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McKinley has been elected President of the United States,

OUR MINES

For many years it has been known that Canada is rich in gold mines, but want of facilities for mining has caused them to be neglected, and even their exact extent to remain unascertained. Since the passage of the C. P. R. across the continent much private prospecting and mining has been done with more or less success, but nothing in the form of a boom has occurred until within the present year. Distant fields have held the enchanted attention of English investors, and South Africa and Australia have remained the object of their attention. It is now, however Canada's turn. Our merits are becoming known, and English and American capital is flowing in. The year now drawing to a close has seen a marvelous advance in the output of gold in Ontario alone, the product amounting to $142,605 for nine months, against $50,281 for the twelve months of last year. Owing to the recent extensive gold discoveries in British Columbia the output of gold in Canada will next year no doubt be very large and will at once place this country in the very front rank of gold producing countries of the world. Canada is essentially a mineral country, from Cape Breton to the Pacific, and every province therein has its valuable mineral—gold, silver, nickel, asbestos, mica, phosphates, iron or coal—some of which have not been found in paying quantities elsewhere on this continent. The facts are only of late becoming known to the world at large, and are now beginning to attract the attention which they deserve, and a spirit of leaven is working which will produce on the northern half of this continent in the course of a short time one of the happiest and most prosperous countries on the face of the earth.

It was reported last week that an extensive deposit of coal had been discovered eighteen miles west of Sudbury, and this is thought to be of superior quality. A government geologist is now investigating the find. Should it prove to be good coal an invaluable aid will be brought to bear upon mining in eastern Ontario, as well as securing to us a relief from the necessity of depending upon American coal for consumption.

A Letter From Chicago.

[The following article was intended for last week's issue, but was crowded out. ED. ADVANCE.]

Chicago, Oct. 27th, 1896.

To the Editor of The Advance.

The political situation here is at a white heat, and every day grows in intensity. It is not confined to the voters alone, but women and children join in the enthusiasm with the utmost zeal. In nearly every window of private houses is displayed the photo engravure of either Bryan or McKinley, for around these two candidates all the excitement hinges. There are three other candidates for the presidency, who are of minor importance. The originations in buttons, maps, pictures and other devices have never been so varied. In buttons we have the pictures of the candidates for president and vice-president with their names below, and a thousand other designs with phrases appropriate to the campaign. In pictures we have McKinley with the words, "advance agent of prosperty," "what Bryan said and McKinley did." One device is a coffin with the words, "16 to 1 did it," and on removing the lid shows Bryan dead. In one window there is a picture of a dog, designed as a map of the United States, showing the great western and southern states in silver colors and covering two-thirds of the dog while the western states in gold cover the rest including the tail and the line reading, "will the tail wag the dog?"

There have been hundreds of catchy songs and phrases invented to hit off the situation, some of these are:

What's the matter with Bryan?
He's all right;
What's the matter with McKinley?
He's all wrong."

Bryan in the white house,
McKinley on a mule;
Bryan is a gentleman,
McKinley is a fool."

Bryan's famous words, "you shall not place upon the brow of labor a crown of thorns; you shall not crucify mankind upon a cross of gold," have been wrought into a thousand different devices. In street parades they are engraved upon the floats and banners, and stand at the head of newspapers. At the close of one parade there was a tableau drawn by six white horses representing the famous sentence.

Not the least interesting is the interest taken in the elections by children. Every night they have parades with lanterns on poles, carrying flags and marching to the inspiring music on small drums, tin whistles, bones, shouts and every conceivable thing that will create a noise. When they come opposite a house having their opponent's picture displayed in the window they stop and with great unction yell their party cry that he is in the soup or words to that effect.

I do not think there is any serious doubt as to the outcome. Bryan has steadily lost ground since the nine days' wonder at his brilliant oration which gained for him the nomination. There are many who will doubtless vote for him on sentimental grounds alone. He is the youngest man ever nominated for the office. He is boyish looking for his years, he has been scoffed at, ridiculed and maligned, and he is fighting a battle against tremendous odds, all the wealth of the country is arrayed against him, all the great interests, all the great corporate power, and all the ends that can be secured through fear of those powers There have been accusations of coercion on the part of employers to compel their employees to wear McKinley buttons, take part in McKinley parades or join McKinley clubs. On Chicago day there was a McKinley parade and there is no doubt that, though possibly not compelled to participate, there were thousands of men afraid to stay out. It is a fact that men have been discharged for too active work in Bryan's cause. I have yet to hear of one being so dealt with in urging McKinley's claim. I do not claim that this is either right or wrong, probably a man thinks it as great a question as that which led up to the civil war and treats his opponent as he would have treated an employee who advocated treason and disruption of the union. But where is the liberty of thought, of speech and of action? Where is that great boon that American speakers never fail to prate about on every platform, in any place, at at time? I have never heard a speech delivered on a platform here yet, but the words freedom or liberty was offensively dragged in, as if this were the only country that possessed that boon. There is not one of the great daily papers of Chicago supporting Bryan and his cause, and only one of the minor ones, the Despatch, which is not accused of having much influence. At least 90 per cent. of the great business interests of Chicago are for McKinley and his pictures appear in nine out of ten windows in the best residental districts. The labor vote is uncertain, and the Bryanites claim it. Business is practically suspended, thousands out of employment. It is expected to boom as soon as election is over.

C. V. LEGLARE.

Artemesia Council

The municipal council of the township of Artemesia met in the Town Hall, Flesherton, on Monday, November 2nd, 1896. There were present John Boland, Esq., Reeve; T. Kells and D. McMillan, Deputy Reeves, and councillors Best and Thompson. The minutes of last session were read and confirmed. A certificate from the Clerk of the Peace, as to filing selectors of jurors' report ws presented and read.

Thompson—Kells—That R. McLean Purdy be notified according to statute to have all the timber cut down and removed off Valley Road, lot 25, con. 14, and that the timber be cut and removed off 25 feet on each side of road allowance as per bylaw of this corporation. Carried.

Kells—Best—That the reeve issue orders in favor of the various school trustee corporations of the township for amount of trustees' estimates and proportion of general school rate for 1896 Carried.

Kells—Thompson—That the com. of Ward 1 see after the sale of some hardwood timber said to be on the Base Line, con. 3, west, at lots 174, 175, 176, more or less, and sell the said hardwood and reserve any cedar and black ash. Carried.

Kells—Thompson—That whereas that part of the Valley Road in the 14th con. north of bridge, on Davis deviation, has become impassable, and whereas this council has been threatened with suits for damages sustained thereon, therefore be it resolved, that the com. of Ward 4 and the mover put the above named piece of road in good state of repair forthwith. Carried.

McMillan—Best—That this council is prepared to rebuild bridge on townline A. and P. at lots 35, con. 3, S. D. R., said bridge having been destroyed by fire in the spring of 1896, providing the council of Proton meet this corporation in the construction of the same, and the clerk notify the council of Proton to this effect. Carried.

Best—Thompson—That having received a verbal report from Messrs Taylors re drain dug by them through lots 71, 72, 73, 1st north, and lot 186, 2nd east, and consequently passing along and through the Base Line east, and being satisfied that the amount granted by this council is not a fair proportion for the benefit said drain is to the road, therefore be it resolved that an extra grant of $5 be paid to Thos. and Alex. Taylor, providing they extend the pipe from the north end of culbert to where the drain taps the road boundary. Carried.

Kells—Thompson—That Wm. Taylor be paid $5 for supplying cedar timber, and Thos. Taylor $5 for making a certain drain at or near 186, con. 2nd east, as per agreement of this council in 1895. Carried.

Thompson—McMillan—That the bill of John Weber for damages sustained to his buggy by Valley Road being out of repair, be paid, bill being $2. Carried.

Kells—Best—That the reeve, assessor and clerk be paid $4 each for selecting jurors for the current year. Carried.

Kells—McMillan—That Wm. Barnhouse be paid $4.40 for one barrel of flour supplied Mrs. Williamson, an indigent. Carried.

McMillan—Best—That commissioner of Ward 2 be paid $2.40 commission on $30 of special road work let and inspected by him. Carried.

McMillan—Kells—That the commissioner of Ward 3 be paid $13.55, being commission on $170, special work up to present date. Carried.

Kells—Thompson—That the commissioner of Ward 1 be paid $4 commission on $50, special work let and inspected by him. Carried.

Best—Thompson—That the commissioner of Ward 1 be paid $4.50 for special work on townline between Artemesia and Proton. Carried.

Best—McMillan—That the commissioner of Ward 4 be paid $2.70 for expending $34 of special grants. Carried.

McMillan—Kells—That the reeve be paid $4 for letting and inspecting road work on 30 side road and Meaford road, he acting instead of Mr. Thompson in these matters; also $2 for attending to letting drains near Proton Station, by order of Council. Carried.

Council adjourned to 15th December, 1896.

The Collingwood exhibition people will only pay 40 per cent. of the prize list this year.

John Ramier, near Duntroon, got his leg badly fractured in a hay press. It may have to be amputated.

EQUAL · RIGHTS · HOUSE

A Dialogue

(Mrs. B) Good morning John, where are you off to-day?

(John) Why this is a Bargain Day and I am going to Flesherton.

(Mrs. B) Bargain Day! What like a thing do you call that?

(John) It is a day set apart from the rest when you are supposed to get goods cheaper than any other day.

(Mrs. B) Well, I do not care about that as I can go to the man on the hill and get bargains every day in the week, and besides, I am no scholar and my memory is very bad at times and I cannot remember the exact day to go but it makes no difference in that store. They are selling dirt cheap and you should see the sugar they are selling 30 lbs. for $1 00 every day in the week. On your way home call in and I will give a cup of tea that will do your heart good. I always buy my teas at Mac's They keep the best. I bought complexion soap from them at 10c per box and my old man says I look better now than he ever saw me look in all the days of his life. Here is $1.00, go to the store on the hill and bring me the worth of it in Flannelette. They have it there 32 inches wide for 6½c per yard, the same as they sell other places for 10c. I tell you John, as long as that man is in Flesherton I will buy in that store.

Bargains . Every Day AT

B. McDONALD'S

We Touch The Spot!

FOR PRICES

On seasonable goods, and have full supplies in the following lines:

FLY NETS—Leather and Corded.

DUSTERS,
RUBBER DASH APRONS,
BINDER WHIPS,
RIDING SADDLES,
SWEAT PADS,
AXLE GREASE.

Come in and Examine

W. MOORE

Harnessmaker, Flesherton

To The Public

THE BEST OF

Roller Flour

ALWAYS ON HAND. ALSO

Bran, Shorts, Rolled Oats, Standard Oat Meal.

Choice stock of Groceries, Lemons and Oranges. 2 bottles Pickles for 25c—best brand. Don't buy anything but the LEADER CHURN, it is the best. I sell it. A choice line of HARDWARE and GLASSWARE.

R. PEDLAR

M. RICHARDSON & CO

Something Interesting

A Special Invitation

We extend a special and cordial invitation to readers of The Advance to come and visit our store. At this season our stock is unusually full, complete and well assorted in every department, and cannot fail to interest you in some particular. We buy in large quantities, at the closest figures, import direct and always aim to give our customers the best possible value for their money. Briefly—our prices and values are RIGHT!

We are fully alive to the value of advertising but a personal inspection of our stock will be more convincing than a whole column of cold figures. Come in, we shall be pleased to see you, show you goods and quote prices whether you want to buy or not.

We are offering special values this week in

—Mantles
—Mantle Cloths
—Clothing
—Overcoats
—Underwear

All new and seasonable goods.

BARGAIN DAY!

Our Friday Bargain Day is an unqualified success. Since its introduction, our Friday sales have advanced by leaps and bounds, and our only regret is that we can't wait on all the people who come to buy.

We don't confine our BARGAINS solely to Bargain Days—we're offering bargains every day—but we DO give some special inducements on Fridays.

Come in Next Friday

And see one of the best displays of goods anywhere north of Toronto.

Come, and Come Early!

Hardware Dep't

.. OUR ..

Fall Stock OF

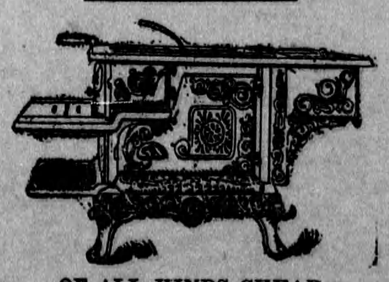
Cow Chains
Rope Ties
X-Cut Saws and Axes

HAVE ARRIVED AND ARE SELLING CHEAP

BARGAIN FRIDAY!

We intend making this day one to be remembered. We have not room to numerate the snaps we will offer, but COME and you will see for yourself.

We Sell Good



OF ALL KINDS CHEAP. SEE THEM!

M. RICHARDSON & CO