

Alterations to the Registry Office County Council Committee So Decide

To be Completely Remodelled and a Wing to be Built to the West.

If the recommendations of the committee of the County Council are carried out, the present registry office will undergo such alterations and improvements as to completely change its appearance. The whole of the interior of the building will be changed, with a wing of considerable size to be erected to the west. For years the County Council have been of the opinion that some such change was necessary and only now have they taken the matter up seriously. The improvements, recommended by the committee, which met yesterday afternoon in the office of County Treasurer McNeill, involve the expenditure of a good deal of money—though until after the recommendations are read to County Council there is no statement of the amount for publication. It is felt, however, that what is worth doing is worth doing well and that is why the County Council has gone into the matter so thoroughly. The committee consisted of Wardens Dr. R. M. Mason, of Fenelon Falls, Reeve Hawkins, of Eldon, Reeve Watson, of Mariposa and Deputy Reeve Eyles, of Lindsay. Reeve Geo. A. Jordan, of Lindsay, the other member of the committee, was unable to be present.

There were four separate plans submitted by Architect Miller, of Toronto, and after an hour's study by the committee plan number four was decided upon.

Body Found at Lakefield

Remains of William Meehan Found Near Mill Dam Sunday

Word was received in the city Sunday that the body of William Meehan, who was drowned near the mill dam at Lakefield on Tuesday afternoon had been found yesterday afternoon about 50 yards below the dam.

It was thought that he had been engaged in running logs for the Woodstock Lumber Co., when he met with this sad fate, but this could not have been the case for when the body was recovered there was no log on his boots, such as river wear.—Peterboro Review.

Night Blooming Cereus in Town.

Miss Lonsborough has Many Callers to See Her Rare Plant.

Miss Lonsborough had quite a number of callers on Saturday evening to see her night-blooming cereus. The peculiarity of this pretty blossom is that its life is not over eleven hours, for it starts to open at six o'clock in the evening and is in full bloom at twelve. The blossom is twelve inches across and opens so that its movement is perceptible. The cereus during ten years has only opened four times.

Childhood Dangers

No symptom that indicates any of the ailments of childhood should be allowed to pass without proper attention. The little ailments may soon become a serious one and perhaps a life passes out. If Baby's Own Tablets are kept in the house, ailments can be promptly cured and those ailments thus averted. And the Tablets can be given with equal safety to a new borne babe or the old, grown child. Mrs. H. Gendron, Montville, Que. says: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets and have found them in every way satisfactory. I always feel safe when I have them at hand." Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents per box from the Dr. Williams-McIntyre Co., Brockville Ont.

Life Saving Lessons

Secretary Cook will Show Boys How to Resuscitate the Apparently Drowned

A class is to be formed in connection with the local Y.M.C.A., which has as its object the teaching by demonstration of how to bring back to life an apparently drowned man. The cases it may be mentioned will be carried on in connection with the local Life Saving Society of England. Mr. W. R. Cook, general secretary of the Lindsay Y.M.C.A., as instructor.

Mr. Cook says he will be ready to give a class in a week or so, and all who are members of the association think of joining may come to him and he will explain everything. Mr. Cook is thoroughly competent in the entry on the class and teach the boys how to go about saving a life. It was approached about two weeks ago by Mr. T. W. Sheffield, of Lindsay, with the idea of starting a class of that kind and ever since organization has been talked of.

Mr. Sheffield is the holder of a certificate from His Majesty, the King, in connection with the Royal Life Saving Society, and is thoroughly conversant with all matters pertaining to resuscitation of the apparently drowned.

Lindsay is one of the first of the smaller towns to take up the matter. Mr. Cook and his class will give all support in an object so worthy and so important to the youth of the town as the classes are bound to be successful.

When practical demonstrations are held in the basement of the Y.M.C.A., building much better results may be expected.

Liberal Meeting Saturday Night

Large Meeting Held in Committee Rooms—Mr. Stewart Gives Encouraging Report.

The Liberal committee rooms were well filled Saturday evening and some excellent speeches were delivered by Messrs Stewart, Anderson, Rea and Annis. Mr. Stewart gave a very encouraging report of his canvass throughout the riding and expressed his firm conviction that he would be elected next Monday. His remarks created the utmost enthusiasm and were heartily cheered.

THE SCHOOL BOOK FRAUD

The Globe aptly remarks that the greatest fraud in this election is the school book fraud. Mr. Whitney boasts that the cost of the set of readers has by the action of his Government been reduced from \$1.30 to .49c. He leads the electors to believe that this 49c. is a normal price and that the children of the Province will enjoy school books at this low rate continuously. He knows that such expectations are doomed to disappointment. On the responsibility of a public journal, which can be after reminded of its assertions, we make the statement that when the new readers are issued the children of this province will not get their school readers at any lower rate than that which prevailed before the Whitney Government acceded to power. The price which now prevails is not a normal price. The firm which sells them is not obtaining a commercial price for them. It has, or had, a large stock of them on hand, either bound or in sheets, and knowing that they would be superseded by the new readers it has adopted the 49 cent rate in order to dispose of them before they are rendered worthless by the authorization of a new series. It is, in fact, a remnant sale.

That the price is not a mercantile figure is made clear from the evidence given before the school book Commission by one of the responsible officers of the firm which is supplying the books and is under contract to do so until Dec. 31st 1908. In his evidence that gentleman gave a detailed statement of the actual cost of turning out the books. It is not necessary to give the cost of each book. But the total cost was stated at 40.10 cents. Under the contract the firm is bound to sell at 49 cents but on this it has to allow ad valorem of 25 per cent, which reduces their actual receipts from the books to 36.75—books which cost to produce according to the sworn testimony of the firm's expert, 40.10.

But this is not all. Wherever the firm sells assorted lots of the books to the value of \$500 another ten per cent comes off the contract entailing a still further gap between the cost and the sale price.

Does this look like a permanent arrangement? It is quite evident the people of the Province are being deluded and that after the false cry of cheap school books has served its purpose the children of the province will pay just as much for their school books as ever they did—certainly a higher price than they are doing now. What sort of impression will the children gather of the institutions and public men of their province when they learn as they inevitably must that the cry of cheap books was fraudulent and was merely intended to help the Whitney Government into power again? There will be a generation of young Liberals when the discovery is made.

They're off.

What is the term which should be applied to the man who does not speak for ten long years?

It remains to be seen whether the strike in the Montreal cotton mills will plunge the bountry into a sharp winter famine.

Mr. Fox has been ten years a member of the Legislature at \$1,000 a year. Has he been worth ten thousand dollars to the province or to the country?

The petulance and fretfulness of the Warder reminds The Post of a scene in a police court. "The evidence shows Mrs. Mulcahey," said the Magistrate, "that you threw a stone at Constable Casey." "It shows more nor that, yer Honor," was the reply. "It shows that I bit him."

COMMUNICATIONS

MR. LYTLE REGRETS CHANGE.
(To the Editor of The Post.)
Dear Sir.—By your diagram, which I now know to be correct, I do not see that I have improved matters by the change. Manila is certainly far from the centre of the division and Mr. Watson, the Reeve, informed me to-day that it has been unsatisfactory for years, so much so that a petition was prepared last winter to have it changed, but he advised them that it was too late to affect a change for this election, but that doubtless a change would be made this year. I counted the voters marked Manila and the non-voters marked for Cresswell and they are practically the same so that there is no real difference if the list is correct on that line. I do not think it was asked for for political purposes, as the conservative voters of Manila are complaining as strongly as the Reformists. I cannot believe that Mr. McDougall, the deputy returning officer, would be a party to any wrong doing in taking the vote. While I now regret having made the change under a misconception of the line on which Manila is situated, I do not think it should make the slightest difference on the vote polled. Respectfully yours
H. J. LYTLE,
Returning officer.

ASSISTANCE IN DRAINAGE

The department of Physics at the Ontario Agricultural College desires to announce the continuance of its previous offer of assistance to farmers in matters pertaining to drainage. For the past three years we have been authorized by the Minister of Agriculture to go out and assist any farmer in taking the levels of his lands for drainage purposes, in planning the most advantageous systems of drains, and in calculating the grades and sizes of tiles for the different drains. A finished map bearing all the information is sent to the owner. This serves two purposes; first it is used as a guide in constructing the drains, second, it may be preserved as a record of the exact location of every drain, so that if for any reason it should be necessary in years to come to find any drain it could be done at a moments notice.

The number of applications for assistance has increased very rapidly, so that last year we had many more than we could attend to. To enable us to meet this increased demand the Minister of Agriculture has this year given us a special appropriation whereby we have been enabled to double our staff for this week.

Any feature is being added. We have found in the past that frequently the neighbors in the vicinity of the farm being surveyed were interested and wished to observe the operations. This suggested the desirability of making these demonstrations public, and this will be done wherever possible. Anyone interested will be welcome on all occasions. By this means we shall be able to instruct a much larger number in matters pertaining to drainage problems.

Anyone wishing drainage surveying done should apply to W. H. Day, Department of Physics, O.A.C. at Guelph. The only outlay connected with the work is the travelling expenses of one man, including meals, cartage of instruments, and railway fare at one cent a mile each way.

The Department has just issued a new pamphlet on "Farm Drainage Operations," which may be had on application.

W. H. DAY,
Lecturer in Physics.

Stewart is a winner.

The Fox is on the run.
Let that "last awful week" be the last.
And again the question arises who is the more able man?
There is no place like home, Mr. Fox.
The Foxites are shaking in the knees.
A soft hope barber advertises a union label on every shave. For our part we prefer to have no identifying marks.
Mr. Borden has made arrangements for another stumping tour, beginning at Halifax again. There seems to be a danger it may become a habit with him.
Did you remark that the premier couldn't muster up sufficient courage to repeat Col. Matheson's assertion that Mr. Fox is one of the best speakers in the House?
"Admire me all you like, but don't ask me to have any use for you." That about represents Mr. Henri Bourassa's spoken attitude towards the Quebec Conservative party. It must feel flattered.

Field Crop Competition.

Verulam Agricultural Society Takes the Matter in Hand.

Twenty-eight competitors have entered in the Field Crop Competition which is being held under the Verulam Agricultural Society. There are to be five prizes of \$15, \$12, \$10, \$8 and \$5 awarded to the highest competitors and to those who have fields free of noxious weeds will receive a certificate from the judge of the fields. This will serve as a guarantee of clean seed for those who have clean fields but may not be high enough to be awarded one of the prizes.

Refrigerator Car Service for Export Butter

The Grand Trunk Railway System have made arrangements for a weekly service until October 17th 1908, to run refrigerator cars to carry export butter to Montreal as follows: Leave Lindsay Tuesday arrive Montreal Thursday. Shippers should ascertain from station agent the probable hour of arrival at their station so that shipments will not be brought to the station too early and thereby be exposed to the heat of the day an undue length of time before arrival of train.

Costly Language

Man in Onemee Talks Insultingly to Lady and is Fined Nearly a Dollar a Word

The two boys who were up before County Magistrate Moore on a charge of stealing were this morning let go with costs. The court decided that it was a case of trespassing and after giving the boys a warning told them to go.

County Magistrate Moore was in Onemee yesterday hearing a case where the charge was abusive and grossly insulting language. The charge was laid by James Robinson against James Crofton. Crofton had made use of his powers of speech to Miss Robinson, a cousin of the complainant at the baseball grounds on Monday last. The fine was \$5 and \$4.33 costs, in other words, about a dollar a word.

Local Foresters Enter a Protest

The Independent Foresters of the town of Lindsay considered with due care last night the propositions to be submitted to the Supreme Court by the officials of that body regarding the old members and a resolution was passed unanimously to the effect that while the members had no objections to the establishment of any rates that will tend to strengthen the Order, they considered that it would be a breach of confidence to compel the old members to pay up the balance of the increased rates or lose a portion of their insurance.

Water-Soaked Letters Arrived.

Result of Accident Caused by Wash out Near Port Arthur.

On Monday some two dozen letters arrived at the Lindsay post office which were badly water-soaked, as a result of having been in the accident caused by a wash-out near Port Arthur last week.

Surveying the Rifle Ranges.

Work has been Completed for the Ranges and Members of Association will Soon be Busy.

The survey for the ranges of the Lindsay rifle association, which has been in progress for some weeks past past, is now completed and the plans show a line of fire which ensures perfect safety to the navigation of the steamboat channel of the Sougov river, against spent or stray bullets as the distance is 2 3/4 miles from the firing grounds near Needham-street between St. Patrick and St. Peter's street where the line crosses the channel at a point between the 7th and 8th, lighthouses.

The survey, which has been made by Messrs. Smith & Smith, Engineers, of this town shows accurately the steamboat channel for a distance of 3 1/2 miles down stream from the town limits, also all of the adjoining swamp lands in Fenelon and Ope, together with Goose Lake and several islands in the river expansion and has evidently been done in a capable manner.

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Our Doubts Are Traitors

"Our doubts are traitors,
And make us lose the good we oft might win,
By fearing to attempt."

Each of us can be accused of just such an indictment as Shakespeare has written.

You may feel insecure as to where you ought to go for the Best Money Value, and, when tempted thus, remember the poet's words, "don't trust your traitor's doubts," but come to us. We're the place for general house furnishings such as Carpets, Wool Rugs, sizes 3x3 1-2 and 3x4, also all wool and unions, very choice mattings in the newest designs, floor mats in every style—for indoor and outdoor wear. Curtains, Blinds, Curtain Poles. Art Muslins, Reversible Cretons, Art Sateens. Furniture Coverings, Sofa Cushions, Cushion-tops in hand painted, printed, tapestry and plush, dainty little hand-painted cushions, just the thing for Milady's dressing table, and while talking of Milady, we would like to tell her that we have on hand the most useful article that will meet a long-felt want in her wardrobe,—namely, the New Patent Dress-Hangers for keeping her skirts in order, they are only 10c, and every person can have one as they are so cheap.

Should you contemplate a near shopping in Town send to us, for our Lace Curtain Catalogue, in which you can see the exact design. We cordially extend to you an invitation to visit our store, and will take it as a favor if you do so.

O'Loughlin & McIntyre

CASH AND ONE PRICE.

DON'TS FOR BATHERS.

(By T. W. Sheffield, hon. member Royal Life Saving Society.)
The many drowning fatalities recorded by the daily press at this period of the year furnishes us with numerous and thrilling accounts of the loss of life by drowning.

The seriousness of this question will be readily appreciated when it is stated that the losses recorded in the press between the 1st and 29th of May reaches the appalling total of twenty-six lives. In these accounts we often read such misleading statements as "the deceased was an expert swimmer," that he was seized with cramps, threw up his arms and disappeared. I take the opportunity of pointing out that these statements do not give the true facts of the case. In the first case, those who drown are not "expert" swimmers. An expert, unless meeting with some unusual accident, is seldom drowned, and if seized with cramps he will not throw up his arms and disappear from sight. I venture to state without fear of contradiction that these cases of so-called cramps are in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred "heart failure" caused by too great a strain being thrown upon the heart. In this respect it is interesting to note that the majority of deaths from this cause occur during the commencement of the swimming season, which verifies the above statement and directly proves the average swimmer overestimates his strength too much at the outset.

The verdict of drowning through cramps is quoted too readily. The term is most instances is based upon a swimmer's own statement. A swimmer knows what to do and how to act when he finds himself in such a condition, but the novice having read of the terrors of "cramp," takes fright and gives himself up as lost, without making a determined fight for life, with the usual result unless help arrives. As there are a great many more novices than experienced swimmers, a few practical "don'ts," based on an experience of fifteen years devoted to the art of natation, will no doubt be useful at the present time the more important being as follows:

Don't bathe shortly after dining; wait at least two hours.

Don't overtax your strength by swimming too far.

Don't bathe in unfrequented or secluded spots.

Don't bathe alone if subject to giddiness or faintness.

Don't dive into water without first ascertaining the depth.

Don't take fright if you fall into the water with your clothes on; re-

member clothes float and assist you to float; make for the shore, swimming with the tide or stream.

Don't swim too far out in the sea or lake unattended by a boat or expert swimmer.

Don't take fright if seized with cramp. Keep calm, turn on the back and endeavor to rub the affected part if the leg is drawn up with pain swim slowly, with arms, gently; all swimmers should practice this.

Don't swim without some recognized signal to give your fellow swimmers if subject to cramp, such as lifting one arm, or shouting for help.

Don't abuse this. Leave the water as soon as possible.

Don't dive out or try to get into a boat from the side; dive from the stern and get in from the stern, but only then from a boat with a broad beam.

Don't swim near dams, waterfalls, or where reefs are growing.

Don't go out beyond the depth of your hips if you cannot swim.

Don't swim without company if subject to a weak heart, and only then after consulting a doctor.

We seem to have heard the last of that "fairy tale" that Mr. Fox is the best speaker in the House.

The time is drawing near and the nearer it comes the more apparent does it become that Mr. Stewart will be elected by a handsome majority.

Let the majority be a large one. It will make Mr. Stewart all the stronger when he takes his place in the House.

Col. Matheson announced the other day that Mr. Ferguson, of Grenville will shortly be made a minister. It's a shame to crush Sam Fox's hopes so bluntly.

Mr. Ames the boss slasher-monger of the Opposition at Ottawa represented that Mr. Burrows M. P., was interested in 1750 square miles of Northwest timber limits. Ames was only 1100 square miles wrong in his facts Mr. Burrows being interested in 660 square miles. And Ames carefully avoided stating that considerable of this area had been obtained by Mr. Burrows from Tories who had many years ago got it from the Tory Government and that Mr. Burrows had got his leases in the ordinary course of business as a lumberman before he became a member of Parliament at all and by open competition paying the Government many thousands and dollars more than other tenderers offered.