cannot believe, that he advocated walling up the roots of the trees with masonry.

The longer one contemplates this device, the more amazing it appears. If ingenuity itself had set out to discover a sure tree-killer, it might have devised a more speedy, but it could never have found a more certain device than this.

Unless the future appearance of the Speedway is to be ruined, there is but one course to pursue, and that is to stop all further construction of the trenches and remove every yard of wall that has been put in.

Structures of this kind are not built for a day, a decade, or a generation. In all the details of their planning and execution it should be borne in mind that they are intended for the use of the public in the years to come.

Now that this matter has been brought to the attention of the Board, it behooves it to investigate the matter thoroughly and ascertain who is responsible for this wretched work, which has cost the city so many thousands of dollars.

THE RECLAMATION OF THE NEW JERSEY MEADOWS.

Travelers who come to New York over the railroads that have their terminal stations in Jersey City will remember the long stretch of marshy land which is crossed just before reaching the outskirts of the latter city.

The objections to the meadows on the ground of their intrinsic ugliness, however, is the least serious that can be raised, for their existence has always been a menace to the health of the surrounding districts.

At various times schemes have been proposed for reclaiming this waste land, and the alternative methods of filling or diking and pumping have been made the subject of investigation and report to the governing boards of the neighboring districts.

It is stated that of the two systems of reclamation, filling and diking, the latter is the better and, indeed, the only one feasible in this case.

As the taxable value of the neighboring districts is about \$3,000,000,000, the cost of this improvement could readily be borne, even if it presented no return other than improved sanitary conditions.

It is recommended that at first only the embankments and main ditches and pumping plants should be constructed, the whole area being laid out in twenty acre farms and sold as promptly as possible.

The interest charges and operating expenses are estimated at \$6 to \$7 per acre, and it is predicted that in a few years this charge could be entirely covered by assessments on the property itself.

If the estimates of the report are not too sanguine, the whole scheme should meet with hearty approval. The substitution of over forty square miles of good land for a dismal and malodorous swamp in the midst of a district whose taxable value is \$3,000,000,000 is a proposition that should commend itself strongly to the authorities.

THE GREEN CROSS.

In addition to the Red Cross Society and the White Cross, which gives aid to sick or convalescent soldiers, there has just been established at Vienna a new order which will be known as that of the "Green Cross."