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ASSIZE COURT.

Heavy Docket—Several Cases Not Heard.

His Lordship Mr. Justice MacMahon opened court about 3 p.m. on Tuesday March 10. In all there were fifteen civil and three criminal cases on the list.

Boyd v. Cameron.—An action for damages for slander brought by Geo. W. Boyd against A. J. Cameron. The case was withdrawn; both parties signed a document which was not filed, but it is understood they "broke even" and divided the costs.

Stevens v. Stevens.—An action with reference to a will, was postponed. Lucas, Wright & McCardle for Plaintiff; MacKay and Sampson for Defendant.

Little v. McNichol.—An action for seduction, was tried out and judgment given for Defendant. Byens, Wright & McCardle for Plaintiff; Tucker & Cameron for Defendant.

REX vs. MITCHELL.—A case which Bernard Mitchell was charged with committing rape upon Miss Mingle, daughter of a former hotel-keeper of Aytou. The case lasted all day Wednesday, and after a charge by the Trial Judge favorable to the prisoner, the Jury brought in a verdict of guilty. Mitchell was given 7 years in Kingston, Wardrobe, of Hamilton, for Crown; W. J. Hatton for Defence.

Trunk Railway Co. for damages resulting to him from a pitch in of trains near Berlin in September last. Owing to Mr. Speers' extreme illness, as a result and the fact that the case could not be tried out, by arrangement the Jury notice was struck out, and Mr. Speers' evidence is being taken before the trial Judge as we go to press.

THE SMALL ADVERTISER.

There seems to be an idea prevalent that advertising is for large dealers only. This belief has kept many a small merchant from improving his opportunities in this line.

Nearly, if not all, the large retail merchants of the present day have become so by extensive advertising. The advertising which they have done may not be the sole cause of their success, but it has been the greatest contributing cause.

Do not be afraid of being overshadowed by the big advertiser. The big advertiser of the present perhaps may have been a small advertiser only a few years ago. Many times the well-worded reader of only a few lines, or the small display of advertisement will reach the eyes of more readers than the pretentious display of the larger store.

Every city has plenty of examples showing how small dealers in all kinds of merchandise have made their business a success by wise and judicious advertising. Take what space you can afford, contract by the year, watch it, change the matter very frequently, and you will soon need more room for your store and more space in the papers.

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If you have backache, lumbago or rheumatism or any of the other hundred and one complaints that are caused by diseased kidneys, Turner's kidney pills will restore your health and relieve you of that awful pain and soreness; only 25c. per box. Money refunded if no benefit, at Turner's drug store.

PRESBYTERY MEETS.

The Presbytery of Owen Sound met in Division Street hall on Tuesday, 3rd March, at 10 o'clock, and was opened with devotional exercises led by Mr. Matheson. Rev. Mr. Nelson, moderator, presided. Mr. Acheson reported for the committee on Mr. Manthorne's application to be received as a minister of the Presbyterian church.

The Sabbath School report was presented by Mr. McAlpine and adopted, provision being made for a visitation of every school in the Presbytery before November 1st.

Mr. McNab presented the Argumentation report, and grants were recommended as follows: Hepworth, \$180; Knox, Sydenham, \$90; Johnston, \$160; Markdale, \$50. Hepworth is required to raise \$4.50 per communicant for salary, to comply with the law of the church regarding grants.

An overture to the General Assembly was adopted, proposing that such changes be made in the regulations governing the administrations of the Aged and Infirm Minister's Fund as that all ministers permitted to retire shall participate in its benefits, and a committee was appointed to prepare an overture on similar lines regarding the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, with Mr. Eastman-Couyener.

Time was granted to Kilsyth congregation to sell their church with view of having it removed to make room for the new church on the same site. Mr. Graham resigned the charge of Latona, and the congregation was cited to appear on the 17th March at 10 a.m. in Owen Sound, when the resignation will be finally disposed of.

A call was presented from Shoal Lake, Manitoba, to Mr. Davidson, salary \$1,000. Presbytery resolved to cite its congregation to appear on the 17th March in Owen Sound, when the call will be considered.

The following commissioners to the General Assembly were appointed: Messrs. Black, Simpson, Somerville and Thompson, ministers, and Messrs. D. A. Ferguson, Geo. Ptolemy, D. Smith and L. Sprague, elders.

Rev. Dr. Fletcher was nominated as moderator of the Assembly. Rev. Dr. Armstrong, was nominated as Professor of Theology in Presbyterian College, Halifax, and Rev. Dr. McLaren, of Rocklyn, to the vacancy in Presbyterian College, Montreal.

The notice of motion given by Dr. McRobbie that \$35 for travelling expenses of commissioners to the General Assembly be given this year was not adopted, so that the standing rule in the matter of travelling expenses continues in force.

HOW ARE YOUR KIDNEYS?

This Simple Test Will Tell.

If any of your family have been troubled with kidney disease, make a test of the urine, and satisfy yourself whether you need a food remedy before the disease has caused serious complications.

Don't be misled by cheap, so-called kidney cures offered by dealers for the sake of extra profits. There is only one safe and reliable specific for kidney, bladder, liver and urinal troubles, and its name is Ferrozone.

F. T. HILL & CO. A careful perusal of this list will Be Greatly to Your Advantage.

YARD WIDE BLEACHED COTTON AT 2 1/2 Cts. Over 1,000 yards, good weight, yard wide, bleached cotton (slightly sold at 5 to 7c a yard. We have these in lengths of from 2 to 20 yards per yard for your choice.

85 LADIES WHITE COTTON UNDERSKIRTS FOR 48 Cts. 5 dozen Ladies Fine White Cotton Underskirts, deep flannel, fine quality were secured by us away below their value and are being sold accordingly.

ENGLISH GINGHAMS & PERCALES 6c. 15 pieces, fast colors, English Gingham and Percales in light and dark grounds very neat patterns and thoroughly dependable wearers. Regular price 10 cts. to 12 cts. Your choice only 6c.

12c. PRINT FOR 10c. Truly the most magnificent collection of bright, new English and Continental Prints we ever had the good fortune to secure. Not a bad pattern or undesirable coloring in the lot and warranted by the manufacturers and ourselves to be absolutely fast. Sold everywhere at 12c. Our price only 10c.

NEW HOMESPUNS 37 1/2c. (Mill Ends.) 40 pieces, extra fine quality, pure all-wool Homespuns, in lengths running from 3 to 15 yards. These are to be had in almost every shade including black and no more satisfactory wearing goods are in the market to-day. Cut to any desired length for per yard only 37 1/2c.

LADIES' NEW CLOTH SKIRTS. 27 Ladies' beautiful, all-wool Cloth Skirts in dark gray, navy, green, brown and black. These are handsomely tailored skirts, satin or silk trimmings, corded platings and small groups of bottom trimmings. A splendid collection in assorted lengths at these prices: 2.95, 3.25, 3.50, 3.75, 3.90, 4.25 and 4.35.

MENS COLORED SHIRTS FOR SPRING 10 dozen Men's Colored Shirts have just been placed in stock and include everything that's new for present wear, newest colors, newest styles and all absolutely perfect-fitting. Two prices and very special, 75 and 1.00.

MENS NEW HATS FOR SPRING, 1903. It will be well worth your while to inspect our magnificent showing of new Spring Hats. Styles, colorings and qualities are the very best that money can buy, and taking advantage of all cash discounts, as we always do, places us in a position to offer these at prices that will be a revelation to most buyers. Whether you want to pay 50c, or \$2.50 for your new hat, or any price between, you are very certain here of getting exactly what you want at the lowest possible price. We cordially invite you to look them over whenever convenient to do so.

We expect shipments of New Import Goods this week.

F. T. HILL & CO.

Tenders Wanted.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to the 15th day of March, 1903, for the purchase of the undermentioned lands, 1st lot 13, concession 1, in the Township of Quinsiger, County of Grey, containing 20 acres. This farm is situated in the Beaver Valley, overlooking the Georgian Bay, in one of the best fruit and game growing districts in Ontario.

C. P. R. TIME TABLE MARKDALE STATION. 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 14, Eggs, fresh 12 to 14, Hides, per ton 5 00 to 6 00, Potatoes, per bag 13 to 15, Wool 13 to 15, Beef 5 50 to 6 50, Pork 6 00 to 7 00, Hides 4 00 to 6 00, Geese, per lb. 6 to 8, Turkeys, per lb. 10 to 12, Ducks, per lb. 8 to 10, Apples, per bush 6 to 7, Flour, per bbl. 3 75 to 4 00, Bran, per cwt. 90 to 90, Shorts, per cwt. 1 00 to 1 10, Chop wheat, per cwt. 1 20 to 1 20, Chop oats, per cwt. 1 05 to 1 05, Sheep skins 65 to 75.

DECORATIVE ARTS. Is the Watch to buy. Sold by J. H. Stephenson Jeweller and Optician, Markdale.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR TENDERS. Farm for Sale. The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, instructed by Robert Christie, Esquire, Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities, the Governor of Ontario and Statutory Committee of Archibald Foster, formerly of the Township of Arden, in the County of Grey, Farmers to receive tenders for the purchase of the following property, belonging to the said Archibald Foster, namely, Lots 118 and 119, both in the Township of Arden, in the County of Grey, said to contain one hundred acres or more, subject to a lease to the said Archibald Foster for five years commencing from the 1st day of April 1891 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 15th day of March A.D. 1903, and to state the A.D. 1903.

Winter Term at the Northern Business College. OWEN SOUND, ONT. Begins January 27, 1903. Short courses in both Business and Shorthand departments, also book-keeping, thorough and complete. The demand for young men as office assistants is much greater than the supply. Our graduates and full particulars free. Address: C. A. LITTLE, Principal.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Cures Grip in Two Days. on every box 25c.

ARTEMESIA COUNCIL. The Municipal Council of the Township of Artemesia met in the town hall, Plesherton, on Monday, the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1903. The members were all present, the record in the Minutes of session of Feb. 2nd, 1903, were read and confirmed. The following communications were presented and read, viz.: The Farmer's Association, asking Council to pass a resolution regarding equal assessment of railways and corporation; A. Mc Cameron, regarding renewal of charter of the Huron and Ontario Railway Co.; Dr. Bryce, certificate of registration of births, marriages and deaths; Hart & Co., account \$3 for register; M. and D.; Wm. Davis, account for wood for hall, \$19.50.

By-laws No 24, to appoint municipal officers, and 25, to appoint road commissioners, were introduced and read a first and second time. By-law No. 26 was read a third time, and 24 was passed for completion until next meeting.

Gibson-Muir.—That the clerk be paid \$29.80, being registrar's fees 1902, as certified to by Dr. Bryce, Carried. McKenzie—Best.—That the money reimbursed \$2.65, being amount advanced to him by Mrs. Allan for way fare. Gibson-Muir.—That owing to total disability of Fred Gee he be allowed ten dollars per month for six as at present.—Carried. Gibson-Muir.—That the account of John C. Wright, \$2 for tile, be paid. Carried.

Gibson-Muir.—That the account of Wm. Davis, wood for township, \$19.50, be paid.—Carried. Muir-McKenzie.—That \$150 be appropriated for putting crushed stone road leading to Plesherton station, of the limit of Plesherton, the trustees of Plesherton having appropriated \$400 within their limits, the Commissioner of Div. 3 having agreed to expend \$150 out of his appropriation on the same road, special grant and commission to be applied outside the village limits. Carried.

McKenzie-Gibson.—That the present condition of the laws agriculture has become an unequal burden on the farmer, and therefore urge that our representatives in parliament have the public service yardage assessed for the same as the value as the property of individuals and taxation thereon a more equal basis, and that this resolution be carried. Esq., M.P.P.—Carried.

T. J. Coleman, J. D. Lewis, Purvis, Fred Brown, J. Fisher, W. J. Moore, Geo. Lattin, H. H. Giffacher, W. McLaughlin, W. McArthur, Cargo, Jacob Thompson, Thos. Henry, J. J. Brown, Cornfield, W. J. Mullon, Jos. Dowsett, Ben White, Frank Cairns, D. McKenzie, J. Quigg, Alex. Alex. Hopkins, Jos. Treble, McLean, Hector Wickham, White, M. Williamson, Yause, W. A. Morton, Archie Jas. Patton, Archie Vignier, Oliver, Dan Campbell, A. Purdy, Jas. Johnston, P. E. Purdy, Jas. Fisher, Sam. Pedlar, jr., Thos. Smith, Thos. Smith, Thos. Fisher, Wm. H. Smith, G. McLeod, Geo. Robt. Plant, Thos. H. Holley, Samuel G. Lattimer, Geo. Gordon, Oswald Walker, Arthur Braniff, Alex. Carruthers, John Boyd, Wilson, G. Bowles, Henry Tucker, John McGeek, Chas. Watson, W. C. Hanley, Edward A. Akit, Thos. Thompson, Jos. Ferris, John B. C. Eddy, Edward Legendre.

Constipation. Does your head ache? Pain back of your eyes? Is your liver ill? Ayer's Pills are your liver pills. They cure constipation, headache, dyspepsia, 25c. All druggists.

Tenders wanted for cutting to Markdale, the timber, 2, con. 10, Ephrasia, to be cut by the cord if not lot as above to haul. J. Artley, Markdale.