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THE LOCAL SITUATION.

The people of Flesherton appear to have suddenly awakened to the vast advantages accruing from a councillorship in the civic body, and a veritable scramble has resulted from the meeting on Friday evening last, when twelve nominations were made to fill three vacant positions in the Council. Seven of these twelve signed up the following day and are in the running.

Never in our experience of the past forty years has so much deplorable bitterness been displayed as in this election, and it is a mooted question whether this unwonted activity is a sign of advancement or retrogression to the more sordid elements. For many years it has been almost impossible to get men to stand for the Council. Some of those in the running to-day have persistently declined time and again in the past to have anything to do with civic legislation. They preferred to stand back and "kick." To-day they are among the most enthusiastic candidates.

The present "scrap" may be a good thing for the town if it demonstrates to some of the younger men their duty and makes it clear to them that they have the ability to help out in town affairs.

Here's hoping that the enthusiasm of the new Council will not wane during the next twelve months and that the affairs of the town will be conducted in a manner satisfactory to the electors.

A NOTEWORTHY ANNIVERSARY.

Friday next will be the anniversary of the Scottish poet, Robert Burns, and in every land where there are Scotchmen, native or by descent, the day will be celebrated by gatherings of the race. Like many another genius, Burns had great difficulties to surmount in his comparatively short life, and though he had a humble post in the service of his country when his last illness came, his career ended in distressing circumstances. On his death bed he was conscious of the fact that he was leaving his wife and young family ill provided for, and this gave him added pain. But he prophesied that though his generation had not appreciated his talents as he considered he deserved, in a hundred years his merits would be recognized by his fellow countrymen, and so it has come about, for long before the century had gone by, and ever since, the poetical genius of the Scottish bard has been conceded, and even a single original manuscript poem by him is today sold for many times more than a whole edition of his works brought at his untimely death. Moreover, the character of the poet, long maligned, has now been fully vindicated through researches made by independent authorities who have proved that early biographers were much too easily swayed against the poet when they dealt with his life and talents. It has been proved that the bard was neither a wine bibber nor worse than the average man of his day, and he rescued many airs of his country from improper settings, and turned them to account in the new delightful verse which has been the joy of every generations since. Indeed, even his poems which apparently upheld liquor drinking are shown by comparison to be perhaps less hostile to sobriety than those of his imitators—Harry Lauder for example—who have not lived as did the great Scottish rhymster, in an age in which consumption of intoxicants was universal, and over-indulgence a common sin. The vindication of Burns is complete.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A mule cannot pull while kicking, nor kick while pulling, neither can you.

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The January thaw came all right and the sapient weather prophets clap themselves on the back.

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These are the good old days that we will be longing for a few years from now.

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A total of 63,669 Canadians lost their lives during the Great War or died subsequently from causes directly attributed to war service.

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Surely the best way to clear our sidewalks of snow is to put the plow on them before the snow is beaten down by traffic.

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What, asks a neglected benedict, has become of the old-fashioned wife who was always home when her husband telephoned.

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Everything, but wasps and the month of January, has its compensations.

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The typewriter makes it easy to write, but judging by some letters which we receive many persons find is just as hard as ever to think correctly.

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Bank Presidents have been telling their shareholders during the past few days that Canada is now the most prosperous country in the world. We will take their boasts for granted if they will gently pass some of the prosperity this way.

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We are the engineers of our physical selves. Let us remember that our body is a delicate machine that cannot be tampered with without injury to ourselves. Narcotics do not find encouragement to assail well managed bodies.

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The Ontario Legislature well do well if at the ensuing session it abolishes the amusement tax on all but expensive performances. To impose a tax on ordinary gatherings of citizens, assembled to enjoy an hour or two in social intercourse cannot be defended. With a full purse from sales of whiskey and beer and from oil the province can surely get along without petty impositions which are even costly in their collection.

Spring Must Be Here

Robins seen at this time of the year are said to be harbingers of spring, but a frog no doubt would indicate that spring was already with us. However no doubt we will have zero weather before the snow disappears, but appearances would be to the contrary, as Mr. Ward Harrison of Springhill found a frog in the snowbank at his farm on Sunday, alive and seemingly in good spirits. How the frog managed to keep alive so long since the snow came and the ponds froze over is a mystery, but it is known that one could become embedded in a block of ice for considerable length of time and come out of its cold prison as happy as ever.

J. C. McMullen, elected reeve of Midland by acclamation, has already tired of his job and resigned. Another nomination and possibly an election has been made necessary.

Election Is Warranted; Cost Not Excessive

There is some criticism from certain quarters because a second election has been found necessary in town. If the critics will stop and think for a moment they will see that if any number of citizens feel that they will not be well served by any proposed members they have a perfect right to name others and demand an election. That is exactly what has happened in this case.

The expenses of the election for the Reeve on January 7th amounted to about $17.00, composed of the pay for Returning Officer, Poll Clerk, ballots and stationery. This is an insignificant amount and should not be considered when picking a council for the village.

NEW ENGINE BELL FOR DUNDALK ANGLICAN CHURCH

Rev. M. F. Oldham, Rector of St. James Church, Dundalk, received word from Mr. H. B. Bowen, Chief Locomotive Foreman at Montreal that Mr. Grant Hall, Vice-Pres. of the C. P. R. had instructed him to donate a used engine bell and stand to St. James Church, Dundalk.

It has been donated through the efforts of Rev. M. F. Oldham, the Rector of the church, who got in touch with the chief Master Mechanic of the Roundhouse shops. The bell will arrive this week and will be installed in the tower of the church as soon as weather conditions permit. It will fill a long felt need as Dundalk has formerly had no bell on any of the four churches in the village. The kindness and courtesy of the head officials of the C.P.R. are greatly appreciated.

SALE BY TENDER

Three pairs registered Silver Foxes and two Silver male foxes will be sold (subject to reserve bid) to the person submitting highest tender to the undersigned before 12 o'clock noon, on the 15th day of February, 1929. The owners will ranch the foxes for the purchaser at a nominal fee for the present year. No tender will be accepted unless accompanied by a marked cheque of the person submitting the same, payable to the undersigned for ten per cent. of the amount tendered, the cheque to be returned if the sale is not made.

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APPENDICITIS

Appendicitis is a public health problemn because the public need to be told of the early symptoms so that they may promptly secure proper treatment which will greatly reduce the present death-rate from this disease.

In the majority of cases, appendicitis causes a condition that a physician will readily diagnose. Pain toward the centre of the abdomen, followed by nausea and vomiting, is usually the first symptom. The pain varies in intensity, it may be of a gripping character. Later, the pain usually moves to the right lower part of the abdomen, and the abdominal muscles in that area become hard and tense. This is Nature's effort to protect the inflamed part.

When any person—child or adult—has pain in the abdomen, even when the pain is not accompanied by nausea or vomiting, the family physician should be sent for at once. The only satisfactory treatment for appendicitis is operation. The chance of recovery practically depends upon the interval of time between the onset of symptoms and the operation. To delay in securing proper treatment is to gamble with life itself.

There is one thing in particular that will do a tremendous amount of harm and that will, in many cases, greatly lessen or take away the chance of recovery, and that is the use of a purgative or laxative.

No person, when suffering from abdominal pain, shauld take or be given a purgative or laxative unless ordered to do so by a physician. The loss of bowel movements is not going to do any harm, whereas the activity stirred up by a purgative, when nature has kept the bowel quiet on account of an inflamed appendix, may be disastrous.

Abdominal pain is sufficient reason for calling the family physician.

100,000 ISLANDS IN GEORGIAN BAY

How many islands are there in Georgian Bay?

The question was raised by an angler at the hearing of the provincial game and fish committee. "We advertise 30,000 islands, but a marine surveyor told me that in the channel alone there are 100,000."

Dr. Groves of Fergus, speaking in Elora recently, made it clear that he is strongly opposed to capital punishment. In explaining his conviction Dr. Groves insisted that the judge and the crown and all of us who concurred condemned the man to death. The jury, in such a punishment was flying in the face of the sixth commandment.

John Mulvaney has been named bandmaster at Meaford, succeeding J. A. Cowie, who has moved to Owen Sound. Mr. Mulvaney has been the cornet solist of the band.

"The People's Grocery"

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The Bell Telephone Company and the American Company

THE relationship between the Bell Telephone Company of Canada and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company consists of:—

1. stock—the American company owns thirty-one per cent of Bell Telephone Company shares.
2. contract—the Bell Telephone Company owns a contract by which the American company supplies research products and other services on a sliding scale of payment.

The stock relationship has existed since the Canadian company began in 1880. One-third of the $400,000 needed to form the company was not available until the American company agreed to provide it.

The contract was made in 1923 to put dealings between the two companies on a definite business basis. It may be terminated at the end of 1932 if the Canadian company so desires.

effect of stock relationship

THE telephone system in Ontario and Quebec today is owned by 15,300 shareholders. Of these, 95 per cent live in Canada and own 62 per cent of the total shares.

The largest individual holding is 1510 shares which is one quarter of one per cent of the total. The average individual holding is 27 shares, which yield an income of $216 a year.

The Bell Telephone Company is thus a great enterprise which has become thoroughly democratized and to this the American relationship has contributed two definite advantages:

First, it has been a source of new money for development. The American company, as a shareholder has never failed to respond, in good times or bad, when money was needed to extend the system to meet public demands upon it.

Secondly, it has been a safeguard against exploitation. Attempts on the part of promoters to secure control of the telephone system have failed because the American holding of the company's shares has been in the hands of men who are interested in the telephone business for the progress of the industry and not for its financial exploitation.

effect of the contract

THE Bell Telephone Company has secured three chief advantages by the contract of 1923:—

First, it obtains all products of the Bell laboratories, which are the largest industrial research laboratories in the world, with a staff of five thousand. No single company could hope to support such an organization. It is possible only by co-operation of many associated companies.

One example of research work is the "loading coil" which has eliminated the need for heavy wires increasing in size with distance. This has saved millions of dollars. Similar discoveries have saved other millions for the telephone user and given him a better telephone. The research clause of the contract alone more than balances the contract fee.

Secondly, the Canadian company has rights to the use of all inventions. The American company now owns more than 5,000 patents essential in every phase of telephone operation. The contract gives the Canadian company use of these patents and places the American company under obligation to take out Canadian patents on any new inventions the Canadian company wishes.

Thirdly, the contract gives the Canadian company a steady supply of reports and statistics regarding new operating methods under trial by the associated companies of the American system.

Dangerous experiments are thus avoided. When the Canadian company makes a change in method it is to a well tested method and the services of specialists from the American company are available, by contract, to assist in making it. An example of this is the change from manual to dial system.

Both in the stock holding and in the contract provisions Canadian telephone users are protected and assisted by the relationship with the American company.

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