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Should Grey County Support the Owen Sound Proposal?

The Standard Champions Cause of Smaller Fairs

Editor, The Markdale Standard.

Dear Sir:—Our attention has been drawn to an article in the "Standard" under the heading, "A Peculiar Proposal", which criticizes our letter to Fair Boards in the County enlisting their support to get more recognition of their work from the municipalities of the County.

Your article indicates that you think our only plan is to obtain larger grants at the expense of smaller Fairs. Such is certainly not the case, and I trust you will allow us to vindicate our position in the minds of your readers. Our statement that "the County grant pays over 35% of the prize list of some of our Fairs and barely 6% of others" is nevertheless true. Why? Because municipalities are neglecting or refusing to support their local Fairs. And then they expect that the County will give them equal grants with those Fairs that have the support of their own communities. Rather inconsistent, isn't it? Our hope has been to have municipalities take a more active interest in their Fair and save Directors the embarrassment of having to beg donations from the public spirited citizens of the community. Of course where a municipality says in effect that it doesn't want a Fair we fail to see why it should expect the County and Province to give grants to support one.

In 1931 the Fairs of Grey County (including Owen Sound) paid prizes in cash to exhibitors in the amount of \$16,184.64. Isn't this a worth while effort to assist our agriculturists in improving the quality of their live stock and farm products? Surely organizations doing work of this kind are worthy of more support than many of them are receiving. It is a known fact that Societies received \$125.00 each from the County last year, regardless of size; and that some municipalities granted only \$25.00 to their Fairs, while others made no grants whatever. Isn't a great deal of our municipal money spent on much less meritorious work?

To our Fair Boards we would say,—"Put it fairly up to your Council that you are doing a worth while work and need its financial assistance." You perhaps know that the Department of Agriculture is short-listed (probably this year) basing its grant to Fairs on the grants received from municipalities to Fair Boards. You will know the result if your municipal council turns you down, for private donations will not count. And if they support you as they should the County grant will not be paying 25% to 50% of your prize list.

Just a word in personal defence. With the President, 2nd vice-President, eleven of its fifteen Directors and 102 members living in Grey County outside of Owen Sound, why should you classify the Owen Sound Agricultural Society with Societies having their full organization in other Counties? Is it just for the reason that our Fair is held in the same Municipality as the Municipal Buildings of Grey County are located? Should the fact that Owen Sound pays one eighth of the total amounts paid by the twenty Fairs in the County in Prize Money not have some consideration? Would you have us sit back and not even enter a protest when a cut of 16% has

been made from our County grants and a further cut of 20% has been suggested?

Yours very truly,
S. H. Buchanan, Sec.,
Owen Sound Agricultural Society.

OUR REPLY

In the second paragraph Mr. Buchanan says, "Your article indicates that you think our only plan is to obtain larger grants at the expense of smaller Fairs." Read Mr. Buchanan's letter to Markdale Agricultural Society and see if you can find any other plan proposed than the one to obtain larger grants at the expense of smaller Fairs.

Secretary,
Markdale Agricultural Society.

Dear Sir,—Would Markdale and Glenelg Agricultural Society support a deputation in waiting on the County Council at the January session in an endeavor to have the present method of paying County grants to Societies changed to a system more in line with that of the Department of Agriculture, namely,—distribution of grants based on money expended for Agricultural purposes, or even on amounts paid for awards for prizes.

It seems to be quite out of proportion that some Fairs receive a grant from the County sufficient to pay over 35% of their prize list, while others receive barely 6% of the required amount.

If you think we are making a move in the right direction we will appreciate your letting us know. We are already assured of the support of some of the larger Fairs in the County in our endeavor.

Yours very truly,
S. H. Buchanan, Sec.,
Owen Sound Agricultural Society.

Mr. Buchanan makes no mention in his letter to the Society of grants from the local municipality. We are quite in accord with the suggestion that every township and ban municipality should contribute to the funds of the society or societies operating in the locality.

The fact that the President, 2nd vice-President, eleven of its fifteen Directors and 102 members of Owen Sound Society are residents of Grey County does not make it a Grey County organization even though the whole board were residents of this county. Their headquarters is outside our county and the same is true of Owen Sound.

Our proposal that the grants be based on the amount of prize money paid by each society to residents of Grey County is the only absolutely fair one made so far and for that reason we repeat it. Grey County is interested financially in the work which the fairs do within its borders. Owen Sound withdraws from Grey County in order to escape contributing to institutions which were not located in the city and why they expect the county to contribute to their organizations is more than we can understand.

Markdale Fair would benefit considerably by the proposal of the Owen Sound organization but there are many of the smaller fairs which would be crippled and it is in the interests of these that we offer our opposition.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Markdale High School Commencement was held in the Armouries on Wednesday evening of last week and was attended by a large and appreciative audience. Mr. Findlay McNab, the principal, acted as chairman.

The first number was a girls' chorus which was prepared under the tuition of Mr. J. H. Dundas. "The Bishop's Candlesticks," a Victor Hugo play, was well presented. The characters were well represented with Miss Vida McArthur as the Bishop; Bert Armstrong as Jean Valjean, the convict; Miss Mildred Lee as the Bishop's sister; Miss Eva Hill as Marie, the maid; and Reg. Warren as the sergeant. Two folk dances, the music for which was supplied by Miss Marion Hill at the piano, were much enjoyed, as was also the mock trial, "Jones vs. Jinks."

Mr. W. D. Henry, a former member of the High School Board, delivered an address on "Canada and the Empire," and presented the awards. Graduation diplomas were presented to Misses Ruth Armstrong, Ina Parker, Ruby McFadden, Reta Douglas and Hazel Wiley and Mr. Duncan J. Torrie. Field Day medals were awarded as follows: Senior boys, Norman Dundas; Junior boys, Kenneth White; Senior girls, Mildred Lee; Junior girls, Dorothy Lee. Special prizes were given for highest standing in the various forms to Misses Ruth Armstrong, Jean Abercrombie, Grace Lucas and Dorothy Lee.

At the close the young people enjoyed a dance, the music being supplied by Jack Perkins' orchestra.

IN DAYS OF YORE

February 22nd, 1883

Fire damaged the Reid and McDougall Block but was under control before destroying it along with adjoining buildings.

Mr. Arch. Speers, sr., of Wainfleet, married on the Great North-West, Dufferin Hill, Markdale. Fawcett and Mary Elizabeth Callum of Euphrasia were married on Feb. 7th, 1883.

February 3rd, 1893

Prize winners at a carnival held on Feb. 17th included: Jas. Bush, Jas. Duncan, Madge Lucas, Will Ricketts, F. M. Stafford, J. Lucas, Mabel Mathews, May Sarjeant, Leona Mathews, Susie Mathews, Will McLeod, Bob Bush, R. Graham, W. G. Richards, R. Sproule.

On Monday, Feb. 20th, 1893, Thomas Wiggins of Glenelg was instantly killed at Baird's mill, four miles from Markdale, when he came in contact with the edging saw. He was survived by his wife and fourteen children.

February 19th, 1903

Mr. Wm. Breadner of Rocklyn and Miss Henrietta Knott, 4th line, Euphrasia, were married on Feb. 11th, 1903.

Thomas Troughton, a pioneer resident of Holland township, died on Monday, Feb. 16th, 1903, aged 86 years and 9 months.

HERE AND THERE

Mr. William Tupling, Deputy-reeve of Mulmur township, died in Creemore on Feb. 5th, aged 54 years.

Hector B. McKinnon, an old Pricerville boy, has been appointed secretary of the recently constituted Tariff Board.

Unless the county grant is soon given the Georgetown high school may have to close its doors through lack of funds.

Mr. Andrew Hunter has been appointed Treasurer of the Township of Egrement to succeed the late Mr. Walter Hastie.

The Dufferin County Loyal Orange Lodge met in Orangeville last week and decided to hold the Twelfth of July celebration in Shelburne.

Mr. Geo. E. Foster of Honeywood, President of Dufferin Central Fair, was elected second Vice-President of the Ontario Association of Fairs and Exhibitions.

The Hanover Post has on display an egg with a triple yolk. The yolks are joined together in the shape of a clover leaf, each about an inch in size.

Mr. R. D. Ramey, C. N. R. agent at Tara has been re-elected chairman of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers for the Stratford division of the C. N. R.

Card of Thanks

Mr. A. E. Roche and family desire to thank their many friends for all their kindness during their recent bereavement.

OBITUARY

MRS. W. J. ALCOX

It was with startling suddenness that Mrs. W. J. Alcox of Orange Valley passed away on Saturday last. She was about the house as usual during the morning and without warning dropped to the floor and was dead before those in the room were able to reach her. She had not been in robust health for some time but there was no indication that the end was so near.

The late Mrs. Alcox, whose maiden name was Mary Elizabeth Fry, was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Fry and was born at Nobleton in 1872. After her marriage to Mr. Alcox they resided at Nobleton for a few years before moving to Vandeleur. About 15 years ago they moved to the present homestead on the highway. She is survived by five sons and one daughter, namely: Ross and Wellington in Markdale; Delbert on a farm adjoining the homestead; Leonard and Clarence at home; and Mrs. Wesley Smith at Rock Mills. Three brothers and three sisters also survive, Charles at Dauphin, Man.; James at Nobleton; George at Nashville; Mrs. Jos. Rodgers, Mrs. Ed. Penfield and Mrs. Jas. Simpson in Toronto.

The funeral took place on Monday at Markdale cemetery. Rev. W. J. Scott of Flesherton had charge of the services at the house and grave and was assisted by Rev. T. O. Miller of Markdale. The pallbearers were Messrs. Charles and George Fry, Fred and Chas. Boland, W. Swanton and W. Hutchinson.

The floral tributes included a pillow from the family; sprays from Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Smith, sisters, Mrs. Rodgers and family, Harrison family, L.O.L. No. 509 and neighbors.

Among those from a distance at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. C. Fry of Dauphin, Man.; Mr. and Mrs. George Fry and daughter of Nashville; Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Rodgers and Mrs. Penfield of Toronto.

DAVID MATHERS

Death claimed another Stayer veteran in the person of David Mathers, who passed away Friday morning, Feb. 10th, at his home, Main Street. He was in his 65th year.

The funeral service was conducted at the home by Rev. Wm. Coult's assisted by Rev. W. S. Buckborough.

Mr. Mathers was born at Bond Head, April 1st, 1864 and moved to Stayer with his parents when one month old and had resided in Stayer till his death. In 1890 he married Miss Rebecca Ausman of Stayer. For thirty years he carried on the Furniture and undertaking business here.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and took an active part in all church work while able to attend. Of late years Mr. Mathers has been confined to his home through illness. He was a member of North Star Lodge No. 68, I. O. O. F., for the past 47 years. During that time he held the office of Financial Secretary for 20 years. He was also a Past Noble Grand.

Besides his widow he leaves to mourn his passing, two sons: John of Stayer and David R. of Aurora; one sister, Mrs. J. C. Henry of Markdale and one brother, William John of Stayer.

Many floral tributes testified to the high esteem in which the deceased was held.

The pallbearers were members of North Star Lodge: Messrs. R. J. Allen, Burnfield Arnold, George Maynard, John Thompson, O. Weatherup and Ben Wheeler.

The service at the graveside was conducted by the members of the Odd Fellows.

Many friends from a distance attended the funeral.—The Stayer Sun.

LOSES FOOT IN MILL

A despatch from Prince Albert, Sask., dated January 23rd, tells of an accident which befell Mr. W. J. Bartley, a former resident of this place, whereby he lost a foot while at work in a saw mill at Canwood. Mr. Bartley is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Matthew Wood of this place and will be remembered by many in this locality. He went to the West about twenty-five years ago and resided for some time at Loreburn, Sask. The Loreburn Herald adds to the despatch that his son, Clarence, is running a steam engine in a lumber mill at Christopher Lake and it is thought his father was working in the same mill.

MRS. A. E. ROCHE

The funeral of the late Mrs. Augustus E. Roche, who passed away on Tuesday of last week, took place from her late home on Thursday afternoon to Markdale Cemetery. Rev. H. S. Warren, pastor of Annesley United Church, had charge of the services at the house and at the chapel in the cemetery. The pallbearers were Messrs. J. C. Henry, Mark, Chas. E. and Herbert Armstrong, Wm. Wiley and John Roche.

Many floral tributes were placed on the casket by sorrowing relatives and friends and included contributions from the family, the sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Telford Woods and Mrs. A. Robinson, the Armstrong families, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wiley and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Irwin, Ladies' Aid of Annesley Church, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Plewes, Mrs. A. Ritchie, Mrs. F. Sarjeant and Mr. and Mrs. A. Noble, Shelburne Public and High Schools, Shelburne School Board.

Among those from outside points here for the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Will Allan, Mr. John Allan and Mr. J. Nelson of Milton; Mr. John Roche, Mr. Robt. Roche and Mrs. A. Broadbent of Port Hope; Mrs. W. Chambers of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Claridge, Mrs. A. Robinson, Mr. Telf. Woods and Mr. Ernest Montgomery of Dundalk; Mrs. Robt. Winlaw of Ingersoll.

The late Mrs. Roche, whose maiden name was Catherine Allan, is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Everett Ritchie and Miss Ruby Roche, two sisters, Mrs. H. C. Claridge of Dundalk and Mrs. Robt. Winlaw of Ingersoll, and four brothers, Messrs. John and William Allan of Milton, Mr. Archie Allan of Buffalo, Montana, and Mr. James Allan of Edmonton, Alberta.

SCHOOL BURNED

Barrhead school was destroyed by fire on Monday night, the origin of which is a mystery. The flames were discovered about midnight but had gained such headway that nothing could be done to save anything. The building was of brick and the walls are left standing. There was insurance but not enough to rebuild. The school was open as usual on Monday and at closing time there was not much fire in the stove but there is a possibility of the pipes taking fire later. A strong wind was blowing at the time and this would tend to fan any small blaze into action quickly. The basement was used for storing wood and there was considerable there. Only seven pupils have been attending the school and arrangements will be made for their accommodation until the building is re-constructed.

SHOWERED

A number of the friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hill, recently wedded, gathered at their home at Orange Valley on Thursday evening of last week and presented them with a miscellaneous shower. The baskets containing the gifts were carried in by Miss Jessie Morrison and Mr. Morris Rennie, Mr. Frank Eagles cut the strings and Mr. Hill unwrapped the presents which were put on display by Misses Eva Hill and Gladys McFadden. The following address was then read by Mrs. John Eagles:

"To Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hill, It becomes our pleasant duty on behalf of your friends assembled here to-night to remind you that we are not forgetful of the fact that you have turned your back on single loneliness and have launched forth on the broad sea of double blessedness."

For years Gordon it has been our pleasure to know you in genial friendship and social intercourse, to which you have contributed abundantly, and to you, Mrs. Hill, you come as a stranger into our midst, but we most heartily welcome you into our neighborhood, and hope as time goes on you will find it a real pleasure to be one of our number."

If at any time we can render any neighborly assistance it will be our greatest pleasure to do so, and we will look forward with anticipation to the sociability of the future.

We ask you to accept these gifts as a slight token of the high esteem in which you are held, and in conclusion we all join in wishing you both a long and prosperous as well as happy journey through life.

Signed on behalf of your friends and neighbors,
Mr. Hill thanked all for the kindness and expressions of goodwill. Lunch was served and the evening was spent in games and dancing.

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JELLY POWDERS 6 for 25c	PEANUT BUTTER 2 tins for 19c
SEEDLESS RAISINS 2 lbs. for 25c	Raspberry, Strawberry, Black Currant Jam 38c
SWEET WHITE CORN 2 for 19c	Orange Marmalade 40 ozs. for 25c

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- RINSO, per package 8c
- PEARL WHITE SOAP, 8 cakes for 25c
- COOKING ONIONS, 8 lbs. for 15c
- LIBBY'S PORK & BEANS, large size, 2 for 21c
- FREE!
- ONE CRYSTAL GLASS SALAD PLATE with 1 lb. Gold Medal Coffee at 45c or 1 lb. Gold Medal Tea at 45c or 1/2 lb. of each
- JELLY POWDERS, 6 packages for 25c
- SEEDLESS RAISINS, 2 lbs. for 25c
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