OUR TOWNSHIP FATHERS

First Meeting of the New Township Council of Artemesia.

Flesherton, Jan. 17, 1887.

Precisely at 11:20 to-day, Monday, the following gentlemen took their seats in the Town Hall, around the Council Board:—

Dr. Christoe, Reeve, at the head of table; Messrs. John Boland, John McArthur, Wm. Sharpe, and Arch. Cairns, Councillors for Wards, 2, 1, 3, and 4 respectively. On the left of the Reeve sat the genial Township Clerk, with a formidable batch of correspondence and papers piled up "forninst" him. On the right of the Reeve, at a table prepared specially for him sat the Agricultural Editor of the FLESHERTON ADVANCE "alone in his glory."

Minutes of last meeting in 1886 read and approved.

Messrs. John Boland and John McArthur were appointed Deputy-Reeves of Artemesia for the year 1887.

Moved by Mr. McArthur seconded by Mr. Sharpe that the Clerk be instructed to receive applications for the office of Assessor up till 10 o'clock a. m., Feb. 7th next.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Boland seconded by Mr. McArthur, that the Collectors for the past year be paid $26.00 each, being the amount of their salary and expenses. —Carried.

Moved by Mr. McArthur, seconded by Mr. Boland, that the petition of George Binnie and three others be not entertained now as it does not meet the requirement of the Statute.—Carried.

The following By-laws were carried through the various stages and passed, viz., By-law 407, to appoint Auditors; and By-law 408, to appoint Health Officers.

On motion by Mr. McArthur, seconded by Mr. Sharp, the following accounts were ordered paid, viz., M. Riley for use of hall for polling, $4. A. R. Fawcett, printing, $12.75. H. Meldrum, for services in Ward 4, services of Constable and firewood, $5.75. Thos. Boland, for services of self, poll clerk and constable in Ward 2, $7.50. Alex. Brown, for services of self, poll clerk and constable, and rent of polling booth, Ward 4, $11.50. W. J. Bellamy, services of self, poll clerk and constable in Ward 2, also delivering ballot boxes to D. R. officers, $14.50. W. J .Bellamy quarter salary as Clerk, $37.50; also $6.30 for stationery, &c. John Rutherford, stationery, &c., $16.24.

Auditors.—Messrs. Thos. Boland and Henry Meldrum were appointed Auditors for current year.

Health Officers.—Messrs. S. Damude, G. Buskin, Wm. Suggitt, Dr. Christoe, and W, J. Bellamy were appointed Health Officers.

Moved by Mr. McArthur, seconded by Mr. Sharpe, that the Reeve and Mr. Boland be a Committee to inquire into the sufficiency of the Treasurer's securities.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cairns, seconded by Mr. Sharp, that Mrs. Hanley's taxes for 1886 be refunded.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Boland, seconded by Mr. McArthur, that Robt. Whitten be refunded $6.20, James Beecroft $3.77, on D. S. Munro's personal property, taxes 1886.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sharpe, seconded by Mr. Cairns, that the Council meetings be held on the first Monday of every month commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp this year, unless otherwise directed.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. McArthur, seconded by Mr. Sharpe, that the Reeve issue his order for this days session of Council and Indigent monthly allowance.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. McArthur, seconded by Mr. Boland, that Messrs. Cairns and Sharp be appointed Commissioners re Valley Road in lieu of Messrs. Pickle and McKee.—Carried.

Petition of J. W. Bates and others, re Pheobe and Norman Boyles, referred to Reeve and Mr. Sharpe.

Acct. from B. Colman, for use of schoolhouse 1886-7, $8, was laid over.

[The following resolution was unanimously carried and the Clerk instructed to forward a copy to the deceased gentleman's relict, Mrs. A. Elliott.—Ed.]

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE:

RESOLVED, That this Council, at this, its first opportunity, desire to express their heartfelt sorrow at the sudden and unexpected death of your husband. His general urbanity and integrity, pertaining to matters of the Township, make us feel that the Township has suffered a very great loss, and the institutions therein a firm and constant friend. This inscrutable providence leaves us only the privilege to tender you our warmest sympathy in your severe loss; and we earnestly recommend you to the care of the Husband of the widow and Father of the fatherless, who will most assuredly support and guide you in this your sore affliction if you lean on his arm for wisdom and strength.

Council adjourned.

Military.

Colonel Otter, Deputy Adjutant General of Military District No. 2, accompanied by Captain Campbell, arrived by Monday evening's train for the purpose of inspecting the arms and accoutrements of No. 6 company, 31st Batt. Lieut. Field was at the drill shed to receive them and the inspection was at once proceeded with. The arms and accoutrements, which are under Lieut. Field's special care, were found to be in first-class order; and, at the conclusion, Col. Otter expressed his satisfaction at result of his first inspection of the armory of No. 6 Company. The D. A. G. left on Tuesday morning for Durham to inspect the Armory of No. 4 Company at that place.

Priceville Heard From.

Letter from Prowler.

To the Editor of The Advance.

Dear Sir,—Having just returned from what Josiah Allan's wife call a "tower," my best friend thrust a copy of the ADVANCE into my hand, exclaiming as I thought—"The Dickens is in you!" "The Dickens in me," I said. "No," said he "Dixon is into you fellers!" And lo! and behold! nearly two columns taken up to tell what a man with average intelligence could put in a few small paragraphs. In the language of Goldsmith,

"Still I gazed and still the wonder grew,
That one small head could carry all he knew!"

The inhabitants of Priceville are quite capable of looking into their own interests, especially when they have a shoddy school teacher to deal with. When driven to it, they use strong tests.

Mr. Dixon insinuates that the whole thing was got up by two or three for spite. Now, Mr. Editor, the petition asking his removal was presented by about forty ratepayers and signed by thirty-five —a large percentage was it not? The fact is, Mr. D. finds himself cornered and beaten by those "pigmy-souled little growlers," and we are not surprised at the expressions he uses of "lie" and "falsehood," as those are pet phrases of his, when beaten in debate, or cornered in argument, and he was always beaten by the Priceville boys.

Mr. Dixon speaks of the opinion of Christian gentlemen. Was it the one who drew up the first petition for his removal in an underhanded manner? And when his confreres wanted everything done openly and above board, he then went over to the "anti-clique."

The Prowler is pleased to learn that Mr. Dixon is ashamed of his skeptical views, so long held and so often expressed; and while he does not want to pay a market value for anything he may require, as an example he tramped the village and country for three days, looking for cheap board and lodging—not being willing to pay more than $30 per year for accomodation. At the same time he was drawing a salary of $420 per year. I think if Mr. D. gets curried down in this vigorous manner by a few more of the shop-keepers, as Mr. Riley has handled him, he will not only wish his head in that lion's mouth, but will feel small enough to crawl in, body and boots!

PROWLER.

Letter from Mr. Brander.

To the Editor of The Advance.

Sir,—I noticed recently a communication over the signature of W. L. Dixon, re Priceville School, in which he makes some low insinuations and casts uncalled for reflections on Priceville shop-keepers. I would inform him, in his ignorance, that there are just as reliable, staunch, and intelligent men and women shopkeepers as there are teachers in this county; and Mr. Dixon is not the model we care to copy. He takes exception to "Prowler," re his religious opinions, or, rather, the want of them. Why, before Mr. Dixon was in the school three months, I had it from an unquestionable source, that he held such skeptic views; and have since heard the same from other sources. Have also myself heard Mr. Dixon express the same opinions. If the statement be false, he himself must be the father of it.

Thanking, you, Mr. Editor, for this space, I remain,

Yours truly,
JAMES BRANDER.

[An opportunity will now be afforded Mr. Dixon to reply to the above letters, after which we shall close our columns to any further discussion of the subject—the matter having now been, we think, thoroughly ventilated.—ED. ADVANCE.]

Registration of Letters.

Editor Advance:—(1) What is the cost of registering a letter to Great Britan or Ireland, in addition to the regular postage? (2) Is registration an absolute guarantee against the miscarriage or loss of a letter?

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Forcible, But Expressive.

On a recent occasion a minister was reviewing the quarterly work of the Sunday school. Desiring to illustrate the soul to his little hearers, he held up his watch and explained its workings.

"Now," he said "what is it in you that tells you to work, or study, or play, as the case may be?"

One little hand went up.

"Well, what is it?"

"The brain."

"Right. Now tell what it is back of the brain that makes it work?" expecting some one to answer the soul.

The same little hand waved anxiously in the air.

"I see you are a studious little fellow," said the minister with an encouraging smile. "Now tell your less fortunate companions what it is back of the brain that makes the brain act. That is, what it is that thinks through the brain."

"Guts!" was the shrill reply.

The preacher sat down greatly discomfited, amidst a perfect roar of laughter.

The ambitious boy was the son of a butcher

That "Ungentlemanly" Reply.

To the Editor of The Advance.

DEAR SIR,—I must beg your patience once more for a short reply to your Manitoba correspondent. I am sorry indeed to find that I was guilty of an "ungentlemanly act in pronouncing adverse judgement upon the parody emanating from that gentleman. My "reply" was written, not alone with the idea of calling in question the veracity of your correspondent, but as a satire upon our own country as well, which he extolls so highly. He sees very little that is good in the South. Now, I hold that, owing to physical suffering, of which he has been a victim for many years, he was incapacitated for acquiring an impartial and "unbiased" opinion of Southern climate and Southern capabilities. Although I have not had the good fortune to personally visit the Southern states, I have had the perseverance to read a number of standard writers on the subject, who could have no possible object in magnifying the good features of the country; and I must say that when I read your correspondent's parody I was struck with the conviction that his was simply a local observation, if not exaggerated— based upon no wide experience—and applied to all the Southern States. For instance: were a man dropped from a baloon upon the alkaline plains of Nevada he would not be in a position to pronounce an assay upon the mineral ore contained elsewhere in that state, nor even swear that there was a silver lode within a thousand miles. He would be fully convinced that it was solely a desert land, wholly unfit for human occupation. We could not blame him for stating his convictions, but we might be pardoned for swallowing his statements *cum granum salis*, and, if he were a reasonably man, without having it considered an "ungentlemanly" act to take the salt.

From a critical point of view I cannot accept the statements in that parody except as a "parody" upon the truth. I will give just one reason for my skepticism and then my case is completed. The sunshine, he states distinctly, is "seven times hotter than the heat of a midsummer in the middle or the Northern States."

The medium heat of our hottest weather is not below 85 degrees; that multiplied by 7 makes 595 of heat! Now, I leave it to the Agricultural Editor of THE ADVANCE if that information isn't a little hard to take without a grain of salt—or ice? It may be for the good of mankind in general to know that a country has been found thrice as hot as any Humboldt came across in his journey to the equatorial regions of South America, or Baker to the Albert Nyanza, but that wouldn't deter me from visiting it, if, as I remarked before, the country had not developed earthquakes to such an alarming extent as it has during the past year, even as far north as Virginia.

W. H. THURSTON.

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Owen Sound Branch.

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Taking Effect, Monday, July 27th, 1886.

Going North.

STATIONS.	Mail	Exp.	Mixed.
Toronto .....Leave	7 45am	4 5pm	Does not stop for Passengers.
Cardwell Junction.....	9 25 "	6 30 "	
Charleston	9 43 "	6 45 "	
Orange-ville. Arrive	10 05	7 03 "	
Orange-ville. Leave	10 20 "	7 22 "	
Orangeville Junction.....	10 32 "	7 34 "	
Shelburne	10 58 "	8 04 "	
Dundalk	11 22 "	8 30 "	
FLESHERTON	11 47 "	8 55 "	
Markdale.....	12 02 "	9 10 "	
Williamsford	12 23pm	9 32 "	
Chatsworth	12 38 "	9 49 "	
Owen Sound.....Arrive	1 05 "	10 20 "	

Going South.

STATIONS.	Exp.	Mail.	Mixed
Owen Sound.....Leave	5 40am	2 40pm	Does not stop for Passengers.
Chatsworth	6 10 "	3 07 "	
Williamsford	6 25 "	3 30 "	
Markdale.....	6 47 "	3 52 "	
FLESHERTON	7 02 "	4 06 "	
Dundalk	7 26 "	4 31 "	
Shelburne	7 51 "	4 57 "	
Orangeville Junction.....	8 22 "	5 23 "	
Orange-ville. Arrive	8 30 "	5 35 "	
Orange-ville. Leave	8 45 "	5 55 "	
Charleston	9 05 "	6 13 "	
Cardwell Junction.....	9 25 "	6 30 "	
Toronto.....Arrive	10 55 "	8 10 "	

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