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Flesherton Methodist Church

Rev. James Dudgeon, pastor.

Thursday, 8 p. m. Prayer Meeting in charge of the Epworth League.

Friday at 7.30 p. m., choir practice.

Sunday, 10.30 a. m. Conference for Christian workers.

11 a. m. Pastor will preach.

7 p. m. Pastor will preach.

Epworth League Monday evening 8 P. M.

Flesherton Baptist Church

R. C. Kerr, Pastor.

Sunday School 10 a. m., Service at 11 a. m.

Subject for Sunday, Feb, 22; "The Father's Kiss."

Bible study on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. McLeod, Ceylon.

Artemesia Council

Artemesia council met on Monday, Feb. 9, members all present, the Reeve in the chair. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. Communications as follows were presented and read : County Treasurer, list of lands liable to be sold for arrears of taxes in 1914 ; P. F. McArthur, asking refund of taxes on his business assessment for 1913; T. E. Thornbury re dog tags ; Wm. Swanton, D. McLeod and C. W. Bellamy applications for the office of assessor for 1914 ; Margaret Gordon, M.D., asking the Council to pass a resolution favoring the extension of the Municipal Franchise Act to permit married women taxpayers to vote ; the Reeve and Mr. Graham, special committee to inquire into the sufficiency of the treasurer's sureties reported that the said surety consisted of a bond of the London Guarantee Co. for $4000, with premium paid to the 8th day of November, 1914.

Bylaws 774 to appoint an assessor, and 779 to appoint a trustee for Markdale high school, were passed through their several stages with the name of C. W. Bellamy as assessor and David Foster as trustee.

Brown—Cameron—That this Council is of opinion that the existing Municipal Franchise Act should be enlarged so as to include married women taxpayers, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Hon. I. B. Lucas, the member for Centre Grey.—Carried unanimously.

Brown—Aldcorn—That the Reeve and Mr. Graham be a committee to inquire into the condition of the treasurer's security and report at this meeting—Carried.

Aldcorn—Cameron—That the Treasurer be instructed to pay John Nuhn $49.95 for tile got from him by Mr. Caswell in 1913 —Carried.

Graham—Brown—That whereas objections were lodged with the Georgian Bay Power Company against making a sale of their Eugenia power until this township is indemnified, and are in receipt of notice from the Hydro Power Commission that they are about to take over the same and a hearing will be given, the Reeve and Councillor Cameron appear before the Commission and press our claim—Carried.

Cameron—Brown—That the report of the committee on the Treasurer's sureties be received and adopted—Carried.

Aldcorn—Cameron—That the matter complained of by Mr. George McKenzie be referred to the Reeve and Councillor Brown to deal with at the proper season —Carried.

Aldcorn—Cameron—That the Clerk write Mr. McArthur explaining that the Council cannot deal with the matter referred to by him as there was no appeal to the Court of Revision of 1913—Carried.

Cameron—Aldcorn—That $1350 is hereby appropriated to be expended on the highways of this township as follows: Div. No. 1 $300, Div. No. 2 $300, Div. No. 3 $325, Div. No. 4 300, the Valley Road $125. This amount includes all work on town lines and over and above any new work in the township, and also expenditure on bridges costing not more than $25 each, the Reeve and commissioner of the division in which a bridge is to be built costing over $25 shall be a committee to build the same, and no special expenditure shall be made without a resolution of this Council except in case of emergency. Each commissioner shall report to this Council before receiving any commission. The Treasurer shall be required to report to Council as soon as any commissioner has expended ninety per cent. of appropriation, and no commissioner shall receive commission on any amount expended over amount herein appropriated—Carried.

Council adjourned.

The following resolution was omitted from the minutes of January session :

Aldcorn—Brown—That a special grant of $60 be made and expended in gravelling 126 rods opposite lots 36 and 37, con. 3 S.D.R., and Commissioner Aldcorn shall expend $40 out of his appropriation and Mr. Aldcorn shall have charge of the work—Carried.

A Missionary Letter

Novar, Parry Sound, Feb. 9, 1914.

Dear Editor and Readers,—Several months have elapsed since I have written to your valuable paper. Thinking perchance a word from the mission field might revive the missionary spirit of the south, and thus do something for the Master, permit me to touch slightly upon the conditions existing upon our mission fields in Muskoka and Parry Sound.

The mission fields of these districts have seen their height of progress. It is true that the missionaries of the past have had a great work to do upon these fields. In the not far-faded past the aspect was different from what it is now. As one travels along our roads at present he sees the devastations made by the woodman's axe, and the bare and rugged things of nature exposed to view, stripped as they are of nature's magnificent display of virgin forests. With the best of our forests gone, so have departed a great number of that factor of creation, humanity, which our church is called upon to minister unto. Some of my appointments that were once flourishing centres of spiritual growth of our church, where the heart of many a missionary was gladdened in receiving into the folds of Methodism many hard-working lumbermen, their wives and their children, whose hearts were made tender by the strange old story of the cross, are now reduced to a membership of six to fourteen. You may ask what is the cause. The answer is found in the depopulation of the settlement. Some of the old, faithful laborers have been called home, and as for the youth, the spirit of the prairie has pervaded their hearts, and as a result they have sought out the productive soil.

Hence arises one of the duties of the present day missionary, to rally together the scattered forces that are left, to get them to understand that "where two or three are gathered together, there will I be also." I have seen me on some appointments direct a sermon to no more than three individuals. It is here that Satan tries to raise pessimism, to sweep our hearts with discouragement, but those of us who have read Service's "The Quitter," when he says "to fight and to fight, when hope's out of sight, why that's the best game of them all," will soon take heart again.

In conclusion let me say, the evil forces against us are Pessimism and Backbiting, while more than a match for these are Optimism on the part of sound hearted christians and the Spirit of Truth. Though our work is not so great, in that the harvest field is not so extensive, yet there comes to us the feeling that there is still a great work to be done for Christ,

"Like tides on a crescent sea-beach,
When the moon is new and thin,
Into our hearts high yearnings
Come welling and surging in ;
Come from the mystic ocean,
Whose rim no foot has trod ;
Some of us call it longing,
And others call it God."

—J. WILFRED GREENWOOD.

Village Shade Trees

Dr. Fernow says that in "walking along the streets of any city one will find at least from twenty-five to fifty per cent of the trees in a damaged condition." In the small towns of eastern Canada, it is safe to say that at least seventy-five per cent of the shade-trees need attention for, unlike the cities, these towns employ no "tree doctors" to guard the health of the trees, and even trimming is done but irregular, and often carelessly. Yet if the shade-trees in many of these towns were destroyed one of their chief attractions would be gone.

There are several reasons why the trees in these old towns require special attention. The chief is probably due to defective crown development, the result of overcrowding. Misshapen and weakened crowns result in excessive windbreak, and ragged breaks, if left untrimmed, provide the best possible entrance for fungi and insect pests, so that a great number of these fine old shade-trees, which because of their very age are unable, unassisted, to shake off these foes, are slowly dying through neglect.

Mature trees of whatever species should be at least thirty feet apart and the municipal act empowers municipal councils to remove trees within this limit without the owner's consent. If this provision were judiciously acted upon in the old towns of eastern Canada, the remaining shade-trees would be given a new lease of life. The Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, has on its staff a skilled siviculturist whose services are available to woodlot owners. Municipal shade-trees are not, strictly speaking, wood-lots, but municipalities so desiring could doubtless secure the advice of this expert regarding the trees requiring removal.

HOCKEY

By the High School Reporter

On Friday evening last the High School and Public School hockey teams collided on the ice for the third time this winter, and, as was to be expected, the public school team came out victorious with a score of 5-0. Had the High School's score been discussed under the heading of "Heat" it would have been described as "maximum density." It is hoped that this is so and that fortune will favor the High School soon by giving them a few victories.

Reginald Rooney, Arthur tp., broke his leg on Thursday last while helping get ready for his auction sale that day. He was assisting in the removal of a cutting box from a sleigh when he slipped and in the fall snapped the bone in the same place it was broken last autumn when he had a runaway accident. Mr. Rooney has certainly been unfortunate but he is correspondingly lucky in having such good friends and neighbors. After his accident a few months ago neighbors put about 25 teams in his fields and finished his fall plowing. On Thursday auctioneer Heffernan in the bigness of his generous Irish soul got all he could for the various items on the list and then refused to take his usual percentage. Truly, there are helping hands to day as there were in the times of the good Sarmartain. —Mt. Forest Rep.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Winter, of Chatsworth, celebrated their diamond wedding Febraury 3. The scene of the happy but unusual event was at the home of Warden and Mrs. Breeze. Statistics tell us says a local exchange, that only one couple out of eleven thousand ever live to see their diamond wedding day. Mr. Winter was born in Barnstaple, county Devon, England, in 1830, and Mrs. Winter, nee Helen Taylor, in the county of Antrim, Ireland, in 1838. They were married in 1854, and settled on the 6th concession of Holland, where the village of Massie now stands. Of a family of fifteen children, eleven are still living, of whom Mrs. Breeze is a daughter. There are thirty-six grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Annual Meeting

Grey and Bruce Insurance Company

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 127 of the Ontario Insurance Act, 1912, that the Annual General Meeting of the Grey and Bruce Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held in Miller's Hall, in the Town of Hanover, on Saturday, the 21st day of February, 1914, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Auditors' Statement, the election of Directors and transaction of other business.

—H. H. MILLER, Secretary.

Hanover, January 30, 1914.

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Postoffice Inspector's office Toronto Jan. 15th 1914.

A. SUTHERLAND, P. O. Inspector.

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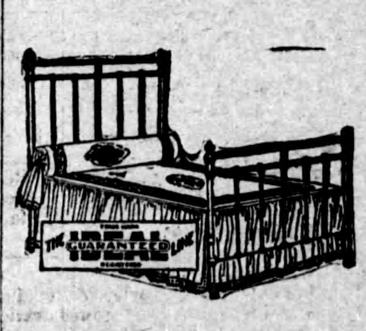

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