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### Local Option By-Law at Beaverton

Following is the report of the case of Henry Sturmer, of Beaverton, to quash the local option by-law before Justice Middleton:

Judgment: There were 169 votes cast in favor of the by-law and 111 against, so that 169 (167) votes were necessary to give the statutory majority, and it is claimed that the by-law should be quashed, if it can be shown that three votes were improperly cast. The judges of the Court of Appeal "concurring in the result" in Ellis v. Renfrew used that expression advisedly, signifying that they agree in dismissing the appeal because the appellant had not successfully attacked a sufficient number of votes and that they did not intend to express concurrence in the view that even nine votes had been well impeached and that they did not determine this question. This leaves the Schumacher decision binding upon me, and the clerk's vote is allowed. Tears and Madril's votes are good and McArthur's vote is bad, he having moved permanently from the municipality before the election. I also hold that Arthur Jones and Ann McRae had the right to vote. As to Ann McRae's vote the deponents are acting improperly when as here they violate their oath of secrecy and disclose what took place. As to McGaskill's vote the clerk acted quite properly in putting the ballot, by accident placed in the wrong box, in the right one without opening it or disclosing how marked, and this cannot void the election. There is no foundation for the charge that secrecy was violated at polling subdivision No. 2. In the result the attack fails and is dismissed with costs.

I have not to consider the question whether in the event of my finding that there were votes enough improperly cast to possibly affect the result, I should try to ascertain how these votes were cast. This would be an extension of the West Lorne case requiring very careful consideration. The court has power to quash a by-law for illegality. Illegality is shown when it appears that the by-law was passed upon the vote not of qualified voters, but of the qualified voters plus certain persons having qualification. In order to ascertain whether those affected the result the number of bad votes is compared with the majority. Must the court then quash, or can

it inquire into the facts and ascertain how the bad ballots were marked? Voters alone are protected and not the man who has no right to vote. Some day this question must be dealt with. It does not seem right that the will of the duly qualified electors should be defeated by the action of one who had no right to vote and who voted against the by-law. This may be the result if the court finds itself so impotent as to be compelled in effect to give still greater weight to the vote by deducting it from those cast in favor of the by-law. In this way the bad vote is really counted twice — once on the actual count of the ballot paper and again on the motion to quash.

### HYMENEAL.

PATTEN—HETHERINGTON

A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday afternoon, April 26, at Pine Grove, Verulam township, the residence of Mr. William Hetherington, when his daughter, Miss Bertha Pearl, was united in marriage to Mr. Thomas Patten, of the same township, Rev. C. S. Lord, B. D., of Fenelon Falls, was the officiating clergyman. The wedding march was played by Miss M. Patten, while the bridal party took their places on the lawn, where the ceremony was conducted. The bride, who was given away by her father, was prettily gowned in white silk, and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Miss Annie Maud Patten, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid, in a gown of rajah and paisley silk, and carried pink carnations. Over seventy guests were present, including the aged grandparents of the bride, both looking hale and hearty despite their fifty-five years of wedded life. Dr. Mason, M.P.P., Mrs. Mason and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brandon, of Fenelon Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Lamb, of Verulam, Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Flett, of Bury's Green, and Mr. and Miss Degg, of Lindsay, were among the invited guests. After the ceremony a sumptuous repast was served in the dining room, which was decorated with pink and white carnations, amilax and white ribbons. The presents were numerous and beautiful, testifying to the popularity of the young couple among their friends.

MANSON—In Lutterworth township, on Monday, April 24, 1911, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Manson, a daughter.

### OPEN LETTER TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is just three years since the writer took over the management of this paper and the anniversary prompts a letter to you dealing with a matter which is of interest to both.

A great deal is heard nowadays about the "high cost of living" and we have to admit that the selling price of many of the necessities of life has doubled and, in some instances, trebled during the past 20 years. Introduction of labor-saving machinery has in many cases made it possible to keep the price at its old level but these instances are rarely met with.

The home newspaper has long since been accorded a place among the necessary list by those desiring to keep abreast with the times. The newspaper of to-day is vastly different from that published 20 years ago. Labor-saving machinery and liberal patronage received from the advertiser have made it possible to reverse the order of things and the subscriber to-day receives a much better article at the old price.

The writer appreciates the loyal patronage of residents of this district, some of whom are in faraway parts. It has been our constant aim during the three years just ended to serve up the news of the vicinity and world at large in such a manner as to meet with the approval of our readers. That we have succeeded is shown by the splendid list of subscribers. To publish such a paper as The Watchman-Warder in these days of high wages is quite a financial undertaking. As an instance of how the wage bill has increased it might be mentioned that 20 years ago but \$40 was needed to pay the staff on Saturday night, while to-day more than four times that amount is required for the same purpose.

Many subscribers through thoughtlessness neglect to pay their subscriptions promptly. The result of this is that several thousands of dollars are outstanding. One, two or three dollars represents a small item to the individual but when one considers that The Watchman-Warder has 3,359 names on its lists it is easy to understand what a serious matter subscription arrears become to the publisher.

I have tried to place this matter in a fair manner before subscribers and if I have succeeded you will, I feel sure, set the account right. A glance at the label on this paper will show the date to which your subscription is paid. For the convenience of subscribers an addressed envelope and blank is enclosed with this paper. Subscribers are asked to fill this out and enclose postal note or money order sufficient to pay the arrears and the present year. Of course, if you are not in arrears, this letter does not apply to you and the envelope and blank can go in the waste-paper basket.

And now, dear subscriber, for the response.

Yours faithfully,

Lindsay, May 4, 1911.

### Chauffeur Charged with Killing Edward Jacobs

Toronto, April 27.—In the case of manslaughter standing against Herbert McLetchie, chauffeur, in an effort to clear up the mystery surrounding the accident which ended in the death of Edward Jacobs (formerly of Lindsay), on March 3rd, T. C. Robinette, defence counsel, pleaded not guilty in the Police Court this morning.

The investigation of the prosecution was held before Magistrate Kingsford on the charge that McLetchie had been responsible for the death of the middle-aged man, the contention being that he was the man in charge of the auto on the night in question. The defendant was committed for trial, the strongest evidence against him being the broken oil cup picked up in the locality, and which experts stated belonged to the car McLetchie generally drove.

A plan of the scene of the accident at the corner of Bloor and Clifton-sts., as prepared by Detective Mitchell, was submitted. The facts were recalled by Crown Attorney Wilness.

Corley calling Mr. Wm. Pettie as a MR. PETTIE'S EVIDENCE.

"It was about 11 o'clock at night," stated Mr. Pettie. "I saw a machine come around the corner very quickly. Mr. Jacobs was riding along Bloor-st. close to the curb and the machine was coming towards me. I couldn't see just what happened, but the machine gave a lurch and Mr. Jacobs disappeared. The auto never came to a full stop, nobody got out, and when I jumped out on the street, to wave my hands and stop them, they came so fast I had to get out of the way."

Mr. McLetchie in the dock was asked to put on his cap; he was already wearing a heavy brown ulster.

"The driver was wearing a yellowish coat," said Mr. Pettie, "but I couldn't say that was the man. It looks something like him."

### History of May Day

May Day is not celebrated in any extent in Canada, but is in other countries.

May Day came into existence through a resolution which was adopted at the International Working-man's Congress, held in the year 1889 and afterwards at the Brussels congress 1891, Zurich 1893, London 1896, Paris 1900 and Amsterdam 1904.

The resolution calls upon the workers of the world to unite in celebrating the 1st day of May as a holiday, and further that henceforth they shall do their utmost to establish a universal eight hour work day.

May Day is typical in most countries, as being the dawn of brighter and better times, or in other words of the glorious summer about to arrive and the end of the cold winter just finished.

The day was well chosen by our comrades in Paris on which the proletariat of the world should express their joy at the signs of decay, already so pronounced in the present abominable wage slave system and the ushering in of a new era when all shall be free from exploitation and the evils that are now so prevalent in our body politic. This holiday is not generally understood by the proletariat of Canada, England and the United States, on account of the backwardness of the class-conscious Socialist movement in these countries, but wherever the workers do comprehend its meaning their enthusiasm for it knows no bounds.

May Day is celebrated differently according to place and conditions. For instance, should there be serious labor troubles, great strikes are often commenced, but should there be no labor trouble our German comrades usually spend the day at a picnic or in one of their favorite concert gardens. In France where most of the workers celebrate this holiday, some take advantage of it to have a day's rest; others to visit some favorite place, theatre, or lecture hall.

"But many cars pass along there," contended Mr. Robinette, "any of them might have dropped it."

Detective Mitchell replied by stating that he had taken the bolt from the car in the presence of a witness that he had passed the two pieces over to an expert, and the answer was that they matched.

McLetchie admitted breaking of an oilcup in Barris last summer, contended Mitchell.

Mr. W. H. Blanford, motor expert, was called in corroboration of the detective's account. He was one of the gentlemen who had examined the two pieces, and expressed himself as positive that they had at one time been joined. Identical opinion along this line was given by Mr. Duncan Grant. On the strength of these statements, McLetchie was committed for trial.

### Wedded Peterboro Groom Now Wants Divorce

Mrs. Ethel Croker-Breen, youngest daughter of the former Tammany chief, Richard Croker, has started suit in Hudson county, New Jersey, for annulment of her marriage to John J. Breen, the Durham groom whom she married April 28, 1910, after having spurned an English nobleman and an Italian prince.

Search for Mrs. Breen revealed the fact that she is now living in Paris with her sister, the Duchess San Martino, who was Miss Florence Croker. They have a fine home at No. 24, Champs Elysee.

Breen, who has been in charge of the stable of Hon. J. R. Stratton, M.P., at Peterboro, Ont., has visited New York twice within three weeks, the final visit taking place the day before that on which Richard Croker sailed for home in Ireland.

Confirmation of the report that the action had been started came from O'Neill Selig, a friend of young Breen. At first he demurred to answering questions, but finally said: "John J. Breen, who has been my friend for years, was in town, but left last Tuesday, the day before Richard Croker sailed. Breen came down here to negotiate for the sale of the horse Midget. He was here only one day. Although he planned to remain longer, he received a telegram ordering him at once to Peterboro."

"I understand the action has been started by the Croker family."

"This was a surprise to Breen. Last fall he was given assurances that his wife was to join him in

### Scorchers" Should Be Fined-Dangerous Speeding

The motor "scorchers," after a winter of irritating hibernation, are again coming into their own. The roads about the country are rapidly improving, and as a result of the last few days' traffic, the tire-damaging humps have been worn off sufficiently to permit rides of any length the driver cares to undertake.

The "going" of course on the average road is still rather rough when the motorist is compelled to give half the thoroughfare to another. A further difficulty is that some residents of the rural districts take a peculiar delight in holding the centre of the road. Autoists, with the exception of a few irresponsible, abide by the rules of the road. Many people of the rural districts also conduct themselves in a perfectly agreeable manner, but there are a few whose actions result in many accidents.

There is plenty of room for all on every highway, if common courtesy is displayed by drivers of motor cars and horses. Every driver on approaching a nervous horse, especially in the charge of women, should slow down to a walk, or if necessary draw to one side of the road and "stall" his motor. It will be found that frightened horses will invariably quiet down when spoken to reassuringly by some occupant of the machine.

On the other hand, farmers on being signalled by a motorist of his desire to pass from the rear, should draw to the right side, allowing the autoist to pass on the left side of the road. Each, of course, should pass to the right when running in opposite directions.

The statutes relating to the use of highways provide a penalty for any person impeding the progress of another by refusing to give half of the road, and should any person care to bring this matter into court, an example would be found in many cases. This is an offence which constitutes a great difficulty in securing a conviction.

These rules of the road are especially important in the early part of the season when the roads are in bad condition, and accidents may result from negligence.

### Week's Visitors at Dongola

Dongola, April 29.—Mr. G. E. Broderick, inspector of public schools in this township visited our school on Wednesday.

During Easter week new blinds were purchased for our school, which is a great improvement, as the old ones were pretty badly worn.

Mr. E. Mark, of Fenelon Falls, agent for the Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Co., was in this place in that capacity on Friday.

On Wednesday, April 26th, Lena Gertrude Davis, youngest daughter of John L. Davis, our genial postmaster, and Charles Percival O'Brien also of this place, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by the Rev. C. S. Lord at Fenelon Falls, Ont. Their many friends wish them a long and happy married life.

Miss Ina O'Brien and Mr. Willie Demore were visitors at Fenelon Falls on Wednesday.

Messrs. George and Arthur Barkwell, Louis Lee and Robert O'Brien, went to Minden on Wednesday, and from there to the Hull River Lumber Co.'s drive.

A number of the young people fixed the school bell on Tuesday evening, and now its merry peals are heard several times every day.

Mr. Dale Bacon and Mr. Hillion were at Mr. Davis' on Saturday.

### PROTEST FROM METHODISM

Million Signatures Desired Against The Decree

Montreal, May 1.—It is announced that all the Methodist conferences in the Dominion will be asked to pass upon the resolution adopted by the general conference committee of the Methodist Church of Canada, denouncing the "No Temper" decree.

A uniform petition is in course of preparation, which will be submitted to every Anglican and Presbyterian Synod and Methodist Conference, and to Baptist and Congregational general meetings, with the purpose of having it forwarded to every individual Protestant church in Canada.

At least one million signatures are expected, and these will be sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier with the request that he bring in legislation which will effectively prevent the operation of the decree in Canada.

Eminent legal authorities who have been consulted, give it as their opinion that the canon law is part of the civil law of Quebec, so that the judge was forced to act as he did in the case of the Hebert marriage.

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