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Fenelon Falls, 10th November, 1896.

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Only want to be tried, and then, after taking into consideration style and prices of my different lines of

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S. PENHALE, THE TAILOR,
Opposite Jos. Heard's.

The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

Friday, February 5th, 1897.

Can Nothing be Done?

The following paragraph appeared, two or three days ago, in the Lindsay Post:

"A citizen who recently took a trip over the I. B. & O. R. R. to Gooderham says that some of the settlers in that neighborhood are in a state almost approaching complete destitution, owing to the increase in freight rates on the I. B. & O. R. R. The Toronto dealers, who in past seasons have placed orders for 3,000 or 4,000 cords of wood with settlers, have this winter gone elsewhere for their supplies, and dealers in other kinds of forest produce have made as few purchases as possible along that line of railway. Some of the residents talk of petitioning the local legislature, claiming that the road was bonused to aid the settlers, whereas it is a detriment as at present managed."

The rate of increase is not stated, but we are told that the freight on forest products is just double what it was last year; and the heartless and extortionate charges have practically killed the winter industry of the settlers out north. Rev. Father Nolan, of this village, many of whose parishioners are among the victims of the railway Company's rapacity, is naturally very indignant at the treatment they are receiving, and is determined to see whether something cannot be done for their relief. The freights are not only "all the traffic will bear," but a good deal more too; and it appears improbable that the Company will persist in a course that will materially diminish the business of the line. Should they do so, steps should be at once taken to ascertain whether the I. B. & O. R. R. has the power to deal thus arbitrarily with the public, and, if it have, the Legislature should see that no future railway be endowed with such power.

Check-Reins.

A correspondent of the Lakefield News inveighs bitterly against "tight check-reins," by which, we suppose, he means the cruel over-draw checks to be seen on the great majority of horses not hitched to heavy loads. In some places it is illegal to use these checks and they ought to be forbidden everywhere. It is an exaggeration to say, as some extremists do, that they inflict "torture" upon the horses to which they are applied; but there can be no doubt at all that they are a source of constant irritation to the unfortunate animals, frequently becoming absolutely painful, and are calculated to inflict injury upon the muscles of the neck. A common excuse for their use is that some horses cannot be driven without them, which we beg leave to doubt; and we have no recollection of ever having heard of colts being killed because they couldn't be driven before the over-draw check-line was invented. The fact that these checks are never put upon heavy draught horses is sufficient proof that their only use is to make the horses upon which they are inflicted carry their heads a little higher than they would otherwise do; and the other facts that they are in constant misery, that they cannot see ground near their feet, and that they are apt to cut their mouths if they stumble, all go for nothing. In *Our Dumb Animals*, the excellent little publication printed in Boston by the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, we have more than once seen it stated that many American gentlemen now drive their horses, or have them driven, without either check-lines or blinkers, as experience has proved that the animals, having unobstructed vision and the free use of their heads, are far less likely to take fright and better able to avoid collisions than when they are only allowed to see in front of them and their heads are forcibly held in an unnatural position.

A Team Killed.

Early last Saturday morning, while Mr. David Morgan, a farmer of the township of Lutterworth, was unloading wood at a siding about a mile above the Irondale junction on the Victoria Railway, his team took fright at something and ran away, keeping the centre of the track until they reached a short bridge (a few rods from where they started) that spans a gully about forty feet deep, where they fell in consequence of their legs going down between the ties. A man was sent up the track with a flag to stop the train from the north, but unfortunately, he was not seen, and the train advanced at its usual speed until the engineer caught sight of the horses, when he instantly reversed the engine, and he and the fireman jumped, one from each side, just before the bridge was reached, and both escaped unhurt. One of the horses was instantly killed,

being literally smashed, and the other, which rolled off the bridge, had its neck broken by the fall. Whether they had been unhitched from the sleigh or broke loose our informant could not say, but they were free from it when they struck the bridge.

Village Council Proceedings.

Fenelon Falls, Feb. 2nd, 1897.

Council met at the call of the reeve. All the members present except Mr. McKeown. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. McKeown entered and took his seat.

Mr. Gilmour, representing the Western Canada Loan Co., waited on the council in regard to the Water Street leases.

Moved by Mr. Deyman, seconded by Mr. Robson, That the tender of William Ellery Jr. for 2,000 feet of cedar for the sum of \$23 be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Robson, seconded by Mr. Martin, That Mr. Henry Smith's taxes be abated owing to error in assessment.

Moved by Mr. McKeown, seconded by Mr. Robson, That Mr. McNally's tender for plank be accepted; pine plank at \$9 50 and hemlock at \$7 50, to be delivered on Oak street at once.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Deyman, That the following accounts be paid and the reeve give his orders for the same:—Joseph McFarland, charity for Mrs. LaChapelle, \$4 03; F. Sandford, charity for Mrs. Wilkinson, \$3 05; Northey Bros., charity for McKee; \$2 01; E. D. Hand, printing, \$1; H. J. Lytle, telephoning and stationery, \$5 85.—Carried.

Council adjourned to meet on Feb. 3.

Fenelon Falls, Feb. 3rd, 1897.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. All the members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Leases of market square and Water street laid on the table and read by the clerk.

Moved by Mr. Robson, seconded by Mr. McKeown, That the corporation assent to an assignment of the lease of Water street by Mr. John Pugsley to the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company, subject to the terms and conditions of the said lease, with proper provisions to be approved by the corporation's solicitor, protecting the interests of the village, in order to assist the said Company in arranging for the establishment of a manufacturing industry, on the demised and other lands, and in case of such assent, that the corporation agree to a sub-lease to Mr. J. H. McNally of part of the same property until the first of January, 1898.—Carried.

The Carnival.

The carnival in the skating rink on Friday evening last was a decided success, about \$26 being realized. The ice was in first-class condition. Some of the costumes were particularly good. The hockey match between the local and Lindsay juniors was won by the home team by a score of 4 to 1. Joe Boyce took first money in the 1½ mile race, with Geo. Ingram a close second. Following is a partial list of those in costume.

Miss Robe, Night.

Robson, Summer.

Heeley, Girl of 19th Century.

Ethel Robson, Flower Girl.

Saucy Nevison, Night.

Lena Austin, Spanish Duchess.

Mamie Nevison, Up-to-Date.

Popsy Rutherford, Hully Hop-picker.

Stella Burgess, Maid of the Nineteenth Century.

Violet Wilson, Sary Gamp.

Nellie Nevison, Brianna.

Byrce McDiarmid, Patience Pettigrew.

May Brokenshire, Gypsy Queen.

Mabel Nevison, Twenty Years Ago.

Alice Nie, Little 1897.

Dora Dickson, Mrs. Jack Frost.

Hilda Nevison, Lamp Shade.

Bella Sanderson, Grandma Nicholas.

Mabel Sandford, Marguerite.

Annie Nie, Old Mother Hubbard.

Irene McDougall, Buy a Broom.

Fanny Brandon, Star Spangled Banner.

Mary McArthur, Girl of Vienna.

Bertha Austin, Bridget O'Flannigan.

Lillie Brooks, Nurse Girl.

Mary McFee, Milkmaid.

Thos. Austin, The New Woman.

E. G. Hand, Cavalier.

R. Lee, Tobogganist.

Ernest Nevison, } Two Tramps from

Bidwell Burgess, } Tramperville.

Walter Gorbett, Jockey Boy.

Willie McDougall, Little Boy Blue.

Grattan Graham, Jack Frost.

Norman Martin, Sportsman.

Ormonde Nevison, King of Hearts.

H. Timms, Hockey.

Willie Robertson, Starry Crown.

School Board Meeting.

Fenelon Falls, Feb. 1st, 1897.

Board met according to adjournment. Present, Messrs. F. McDougall (chairman), T. Austin, Geo. Littleton and Joseph Heard. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Heard, seconded by Mr. Littleton, That John Rutherford's

tender for wood at \$2.50 per cord be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Littleton, seconded by Mr. Austin, That Miss Nie be paid \$23.30, amount due for services rendered to date.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Austin, seconded by Mr. Heard, That the application of Ralph S. Rowland as teacher be accepted at the salary stated, for the balance of the present term.—Carried.

Personals.

Mr. John T. Jewell of Brougham, Ont., son-in-law of Mr. John Chambers, has been at the Falls since Wednesday of last week, and will leave for home to-morrow. He is about to move from Brougham to Sturgeon Falls, Ont., where there is nobody in his business, nor for many miles around.

Mrs. W. T. Junkin and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Irvine Junkin (who was here on a visit) were driven to Bobcaygeon on Sunday by Mr. Junkin on account of the illness of his father, and Mrs. W. T. Junkin has not yet returned.

Miss Bessie Nie left on Tuesday to take a full course in the Collegiate Institute at Lindsay. Mrs. Nie accompanied her and came home next day.

Mrs. Robert Corbett, whose husband died last August, left yesterday (Thursday) morning to reside with her daughter, Mrs. Corneil, near Omenece. The venerable lady was accompanied to her destination by her grand daughter, Miss Minnie Chambers, who is going on to Peterborough.

"TRUE AS GOSPEL."—The Toronto Star says: "While Major Sam Hughes was driving down a hill in East Simcoe a whiff tree broke and struck him on the cheek—which is merely another way of saying that it hit the biggest part of him."

SATISFACTION.—The amount realized at the Public Library sale of periodicals last Monday evening was about four dollars more than the receipts at any previous sale, although there were fewer magazines and papers to be disposed of than there used to be.

ROOMS TO LET, upstairs in McArthur's block. Apply at the GAZETTE Office.

POUND MEETING.—The Salvation Army are having a pound meeting on Saturday night for the benefit of their officers, Adjutant and Mrs. Miller. Friends are invited to participate, the idea being to take a pound of anything eatable or useful to the meeting, this to serve as admission fee.

GYMNASIUM.—The gymnasium opened by Mr. Reuben Young about a week ago in Twomey's hall has now a membership of 84. In addition to boxing gloves and fencing foils, which at present appear to be the most interesting articles, there are punching bags, parallel bars, trapeze, indian clubs, chest expander, and other exercising implements calculated to develop the muscles. The hall is open three nights a week, and it is needless to say, is quite a centre of attraction.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—At the regular meeting of the Loyal True Blue Maple Leaf Lodge No. 42 of Fenelon Falls held on Wednesday evening, Jan. 27th, the following officers were installed for 1897: Master, H. E. Austin; Deputy Master, John A. Fountain; Recording Secretary, R. J. Dundas; Financial Secretary, M. McCallum; Treasurer, W. McCall; Chaplain, P. C. Burgess; Director of Ceremonies, Joseph Brandon; Inside Tyler, Edward Wilkinson; Outside Tyler, R. J. J. J. J.; Committee, Wm. Johnston, Peter Carins and Thomas Johnston.

A Sunderland lady writes Dr. Neelands that he had made her a successful fit after having eight sets of teeth made in Toronto and elsewhere.—431f

CORNER LOTS.—A Washington correspondent concludes a notice of the death of Joseph Willard, the noted hotel-keeper, as follows:—"Mr. Willard's wealth is variously estimated at from five to ten millions of dollars. Much of his property consists of unimproved corner lots in thickly populated portions of the city, which no money could induce him to part with." The power which rich men possess of holding corner lots is amongst the greatest drawbacks to communities; but if, as advocated by Henry George, all taxes were levied upon lands, and none upon buildings or chattels, the owners of such lots would be as uneasy as "a hen on a hot griddle" until they could sell or lease them.

ENLARGED.—The Canadian Horticulturist for January, 1897, comes to hand very much enlarged and improved. It has a new and beautiful cover, a great many fine half-tone engravings, and a colored plate of the Rhododendron as frontispiece, with an editorial concerning this shrub. The magazine is enlarged both in number and size of pages to allow for the addition of a special department for floriculture and window gardening for the benefit of