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A NEW POET.

One of the most charming volumes of verse that we have seen in many a day comes to us from the pen of Rev. W. H. Howey, B. A., B. D., of Owen Sound. The author is well known in this district, he having been located at Eugenia some years ago. His verse is of a high order in the most serious phases, and in the lighter vein it has a charm that is rarely equalled in our verse writers. The volume has been published by the Ryerson Press, Toronto, and sells at $1.50. It is difficult to choose a sample among so much that is fine, but perhaps the following will give as clear an idea as any of the excellence of Mr. Howey's dork:

THE LEGEND OF NATURE'S COLORS.

When the artist was painting the rainbow,
In the matchless blue of the sky,
Attracted by its beauty
The birds of song sailed by;
And some were splashed with the color drops
That fell from His brush so wet,
And everyone of those birds still wears
That splash from the rainbow yet.

And when the artist had finished
He curved it in the sky,
Above a maple forest,
On stars in the sun to dry;
And some of the colors dripped and fell
Upon the leaves so green,
And every year in Autumn since,
The rainbow hues are seen.

And when the Artist had painted
Each sweet and delicate flower,
And filled the world with beauty,
'Twas nearing twilight's hour;
In the West He drained His color pots
And mingling, one by one,
The hues still show in the evening sky,
At the setting of the sun.

A CONTRAST

The Alliston ball team, champions of South Simcoe two years in succession, was voted $50 to help defray expenses of souvenirs which were being given the players who brought distinction to the town by their prowess on the diamond.—Alliston Herald.

Quite a contrast to the Flesherton Council which would not even consider helping for a banquet to the local team which won the Centre Grey championship two years in succession also. The Alliston Council feels that their ball team has indeed been an asset to the town, which is correct.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A very happy Christmas to our readers.

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The chap who laughs last was probably he who intended telling the same story himself.

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Very few of the victims of level railway crossing fatalities were on their way to church.

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The latest fashion note from Paris is that suspenders are holding up skirts. Next to nothing to do that.

Another British actress says that the ability to weep at a moment's notice is a gift. This is the time when it is more likely to result in a gift.

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It is not too late to shop for Christmas if you have not completed your buying. Enterprising merchants say in The Advance that they can supply your wants in every detail.

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We have passed the shortest day this week. It is to be hoped that the old saying, "As the day lengthens the cold strengthens," will not be true this winter.

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As the Detroit Free Press now sees Ontario, "she stands with a bottle in one hand and a corkscrew in the other." Not yet, thirsty one; the strong man with pulling power has not yet been brought forth.

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"At one time I counted 140 women to whom, if I had been a man, I should have proposed."—Dame Ethel Smyth.

Yes, and if a man proposes to three or four women and marries even two of them, he is jailed for bigamy. It isn't as pleasant being a man as some women think.—Toronto Star.

Why not go to India, brother, and amalgamate with the Hindoos?

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At a certain poll in Muskoka in the recent election a Dutch D.R.O. was counting the ballots and instead of saying "Ecclestone," "Berner," he was saying "Vet," "Dry." So he counted along, "Vet, vet, vet, vet, vet, vet, dry." The dry seemed to astonish him, but he went on again, "vet, vet, vet, vet, vet, dry." "Say," said he, "dot dry son of a gun voted twice." —Exchange.

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The number of holds-up in banks and other places of business increases in Canada as well as the United States, and a sapient chief of police is therefore moved to offer this advice to robbery victims: "Do not resist; do not look down the pistol barrels, but gaze intently at the assailant." Flippant remarks, such as "Is my hat on straight," or "may I see the time before you take my watch," are decidedly bad taste in the thick of a stickup.

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Mono Township, in the near-by County of Dufferin, manages to keep in the limelight. Its latest essay is to issue a municipal promise to pay $3 reward to anyone who shoots a dog discovered worrying or wounding sheep within the boundaries of the township. The sheep-worrying dog has been bothering our neighbors and they hope by this drastic means to combat the evil. Now will some one bring forward a remedy to get at the road hog who, early and late, insists on monopolizing both sides of the highway.

MRS. JOHN MANNING DEAD

Mrs. John Manning, mother of Mrs. J. Leevr of Flesherton, died at her home at Brussels on Monday of this week. Mrs. Manning has been ailing for some time. Her daughter, Mrs. Lever, has been nursing her for some weeks.

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ARTEMESIA COUNCIL

Artemesia Council met in Flesherton on the 15th inst., pursuant to statute. The members were all present, the Reeve presiding. The minutes were read and on motion were adopted. Alex. Cameron and others asked for bonus on wire fence on 35th sideroad by W. E. Linton, 40 rods, $10. The following accounts were presented and ordered to be paid: W. G. Jamieson, sheep killed, $10; R. Plantt, valuing sheep, $2; H. Foester, repairing grader, $2.50; Geo. Pritchard, repairing grader, $4; A. Gilchrist, care of hall, $7; The Treasurer, excise stamps, $20; Dr. Guy, attending Bullivant, $4, and Leppard $23; T. L. Mercer, rep. grader and telephone calls, $1.80; J. A. Hogarth, com. Boyce bridge, telephone, etc., 22.75; A. Carruthers, report Div. 4, showing expended $93.40; he was paid $14.25 for commission and overseeing. H. D. McLoughrey presented his report as school attendance officer, and was paid $18, balance of salary for 1926; R. Haney was refunded $5 for statute labor charged to him in 1926; Councillor Davis was paid $10.60 for commission and overseeing; R. C. McKnight was paid $75 as Engineer's fees on the Binnie bridge; The Clerk, postage 1926, $13.43; John Kennedy, refund of taxes assessed in error, $2.80; D. L. Weber for cement sacks returned, $4.04; W. Johnson, refund of statute labor, $13; Roy Piper, refund of dog tax, $2, no dog; C. Akins, W. Aldcorn, W. Teeter, and J. Boyce were each refunded $2 dog taxes charged in error.

Corbett—Mercer—That the Treasurer be allowed stationery for all township purposes—Carried.

Carruthers — Davis — That the thanks of this Council are hereby tendered the Reeve, Mr. J. A. Hogarth, for his uniform kindness to the members of this Council, and the careful way in which he has conducted the affairs of the township, and express the hope that he may be long spared to serve the municipality and the community at large.—Carried.

The Reeve thanked the Council for their confidence and the Council adjourned sine die.

About The Nominations

Rumors of the personel of the councis of Artemesia, Osprey and Flesherton are flying thick and fast these days and much interest is being taken in the outcome of the nominations which are to be held on Monday next, the former two in the afternoon and Flesherton in the evening. An election in Artemesia and Osprey is almost certain. In Osprey it is expected that Mr. Taylor will be opposed by Mr. Geo. Ross for the Reeve's chair. The total voting population of Osprey increased during the past year and they will have a deputy-Reeve for 1927. Messrs. Geo. Ross Reeve for 1927. Mr. W. E. Edwards will seek elevation from the council and will be opposed by Mr. John Lockhart for the Reputy-Reeveship. The other members of the council, L. Cameron, Joseph Henderson and J. Grummett will likely seek re-election.

In Artemesia Township the question of the abolition of statute labor is again to the fore and a vote will be taken again. Mr. Alex. Cameron, who was defeated on that program last year, will again come forward as a proponent of that principle and give the present Reeve, Mr. J. Hogarth, a fight. Mr. T. R. McKenzie is also mentioned as a possible candidate, but we doubt if Mr. McKenzie will stand. There will be two candidates for the position of Deputy-Reeve, the present holder of office, and Mr. Herb Corbett, who has been a member of the 1926 council. It is said that Mr. Thos. Mercer will drop out of the council and not try for re-election this year. It was thought that he would try for the Deputy position. For the council John Davis of this year's council will seek re-election and Messrs. Fred Pedlar and Bert Magee are said to be likely candidates from Eugenia ward.
but it is likelyP 6Duog

In Flesherton the preesnt Reeve, W. J. Meads, will seek re-election and it is expected that there will be some new faces for 1927. However these are just guesses and it not exactly known who the council wil be composed of for 1927.

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INDIAN TO BE TRIED

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A CORRECTION

We regret having made a statement in last week's Advance regarding the Johnston vs Paton case of December 10, which could give the impression that we considered Paton the negligent party in the accident. We had no intention of creating this impression. Judge Sutherland stated at the close of the case that the defendent, Paton, had been reasonably careful.

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