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The "Old Maids."

For several reasons, there was an exceptionally large audience in the Methodist church on Tuesday evening, in response to the enticing invitation of the "Old Maids," to attend their Tea and Concert on the above date. Certainly the girls of the congregation have no reason to complain of the manner in which the Richmond Hill and surrounding public turned out to welcome their first appearance in an affair of this kind. Never, indeed, with the exception of those held on the evening of the Queen's Birthday has the church been so crowded at an entertainment or tea-meeting. The tea, which was served in the Lecture Room, was up to the standard, and the tables were neatly decorated, and presented a nice appearance. The maids averaged from 15 to 40 years, and to say they looked charming in their fantastic caps, and neatly-trimmed variegated aprons, is only a very mild form of expression. Indeed many of the bachelors were heard to exclaim that they possessed all the necessary qualities which constituted beauty. At the appointed time, Miss Frank Trench, as chairwoman, ascended the platform with a firm step, and opened the proceedings in a pleasing speech, thanking the audience for their patronage, and expressing the hope that the concert to follow would prove as interesting to the hearers as it had to the church financially. All were then called upon, who joined in singing several stanzas of the first hymn, after which Mrs. J. Storey made an earnest prayer. Miss Hewison gave an appropriate instrumental solo on the pipe organ. Then the maids crowded the large platform, and led by Miss Bertha Wilson sang "There's a meeting here to-night," in good old Methodist style, and were greeted with the heartiest applause and cheers from all parts of the edifice. Solos, both vocal and instrumental, duets, &c., were given by the Misses Reid, Miss Flora Coulter, Miss Sanderson, and Miss Rutherford, which were much appreciated. Miss Alice Hopper read a suitable selection for an "Old Maids" concert, and for an amateur, showed that she possessed elocutionary powers which are worthy of careful training. Miss Bertha Wilson appeared in costume, and recited "Over the Hills to the Poor House," and afterwards gave a reading, "Jane Conquest." Her clear musical voice filled the church and created a favorable impression, while her quick resolutions and prompt gestures, when describing positions of danger, contrasted finely with those of a quieter nature. Perhaps the star of the evening was Miss Bricker, of Winnipeg, who appeared in each part of the programme, and delighted the audience with her songs and graceful manner. Each time she was summoned to give an encore and on each occasion responded cheerfully. Should Miss Bricker ever again visit Richmond Hill as a singer, she will meet with an enthusiastic reception. At the close of the concert, a vote of thanks, moved by Miss Trench, and seconded by Miss Dunkin, was tendered to all those who so liberally assisted with the undertaking. Regarding the concert, the chairwoman's anticipations were fully realized, and too much credit cannot be given the committee, and the "old maids" generally, for carrying through so successfully their Tea and Concert. The proceeds amounted to \$105.00, which will be paid into the Building Fund.

The Village Park.

To the Editor of the LIBERAL:

SIR,—As I am a firm friend to the Village Park scheme, I have no fear that what I am about to say will meet with any but fair treatment. My only anxiety is that I may be too late with the suggestions which I have to offer.

No one who was present at the public meetings held last summer for the consideration of the Park question could fail to be struck with the perfect unanimity which prevailed as to the necessity of some such grounds. Indeed, so thoroughly agreed were all on this point, that words were emphasized with prompt action, and it may be said that, without one dissenting voice, the present site was purchased. In spite of great diffidence, candor compels me to express my doubts that the best location was selected, and these doubts arise from the following considerations:—

(1) The disadvantages of the situation do not appear to have been fully realized.
(2) The nature of the soil, which is by no means of the best, was not thoroughly investigated. Here, it may be pointed out that nearly all of the Village sewage passes through this field, which alone is a grave objection from a sanitary view.
(3) The expense of draining was not discussed in such a way as to bring out its full amount. At a low calculation this one item will amount to nearly \$400.00. If to this sum be added the cost of fencing, it may be doubted that we have yet paid more than one half of what will be necessary to secure our Park.

I submit then, sir, that we should proceed in this matter with great caution. I cannot free myself from the conviction that the out of the way position of the present site will prevent our Park from ever becoming a popular place of resort. And when to this disadvantage are added those of other results of my observations, I must ask my fellow villagers is it yet too late to make a change for the better?

Yours, &c.,

X. Y. Z.

Richmond Hill, Feb. 25th, '85.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

A meeting of the Richmond Hill Board of Education was held in the rear of the Masonic Hall, on Wednesday, Feb. 4th, for the purpose of electing a chairman for the present year, strike committees, &c. Members present: Messrs. Trench, Boyle, Savage, McConaghy, Naughton, Duncan, Switzer, Skeele and Dr. Wilson.

The Secretary, by virtue of his position, called the meeting to order and asked for nominations for chairman.

Mr. Trench moved, seconded by Mr. Boyle, that Mr. R. Marsh be chairman.

Mr. Savage moved, seconded by Dr. Wilson, that Mr. J. Brown be chairman.

The Secretary put the last motion first and Messrs. Savage, Naughton, McConaghy and Dr. Wilson, voted for Mr. Brown.

The original motion was then put, when Messrs. Boyle, Trench, Skeele and Duncan voted for Mr. Marsh.

The Secretary then voted for Mr. Brown and declared him elected.

This was objected to by those who voted Mr. Marsh, on the ground that the Secretary, who acted as chairman, could not give the casting vote, as he had not voted on the first motion put.

Messrs. Trench, Duncan and Boyle then left the room, and the meeting broke up for the want of a quorum.

The Board again met in the Council Chamber, on Friday last, Feb. 20th.

Members present: Messrs. Marsh, Trench, Boyle, Savage, McConaghy, Naughton, Duncan, Brown, Switzer, Skeele and Dr. Wilson.

The minutes of last meeting were read, but were objected to, as not being complete.

Mr. R. Marsh took the declaration of office as Trustee.

A lengthy discussion arose as to the legality of the proceedings of the last meeting. It was finally decided to cancel the proceedings, as the meeting should have been held in the Council Chamber.

Nominations for chairman were then taken.

Mr. Marsh proposed Mr. Trench, Mr. Trench objected.

Mr. Brown nominated Mr. Marsh, seconded by Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Brown was nominated by Mr. Savage, seconded by Dr. Wilson. Mr. Brown declined, and Mr. Marsh was unanimously declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Brown, Mr. Switzer was re-elected Secretary.

Mr. Naughton moved, seconded by Mr. McConaghy, that Mr. Boyle be Treasurer.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Savage, that Messrs. Trench, Brown and McConaghy be a Committee of Management.—Carried.

The Secretary read a communication from Mr. McBride, Head Master of High School, drawing the attention of the Board to the bad repair of the stoves, desks, doors, &c.

A communication was read from Mr. Cruickshank stating that his sister was still unable to attend to her duties on account of illness.

A communication from Miss Spragge, asking for an advance of \$50 on salary, and another in reference to a supply of maps, were read.

Moved by Mr. Naughton, seconded by Mr. Duncan, that the advance of salary be not granted.

Mr. Skeele moved in amendment that the advance be granted.

Mr. Switzer said he would second the amendment if Mr. Skeele would make the advance \$25, thus making the yearly salary \$425. Mr. Skeele consented.

The amendment was put and lost.

The Committee of Management were instructed to attend to the purchasing of maps, &c.

Moved by Mr. Trench, seconded by Mr. McConaghy, that the Treasurer and Secretary be authorized to discount a note, not exceeding \$400, with the Central Bank, for Public School purposes.—Carried.

A discussion arose as to the desirability of erecting new school buildings during the coming summer, and several Trustees spoke in favor of the same. Mr. Trench gave notice that he would move at next meeting that new school buildings be proceeded with at once.

The meeting then adjourned.

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VELLOPE.

From our own Correspondent.

The Entertainment and Tea-Meeting held in the Township Hall in connection with St. Paul's and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, on Monday evening, was a grand success in every respect. Fully 500 people sat down to an excellent tea, which had been prepared by the ladies of the congregation regardless of trouble or expense. The music was supplied by the Woodbridge Methodist choir, who performed their part to the satisfaction of all. The addresses were of a high order and brought forth much applause from the audience. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto, gave a short address on Missions, which was much appreciated. Revs. Carmichael and McLaughlin also gave interesting and amusing addresses. The proceeds amounted to something over \$100, and everything passed off to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. The only drawback was felt in the Hall not being spacious enough to contain the large number which had collected. A Social to dispose of the remains is to be held this (Thursday) evening, the result of which your readers will be made acquainted in next issue.

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From Our Own Correspondent.

The annual Missionary Meeting was held in St. John's Church of this place, on Thursday evening, 19th inst. It being a beautiful evening the church was well filled. The Rev. gentlemen present were Mr. McCallum, of Toronto; Mr. Osler, of York Mills; Mr. Spragge, of Newmarket; and the Rector, Mr. Musson.

There will be services in St. John's Church every Wednesday evening during Lent, to commence at 7.30.

Farmers in this locality are beginning to hire their men and boys for the coming summer's work. The low price of produce don't seem to effect the price of labor, as wages range about the same as last season.

Simon Spenceley, of Oak Ridges, lost a valuable steer last week; it choked while eating, and died before any aid could be rendered.

Mr. Thomas Flavel and bride, of Lisle, Tossoronto Tp., were in the Burgh visiting parents and acquaintances.

Mr. Ferris and wife, and Miss Ferris, of Mulmer, spent last week with their cousins, the Messrs. and Misses Elliott of our Burgh.

Mr. Ephraim and Norman Boak, of Brandon, Mani., were in the Burgh this week.

Mrs. C. Whitney, of Bond's Lake, presented her husband with a fine daughter last Tuesday, 17th. Both are doing well.

Mr. J. C. Rutherford, our worthy teacher, is confined to his room under the influence of a severe cold.

O. Bortle, of Manchester, Ontario Co., N. Y., writes: "I obtained immediate relief from the use of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. I have had asthma for eleven years. Have been obliged to sit up all night for ten or twelve nights in succession. I can now sleep soundly all night on a feather bed, which I had not been able to do previously to using the Oil."

Eckardt's Sale Register.

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Saturday, Feb. 28th, Jas. Langstaff, M. D., Palmer House, Richmond Hill.
Monday, March 2nd, H. W. Stewart, Con. 3, Lot 15, East York.
Tuesday, March 3rd, Wm. Christie, Lot 38, Con. 4, Scarborough.
Wednesday, March 4th, Richmond Hill.
Thursday, March 5th, Wm. Cook, Con. 2, Lot 16, Vaughan.
Friday, March 6th, Thos. Death, Lot 11, Con. 3, West York.
Monday, March 9th, Henry Meyer, Lot 17, Con. 8, Markham.
Tuesday, March 10th, N. S. Resman, Con. 2, Lot 15, Vaughan.
Wednesday, March 11th, Eckardt's Monthly Sale, Unionville.
Thursday, March 12th, Henry Wardlaw, Lot 11, Con. 5, West York.
Friday, March 13th, A. P. Jacques, Lot 13, Con. 3, Scarborough.
Saturday, March 14th, Commercial Hotel, Markham Village.
Monday, March 16th, Mrs. Isabella Cooper, Con. 2, Lot 23, East York.
Wednesday, March 18th, Charles F. August, Con. 5, Lot 6, Vaughan.
Friday, March 20th, J. C. B. Johns, Con. 1, Lot 34, Vaughan.

CORRECTED EVERY TUESDAY.