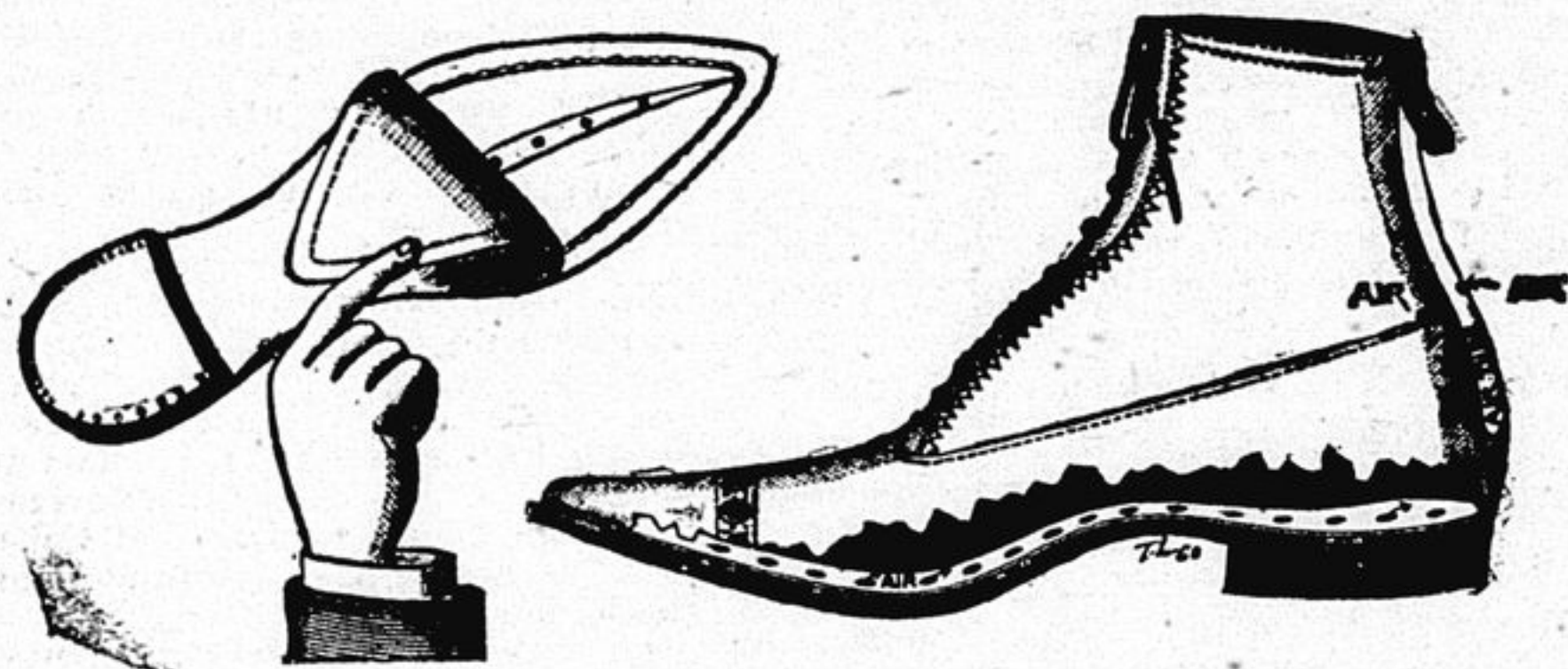


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**The Fenelon Falls Gazette.**

Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1898.

### The Spanish-American War.

There has been no fighting during  
the past week, but Commodore Dewey  
has at last been heard from and full  
particulars of the battle of Manila ob-  
tained. The modern ships and guns of  
the Americans gave them such an enor-  
mous superiority that, though the en-  
gagement lasted only about seven hours,  
the Spanish fleet, consisting of about  
fourteen vessels, was almost utterly  
destroyed. At least 600 Spaniards were  
either killed or wounded; while not a  
man was killed on any of the American  
ships and only half a dozen wounded.  
A battle between Admiral Sampson's  
fleet and the Spanish fleet that left the  
Cape de Verde islands was expected to  
take place this week; but the latest  
news is that the Spaniards have gone  
back to Cadiz, thus shirking an engage-  
ment that must inevitably end in their  
destruction.

### "Shove It Through."

What Fenelon Falls badly needs at  
the present moment is a Senate. If it  
had not been for the Dominion Senate  
Messrs. McKenzie & Mann would now  
own a big share of the Klondike, and if  
we had a little Senate of our own it  
would undoubtedly veto the latest act  
of our village Parliament. What hap-  
pened between the 30th of April and  
the 9th of May will be seen by the pro-  
ceedings, published in this issue, at  
three meetings of the council held on  
and between those dates. Until about  
a month ago the names of Messrs. Cul-  
verwell and White-Fraser were unknown  
in the Falls, except, possibly, to three  
or four persons; but on Monday night  
a by-law was passed authorizing them  
to erect poles and string wires for the  
transmission of Lindsay, in the shape  
of electricity, of more than half of the  
power of our magnificent waterfall.  
The proposal to pass such a by-law  
would probably never have been enter-  
tained if it had not happened to suit  
Messrs. McDougall, Brandon & Austin,  
who form what is known as the village  
syndicate, and who, as leading mem-  
bers of the community, naturally have  
considerable influence. A few years  
ago they bought part of the water power  
from the executors of the Smith estate;  
exactly how much we do not know, and  
it does not matter; but a great deal  
more than is needed to run their large  
flour and grist mill and the dynamo  
that supplies the streets, stores and  
other buildings in the village with elec-  
tric light. Being willing to dispose of  
their surplus water power and the elec-  
tric light plant, and Messrs. Culverwell  
and White-Fraser offering to buy it pro-  
vided the by-law were passed, Messrs.  
McDougall, Brandon & Austin favored  
the course they thought best for their  
own interests, and we don't know that  
anybody blames them. But we think  
it is no exaggeration to say that ninety  
per cent of the rest of the population of  
the village are opposed to the by-law,  
and on Monday morning a petition was  
drawn up, signed during the day by 129  
ratepayers, and at night was laid before  
the council by Mr. James Dickson, who  
was told by the polite Mr. Culverwell,  
during the course of a brief discussion,  
that he "wasn't worth talking to." Mr.  
John McSweyn of Lindsay was present

on behalf of the petitioners and made an  
able speech, but nothing was of any  
use; every member of the council ex-  
cept Mr. Martin, who fought like a man  
against the by-law, had gone there with  
a determination, as one of them expressed  
it, to "shove it through," and it was  
shoved through accordingly. We may  
remark that the by-law was not the one  
that appeared in last week's *Gazette*,  
but another, drawn up by Mr. Mc-  
Laughlin, the village solicitor, who was  
present at the meeting. As it had been  
asserted that many of the signers of the  
petition were not ratepayers, we decided  
to publish it; but the clerk was forbid-  
den to let us have it, on the ground,  
Councillor Clark said, that many whose  
names had appeared thereon had "apol-  
ogized" for signing it. But it happen-  
ed that a copy of the heading had been  
kept by the person who drew it up, and  
here it is, with, we believe, a correct  
list of the names of the petitioners:

TO THE REEVE AND COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE  
OF FENELON FALLS.

The petition of the undersigned rate-  
payers of Fenelon Falls humbly sheweth:  
1. That they are credibly informed that  
it is the intention of your honorable body  
to pass a by-law giving a certain party or  
parties power to erect poles, wires, and all  
other necessary appliances within the lim-  
its of the Corporation for the purpose of  
conveying the motive power engendered  
by the falls on the river, to be used in  
other places outside of and at a distance  
from the village.

2. That we are credibly informed that in  
consideration of the above grant the said  
party or parties covenant to leave 350  
horse power to be utilized by any parties  
who may erect and operate factories at a  
yearly rental of \$10 per horse power for a  
day of 12 hours.

3. That the saw mill now operated by  
the Bank of Toronto on the south side of  
the river makes use of 400 horse power of  
the water, which at the above rate would  
amount to a rental of \$4,000 per annum, an  
amount which would effectually debar any  
other industries from coming to the village.

4. We submit that the passing of any  
such by-law will be a permanent injury to  
the trade of the village.

5. Your petitioners therefore pray that  
you will refrain from passing any such by-  
law, but, on the contrary, will use your  
best efforts to retain our magnificent water  
power for the use of factories either within  
the limits of the corporation or its im-  
mediate vicinity.

And your petitioners will ever pray.  
Dated at Fenelon Falls 9th May, 1898.

Wm. McArthur	Wm. Jackett
Wm. Burgoyne	E. D. Hand
C. W. Burgoyne	James Dickson
Geo. Barkley	John Aldous
A. Clark Sr.	Robert Eyres
G. W. Davey	F. J. Kerr
Wesley Davey	John Slater
Cornelius Curtis	Wm. Campbell
W. L. Robson	Hugh McDougall
H. Robson	Jos. McFarland
Wm. Jordan	Andrew McFarland
S. Brokenshire	Joseph Heard
Henry Brooks	Henry Pearce
Wm. McKendry	A. McKillen
Sam. Sharp	Fred. Metcalfe
M. Sharp	Lewis Deyman
F. Sandford	John Nolan
H. Puley	James Fraser
W. H. Walsh	Mrs. Cunningham
Thos. Poulson	E. A. McArthur
Wm. Fountain	Wm. Golden
H. Sandford	Jos. Welch
H. E. Austin	Geo. Quibell
S. S. Penhale	John Quibell
Wm. Heeley	E. Lansfield
S. Nevison	Robert Quibell
W. Northey	B. Smythe
A. Northey	Robert Magee
J. J. Townley	Geo. H. Magee
Lewis Wakely	Mrs. Manning
Mrs. Twomey Sr.	Lewis Manning
J. A. Ellis	W. Gebott
John Ellis	T. H. Robson
R. McKay	Joseph Nugent
E. A. Bell	Wm. Robson
Margaret Bell	Wm. McClelland
Jane Bell	Robert Jackett
John Bell	R. Waugh
James Deyman	D. McKillen
H. J. Lytle	Wm. Letts
Henry Sewell	Wm. Klock
Wm. Sewell	A. E. Quibell
Wm. Quibell	Thomas Quibell
Joseph Carpenter	James Beatty
James Stephens	S. Ellery
Charles Keast	Peter Deyman
Charles Kelly	John Lee
R. Mitchell	A. McIntosh
A. Sutherland	J. R. Graham
James Morrow	John Geddes
Thomas Graham	Joseph Lavereau
Paul Oulette	John Shane
Henry York	D. Pitceathly
James Bray	George Jackett
Wm. Beatty	Noble Dundas
Wm. Udy	James Jewell
David Jewell	John Miller
Wm. Jeffrey	Robert Menzies
R. McDougall	Fred Green
Mrs. J. A. McDougall	Thos. Smith
Job Palmer	F. H. Magee
H. H. Graham	E. W. Kelly
A. Torrance	Chas. Quibell
H. Smith	Fred Jewell
Wm. Lucy	

One great cause of complaint was the  
indecent haste with which the by-law  
was "shoved through." A matter so  
seriously affecting the welfare of the  
village ought to have been deliberately  
considered and all the pros and cons  
weighed before action, but that would  
not have suited the half dozen individ-  
uals whose interests were to be served  
by shoving it through. If this year's  
council have the power to authorize, in  
defiance of the wishes of the people, the  
transmission of part of the water power  
to Lindsay, what is to prevent an equal-  
ly complaisant council from authorizing  
the transmission of the remainder of  
the power a few years from now? The

validity of the by-law is, we hear, to be  
tested; but, no matter how binding it  
may be, the council could no doubt  
have made a better bargain if it had  
not acted with such ill-advised haste.  
We nearly forgot to mention that the  
price per horse power on the by-law was  
reduced from ten dollars to seven.

### Village Council Proceedings.

Fenelon Falls, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1898.  
Council met at the call of the reeve;  
all the members present except reeve  
Mason.

Moved by Mr. McKeown, seconded  
by Mr. Clark, That Mr. Austin be  
chairman.—Carried.

Mr. Culverwell waited on the council  
in regard to placing poles and wires on  
the streets of the village for electric  
purposes.

The reeve entered and took his seat.  
Moved by Mr. Clark, seconded by  
Mr. Austin, That the council adjourn  
until Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.—Carried.

Fenelon Falls, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1898.

Council met pursuant to adjourn-  
ment; all the members present.

Messrs. Culverwell and White-Fraser  
asked permission of the council to erect  
poles and wires for the transmission of  
electric light, power, etc. agreeing to re-  
tain one-sixth of the horse-power for  
use in the village.

Considerable discussion was taken  
part in by the members of the council,  
Mr. E. McDougall, Messrs. Culverwell  
and White-Fraser, and R. J. McLaugh-  
lin, village solicitor, Mr. Slater, Mr. Da-  
vey, Mr. Campbell and others.

Mr. McKeown gives notice that at  
the next meeting of the council he will  
introduce a by-law for permitting the  
proposed Light, Heat & Power Co., to  
be promoted by Messrs. Culverwell &  
White-Fraser, the privilege of using  
the streets and public places for convey-  
ing electric power, etc., subject to the  
provisions that three hundred and fifty  
(350) horse power be retained and a-  
vailable for local purposes at ten dollars  
(\$10) per horse power per annum of  
four thousand, three hundred and eighty  
(4,380) hours at the wheel, and free-  
sites for manufacturing industries, and  
for the continued operation of electric  
light works for the use of the village  
and citizens, at rates not higher than at  
present, and that such proposed com-  
pany will pay two-thirds (2/3) of any rea-  
sonable expense of any advertising or  
other efforts that may be decided upon  
by the council for the purpose of in-  
ducing industries to locate here.

Moved by Mr. Austin, seconded by  
Mr. McKeown, That the solicitor be  
instructed to prepare a by-law in ac-  
cordance with the above notice, with all  
the provisions he may think proper to  
insert, and that the same be introduced  
and passed at the next regular meeting.  
—Carried, Mr. Martin voting nay.  
Council adjourned.

Fenelon Falls, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1898.

Regular meeting of council. Mem-  
bers all present except councillor Clark.  
Minutes of last regular meeting and  
two special meetings read and approved.  
Councillor Clark entered and took  
his seat.

Tenders from John A. Ellis, A. A.  
Wright and Austin & Craig for lumber  
and timber were laid on the table.

Moved by Mr. McKeown, seconded  
by Mr. Austin, That E. D. Hand's bill  
for printing, \$25, be paid, and the reeve  
give his order for the same.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by  
Mr. McKeown, That this council accept  
John A. Ellis's tender for plank and  
cedar for sidewalks at the following  
prices: Pine \$10, hemlock \$8, cedar  
\$10 per thousand, delivered to any part  
of the village, subject to inspection.—  
Carried.

By law No. —, a by-law to author-  
ize the placing of poles, wires, etc., for  
the purpose of distributing electricity  
in the village of Fenelon Falls and  
transmitting the same to the town of  
Lindsay and other places, introduced  
and read a first time. By-law read a  
second time in committee of the whole,  
clause by clause, Mr. McKeown in the  
chair.

Petition from Wm. McArthur and  
128 others, praying that the by-law be  
not passed, laid on the table by Mr.  
James Dickson, and supported by Mr.  
John McSweyn. A great deal of dis-  
cussion by most of the leading ratepay-  
ers was taken part in and some amend-  
ments made in the by-law.

By-law read a third time and passed,  
and signed and sealed by the reeve, Mr.  
Martin voting "nay."

Moved by Mr. McKeown, seconded  
by Mr. Austin, That the collector's roll  
be accepted with the following abate-  
ments: Standard Chemical Company,  
\$171.70; A. A. Wright, \$179.20;  
Mechanics' Institute, \$17.50; Mrs.  
Pearson, \$2.50; W. C. Holbrook, \$1.25;  
Mrs. Warren, \$5; and that the taxes on  
the following property be returned to  
the county treasurer for collection: J.  
Fitzgerald, s B e. C, s 1/2 of w 1/2 2 and