



Markdale Standard
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TOWN HALL, WATERWORKS AND ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

A meeting of the ratepayers of Markdale was called for Friday night last to consider the advisability of building a town hall.

There was present a good attendance and a lively, and in some respects animated, discussion took place in which Messrs. W. J. McFarland, reeve; Dr. Sprout, M. P.; Mr. Hill, councillor; Mr. McCullough, brazier; John Moffat, of the stone foundry; W. A. Brown, village clerk; J. E. March, of the Markdale House; and C. W. Rutledge, of the Standard took part.

The reeve occupied the chair, and after stating the object of the meeting, said that personally he was in favor of building a town hall at a moderate cost, but not desirous to push the matter unless the majority of the ratepayers were favorable to it. He thought a suitable building could be erected at a cost of \$30,000 complete.

Dr. Sprout thought the town could get along very well with its present accommodations as to reading room, council chamber, court room, and public hall for some time yet, and was in favor of keeping a system of waterworks first, and also electric light.

Mr. McCullough was in favor of water works, as he said it was a despotic job carrying water, he having no well.

Mr. Hill reviewed the experiences of the past year in reference to the building of the school, and claimed that, owing to the trustees being obliged to rush the work through in order to have the school building ready in the winter season, it necessarily cost more than it would have done under other circumstances, consequently he would not favor building a town hall himself.

Remember that the most exciting event of the season takes place on Wednesday, April 22nd, when those who take an interest in our Spring Show will make every accommodation for competitors, as well as guests. A grand exhibition is anticipated. Don't miss it.

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Mr. Marsh was very sanguine in his references to the powers that be, and was strongly opposed to the building of a town hall, or the introduction of electricity, and considered them as luxuries which the insignificant village of Markdale could not afford, but was somewhat favorable to waterworks.

C. W. Rutledge said that as no conclusion had been arrived at, and the various proposed improvements having been freely discussed, the question should not be left up without taking some definite action, therefore he moved, seconded by Dr. Sprout, "That the Council be requested to ascertain what system of waterworks suitable for this village would cost; also what a building suitable for a town hall, together with site, would cost, said information to be laid before a public meeting later on." Carried unanimously.

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KIMBERLEY.

Spring is to hand. Mud is abundant.

Some farmers are busy plowing, and some sugar-making, while an occasional citizen is bottling up his syrup.

An East Mountainer has gone into the party bushes for the Thorlary papers, and we believe both have survived. The text was the late election. Were it not for fear of a waste basket we would try our hand.

Lauriston.

Plowing has commenced. John Colgan and Andy Pogarty left on Friday for New York city, there to spend a couple of weeks with friends.

George Walker is erecting a new house on lot 17, con. 13.

The Bell Brothers have chopped down all the woods between the concession and sid road, which gives an excellent view of Bell's lake.

John Walker, from Dundalk, has again commenced work on the old homestead, but his thoughts appear to linger at Dundalk.

Ed. Nurie is erecting a new house this season. We expect to see him furnish it next fall.

M. Galbraith has moved from our village to Havelock.

Thomas Sykes has purchased the Shannon farm for \$700.

Bessie Whacker.

DUNDALK.

W. H. Dods of Rocklyn met the census enumerators here on Tuesday.

Mrs. Hall of your village spent a few days with friends here this week.

Will Mathews let the gift of his companion fall on us on Saturday, and could not bear himself away from loving associations until Monday evening. Now for the next three weeks, he'll bask in the sunshine of blissful recollections. He reports a "grand time."

A. G. Hunter has received honor from abroad, on account of his Electrical Investments. He has been elected Corresponding Member of the Paris Academy of Inventors, with First class Diploma and Gold Medal. See one for Dundalk.

The lonely man, Mr. Wilson, has aspirated and aspirations will begin at once, preparation for training.

A building boom is likely to prevail this year in our town.

WEATHER PROGNOSTIC.

Lower temperatures and sudden changes often give rise to coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, and lead through them to consumption. A little care and the use of remedies will save us from these diseases. Prolonged exposure will effectively cure any cough and give pleasure rather than discomfort.

Chesterville.

Well, Mr. Editor, I thought I would let you know something about our new village. Now that the mud and tarry has come two of the Chesterville boys take a smoke across the fields.

Mr. Brady is recovering from a severe illness.

Mr. Watt D. lights has let the job of putting up his brick house to Mr. R. Bachelder of Vancouver.

On going up the street line can see a fine new house empty. Looks bad Jim.

Mottingay paid Cheverville a flying visit last Monday.

Mr. T. J. Ladey is home from the "box" Glad to see you Tom!

The young folks of Cheverville spent a pleasant evening at Mr. Myers' last week. Sorry some had to turn out of the sleigh coming home.

Mr. Will is going to leave Cheverville soon. Never mind, he'll come back once in awhile.

Mr. Turys and family have moved to Cheverville. Welcome.

W. J. Lockey's saw mill is in full blast and doing a good business.

Lucy.

Walter's Falls.

The fine, sunny weather has come at last and the farmers are using it to every advantage. Some of our neighboring farmers were engaged ploughing seed last week. We hope the weather may continue as at present and allow us a public, on our Queen's seventy-second birthday which is ageing.

Our brazier, Mr. Taylor, intends burning his lime-kiln this week, should the weather prove agreeable.

La Gripe, by all appearances, appears to be paying our village a visit this week. His absence would be very much appreciated, but all things have their time and season so must he.

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IRISH LAKE.

Mr. Mathew Walsh returned home recently from the West, looking well.

Miss Shears, teacher at St. Mary's school, spent her Easter holidays with her parents in Orangeville.

Miss M. A. Ryan returned home last week from Toronto after a two months' visit with her sister, Mrs. S. Jamison.

Mr. James Kelly has sold his team of horses for \$250 and is on the look-out for another pair.

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