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Court Markdale I.O.F. No. 991
Meets in Rae's hall the third Tuesday in the month at 8 o'clock. A visit from brethren of other courts solicited. Assessments must be paid to the financial-secretary, Frank Graham, on or before the last day of the month. A. McCutcheon, C.R. J. C. Fletcher, R.S.

ARTEMESIA COUNCIL.

The Municipal Council of the township of Artemesia, met in the town hall, Flesherton, on Tuesday, the 15th day of December, pursuant to statute.

The members were all present, the reeve in the chair. The minutes of session Nov. 3, 1903, were read and confirmed. Reports from the several road commissioners were presented.

Report of the reeve re building three bridges was presented. The reeve verbally reported that the costs of law suit Boyd vs. Artemesia, amounted to $70.20. The following accounts were presented and read:—W. E. Richardson, stationery $2.20; Geo. Pritchard, repairing scraper, 25c.; W. H. Thurston, balance printing account, $23.88; John Pedlar, gravel, $1.55; Wm. Wilson, gravel, $2.50; J. H. Watson, gravel, $1.35; W. J. Davis, oil and bolts for grader, $1.12; the treasurer, preparing statement, $10.00; the clerk, check books from Daust, $7.50.

By-Law No. 629, appointing the following deputy returning officers and fixing polling places for 1903, viz: No. 1, H. D. McLoughry; No. 2, W. J. Bellamy; No. 3, T. M. Bannon; No. 4, D. McLeod; No. 5, D. G. McLean; No. 6, G. Warling; No. 7, Jas. Williams; No. 8, W. T. McKee, was introduced and read the required number of times and passed.

McKenzie—Muir—That W. H. Thurston be paid balance of his printing account, $23 88.—Carried.

Muir—Gibson—That the account of Jos. Daust, $7.50 for check books be paid.—Carried.

McKenzie—Best—That the following accounts for gravel furnished overseers and duly certified be paid, viz.:—J. H. Watson, $1.35; John Pedlar, $1.55; W. Wilson, $5 50.—Carried.

Muir—Gibson—That the members of the local board of health be paid as follows: Dr. J. P. Ottewell, $3; W. J. Bellamy, $2 00; M. Riley, $3, for services on board as per report.—Carried.

Gibson—Best—That J. Bellamy be paid $2.55 for attendance at hall for division court and for rep. hall windows.—Carried.

Muir—Best—That Alex. McDonald be refunded $3 19 of his taxes of 1903, on account of error in assessment roll for lots 8 and 9, Harvey and Elgin streets, Priceville.—Carried.

Gibson—Muir—That Daniel McDonald be refunded $3.66, being arrears of taxes charged on park lot 14, Priceville, for 1900, the said lands being in the crown in that year and not liable.—Carried.

Muir—Best—That Donald McRae be refunded $6.39 of his taxes of 1903, on account of error in assessment roll, lot 2, con. 3, S.D.R.—Carried.

Muir—Best—That Thos. Sullivan be refunded 89c. of his taxes of 1903 on lot 3, con. 6, on account of error in his assessment.—Carried.

Muir—Gibson—That Andrew Ridley be refunded $2, being statute labor charged in 1903, but since performed, as certified by overseers on lot 13, Bell's survey.—Carried.

McKenzie—Best—That Fred Deagle be refunded 8.44, being difference in his assessment on county, township and general school rates, 1903, in accordance with agreement with him as to his assessment.—Carried.

McKenzie—Best—That the account of W. E. Richardson for paper furnished this council, $2.20, be paid.—Carried.

McKenzie—Best—That the account of W. J. Davis for oil and bolts, furnished for the road grader, $1.12, be paid.—Carried.

McKenzie—Best—That Mr. Gibson be paid $2.54, being balance of commission on appropriation, 1903.—Carried.

Gibson—Muir—That the report of Mr. McKenzie on expenditure of appropriation in div. 4, 1903, be received and that he be paid $3.40, balance of commission, and $1.50 for one day's directing the grader.—Carried.

Gibson—McKenzie—That Mr. Muir be paid as follows: $4.50, commission on special grant on town line, A. & P. Carried.

McKenzie—Gibson—That the report of Mr. Best, on his appropriation, be received and that he be paid $3.40, balance of commission, and 1 day directing grader.—Carried.

Gibson—Muir—That the report of the reeve on expenditure of $1199.64, in building 3 bridges, be adopted, and that he be paid a commission of five per cent. on the same amounting to $59 98.—Carried.

Gibson—Best—That the treasurer be paid $10, for preparing financial statement of 1903, and that 150 copies be printed for distribution.—Carried.

Gibson—Best—That Mr. Muir be paid $1 for selling old bridge at Priceville.—Carried.

Gibson—McKenzie—That the reeve and Messrs. Best and Muir be paid $2 each for attending court at Dundalk in suit, Boyd vs. Artemesia.—Carried.

Muir—McKenzie—That the Baptist congregation at Priceville be refunded $3, being part of arrears of taxes of 1900, on lots 10 and 11, Elgin and Harvey streets, Priceville, the same appearing to be excessive for that year.—Carried.

Muir—Gibson—That the collectors for 1903, not having returned their several rolls as required by law, on the 14th inst., resolved that the said collectors be and they are hereby authorized to continue the levy and collection of unpaid taxes in the manner and with the powers provided by law, up to the 26th inst, but nothing in this resolution shall alter or effect the duty of said collectors to return their rolls or in any way invalidate the said collectors sureties.—Carried.

The business of the day being ended, Mr. Gibson put the following motion to the council, which was carried unanimously:

Gibson—McKenzie—That a hearty vote of thanks of the members of this council are hereby tendered the reeve, Mr. D. McTavish, Esq., for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over this council and discharged the duties of his office for the present year.—Carried.

Council adjourned.—Advance.

Miller's Camp

Miller's camp is still booming. The heavy snow storms lately has stopped the haul down the town line, but Dolph's old reliables are busy hauling cedar to Mr. Winlaw's shingle mill to be manufactured into shingles.

George, with his old team, is piling up the logs on the skid, keeping Campbell and George busy, who have charge of the cutting.

Will gets around some. He has charge of the loading.

R. F. has been staying with us the most of the week. He seems to be pleased with the way work is progressing.

Mr. Winlaw, the shingle king of the country, visited here last week.

The Harkaway correspondent should correct his error next week, as one of Dolph's old reliables is not off the route; they are making their regular trips, and look as though they would for some time yet. I do not think they would look thin if I understood how to raise a fifteen dollar cheque to twenty-five to buy more oats. What do you think, John.

We do not know that Joe left because the skidding did not agree with him, but we do know why he left the firm the Harkaway writer mentions, and has gone to skid for Mitchell Bros. We have had several calls from Joe lately.

Hamilton Bros. called here a few days ago. We understand they wanted the contract for the season's cut. They know when they see a good stock of logs.

Jack, our cook, gave us a feed of oysters. We hope soon to have another.

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The Christmas tree entertainment in the Methodist church on Tuesday evening of last week was a decided success, although the roads were bad the church was filled to the door. The pastor, Rev. Thos. Leonard occupied the chair, and the Rev. J. Hunter, of Markdale, was present and delivered a very appropriate address to the children. Mr. R. Winlaw was present with his phonograph and delighted the audience at intervals with some choice selections. The singing by the choir and by the children of the school was first-class. Miss Drinkwater gave a selection on the organ and received a hearty encore. There were several recitations one by Miss Sadie Duncan is deserving of special mention. Much credit for the success of the entertainment is due to Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Marshall, Ralph Purvis and others who assisted the committee in getting up the entertainment which taken altogether was one of the best ever held in the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Hare, of Owen Sound, visited the latter's sister, Mrs. McKinley, on Christmas Day.

Miss Lizzie Walters and Miss Annie Anderson of Toronto are visiting friends here.

More than a dozen from this place went to Markdale by rail on Christmas eve. Owing to some accident on the road the 9.51 train did not get here until about 9 a.m. Christmas day, the parties spending the night at Markdale station.

Holland Centre

Mr. J. Coleridge can get around now without the aid of the crutch.

Mr. W. Shea lost five head of cattle last week; they were killed on the railway.

The roof of the stable in connection with the Queen's Hotel here fell in. The recent heavy snow was the cause.

Mr. J. Price is home from the North-West. He finds the weather here nearly as inclement as it is there.

Mr. Hanley has gone to Picton to reside with his daughter.

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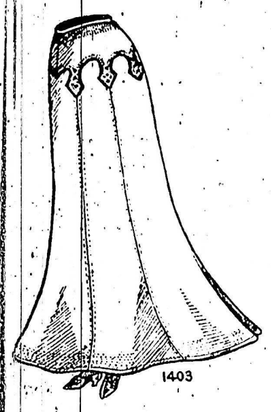
Here are money-saving opportunities well worth seeing:

$10.00 Mantles for 98c.

We were fortunate in picking up 25 Ladies' Mantles at a very small fraction of their original value. They are last year's styles, tight fitting back, 26 and 30 inch length, but good wool clothes in frieze, curls, beaver and fancy bouch cloths. The manufacturer asked us to make an offer on them. We did so, and got them. They are good fitting and well made goods—nothing wrong but the style a trifle out. Regular 4.00 to 10.00 Coats for **98**

$3.50 Ladies Skirts at 1.75



43 Ladies Homespun Dress Skirts left (same as advertised last week) bought at one-half the regular values from a leading skirt manufacturer, comprising medium and dark gray stripe effects, also rich dark green and a few black that are lined throughout. The makers could not take orders for any one line as they could not give a complete range of sizes; therfore they had to sacrifice the lot, grouping them all together—there is a complete range of sizes. The price we ask for them is less than the bare cost of cloth, on sale this week at your choice only **1.75**

35c. Dress Goods for 19c.

About 500 yards of Dress Goods, comprising black fancy Henrietta, blue and black lustre in stripe effect, medium green homespun and fancy tweeds. Our price has been 25c., 30c. and 35c. per yard, and they have sold remarkably well, but as you know there is usually a piece or so left out of each range of colorings. We are anxious to clear the lot right out, so have made the price per yard only **19**

75c Dress Goods for 39c.

About 600 yards of Dress Goods comprising fancy Tweeds, Zibelines, plaids and some plain cloths. In this lot you will not see much of any one cloth, as we do not wish to carry any dress goods from one season to another. We have gone through our stocks and marked several of our 75c, 60c and 50c lines (for this week) at per yard **39**

75c Ladies Rubbers for 38c.

30 pair Ladies Wool-Lined Rubbers, made of good quality Closed Rubber, medium toe, fancy, bot at one-half the regular price simply because of no 5, 5½ and 6 sizes. These goods being wool-lined is sufficient guarantee that they are just as warm as an overshoe sold in regular way are sold at 75c, on sale this week at **38**

$1.75 Ladies Waists for 98c.

48 only Ladies Black Mercerized Satine Waists, made in latest style with several rows of cording and has fancy gimp braid and button trimming. This quality and style of waist is sold at $1.75 and 1.50, for this week we will sell them at each **98**

1.25 Ladies Underskirts for 68c.

60 Ladies Black Mercerized Satin Underskirts made with large sweep and has deep corded flounce and frill on bottom. They are in all lengths and sold in regular way at $1.00 and 1.25. This week we will sell the lot while they last, your choice **68**

Men's Snappy Clothing.

Our leading lines are here before you. Correct in material, workmanship, fit and finish. Garments to please the most exacting will be in this lot that will be put on sale Thursday at greatly reduced prices. Over 75 Men's Suits ranging in price from $5.50, $6.00, $7.00 and up to $8.50, which will be put out at two prices, being about one-third off regular prices, as follows:

$7.00 Men's Suits for $4.90.

39 only Men's Single and Double Breasted Suits in navy blue serge, light, medium and dark fancy Tweeds. Their mates we have been selling all season at 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, and 7.00. There are not more than 3 or 4 of a kind, but in the lot there are all sizes from 36 to 42, all marked at one price. For this week **4.90**

$8.50 Men's Suits for 5.90.

42 only Men's Single and Double Breasted Suits in medium and dark fancy Tweeds, Oxford Greys, Navy Serges, when grouped together number 42, and the regular selling price are 7.00, 7.50, 8.00 and 8.50, and up-to-date in every respect. Although not many of a kind in every size the assortment is large and varied—making it easy for you to make a selection, all at one price **5.90**

$2.50 Mens Felt Boots for 1.79.

30 pair Men's Felt Lined Boots, in good quality pebble and grain leather, some have four buckles, others laced in same height. In regular way they are sold at 2.50 per pair. For this week they go on sale at per pair **1.79**

All Trimmed Millinery at Half Price.

20 only Trimmed Hats, suitable for Ladies and Misses; all the leading designs for winter wear, and this week we will sell all Trimmed Hats at just one half the regular price.

$3.00 Walking Hats for 50c.

44 Ladies and Misses Ready-to-wear Hats, in light, medium and dark shades all this season's shapes in fancy felts, zibelines and plain felts. These are samples bought at a clearing price and worth from 1.00 to 3.00 each, on sale at **50**

65c Underwear for 39c.

45 Mens Sanitary Wool Fleeced Shirts and Drawers in all sizes, ribbed cuff on sleeves and splendid winter goods, extra heavy, sold in regular way at 50 and 60c for this week we clear the lot at each **39**

15c Boys Curl Caps for 25c.

36 only Boys Imitation Black Curl Caps with band in heavy weight and worth in regular way 45c, for this week we will put them on bargain counter at each **25**

We have many other lines awaiting you of such values as mentioned, but as space won't allow, we are obliged to omit.

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