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W. H. THURSTON, — PROP.

ARTEMESIA COUNCIL

The members of Artemesia Council met as a Court of Revision of assessment of 1918 on Saturday last, the Reeve in the chair. John Boland appealed against the assessment of lots 13, 14, con. 12, being assessed for more acreage than he owned. and after explanations by the assessor the assessment was reduced $200.

Wm. Carson appealed against his assessment as being too high and got a reduction of $50.

George Richardson of Shelburne thought his lots, lots pts 171 and 172, Con 2 N.E., was too high, having been raised $600 from last year, and after hearing him and the assessor the Court struck off $300.

H. W. Walton appealed against his assessment as being improper for lots pts 26, 27, Con 14, but did not appear to say how the assessment was improper. It was left at the assessed amount.

On motion the roll was adopted subject to any appeals to the County Judge.

After Court of Revision Council met for general business. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. Communications were read as follows : Dept of Agriculture re engineers for drainage purposes ; S. Pedlar, account for valuing sheep : H E P Com re T L Mercer's motor - Dr E C McLean, resignation as Medical Health Officer ; ladies of Vandeleur Institute asking a grant for Red Cross work.

Bylaw No. 12, appointing Dr. Little as Medical Officer, was introduced and passed. Special grants were made as follows : $50 for snow fence on Boland's hill, Con 12 ; $100 for grading deviation of 4th line, 3 N E ; $50 for gravelling 170 sideroad 1 S W ; $75 for grading on 8th line.

The following were ordered to be paid: S. Pedlar, valuing sheep, $1 ; the Reeve examining bridges, $9 ; J. Burnett. examining bridges, $3 ; A Cameron, examining bridges, $3 ; S. Batcheler, examining bridges, $3.

Burnett—Cameron—That the Reeve and Mr. Batcheler be a committee to rebuild bridge on 200 sideroad near Nicholls' farm—Carried.

Mathewson—Burnett—That the report of the Reeve and Mr. Cameron re Mount Zion bridge be accepted and they are instructed to put on the required repairs—Carried.

Cameron—Batcheler—That the public be notified that they must not leave cars or other vehicles or otherwise obstruct traffic on the fill over the lake on the 8th Con. line and notices be posted up giving effect to this regulation—Carried.

Council adjourned.

Eugenia Red Cross

During the past year. since May 31, 1917, to April 31, 1918, the Eugenia W I report for Red Cross work is as follows —$11.41 on hand May 31, 1917 ; $28.71 on hand April 1, 1918. This has been mostly used for Red Cross work in the year. We have $57 12 in collections, concerts, social evenings. etc. For Red Cross purposes, we spent for yarn $58.21 ; Red Cross supplies and comforts for boys at the front, $25.30 ; postage $12.91. We have sent 69 pairs of sox to Red Cross and overseas ; sent all our boys overseas boxes several times containing candy, etc., each box valued at $5. These boxes make the boys think they are not so very far from home. We have had many letters from the boys, some of whom have been in the trenches when the boxes reached them.

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1 July —J. A. LEVER, Prop.

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July18 —MARK STEWART, Prop

AN INDEPENDENT ISLAND.

A Community In United States Has No Country.

There is at least one community in the United States which is not bothered by politics, and that is Loud's Island, down off the Maine coast. The people do not vote, do not pay taxes, have no form of government whatever. Loud's, which is inhabited by twenty-five or thirty fishing families, who are "agin guvmint" and have been "agin" it so long that they are now "sot in their ways," "seceded" from the United States in 1860. At Lincoln's first election in the fall of that year the islanders voted with Bristol, the nearest mainland town, but on some constitutional grounds their ballots were thrown out. This started something at Loud's Island. Having thus been deprived of the right of suffrage the people, acting upon the advice of a lawyer, refused to pay taxes. And, as these sturdy fishermen were of a determined nature, that ultimatum ended the controversy.

When the draft was made for the Civil War a few years after the trouble with Bristol, Loud's Island names were placed in the same box with those of the mainland town, and, not being properly shaken up, came out on top. As a result nine men from the possible forty-five were drawn from the island to fill Bristol's quota. This was "rubbing it in" just a little too freely for the fishermen's tastes. They congregated in a mass and unanimously refused to honor the draft. When the Government officers came to the island to perform their official duties, they were given a rather hot reception. The irate mothers of the drafted boys greeted them with a fusilade of rocks, hot potatoes, and other missiles, and forbade them to land. The officers didn't land! Later the islanders met and made a proportional draft among themselves. They favored the North, but did not want to fight, and so the draftees furnished substitutes.

Thus the island has remained as practically a nonpolitical unit. The only local expense is for the support of the school, and that is maintained wholly by the State of Maine.

About a year ago the Maine authorities, thinking that it was about time for a change in the state of affairs at Loud's Island, requested the people to either incorporate their island as a plantation or annex it to some town. The islanders refused to do either. As the constitution of the state did not empower the officials with the authority to force the islanders to comply with their request, the only thing for them to do was to accept the decision of the fishermen and content themselves by finding a possible way by which to assess the real estate on the island for a state tax. The people of the island intend to fight to the bitter end against even this change in the present "highly satisfactory" conditions.

When the United States declared war against Germany the inhabitants of Loud's Island did not worry very much. They had kept out of the Civil War and would do likewise in this conflict. Congress passed the draft law, and still Loud's Island remained "neutral." When the draft machinery began to operate, the young men of the island were "requested" to register. As the people were beginning to condemn the Kaiser for his inhuman practices, they decided to accept Uncle Sam's "invitation" and help him crush German militarism. Loud"s nine men of the draft age registered, and thus the island became one ofthe allies.

How Laplanders Bathe.

In the Wide World Magazine Frank Hedges Butler describes a vapor bath in the Land of the Laps. He says:

"The bath house is a small wooden structure, generally situated some way from the dwelling house. It is divided into two compartments, one in which to undress, while the other contains the oven which produces the steam. The oven is arched with large stones or pebbles and heated by a fire placed beneath. Undressing in the first room, one enters the heated compartment. After a short rest on a wooden form or bench, which contains a place for the head, the attendants come in and bathe you. Cold water is thrown over the red hot stones and the hissing vapor soon sends up a cloud of steam.

"The higher you sit from the floor the greater the heat. As more water is thrown over the red hot stones the vapor becomes so intense that one can hardly breathe. We were soon gasping for breath and covered with a profuse perspiration which issued from every pore of the skin.

"Hanging up in the room were tender branches or twigs in a green state and retaining their leaves. Dipping these in water the attendant began lashing and whipping me across the legs, shoulders, loins and back, till my body seemed quite red with the switching. The bastinadoing over, I was then washed with a soft flannel covered with soap, after which a jug of the coldest water was thrown over my head and body."

Lord Balfour's Story.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh, having seen the principle of female suffrage accepted by the peers, moves to submit the question to a referendum. He is an entirely honest man, but his proposal might bring about a result as unexpected as attended certain instructions in a story told by himself. An official of the Soudan railway received one day a message from a remote village: "Station master dead. Shall bury him?" "Yes," was the reply, "but make sure that he is really dead." In due season came the report, "Have buried station master. Made sure he was dead by hitting him twice on head with a fishplate."

Unprepared.

Daughter (weeping bitterly)—Oh, do have pity, papa, and let Edward and me be happy.

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