

The Balance of the Year!



Not many days left, but they will be days of rare opportunity at ROBINSON & EWART'S for anything good in Boots, Shoes and Rubbers. EVERY DAY IS BARGAIN DAY AT ROBINSON & EWART'S. On account of the great strike in the boot and shoe trade, by which some thirty of the large manufacturing establishments have been closed for nearly two months, there is and has been a decided scarcity in many lines, but notwithstanding this fact our stock is complete in every department. The prices are low and the goods are Good. We don't press you to buy. QUALITY SELLS.



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Men's Long Felt Boots, extra quality Felt, wide Straps up Side, Felt will not break, only 1.90	A limited quantity of Men's Fine Rubber Long Boots Dull Finish or Bright Finish, regular price \$3.25, our price 2.50	Boys' Tan Grain Hockey Bals, sizes 1 to 5, for \$1.50	Women's Fine Rubbers, high grade goods, prices 30c., 35c., 40c. and 50c. Wool lined goods at 50c. and 60c.
		Youths' (11, 12 and 13) Buff Lace Boots, Grain Tops, solid soles .95	Women's Felt House Slippers at 20c.
		Boys' Tan Grain Lace Boots, sizes 1 to 5, solid soles and insoles, only 1.25	Misses' and Children's of same 15c.

Special discount on TRUNKS and VALISES. Don't fail to call on us.

ROBINSON & EWART, Kent-st., Lindsay

Fenelon Council

Council met on Dec. 15th as per statute, all the members present. The minutes of last meeting read and adopted on motion of Messrs. Palmer and Dewel.

A communication from H. Reazin re road work of 1898-9 it being charged and paid in the taxes of those years and performed in 1900. A refund of the amount paid was asked for. The request was laid on the table, as also was that of Robt. Jackett for remuneration for water tank privileges at Fenelon Falls.

It was moved by Mr. Dewel and seconded by Mr. Webster, that Wm. Potlock receive \$7.50 for repairs to road on qr. line between lots 20 and 21, con 5.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Palmer that Jno. Curria receive \$7 for culvert at Kenner's Creek, R. C. Webster, commissioner.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Webster and seconded by Mr. Dewel, that the taxes charged against centre part 15 in 9th con. be assessed to Albert instead of Lewis Robe.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Webster, that a by-law be now introduced and read a first time providing for the holding of the annual elections for 1901.—Carried. By-law passed in the usual manner. Mr. Webster in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Parkin, that Duncan Clark receive \$6 for culvert at lot 12, con. 1, also \$6 for filling washout at the same lot.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Webster, that William Isaac and Peter Perdue each receive \$1 for allowing F. Dewel road privileges to his property for 1900.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Webster and seconded by Mr. Dewel, that T. Parkin's order of payment to Wm. Hepburn for \$8 for two culverts on new road at lot 7 be confirmed.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Palmer, that the trustees of s.s. No. 2, Fenelon receive \$3.20 as bonus for building 16 rods of wire fence along the school yard.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Parkin, that M. Maybee, treasurer receive \$2.10, township interest paid by him.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Webster, that Dr. Ray be paid \$15 for attending Mrs. Wells and daughter in 1899.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Webster, seconded by Mr. Dewel, that Jno. Hartle's taxes amounting to \$4.82, for 1900 be abated, also the statute labor, \$2 each, of Mrs. Mark and J. Simpson.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Palmer, that the clerk write to the clerk of Eldon asking payment of \$2.50 being half the cost of repairing McLeod's bridge on Victoria road.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Dewel, seconded by Mr. Webster, that J. P. Palmer be paid \$1. for inspecting D. Dewel's road.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Dewel, that R. C. Webster be paid \$5.36 as commission on road jobs for 1900.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Webster, seconded by Mr. Dewel, that Mrs. R. Burton receive \$5. Mary McFadyen \$5 and Sarah McFadyen \$10 from poor rate.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Dewel, that the following bills be paid: W. F. Smitheram for 60 loads gravel, \$8; W. H. James for 190 loads gravel, \$9.50; Wm. Tamlin for 58 loads gravel, \$2.90; Fred Jones \$4 for graveling road and \$1 for fixing Ferrin's bridge, \$5; W. H. Powles for postage and stationery, \$1.20; Thos. Elford, repairs to scraper, 50c; Rod Nicholson fixing McLeod's bridge on Victoria Road, \$5; Jno. Curria for culvert on side road between lots 15 and 16, con. 1, \$7; M. Maybee, treas. Cameron Orange Lodge, for three meetings, \$6.—Carried.

Meeting then adjourned. J. B. POWLES, clerk.

Somerville Council Proceedings

Council met at Burat River Dec. 15th, pursuant to statute. All the members present except the reeve, Mr. Griffin in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. James Wilson addressed the council re arrears of taxes.

Moved by Mr. Callahan, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that the arrears of taxes charged against James Wilson on lot No. 11 Paul-st., \$5.50 be abated.—Carried.

The reeve entered and took the chair.

Messrs. Dettman and Wilson were heard respecting loss of cattle at Kinnouit caused by collapse of bridge.

Moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Callaghan, that Messrs. Dettman and Wilson be given \$50 to be in full of their claim.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that the following accounts be paid: Fred Rattle for work at Mitchell's bridge, \$1.75; Sam Suddaby, balance of salary for 1900, \$39; Sam Suddaby, postage, \$3; Paul Grego for building culvert, \$5.10; Alex Morrison for work at Grego's bridge \$1.50; M. A. Hopkins keeping light at broken bridge, \$2; W. T. Craig councillor's fees and mileage \$21.90; W. Stewart councillor's fees and mileage \$17.50; J. M. Griffin councillor's fees and mileage \$21.55; B. Burchall councillor's fees and mileage \$19.90; R. A. Callahan councillor's fees and mileage \$17.10; J. C. Argue, salary, postage and preparing financial statement \$35.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Callaghan, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that the treasurer's financial statement be received and that he get 150 copies printed for distribution.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Parkin, seconded by Mr. Burchall, that the statute labor charged against A. Rottie sr. be abated.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Callan that a by-law to authorize the use of a voting machine be read and passed.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

BRAULES

Again our school loses the services of a faithful and efficient teacher.

Miss Margaret E. Fee, who for the past two years has labored so successfully in this capacity, goes to Ottawa to pursue her studies. During her stay here she has won the love and admiration of her pupils, the esteem of the entire section in whose behalf she was engaged, and the respect of the community in whose society she moved. Her many friends decided that she should not be permitted to leave without bearing with her some token of the regard for her services and her worth. On Wednesday evening Dec. 19, at Salem church her Sunday school class presented her with an album and an address expressing the appreciation of her efforts in their behalf and assuring her that the seed sown would not fail to bear fruit. Miss Fee made a brief reply thanking the class for this token of gratitude and goodwill. On Friday, Dec. 21st, her many friends assembled at the home of Mr. Jno. Warder where every consideration was afforded them by the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Warder. When pupils, parents and friends to about the number of ninety had become settled an interesting program was rendered by the pupils at the close of which the school in a nicely worded address expressed the unqualified satisfaction her services had given them and presented her with a beautiful chain and ring. After Miss Fee had made a very suitable reply, thanking the pupils for the token of their regard and love, the trustees arose and in short speeches bore testimony to the efficient work Miss Fee had done in the school, congratulating her upon the satisfaction manifested throughout the section and the healthful influence her personal example had upon the young lives under her charge. Again Miss Fee was called upon; this time to be the recipient of a handsomely bound bible and hymn book presented on behalf of her many friends in the community. The accompanying address assured Miss Fee that her deportment while here had gained for her many true and lasting friendships. She had filled the suggestion in the quotation; "Carve your memory on hearts and not on marble for those who love you will continue to remember you when forget-me-nots have withered." Miss Fee in a few well chosen words thanked her friends most heartily for these tokens of good will and appreciation. Some time was then spent in social intercourse and games, after which refreshments were served. With kindest greetings and best wishes for a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year the friends dispersed.

The Adriatic Railway Company of Italy is experimenting with a new and special type of automobile designed for use on rails. Each vehicle can carry twelve people, and they will be used for conveying passengers in districts containing a number of towns at no great distance apart. By this means it is hoped to provide a fast service in districts where it would not pay to increase the number of trains.

HAS HEARD ANTS TALK.

So Thinks a French Naturalist and His Reasons For His Belief.

Sir John Lubbock, as well as many other scientists, has of course studied the ant, but it has been given to a Frenchman, M. Ferel, to make a discovery as regards ants that proves them to be possessed of an intelligence far greater than has been hitherto supposed.

The way M. Ferel proved this was as follows: He made a glass funnel, one end smaller than the other, which he placed, the small end downward, in the center of a square of plain glass some six inches wide, fitting closely enough to prevent the little insects from crawling out underneath.

He then took a number of ants in a bunch about the size of an ordinary horse chestnut free from any foreign substances and, lifting up the funnel, dropped the cluster of insects inside.

While the ants were still in a state of bewilderment and before any of them could reach the edge of the glass the experimenter covered it with another square similar to the one already in use, which had been surrounded a short distance from its edge by a rim of putty.

This effectually confined the little insects and prevented their being crushed. The two plates of glass were then pressed together to within, approximately, the thickness of an ant's body, but closer on one side than on the other, so as to hold some fast and incapable of moving, while others could move about in their narrow prison where they liked.

On applying this box of ants to the ear as though it had been a watch M. Ferel was astonished to hear a regular and continuous buzzing noise, somewhat similar to the sound made by water when boiling in an open vessel, though sometimes a higher note would be struck by one or another of the ants.

Further study of the box of prisoners revealed many interesting facts. The free ants were seen to advance to the sides of the ones that could not move and to endeavor with all their strength to release the prisoners. It was then that the sounds made by the ants became louder and more strident. It was evident that these sounds conveyed some meaning, for a palpable difference was to be found in the minute utterances, which must have been intelligible to the tiny captives.

Then came the problem. How was the sound made? M. Ferel proceeded to at once make minute investigations and submitted live ants to the scrutiny of a very powerful microscope.

Here, again, an interesting discovery was made for the investigator. The bodies of the little insects were found to be in one particular place rough and scaly, resembling—though of course on a tiny scale—the teeth of a saw. It was by rubbing this that the ant made the sound that had rewarded the scientist's research.

M. Ferel then took a couple of ants and confined them in the glass box already described, imprisoning the one and giving the other liberty to move.

The ant that had free use of his limbs became at once intensely excited. It rushed about, making what must have been a taking into consideration the comparative size of a man and an ant—a terrible noise. The modulations of the insect's mode of expression were plainly heard by the scientist.

Then, having apparently exhausted an exceedingly copious vocabulary, the ant, in despair of liberating its companion, dashed at it and killed it. This was evidently the insect's only course left open.

An Exception.
"Two wrongs never made one right," said Dinsmore, who was fond of quoting adages.
"Sometimes they do," amended Fosdick. "If Constant Reader, for example, feels himself aggrieved by two wrongs, he will be one to write about them to the newspapers."

Her Remedy.
"Junson has developed into a confirmed kicker, but his wife can handle him every time. He kicked last night because his dinner was cold."
"What was his wife's play?"
"She made it hot for him."

A Happy New Year.

S. J. PETTY,
The Jeweler,

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Holiday

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WE WANT YOU to sell one dozen of 10 cents each, and for this little service we will give you one of our BLAZING ELECTRIC DIAMOND RINGS which can scarcely be detected from a \$100 gem.

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