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General Blacksmith and Carriage Manufacturer,
The Market, Lindsay.
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Is prepared to furnish at reasonable prices:
WAGONS, SLEIGHS, BUGGIES, and CUTTERS,
as good as any he has done in the past. Call and see him The Market, Lindsay.

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HENPECKED.

Party with broom: "Now, then, Oliver Mowat, are you or are you not going to get up and shut the Provincial License door, or do you want me to leave you, for a pore mis'rable coward that ye are?"

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The Merchants' International Rebate System. What is it?

Simply an Agreement Entered Into by the Merchants whose names appear below, to give their customers a rebate of **5** cents free on every dollar purchased, presenting each customer with a coupon or coupons. These coupons are absolutely FREE, and will be accepted as Cash by S. J. Petty, "The Jeweler" in payment for anything in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, Diamonds, or anything in our store. The following are the names of the firms who are in the system:—

S. Perrin, Drugs, etc.
Jas. Little, Harness.
W.A. Goodwin, Artists' Supplies, Wall Paper, etc.
R. Smyth, Grocer
Ray & Co., Dry Goods.
Fairweather & Co., Furriers, etc.
Miss O'Brien, Millinery.
H Holtorf, Furniture.
Gough Bros., Clothing.
F. VanCamp, Stoves, House Furnishings, etc.
Geo. A. Little, Books, Stationery
Patterson & Co, Dry Goods.
Johnston & Sisson, Boots & Shoes
A. B. Terry, Confectioner.

Call on those merchants to buy your Goods. Ask for coupons. Bring them to us and we'll take them as cash.

S. J. PETTY, - the Jeweler,

86 Kent St., Lindsay, next the Daley House.

Clover Seed.

A quantity of Red Mammoth Clover Seed, raised by the subscriber, for sale Those wanting this superior kind of seed should apply at once.
MATTHEW ROBINSON,
Lot 11 in 1st Concession of Fenelon, Cambray P.O. —25-4.

Stray Ram.

Came on to the premises of the subscriber, Lot 23, in 11th Concession of Ops, a YEARLING RAM LAMB The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take it away.
MATTHEW WILSON.
Ops, January 27th, 1894 —24-4

DR. BREMNER,
(Late of New York), 39 Bloor Street East, Toronto, will visit Lindsay at regular intervals. Watch the card and paper for date. **Special deformities, joint and spinal diseases.**
November 11th, 1893. 1913-1y.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next Session for an Act to revive the Act to incorporate the Lindsay, Bobcaygeon and Pontypool Railway Company, and to further extend the time for commencing and completing the said railway.
M. M BOYD,
19-tf For Provisional Directors.

J. RIGGS'
No. 6, Kent Street, Lindsay,
Manufacturer and dealer in all kinds of
HUMAN HAIR GOODS
Also all kinds of Hair Pins and Hair Ornaments, Curling and Crimping Irons, Combs and Brushes, Purses, Jewelry and Fancy Goods generally.
Lindsay, Jan. 10, 1894.

Pasture.

Preparations are being made to grass one thousand head of neat cattle above Moore's Falls. Any one wishing pasture, apply to
THOS. LEARY,
Agent.
Moore's Falls P.O., Ont., Feb. 5th, 1894.—26-tf.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
For particulars about the
SETTLERS' TRAINS
To
Manitoba AND THE North-west
See your nearest Railroad Agent, and get a copy of
"Free Facts, Farms & Sleepers"
THOS. O. MATCHETT,
Agent C. P. R.,
91 Kent st Lindsay opposite Daley House

Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of the estate of ARTHUR McQUADE, late of the Village of Omemee in the County of Victoria, Esquire, deceased.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, chapter 110, section 36, notice is hereby given that all creditors and persons having claims upon or against the estate of the said Arthur McQuade, late of the village of Omemee, in the county of Victoria, Esquire, who died on or about the Twenty-first day of January, A.D. 1894, are hereby required to deliver or send by post, prepaid to Thomas H. McQuade, Esq., Omemee P.O., on or before the 7th DAY OF MARCH, 1894, a statement in writing of their names and addresses, together with full particulars of their claims, and the nature of securities (if any) held by them.

And notice is further given that after the said 7th DAY OF MARCH, 1894 the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the saiddeceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall have been given as above required, and the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim or claims notice shall not have been received by them or their Solicitors at the time aforesaid.

MOORE & JACKSON,
Solicitors for said executors for the Will of the said deceased.
Dated this 18th day of February, A.D. 1894.— 26-3

At a dinner—when you have eaten heartily, you should take Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Your liver needs the gentle stimulating, as well as invigorating, effect of these tiny, sugar-coated Pellets.

If you feel drowsy, dull, languid, inexpressibly tired or debilitated; if you've no appetite and frequent headaches or dizziness, a furred or coated tongue—it proves that you're *bilious*. In that case you should carry in your vest-pocket a small sealed vial of these Pellets. They are anti-bilious granules, which act in a prompt and natural way, without griping. So beneficial and lasting is their effect that the makers can afford to *guarantee* that they will give you satisfaction, or they'll return your money.

is offered by the manufacturers of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy, for a case of Catarrh in the Head which they cannot cure, no matter how bad, or how long standing.

Farm to Rent.

North half of lot 10, 1st concession Mariposa, 100 acres, 95 cleared. Land clean and in good state of cultivation. One of the best in the neighbourhood. Liberal terms to good tenant. Plowing all done.
GEO. C. FOSTER
—26 tf. Little Britain P.O., Ont.

Card of Thanks

T. A. Middleton, Esq., general agent of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company, Lindsay:

DEAR SIR,—You will please accept my hearty thanks for the receipt of a cheque in full payment of a policy of two thousand dollars ($2,000) on the life of my late husband, Wm. S Moynes, within thirteen days from the date of his interment.
S J. MOYNES

Such promptness and fair dealing with unequalled cheapness and unsurpassed security is the secret of the Ontario Mutual's great popularity to day.—26-4.

Mortgage Sale
—Of—
VALUABLE FARM PROPERTY
In the Township of Ops.

Under and by virtue of powers of sale there will be offered for sale by PUBLIC AUCTION by James H. Lennon, Auctioneer, on

Saturday, the 10th March, 1894,

At the Benson House, in the Town of Lindsay, at the hour of noon, the following FARM PROPERTY, comprising 135 acres more or less, viz:

Lot No 21 in the 1st Concession of the Township of Ops, in the County of Victoria (excepting therefrom 1 acre or thereabouts conveyed to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and 15 acres off the south west corner heretofore conveyed to one David Boyd.)

And also that parcel of Lot 22 in the 1st Concession of the said Township of Ops, containing 90 square rods conveyed to one John Graham by Roderick O'Brien by indenture bearing date the 17th day of April, A.D., 1846, and more particularly described therein and by the said John Graham conveyed to one Hector Cameron

The property is situated on the main travelled road leading west from Lindsay about 4 miles distant, and in the midst of an excellent farming country It is about 4 miles from Mariposa Station, where there is a good market and grain elevator

On the lands are erected a stone dwelling house 40x32 with frame kitchen, also a frame barn 60x40, a log barn 35x70, a second log barn about 30x50, a frame stable 40x24, and a frame cattle shed 40x24 There are two good wells on the premises. The soil is a clay loam, about 125 acres are cleared and under cultivation and about 10 acres are bush.

The property will be offered for sale subject to one reserved bid.

The vendor will not be required to produce or verify any abstract of title or copies thereof or any evidences of title other than those in his possession, and which will be produced at the sale, and the purchaser must examine and verify the title at his own expense.

TERMS OF SALE.—One tenth of the purchase money will be paid to the Vendor or his Solicitor or Agent at the Sale, and the balance within one month thereafter. The remaining terms and conditions of Sale will be made known at the Sale.

Dated at St Catharines, 11th February, A.D., 1894.
COX & YALE,
Vendor's Solicitors.

For further particulars apply to
McSWEYN & ANDERSON,
26-4. Solicitors, Lindsay, Ont.

County of Victoria.
Adjourned Sale of Lands for Taxes.

Whereas at the sale of lands in the County of Victoria for arrears of taxes, held at the Court House, Lindsay, on the Fourteenth day of February, instant, I, the undersigned, Treasurer of the County of Victoria, failed to sell a number of parcels of land for the amount of arrears of taxes due thereon; and whereas I did at such sale give notice that I would at an adjourned sale, to be held on Wednesday, 28th February 1894, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, sell such lands for such sums as I could realize, and would accept such sums as full payment of said arrears of taxes.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that, unless otherwise directed by the local municipalities interested, I shall proceed to sell the said lands as above mentioned, at the COURT HOUSE in the TOWN of LINDSAY, on

Wednesday, 28th day Feb., 1894,

at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, unless the arrears of taxes due thereon, together with all expenses, shall be sooner paid.
T. MATCHETT,
Treasurer of the County of Victoria.
Dated this 14th day of February, 1894.—26-2.

Sales.

MONDAY, 26th—Extensive sale of farm stock and implements, on lot 27 in 5th concession of Ops, belonging to the trustees of Thomas Adam. E. BOWES, auctioneer.

FEBRUARY 26.—At Lot 23 in the 8th concession of Mariposa, the farm stock and implements of Mr. Davis Brass. This sale will be without reserve as Mr. Brass is giving up farming.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28th — Credit sale of farm stock and implements the property of Mrs. Duncan Ferguson on Lot 2, in 5th concession of Mariposa. ELIAS BOWES, auctioneer.

The Two Mysteries.

We know not what it is, dear, this sleep so deep and still;
The folded hands, the awful calm, the cheek so pale and still.
The lids that will not lift again, tho' we may call and call,
The strange, white solitude of peace that settles over all.

We know not what it means, dear, this desolate heart pain,
The dread to take our daily way and walk in it again,
We know not to what sphere the loved who leave us go,
Nor why we're left to worship still, nor why we do not know.

But this we know: Our loved and lost, if they should come this day—
Should come and ask us, "What is life?" not one of us could say.
Life is a mystery as deep as death can ever be,
Yet, oh, how sweet it is to us, this life we live and see.

Then might they say, those vanished ones, and blessed is the thought:
"So death is sweet to us, beloved, though we can tell you naught.
We may not tell it to the quick, this mystery of death.
You may not tell it if ye would, this mystery of breath."

The child that enters life comes not with knowledge or intent,
So those who enter death must go, as little children went.
Nothing is known, but I believe that God is overhead,
As life is to the living, so death is to the dead.

Collegiate Institute Notes.

The following students have obtained honorable mention on the weekly examinations held at the institute this term:—

Junior Leaving Form.

Ancient History—C. K, Calhoun, E. Kylie, A. J. Ritchie.

Primary Forms.

English History—C. Sutherland.

Form II.

Grammar.—E. Newlands

No Dissenting Voice.

"I'm a sort of April fool," said the man with the wart on his nose.

"Born the first day of April?" casually inquired the man with the grey spot in his moustache.

"No, married."

"I don't know whether that made you an April fool or not," said the man in the mackintosh, lighting a cigar, "but whoever picked you up for a valuable package that day got badly April fooled."

And there was a most unanimous and approving silence all around the board.

Y.P.S.C.E. Notes.

Programme for the fourth annual convention of the societies of christian endeavor of Victoria county, to be held in St Andrew's presbyterian church, Lindsay, Thursday and Friday, February 22nd and 23rd:—

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2 45—Song service.
3 00—Devotional exercises.
3.30—Reports—president; secretary; treasurer; societies and local unions; appointment of committees.
4 30—Adjournment.

EVENING.

7.30—Song service.
8.00—Devotional exercises.
8.10—Address of welcome—Rev. T. M. Campbell. Reply—Rev. D. D. McDonald, Lorneville. Collection.
8.30—Address—Christian citizenship.

FRIDAY MORNING.

6.30—7 30—Sunrise prayer meeting, led by Wm. Suggitt, Valentia.
9.30—Bible reading and consecration service, Rev. M. N. Bethune, Beaverton.
10.30—The prayer meeting—Conducted by Rev. A. McAuley, of Woodville. 1 The Committees—Mr. Robert Reid, Reaboro. 2 The Leaders—Miss Eva Ferris, Lindsay. 3 The Members—Miss Graham, Kinmount. 4 Personal Work—Mr. J. L. Allin, Lindsay. Discussion—"Are we getting the best results from?" "How can we make it more effective?"
11.30—Systematic or proportionate giving, Mrs. R. Ross, Lindsay.

AFTERNOON.

2.00—Devotional exercises.
2.15—Reports of committees.
2.30—The Junior Society, conducted by Mr. C. J. Atkinson, Toronto How our society works—Islay, Miss S Wilson; Little Britain; Omemee; Lindsay baptist, Miss Mabel Harding. Existing agencies—Mr. Alex Gilchrist, Glenarm. The field of the junior society, Mr. C. J. Atkinson, Toronto.
3.15—Missions—The missionary operations of our church — Baptist, Mr. Fletcher Calvert, Reaboro; episcopal, Rev Carl Smith, M.A., Lindsay; methodist, Mrs. Geo. Prouse, Little Britain; presbyterian. Open conference—What are the societies of this county doing for missions? Address—What can the societies do? Rev. R. Boynton, Oakwood.

EVENING.

7 30—Song service.
8 00—Devotional exercises.
8.10—Address, C.E. and missions, Rev. J. McP Scott, B.A., Toronto. Collection.
8.45—Address, christian service, Rev. S. T. Bartlett, Lakefield.

PETERBORO.

Special to The Warder.

COMMENT.—The Peterboro Daily Examiner in commenting on the Peterboro correspondence of THE WARDER, in its issue of the 9th inst., says: 'There is not a single manufactury closed in town," but carefully avoids telling the fact that nearly every manufactury in town has lessened its number of employes, fifty-two having been dismissed from a single firm, and hence there are many unemployed men here.

FLEETWOOD.

Special to The Warder

Mrs. Richard Kells has been very poorly for the last two or three weeks, but we hope the skilful treatment of Dr. Brereton will bring her around all right again.....Mrs. John Crawford has been very sick, she is also improving.

Mr. Charles Morrow has taking out about 100 cords of wood for Mr. William Werry, also about the same amount for Mr. Alexander Cairns, he is the man that can handle the saw.....Mr. Wesley Janes has two teams on the road daily drawing wood to Lindsay, he could nearly supply a small town himself.....Mr. T. K. Brown has a few hundred cords of good hard wood for sale.

It is money in your pocket to use the old English Condition Powder. A. Higinbotham —25 3.

The Lindsay Waterworks

To the Editor of The Warder.

SIR,—You published a letter last week from Mr. Thomas Beall in which he says that I stated the action was instituted to recover $10,000, the value of the old works which the company had obtained by fraud.

He certainly misunderstood me, as I explained that the old works were not worth $10,000 cash although they cost more, this must be patent to everybody, because if the old half mile of small size old pipe is worth $10 000, then the new six miles of large size new pipe would surely be worth more than $120 000, to say nothing of stand pipe, pump house, pumping engines, &c, all of which we are getting for $60,000. But Mr. Beall goes on and states, that the council and myself were guilty of culpable negligence in handing over the old system without receiving the $10,000 of stock. This statement is absolutely without foundation; the company at first refused to give anything at all for the old works, but after a great deal of trouble we got them to agree to give $10 000 of stock I tried to get them to give an alternative cash offer, but they declined No doubt the officers of the company, believing we had got the best of them, and that they had agreed to give too much for the old works, made up their minds to value the new works at an exorbitant figure so as to get even with the town When the works were completed the town received a certificate for $10 000 of stock I was not called upon to examine into and investigate the affairs of the company, and if I had there would, no doubt, have been complaints about incurring law costs without necessity. I do not suppose the council thought any more than a private individual would in buying stock, that the officers of the company would commit a fraud. The claim on behalf of the town is that the officers of the company improperly issued $70,000 of first mortgage bonds which they took themselves, together with $30 000 of stock, with out giving the company value therefor, thus rendering our $10 000 of stock practically valueless. This is what I say is a fraud upon the town and what the action is brought to set aside. If the bonds and stock remained with the original parties, Moffett, Hodgkins & Co., there would be no trouble; but the difficulty is that the Canada Life claim to have purchased $50,000 of bonds, bona fide, without notice and the bank of Hamilton claim a lien for $10 000 on the remaining $20,000, As soon as the matter was placed in my hands I promptly investigated this and at once got an injunction preventing the disposal of the bonds, I think the town can succeed against the bank and Moffett & Co., and have the $20,000 of bonds restored to the company. I really don't see upon what grounds Mr. Beall bases his charge of negligence, either against the council or myself. It is something that might happen to a shareholder in any company. If the officers of the company act improperly, that is the shareholder's misfortune. They can only take proceedings to set the improper transaction aside, and if innocent purchasers get hold of the bonds or money they cannot be recovered any more than a private party could bonds that were improperly dealt with by the party having them in charge. Now one would think that before making a charge of culpable negligence Mr. Beall would have investigated matters instead of which he has never taken the trouble to read the contract or the pleadings in the action so as to ascertain how matters stood although the public were referred to the pleadings for full particulars by the report of the waterworks committee. I think, however, the public can safely take the statements of such men as John Kennedy, Duncan Ray, George Crandell and Richard Kylie, who have given much time to the matter and who are all intimately acquainted with all the details and know all the facts both in connection with the original contract and the conduct of the suit, and who after carefully considering the whole matter have publicly and without solicitation on my part expressed the opinion that the town is under a debt of gratitude to me for the way I have handled the matter. as against Mr. Beall who charges culpable negligence without full investigation. but while I court the fullest investigation in the matter by Mr. Beall or any person, I must for obvious reasons while the action is pending decline to enter into a further newspaper controversy. I am content with the judgment of these men who know the truth of the matter, none of whom are my clients and could have no object in misleading the public, and I am convinced the public will be content also. As regard the wisdom of the purchase, Mr. Beall has a perfect right to criticise it, and is entitled to be answered. It is a matter which affects all. It is the most important matter we are likely to have to deal with for years to come. The committee having the matter in charge consisting of ex-Mayor Ray, Reeve Kylie, Reeve Crandell and Mr. Read have been investigating it for months and are strongly in favor of it. The board of trade, consisting of the best business men in town, have considered the matter and are unanimously in favor of it; still as I stated to the council when laying the proposal before them, I think it is the duty of every ratepayer to consider the transaction and point out any objections to the scheme, and it was for this purpose the report was extensively circulated and the public meeting called. The committee having the matter in charge authorized me to try and settle the suit. A suggestion was made that we should purchase the works for $65,000, to which I objected strongly. The Mayor informed me that it had been insinuated that I objected to this settlement because I wanted to go on and make costs. I promptly told him I was in favor of a fair settlement, but $65,000 was too much and that I was satisfied I could compel a settlement for less, and that they had better get some other solicitor who was not interested in the costs and I would soon satisfy him that the town should hold out and that at any rate it would not be settled for $65,000 with my consent, The council passed a resolution that Mr. Stewart be consulted and this was used to my prejudice by parties not knowing the facts, but it never became necessary to consult him. I satisfied the committee that the works could be got for less, and eventually, after hard fighting, I got the company down to $60,000, including both real and personal property and on very advantageous terms I believe the new works cost more than $60,000. Their sworn statement is over $77,000 The Mayor, a practical man, estimates them at over $72 000. Do you think the Canada Life would advance $50 000 if they were not? The town would never have got them for $60 000 if it had not been for the suit, If we had to take them over by arbitration it would cost over $60 000. Even if we could prove they only cost $50 000, the amount advanced by the Canada Life (which is absurd), we would have to pay ten per cent. in addition, besides our own arbitration fees and costs, The town of Brockville paid over $8000 for their costs, and they say they think they had to pay $10,000 too much for their works, but even then their works are paying them handsomely I do not see that there should be any question about purchasing the works unless the town want to go on and take the chances of the result of the suit, when we might save about $5000. But although I believe in the end the town would win), I have never changed my mind in the matter), still I am not prepared to take the responsibility of opposing a settlement at that amount, although I did at $65,000, and got abuse for it. It would have been much easier for me to have joined in and approved of $65 000, but my judgment was against it and I am always prepared to back up my judgment, I don't care what insinuations are made or who makes them. The statement of receipts and expenditures given by the report are not mere estimates, but actual results sworn to, and Mr. Beall's estimates only differ in three items—namely, superintendent's salary engineer's salary and repairs. Mr. Beall estimates superintendant's salary at $1000; the actual amount paid is $800 and 10 per cent. on the water rates, $81 75. Why pay more? 10 per cent is certainly more than enough for the collection. Then what is there to do for the $300? Very little that I can see. But it may be said he has got to canvass for new watertakers and see the services put in, and that will require a lot of time Very well; if he gets more watertakers we can afford to pay more; he will get his 10 per cent. on the amount, not only for the first year, but for all time to come, and it will pay him well, and a good man will be willing to do it if he is assured of his position and that he will not be dismissed when he has worked it up. The engineer's salary is $420, besides he has a house, taxes, fuel and water free. Why should his salary be raised to $750 as Mr. Beall suggests? I understand a first-class man has the job now, and I have no doubt other good men would be glad of a permanent job like it. The next item is repairs, $100. Mr. Beall estimates repairs and maintenance at $3000, which seems to me absurd, I would like to hear what practical men have to say. It is not like a lot of ordinary machinery when I can easily understand an estimate of 5 per cent. But what is there here to get out of repair? The pipes are all under ground, the pumping engine is not like an ordinary engine to get out of repair. The actual expense last year was $100 I do not see why it should be more for years to come. My own idea is that you can safely rely on the surplus there is now of nearly $300 a year paying any extra repairs over the $100 and any incidental expenses. Why $983 a year, in addition to the interest will pay the whole $60,000 in thirty years; the Canada Life invested $50 000 at 6 per cent. feeling safe that the works would pay $3000 of interest each year over expenses. Why should the town be afraid that they will not pay $2700, being the interest on $60,000 at 4½ per cent? But what about the revenues the first year? Private consumers amount to $817 23 under disadvantageous circumstances, Does any person who will consider the matter doubt but that it will double in two or three years? I believe it will treble, Our total revenue is $5067 23; Brockville's is over $16,000 and it went up $2000 in one year after the town took possession. The town has now a chance of purchasing the works at a reasonable price and less than they cost, and should not hesitate about accepting if they ever have any intention of taking them over. So far as I am concerned there is nothing to conceal and I court the fullest investigation, and the more it is investigated by the ratepayers the more they will be satisfied that the council and their solicitor have both done their duty, and endorse the proposed purchase. Let Mr. Beall and other objectors ask to have another meeting called, Let us discuss it fully and do what is best for the town, I must apologize for taking so much space, but the subject is most important and should be fully ventilated, Yours etc.,
G. H. HOPKINS,
Town Solicitor.

Board of Trade.

The seventh annual meeting of the board of trade was held in the board room on Tuesday 13th inst., there being a good attendance of members. The following is a copy of the president's address:—

The depressing financial wave which appears from the most authentic reports, to have swept the entire universe, has, I am pleased to say rested more lightly upon Canada than any other country under the sun, and certainly with much less disastrous results than upon our neighbors to the South of us.

It is said that sometimes good comes out of evil, and it is true that this period of depression has proven conclusively, not only to ourselves, but to the world at large the soundness and solidity of all Canadian financial institutions.

The thoroughness and efficiency of our banking system has had the effect of inducing foreign capatilists to lock for investments in Canada and of investigating the resources of the country. Who can tell what influence these bulwarks of finance and the increase in our commerce (as shown by the Government reports) in times of such universal depression, may have in building up and increasing the population of this Canada of ours.

In our own town of Lindsay, which is largely supported by the surrounding country, and less perhaps than any other town in Ontario of similar size and importance by manufacturers; we are affected to some extent by the dullness of trade and scarcity of money; and yet what do we find? That our own merchants and business men are without exception fairly presperous and successful, and the same may be said of the farming community tributary to Lindsay.

It is only a very few years since the farmers in this section depended entirely upon the grain grown upon their farms, and although there is no better land in Canada for growing grain than the County of Victoria, we find a complete change in the production of the farm, instead of wheat, our farmers are raising stock and growing coarse grains for feed. Clover seed is an important item in the revenue of the farmer; cheese factories are springing up all over the country; these and other farm industries throughout the Province go to show the intelligence and foresight of the Canadian agriculturist, thus instead of being caught with their barns full of wheat and barley for which there is no demand, they have instead fat cattle for the butcher, milch cows for the dairy, coach and driving horses for which there is an every day demand.

The promptness with which Canadians adapt themselves to circumstances will invariably prove a safe guard against trade depressions to any alarming extent, and I am firmly convinced that this is one of the principal reasons why we in Canada have averted so largely the great financial cyclones of modern times.

The Town Council of Lindsay have always shown a kindly disposition towards this Board of Trade since its inception and on questions of importance where the interests of the town required careful consideration, they have invariably extended this Board a cordial invitation to assist and advise them as to the best course to pursue. I desire all the members of the town council to understand that any courtesy of this or any other nature whatever is thoroughly appreciated by the members of this Board and that all questions, of interest to the town, submitted to this Board will receive our best consideration.

The Lindsay, Bobcaygeon and Pontypool railway I regret to say has not yet been carried to a successful issue, but I am still hopeful that it will before long be an accomplished fact. The completion of this railway would certainly be a great boon to the town and surrounding country, and until it is secured we have little chance of increasing our manufacturers and without those it is useless to expect a large increase in the population of the town. The farming community should take a lively interest in the construction of this road, as it would give them increased facilities for the moving of farm produce and the advantages to be gained by additional competition.

It is very gratifying indeed to note, notwithstanding the prevailing depression in trade and commerce throughout this continent, that the town of Lindsay continues to increase in population and commerce; there is not a vacant store on Kent street and I am credibly informed that the supply of dwellings is not equal to the demand, this in view of the fact that there are a large number of dwellings erected annually is encouraging and is a testimony of its prosperity. I am pleased to see the continued improvement in the market and would recommend that a committee from this board wait upon the town council with a view of having the market accommodation increased as the present premises are inadequate for the purpose.

The Sewerage of the town is still an unsettled question, but as it is a necessary adjunct to the waterworks it must eventually be carried out and more especially through the densely populated districts.

Thanking the Board for electing me to the position of President and declining re-election for the ensuing year. I remain, gentlemen, your obedient servant,
JOHN KENNEDY,
President.

The following are the officers elected for the ensuing year:—

President, D. Ray.
Vice-President, A. F. D. Macgachen.
Secretary-Treasurer, J. H. Sootheran.
Board of Directors—E. Flood, R. Sylvester, G. W. Beall, A. Campbell, W. Flavelle, S. Hughes, M.P., R. Ross, J. Kennedy, Col. Deacon, J. B. Knowlson, J. D. Flavelle. R. Touchbourn.
Arbitration Board—G. H. Wilson, T. Armstrong, S. Hughes, M.P., Hon. John Dobson, Col. Deacon, G. Ingle, J. D. Flavelle.
Auditors—A. F. D. Macgachen, Colonel Deacon.
Railway Committee—Col. Deacon, A. F. D. Macgachen, S. Hughes, M.P., J. Kennedy, F. C. Taylor.

Inland Waters.

The following is a copy of the petition to the Honorable the Minister of Railways and Canals, praying the government to assume the entire control of the inland waters in this section, adopted at the last meeting of the county council.

To the Honorable the Minister of Railways and Canals of the Dominion of Canada

The petition of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the County of Victoria, humbly sheweth:—

1. Whereas the County of Victoria is intersected by large inland lakes and rivers forming an important portion of the Trent Valley waters;

2. And whereas these are supplied partly from the fertile lands of this county, but chiefly from the granite regions of Haliburton and Muskoka on the height of land to the north;

3. And whereas, formerly while forests covered the said granite regions, and lumberers operating there maintained dams which, together, regulated the gradual flow of water throughout the seasons and prevented (1) flooding of the arable lands in Spring, (2) scarcity of water for milling and manufacturing purposes, and (3) interference with the navigation in the lower lakes in this county, yet now these conditions are all changed. The forests are largely exhausted leaving the country bare so that melting snows and rains are not held back by leaves and brushwood as in early days; and the lumberers' dams, no longer of use to them, are not maintained;

4. And whereas the lock at Rosedale is not of the same size as those at Fenelon Falls, Bobcaygeon, Lindsay or other points along the Trent Valley waters, and as the recent completion of the swing bridge at Fenelon Falls has greatly extended the water intercommunication in the county of Victoria by permitting steamers to enter Cameron Lake and Burnt River; but owing to the small size of the aforesaid Rosedale lock between Cameron and Balsam Lakes, the vast territory bordering on Balsam Lake with its extensive bays, and Gull River, including the townships of Eldon, Bexley, Somerville and Laxton, do not receive the full benefit of the improvements recently made;

5. And whereas the vessels of the large fleet of steamers engaged on these inland waters, giving employment to many men in hauling large quantities of valuable freight besides passengers, are many of them so large as not to be able to pass through the Rosedale lock, farmers and dealers in timber, manufacturers and millers, in the large territory above Cameron Lake being thus denied the full benefits arising from the very necessary improvements just completed at Fenelon Falls;

5. And whereas your petitioners are aware that owing to the partial control exercised by the government of the Province of Ontario over a portion of the navigable waters in question, a conflict of authority has arisen which has had the effect of preventing necessary and urgent improvements being made;

Your petitioners therefore pray, that to prevent these drawbacks and to facilitate navigation, the regular running of the mills and manufacturing establishments along the entire route, and to prevent the flooding of arable lands in Spring, your government will consider the whole question with a view to overcoming the difficulties referred to and as a preliminary step towards the accomplishment of the desire of your petitioners your government will assume full and complete control of all the waters of and tributary to the Trent Valley Canal system, including Scugog Lake and Scugog River from Port Perry through the town of Lindsay to Lakefield.

That the Rosedale lock be enlarged to be uniform in size with the other locks in the system;

And that such further steps be taken by your government as will ensure to your petitioners full and continuous benefits from the use of the waters of the Trent Valley system.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

Passed at Lindsay this Twenty-seventh day of January, A.D. 1894.

T. MATCHETT, Clerk. E. BOTTUM, Warden.

Mr. A. B. Dingle who has been spending a very pleasant holiday with his father, on Bond St., has taken a position in Toronto Street Car Works. May he meet with good success is the wish of all.

The Weather:

Report for the week ending Saturday night, Feb. 10th, 1894, from Lindsay observatory:—

TEMPERATURE.

Highest..... 39°.6 .....Wednesday
Lowest..... —20° 2 ..... Monday
Warmest day mean of 33° 4 ..... Wednesday
Coldest " " —0° 25.....Monday
The week " 22° 63

PRECIPITATION, IN INCHES.

Greatest fall of rain in 1 day 0.28....Saturday
Rain fell on 3 days.
Greatest fall of snow in 1 day 2.0.... Friday
Snow fell on 3 days.
Total rain and melted snow.....0.66

THOS. BEALL