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EUPHRASIA

MILLER FOR REEVE

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of John T. Miller as Reeve of the Township of Euphrasia for 1926. Strict attention to the township business and economy is promised. Voting Monday, January 4, 1926.

Halbert for Councillor

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of Jos. A. Halbert as Councillor for the Township of Euphrasia. Voting Monday, January 4th, 1926.

Quinton for Councillor

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of R. J. Quinton as Councillor for the Township of Euphrasia for 1926. Voting Monday, January 4th, 1926.

HOLLAND

Stewart for Councillor

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the re-election of A. C. Stewart as Councillor in the Township of Holland for 1926. Three years' experience in the Council has fitted me for better service to the municipality. Voting Monday, January 4th, 1926.

MARKDALE

To the Electors of Markdale:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Having accepted the nomination for the Reeveship of the Village it is but fair that all should know where I stand. If I am elected I promise to give efficient and aggressive representation at the County Council, as well as in the performance of the duties connected with the office at home. Economical management of the town's business and a reduction in the tax rate in 1926 will be my aim. No large undertakings are being proposed, but particular pains will be taken to protect the town's various assets and to maintain and manage them in the best possible manner. The selection of your Reeve is in your own hands.

Sincerely yours,
A. E. Colgan.

Markdale, December 30th, 1925.

Union Hill

Miss Alma Brown of Orangeville is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Brown. Mr. Garfield McFadden of Detroit is visiting at his home here. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Brodie of Fort William, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Brodie of Townsend Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Hinks of Drummond and Mr. and Mrs. R. Frost and son, Frank, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tobutt.

Messrs. Garfield and Dixon McFadden were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Gardner of Epping. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Semple and daughter, Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wilson and son, Gordon, and Miss Alma Brown of Orangeville spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Semple.

Anglican Church Notes

Advent Church, Beverdale Sunday School closed for the winter months. The Ladies' Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Brett on Thursday, December 31st.

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Traverston

(Special to The Standard.) A Happy, Prosperous Year with Contentment to all Standard Readers. There have been scores of family reunions and visiting of kindred during the holiday week. Regret we have only a limited list of those, but the following were some of them: Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tuck, Misses Bessie and Iona Beaton of Toronto at the home of John A. Beaton; Messrs. Lauchie, Philip and Walter Dunbar from Detroit; the Dunbar home; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lawrence of Egrement at the Davis home; Mr. and Mrs. Phil Harrison of Swinton Park at the Nelson home; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mays and bright twin daughters, Misses Elsie and Isabel, of Guelph, at Grandma Pirtle's; Miss Violet Palfrey and her niece, Marion Pank of Toronto, at the old Fallis home; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Twamly and Mr. and Mrs. Will Campbell and two boys of Wellbeck at the home of Mr. Chas. McBlacklin; Mr. and Mrs. T. Ivan Edwards, Toronto, at the Edwards home.

At the close of No. 5 school last Tuesday, Miss R. L. Barbour had a splendid Christmas treat for all her pupils. Miss E. J. Allan of Chesley was present for the Christmas concert and met many of her former friends. Among those feasting out of the neighborhood were: Mr. and Mrs. H. McArthur at Mr. John McNally's, Durham; Mrs. John O. Greenwood and family at Mr. C. McIntyre's, Dornoch. Quite a crowd were present at the Township Hall on Monday for the nominations. The following were nominated: For Reeve, Messrs. W. Weir, A. MacCaig and R. T. Edwards; for Councillors, Messrs. Alex. Aljoe, J. McKechnie, Mal. Black, Thos. Brodie and Chas. Wepler. All the above spoke besides Messrs. John McGrath, John O'Neill, David Robinson and John McGirr. There were no dull moments, in fact it was one of the liveliest meetings we've had for years. Mr. MacCaig and your scribe withdrew at the close of the meeting, leaving Reeve Weir elected and later on the supporters of Mr. Chas. Wepler withdrew their man, not wishing to cause an election, hence, the old council are all safe for another year. Old Zion was filled on Christmas eve to overflowing with a happy crowd. Rev. J. E. Peters most ably filled the chair. The program was a bright, lively one and Miss Barbour received many warm compliments over the part taken by the school children. Among those who took part were: Juanita Noble, Elvie Noble, Gordon Greenwood, Gordon Noble, Clara Jack, Willie Peart, Gertrude Blair, Ada Banks, Catherine Timmins and Mary McNab in recitals; Vera Robbins and Catherine Timmins in 'dust club' singing; Iona Noble splendidly acted the pantomime, 'Comin' Thro' the Rye.' Mr. and Mrs. McNally and Jim Peart supplied the sweetest of music. Mrs. Noble and Miss Edith Taster very sweetly sang an old favorite; the young people a rousing chorus, and the four dialogues were rousers. Santa Claus had a big task at the close. Proceeds \$39.00.

Cherry Grove

(Special to The Standard.) A Happy and Prosperous New Year to all.

Miss Charlotte Boland is spending the winter season at her home near Vandeley.

We are pleased to report that the Medical Health Officer announces that the family of Mrs. A. Harvey will be out of quarantine by Monday next.

School re-opens on Monday, January 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Penilton and son, Thos., enjoyed Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell, Markdale.

The W. I. meeting will be held in the basement of the school on Thursday, January 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gorley and Miss Viola of Markdale were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gregory on Christmas Day.

Our Sunday School is discontinued for the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and three children and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Semple and son, Alex., were Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. R. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Myers and daughter, Almida, spent Christmas with relatives at Lauriston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hawken of Fiesherston and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor, Jack and Fred Taylor, were guests of Mrs. W. Taylor and Mr. Geo. Taylor on the holiday.

Misses Violet and Ruby Wyville spent a few days with relatives at Wodehouse and on the Townline, A. & E.

Miss Nellie Hodgson is spending the Yuletide holidays with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Cutting, Miss Millie and Mr. Robert Cutting, Riverdale, and Mr. H. Wyville, Mr. and Mrs. Ab. Wyville and family Townline A. & E., spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wyville.

A very interesting program was given in the school on Tuesday afternoon, December 22, by the school children under the supervision of the teacher. A number of interested parents and friends were present and

enjoyed the program of choruses, recitations, dialogues, etc. Master Jack Bradey discharged the duties of chairman very creditably. At the close of the program Santa Claus in the person of Wilbert Wyville appeared on the scene and distributed the presents from the tree, during which a merry time was spent. All present enjoyed the treats provided, as well as a tasty lunch. A delightful hour was spent in various games. The teacher, Miss Lawson, and the pupils are to be congratulated on the success of the event.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hodgson and family spent Christmas, the guests of Mrs. W. P. Stephenson and family of Markdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lee and family of Markdale spent an enjoyable Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Penilton and family.

Mr. John Hodgson drove a jolly sleigh load of our people to the Christmas entertainment at the Riverdale school recently. A delightful time is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Leitch, Irish Lake, partook of Christmas dinner with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Burnett. The two former accompanied by Mrs. Burnett drove over to Ravenna on Saturday and spent a few days with the latter's mother, who is ill.

Eugenia

(Intended for last week.) Editor of The Standard, its staff and many readers a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

School Concert

The Orange Hall here was crowded at the school concert on Monday evening. Proceeds amounted to \$25.75. Much credit is due the teacher, Miss A. C. McQueen, for the way in which she had her pupils trained. We congratulate the children in giving such a good entertainment. The choruses by the school were good; a very pretty bell drill was given by the girls. Two fine recitations were given by Irene Martin and Gladys Fawcett. Little four-year-old Douglas Morgan gave a little recitation quite distinctly. Well done Douglas. The dialogues, "Mother Goose", "Christmas Crazy Class" and "The Minister's Mistake" were very humorous. Two little boys, Teddy Dixon and Herbie Fawcett, rendered a sweet little duet. Music accompanying the choruses, etc., was played by Mrs. W. E. Morgan and Miss Marjory Park. Other dialogues, recitations, etc., completed the program. Trustee A. F. Pedlar acted as chairman and gave a good address. Trustees Genoe and Gordon were called to the platform to each give an address, but refused. "If you never venture, you'll never win boys." The Christmas tree was loaded down with presents which Trustee Gordon as Santa Claus, in his usual jovial manner distributed to the children.

Born

After his visit to Fiesherston on Saturday, Santa Claus wended his way north of Eugenia Sunday evening and presented Mr. and Mrs. Fred Duckett with another fine daughter. This makes girl number four. Congratulations.

Ladies' Aid Bazaar

The bazaar under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid held on Saturday last proved a decided success. The amount realized from the affair was over \$75.00. Mr. Lewis Genoe is an expert guesser, he having guessed the nearest number of beans in a jar. He was just one out. Congratulations Lewis.

Mrs. James Borteous, 8th Line, is on the sick list at present. We wish her a speedy recovery.

We are pleased to report Mrs. Len. Lattimer able to be home from Collingwood hospital and progressing nicely since her recent operation.

Miss Mae Park of Toronto is visiting at her parental home at present.

Mr. John Williams, accompanied Mr. A. F. Pedlar to Toronto and also attended the U.P.O. Convention.

Mrs. Thos. McKee has returned home after a three week's visit in Toronto.

Councillor Carruthers did some road work on the 8th Line last week and made a fine job.

Mr. Henry Tudor and family have moved to their residence in the village.

(This Week's Items.)

Miss A. C. McQueen is spending her vacation at her home in Owen Sound.

Mr. Chas. Park of Detroit spent Christmas at home, returning to his duties on Saturday again.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Magee and daughter, Erva, spent the 25th with Mr. John Campbell, wife and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Martin and children spent the holiday with Mr. Thos. Lever and family, Fiesherston.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Pedlar spent the week-end with friends in Meaford.

Miss Laura Fawcett has returned home after spending some time with Mrs. O. Irwin in Kimberley.

Miss Mary McKee of Toronto is spending the holidays with her parents and sister here.

Miss Millie McFulven, teacher, Toronto, is holidaying with her mother here.

Mr. John Bullivant is recovering greatly. He is now able to go around town as usual again.

Mr. Russell McMullen spent Christmas with friends in Owen Sound.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Park is not recovering very fast from her illness. She at times feels quite well, then suddenly gets worse again. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Campbell and children, accompanied by Mr. Calvin Boyce and family, spent Christmas with relatives on the 4th Line, Artemesia.

Mr. Wm. Saigson of Collingwood is on an extended visit with friends here.

Mrs. R. Purdy and son, Russell, of Stone's Line spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Pedlar and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Duckett and children of Caylon visited relatives here on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Falconer and babe and Mrs. F's sister, Miss Gertrude Greenaway, spent the holiday with Mr. Will Magee and family, 8th Line.

School meeting this Wednesday.

Mr. Jacob Williams is spending the holidays with his family in Toronto.

Messrs. Gerald and Fred Large of Niagara Falls are visitors at the Munshaw House.

Mr. Ernie Williams and sister, Viola, of Toronto are visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Williams.

The MacDonald family spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Sherwood.

Mr. Wesley Coey of Toronto is holidaying with friends here.

Kimberley

(Special to The Standard.) The holidays have brought the usual happy visitors to spend the holidays with parents and friends.

Mr. Stan. Lawrence and Mr. J. Taylor with Mrs. Lawrence; Mr. J. E. Hammond, Mr. Will Hammond and Paul with Mrs. R. L. Hammond; Miss Dell Abercrombie, Allendale; Miss Tena Hutchinson and Miss Lillian Abercrombie; Miss Lona Weber, of Owen Sound; Business College; Misses Edna Barrett, Denilda Stuart, Almida Weber and Rhoda Soul, of Meaford High School, are spending the holidays at their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Bishop, of Toronto spent Christmas with parents, also Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Graham and children at Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Barrett's. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis with Mr. and Mrs. Plewis; Mr. and Mrs. H. Hutchinson with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McDonnell; Mrs. Ernie Horwood and Miss — with Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins; Mrs. McMullen and Miss Millie with Mr. and Mrs. A. Stuart, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Risk and babe with Mr. and Mrs. R. Hutchinson.

The Christmas Tree was a success, owing to the generous way that the children helped. The frog drill and scarf drill should have special mention.

We are sorry to lose Messrs. Mervyn and Russell Hammond, they having gone to join their mother and sisters in Toronto.

Mrs. A. E. Myles and Miss Ruth spent the holidays with Mr. Myles and Mr. Ted.

Mrs. Geo. Hutchinson and Miss Mary Stafford are visiting friends in Detroit for a month.

Mrs. (Rev.) Ellison and Master Joe are spending a week in Toronto. We expect them to return Tuesday.

Mr. Burton Carruthers entertained nineteen young people to a sleighing and skating party to Fiesherston on Saturday evening. All report back on a good sport, to go out with.

Mrs. G. Proctor and Miss Marjory are visiting in Toronto.

Nomination and election of trustees for the village on Monday night resulted in the election of Mr. J. R. Barrett, Mr. D. L. Weber and S. S. Barrett for 1926.

Mr. Ross and Mr. W. Ellis have returned after spending six months in the West.

Miss Viola Fawcett, Collingwood & Co. Hospital, spent a few days with her mother and sisters recently.

We are sorry to report Mrs. K. G. Gerson on the sick list. Mrs. Gerson has been with her a few days.

Little Miss Winifred Graham is spending the holiday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Barrett. Officers of L.O.E. No. 144 for 1926: W.M., A. E. Myles; D.M., Leslie Fawcett; Chaplain, Thompson; A.S., R. W. Lawrence; P.O., J. W. Campbell; Marshal, Harold Fawcett; J. L. Fawcett; Com., Alex. Harvey; Geo. Cornfield; Secy, Brockbank; John Taylor, Gordon Ward; Stew. Com., R. W. Lawrence; S. Brockbank; J. T. Abercrombie.

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ARTEMESIA

VOTE FOR HOGARTH

To the Electors of Artemesia Township: Ladies and Gentlemen,—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited in my behalf for the Reeveship of Artemesia Township. Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year, I am,
A. HOGARTH

Davis for Councillor

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for the election of John A. Davis as Councillor for the Township of Artemesia for 1926. If elected the strictest attention will be given to the business of the municipality. Voting Monday, January 4th.

CAMERON FOR REEVE

To the Electors of Artemesia: Ladies and Gentlemen,—I am a candidate for the office of Reeve for the Township of Artemesia for the year 1926. If elected I will endeavor to effect a reduction of expenditures in both Township and County management.

I am opposed to the principal of county financing as followed by the County Council in 1925: that of adding to the bonded indebtedness of the County to the extent of \$115,000.00 by the issue of debentures for the purpose of defraying the cost of County Road construction and thereby adding to the annual interest charges of the County \$750.00.

I am in favor of abolishing Statute Labor in order to receive the Government grant of 30 per cent. on all Township-road expenditures. In the year 1923 Artemesia township had a levy of 300 days Statute Labor which, at a valuation of only \$1.50 per day, would mean a value of \$4650.00. I am in favor of abolishing Statute Labor in order to receive the Government grant of 30 per cent. on all Township-road expenditures. In the year 1923 Artemesia township had a levy of 300 days Statute Labor which, at a valuation of only \$1.50 per day, would mean a value of \$4650.00. I am in favor of abolishing Statute Labor in order to receive the Government grant of 30 per cent. on all Township-road expenditures. In the year 1923 Artemesia township had a levy of 300 days Statute Labor which, at a valuation of only \$1.50 per day, would mean a value of \$4650.00.

The Township also has a Hydro-Electric Bell Telephone assessment, legally exempt from Statute Labor, of \$31,000.00, involving a loss from that source by retaining it of \$125.00 yearly or a total expenditure of \$9575.00, of which would have been eligible for the Government subsidy.

The Township in 1925 had 322 motor cars in use in the township by the residents whose combined license fee and gas tax was not less than \$5500.00, was collected by the Government. About \$950.00 of this amount was returned to us through the 50 per cent. grant of the Ontario Government. The balance, almost all of which might have been ours, went elsewhere.

I am in favor of the following plan for Township road management: Create a general maintenance fund of about \$6000.00, which on the 120 miles of township roads would mean \$50.00 per mile. This would require on the total of 1500 miles an assessment of \$1,166,000, four mills on the dollar. I believe the Government grant of 80 as at present) would oversee the work which in all divisions would proceed about the same time, in early summer which, in my opinion, is the proper time to build roads. A Superintendent should be appointed whose duty it is to supervise the work done by overseers in order that the work may be made as uniformly good as possible. The pay of the Superintendent should not be over \$3.00 per day and the Overseers \$3.00 per day for actual time employed. I believe the success of failure of the system will depend largely on the integrity, character and ability of the men in whose hands the carrying out of this work is placed. It will therefore be the duty of the Council, who shall appoint both Superintendent and Overseers, to choose wisely and without fear or favor. The work shall be as evenly as possible distributed as under the Statute Labor system. More money will be available to pay for work without increasing taxation. The balance of what money is required shall be paid under the direction of the Council as at present for more permanent or special work but generally supervised by the Superintendent. The grant by the Government of 50 per cent. of the Superintendent's salary and 30 per cent. of Overseers will very materially reduce the cost of carrying out work compared with the present system.

I believe on the whole under the plan which I have briefly outlined as above, more can be performed in a better and more uniform way and a saving made of 2 or 2 1/2 mills in current rate for township purposes. The report of the Highways Department of Ontario gives as its report for 1925—Number of Townships receiving aid 244 out of 315; number of townships retaining township Statute Labor 71. Which number shall Artemesia township be among in 1926.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask your careful consideration of the position I take in this problem pressing for a solution and if I am honest with you and myself I can take no other. If you can place your confidence in me I shall deem it an honor and a privilege to serve you as your Reeve for 1926. Wishing you a prosperous New Year, I am,
Sincerely,
ALEX. CAMERON

Dec. 29th, 1925.

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