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FUR FACTS

..FOR FUR BUYERS..

Buy Furs From . . . Responsible Houses

There are almost as many different kinds and qualities of Furs as there are different kinds of People. Furs are not like Clothes, there are no two garments exactly alike, and for this reason, the price necessarily varies. It is therefore important to buy Furs directly from the Manufacturer and only from houses of unquestioned reputation for honorable dealings in whom you can place implicit confidence.

About Qualities

A skin to be graded No. 1 must be full prime winter caught. We usually look for the fullness or compactness of the Fur, the larger number of hairs to the square inch as the first essential of good quality; next in sequence of selection comes the character. Softness, texture and flexibility of the Fur; good dressing or tanning as well as dyeing are also essential to produce good garments. It is only after many years of experience that one may become conversant with their several properties and values, and is able to judge the same properly.

Concentration Leads to Success

Everything in Furs find representation in our line, nothing else. We devote time and energy to one business, manufacturing Furs and selling directly to the consumer at manufacturers' prices. The manifold advantages accruing from this are readily apparent. Our patrons are assured the benefit of first cost for superior qualities and exclusive styles, advantages which cannot be obtained in dealing with houses that handle everything in general and nothing in particular.

New Styles for Season 1902-1903 are now in stock. Janty Short Jackets, Smart Collarets, Comfortable Fur Scarfs, Warm Fur Lined Gantlets, Good Generous Muffs, Fur Inc Capes, Storm Collars etc.

Armstrong Bros

Manufacturing Furriers and Hatters, Etc. KENT-ST. LINDSAY

A Good Helpful List of Suggestions

PRESENTS FOR WOMAN

Ties, Fancy Collars, Waist Bags, Chatelaines, Rain Coats, Gift Umbrellas, Women's 23 inch Umbrella covered with Gloria Silk, steel rods, stylish handles in Pearl and Bone with Sterling Silver Mountings, Nicely Boxed Handkerchiefs. The assortments are so graded and the range of prices so varied that no matter what your wants are you will be able to supply them here. Prices from \$14 to \$3. Pure Linen Damask Table Linen, Table Napkins, Embroidery, Hemstitched and drawn worked Linens in Shams, Centre Pieces, Tray Cloths, Doilies, Tea Cloths, etc., Scarfs, Towels, Counterpanes, Lace Curtains.

FURS

Nothing is so well liked by the average women as a stylish piece of Fur. We have a vast quantity of inexpensive pieces such as Scarfs, Boas, Muffs, etc. Great display of

Men's Furnishings

Neckwear in the most up-to-date patterns, and finest materials, Fancy Suspenders, Mufflers, Gloves in Kid Mocha, Nappabuck in unlined, fleece-lined and silk-lined from 50c to \$2. If you are in doubt what to buy "him" for Xmas, buy a necktie. No matter how many ties a man has, one more is always welcome. Mufflers in reversible Oxfords and folded shawl varieties, all prices. Gift Umbrellas, 28 inch size, union silk covers, paragon frame, steel rods, handles of horn, natural wood, plain or trimmed.

Wishing all a Pleasant Christmas, and a very happy and prosperous New Year.

O'LOUGHLIN & McINTYRE

Cash and One Price

KENT-ST. LINDSAY

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

We thank our many customers for their liberal patronage of the past year.

Wishing you one and all every prosperity and happiness, We are,

Yours to command
E. GREGORY,
Corner Drug Store, Lindsay

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

CAMBRAJ
The trustees of the Methodist church, having recently purchased the late Mrs. Berkeley's fine residence for a parsonage, disposed of the old parsonage on Monday evening last, by public auction. Quite a number were present, and the bidding was quite lively. Mr. F. Chambers was the purchaser at \$505. Mr. T. R. James officiated as auctioneer, and the trustees were delighted with the way in which he conducted the sale and the price realized.

S. S. No. 5 FENELON
School report for Dec. Names arranged in order of merit: Class 5—Flornie Moynes. Class 4—John Murchison. Sr. 3rd class—Herbie Worsley, May Murchison, Sidney Moynes, Willie McNiven, Cressie Moynes, Leta Cooper. Jr. 3rd class—Flornie McNivan, Ethel McGregor. Sr. 2nd class—Willie Moynes, Morley Moynes, Walter Cuney. Jr. 2nd class—Daisy Pearson, Stanley McNovan, Carl Worsley. Sr. pt. 2nd—Rollie Moynes, Wilbert Worsley. Jr. part 2nd—Zella McNivan, Gertrude Moynes, Mildred Pearson, Elva Worsley.

OMEEMEE
The health of the village excellent; no contagious diseases.

The sudden and unexpected death of Mrs. Boates, wife of Robt. Boates, reeve of Emily, cast quite a gloom over the township. The funeral was very largely attended on Saturday last by many sorrowing friends, who were intimate with the deceased. She was a daughter of D. McQuay's, and was held in high esteem by all. James Nugent, who lives one mile west of the village, was suddenly called away on Thursday last at the advanced age of 83. He lived with his son, and was scarcely over a day sick up to his death. The deceased was remarkably quiet, inoffensive man, a liberal in politics, and a consistent life-long member of the Methodist church. The funeral took place last Saturday to Bethany cemetery.

The services on Sunday were bright and cheerful, and the music and addresses appropriate for the occasion.

The closing exercises of our high school were very interesting and profitable on last Friday. Consisting of music, debates, dialogues and recitations, reflecting great credit on the participants.

The Presbyterian tea and concert New Years night promises to be a most sociable affair, and affords a nice opportunity for sleighing parties from Lindsay and other outside places to resume old friendships. There will be ample accommodation for all. Miss Gross, vocalist, of Lindsay, is one of the expected stars.

There has been a lot of fine stock shipped from this station lately.

A large number of holiday visitors and students from Toronto and other places have already arrived.

Visitors to Lindsay last week speak very highly of the fine show of Christmas goods and novelties and the low prices asked.

Amongst the visitors home from Manitoba after an absence of years are Thomas Lowes, Robt. Lytle, Wm. Race, Geo. Matchett, Ed. Tully and Bert Ford, all of whom have done well and the last two came back to secure Ontario helpmates, which they accomplished. The village is free of contagious disease. Our doctors are watching very closely against any diseases of contagious nature.

Dr. Cornwall is able to be up again. Also Mr. Thos. Stephenson, sr., who was laid up with a bad cold.

The annual meeting of the Omeeme cheese factory was held on Dec. 4th. Owing to other events on the same day many were unable to attend, so another meeting will be held in the near future. During the year 1,415,648 pounds of milk were received, and 133,094 pounds or 66½ tons of cheese were made. The gross value of the cheese was \$13,199.61. The patrons paid \$14.70 expenses and their net value of the cheese was \$10,532.70. The number of pounds of milk required to make a pound of cheese was 10.6, and the price of milk to the patrons per cwt. was \$74.38. The increase over last season's make was in cheese, 12 tons; in gross value, \$3,169.39; in net value, \$2,702.78; in price per cwt., \$7.58. A full attendance is desired at the next meeting as very important business is to be discussed.

JUDGE DEAN'S REPORT ON THE CHALMERS CASE

The Text of His Honor's Report to Council, as it Refers to the Street Commissioner

The finding of His Honor Judge Dean on the Chalmers case was read to council at its last meeting in 1902. Of the charges against the commissioner the report said:

1. I find that said town commissioner prepared specifications for the building of granolithic walks; that the council advertised for tenders for building a number of such walks next summer under said specifications, and that a Mr. Coombs and another each tendered for the building of the same; that the Board of Works referred said tenders to said town commissioner for his report, and that he examined them and reported to the council that Mr. Coombs tender was the lower; that before the said tenders were put in, the town commissioner said Mr. Coombs that he, sioner had arranged and agreed the said commissioner, would, in case Mr. Coombs secured the contract, join him in carrying out the said contract, and would be his partner in the same, and had also arranged with Mr. Coombs that he would, after such contract was duly signed and executed, resign his office of town commissioner before they jointly entered upon the work of carrying out such contract.

There is no evidence or admission before me that the town commissioner intended to in any way wrong the town or make more than a reasonable profit out of said contract if it had been entered into with Mr. Coombs, but it is a proceeding so manifestly improper that no court could allow it to stand. The town commissioner wisely resigned, and if he had not done so I should have felt it my duty to

recommend his dismissal by the council.

2. It appeared that two barrels of cement, such as is used in making granolithic walks, had been improperly charged to the town; that the town commissioner had certified to the account and the town had paid it, but after a careful and thorough examination it was proven that this error was caused by inadvertence or mistake on the part of a clerk in the office of the firm from whom the cement was got, and that the commissioner had done nothing wrong in this particular.

At this point in the investigation, counsel for the town commissioner said, "If there is any property of the town that he (the commissioner) has used we want to know it, and we want to have it investigated, because that is a charge that goes to his character of honesty." No other charge of that nature was made by any one.

3. As to the charges that said commissioner had not given his whole time and attention to the service of the town, I do not find that this is established by the evidence and admissions before me. The only instance attempted to be so established was in the matter of superintending the hospital grounds, which he did by permission of the council.

4. It was asserted, but not proved by the said evidence and admissions, that the said commissioner had been engaged in outside contracts with other parties. If he had been engaged in such contracts without the explicit permission of the council, it would have been a grave breach of duty.

Some Town Matters Discussed

Editor Watchman-Warder.

Sir,—Having failed this season to induce the council or commissioner to build a sidewalk on George-st., Jack Frost came along and kindly volunteered to make one free of cost, providing I could induce the commissioner to induce the man with the snow plow to keep it free of snow. It is funny how the affairs of the town are run. The C. T. H. catches, as it were, the aldermen by the throat, and demands of them to close three streets and also to give them half of another. Well, gentlemen, close these streets and we poor property-owners and tenants are enclosed like rats in a trap. What of that? We are only workmen, sons of the toil, white trash made to be kicked about at the pleasure of rich men and Sunday-breaking railroad companies. They may boldly say "What is your inconvenience to us?" You may go round by Lindsay street, run the risk of being downed by the ever-passing train or blockaded by a shunting train and bombarded by coal smoke and ashes. Well, we will have something to say ament this on election day.

Again the council is forced to ask us to vote \$200 for the purpose of purchasing a lot on which to erect a magnificent building as a public library. What do we want of any better library than we have got? The library at present is not a workingman's library; it is directed and supported for a certain class, namely school teachers and swell young women and men who can afford to spend time reading science and fiction—particularly the latter. The poor man or his family cannot afford time, nor do they use the library although its support partly comes from their taxes. This \$2000 scheme will be voted down with a vengeance.

Again a bylaw is submitted to the people for \$40,000 for the purpose of mending and making the leading roads. Where are the leading roads? In the east King-st is one; in the south Lindsay-st is one; in the west the upper part of Kent-st is another—three leading roads which will cost \$40,000, made good to rush country people into the muddy streets of Lindsay; while the people of the town living on other streets may put up with mud ad infinitum. Mr. Editor, I and others think if the council was to submit a money by-law for at least \$100,000 to make good all streets and sidewalks in the town to cover at least five or six years in construction, thus giving laboring men a chance of employment, it would receive the appropriation of the whole town, be endorsed by a large majority vote, but as it is the five ciphers will be defeated or I am a false prophet.

We are paying a commissioner large wages. Tom O'Neil was foreman in years past, we had no commissioner then. He made better roads than we have had since. Why? Because Tom was the best man in the county at road-making. Why pay large wages to an outsider when you can get a man in our own town at ordinary wages? If necessary to have a commissioner get a homebred one. We have commissioners ad nauseam, police, waterworks, Board of Trade, Health, and how many more I don't know, all of whom are dictating to the council and costing lots of town money—none of them are commissioners for pleasure. We have a town doctor who can be safely abolished, as we have a hospital; We have a

town solicitor who makes laws and lots of town money—none of them are commissioners for pleasure. We have a town doctor who can be safely abolished, as we have a hospital. Why all those commissioners when we are supposed to have seven able men to run the town? I tell you, sir, there are but two good men out of the seven and one of them is a young man forsooth, and his name is Jack O'Reilly who has proved himself a good councillor, honest and square. Jack, we will support you in our section and you will go in sure. The other is a doctor whom the council is down on and won't permit him to bring in a motion; he will get a chance to physic them yet.

Now a council of a small town ought to be capable of doing the work themselves, with the assistance of clerks. If not, they are not proper fit councillors, and the sooner they are replaced by better men the better. If we can't procure good men and true, let us, as a final resort, return a council of women, who I am certain won't be dictated to by outsiders. A change will soon have to take place, else this otherwise prosperous town will become bankrupt.

In conclusion let me tell you of a town in Yanketown, no matter where. Their council ran the town into debt until bankruptcy stared it in the face. What did my crude Yankee do? Just turned mayor and council out and failed to elect others, repudiated their debt and allowed the creditors to take action. When they did so their was no official to receive the writ. Then they ran the town on a local plan. Whenever repairs were necessary a subscription was taken in the locality. If this plan is carried out in our town, why I'll just get my sidewalk next spring as I will have to build at my own cost. Yours truly, ROBT. HUDSON, Lindsay, Dec. 26th.

MILLERSMITH-NORTH EMILY
The home of Mr. J. F. Kennedy was gladdened on Saturday, 13th inst., by the return of their son Matt, by the return of their son Matt, when his daughter Florence was united in marriage to Mr. James N. Moffatt of Duluth, a former resident of Valentia. The Rev. Mr. McKinnon performed the ceremony. The happy couple left for a short visit with Mrs. Moffatt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moffatt of Valentia. They left on Saturday last for Vancouver, B. C., where they will reside in the future.

Mr. Thos. Kennedy of Manitoba is the guest of his many relations and friends in this section. He has been in the west for nearly twenty years and speaks in the highest terms of the prairie province.

VALENTIA
A pleasant home wedding took place at the residence of Robt. Taylor of Elder Mills, York county, when his daughter Florence was united in marriage to Mr. James N. Moffatt of Duluth, a former resident of Valentia. The Rev. Mr. McKinnon performed the ceremony. The happy couple left for a short visit with Mrs. Moffatt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moffatt of Valentia. They left on Saturday last for Vancouver, B. C., where they will reside in the future.

TWICE TOLD TALES

News of the World Condensed into Brief Paragraphs

(The humorous items in this column are from the Toronto Star.)

—Two firemen were killed in a fire which destroyed the coopeage plant of Arbuttle, New York, on Christmas morning.

—Throw physic to the dogs said Shakespeare, but your modern burglar knows better. He throws the leg of a turkey and plunders the place in safety.

—New York customs officials found \$10,000 worth of smuggled tobacco hidden in the coal bunkers of a steamer from Antwerp.

—The first attempt to lynch a negro murderer at Pittsburgh, Kan., having failed, the mob cut his throat and then hanged him.

—The Emir of Kano has been manifesting an unfriendly disposition and an expedition will be sent against him. This, of course, will make him feel friendly at once.

—Mrs. Louisa Greshow, aged 70 years died at Lyons, N.Y., the result of a cat bite which was received two months ago.

—Great quantities of coal that had sunk into the lake at Duluth by the collapse of a wharf are being recovered by dredging.

—After all why all this interest in the circumstance that two men walked across the bay on the ice this week. Now if they had walked across the water!

—The announcement was made at Philadelphia that the directors of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company had arranged a loan of \$3,600,000.

—Filipinos are raising a fund to help the prosecution of the American soldiers who killed Father Augustin, a priest, by the "water cure."

—William Schopper, aged 18, and killed at a railroad crossing near East Aurora, N. Y., their carriage being struck by an engine.

—A Chicago policeman, Patrick Mahoney, has been found guilty of assisting burglars to steal \$10,000 worth of jewelry from a shop, by standing guard to screen them.

—A Chicago story says that a billion-dollar company, in which J. D. Rockefeller will have \$300,000,000 is being formed to buy out the gas companies in the leading cities of Europe.

—The H. C. Frick Coke company, one of the branches of the United States Steel Corporation, has raised the salary and pay rolls amounting to 20,000 men and adding \$1,600,000 a year to its pay sheets.

—"Let not thy right hand know what thy left hand doeth" used to be good enough advice, but nowadays even that won't keep a secret. Some of the other hands are sure to get on to it.

—In a head-on collision at full speed near Battle Creek, Mich., on Christmas night on the Grand Trunk Railway, Engineer James Keown and fireman Theodoros Scholabatis of train No. 1122 were instantly killed, and Engineer Brown and Fireman Burkhardt of train No. 911 were fatally injured.

—William Waldorf Astor gave \$250,000 to a children's hospital in London.

—Two schooners and fourteen men are missing off the coast of Newfoundland as a result of the recent gales.

—Italian warships will assist the disembarkation in Italian Somaliland of British troops who are to operate against the Mad Mullah.

—The crew of the schooner Charybdis, which bombarded Puerto Caballo, Venezuela, include eighty men of the Newfoundland Naval Reserve.

—John Oliver, prosperous English ironmaster, who won a capital prize of \$50,000 in a Madrid lottery, distributed the money among his employees.

—Sir William H. Preece, an eminent English engineer, has added his opinion to the of-repeated belief that wireless telegraphy will not supplant cables.

—The northern part of England has been swept by a severe gale causing considerable damage to shipping and waterfront property on the Clyde and Tyne.

—Some ingenious individual having invented a patent control for balky horses, we are induced to wonder why some genius doesn't devise some effective snaffle bit for unwelcome municipal candidates.

—The British Admiralty has decided to introduce radical changes in the training and educational system of the navy, whereby uniform changes will be instituted for cadets.

—In consequence of the failure of the baking firm of J. and J. W. Pease of Darlington, whose liabilities are estimated at £500,000, six country estates will be sold at auction on Friday.

—A deputation is to be sent to America shortly by the London County Council to investigate the building arrangements of the larger cities with a view to changing London's building methods.

—A Marconigram sent across the Atlantic to the court of Italy has been received in Cornwall by operators who know nothing of the Italian language, which shows the accuracy with which messages may be transmitted.

—They have named a Cape locomotive after De Wet, but it is to be hoped the engine doesn't emulate its namesake's feats in the train-wrecking line.

—Harland & Wolff and Workman, Clarke & Co., the two great ship-building firms of Belfast, Ireland, have surpassed this year the output of Scotch and English firms by about ten thousand tons, with an output of 158,500 tons.