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S. J. Petty, the Jeweler.

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I carry in stock a full line of Parlour Suites Lounges, Chairs, Etc.

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**Carriage Making,
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Repainting,**

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DOORS AND SASH.

Planing done on short notice.

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See My Stock Of Cutters.

THOS. ROBSON.

The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

Friday, Jan. 15th, 1904.

We Don't Believe It.

In the Toronto Sun, "Bystander" (Prof. Goldwin Smith) says:

"Among the causes of the growing scarcity of domestic service, an American journal reckons the drawing off of women into employments hitherto male. It is not likely that many of the women who take to male employments would otherwise have taken to domestic service. But the fact that so many women are invading male employments is in itself serious. There is growing among women a disposition to renounce matrimony and maternity, and instead of being the partners of man, to become his competitors. They want, some of them say, to live their own lives, as though the life of a woman could be perfect without domestic affection. Men, crowded out of employments which have hitherto been theirs, will have no means of maintaining wives, and it is not to be expected that their celibacy will always be pure. But the economic consequences of the revolt of woman, though serious, are not its most serious part. The most serious part of it is the change of woman's ideal. In Australia; the paradise of political experiment, where they had forty changes of Government in thirty-seven years, feminism is being carried to its extreme length. In one of the Provinces women have been made eligible to the Legislature. It is rather significant that at the same time Australians are lamenting a dangerous decline in the birth rate."

We do not believe that a disposition to renounce matrimony and maternity is growing among women, or that there is any change in their ideal, and it is unfair to blame them for that which is not their fault. How many women out of every thousand who are "invading male employments" would not rather be wives and mothers than sales-ladies, book-keepers, stenographers or typewriters? Probably not a dozen—certainly not fifty. There is no change in human nature; but capitalism has caused a change in conditions, and the number of men who remain unmarried because they doubt their ability to support wives and families is constantly increasing. That's what's the matter.

Fenelon Council.

Cameron, January 11th, 1904.

Council met pursuant to statute, and the following took the declarations of property and qualification for office: Reeve, Taylor Parkin. Councillors, A. F. Cragg, R. C. Webster, Thos. Dewel and W. F. Smitheram. Minutes of last meeting read and approved, on motion of Messrs. Cragg and Webster.

Communications from the Municipal World soliciting subscriptions, from the Sick Children's Hospital asking aid, and from James Dickson, apportioning expense of taking levels for Messrs. Day and Daniel, giving Mr. Day \$4 and Mr. Daniel \$2 to pay.

On motion of Messrs. Webster and Cragg, six copies of Municipal World were ordered for the clerk and council, price \$5.

On motion of Messrs. Cragg and Smitheram, \$5 was granted the Sick Children's Hospital.

On motion of Messrs. Dewel and Webster, the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Day and Mr. Daniel of the amounts due from them of engineer's award.

On motion of Messrs. Cragg and Webster, the Local Option by-law, No. 570, was given its final reading and signed and sealed.

On motion of Messrs. Dewel and Smitheram, a by-law was introduced appointing auditors, assessor and member of board of health: auditors, John

Cundal and Thomas Mark; assessor, A. Glaspell salary \$65; member of board of health, Thomas Dewel. The by-law was passed in the usual manner.

The following other motions received the assent of council:

Webster—Smitheram, That payment to A. Sinclair of \$4 25 by treasurer be confirmed.

Dewel—Smitheram, That Sarah McFadyen receive \$7 and Mary McFadyen \$5 from the charity fund.

Webster—Dewel, That council grant A. E. Bryson a bonus of 30 cents a rod for eighty rods of wire fence on the new road south of Cameron.

Smitheram—Daniel, That school section No. 8 be paid \$4 bonus on sixteen rods of wire fence.

Cragg—Dewel, That P. J. Wilkinson and John Suggit be appointed drainage viewers for this township for 1904.

Webster—Cragg, That Franklin Dewell's taxes, amounting to \$3 76, be refunded, owing to lack of road privilege.

Smitheram—Webster, That the collector be instructed to allow the following tax abatements: J. Reynolds \$3.40, Mrs. J. Mark \$1 81, George Downer, \$1 04.

Cragg—Smitheram, That the treasurer's account of \$12 35 be paid.

Webster—Dewel, That the clerk do procure five copies of the Health Act.

Webster—Dewel, That the following bills be paid: Watchman-Warder, printing ballots and financial statements, \$21; F. F. Star, printing election notices, \$1 50; Deputy Returning Officer H. Rogers \$4, J. F. Greer \$5 D. Tolmie \$4, J. T. Palmer \$4; Clerk's election expenses, \$10; John L. Brown, for house for polling booth, \$4; No. 7 school house, do. do., \$3; Orange hall, Cambay, three meetings, \$6; Clerk for B. D. & M. report, \$10 80; George W. Ball, council supplies, \$6 04; A. Sinclair, for 110 loads of gravel, \$5 50. Thos. Robson, scraper, \$7 50; W. H. Powles, postage, \$2 35.

Council adjourned, to meet at call of the reeve.

Verulam Council.

Council met according to statute. The following members, having subscribed to the declaration of office and qualification, took their seats: John D. Hunter, reeve, and Geo. Brooks, J. J. Devitt, G. McFarland and Emerson Tiers, councillors. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. Board of Health By-law duly passed, the following being the members: The Reeve, the Clerk, and Wm. Thurston, George Brooks and E. Tiers, Dr. Boyd, M. H. O., John Burgess, Richard White, John Knox, Samuel Pogue, Robert Webber, John W. Staples Sanitary Inspector.

Alex. Dunsheath was appointed assessor and Robt. Robertson and Geo. Martini auditors.

Mr. Patrick Brick asked council to rebate certain taxes on a lot which he had bought in 1899 from the Canada Co., and which lot has been assessed on the non-resident roll and is now to be sold for taxes.

On motion of Messrs. Devitt and McFarland, council decided not to rebate this tax.

Mr. Naaman Everson asked for the privilege of buying some logs taken from an old crossway on 2nd con. line, and offered \$2, which council accepted.

A deputation consisting of John Lewis, Jas. Stewart, Samuel Quigley, Thos. Germyn and Welby Sherman waited on council re grant for completing the swamp road on 7th and 8th con. line along lots 3 and 4, and presented a petition signed by Jas. Stewart and 13 others on the south side of swamp; also another petition for the opening of the same swamp signed by John Lewis and 42 others on the north side of the swamp, Scotch line and Dunsford. Mr. John Lewis, speaking, stated that the matter was in council's hands, and whatever decision was arrived at they would be satisfied.

Mr. Hunter, replying, stated that they would be short of money for roads if they built either one of these swamp roads, unless the R'y Co. had their deposit of \$1,000 placed to the credit of the township sooner than the bridge over Emily creek was completed, as it would be too late in the summer, and promised that council would take the matter into consideration.

In discussion afterwards council decided to leave the matter in abeyance for the present.

On motion of Messrs. Devitt and McFarland, the By-law appointing pathmasters, fenceviewers and poundkeepers was read a first time.

[The list of pathmasters, fenceviewers and poundkeepers will be published next week.—Ed.]

Mr. Wm. Martin, lot 21, con. 3, asked the privilege of buying the timber off quarter line between lots 20 and 21, con. 3. This was left with the commissioner for that division.

On motion of Messrs. Devitt and Tiers, the sum of \$5 was granted to the Sick Children's Hospital.

Mr. Mosson Kelly asked for keep of Charles Kelly for 3 months at 20c per day. On motion of Messrs. McFarland and Brooks, the matter was left over for next sitting.

The "Municipal World" will be supplied to council and clerk.

On motion of Messrs. Brooks and McFarland, the township was divided into divisions as follows: Div. No. 1, J. D. Hunter, commissioner; No. 2, E. Tiers, do.; No. 3, D. McFarland, do.; No. 4, Geo. Brooks, do.; No. 5, J. J. Devitt, do.

The following orders were passed on motion of Messrs. Devitt and Tiers: Municipal World, six copies for council and clerk, \$5; Thos. Bill, 45 loads of gravel at 8c. in 1903, \$3.60; James Flett, work on roads in 1903, 50c., W. J. Finlay, do. do., \$8; Hospital for Sick Children, grant, \$5; R. Warren, rebate dog tax, \$1; Geo. W. Taylor, registering B. M. and D in 1893, \$16; Council adjourned to meet at call of reeve.

Somerville Council.

Burnt River, Jan. 14th, 1904.

Council met pursuant to statute. Present, Messrs. James Wilson, Reeve, and Councillors John Hodgson, S. R. Carew, William Stewart and G. W. Rumney. The members, having taken the declaration of office and qualification, the reeve took the chair.

Moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Carew, That Messrs. Amos Train and Wm. H. Robinson be auditors, and that a by-law be introduced, read and passed confirming their appointment.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Rumney, seconded by Mr. Carew, That By-law No. —, a by-law to appoint a member of the local Board of Health, be now read and passed.—Carried.

By-law read and passed accordingly. The report of the Medical Health Officer was read and laid on the table.

Moved by Mr. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Carew, That the following accounts be paid: Dr. White, attending W. O. to, \$5; Geo. W. Beall, stationery, \$4 70; P. Chassell, D. R. O., \$3; J. Suggitt, D. R. O., \$3, and returning ballot box, \$1; Dr. R. S. Frost, M. H. O., salary, \$10; Geo. Train, Forster's hall, \$2; R. A. Cullon, use of hall, \$2; L. O. L. No. 541, hall for nomination and polling, \$4; Grant to Sick Children's hospital, \$5.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Rumney, That the time for the collection of taxes of 1903 be extended until the first of March, 1904.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Carew, That Mr. Joseph Brin examine the creek bridge, and get timber for such repairs as he thinks necessary.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Carew, That a rebate of \$2 be allowed on Puley & Joy's taxes.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. Rumney, That the council adjourn until February 13th, at the clerk's office at Burnt River.—Carried.

Personals.

Mrs. William Keys, of Lindsay, was at the Falls on Friday last.

Mr. Wilfred Jewell left for Albert College, Belleville, on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. L. Robson left on Saturday to visit her son Joseph at Burk's Falls. Miss Emily Hand left on Saturday for Peterborough, and went to Toronto on Monday.

Mr. George Fisk, of Verulam, came home last Friday from Owen Sound, and will remain until the end of next week.

Mr. Thomas Edwards came home on Monday from Dauphin, Manitoba, in consequence of the serious illness of his father, Mr. E. R. Edwards.

Mr. C. C. Mowry, of Peterborough, has returned home after spending the Christmas holidays at the Falls, the guest of Mr. W. H. Church.

Mrs. Samuel Newman and her son Wilfred returned on Saturday from a fortnight's visit to friends in Peterborough, Bethany and the township of Emily.

Mr. Harry Deyman came home on Monday from Toronto. He has been appointed assistant to Mr. Andrew Sutherland, station master here, who has always had more work than one man ought to do.

Mrs. T. H. Jones, of Edmonton, Alberta, who has been visiting her brother, Mr. Thomas Cashore, at the Falls, and her sister, Mrs. James Graham, in Verulam, left on Wednesday for a few weeks' visit to her father, Mr. David Cashore, at Kirkfield, before returning home. Her three children accompany her.

A PLEASANT TIME.—Rev. A. S. and Mrs. Dickinson entertained the members of the St. Peter's congregation at the Rectory on Wednesday evening of last week, and a very enjoyable time was spent by all present.