

FORESTERS ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

The following officers were elected at the regular meeting of Court Lindsay No. 181, I.O.F. last night: Chief Ranger—S. Oliver by acclamation. Vice Chief Ranger—G. H. M. Baker by acclamation. Financial Secretary—M. H. Sisson by acclamation. Treasurer—F. Shouldice by acclamation. Rec. Sec.—C. L. Hughes. Orator—R. Hepburn. Senior Woodward—W. F. Austin. Junior Woodward—G. Parks. Senior Beadle—E. Cooper. Junior Beadle—F. Rosen. Board of Trustees—P. Conquergood, E. Maisson. Finance Committee—F. Adams, W. Warren and A. Switzer. P. C. R.—E. Maxson. Court Deputy—P. Conquergood. Both re-elected. The Recording Secretary gave a report of the attendance of officers during the year. In retiring from the chair before the election of officers, Bro. S. Oliver, C. R. delivered the following address:—

With the closing of the year 1913 my term of office as Chief Ranger of Court 181 Lindsay, expires. One year ago the members of this Court elected me to this important position, a position which any one might feel honored in occupying, and I can assure you that I have appreciated the honor you have conferred upon me more than I have words to express. The business before us tonight is the most important that can engage our attention as the officers for the ensuing year are to be elected. Let us not deal with this business too lightly, for if the Court is to prosper every officer should be carefully chosen, and the very best persons chosen for each particular office. A great deal depends upon the Chief Ranger and the Financial Secretary. The Financial Secretary should be in closer touch with each member than any other officer. He receives the assessments. They confide in him and tell him their perplexities and troubles and it is often his privilege to drop a word of cheer, to give kindly advice and encouragement to those who are in need of such sympathy and friendship. His office is the safeguard of our beloved order and every member should give him the greatest support and encouragement. The duties of the Financial Secretary are made more difficult by the neglect of some of the members who through neglect do not pay their dues promptly. Often he is unable to send in the returns to the High Court until the eleventh hour owing to the indifference of one or more members. Just imagine yourself in his place, having his report all ready and owing to one member's dues being still unpaid he must hold back, not wishing to suspend that member, and yet not knowing what to do in the case. The Financial Secretary must be a capable man, able to construe the laws of the constitution. He is expected to know as much as a lawyer, with a pocket deep as a banker, with a heart big as an ox, and having the patience of Job. In short he must be all things to all men.

The Chief Ranger may also exercise a fatherly interest over his flock, which privilege I have tried to do to the best of my ability during my present term of office, with what success you should be best able to judge. During the month of August we attended the High Court of Central Ontario at Toronto. This proved a great benefit to all who had the privilege to attend. This Court was honored by the election of your Chief Ranger to the office of Senior Messenger of the High Court. As a result the Court will now have the privilege of having two paid delegates to the next session to be held at Collingwood. It is very gratifying to see the fraternal spirit which possesses our members when any case of need occurs. On one occasion the sums of \$10, \$18 and \$11 were promptly raised by the members. During the past year we sent 24 bouquets of flowers to sick members which were well appreciated. I am glad to be able to report that everything is in a flourishing condition and the Court for our Court is the very best. Let us hope and pray that the fraternal spirit now felt in this Court will continue, and that

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COST OF LIVING SOARS IN CANADA

(Special Despatch to The Globe) Ottawa, Dec. 10.—The latest official figures as to the cost of living add telling force to the necessity for immediate action by the Government towards coming to the assistance of the Canadian people as advocated by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. During November the cost of living took another big jump, according to the statistics furnished by the Labor Department in regard to the wholesale prices for the common necessities of life throughout Canada. The department's index number, indicating the average cost of living, is now 138.4, the highest in the history of the Dominion. In October it was 136.8. In November last year it was 136.6. In the two years of the present administration the cost of living has soared steadily, and it has now increased by over seven per cent. compared with what it was when the Laurier Government went out of office. It is over 38 per cent. higher than it was a little over ten years ago. The big increase last month was undoubtedly due, in a large measure, to the effect of the draining of Canadian farm, dairy and meat supplies through free access to the United States market under the new Underwood tariff. Higher prices ruled for grains and fodders, cattle, beef, sheep, dairy products, eggs and fresh vegetables. There was a slight reduction in the average cost of flour, honey, pepper, linseed oil, resin and rubber.

LINDSAY MAN AFTER THE GRAND

Peterboro Review.—It is rumored that W. H. Roenigk of Lindsay, is interested in negotiations with the management of the Grand Opera House for the purchase of the theatre. A review scribe interviewed Mr. J. J. Turner today about the selling of his house, and although the above rumor was not mentioned, Mr. Turner admitted that several parties had tried to secure a lease on the theatre and those who wanted to buy it would not come to terms suitable to him. His price is \$42,000. Mr. Turner also stated that if he intended keeping the theatre he would build a ball room in connection with it, but he wanted to get it off his hands for his other business interests have increased so much that he cannot give it the required attention. He added if the offer of \$42,000 was made, he would quickly sell.

NEW RIFLES FOR COLLEGIATE CADETS

The Collegiate cadet corps of Canada are to be supplied with 22-calibre rifles. The Ross Rifle Company is making the rifles of a pattern approved by the Militia Department. They will weigh about five pounds or less, and are almost a miniature of the long Ross. In the past, while the cadets used the long rifles for the shooting over the ranges, and will do the same in the future, these rifles were found too heavy for drilling in the case of the smaller boys. The light rifles will be used for drill purposes and for indoor shooting.

Uniforms for C.P.R. Constables

All C.P.R. constables on the Eastern Division of the system, from Fort William to Halifax, are going to be uniformed. Some sixty men were sworn in at C.P.R. headquarters, Toronto by Inspector Logan, of Montreal. When the task is completed, 200 men will wear uniforms on the Eastern Division. This is following out the plan that the company have inaugurated all over the system.

MARRIED MURRAY-MACDOUGALL

MURRAY-MACDOUGALL—At 62 Grant Street, Toronto, on Wednesday, Dec. 10th, at 3 o'clock, by Rev. P. F. Sinclair, M.A., Miss Barbara Marion, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Macdougall, to Mr. Norman Murray, of Sonya, Ont.

OFFICERS OF COLLEGIATE LIT.

The following is a complete list of the officers of the Collegiate Institute Literary Society for the year 1913-14. Hon. Pres.—Mr. T. A. Kirkconnell, B. A. Pres.—Mr. Chas. McCrae. 1st Vice Pres.—Miss V. Nugent. 2nd Vice Pres.—Mr. R. Heaslip. Rec. Secretary.—Mr. Eric Stewart. Treasurer.—Mr. G. A. Lucas, B. A. Curator.—Mr. D. Thorburn. Ass't. Curator.—Mr. M. Sutcliffe. Corres. Sec.—Miss V. Marsh. Form 1 Representatives.—Miss Olga Staples, Miss M. Flavelle, Mr. Lorne McIntyre, Mr. Jno. Patrick. Form 2B. Representatives.—Miss Flo Abbott, Miss Grace Palen, Mr. Neil Gregory, Mr. Herb Kirkconnell. Form 2A. Representatives.—Miss Ryley, Miss E. Sutcliffe, Mr. A. Carrew, Mr. H. Marsh. Form 3C. Representatives.—Miss Edna Weldon, Miss Marjory Lyons, Mr. Gordon Flavelle, Mr. Percy Crossen. Form 3B. Representatives.—Miss Murtha, Miss O'Connell, Mr. B. Hart, Mr. C. McElroy. Form 3A. Representatives.—Miss I. Ryley, Miss Ventress, Mr. A. Oliver, Mr. H. Rogers. Commercial Form's (Rep.)—Miss Grace Reazin, Miss Ethel Deyell, Mr. Earl Quibell, Mr. V. Mills. Form 4 Representatives.—Mr. R. Weldon, Mr. E. Tolmie, Miss A. C. Dougall, Miss E. Cinnamon.

HAVELOCK CHILD WAS POISONED

Havelock Standard.—Donald, the 15 months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steele, died on Tuesday at 1 o'clock, from the effects of eating a quantity of pills, which he obtained access to about 11.30 o'clock. The poor little fellow crawled up on a chair and got the pills from a table, unnoticed by his mother. The funeral will take place to the Maple Grove cemetery this afternoon, Rev. J. R. Real conducting the services at the house. The bereaved parents have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their hour of sorrow.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE OF WEST OPS

The West Ops Women's Institute held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. R. Moore, on Wednesday, Dec. 10th. The Vice-President, Mrs. W. E. Curtis, in the chair, after opening the meeting in the usual way, called on Mrs. T. Wilson, the President, who gave an excellent report of the Women's Institute Convention held in Toronto on Nov. 21st and 22nd, and Mrs. Geo. Culbert who gave a paper on the Care and Prevention of Colds. The musical contributions towards the programme were a solo by Mrs. H. Hickson and a duet by Miss Victoria Marsh and Miss Ruby Stewart. A social half hour was spent over the refreshments which were served at the close of the meeting by Mrs. R. Moore, Mrs. R. Corley, Mrs. Geo. Culbert, Mrs. W. Stewart and Miss Gladys Stewart. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Herb Graham, on Jan. 14th, 1914. Topic, Winter Evenings in the Country.

RUNAWAY WIFE JOINS HUSBAND

Max Brown, a German, residing near Bancroft, forged some cheques in that village and left for Lindsay accompanied by Mrs. Geo. Creighton, who left her husband and household duties to get along the best they could without her. Brown was arrested in Lindsay, was taken back to Bancroft and sentenced to three years in the Kingston penitentiary, while Mrs. Creighton, so suddenly bereft of her partner in the elopement, telegraphed to her real hubby to meet her in Havelock, where a reconciliation took place at the Armstrong House.—Havelock Standard.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

MAIL CLERKS ARE TO SHUN WINE

From a Staff Correspondent. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 9.—A very emphatic notice has been served to the clerks in the railway mail service of the Government that they must not indulge in liquor under penalty of being discharged. The following is the official warning which has been issued to the mail clerks: "Railway mail clerks have already been notified that they should not take liquor. The Postmaster-General has been informed in a general way that in many cases this notice has been disregarded, and while he has no desire to take anyone unaware, he has given instructions that a general warning be issued to all railway mail clerks that the moment it is creditably reported to him that any railway mail clerk uses liquor, he may as well send in his resignation, because he will be dismissed, and no amount of influence will bring about his re-instatement. Cannot Carry Liquor. "Railway mail clerks must understand that on account of the heavy responsibilities which rest on them, and also that so much money is entrusted to their care in registered letters and otherwise, it is absolutely indispensable that liquor should be discarded entirely. "Railway mail clerks must also understand that under no circumstances shall any liquor be carried on a postal car, and that no person other than those on duty, as mentioned in the printed instructions to railway mail clerks, shall be permitted to have access to a postal car, and that any violation of these rules will lead to instant dismissal. "Each railway mail clerk is instructed to acknowledge the receipt of this circular to the department and to add an assurance that he thoroughly understood and is prepared to abide by the instructions which it contains.

Thought Sap Kettle Was a Bear

A Furnace Falls resident had a very exciting experience in the grey of the early dawn one morning lately. As he approached the barn, he saw a huge black bear standing a few rods away contemplating, as it were, whether he would pull the barn down or carry off one of the horses through a pitching hole several feet up. It was up to the neighbor to do something and do it soon, as the bear was moving toward the barn. He had no gun and not sufficient nerve to tackle the monster single handed, as he had appeared to grow several feet higher in the few seconds since he first saw him, so he sent one of the boys in haste to bring Archie McCluney and his rifle, while he endeavored to watch which way the bear would go, when suddenly the bear turned to be an ordinary sheet-iron sap kettle that had seen much service and had been turned upside down over a stump the night before.—Minden Echo.

Limits in Digby

Mr. T. A. Wilson has purchased timber limits in the township of Digby. There will be about five million feet of lumber when cut. Mr. Wilson will have two sawmills at work on these limits. We extend hearty congratulations to Mr. Wilson on his success in securing such limits so close to home.—Cannington Gleaner.

FIELD SECRETARY VISITED SCHOOLS

Recently a circular was issued from the Education Department commending the work of the National Sanitarium Association to the favorable consideration and co-operation of the schools of the Province. Pursuant thereto to the Field-Secretary of that Association, Watson, by name, is visiting and addressing the High, Public, Separate and all other schools, asking their aid in disposing of the Christmas seal, as a means of gathering in great numbers of small contributions from the multitudes of people who would never otherwise think of being contributors. The Muskoka Free Hospital, for which aid is sought, has accomplished great things ever since its inception. Thousands of patients have had care and treatment, about seventy per cent of whom have been restored to health. During the past year the accommodation has been greatly increased so that now about two hundred are there provided for. It is dependent mostly upon contributions made to it, and the Christmas seal gives opportunity to all to be helpers.

Farmers' Club Officers Elected

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Omamee Farmers' Club held in the new armories was well attended. The President, Mr. Jos. Bradley, occupied the chair, and after a few remarks, called on Mr. A. A. Knight for an address on "Feeds and Feeding." The relative value of the different food stuffs with their varying compositions and digestibility was explained by Mr. Knight in an able manner. The value and advisability of keeping dairy milk and fat records was discussed with some interest. The officers elected for the coming year are: President—Mr. D. H. Dick. Vice-President—Mr. W. Burgess. Sec-treasurer—Mr. F. Sandy. Directors—Mr. I. Fee and R. Johnston. Program committee—Mr. J. Bradley and Mr. W. Robinson.

NEW FORM FOR CIVIC ASPIRANTS

For the benefit of aspirants for municipal honors at the coming elections, it might be well to make it plain that the 1913 statutes provide a new form of declaration for qualification which is quite clear, and leaves no room for doubt. The new form is: 1.—I am a British subject by birth (or naturalization) and not a citizen or subject of any foreign country. 2.—I have to my own use and benefit in my own right (or my wife has, as the case may be) as owner (or tenant, as the case may be) such estate as qualified me for the office of (naming the office) for which I am a candidate. 3.—Such estate is (state the nature of the estate as a legal estate of freehold or otherwise, as the case may be) in.....(designate the land by its local description or otherwise.) 4.—The land is assessed in my own name (or in the name of my wife, as the case may be) on the last revised assessment roll of this municipality at the sum of \$.....(b) which exceeds by at least \$.....the amount of all liens, charges and encumbrances thereon (c). 5.—I am not liable for any arrears of taxes to the corporation of his municipality. 6.—There are no arrears of taxes against the land in respect of which I qualify. Another change in this year's statutes is the definition of a leasehold, which appears under the heading of "Qualification for Municipal Council of the Local Municipality," section 52, sub-section 5, and reads: "Leasehold and leasehold estate" shall mean a tenancy for one year or more, or tenancy from year to year. Candidates for municipal honors must have in their own right at least one thousand dollars worth of property or be assessed as leaseholders for a minimum amount of two thousand dollars.

Parcel Post End of January

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—"The difficulties which we are encountering in arriving at an agreement with the railways will not be allowed to materially delay the introduction of the parcel post," said Hon. L. P. Pelletier with emphasis today. Mr. Pelletier added that the parcels post would go into effect on Jan. 20 at the very latest, and if difficulties in the way could be more speedily adjusted it might be in operation before the new year was three or four days old.

L.O.L. NO. 32 ELECTED OFFICERS

The newly-elected officers were installed by the County Master, W. Bro. Jos. Brown, ably assisted by W. Bro. Wm. Thornbury, Co. Treasurer, who also took a leading part in the degree work, and a number of the members of L.O.L. No. 557. Following are the officers for the ensuing year: W. M.—Bro. Dr. J. W. Wood. D. M.—Bro. Geo. Ashman. Chaplain—Bro. S. Alcorn. Rec. Secretary—Bro. Thos. Murtagh. Fin. Secretary—Bro. Harry Brown. Treasurer—Bro. Geo. Coombs. D. of C.—Bro. Jas. Lawder. Lecturer—Bro. John A. Hall. Committee—Bros. Fred Ouderkirk, Geo. Bowman, Neil Gray, Sam Scott and Thos. Gage. Inside Tyler—Bro. F. Quibell. After the installation services a pleasant hour was spent and the Royal Arch Perfect Degree was put on.

Amend Assessment of Railways

Belleville, Dec. 12.—Hastings County Council passed a unanimous resolution concurring in the action of the Municipal Railway Tax Association in asking the Ontario Legislature to amend the assessment act to provide for assessment of railway property on a specific value per mile, on main structures, substructures, rails, ties, poles and other property on railway land, and to have the Provincial supplementary revenue tax on railways increased. Copies of the resolution will be sent to the Legislature and to the representative in the Legislative Assembly of Hastings County. Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

CONSERVING WATER OF TREAT VALLEY

Peterboro, Dec. 13.—(Special)—The Trent Water Conservation Association was organized tonight, and the matters of conserving the waters of the district will be taken up with the Government. Officers were elected as follows:—Hon. President, J. H. Burnham, M. P., Peterboro; Vice President, Warden Bottom, Bobcaygeon; Secretary, Treasurer, W. H. Monro, Peterboro; Executive Committee—J. G. Edwards and John Carew, Lindsay; J. H. Brandon, Fenelon Falls; Reeve Fitzgerald, Lakefield; James Peel, Cobocok; E. Gus Porter, M.P., Belleville; Dr. Kidd, Trenton; James L. Owens, Campbellford; E. G. Patterson, T. F. Matthews and Mayor Bradburn, Peterboro.

KILLENBECK AGAIN IN TROUBLE

At Saturday's police court in Peterboro Percy Holland and Laverne Killenbeck, the latter well known in Lindsay, were charged with stealing \$14 from W. Ireland. They elected for summary trial, and pleaded not guilty. Wilfred Ireland, in the box said to Mr. Gordon, acting in place of Mr. Wood for the prosecution, he and the prisoners were together on Hunter street. Killenbeck had hold of his (Ireland's) right arm, and Holland walked behind. He felt Killenbeck's hand in his pocket. After several witnesses were heard, judgment was reserved this morning.

Orange Officers of North Emily

The newly-elected officers for the ensuing year were installed by District Master J. A. Elliott. Following are officers for ensuing year:—W. M.—Bro. Jeffers Ashmore. D. M.—Bro. George Clark. Chaplain—Bro. James Courtney, P. M. Treas.—Bro. S. G. Sanderson, P. M. Rec. Sec.—Bro. John Vout. Fin. Sec.—Bro. Alex. McGahy. D. of C.—Bro. Thos. Middleton. Lecturer—Bro. Norman Nugent. Committee—Pres. (1) Fred McGahy, (2) Thos. McAllister, (3) Walter Clark, (4) Joe White, (5) Rob McGahy. After the installation services a sumptuous repast was held and the business of the year concluded. Several Bros. from neighbouring lodges were in attendance.

Judge Harding Dismissed Action

His Honor Judge Harding delivered judgment today in the case of Pogue vs Pogue tried before him on Nov. 17th, when he dismissed the action with costs. The plaintiff had sued for \$200, which she alleged had been lent to the defendant, but the action was dismissed and the plaintiff will have to pay the defendant's costs. G. H. Hopkins, K. C., was for plaintiff and Leigh R. Knight for defendant.

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READ THE CASE

NIGHT TRAIN TO FENELON FALLS

Fenelon Falls Gazette.—Mr. A. S. Nixon, chief operating officer of the Board of Railway Commissioners, was at the Falls on Monday for the purpose of interviewing Mr. M. H. McCallum, president of the Board of Trade, and arriving at some decision as to the service that would be best suited to present conditions in this locality. After going into the matter carefully, it was decided that the most satisfactory course would be to cancel the 2.40 train going north, and hold it in Lindsay until the arrival of the eight o'clock train from Toronto; also running the eleven o'clock train through to Haliburton. When this arrangement goes into effect, which will be early in the new year, people from this section will be able to go to Toronto and return in one day, and in other respects will be in as good a position as towns nearer to the large centres. The improved travelling facilities will also no doubt have a good effect on the rapidly growing tourist trade. Mr. McCallum received a few days ago a very optimistic letter from the secretary of the Central Railway of Canada, and there is every reason to believe that the line will be pushed to completion at a very early date. The following clipping from the Montreal Star of December 5th is also gratifying evidence that the Central Railway will soon be under construction: London, December 4.—Regarding the Central Railway of Canada's resolutions to be submitted to the meeting of bondholders on December 16, it is understood the redemption of one million sterling outstanding five per cent bonds will be done by the creation of a new series of debentures covering the whole railway between Montreal and Midland. The security for the new bonds will be the same as the old, and in addition the interest for five years will be secured by cash subsidies. It is understood the whole new issue has been purchased, and no public issue is expected until substantial progress is achieved in the construction work, the present anticipation being that the line will be completed in the next two years. The members of the local Board of Trade desire credit for the interest they are taking in these matters, and the practical work they have accomplished.

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