

The Advance

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QUESTIONS ANSWERED

" Anxious Inquirer " writes: What causes the blotches of red on the new 2c postage stamp? Were they intentionally placed there, and if so for what purpose?"

The above query has been sent us by a lady, and we are happy to be in a position to answer her question: When Mr. Mulock undertook to run off the first edition of these stamps the handle of the old hoe press flew back and struck him in the nose, with the result that several drops of gore fell upon the page before him. Many sleepless nights of agony had preceded this in a vain endeavor to produce a suitable design. Now it was noticed that the design was much improved by the addition of a few drops of blood and it was at once decided to print them with promiscuous red blotches as a very evident | the House of Refuge. token of the P.M.G's labor in bringing forth this lovely creation. The public is expected to believe that the red blots are actual oozings from the overwrought brain of the P.M.G. We are pleased to be first to supply this information to a wondering public, as outside of official circles it has not heretofore been made known.

"Querist," Eugenia - Yes, Mr. Laurier is still in Washington. He will hang up his sock in the White House on Christmas eve and expects to get a big fat "treaty" stuffed into the toe by President McKinley. If in the morning he finds no treaty he may be looked for by first train.

What is Shiloh's

umerable cases of incipient consumption | Rev. Mr. Hale, of Heathcote, officiated. and relieved many in advanced stages. 50 cts. and \$1.00.

Important Resolution.

At a recent meeting of the Owen Sound Ministerial Association it was resolved to | church intend holding their annual teacall a convention of all the ministers of meeting and entertainment on Jan. 2nd. Owen Sound and vicinity, for the purpose of arranging a series of meetings in view | visiting friends in Toronto and the State of the coming plebiscite on the question of Ohio, has returned to his home in the of a House of Refuge for the County of | village. Grey. In accordance with this resolution a convention was held on the 12th De- | capital to-day and we understand that cember in the Y. M. C. A. hall, Owen | there will be four candidates in our Sound, at which the Rev. James Lediard | division to aspire for county honorswas appointed president and the Rev. | Messrs. Brown and Agnew, of Meaford; James Ardill secretary. After discussion Mr. Gilray. Euphrasia; and Mr. Bowes, lot 2 and 3, con, 5. Osprey, some ime ago, one it was decided that it would be inadvis- St. Vincent. Euphrasia should stand by able to attempt to hold a series of meet- Mr. Gilray, as he is the only aspirant in ings, as it was thought that it would be | Euphrasia. Mr. J. M. Davis and Mr. impossible to make them successful at Jas. Erskine will, we understand, contest this season of the year and with the pres- | the reeveship for the township. We have ent unfavorable condition of the country | not heard all who will be the candidates roads. It was, however, unanimously likely to aspire for councillors. important question. Taking as our basis | absence from our village. the sheet prepared and circulated by the county clerk at the request of the county | shanties, near Wiarton. council, supplemented as this is by reliable estimates subsequently made by | Court C. O. F. purpose holding an enterthe county clerk and embodied in this | tainment Christmas week. resolution, we are convinced :

in our country is sufficiently large to | Methodist church on Friday evening, demand that some concerted action should | Dec. 16th. Business was transacted, and be taken to secure their comfortable | the following officers were elected. J.D.

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tenance by municipalities has proven to Secretary; Mr. A. E. Armstrong, Mr. R. be inadequate and has been found to | D. Carruthers, Miss H. Walton, Miss L. press untainly upon some parts of the | Walton, Mr. J. R. Bradbury, Miss L. country

(3) That a large number of these poor | elected teachers for the different classes. people have been for years supported by | Miss Annie Scott, who has been taking the county at the county jail at a large | a course in the Meaford Model School reexpunse, and as one of our judges lately i turned home last week, the term being with all the odium that closed for 1898.

attaches to being "herded with crimi-

(4) That according to the most careful estimates, it is clear that in general, the indigents in any county may be more comfortably and economically supported ELECTION NOTICE by a well conducted House of Refuge than by any other system.

built and maintained at a very small cost per ratepayer, thus removing the objection so often heard, that a House of Refuge will be a perpetual and heavy drain upon the resources of the county. This statement is borne out by the following figures-the approximate accuracy which is vouched for by the county

"There are 22,000 municipal ratepayers in the county of Grey, as shown by the last voters' list. 51 cents per ratepayer would produce the sum of \$1,210sufficient for paying the interest and providing for a sinking fund to meet the debentures to be issued for the establishment of a House of Refuge. 6 cents per ratepayer will provide \$1,320, which, with a part of the amount now being paid from year to year by the local municipalities in the county for the maintenance of their poor-and which will be greatly reduced by the erection of a House of Refuge-will be sufficient to provide for an average of fifty inmates at \$1 per head per week. So that a sum of 12 cents on the average ratepayer will be the cost per annum for building and maintaining a House of Refuge in the County of Grey."

(6) And lastly we are convinced that Grey. the Christian and humanitarian sentiment of the county will no longer permit its deserving poor to be compelled either to suffer actual want or to submit to the humiliation of repeated appeals to the municipal councils for aid, or worse still, as hereinbefore expressed to be "herded with criminals in the county

The convention would respectfully request all newspapers in the county to publish the foregoing resolution and all ministers of the gospel to read the resolution to their congregations and to press upon them the moral obligations under which all Christian communities are laid to provide for their deserving poor in a a worthy way. And we would remind the electors that the vote that will practically decide this question for the county will be the vote on the 2nd of January, 1899, and so would urge every friend of the poor to mark his ballot in favor of

> JAMES LEDIARD, President. JAMES ARDILL, Secretary.

Kimberley

From Our Own Correspondent

Well, we have come out of the snow safe and sound and will endeavour to write a few items for your valuable paper. On Saturday morning, Dec. 3rd, the sad intelligence was borne through our village that Rebecca, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Hammond, had passed peacefully away that morning, a victim to that dread disease, consumption. Having been a general favorite with old and young alike, her death is mourned by a large circle of friends. Though only sixteen years of age, ye she never murmured nor complained, but bore all with a Christian fortitude. Through all her sickness her Bible was her constant companion, and she peacefully rested on its comforting promises, and now that she is gone we rest assured that she is "Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe on his gentle breast." Though the A grand old remedy for Cough, Colds | roads were almost impassible, yet a large and Consumption; used throughout the number of friends followed her remains world for half a century, has cured in- to Thornbury union cemetery, where

The entertainment held under the aus-If you are not satisfied with the results | pices of the Kimberly Methodist Sab bath we will refund your money. Price 25 cts., school, on Dec. 14, was a decided success also held on Saturday night, Dec. 17th, in connection with above entertainment. Proceeds from both were about \$40.

> The congregation of the Methodist Mr. Thos. Wickens, who has been

Some of our townspeople visited the

resolved to send to all the newspapers of | Mr. J. Carruthers of North Dakota is the county an expression of the convic- visiting friends in this neighborhood. tions of the ministers in reference to this | looking hale and hearty after ten year's

> Mr. Geo. Bath is home again from the We understand that the Kimberley

The Board of management of Kimber-(1) That the number of homeless poor | ley Methodist Sabbath School met in the Watson, superintendent; Miss M. A. (2) That the present system of main- | Thurston, Treasurer; Mr. G. Burritt, Soule and Miss M. A. Thurston were



(5) That such House of Refuge can be Election of County Councillors of the Fifth County Council Grey.

Public Notice is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Fifth County Council Division of the County of Grey, that a meeting of said Electors will be held in Victoria Hall in the Village of Dundalk on

A.D., 1898, between the hours of one and two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of nominating Candidates for the offices of two County Councillors for said Fifth Division of LUIS

the County of Grey. And if at the day and time above named or after the lapse of the time in which candidates may withdraw from nomination there are a greater number of candidates nominated than are required to be elected an election will be taken at each of the Municipal Polling places in said County Council Division on Monday, the 2nd day of January 1899 from the hour of 9 o'clock in the forenoon to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of same day.

W. J. WARDELL Nominating Officer of the fifth County Council

Dated at Dundalk, Dec. . 2nd, 1898.

County Council Election

To the Electors of District No. 5, Co. of

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN :- At the solicitation of a large number of ratepayers, I have again consented to become a candidate for county councillor. During the past two years during which I have had the honor of being one of your representatives at the county board, I have endeavored to discharge my duties faithfully to the best of my ability. Respectfully soliciting your support and influence, I remain your humble servant.

GEO. WATSON Swinton Park, Dec. 20, '98.

To The Electors of Division No. 5. GENTLEMEN,-The period for which your representatives to County Council were elected having nearly expired, I beg to tender you my best services for another term. If my record for the past two years has merited a continuance of your confidence, I ask for your support at the coming municipal election, and if returned again as your representative will give my best efforts to serve you during another

M. RICHARDSON. Flesherton, Dec. 13th, 1898.

NOTICE TO ELECTORS

To the Electors of the Township of Artemesia:

Having consented to be a candidate for the office of councillor for the township of Artemesia for the year 1899, I venture to solicit your vote and influence at the coming election. My record as a councillor is well known. As in the past, so in the future my best effort shall be put forth in the general interest of jold

I am, ladies and gentlemen, yours most re-THOS. KELLS.

Notice to Electors

To the Electors of Artemesia

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, -Having been requested by many of the ratepayers of the township to allow, my name to go before the electors as a candidate for councillor, I have decided to do so and hereby request your vote and influence in my behalf, Your obedient servant, ALEX MUIR

Notice to Electors

To The Ratepayers of Artemesia:

GENTLEMEN,-It is my intention to become a caudidate for the Council of Artemesia for the year 1898. Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited.

8. SHEARD OWN Proton Station, Dec. I3, 1898

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To the Electors of the Township of Artemesia.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, -I have been requested to become a can lidate for the Reeveship for the Municipality of Artemesia for the year 1899. Your vote and influence are respectfully selicited.

D. McTavish. Flesherton, Dec. 21st, '98.

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Came to the premises of the undersigned. yearling bull. Owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take it away. JACOB LOUGHEAD Maxwell, Dec. 1, 1898.

Logs Wanted

Allkinds of sawlogs wanted for which the highest prices will be paid in cash, at the Rockvale mills (Porteous Corner,) Artemesia, and at Flesherton Station. For full particulars apply at mill or head office, Markdale ARMSTRONG BROS.

Logs Wanted

At Boyd's Mills. Maple, Basswood, Birch, Black Ash. Rock and Soft Elm, Spruce and all kinds of logs wanted in any quantity. Cedar ties, 8 feot long 9 inch top, cedar logs, from [10 to 16 feet long, and cedar piles from 20 to 45 feet long especially wanted. Cedar and Rock Elm may be delivered at Flesherton Station. Highest cash Prices paid. For further particu-J. & W. BOYD lars apply to



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Tamworth Boar PORT LAW DAN for service at Port Law. Certificate can be seen by applying to owner.
GEO: THOMPSON. Port Law Dec. 7, '98.

M. Richardson & Co.

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Thinking of Christmas Presents?

A FEW SUGGESTIONS

EVERY LINE APPROPRIATE TO THE SEASON

Ladies

Anything in this line makes a most acceptable present. Our stock comprises Capes, Muffs, Ruffs, Storm Collars Caperines, Gauntlets, etc., all new goods at special holiday prices. Some very special lines in Fur Gauntlets.

Ladies Gloves and Handkerchiefs

Warm covering for the hands is essential at this season. We have some very pretty lines in fancy Ringwood Gloves, white and colors. Our stock of kid gloves is complete in sizes and shades. In dainty embroidered handkerchiefs we offer some special values.

Neck-wear for Men...

Our Christmas purchases of Puffs, Ascotts, strings and Derbys are of special merit, and we show a special range of 25c Ties. Our special line of 50c goods put up in boxes takes in all the latest colors and shapes.

Silk Mufflers Handand kerchiefs

We are showing all kinds of Neck Mufflers in Wool, Silk and wool and pure silk, in light, medium and dark colors from 25c. All colors in Silk Handkerchiefs, plain, shot and brocaded. An extra special line of white silk hemstitched Handkerchiefs, large size at 50c

Fancy Glass and Silverware

You should see our display in this section at popular prices. Lamps, Fancy Glassware, Cutlery, Silverware, Fancy China, etc., etc. Our special line of Holiday Goods at 25c is wonderful value in Glass and Silverware.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYBODY

Richardson & Co.

.. RICHARDSON'S SONG ... Once upon a week night dreary,

As I pondered, somewhat weary, O'er some curious toys and puzzles that I have in store,

Says I to myself, I'll advertise them in the Advance, and then they'll go bejabbers, and so they will, if I know anything, for I've got the right things for the right people for old and young, rich and well off; as for poor people, we don't have any, but if we have I can suit them in price entirely.

I have tin toys, wooden toys, iron toys, trains, engines, common pisto's, guns, boats, baloons, bagatelle boards, brooms, baskets, bodkins, A. B. C. blocks, sad irons, hair brushes, carpenter's tools, whips, whisks, furniture, chairs, bureaus, sideboards, stoves and fittings, tea setts in tin and china, water sprinklers, carpet sweepers, whisk holders, cups and saucers in tin and chiua, knife, fork and spoons, pocket knives from 5 cents up, clocks that

will go and keep time. Musical Instruments:

Harps, jewsharps, anto harps, vocal harps, David's harps, organs for the mouth, mouth organs, violins, fiddles, tin whistles, bicycle whistles, mouth accordians, Swiss reeds, hurdy gurdy's, musical rolling pins. (not that kind that the good woman taps the old man and the kids on the nut with, to extract the vocal chords,) trombones, drums, horns, harmonics, the biggest double breasted month organs ever sold, for ten cents (see it,) fites, flutes, picka-

loes, fiddle strings, tails, bridges and keys. Carts, waggons, carriages, skyes, cutters, sleighs, horses, dogs, cows, sheep, lions, elephants, birds and birds that can fly. Dogs that will bark. Dogs with tails and dogs without.

Big dolls, and little dolls, Indian dolls, nigger dolls, talking dolls, nankin dolls, kid dolls, china dolls, rubber dolls, rag dolls, iron dolls, nearly all kinds, of dolls.

Gents' dressing companions, leather cases, collar and cuff boxes, necktie cases, shaving cases.

Ladies' dressing cases, writing cases, work boxes, handkerchief and glove cases. Jewell cases. Perfume cases, card cases, also a great stock of perfumes in bulk and in bottle. Hair brushes, nail brushes, tooth brushes, paint brushes and other kinds of brushes and combs, side combs, front combs, back combs, dressing combs, barbers' combs. Small tooth combs, fine tooth combs, hair curlers in kid and iron. Waver's cosmetic moustache wax, purses for ladies and gentlemen, bill books, cigar cases and cigars, pipes and tobacco. Corks and bottles, pills and powder. Hold on, getting mixed again.

Books and Stationery

Hymn books, Methodist, fine Indian paper, soft backs, leather lined, round corners, etc. Hymn books, Presbyterian, from 10c up. A beautiful stock of bibles, just imported, direct from Engand, with soft pliable limp bindings and clear print. I have bibles from 25 cents to \$4.50, just what you want for presents. A nice assortment of the poets from Poe to Shakespeare in beautiful bindings and new styles. But the editor says he has no room for more. Come and see the rest.

Richardson's = - Drug - - Store