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The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

Friday, April 15, 1910

**Railway Commission Representative
Visits Fenelon Falls.**

Mr. A. J. Nixon, Chief Inspector for the Board of Railway Commissioners, came to the Falls by the noon train on Wednesday to hear the complaints which had been formulated by the Board of Trade and sent to the Board of Commissioners recently. Mr. Nixon, accompanied by officials of the Grand Trunk, arrived in a special car. The G. T. R. representatives were: Mr. W. R. Tiffin, Superintendent of the Northern Division, Allandale; Mr. J. D. McDonald, District Passenger Agent, Mr. C. S. Proctor, Travelling Passenger Agent, Toronto; and Mr. John Irwin, of Lindsay, Local District Manager.

After inspecting the station the party were met in the ladies' waiting room by a delegation of citizens, and the required changes briefly explained and discussed. The principal thing asked for is a passenger train service that will enable the people of the district through which this line of the G. T. R. runs to go to Toronto and back the same day, which could be accomplished by having a fast passenger train leave Haliburton in time to catch the morning train from Lindsay to the city, returning in the evening. It was pointed out that Bobcaygeon gets a service of this kind from the C. P. R., and has nothing like the traffic possibilities of this district. Suggestions as to improvements in regard to freight accommodation and in the station and premises were also made. The question of lighting the station was brought up, and Mr. Tiffin said that if the town would accept a proposition of two dollars per light per annum, lights would be put in immediately. Dr. Mason, M. P. P., and Messrs. Jos. McFarland, M. H. McCallum, Wm. McArthur, J. L. Arnold and W. T. Junkin took part in the discussion.

Mr. Nixon promised to lay the matter before the Commissioners, and that it would receive the most careful consideration. The party went north in the afternoon, accompanied by Dr. Mason and Mr. McCallum, and were met by delegates at Haliburton and Kinmount.

The need of better train service in this section cannot be questioned, and there is very small doubt, if any, that the G. T. R. would enjoy just as large profits after the change as they do now. Dr. Mason drew the attention of Mr. Nixon to the situation at Mount Albert not long ago, when the Grand Trunk could not see its way to giving more than a single train service until the Canadian Northern came in. Then it put on a double service, making, with the C. N. R., four trains daily where one was thought to be all that could be profitably operated.

It is one of the peculiarities of rail way and other corporations that they are unable to see a profit in giving really good accommodation until a rival concern invades their territory. They can then do all the things they could not do before, and still make money, at the same time that the opposition is making money too. The Grand Trunk people should get rid of the idea that they are going to have to run a double service for the traffic now actually existing. The traffic would increase.

But, as Chairman Mabee of the Board of Commissioners has said, the accommodation of the public is the main consideration, not the profits of the railways. Almost every railway in the country has been bonused or subsidized by the people. This division of the Grand Trunk was substantially bonused. The district deserves all that is being asked for, and a full acknowledgement of the fairness of its claims, and corresponding action by the Railway Commissioners, is confidently anticipated.

**Messrs. Dickson and Clarry
Exonerated.**

The charge brought on March 11th, by Mr. Houghton Lennox, of South Simcoe, implying that there had been collusion, between Mr. L. F. Clarry, barrister, late of Hastings, and Mr. James

Dickson, P. L. S., government valuator of alleged drowned lands, with the knowledge of the government, was ventilated in the Public Accounts committee on April 1st. The charge in effect was that Mr. Clarry, while acting as solicitor for the claimants (mainly in the township of Asphodel) to compensate for damages from the raising of the water for canal purposes, was at the same time acting as legal agent of the government in the matter of verifying the land titles of persons to whom damages had been awarded, to the lands affected. It came out in the committee that Mr. Lennox had been very zealous in the matter, having spent several days in the vicinity of Hastings interviewing the residents and generally working up a case. He evidently felt that he had a big scandal up his sleeve. Mr. Sexsmith, in whose riding the alleged scandal took place, should be satisfied with the zeal displayed by Mr. Lennox. In the committee Mr. Clarry was first examined and told a plain, straightforward story, apparently not at all to the liking of Mr. Lennox, who seemed at times anxious to have the witness accept his views and versions of facts. Mr. Clarry's evidence, which was supported by the evidence of some half a dozen other witnesses from Asphodel for whom he had acted, showed that there was, as had been practically charged, no collusion between Clarry and Dickson, and that the former's arrangements with his clients, none of whom had any fault to find with the commission charges, had been open and above board, and with no attempt at concealment. It was proven that while Clarry had subsequently acted as agent for the Department of Justice through which payments to him were to be made, it was only after the awards for damages had been made and the relation of solicitor and client closed. Nor was it shown that the Department of Justice had any knowledge of identity of the agent, employed to verify titles, with the solicitor who had acted for claimants in respect of damages to lands. The hearing of the case was adjourned till Wednesday.

The report of Mr. H. W. Alward of the legal branch of the Railways and Canals Department, who was commissioned by the Minister to investigate the charges made by Mr. Lennox in the House before the Easter recess with reference to alleged collusion between Mr. L. F. Clarry, acting for the Justice Department, and Mr. James Dickson, acting for the Railways and Canals Department, in improperly assessing damages for lands flooded by the Trent Canal works was presented to Parliament on April 5th. Mr. Alward, after examining some seventeen witnesses, including land-owners, municipal assessors and other conversant with the conditions under which the claims for damages were adjudicated, finds that there was no collusion between Messrs. Dickson and Clarry, that there were no claims improperly paid, and that the interests of the Dominion were in every instance properly looked after. His report, based on the evidence of the parties in closest touch with the legal proceedings, exonerates both Messrs. Dickson and Clarry of any wrong-doing, and shows conclusively that both Department of Justice and the Department of Railways and Canals have nothing to defend in connection with the case which Mr. Lennox tried to make out.

Fenelon Falls Council.

Fenelon Falls April 12th, 1910.

Council met as regular meeting, all members present.

Minutes of two previous meetings read and approved.

McFarland—Shane—That the reve sign order for following accounts: Bell Telephone Co., account \$1.10; A. J. Gould, disinfecting and supplies \$2.30; Fenelon Falls Gazette, printing auditor's report, \$20.00; Geo. Jackett, drawing gravel, \$24.00; F. Jackett, drawing gravel, \$11.00; T. Scott, work \$2.25, balance on snowplowing, \$2.50; Jno. Dennie, digging pit, \$6.30; work, trees \$3.75; J. Jones, salary, \$35.00; Clerk, salary to March 31st, 1910.

Deputation from Board of Trade waited on Council in regard to train accommodation.

McFarland—Corbett—That the whole Council be a deputation to meet Railway Commission's representative at G. T. R. station tomorrow.—Carried.

Communication from Bank of B. N. A. for quarter ending Mar. 31, 1910, showing balance on hand at that date, \$1644.21.

Application from Hopkins & Hopkins for village solicitor, was received and laid on table.

A by-law to extend the time for the collection of taxes was read and passed.

McFarland—Corbett—That this council ask for tenders for painting corporation houses (for work only).—Carried.

Stanton—Corbett—That T. Scott's application for removing night soil be accepted, price \$320, Reeve and Clerk to have agreement prepared and signed.—Carried.

Corbett—Stanton—That this Council accept Mr. A. Fountain's offer for street watering for 1910 at same price as last year, \$1.00 for front st. and \$1.25 from Bond st. to Brook's Hotel.—Carried.

McFarland—Corbett—That the following property be returned to the County Treasurer for collection of taxes: DeCew & Son's 74c., Dan. Esson 93c.; J. W. Kennedy \$1.63; J. C. Fitzgerald \$15.73.—Carried.

Personal.

Dr. D. Gould is spending a few days in Lindsay this week.

Deputy Reeve McLean of Lindsay passed through town on Wednesday on a trip north.

Mr. Jas. Dickson, P. L. S., is at Peterborough on business.

Miss E. Lytle is visiting her aunt, Mrs. D. Gould.

Mr. A. Y. Hopkins of Kinmount was at the Falls on Wednesday on business.

Mr. W. McCaul of Donald is at the Falls.

Mr. Wm. McRea, of Mindon was in town on Monday.

Mrs. Stanton and her daughter, of Port Perry, are visiting Mrs. Stanton's son, Mr. J. H. Stanton, at the Falls.

"WAR WITH THE B. C. INDIANS."

Major Hay, D. O., will give his popular Lecture on the above subject, in the Salvation Army Hall, on April 18, 1910. Admission, 10 cents. See small bills.

LOST VALUABLE COLT.

Mr. John Begg, of Verulam, lost a fine Clydesdale colt on Friday morning. The animal was two years old, weighed 1250 lbs. and was valued at \$200. Acute indigestion was the cause of death.

NAVIGATION.

The steamer Kawartha was the first boat through the locks this season, being put through on Wednesday of last week, and made a trip up the lake on Wednesday of this week. The steamer Lake of Rosedale came down to the Chemical Co. wharf on Sunday.

SMOKESTACK UP.

The Standard Chemical Company's new smokestack was put up on Wednesday. It is 44 inches in diameter and 80 feet high. The retorts were overhauled while the smokestack was being got ready, and the mill will commence running in a day or two.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

Ven. Archdeacon Warren, of Peterborough, preached morning and evening and at St. Peter's, Verulam, in the afternoon, very able sermons. The solo by Mr. Racey Kilmer, who has an unusually fine tenor voice, was much enjoyed by the large congregation. At the adjourned vestry meeting on Tuesday evening the stipend of the Rev. W. H. A. French, the Rector, was raised \$100, in view of the prosperous condition of affairs generally in connection with the church.

CAN'T FIND HIM.

An item appeared in the Lakefield News last week and later in the Peterboro Examiner stating that the pacing horse "Herklan" had been sold by Mr. N. Nicholls to a gentleman at Fenelon Falls. None of the prominent horsemen in town know of anyone here or in the vicinity having bought a horse of this description lately.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

"An evening with the great hymn writers" was very pleasantly spent on Tuesday, in St. Andrew's Church lecture room. Rev. C. S. Lord gave short sketches of the writers of some of the finest hymns. Mrs. McArthur and Mrs. J. S. Northey contributed solos, Mr. S. McKendry an instrumental, and Mr. Wm. McArthur gave several gramophone selections. On Sunday morning the congregation highly appreciated the splendid singing of Mr. Racey Kilmer, of Seattle.

CHOSEN FRIENDS SOCIAL.

A very pleasant social evening was spent on Monday evening by the Chosen Friends and their guests in C. O. O. F. hall. The entertainment consisted of games and a programme of music and recitations, after which refreshments were served. Rev. W. H. A. French acted as chairman. The absence through illness of Mrs. W. T. Junkin, Chief Counsellor was regretted, and the Grand Organizer, Mr. William Campbell, missed his train connection and could not be present. Mr. J. T. Thompson Sr., with his new music box, was first on the programme, and played several popular airs. The following also took part.

Orchestra—Geo. Wilson, A. McGee, H. Copp, W. Wilson, J. Fountain, J. Welsh, Song—Della Deyman.
Recitation—Miss Ella Johnston;
Song—Rev. W. H. A. French;
Orchestra;
Song—Geo. Wilson;
Recitation—J. Fountain;
Song—Mrs. McArthur;
Recitation—Miss V. McKendry;
Song—Geo. Wilson;
Orchestra.

Powles' Corners.

(Correspondence of the Gazette.)

During the past few weeks we have been securing more evidence against the liquor traffic. The public have recently read of the murder and suicide near Guelph, which was caused by drink, which is a curse to humanity and to any civilized country, this tragedy is equal to the Bobcaygeon crime, which brought about Local Option.

The farmers had a chance for a breathing spell last Sunday, and the snow which came on Monday gave them a setback, but seeding will be a general thing the latter part of this week.

Housecleaning is going on in nearly every house. The satisfaction of getting the work done must certainly be a consolation.

The school reopened after the Easter holidays. The trustees have made considerable and important improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hewie and family left here last Wednesday for some point in Alberta. N. W. T. Mrs. Hewie has not been enjoying very good health and her physician advised her to take this trip.

It is behind the plough. The member for Victoria and Haliburton spends many precious and costly minutes and hours talking about the man behind the gun, something which is of no importance, and a great many farmers who support Sam have grave doubts in their minds as to the benefit they are receiving in return for their votes.

The Rev. A. Cooke of Fenelon Falls occupied the pulpit here last Sunday in the absence of the Pastor, Rev. W. J. N. Cragg.