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GRAVITY CHEESE BOARD

HERE IS MONEY IN CHEESE

regular sale of the Victoria County Board was held in the council chamber on Monday last. Nineteen factories were present. In addition to the buyers, Messrs W. Flavell, J. P. O'Brien and Jas. Whitton, Mr. Peterboro was represented by Mr. O'Brien. Following are the factories:

116
25
86
105
70
60
125
96
105
24
60
110
165
130
56
154
30

BIDDING

the cheese was all boarded, President Robertson invited offers for selections. Mr. Wm. Flavell started the ball with an offer of 8c. Mr. Whitton offered 8 1/2c. Mr. Fitzgerald offered 8 1/4c. Mr. O'Brien offered 8 1/2c. Mr. Peterboro offered 8 1/4c. Mr. O'Brien offered 8 1/2c. Mr. Peterboro offered 8 1/4c.

Whitton then offered 8c for further cheese, and secured Cameron, Omenee, North Falls, North Verulam, Red Rock, Verulam and Janetville. Maple Leaf and Grove refused.

Flavell then offered 8c for balance of cheese, but upon totalling up the bids of unsold cheese, withdrew the bid as there was not sufficient cheese to meet the requirements.

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Whitton stated that the salesman who was selling the cheese, might be accepted less than 8c at the next sale. The board then moved that permission be granted to these factories to sell off the board.

The board then adjourned till July 10th, the understanding that the bidding would start sharp at 10:30 o'clock.

It was understood that the remaining factories sold for 8c, Mr. Flavell getting all the Little Britain, which went to Mr. O'Brien.

Inspector Day of Barrie has asked the council to request the Minister of Education to raise the age qualification of teachers to twenty-one years. He says that the majority of rural pupils are intrusted to the hands of boys and girls whose characters are immature as those of the pupils. Characters cannot be formed well while the children are too young to know properly the world means.

News of the Week

By the caving in of a gravel pit at Brampton, Joseph Troyer was killed on Thursday.

The Peace conference has confirmed the prohibition of the Dum-Dum or explosive bullet.

Messrs. John and W. F. Cowan of Oshawa have offered Ontario county \$5,000 cash and 45 acres of land to build a House of Refuge in Oshawa.

Dr. Park, the quarantine officer at Santiago, reports the existence at that port of fourteen cases of yellow fever and four deaths from the disease.

The Grey county council has defeated a motion to establish a house of industry, although the ratepayers voted in favor of it by a majority of nearly 1,500 last January.

Mr. D. A. Sherk, a Hamilton carriage salesman, died suddenly from an injury received in an apparently slight accident. He tripped while descending the stairs in his home, falling four steps. A blood-vessel burst in his brain.

Advices received from the Congo Free State states that the Khalifa has recruited 30,000 men and has crossed the White Nile below Khartoum, capturing the Island of Abbah, in that river. The island is about 160 miles up stream from Khartoum and is on a level with El Obeid, the centre of the territory now controlled by the Khalifa. The island has previously been threatened by him.

Dr. Charles A. McQueston, who was on the staff of General E. S. Otis, and who was health officer at Manila, has returned home to San Francisco, invalided by the climate. Captain McQueston is of the opinion that it will take from 100,000 to 150,000 soldiers to properly subdue and hold the islands. He also says that the Peace Commission was an absolute failure, and that its work from the start was without effect. He strongly supports the military government of the islands, except that he thinks more men will be necessary than has been estimated.

The case of H. Oaten, ex-clerk and treasurer of Gravenhurst, came up for final hearing at the quarter sessions in Bracebridge, on the 22nd inst. Mr. Oaten pleaded guilty to the charge of having defrauded the town, and was ably defended by Lawyer B.B. Osler of Toronto, who made an eloquent appeal for the clemency of the court. Largely signed petitions were presented from the citizens of Gravenhurst and Bracebridge, also asking that the sentence be made as light as possible. The judge pronouncing the sentence of three years imprisonment in Kingston penitentiary, said that he considered it a mild sentence for the crime.

Summerside, Prince Edward Island, was on Thursday the scene of a calamity which carried sorrow and weeping into three homes and involved the loss of four lives. The victims were four little girls, the eldest 11 years of age, the youngest 6 years, who were drowned within sight of their homes. There were five in the party, which had gone clam digging. The girls had wandered along the sand bars about the shore for several hours and before they noticed it the tide came in and surrounded them. They immediately started to wade ashore, but only one, Aggie Gallant, succeeded in reaching a place of safety. Before help could reach the spot all the others had perished.

12 o'clock Wednesday night a dastardly attempt was made by incendiaries to destroy the business portion of Kingsville. The fire was started with the aid of pine boxes at the rear of Dr. Andrew Wigle's and Alex. Burns' business places, which are the only two wood buildings on the street and in the centre of the block. For the second time this week, by hard work, the fire department saved the town. The only damage done was the scorching of the rear of three stores and the total destruction of an outbuilding containing fifty tons of ice. The town council have offered one thousand dollars reward for the conviction of the perpetrators. This makes the third incendiary fire in the last four weeks.

H. M. Whitney's great steel company has at length materialized, and work will be begun at Sydney, Cape Breton, as soon as Hon. Mr. Filding's bounty resolutions receive the sanction of Parliament. A meeting took place at Mont. real, on Thursday, when the following directors were chosen: H. M. Whitney, Boston, president; R. B. Angus, Montreal, vice-president; John S. McLennan, treasurer; B. F. Pearson, secretary; Sir William Van Horne, Hon. George A. Cox, Toronto; Hon. D. Mackean, Cape Breton; Robert McKay, S. Padget of England, Mr. Dwyer of Halifax and others to be chosen later on. The capital of the company is \$20,000,000, and

as the site has been purchased near Sydney, C.B., work will be begun at once.

A sneak-thief managed to get away with \$10,000 from the Metropolitan National Bank, Boston, on Thursday.

The government has invited tenders for a direct cold-storage service between Prince Edward Island and Great Britain.

The first train of the Imperial Limited, the C.P.R.'s new 100-hour trans-continental service, arrived at Vancouver and Montreal respectively, on time.

Fred Matthews, aged forty, a steam-driller, employed on the canal works at Cornwall, was killed on Thursday by an accidental fall of timber, which was dislodged by a passing engine.

Hon. Hugh John McDonald, leader of the opposition in the Manitoba legislature, expressed himself as favorable to prohibitory legislation for that province so far as it can legally be enacted, when interviewed on the subject in Montreal.

Last Thursday night a number of small boys, among whom was Douglas Smith, an eight-year-old son of Mr. Albert Smyth of 142 Portland-st., Toronto, were enjoying a free ride on a book and ladder wagon that was slowly returning from a run out to the corner of Queen and Lisgar-st., when Douglas in some way lost his grasp and fell under the wheels. He was picked up in an unconscious state and carried into Thompson's drug store, Queen and Bathurst-st., where it was found that the wheel had inflicted a large scalp wound that reached down his neck almost to the shoulders. Drs. McMahon and Hamilton were called in, and the boy was afterwards taken in the ambulance to his home. The family physician, Dr. Machell, was summoned, and the unfortunate lad's wounds were dressed. It is feared that he is injured internally, but unless complications arise it is thought that his recovery will be speedy.

Mrs. Lillian Atwood of Cranbrook, B.C., was instantly killed on Tuesday the 20th inst., by Harry Brant, a piano player, who immediately killed himself. The woman, who was young and handsome, formerly lived in Minneapolis, where her husband was engaged in business on Lake Calhoun. It was there where she met Brant, who owned a pleasure launch on the lake, and became infatuated with him. He left and went to Fernie, where he secured work as a musician, and she followed him. Two weeks ago they went to Cranbrook and rented rooms for house-keeping, and on Friday they quarrelled. He returned and soon after noon called on her. There was no quarrelling, he, on the contrary, seeming in the best of humor. Rising to go, he suddenly pulled his revolver and shot her three times, causing instant death. Turning, he walked out of the door, hesitated a moment, then went back into the house and fired the shot that ended his career.

On Tuesday of last week Harold P. Ford, 17 years of age, son of Mr. Henry Ford, Brookville, was upset from a canoe. After being in the water half an hour, he was seized with cramps, and would have been drowned had it not been for his presence of mind. Taking a long necktie which he wore, he tied it around his waist and to it fastened the ropes of a sail in the canoe. This kept him afloat. He shouted to a farmer and some boys on the shore without avail. Finally he drifted, in a terribly exhausted condition, down the American channel opposite Morris-town. He had then been two hours in the water. His cries attracted the attention of a lady passenger on a steamer pulling into Morris-town. She responded by waving her handkerchief. Ford saw her running to the captain, and he took fresh courage. It was not long before the steamer pulled up beside him. He was thrown a life preserver, and a few minutes later taken aboard and brought to Brookville, in a thoroughly exhausted condition. His life was saved.

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Verulam Council Proceedings

The council met as adjourned court of revision on Monday, at the council chamber, Bobcaygeon; Mr. Thos. Robertson in the chair. A few changes in names were made and a few added for manhood franchise, and the court was finally closed.

The council then went into regular session, the reeve, Jas. Akister in the chair.

Mr. Mitchell's fence was discussed, and instructions given the clerk.

Mr. Archie Murdoch presented his views regarding his fence, and it will come up again next meeting.

The solicitor having advised that Mr. J. H. Hunter had no claim for the road jog next his lot, and in any case was barred by statute of limitations, the council acted on the advice.

Mr. R. Mitchell obtained \$4 compensation for one sheep killed by a dog.

Mr. Jas. White had a jox that troubled him, but the council declined to remedy the trouble.

A petition being presented asking that no tax be placed on dogs this year, a by-law was passed accordingly, on motion of Messrs. Hetherington and Mann, though Messrs. Akister and Robertson dissented.

Jas. Thurston was allowed \$1 for an extra day's labor done last year, and the following accounts were passed:—

Jas. Graham, arrears of taxes.....\$5 85
Robt. Mitchell, one sheep..... 4 00
House of Aged, keep R. Lyle to June, 12 00
C. E. Stewart, printing etc..... 31 80
Jas. Thurston, stat. labor, '98..... 1 00
W. Wilson, plank on bridge..... 1 50
Alex. Dunseath, gravel and pay others..... 3 00
Alex. Dunseath, culvert, and pay others..... 15 00

On motion of Mr. Robertson, council adjourned to Monday, August 28th.

Machine Versus Hand Labor.

A discriminating writer persistently says that well-equipped farmers who have lands adapted to potato growing will grow them by the hundred acres and with profit, even though prices should be low, while those who cannot afford to compete in raising for the market with the one who plants and harvests with machines any more than the wheat grower who sows by hand and harvests with a cradle can compete with the grover who runs a feeder and a self-binder.

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