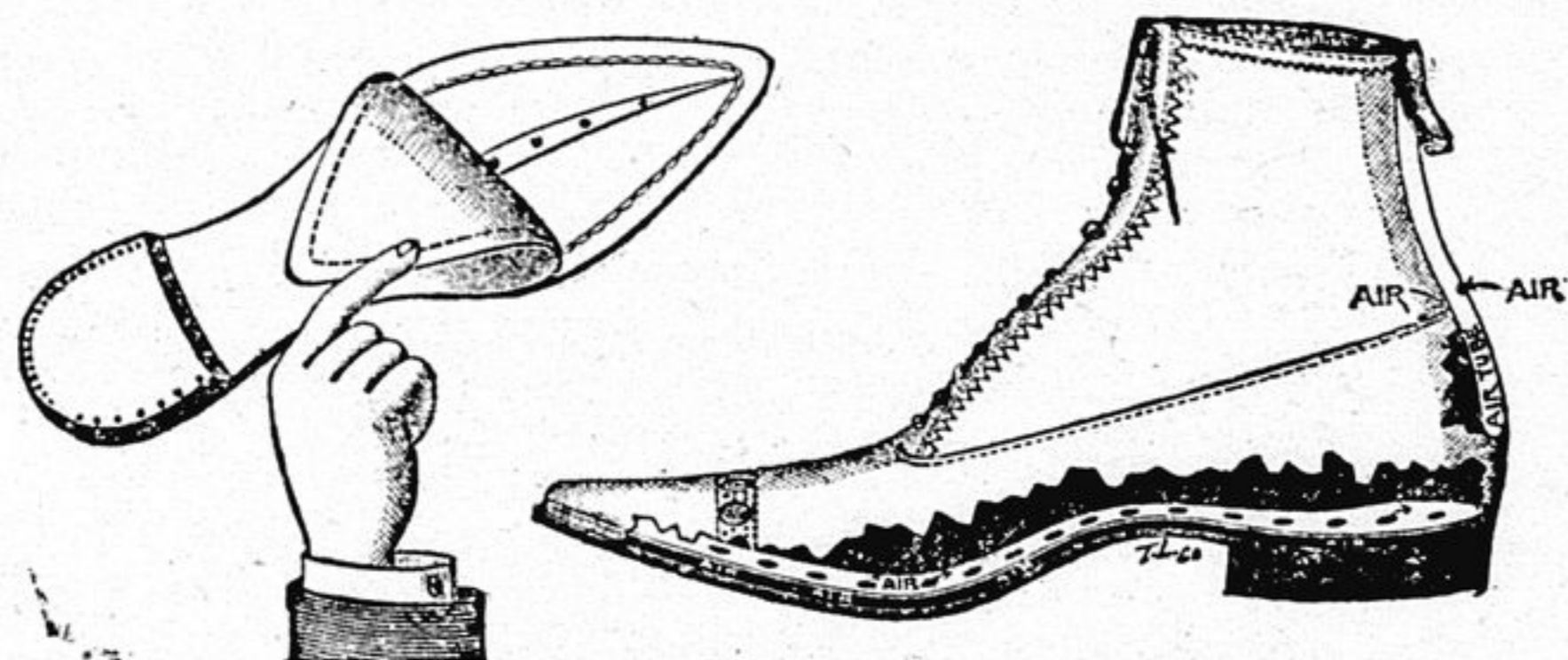


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The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

Friday, May 27th, 1898.

A State Funeral.

The body of England's "Grand Old Man" is to be buried to-morrow in Westminster Abbey. Mr. Gladstone expressed no wish as to the place of his interment, and preparations for it had been made at Hawarden; but the family yielded to the wish of the nation, and a state funeral was therefore decided upon. The vaults of the venerable pile will contain the remains of no more illustrious man than William Ewart Gladstone.

Is it Cheap?

The price asked by Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser for water to be used at Fenelon Falls was \$10 per horse power, and the reduction to \$7 was, there can be but little doubt, intended to propitiate the opponents of the by-law, but we feel sure that better terms could have been had if insisted upon by the council. That at \$10 it would be far cheaper than steam is admitted; but the lower the price the more likelihood there is of industries being established here, and the men to whom the interests of the village were entrusted ought to have been satisfied with nothing short of the very best terms possible. It has been asserted and denied that residents of Lindsay had offers of power from Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser at a lower price than will have to be paid here, and that such is the case, in some instances, at least, is proved by the following statement obtained in writing from one of the most prominent residents of Lindsay, who said that it was absolutely correct:

"Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser offered to furnish Mr. John Wilson of Lindsay with two or three horse power at \$7 per h. p., and to put in the motor.

"Also twenty horse power to drive Horn's factory, with twenty 16-candle power lights, and dwelling house 14 lights for \$250 per annum, and furnish the motor.

"Also Sadler, Dundas & Flavelle Milling Co. for \$14 per horse power for 24 hours per day, or less than \$6 per day of ten hours, and furnish the motor, which would cost \$5,000."

At prices now charged for electric lights in Fenelon Falls (and which the by-law empowers Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser to charge for ever) the cost of lighting Horn's woollen factory and dwelling house would be about \$115, leaving the cost of the twenty horse power \$135, or about \$6.50 per h. p. per annum. The loss in transmitting the power to Lindsay, and the interest on the cost of the plant, and the cost of maintenance are all great, and yet the residents of that town can obtain it as cheap, even in very small quantities, as the largest consumers can get it here at the Falls, and the motor is to be furnished by the contractors. Nobody can blame Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser for making the best bargain they could for themselves; but the council is certainly to be blamed for not trying to make a better one for the village, instead of forcing the by-law through at the earliest possible moment.

The Troubles of Journalism.

If a malignant fate had not so ordered circumstances that we became involved in the newspaper business, we should probably have gone through our allotted term of life with the minimum of squabbles; but, our occupation being what it is, little unpleasantnesses at irregular intervals are unavoidable, and one has unfortunately arisen out of the water power by-law. It is the duty of a journalist to discuss every question of public interest, and to advise and advocate the course that he believes will be for "the greatest good of the greatest number." That is what we have always done and are doing now; but it is impossible to please everybody, and, as usual, those who differ from us are showing their displeasure in various ways, some by trying to hurt our feelings by uncomplimentary observations; some, who are above personalities, hit upon other methods, and last week Dr. Mason and Dr. Graham paid for the *Gazette* and their professional cards to date, and requested us to erase their names from our list of subscribers and withdraw their advertisements. They had, of course, a perfect right to do so, and, under ordinary circumstances, no mention of it would have been made; but their intention undoubtedly was to punish us pecuniarily for what appeared in our last two or three issues, and we think the public should know it. We are not much surprised at the withdrawal of Dr. Mason's patronage, because, as reeve of the village, a great deal of the blame for the passage of the by-law rests upon him; but, as Dr. Graham signed the petition against the by-law, we can only have incurred his resentment by our action against Councillor Clark, who belongs to the same Church as himself. Does the doctor mean us to infer that he thinks we ought to have overlooked Councillor Clark's abusive language simply because he is a Baptist? Now we think of it, every man (except the members of the syndicate) who favored the by-law had as good a reason for attacking us as Councillor Clark had, and if they had all followed his somewhat expensive example we should have had a nice time of it when they all got through. When Dr. Mason entered the *Gazette* office he looked so fierce that we didn't know but what he had brought a "nine-foot ring" with him. However, he calmed down and got good natured by degrees—in fact, he "came in like a lion and went out like a lamb," as the month of March sometimes does. But before he left he gave us some startling information, viz: That the crowd we were in with had been trying to cut our throat for years; that Mr. McLean of the *Post* was about to start another paper in the Falls, in aid of which several hundred dollars had already been subscribed; and that he, the doctor, could, if he wished—but he wouldn't—deprive us of all the printing required by the various societies to which he belongs. And, as if we hadn't enough local persecutors, the polite Mr. Culverwell, who told one of our leading townsmen that he "wasn't worth talking to," made an attack upon us at the emergency meeting of the council last Tuesday night, when he asserted that some of the statements made in the *Gazette* were untrue, and that we ought to "mind our own business." If the public business is not ours we don't know whose it is; and, as for our veracity, we have said nothing that we do not know, or have good reason to believe, to be true. Can the same be said of Mr. Culverwell's repeated assertions that some of the property owners whose names are on the petition have apologized for having signed it? But, what does it matter? We are in with a "crowd" that comprises about 95 per cent. of the rate-payers, some of whom have already given us tangible expressions of their approval, and, therefore, we close with the declaration that "if we have said anything we are sorry for we are glad of it."

Protection Wanted.

A special meeting of the village council was held on Monday evening to consider the insertion in the water power by-law of a clause to prohibit the use of any of the power left here by parties who may wish to establish industries that will militate against industries already established. It appears to have occurred, or to have been suggested, to the syndicate that the offer of a free site and cheap water power might induce some person or company to build a large flouring and grist mill here, which would be a bad thing for them, as well as for Mr. Sandford, who joined them in urging the insertion of the clause; but the council—as will be seen by the proceedings in another column—refused to accede to their request. It is not likely that, with two mills in operation, a third will be built, but the people do not wish to run the

risk of being left to the mercy of one. As Councillor Martin pointed out, Mr. Sandford's mill might be burnt, and if he thought that he could do better as some other industry and did not rebuild, the syndicate would again have a monopoly, as the protective clause in the by-law would prevent any other person from erecting one. And not only that, but the clause would shut out any industry already represented here; and then, in all probability, the owners of the 350 horse power would ask for permission to transfer it to Lindsay on the plea that no one could be got to utilize it at the Falls. If the by-law had not been "shoved through" at full speed, the syndicate might have had time to foresee the possibility that now appears to be alarming them.

Fenelon Council.

This year the Fenelon court of revision and council meeting were held on the Queen's birthday, to suit the convenience of Mr. H. J. Lytle, who has resigned the position, which he has held for many years, of clerk and treasurer of the township, in consequence of having been appointed manager of the Lindsay branch of the Ontario Bank. Mr. Lytle's successor as treasurer is Mr. Manly Maybee, and Mr. J. B. Powles is clerk. Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser applied for permission to erect poles and wires through the township from the Fenelon Falls and Ops boundaries, a distance of about twelve miles, for the transmission of electricity, which, after due discussion, was granted on condition that they pay to the municipality the sum of \$100 per annum for the first five miles, and taxes on the value of the poles on the other seven miles at the township rates. The agreement, which was, of course, put into writing, is for ten years, and becomes null and void at any time if Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser, or their assigns, fail to liquidate their liability to the township.

Village Council.

Fenelon Falls, May 24th, 1898.
Council met at the call of the reeve, all the members present except Mr. Austin. Minutes of two previous meetings read and approved.

Mr. Austin entered and took his seat. Mr. Clark drew attention to the account of McLennan & Co., Lindsay, and the council was unanimous that the purchasing of the goods outside of the town be not sanctioned, and that when the constable was instructed to order locks it was with the understanding that they would be purchased from some one of the local hardware merchants.

Messrs. Culverwell and Whyte-Fraser waited on the council in regard to certain arrangements re water power. Considerable discussion was indulged in.

Moved by Mr. McKeown, seconded by Mr. Clark, That no action be taken in the matter now before the council, and that the same be now adjourned.—Carried.

School Board Proceedings.

Fenelon Falls, May 16th, 1898.
Board met in Jordan's hall at regular meeting, all the members present except Mr. Heard. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Moved by Mr. Austin, seconded by Mr. Littleton, That this board adjourn to meet on Thursday evening next, and that we visit the north ward school on Wednesday afternoon to inspect the fences, etc.—Car'd.

May 18th, 1898.

Board met pursuant to adjournment, all the members present except Mr. Heard.

Moved by Dr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Austin, That the following accounts be paid and the chairman give his orders for the same: McDougall, Brandon & Austin, lime, etc., \$8.31; E. D. Hand, advertising and printing 100 copies auditors' report, \$10; S. Sharpe, account, \$4.75; W. L. Robson, 2 brooms, 50c.; J. J. Power, piling wood, \$2.25.—Carried.

Moved by Dr. Graham, seconded by Dr. Wilson, That the secretary place a notice in the post-office asking for tenders on sale of woodshed at north ward school up to June 1st.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Austin, seconded by Dr. Graham, That applications for teachers be received up to June 21st for the north and south ward schools for the year from July 1st, 1898, to July 1st, 1899, and that the secretary be instructed to put an advertisement in the *Lindsay Post and Warder*, applicants to state salary, qualification and experience.—Carried, Dr. Wilson voting nay.

Moved by Mr. Austin, seconded by Mr. Littleton, That Dr. Wilson and Mr. Austin for the north ward, and Dr. Graham and Mr. Littleton for the south ward, be committees to inspect the school premises.—Carried.