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Acton Progress

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Statistical.

An American Divine has been making a statistical estimate of the power of Christianity in the United States as compared with the liquor law. Here are his figures: All Christian denominations give about \$5,500,000 annually to home and foreign missions; the amount spent in liquor is \$600,000,000 annually. In other words the people of the United States spend as much for liquor in three days as they do for the salvation of souls in one year.

Prince Leopold.

Prince Leopold has shown a decided interest in desiring that his visit to America be as private as possible. His health will not permit of the fatigue of either receiving or replying to addresses, and his time being limited, by dispensing with receptions and the like he will be enabled to see a much larger portion of the country, and to examine our institutions, more in detail. On any occasion in which he may appear in public he will be sure to meet with a hearty welcome.

Russia's Grain Prospects.

Russia's future as a grain-growing country is threatened. The ravages of the corn beetle throughout the Empire is something fearful, the losses to the farmer the present season from these destructive pests being estimated at from £1,000,000 to £5,000,000. It is said that dealers in American grain are preparing to take advantage of this calamity and call upon the United States will undoubtedly be very heavy. Canadian grain growers may possibly also be called upon to help meet the deficiency. The fertile prairie lands of Manitoba, which are destined to be the future granary of the world, should be taken up and largely sown with grain. There is fortune awaiting all agriculturalists who are not afraid to rough it in the Far West for a few years, and increased immigration may be looked for should the country predictions noted above prove true.

Village Council.

The Village Council met on Tuesday evening last in the Council Chamber. Members all present, and having taken and subscribed to the oath required by the Act organized as a Court of Revision. Mr. Hendrie, Reeve, in the chair.

The following appeals were then examined:

J. H. Smith against D. Kennedy, Revere, assessed tax too low compared with surrounding property.

D. H. Sod against his own property. Revere—Assessed to high compared with surrounding property.

The cases were then heard.

Moved by W. H. Stover, a complaint by D. B. Christie, that the assessment of J. H. Smith be certified. Carried.

Moved by W. H. Stover, seconded by N. McGarvin, that the time for making appeals be extended ten days, and that this council meet as a Court of Revision on Monday 21st instant. Carried.

The Clerk, J. E. Gibson, and Committee, Revere, in the chair.

L. F. Smith, Esq., presented a petition from the citizens of Acton, recommending that the time for making appeals be extended ten days.

David Smith, 8 days work on road, \$8.00.
D. McNeil, 6 " " " 6.00.
D. C. Robertson, 13 " " 1.20.
D. C. Robertson, 6 days accountable service, 6.00.
R. W. King, Road scraper, Freight car per ton, 27.60.

Moved by J. D. Christie, seconded by C. S. Smith, that the Finance report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by N. McGarvin, seconded by W. H. Stover, that the Committee of Streets & Sidewalks Committee advise for tenders for pluck and scatting for sidewalks in the corporation. Carried.

Council then adjourned.

Hassagawayea Council.

This Council met pursuant to adjournment, on Wednesday the 26th day of May. All the members were present and having taken and subscribed to the oath required by the Act, organized as a Court of Revision and Appeals, the Deputy Reeve in the chair.

The Assessment Roll was then duly examined and some changes made thereon. The following assessment of Dog Tax was referred to the following persons were struck off, the Court being satisfied with regard thereto, viz.: W. W. Bell, J. Gandy, J. Bassett, and D. McFadie.

Thomas Henderson, charged to David Henderson, and William Lowrey, George Lowrey, the assessment of F. S. Clarke on real property was confirmed, the south half of the west half of lot 10 in the 6th con. was struck off from Isaac Currie and assessed to D. Henderson, the west half of lot 1 to

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the 1st con. from W. Kuching to G. Dennis; Joseph Little charged from tenant to owner on lot W 1/3 in the 1st con. and John and Andrew Little's names struck off the same. Peter Currie was reassessed for part of W 1/3 in the 1st con., the amount of John Currie's personal property was struck off, the assessment of W 1/3 in the 1st con. and John and Andrew Little's names struck off the same. Peter Currie was reassessed for part of W 1/3 in the 1st con., the amount of John Currie's personal property was struck off, the assessment of W 1/3 in the 1st con. and John and Andrew Little's names struck off the same.

The Assessment Roll being confirmed it was moved by Mr. Ramsey, seconded by Mr. Hutchison, that the Assessment Roll be amended, as is hereby confirmed, and that the Court do now close. Carried.

The Court then adjourned and the Reeve in the chair, the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Wheddon moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchison, that the sum of \$1.00 be paid to T. J. Day for Assessing Roll, \$2.50 for notices for revising the list of Voters, \$1.50 for Collector's receipts, and 75¢ for Voter's lists, and the further sum of 5¢ to Messrs. Innes & Davidson for Peckmaster's schedule. Carried.

Mr. Watson moved, seconded by Mr. Wheddon, that the sum of \$1.50 be paid to N. North for one sheep killed by dogs, being two thirds value of it, the claim having been duly certified. Carried.

Mr. Menzies moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchison, that the Reeve and Mr. Watson be a committee to answer certain questions proposed by the Ontario Agricultural Commission, to duly sign the same and forward to the proper authorities. Lost.

Mr. Watson moved, seconded by Mr. Wheddon, that a special meeting of this council be held on Saturday the 29th inst. and in consultation with the Clerk and Assessors and others that may be present, agree, as to the proper answers to be given to certain questions proposed by the Ontario Agricultural Commission. Carried.

The Council then adjourned, to meet again Saturday the 29th May.

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The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed, and on motion the council adjourned to meet again at the call of the Reeve.

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The Orange of Acton and Rockwood will take part in the grand demonstration at Hamilton on the coming 12th of July. It is expected there will be from 20,000 to 25,000 in the procession.

Equal to Telegraphy.

It is not so many years ago that Telgraph was looked upon as a mere toy, and a useless invention. Who now knows of such a useless? Since recently the electric telegraph has been introduced into Canada, and especially in Ontario, and has been a great success.

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