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MARKDALE, MARCH 5, 1903.

HOLLAND COUNCIL.

The council met in Price's Hall, Holland Centre, on Saturday, February 7th, for the transaction of general Township business, Wm. Foster Esq., reeve, in the chair, present, all the members. The minutes of meeting held January 12th were read and signed. The following were received and dealt with: Application for Assessor from M. R. Howey at salary fixed by council, $90.00, and James Gillespie $125.00; tenders for township printing and supplies from the Banner, the News and the STANDARD for $57.50, $64.50 and $74.00 respectively.

The reeve reported re treasurer's sureties that he had found everything satisfactory. The auditors made a similiar report. The auditors' report of the receipts and expenditure for 1902 were read. Reports were adopted. The reeve reported having engaged board for E. Black with Mrs. Douglass at $7.00 per month from 17th January.

Mr. Joseph Walker asked compensation from council for land used as a deviation of townline Holland and Glenelg and offered to accept $55.00 per acre. Council offered him $20.00, provided Glenelg was satisfied.

The contract for printing was awarded to G. J. Blyth. By law No. 4, appointing M. R. Howey assessor at a salary of $90.00 was then read and passed.

Mr. Gillespie was instructed to procure a suit of clothes for E. Black and a pair of pants for Wm. Ralph. $5.00 was granted to the Hospital for Sick Children. A number of accounts were paid after which the Council adjourned till Tuesday, March 10th, when pathmasters, poundkeepers and fenceviewers will be appointed.

James P. Hare, Clerk.

Kimberley

Victor Armstrong and Miss Maggie Fawcett, of Heathcote, were on a visit to Mrs. Robt. Stuart.

Edward Burritt had his dog poisoned and John Smith ditto. If we knew the person who is guilty of such an act we would publish their name, as we are a friend of the dog—good dogs we mean.

David Seaman, agent of the firm of Seaman, Kent & Co., Meaford, was here recently.

The citizens are on the move for wood and ice ere the beautiful snow goes.

Geo. Proctor is the Superintendent of our Sunday School, John Abercrombie having resigned recently.

News came here last week of the death of Thomas Walton, a young man, resident in British Columbia, from typhoid fever. His parents reside here and a brother in South Africa.

F. D. Carr, of Eugenia, was in this valley recently and he intimated that he would pay taxes for a short time.

John Budd, who is agent for the Milburn Medicine Co., of Toronto, visited the merchants of Kimberley recently.

The King's mails are sadly delayed at times from Flesherton to Kimberley.

George Stuart and Robert Fawcett, of Dundalk, were buying and shipping stock to Toronto last week.

Reeve Erskine and N. L. Curry were on a business tour through here recently.

Chris. Knott visited Owen Sound friends last week. George Knott is yet in trouble with a sore foot.

Lewis Thompson, of Dundalk, is a visitor with friends here.

Wm. Logan, the comic singer, of Owen Sound, will give a concert here on Thursday, the 5th inst. Miss Laura Davidson, of London, the Highland dancer, Miss Olive Logan, the sweet singer, and Prof. Cunningham, the famous fiddler, will be here, also.

Mrs. W. Plewes and son are visiting Collingwood friends at present.

R. D. Carruthers has returned from North York.

Murdoch Carr sold a load of oats at 31 cents per bushel and Charlie Rear a load of wheat at 68 cents per bushel in Markdale last week.

Mrs. T. Simmons spent a few days visiting old friends at the home of Geo. McConnell recently.

Traverston

Mrs. John Hudson of Bentinck is visiting the members of the Peart family.

Miss Sue Greenwood is expected home this week from Molesworth after an absence of two months.

Jim McNally jr. of the 9th has been very low during the past fortnight with pheumonia, but at present is slowly recovering.

If Jim Bartley hasn't the grippe he must have something a "good deal wusser," as he hasn't the usual hustle on these days.

Colin McArthur is preparing to build a big barn next summer, hence, has a busy winter.

The following have each sold a horse during the past few days: Tom Glencross, Timmins Bros., W. L. Falkingham and Sam Edwards. Prices were good in each case. Men with spare nags are in luck, now.

Paddy Haley's sale on Thursday of last week was a most successful one. He had his stock all in prime trim, so prices ruled high. He and his partner will be much missed in the neighborhood, but the good wishes of all go with them, no matter where they may locate.

Durham Methodist choir took the work at Zion on Sunday and with song and music gave us a pleasant and profitable hour.

Sam Edwards attended the wedding of his niece at Caledon on Wednesday of last week. Came back and settled up his affairs here and left on Monday morning for Port Arthur. He purposes seeing a good deal of the West in the near future.

Mr. Malcolm Black has purchased the Alice Flynn farm of fifty acres for $5.0. It is adjacent to his own, so will prove a good investment, there being a lot of wood on the property.

A most happy event, of considerable interest to many friends here and at Ceylon, took place at Caledon on Wednesday afternoon of last week, when Miss Tessie Whittaker, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Whittaker, formerly of Ceylon, but now of Whitby, in New Ontario, was wedded to Mr. [illegible] Warnock, a popular and prosperous farmer residing near the village of Ceylon. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. George J. McKay, Presbyterian minister, in the cosy parlor of the bride's father, Mr. David MacFarlane, with whom she has resided for some [illegible]. The fair bride was gowned in white Swiss muslin and carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations, set in sprays of smilax. She was assisted by Miss Ora Harrison, a most charming maiden. Will J. Cruickshank [illegible] the groom. After the hearty congratulations from the score of near relatives, an elegant high tea was served, followed by toasts, which greatly enhanced the joyous affair. They took the evening train for Toronto, and from there go to visit relatives and friends at Fort Arthur, Murillo and White Fish. The bride, who is a cheery, sunny-tempered amiable maiden, received a large number of useful presents, among them being a gift on a fur coat and gold pin from the young husband, who, also, presented the bridesmaid with a handsome gold pin and a fancy silk handkerchief. May their life together be like a gladsome day in June.

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Also the north part of lot 16, con. 10, Township of Collingwood, containing 80 acres. This farm is all cleared and in a good state of cultivation. On this farm is a comfortable dwelling house with nine rooms. A frame barn 36x64 feet with stabling for horses and cattle. This farm is well watered by running streams and three wells; there is a small orchard of bearing fruit. It is conveniently situated, near P.O., stores, churches and schools, on the leading road to town, and in the best part of the township.

Also the north half of lot 7, con. 12, township of Collingwood, containing 100 acres. This lot is timbered with maple, beech, birch, basswood, elm and hemlock; a small cedar swamp will make a good pasture farm, within a mile of sawmill.

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C. P. R. TIME TABLE

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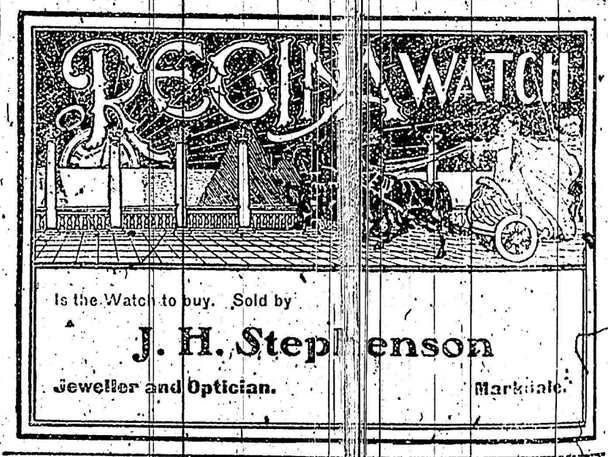
Going South	7.30 a.m.	4.50 p.m
Going North	12.20 a.m.	9.40 p.m

Markdale Markets.

Corrected each Wednesday.

Fall wheat	$ 60	to	68
Spring wheat	60	to	68
Barley	30	to	30
Oats	28	to	28
Pease	68	to	68
Butter	14	to	16
Eggs, fresh	12	to	14
Hay, per ton	5 00	to	6 00
Potatoes, per bag	80	to	90
Wool	13	to	15
Beef	5 50	to	6 50
Pork	6 00	to	7 40
Hides	4 00	to	6 00
Geese, per lb	6	to	8
Turkeys, per lb	10	to	12
Ducks, per lb	8	to	10
Chickens	6	to	7
Apples, per bag	50	to	75
Flour, per bbl	3 70	to	4 00
Bran, per cwt	90	to	90
Shorts, per cwt	1 00	to	1 00
Chop wheat, per cwt	1 20	to	1 20
Chop oats, per cwt	1 05	to	1 05
Sheep skins	65	to	75



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Farm for Sale.

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The property will be sold subject to a lease to one William Alcox for five years computed from the 1st day of April 1899 at an annual rental of One Hundred and Eighty Dollars.

Tenders to be addressed to the undersigned at the Office of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation not later than Wednesday the 18th day of March A.D. 1903, and to state cash offer.

The purchaser to search title at his own expense and the Vendor will not be called upon to furnish any Abstract of Title or title deeds other than those in their possession or control.

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HONOR ROLLS.

S. S. No. 4, Holland, for February. 4th—L Silverlock, Minnie Downey, Maggie Downey, Carrie Farley. 3rd—E Farley. 2nd sr—H Williscroft, M Williscroft, Kenifick, M Farley. 2nd jr—L Givens, A Mayes, L Sinclair. Pt 2nd—G Mayes, M Givens, C Farley. Pt. 1—Lilia Sinclair, Ella Leedard, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 14, Artemesia, for the month of February. 4th—M Elliott, A Fisher, E Walker. 3sr.—H Hutchinson, S Mercer. 3jr.—J Bowler, H Walker, M Elliott. 2—V Shears, E McLaughry. Pt. 2—R Walker. 1—L Mercer, A Bowler, V Mercer. Those who attended school regularly during the month are: Myrtle Elliott and May Elliott. L M Flesher, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 2, Artemesia, for February. 4th—G Hill, E Beattie, W Gibson, J Flesher. 3rd sr—H Pallister, E Hill, J Gibson, F Gibson. 3jr—D Beattie, H Stuart, W Foster. 2sr—E Gibson, E Hill, F Teeter, D Gibson. 2jr—H Baker, E Purvis, M Hill. Pt 2nd—S Phillips, L Phillips, E Hill, F Vice, G Gibson. Average attendance 20. M H Neely, Teacher.

Honor roll for U.S.S. No. 1 Euphrasia and Artemesia for February. Based on weekly exams and conduct. Names in order of merit. 5th—A Humberstone. 4th jr—G Smith. 3rd sr—Charlie Martin, S Smith. 3rd jr—Cora Martin, A Crozier, J Smith, E McLung. 2nd sr—H Allen, M Fawcett. Pt 2nd sr—L Fawcett, A McLung. Pt 2nd jr—J Harris. Mary Humberstone, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 7, Euphrasia, for month of February. 4 sr.—H Clingston, H Knott, Knott, T Knott. 4jr.—E Shore, H Rogers. 3—E Knott, H Kerr, Cornfield, Cornfield. 2—C Eaton, W Knott, W Cornfield, J Cornfield. Pt. 2—H Knott, M Reid, C Cook. Names of those who attended school every day during the month are: H Knott, E Knott, H Clingston, J Cornfield. Average attendance 22. S L Johnston, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 6, Glenelg, for February. 4th—J Baird, E Walker, W Wiggins, James Baird. 3 sr.—C Grant, G Walker, E Clarke, W Love. 3jr.—M McKennit, W Tebbutt. 2—E Walker, W Clarke, E Wiggins. Pt. 2—W Grant, E Love. 1—E Baird, E Clarke, E Walker. Names of those who attended regularly during the month: J Baird, E Baird, G Arrowsmith, W Grant, E Clarke, W Clarke, E Walker, W Love. Jean Baird obtained the highest number of marks for good conduct. L M McGuire, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 6, Holland, for February. 4th sr—A Gillespie, L Bradley, Reid. 3 sr—M McNally, O Gillespie, Bradley. 3jr—E Reid, T Ritchie, W Williams. 2 sr—J Edwards, M Boyd, R McNally. 2jr—H McNally, W Gillespie, Williams. Pt 2 sr—A Edwards, E Ricks, McNally. Pt 2 jr—W Reid, A McNally, Bradley. Pt 1—M Gillespie. Present every day: A Gillespie, O Gillespie, J Edwards, W Gillespie, Reid, A Edwards. H. H. Shaw, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 4, Glenelg, for February. 4 sr.—E Bradley, M Brodie. 4 jr.—W McArthur, C Brodie, Jack, V Dunn. 3 sr.—M Kerney, F Boyle, A Henderson, L Vasey. 3 jr.—J Boyle, A Henderson, Heitzman, W Kerney. 2 sr.—A Brodie, P Livingstone, Dunn. 2 jr.—B Kerney, C Brodie, L Dunn. Pt. 2 sr.—G Kirke, N McArthur. Pt. 2 jr.—J Jack, N Bartley. 1 sr.—C Dunn. Present every day: E Bradley, Brodie, F Boyle, A Henderson, Brodie, J Jack. Anna Scott, Teacher.

Wodehouse

One goeth and another cometh. Mason of Port Law has decided to move onto the McAfee farm on the New England Church. We congratulate Mr. Mason on being a resident of such a strictly moral community, and as he comes to us highly recommended we trust he will give no uncertain sound.

Miss Reid of Lindsay is spending a few days at her uncle's, Mr. D. Ellis'.

Mr. John Buskin has been slowly improving since last week, but to-day (Monday) reports him not so well.

Mr. Fred Hoggarth had an exciting experience one day last week. While drawing timber in the bush one of his horses got its foot fast between two logs, but as timely help soon arrived, the horse was held, and the logs so chopped as to allow the animal to extricate the foot. The horse is not much the worse.

Mr. William Wiley purchased a fine horse at Hartman's sale last week. Of course he paid a fancy price.

Mr. Joseph Langtree's cousin, who is unwell and who is stopping with Joseph, has been doctoring with the old Dutch Doctor from Owen Sound, is, we are sorry to say, not progressing favorably.

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