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THE MARKDALE STANDARD Grey County Council.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Wentworth county council have passed a wide-tire by-law, fixing the width of tires of rigs carrying two tons at three inches, and three tons at four inches.

The Boers are opposed to the introduction of Chinese labor in the Transvaal mines; the English-speaking whites of South Africa are against the innovation; so are the religious and labor sentiment in Great Britain. But the capitalists who own the mines want the semi-slave labor; and they are getting what they want.

A former Melancthon lady evidently considers that marriage is not a failure. About three years ago, last September John Neilly, of Melancthon, died. His widow had been previously married to a Mr. Phillips, consequently that was her second adventure.

That Lord Dundonald did not take the right way of giving expression to his complaint against the Government is undeniable. Nor can any fault be found with the Government for asserting its dignity and upholding the rules of office.

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A Home Paper.

Rev. J. E. Mavety, of the Methodist church, Kempsville, has a communication in the Kempsville Advance this week on the subject of the "Home Newspaper" in which he says some very sensible and wise things that should be read by a great many people who are not likely to see them, simply because they do not take the "Home Paper."

After having lived four years in Kempsville and having read regularly the papers printed in our village with great pleasure and much profit to myself, I have been led to wonder how a family can afford to do without this weekly visitor.

Intelligent citizenship means familiarity with the public press. The local paper, at least one daily and one church paper, should be in every home.

Let none say "I cannot afford it" for you cannot afford to do without them. Many may say "I have no time to read the paper." I think we succeed better when we take time.

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The county council met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday afternoon, June 21st. Warden Pringle in the chair. The members present were Messrs. Doyle, Paterson, Garvie, McKinnon, McLean, Shute, Allan, Preston, McCollman, Bell and McArthur.

After the warden's address the minutes of the last meeting of the January session were read and confirmed, and the clerk presented a large number of communications and accounts, including a letter from the county solicitor, Mr. A. G. MacKay, respecting Mrs. Baxter's claim; circuit from the county council from Ontario county respecting the department of good roads; petition from the trustees and ratepayers of S. Oprey, respecting the action of the Hariston and Mount Forest High Schools; a letter from Rev. J. Lediard, Secretary of the Children's Aid Society; report of the North Grey Farmers Institute; session of the Owen Sound and County of Grey Poultry Association for a grant of \$50; application from Lieut. Col. A. G. Campbell for the usual grant of \$500 to the 31st Regiment; county treasurer's estimates for 1905 respecting stationary supplies; letter from John McArthur, C.E., respecting bridge work.

Mr. Allan advocated that each member give a verbal report of the inspection of the bridges in their division. He had divided the work with Mr. Schenck, and stated that the expense on those under his supervision had involved very little expenditure.

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Mr. W. J. McLean, secretary of the Central Agricultural Society, Walters Falls, was introduced by Mr. A. C. Paterson, and was given permission to address the council in support of the society's application for a grant.

The report of the North Grey Farmers' Institute was received and the usual grant of \$25 was made to each of the institutes of North, South and Centre Grey, when the reports of the institutes were filed; that the application for the sum of \$500 be granted to men; that the Children's Aid Society be granted \$100; that the application of W. A. McLean, secretary of the Central Agricultural Society for a grant of \$50 be granted; that A. Laporte be granted a one horse rig; that the application of the Women's Institute sum of \$10 be granted to each of the Women's Institutes of North, Centre and East Grey.

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