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WIZARDS CAPABLE AND WIZARDS SCEPTICAL.

The world has just been celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishing by Marconi of the radio system of communication. When Marconi had perfected his discovery to a sufficient extent to enable him to have faith in its triumph over all difficulties, he came to Canada from Newfoundland, where had the first trans-Atlantic wireless message from England, and he made his way to Ottawa, where he at once enlisted the sympathy of Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, and Hon. David Mills, Minister of Justice, and on their representations the Canadian government asked Parliament to make a substantial grant for the erection of the first receiving station on this side of the Atlantic. From that day to this wireless communications have developed with phenomenal speed. The first great achievement, however, was the establishment of wireless systems on Atlantic shipping.

It has sometimes been asked if the Marconi discovery has really resulted in much gain to humanity. The reply may well be made that if wireless had done no more than to enormously increase the safety of ocean-going craft, and their human freight, it would have been regarded as probably the most beneficent of all the discoveries in our age. Look at the development of the discovery, even in the last few years, and the benefit it has conferred on the world in relieving the monotony of lives of countless numbers of "shut-ins" of the human race, in cultivating the taste for music, in giving to sojourners in far off remote settlements speedy communication with the great centres of population.

Having Marconi yet with us, still engaged in devising means for making his discovery more serviceable to his fellows, people are inclined to look upon it as a commonplace accomplishment. But we well remember when the Italian wizard first brought his discovery to Canadian attention, that it was scoffed at as practically an impossibility to communicate with others thousands of miles away, without even a wire! Even Edison, the great inventor of this continent, when told that Marconi claimed he could talk on the air across the Atlantic, that ships could send and receive messages in like manner, expressed grave doubt of the possibility of such an achievement.

This reminds us of another incident in the progress of the adaptation of electricity to the wants of man, in which Edison himself has by no means taken a subordinate part. It was in 1883 that the great technical journal, The Engineering News, discussing the production of a carriage propelled by electricity, expressed the view that while it was all very well for the wealthy to provide themselves with a vehicle, the mode of power of which was electricity, the carriage could only be regarded as a costly toy for a long time, unless, indeed, electricity could be produced at a much smaller cost than at that time appeared probable. The development, however, was speedy, and now we have locomotion by electricity, almost entirely superceding the horse and bringing the auto into almost universal use.

The question is, are we happier through the progress that has been made? We may each have our own answer. Our view is, we ought to be.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Get ready, carping critic, to turn over a new leaf. Note that most of your friends and neighbors are doing the best they can.

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"A little knowledge is a dangerous thing" is often quoted by wiseacres. Really a little knowledge is only dangerous when one is contented with it.

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Santa Claus made his annual visit on Friday night last, and on Saturday the homes resounded with the joyous shouts of children as they played with their toys and gifts. The happy dreams of childhood will never be forgotten in after years. To see the children at play at such times makes one truly feel that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

A person's knowledge may be greatly increased if during the long winter evenings there is a will to read and digest a few good books.

Two in Fight for Reeve of Artemesia Township

J.A. Hogarth and A. Cameron to Contest Reeve's Chair, McKenzie Retiring

Council in by Acclamation

Vote Will be Taken on The Abolishing of Statute Labor

There is going to be an interesting fight for municipal honors in the township of Artemesia again this year when Reeve J. A. Hogarth will be opposed by Messrs. T. R. McKenzie, a former Reeve and Warden, and Alex Cameron, who has had several years' experience in the council and as Deputy-Reeve. For the Deputy-Reeve's position the present holder of the office, Mr. Alex. Carruthers, will be opposed by Mr. Herbert Corbett, a member of the Council for the past three years. For the Council two of the present councillors were nominated, Messrs. John Davis and T. L. Mercer with W. J. McMillan and R. Genoe also for the council. The latter was not present to bring forward his views and the first three names mentioned will be the Council for 1927.

Since the above was set in type Mr. McKenzie has decided to retire from the field and the fight is a straight contest between Mr. Hogarth and Mr. Cameron.

The nominations were received by Clerk W. J. Bellamy and the following were nominated for the various offices:

FOR REEVE

CAMERON, ALEX. — nominated by Thos. Fenwick and W. A. Gordon.

HOGARTH, J. A. —Nominated by John Stewart and Geo. Best.

McKENZIE, THOS. R. — Nominated by C. McLean and W. J. Jamieson.

FOR DEPUTY-REEVE

CARRUTHERS, ALEX. — Nominated by J. McKee and Les Chard.

CORBETT, HERBERT — Nominated by A. Harrison and W. J. Alcox.

FOR COUNCIL

DAVIS, JOHN — Nominated by John Boland and John Stewart.

GENOE, R. F. — Nominated by F. Pedlar and W. A. Gordon.

MERCER, THOS. L. — Nominated by H. McLoughry and A. Harrison.

McMILLAN, W. J. —Nominated by Jas. Turner and John Dow.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. John Boland in his usual witty manner and gave entire satisfaction. The various members of the 1926 Council gave an account of their stewardship and requested the support of the electors at the coming election. The meeting was very orderly but occasionally questions would be asked the speaker to throw more light upon certain sides of the question in discussion.

Mr. McKenzie appealed to the electors on his former record and stated that he was more in a position to serve the township to its best ends if he were head of the Council. Mr. Cameron spoke on the statute labor question and gave statistics showing how it would be to the advantage of the ratepayers to abolish statute labor at the election next Monday, when the question would be put before them again, and if the electorate looked into the question he thought that to further their own interests and to put money into the coffers of the township it was advisable to abolish statute labor. It was working out in many other municipalities satisfacorily and it would work out in Artemesia.

Mr. McMillan, in a few words, requested the electors to support him if there was an election and that he would serve their interests to the best of his ability if elected.

Meads for Reeve

Village of Flesherton

Ladiesand Gentlemen,—

I am again in the field to serve you as your Reeve for another term. My experience of the past two years in the afafirs of the village places me in a better position to serve in the best interests of the village. I solicit your vote on Monday and wish you all prosperity and happiness during the coming year. Paid

—W. J. MEADS.

When his escape was cut off by fir in his barn on the second line, Trafalgar township, Archie Armstrong was forced to run through the flames to make his exit and was badly burned about the face and arms that he will be disfigured for life.

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Flesherton To Have an Election for all Offices

W.J. Meads Being Opposed by W. H. Thurston—Five in Field for Council

Election Also for Trustees

The Village nominations Monday evening were well attended by the electors, showing that a deep interest is being taken in village affairs, and the numbers nominated prove that there is plenty of material available for a strong Council. It was gratifying to see the ladies of the village out in such large numbers. The chair was occupied by that veteran chairman, Mr. Joseph Blakely. The affairs of the village were thoroughly threshed out and considerable criticism was levelled at some members of the old council, but generally, those criticised gave satisfactory accounts of their stewardship. The following names were submitted to Clerk W. J. Bellamy on the nomination paper:

FOR REEVE

FINDLAY, T. W. — Nominated by S. deCudmore and A. Down.

THURSTON, W. H. — Nominated by M. Wilson and D. McTavish.

MEADS, W. J. — Nominated by A. M. Gilchrist and R. Porteous.

McTAVISH, D. — Nominated by J. H. Field and W. L. Wright.

FOR COUNCILLOR

FINDLAY, T. W. — Nominated by H. Down and W. S. Inkster.

FREEMAN, H. — Nominated by G. B. Welton and F. Stuart.

HAWKEN, W. A. — Nominated by A. Down and F. Stuart.

INKSTER, W. S. — Nominated by J. A. Blakely and C. J. Bellamy.

KENNEDY, W. G. — Nominated by C. J. Bellamy and J. A. Blakely.

PHILLIPS, O. W. —Nominated by D. McTavish and R. W. Clark.

PEDLAR, JOHN — Nominated by Robt. Fisher and R. Porteous.

RICHARDSON, C. N. — Nominated by M. Wilson and S. deCudmore.

WELTON, G. B. — Nominated by M. Wilson and D. McTavish.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Wm. Burnett, proposed by E. Wickens and F. Brown; Chas. Stewart, proposed by F. Brown and E. Wickens; F. Stuart, proposed by G. B. Welton and W. G. Kennedy; John Wright, proposed by M. Wilson and S. E. deCudmore; E. McKillop, proposed by S. E. deCudmore and A. Down; R. Richardson, proposed by S. E. deCudmore and D. McTavish.

Three trustees are to be elected from the following who are standing: C. Stewart, W. Burnett, F. Stuart and E. McKillop.

Cameron for Reeve

TWP. OF ARTEMESIA

To the Electors of Artemesia:

Ladies and Gentlemen, —I am a candidate for the office of Reeve for the Township of Artemesia for the year 1927. I am in favor of sound and economical progressive measures, in both county and township management. I believe Artemesia Township is suffering to-day for lack of courageous leadership in the Council. While neighboring municipalities have been receiving government assistance on their township road expenditure in sums varying from $3000 to $5000 annually for the past two years, Artemesia Township has, after paying out to the government over $6000 in motor licenses, fees and gas tax, received less than $850 in government grants on county roads, and nothing at all on township road expenditure. We have a solution confronting the ratepayers of this township to-day, which means that we must spend more money on our township roads and bridges, which must come from either government grants or taxation. I hope the ratepayers will vote decisively in favor of abolishing the statute labor system, which I believe will do more than any other one thing we can do to remedy this condition.

In the county's affairs I think a reduction in taxation might be effected by making less grants and less expenditure on county buildings and contemplated additions.

I have had seven years experience as township and county councillor, and would ask for your support in this election. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am sincerely yours,

— ALEX. CAMERON.

Eugenia, Dec. 28, 1926.

A CORRECTION

I understand that at the Nomination meeting for Artemesia the statement was made that Euphrasia township was going back to the Statute Labor method of road work, which is not correct. There is no desire to return to the old method.

J. T. MILLER, Reeve.

Rocklyn, December 28th, 1926.

Osprey Township Will Also Have an Election

Reeve W. L. Taylor Opposed Geo. W. Ross—To Have Deput-Reeve This Year

The annual nomination meeting of Osprey township was held in Maxwell and resulted in the decision to hold a contest. This year Osprey is to have a Deputy-Reeve and the office is to be contested. A good crowd was present to listen to the speeches.

For Reeve the present holder, W. L. Taylor, is again in the field and will be opposed by Geo. W. Ross, who has had considerable council experience. W. C. Edwards is seeking advancement and will attempt to graduate from the council ranks to the Deputy chair, but will be opposed by Mr. Laughlin Cameron. For the Council Messrs. Sylvester Clarke, John Grummett, J. J. Kaitting and Robt. Morrison standing for ofifce, while Edgar Betts, Jos. Henderson and John Lockhart decided not to attempt to secure a position. Mr. Henderson been in the council for quite a number of years and is forced to quit on account of ill health.

The following are those nominated:

FOR REEVE

LOCKHART, JOHN — Nominated by Mr. Clarke and Robt. Coutts.

ROSS, GEO. W. — Nominated by E. Binnington and Donald Gilils.

TAYLOR, W. L. — Nominated by C. A. Edwards and Wilils Neff.

FOR DEPUTY-REEVE

CAMERON, LAUGHLIN — Nominated by A. McIntyre and D. McLean.

EDWARDS, W. C. — Nominated by Jas. McDonald and Archie Buie.

LOCKHART, John — Nominated by J. K. Rinn and John Robinson.

FOR COUNCILLORS

BETTS, EDGAR — Nominated by S. A. Hawkins and Dougald Stevens.

CLARKE, Sylvester—Nominated by J. K. Rinn and John Robinson.

GRUMMETT, JOHN — Nominated by Wm. Hargrave and Jas. McKenzie.

HENDERSON, Jos. — Nominated by John Paul and Jas. McDonald.

KAITTING, J. J. — Nominated by Neil McQueen and Dougald Stevens.

LOCKHART, John — Nominated by Neil McQueen and Clifford Bristow.

MORRISON, ROBT. — Nominated by Frank Seeley and Wm. Hargrave.

Vote Hogarth for Reeve

TWP. OF ARTEMESIA

To the Electors of Artemesia:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—After serving you for the past six years, I now seek re-election as your Reeve for 1927. Your wish as affirmed at the polls in regard to abolishing statute labor will be rigidly adhered to if I am elected. Regarding the finances of the Township, the financial report shows a handsome balance of $6,721.-92, which is the best balance for some years. Wishing you one and all a happy and prosperous New Year,

—J. A. HOGARTH.

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Jr. 4—Rowena Magee, Dorothy Jamieson.

Jr. 3—Stanley Magee, Bob Skinner, Billie Hanley, Percy Smith, Willie Fenwick.

Jr. 2—Gerald Magee, Doris MacRae, John Skinner.

1st Class—Edith Fenwick, Wesley Jamieson, Ella McRae, Ben Hanley.

1st Class—Lilian Magee, Fern Magee, Carrie Skinner.

The Alliston Herald says that a carload of feeding corn has been unloaded there by the Alliston Milling Co.. Oats this year having been light, it is necessary to supplement them with some other feed, and by grinding the corn very finely and adding a little to the oats a high percentage of nutrition is secured.

Vote Carruthers for Deputy-Reeve

TWP. OF ARTEMESIA

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

At the elections on Monday I solicit the support of the ratepayers of the township of Artemesia to return meto the office of Deputy-Reeve for the year 1927. My experience of four years as councillor and one year as Deputy-Reeve has put me in a position to serve the interests of the Township in an efficient manner.

Wishing you all the compliments of the season and all kinds of prosperity during 1927.

Yours very sincerely,

ALEX. CARRUTHERS.

PRICEVILLE

We were pleased to have such beautiful weather for Christmas.

Misses Esther McLean, Violet Watson, Louisa Watson, Victoria McMillan, Margaret Tryon, Donelda Nichol, Myra McLean and Anna May McLean, teachers, are spending the Christmas holidays at their parental homes here.

Misses Florabell McLean, Ethel Watson, Katie McTaggart, Sadie and Mary McKinnon, Deliah McPhail, May McDermid, Olive McLean, Esther McInnis, Dorothy and Eva Carson, Nellie McLean, Margaret Smellie and Doris McLean, all of Toronto, holidayed at their respective homes around town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mino and two sons, Billie and Howard, of Toronto are visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Watson's for the Christmas holiday.

We are sorry to report the death of Mr. Albert Jones of town on Friday last. The funeral took place Monday, December 27th to McNeil cemetery. The sympathy of the community goes to the bereaved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilson and children of Durham spent Christmas-tide at W. G. Watson's.

Mr. Arthur Burnett of Bossanio, Alta., is home for a few months of a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowes and family of Markdale holidayed at the Misses James' and at Mermie McLean's.

Mr. Jim McLeod of Tilbury is holidaying at his home here.

Mr. Wreaford McLean returned from the North to his home on the North Line.

BORN

MONTGOMERY — Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Montgomery (nee Mabel Swift) announce the birth of a daughter, on Friday, December 24th, 1926, Gwendoln Mabel.

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