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The Watchman-Warder

THURSDAY, MARCH 16th, 1899

DISTRICT NEWS.

VERULAM

A LYNX SHOT.—A good sized lynx was shot last Sunday morning on Mr. Thomas Ball's farm, lot 24, con. 3, of Verulam. It was seen crossing a beaver meadow and the dogs being set at it ran up a tree, where it remained while Mr. Ball's son Ernest went to the house for his gun, with which he induced it to descend.—Gazette.

BOBCAYGEON

LUMBER.—A large quantity of cull lumber has been drawn away this winter from the Little Bob yard, and the great avenues of lumber have been appreciably thinned. The prices were low and being well out, it came in for barns, sheds, fences, etc., and has given the farmers an opportunity to make useful improvements.

S. S. NO. 6 ELDON

SCHOOL REPORT.—Report of S. S. No. 6, Eldon, for month of February. Names arranged in order of merit. Fifth class—Neil Logan. Fourth class—Wilbert Foreman, Sadie Jamieson, Archie C. McMillan, Andy McKiv, Ez A. Argue, Thos. Thornbury, Dundas

straw in the neighborhood of Eden. If one can rely on appearances. There is not enough straw to bed the "fowl", and it has to be imported from east Oakwood. We think it was got on "trick".

KIRKFIELD

Special to the Watchman and Warder. A SUCCESS.—The concert on March 1st in aid of the public library was very successful. The attendance was good, and everyone taking part acquitted themselves creditably. There is a general desire to have it repeated.

S. S. NO. 14—MARIPOSA

Special to the Watchman and Warder. SCHOOL REPORT.—Jr. 4th class—Frank Rye, Wilmot Suggit, Arthur Haskill. Sr. 3rd class—Oda Hudgins, Ama Moffat, Beatrice Hobbs. Jr. 3rd class—Lila Sharpe, Wilbert Webster, Victor Suzzitt.

N. C. OPS

Special to the Watchman and Warder. A SERIOUS RUPTURE.—The treaty of peace which heretofore existed between an Arab and a Red man, who have lived in Collins' bush during the past winter, was terminated last week. The Red man between stutters roars by the blade of his jackknife and some fish hooks which he always carries, that the Arab is his open enemy henceforth. It would appear from statements made that the Red Arabian slighted his friend while driving to the river one day, owing to some disarrangement of Scapoor Bill's feathers and neck. They are two hot numbers, and would draw a large house if they ever come together.

IMPROVEMENTS.—Mr. John Connell of the G. T. R. staff purposes making some radical changes around his premises this coming spring, which will diffuse a racy radiance to property in Shawtown, and produce an air of elegance in his own surroundings. Subsequent to the departure of frosty weather, he will undertake the brick veneering of his residence and sundry other improvements. It is also whispered that honest John will also see that one of the bright stars in the constellation which has been illuminating his heart, will grace his fireside and guard him with her love before the return of another surly winter.

VALENTIA

Special to the Watchman and Warder. CHEESE FACTORY.—A fairly well attended public meeting was held in the C. O. F. hall on Tuesday evening. Mr. Wm. Hobbs officiated as chairman, and on calling the meeting to order, explained the business of the meeting. Messrs. Wm. Jordan, H. J. Lytle, Jos. Brown, W. Found and George Lytle addressed the meeting and set forth the benefits of a well conducted cheese factory for the whole community. Mr. Found at one time contemplated establishing a factory, but explained to the meeting that he thought it would be better to form a joint stock company than to undertake the project himself. The necessity for a factory was made very apparent when the local merchant, Mr. Wm. Suggit, offered to dispose of all the butter purchased by him for all the summer months, at thirteen cents per pound. A comparison with the average prices received for cheese may not be out of place right here. It is claimed that the quantity of milk necessary to make a pound of butter, will make two pounds of cheese. Now eight cents for cheese would not be a high price for the season, and a comparison will show wherein the difference lies in the values received for milk in that vicinity. It must not be forgotten that the merchant looks for a small margin of profit out of thirteen cents. Roughly computed, the butter producer loses about three cents in actual milk value on his pound of butter compared with cheese. The Watchman-Warder feels that if the Valentia farmers made a careful study of the question, they would quickly realize the importance of taking joint action to secure a factory in order to obtain a paying outlet for their surplus milk in the summer season. Mr. Suggit is taking an active interest in the proposed scheme, and we venture the opinion that he will be successful in carrying it through. Nearly \$250 was secured as stock in case the factory goes on.

BALSAM LAKE

Special to the Watchman and Warder. NOTES.—Everybody busy preparing for spring. Wood bees are general around here at present. Not much sickness; grip about all dying out. A PLEASANT PARTY.—A sleigh-load of about one dozen members of the C.L.S.C. society, drove out to the home of Mr. H. Jones of Eden to enjoy the evening with the members from Eden and Hartley. A very pleasant and profitable evening was spent. The society is improving wonderfully, having an average attendance of about thirty five members. After thanking Mr. and Mrs. Jones for the pleasant time spent, all returned home, hoping to meet again in the near future.

GOING TO BUILD.—Mr. Herb Rea of Lake Shore farm is rushing things at present, getting material on hand to build a fine barn with stone foundation this coming summer.

ICE.—A large quantity of ice has been taken from the lake this winter. The quality is excellent, about twenty-two inches of clear ice.

CHIT CHAT.—Certain Long Point young ladies seem to enjoy sleigh-riding on a bob-sleigh. Who got left the other night? Never mind she enjoyed the evening with some one else. Be on hand next time.

OAKWOOD

Special to the Watchman and Warder. A HOT TIME.—On Friday evening last, a crowd of well-wishers for Mr. and Mrs. Herb Webster proceeded in a body to the residence of Mr. William Webster, south of this village, to receive the newly married couple on the return from their honeymoon. The party was a large one in which not only the vicinity was represented, but also Lindsay and other surrounding places—a sufficient sign of the popularity of the new family. It is needless to say that a most enjoyable evening was spent, although perhaps, one liable to encourage dyspepsis.

AN ALARM.—On Thursday afternoon the village was aroused to a state of excitement, owing to the burning out of a chimney in the house of Mr. Woods. There was no one in the house at the time, and had it not been noticed a serious fire might have resulted.

CARNIVAL.—The carnival on Friday night although not a decided success, was all that could be expected from the fact that it was the third carnival of the season. Oakwood must be a thriving village to support three carnivals, when one is sufficient for Lindsay.

RECOVERED AND RECOVERING.—Miss Janet, who has been for some time confined to the house with a broken ankle; and the improvement of Maesa Weldon and Jackson, the diphtheria patients; and Mrs. Penrose, who has been ill for several weeks. No STRAW.—There is a scarcity of

INCREASE OF STOCK.—Mr. Robert Frise has a cow that bore twin heifer calves. As this is not a common affair it was thought of importance for the public to note.

PETERBORO

HORSES DROWNED.—Thursday afternoon, Mr. Smith of North Monaghan lost his valuable team of horses by drowning in the river. He had been to town during the day with a load of produce, and was proceeding home by way of the east side of the river, wishing to call for his daughter on the other side of the river on his way home. He made a sad mistake in selecting the place to cross. He should have gone much lower down. The current at the "Yankee Bonnet" is swift, and the ice there is the last to form and is never at any time safe. Lower down the river the ice is good. He had got about half way across when the team plunged through the ice. Though help was promptly at hand, it was impossible to get the horses out. They became entangled in the harness, and one horse getting on top of the other, drowned the latter, which in turn dragged down his mate. Mr. Smith fortunately escaped with his life.

BEAVERTON

INDUCTION.—The induction of D. W. Best into the pastorate of St. Andrew's church, Beaverton, which took place on Tuesday of last week, was an event of considerable moment to the people of Thorah, so many of whom are members of the congregation. At a meeting of the Presbytery of Lindsay held in the church in the morning Mr. Best was duly licensed. The induction ceremonies, which were of a very solemn character, took place in the afternoon, Rev. Mr. Reid of Scott, preaching a very able sermon, appropriate to the occasion. Rev. Mr. Mackenzie of Oakwood, addressed the congregation in an able manner, setting forth their duty to the pastor, and Rev. Mr. Frazer of Uxbridge, addressed the minister in a most eloquent discourse. The Rev. Dr. Watson and Rev. Mr. Macdonald of Beaverton, also spoke. In the evening an "At Home" was given in the basement of the church to welcome the new pastor, which was largely attended. A very pleasant evening was spent. Rev. Mr. Best is a pleasing speaker and a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston. We have no doubt he will find a large field for usefulness in this locality.

MUSKOKA

ROADS IMPROVING.—Muskoka roads must be improving. Mr. D. Sutherland of Huntsville, with his dog-team, went 63 miles the other day on one of his trips to and from the camps. While Mr. A. Ware took in 30 odd miles in a few hours on Wednesday afternoon.

ACCIDENT.—Another serious accident is reported from the Rathbun camp at 6x-Tongue Lake, near Dwight, by which a man named Macbally, met with considerable injury about the head and shoulders, from a falling tree. He was taken to the hospital, and it is thought he will recover. About a month ago a nephew of the injured man was killed at this camp.

SUPPOSED MURDERER.—A man who answers the description of one Leroy, who formerly lived in Sudbury or vicinity, and for whose arrest a reward of \$2,000 is offered, for a murder he is supposed to have committed some time ago in British Columbia, was in Sudbury last week, and Provincial Constable Gagne met him in the Russell House, and as he was about to arrest him another man, powerful ruffian, supposed to be a friend of Leroy, struck Gagne a blow which dazed him and both men escaped, leaving his cap behind him which Mr. Johns, the proprietor of the Russell House, took charge of.

BEXLEY

Special to the Watchman and Warder. COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Minutes of council meeting held in the township hall at Victoria Road, on March 1st, 1899. Members present: George T. McKague, reeve; William Peel, Robert Ferguson and James Rehill councillors. The minutes of the last meeting were read. Moved by Mr. Rehill, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that the minutes be received and adopted with the change suggested by Mr. Peter Finley, that road division No. 31 be done away with and be added to road division No. 19, and that William Waffle be pathmaster.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Peel, seconded by Mr. Rehill, that the meeting adjourn one hour for dinner.—Carried. Council resumed proceedings at one p. m. A letter from the deputation appointed by the mayors of the principle cities of the province, urging the municipalities of Ontario to appoint delegates to attend at the session of the Provincial Legislature with a view to bringing all possible pressure to bear on the House to amend the assessment account was presented to the council. Moved by Mr. Rehill, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that as there are no electric railways or telephone poles and wires in the municipality at present, and not likely to be for some time, that we appoint no delegates at present.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Rehill, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that the following amounts be paid: Rav. A. B. Chaffee, \$13.30 for damage done to his horse on Wilson's crossing; R. H. Pearce, \$1.40 for removing a tree off the road and repairing two bad places on base line.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Peel, seconded by Mr. Rehill, that Mr. Ferguson have Hickson's crossing repaired this spring as soon as the snow and frost go.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Peel, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that the auditor's report be received and adopted, and the auditors be paid \$3 each.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Peel, seconded by Mr. Rehill, that Mrs. R. Wilson be allowed a rebate of \$15.00, the full amount of her taxes.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Rehill, seconded by Mr. Peel, that this meeting adjourn to meet at Coboonk on the 27th day of May next, and to hold the court of revision.—Carried. ALFRED TAYLOR, clerk.

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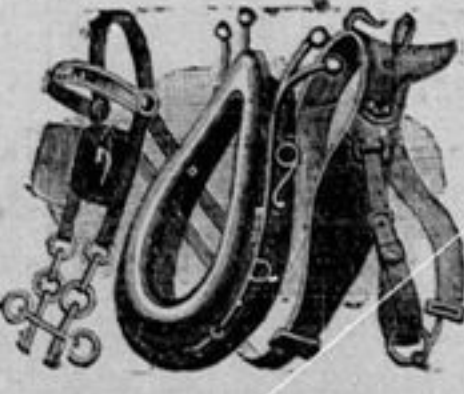
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