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**Horse Fair**

The horse fair held here last Wednesday was well attended and a better class of horses than usual offered. Messrs. Marion, Montreal; Harkness, Owen Sound; Runstadder, Walkerton; Thompson, Winnipeg; and other outside buyers were present, besides numerous farmers looking for horses, about 80 of which changed hands at good prices. Mr. Marsh was offered \$1,400 for one, but did not sell.

**Artemesia Council**

The Council of the township of Artemesia met in the town hall, Flesherton, on Saturday, February 3, 1900.

The members were all present, the reeve in the chair. The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed. The following communications were presented and read: W. J. Love, certificate as to digging ditch by S. Sheardown on the 2nd concession, N. E. Report of committee appointed to look into the matter of road at lot 24, con. 14, that they had ordered some repairs, and arranged with Mr. Weber for land for a further deviation of road. County Treasurer, list of lands liable to be sold for arrears of taxes, in 1900. The reeve's report as to Treasurer's surties. Alex. McLeod and others asking change in boundaries of S. S. Nos. 6, 7, and 12 by taking lots 6, 7, 8 and 9, con. 2, N. D. R., from U. S. S. No. 12, and place the same in U. S. S. No. 6; and lots 11, 12, 13, con. 2, N. D. R., from S. S. No. 7, and place the same in S. S. No. 6. Phos. McArthur, letter asking to have his lot (11), con. 4, taken from S. S. No. 6, and place the same in S. S. No. 10. Donald McLeod, Arch'd McMullen and R. McGill, petition asking changes in the boundaries of S. S. Nos. 6, 7, and 10, by removing lots 142 and 143, con. 2, S. W., and lots 142, 143 and 144 from S. S. No. 6, and place the same in S. S. No. 10, and take lot 26, con. 2, N. D. R., from S. S. No. 9; and place the same in S. S. No. 10. The report of the auditors on the accounts of 1899, was presented.

Thompson-Muir-That the auditors report be referred to committee of the whole council for final audit.-carried.

Thompson-Muir-That the clerk give the proper notices of the suggested change to the boundaries of S. S. Nos. 6, 7, and 10, in accordance with applications presented to the council.-carried.

Boyd-Muir-That the report of the committee appointed to arrange with Mr. Weber as to location of road at lot 24, con. 14, be accepted and the matter carried out as suggested by said committee.-carried.

Kells-Muir-That the reeve's report on treasurer's surties be accepted and filed.-carried.

Muir-Boyd-That the mover provide material for railing on embankment on gravel road at lot 8, con. 1, N. D. R.-carried.

Boyd-Muir-That the clerk write Thos. Talbot, pathmaster, with reference to a pile of lumber in his road division, authorizing him to have the same removed and allow the party doing the work the cost thereof on next season's road work.-carried.

Kells-Thompson-That the auditors' report on the accounts of 1899, as presented and finally passed by this council be received and 250 copies be printed for distribution.-carried.

Thompson-Muir-That John Weber be paid \$10 for work and part pay for land for roadway at lot 24, con. 14, as per report of committee.-carried.

Boyd-Thompson-That the auditors be paid their salary, \$10, as per by-law.-carried.

Kells-Thompson-That \$180 be expended on Valley Road, near Hogg's mill, north to the 10th concession, with a view of making said road reasonably fit for travel.-carried.

Kells-Muir-That the reeve and Mr. Thompson be paid \$4 each for 2 days' services on committee re road on Davis deviation.-carried.

Thompson-Boyd-That the reeve and Mr. Kells be paid \$4 each; their expenses in attending convention at Owen Sound on invitation of county council.-carried.

Kells-Thompson-That R. Longhead be paid \$18.00 for road work on Valley Road at lot 25, con. 14, and John Weber be paid \$4 for putting in culvert on said road.-carried.

Thompson-Kells-That S. Sheardown be paid \$1.50 for ditching on 2nd con. E., as certified by W. J. Love, overseer.-carried.

**Kells-Thompson**

That the members of this council make enquiries regarding the circumstances of persons receiving aid from this council as indigents and report at next meeting.-carried.

Kells-Muir-That Thomas Manders be paid \$4 for the month of February and that the reeve in the meantime enquire into his circumstances and report.-carried.

Kells-Boyd-That Samuel Turner, who is in needy circumstances, be given five cords of stove wood and the same be paid for out of the funds of this corporation.-carried.

Council adjourned.-Advance.

**A. P. O. Detective's Tactics**

**How the Officials Here Induced Delinquent Box Holders to Pay Up.**

During the rush around the wickets and in front of the boxes at the post office last week, a tall man was seen moving through the crowd and keeping a weather eye on something. Eventually a citizen worked his way up to the wicket and called for the mail in box number so-and-so. This number happened to be one of the many boxes which contained a red ticket warning the lessee that the rent was due. Just as the man stepped forward to receive his mail the tall mysterious gentleman reached around his victim and pushed the mail matter back. The man who had not paid the rent for his box got mad. His temper rose about 50 degrees above starting point and he demanded the reason why he should be insulted in such an undignified manner. The mysterious man never smiled. He just opened his coat lapel and displayed the badge of a Government detective. The temper of the man who was in arrears with his rent fell so quickly that the people around imagined they could hear it strike the floor.

Many Owen Sound people forgot to pay their rent this year and the P. O. people got indignant. The laugh is on the box-holders now and those red cards have been disappearing so quickly this week that it would take an angle-eyed mathematician to count them. In the meantime the post-office officials smile right across their faces.

Why, some people had so far forgotten themselves that every time they saw the red card they imagined there ought to be a registered letter somewhere in the background. The P. O. people are even up now, even though the Government detective wore out one side of his coat showing his nice little medal.

The newspaper publishers would profit by taking a leaf from the P. O. book. There are some hogs who shove their papers back without paying for them. They may some day get as big a surprise as the delinquent box-holder.-O. S. Sun.

**Politics**

Mr. Ward Heel-Booze has promised me that if I help nominate him he will give me a job.

Mrs. Ward Heel-Is this man Boozee safe of getting it?

Mr. W. H.-Not by any means. Old Slydog is running against Boozee.

Mrs. W. H.-And if Slydog gets it?

Mr. W. H.-I'll be all right anyhow. I'm under contract to help nominate both of them on the same terms.-Ohio State Journal.

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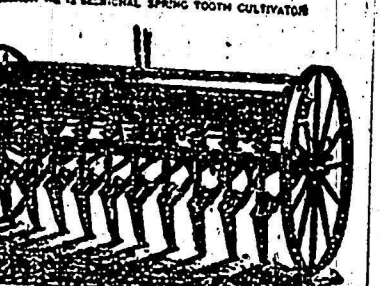
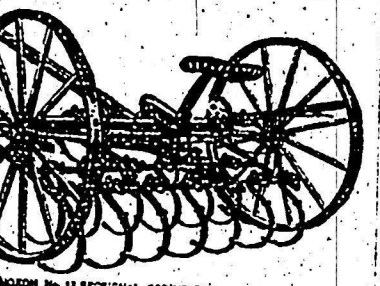
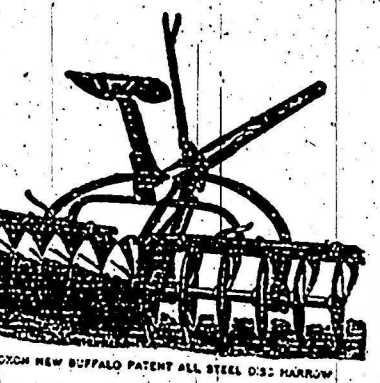
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