

County Victoria Jan 06 First Year—No. 3

Your Money Can't Buy Better Value Than in Our STOCK-TAKING BARGAINS

The 20 per cent. discount sale closes Saturday night. Many have taken advantage of this sale; last Saturday's business was the best day of our four corresponding years at this date.

Next week we turn all our attention to stock clearing. All odds and ends and broken lines will be cleared without thought of cost or profit.

Table with 3 columns: Dress Goods, Men's and Boys' Caps, Women's Cloth Skirts, etc. with prices and descriptions.

Lord's Fur Jackets advertisement with logo and text: 'Women's Astrachan Fur Jackets', 'All guaranteed, assorted sizes at Manufacturer's Prices.'

OPPOSITE POST OFFICE, LINDSAY

INVENTORY SALE

30 Days From Jan. 10th to Feb. 10th, inclusive.

Preparatory to our annual stock-taking we have planned a 30 DAYS INVENTORY SALE. The purpose of this sale is to clear out all surplus winter footwear.

Men's, Women's and Children's House Slippers; Men's, Boys', Women's and Misses' Hockey Boots; Men's and Women's Felt Boots and Shoes; Women's and Children's Leggings and Over-gaiters; Men's and Women's Wool Lined Rubbers, etc.

THE SHOE KING. R. NEILL, 90 Kent Street, LINDSAY

WANTED - To exchange span of Drivers (both mares) young and sound, for heavy team of horses.

ANYONE wishing to secure homestead land in Alberta, along the Canadian Northern Railway, may do so by writing or calling on A. E. AUSTIN, Wilberforce, Ont.—w2.

ALL INTELLIGENT, reliable men seeking pleasant employment, either on salary or commission are advised to write now to G. MARSHALL & CO., London, Ont.—dwlm.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 5, Carden, female holding third class certificate. Duties to commence January 10th, 1906. Salary \$18 per month. Apply to J. MARTIN, Carden P.O., Ont.—w1.

FOR SALE—Three Heavy Draft Colts; one mare coming three years, three years and one coming two years. For terms apply to A. C. REID, Reabro P.O.—w2.

TRAYED—Came into the premises of the subscriber, Lot 13, Con. 1, Mariposa, a Yearling Heifer. Owner is requested to prove property and pay expenses and take the animal away. F. SHAVER, Little Britain.—w3.

TEACHER WANTED—For School Section No. 8, Bentley. Duties to commence Feb. 1st. Salary at the rate of \$300 per year. Board for \$7.00 per month, station, post office and boarding house within five minutes' walk from school. Applications received by MR. W. H. LEONARD, Corson's Sliding.—w3.

FARM FOR SALE—The farm comprising the East Half of Lot 1, Con. 2, Ops, within one mile of school and cheese factory, consisting of 100 acres, more or less. On the premises are a comfortable residence, basement barn 32x52, driving shed 32x22, poultry house and pig pen, a heavy young orchard. The farm is in a good state of cultivation and within 2 1/2 miles of elevator and stock yard. For particulars apply on the premises, or to ROBERT ARGUE, Jantville P.O.—w4.

FARM FOR SALE OR TO RENT—The undersigned is prepared to sell or to rent, the north half Lot One, in the 'eleventh Con., of the Township of Emili. The soil is a rich clay loam, log house and frame stable, small orchard, good well, and a never failing spring. Forty acres ploughed, twelve acres seeded with clover; no waste land. This is considered one of the best farms in the County and is about five miles east of Lindsay, on a leading road. Terms of sale very reasonable. Address GEO. O'NEILL, Downeyville, Ont. Dec. 4th, 1905.—w3m.

DR. POGUE, DENTIST, Office Nearly Opposite the Post Office. Special attention given to Children's teeth. HOWARD V. POGUE, D.D.S., L.D.S.

FARM FOR SALE—Tenders will be received by the undersigned until FRIDAY, 2nd FEBRUARY, for the purchase of the Francis Brady farm, East Half Lot Six, Concession Five, Ops (about four miles from Lindsay. Ploughed, well watered, and in good condition for the year 1907. Apply to MISS CATHERINE NAYLOR, 22 Elgin street, north ward, Lindsay, Ont. No letters answered.—w1.

FIRST CLASS FARM FOR SALE—The South Half of Lot Seventeen in the First Concession of the Township of Ops, containing one hundred acres, more or less; ninety-four acres cleared and in a good state of cultivation; the remainder pasture and hardwood. A stone dwelling house, a frame summer kitchen, weed shed, and orchard; a frame barn 60x26, a frame stable for horses and cattle, 60 feet long, and a driving shed. It is in a good locality and a half mile from Ops railroad station and school; convenient to Gladstone post office and church; about four miles from Lindsay. Ploughed, well watered, and in good condition for the year 1907. Apply to MISS CATHERINE NAYLOR, 22 Elgin street, north ward, Lindsay, Ont. No letters answered.—w1.

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS. DUNOON'S STORE

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the County of Victoria will meet in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURT HOUSE, LINDSAY, on—

Tuesday 23rd of January, A.D. 1906, at two o'clock, in the afternoon.

J. E. McNEILLIE, County Clerk, Lindsay, Jan. 8th, 1906

LINDSAY CREAMERY. The annual meeting of the patrons of Lindsay Creamery will be held on—

Thursday, Jan. 25, 1906, at one o'clock p.m., at the CREAMERY, RUSSELL-ST to hear the report of the year's business, and to appoint D-rectors for ensuing year.

J. W. MITCHELL, B.A., Superintendent of Kingston Dairy School, on 'Care of Cream and Butter Making.'

Mr. Newman, of Lorneville, and other speakers will also be heard.

Everybody welcome. Admission free. A special invitation is extended to farmers, wives and daughters and to all interested in dairying.

M. J. LEWIS, Proprietor.

OUR CITY FATHERS.

Sewer Contractor Chalmers on the Carpet.

MAYOR VROOMAN EXPRESSES PITY FOR THE POOR ASSESSORS.

A Lively Session of Council—Ex-Ald. McCrae Told to Go Home and Wash His Face—Sussex and Albert St. Sewer.

Mayor Vrooman and all members of Council attended the special meeting on Monday, the Town Clerk's office being the rendezvous chosen. Business was taken up at 7.30 sharp.

Among those present were Ex-Mayor D. Ray, Jas. M. Chalmers, I. E. Weldon, Jos. Brown, and ex-Ald. McCrae—the latter by special invitation.

The only communication was a letter from Town Solicitor Hopkins giving the text of his reply to the application of the G. T. R. Co. to have the hours of crossing watchmen reduced. The letter was filed.

SEWERS AND THINGS. After the reading of the reports of the several standing committees Ald. Eyres craved the indulgence of Council while he said a few words.

He had not been aware until recently of Mr. Sam. Walker's suit for damages because of a flooded cellar. If entitled to compensation he should get it; if not, the matter should be threshed out, and he would like an explanation from some member of the old Council.

Ald. Rea backed up the request, and on motion ex-Ald. McCrae, who was Board of Works chairman last year, was heard. He declared that the sewer built by Mr. Jas. Chalmers on Albert and Sussex-sts. was defective—be had examined it personally and so reported, and both the engineer and town collector had condemned the work.

The laterals were no better than tile drains, as the pipes were not cemented, and the trenches were two feet short of the property line. There had been a good solid contract, but Contractor Chalmers had not lived up to it.

Engineer Way's report, in which he had tendered his resignation, was read. Mayor Vrooman—"And this report certifying to the work and the correctness of Mr. Chalmers' balances is signed by whom?"

Ald. O'Reilly—"By Engineer Way." Town Solicitor Hopkins—"Allow me to explain. I suppose the Engineer means to certify that the measurements, etc., are correct. I have

heard a lot of complaints about that just possible that the trouble is due to other causes than the one ascribed—faulty construction. A protest has been lodged with the County Council, and the town authorities should inform themselves as to the facts so as to be in a position to discuss the question intelligently with the County Council. Mr. Walker had issued a High Court writ claiming damages, and the question before Council was a serious one. The engineer who laid out the sewer should be asked to file a statement that the sewer had been constructed in accordance with his plans—it if he had not, and the fault was due thereto, then the sewer might have to be reconstructed. The Council should hold a private meeting and discuss the course to be followed.

Ald. Eyres—"It is a delicate thing to criticize our predecessors, but I think they should have threshed this matter out before leaving office." Mayor Vrooman (to Solicitor Hopkins)—"Have we any relief in case the sewer has to be rebuilt?"

Mr. Hopkins—"That depends. If the trouble is due to faulty construction, we can hold the contractor, but if the sewer has been built according to the plans of the town's engineer it is another question. We hold the contractor and two sureties in the first case. The thing to do is to get a first-class engineer to take the levels and give us a report."

Mr. L. E. Weldon was heard on behalf of Mr. Chalmers' sureties, Messrs. Jos. Killaly and Jos. Brown. Mayor Vrooman—"How was it that the old Council did not settle this matter?"

Ex-Ald. McCrae—"We opened some laterals and asked Mr. Chalmers a dozen times to examine them, but he dodged every time, and we could not drag him there."

Mayor Vrooman next read the reports of Engineer Way and ex-Ald. McCrae on the House of Refuge sewer, also a letter from the latter to the County Council relative to the condition of same.

Ex-Mayor Ray—"This matter took up a lot of our attention last year. We had some laterals opened up, and as they proved defective we were anxious to have Mr. Chalmers verify them. I pleaded with him to do so but he failed to comply, and on the approach of cold weather we had to fill in the trenches. The old Council believed that Mr. Chalmers should be held responsible, and their experience had inclined them to think that other sewers should also be examined. He was surprised to hear that Mr. Chalmers had applied for the balance due him on sewers while refusing to investigate the Council's complaint."

Mr. Chalmers—"I would like to know what course you intend to take. All I ask is that you read the specifications and contract."

The specifications were produced and several clauses read. Mr. Hopkins—"Was the inspector on the work in your pay?"

Mr. Chalmers—"No, sir, and I just want you to make that charge."

Mayor Vrooman—"Why didn't you examine the laterals when asked to do so?"

Mr. Chalmers—"I was never officially notified, as the agreement calls for. The engineer is the sole judge as to the quality of the work, and you have his certificate endorsing the sewer."

Solicitor Hopkins raised the question whether the balances due on other sewers should be paid or not.

Mr. Chalmers—"Surely, gentlemen, you will not withhold payment in the case of sewers against which no complaint has been lodged."

Mayor Vrooman—"I don't like to hear you talk about an 'official' notice—that is mere quibbling."

Mr. Chalmers—"We'll see what they call it in the courts, Mr. Mayor."

Ex-Ald. McCrae—"So far as the main sewer is concerned, Mr. Mayor, I think it is as good as possible. We examined it carefully."

and second. The original motion was then carried.

THE ASSESSORS' PAY. Council then went into committee of the whole, Ald. Rea in the chair, to pass the assessors' by-law. The first blank was filled in with the name of G. H. Lindsay and James Fleury. Then came the salary, blank.

Mayor Vrooman—"Does anyone know what salary the assessors would like?"

Ald. O'Reilly—"Mr. Fleury is here and can speak for himself."

Mr. Fleury—"I wouldn't like to take less than was paid last year."

Mayor Vrooman—"What amount was that?"

Ald. O'Reilly—"The assessors were paid \$125 each in 1903 and later were given an increase of \$25 each. Of course they also got something for attending the Court of Revision meetings."

Mayor Vrooman—"Gentlemen, I appreciate the magnitude of our debt as well as any man, and realize that if it continues to roll up as in the past we shall have to appeal to the Government for relief and aid, yet notwithstanding I feel that we would be making a grave mistake if we did not pay our assessors well, and if they are not capable men we should get someone else."

Mr. Fleury—"Well, gentlemen, I'll be quite satisfied with \$175."

Ald. Beeg—"Make that salary \$200."

Mayor Vrooman—"No, no, I'm not usually guilty of this sort of thing, but I feel that the former figure was ridiculous if good work was expected."

Ald. Fisher proposed that the assessors should also collect information for a town directory, but Ald. O'Reilly pointed out that the houses would first have to be re-numbered; it being 15 years since this had been done.

The committee then rose and the by-law was read a third time.

SUNDRY MATTERS. Mr. John Wilson was heard relative to a supply of stone for road-making purposes next season. He was referred to Ald. Rea, chairman of the Board of Works.

Ald. O'Reilly—"I hear, Mr. Mayor, that the Water Commissioners have leased an office down street for five years instead of using a room in the market building as expected. Can you explain why, Mr. Mayor? You are the Council's representative on the Board, and should know something about it."

Mayor Vrooman—"I wasn't consulted at all."

Ald. McFadden—"When are butchers' licenses issued? I think we ought to abolish the license fee."

Ald. Fisher (smiling)—"Don't you think you ought to prevent the importation of meat from the States? People say meat is much cheaper there."

Mayor Vrooman—"I visited the fire hall to-day. The caretaker complains that he is unable to keep the building warm—owing to the sinking of the partitions the heat escapes into the garret. Nine tons of coal have been used so far."

Mr. Chalmers—"The brass beam require tightening up—rods are provided for that purpose. Then felt should be tamped into the cracks."

Council then adjourned.

Everybody Remember the Poultry Association Exhibition, Jan. 31st, Feb 1st and 2nd, Council Chamber Lindsay.

BUTTER IS SCARCE. English Market Looking for Supplies and Canadian Conditions May be Extreme.

The butter situation in this country and Great Britain is assuming some rather striking features and all operate through more particularly the retailers are keeping a close watch on the trend of the market.

In Britain the situation is most acute, and advice by cable and by mail tell of a great scarcity of butter, the choicest grades are specified, but the shortage extends also to the stocks of medium and confectionary grades of butter. Distributors on that market are said to be face to face with a serious problem when trying to replenish their stores. It is apparent that the adding of surplus stocks of butter sufficient to see the trade over any temporary shortage do not exist in England, and have been the first creamery. Some merchants hold in a stock earlier in the season which costs less than it would today, but the majority of the grocers are trying almost from hand to mouth, and the value of butter is approaching the record established last February and March when butter sold as high as 35 cents.

Consider the state of internal affairs in Russia, where a large proportion of the butter consumed in England is produced; it is not to be wondered at the receipts from that direction have fallen below the average.

What more directly concerns the general public, says the Montreal Witness is the fact that retailers claim that the situation on the wholesale market forces them to charge as high as 30 cents a pound for their first creamery. Some merchants hold in a stock earlier in the season which costs less than it would today, but the majority of the grocers are trying almost from hand to mouth, and the value of butter is approaching the record established last February and March when butter sold as high as 35 cents.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS. Those who have sent us money during the past few weeks, and have not received a receipt from this office, will notice that the date on their paper has been changed, which they will please accept as a sufficient receipt.

WILSON & WILSON.