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The heirs of the Lawrence-Townley Estate held a meeting at the office of Mr. A. L. Willson & Son, Arcade, Toronto, on the 14th inst. Among those present were A. L. Willson, Esq., Mrs. John Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sackman, Mrs. John Willson, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Woodington, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sturgeon Stewart, Mrs. J. W. Lawrence, Mrs. R. Skinner, Miss Douglass, Miss Lawrence and others.

After the appointment of a chairman and secretary, many important records were submitted to the meeting, in which the ancestry of the Lawrence family was traced back to the time of the Crusades, when Robert Lawrence went to the Holy Land with Richard Cœur de Lion, and so distinguished himself by deeds of valor at Acre and Jerusalem that in 1191 he was knighted. Ashton Hall, near Manchester, of historic record, together with much of the land on which that city is built, belonged to the estate of Sir Richard Lawrence, a descendant of Sir Robert. John Lawrence married Mary Townley, daughter of Lord Townley, of Townley Hall, against her father's wishes, and came to America and was lost trace of.

At the death of her mother, who was the only daughter of Lord Widdington, she inherited her grandfather's estate. Also on the death of her brother John Townley, who had married Lady Standish, they leaving no heirs, she inherited the immense standish estate. Her sister Dorothy married Lord Effingham, and they died without heirs, therefore this estate also reverting to her. Thus it will be seen that four immense estates, viz., the Townley estate proper, the Widdington estate, the Standish estate, and the Effingham estate, were concentrated in one, of whom Mary Townley Lawrence was the sole heir. Of the marriage of John Lawrence and Mary Townley there were two sons born, John and Jonathan, the former of whom died in infancy. The latter settled near Boston, but under Governor Shirley for valuable services he was made a grant of 500 acres of land in Nova Scotia, whence he removed about the middle of the last century, and from thence his descendants removed to Upper Canada settling in the vicinity of Toronto.

This immense estate has for more than a century been in the hands of the English Government, awaiting heirs, and has accumulated to an incredible sum, variously estimated at from \$300,000,000 to \$500,000,000. For some years it has been thought that the only obstacle in the way of the Canadian and American heirs proving their claim was their inability to find the record of the marriage of John Lawrence and Mary Townley, which is said now to have been discovered, and Mrs. Sidney Brown, of Bagdad, N. Y., daughter of the late Judge Wilders, is said to have proven her claim as one of the heirs, and through the efforts of Col. Jacques has had her portion, which amounts to \$40,000,000, transferred to the United States Government.

Some of those present at the meeting, among whom were Mrs. John Walker, of Toronto, and Mrs. John Willson, of Newton Brook, who are daughters of the late Peter Lawrence, of Eglinton, feel confident that if the matter is properly looked into there ought not to be any difficulty in establishing the heirship, and there was, with this object in view, a subscription list opened and more than \$100 subscribed for prosecuting the claim, with more to follow when necessary.

Mr. A. L. Willson was appointed to visit Buffalo, Bagdad, New York, Brooklyn and other places necessary to confer with the American heirs, and devise the best method of prosecuting the claim. Mr. Willson leaves on the 26th inst.

Should this meet the eye of any who claim to be heirs to this estate, and are desirous of helping to prosecute the claim they can send their subscriptions to A. L. Willson, Room 37 Arcade, Toronto, or to G. H. Sackman, 14 King St. West, or to J. A. Sturgeon Stewart, 58 King St. East, Toronto.

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BIRTHS.

REAMAN—At Cayville, on Monday, April 20th, the Wife of Mr. D. S. Reaman, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

LYNCH—WATT—At Toronto, on the 15th inst., by Rev. Alex. Gilray, of College St. Presbyterian Church, Wm. Lynch of Richmond Hill, to Miss Sarah Watts, of Toronto.

DEATHS.

ROBINSON—At Jefferson, on Thursday, April 16th, Mrs. David Robinson, aged 54 years.

VAUGHAN COUNCIL.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Vaughan met at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 14th day of April, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Mr. Isaac Reaman, the member-elect as 2nd Deputy-Reeve, in the place of Daniel Reaman, deceased, having executed the declaration of qualification and of office, took his seat at the Council Board.

The Reeve in the chair. Members present: Messrs. Cook, Malloy and Elliott. Minutes of last meeting were read and on motion approved.

The following petitions were presented: By Wm. Cook, from D. S. Reaman and 31 others for the grading of a hill at Carrville.

By Wm. Cook, from John Lahmer and 56 others for making the Ontario Tree-Planting Act applicable to the Township.

From A. Dalziel and others for the erection of a weigh scale at Nashville.

An application was received from J. & W. Rankin requesting to be allowed to do their statute labor on Old Yonge St., under the supervision of the path master.

A claim was received from Sarah Dick for injuries sustained by herself and conveyance on 2nd Jan. last, by the overturning of her conveyance on the hill between lots 30 and 31, on the 10th Con.

Moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Reaman, that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the following accounts:

Milen Rines, 6 days at 50c...	\$3 00
Jas. Oliver, 10 " " " " " "	\$1.50.. 15 00
W. Gordan, 4 " " " " " "	6 00
J. Watson, 126 loads gravel at 10c	12 60
Patterson & Bro., 41 days at 50c	20 50
Alf. Rumble, 25 1/2 days at \$1.50...	38 25
J. W. Rumble, 9 " " " " " "	13 50
Henry Rumble, 28 1/2 " " " " " "	42 75
H. Rumble, 28 loads gravel at 10c	2 50
W. Munshaw, 10 days at \$1.50...	15 00

Moved by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Malloy, that the following road accounts be paid.

District No. 1—

D. S. Reaman, 200 cedar posts...\$25 00

District No. 2—

T. Tansley, 483 cedar posts at 13c... 62 79

J. Elliott, hauling 1500 ft. plank.. 1 50

G. Wallace, hauling 1206 ft. lumber and 300 posts..... 3 00

Moved by Mr. Malloy, seconded by Mr. Elliott, that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the following accounts:

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Hart & Co., for Manual, &c..... 19 85

Moved by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Cook, that the sum of \$100 be paid to A. Malloy, Commissioner for Districts No. 1 and 2, for paying for work done on hill between lots 29 and 21, Con. 8. (Special appropriation)—Carried.

The Clerk was instructed to have a By-Law prepared for next meeting, making the Ontario Tree Planting Act of 1883 applicable to the Township.

Moved by Mr. Malloy, seconded by Mr. Elliott, that the petition of D. S. Reaman and 31 others for the grading of a hill at Carrville be referred to the Commissioners of Dist. No. 1.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Malloy, that the petition of A. Dalziel and others for the erection of a weigh scale at the side of the road allowance at Nashville be granted, on condition that it does not interfere with the public travel.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Reaman, seconded by Mr. Cook, that Mr. John Rankin be allowed to do his road work on Old Yonge St., under the direction of the path master.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Reaman, that Messrs. Porter and Malloy be a deputation to wait on Mrs. Dick, relating to the claim on the Township in consequence of an accident.—Carried.

By-Law No. 486 was passed appointing path masters for the present year as follows:

1 Frank Munshaw	46 Alex Booth
2 Arthur Muldoon	47 John McKinnon
3 Mason Cog-will	48 Elisha Farr
4 George Weldrick	49 Wm Hawman
5 John Ness	50 John Ireland
6 Wm Munshaw	51 James Brown
7 J. S. McNair, Jr	52 Geo Cooper
8 Thos Johnson	53 Thos Willis
9 George Dean	54 Wm Ash
10 Arthur Tennysou	54a Rcbt Watson
11 Jas Booth	55 Jno McCallum
12 Peter Patterson	56 Samuel Arnold
13 Richard Vanderburg	57 Michael Fisher
14 Wm Glass	58 Nicholas Donald
15 Jas Vanderburg	58a Nicholas Donald
16 Anthony Bowes	59 John Ellis
17 David Smellie	60 Wm Mathieson
18 Anthony Keffer	61 Jas Johnston
19 Jno Combs	62 Geo Longhouse
20 H J Graham	63 Gideon Burton
21 Wm Jones	64 G F Wallace
22 W A Chubbine	65 John Jeffrey
23 Jas Jackson	66 T F Steele
24 Jas Oster	67 Thos O'Neil
25 Thos Jackson	68 Wm Irvin
26 Michael Duffy	69 Ed L Dickens
27 Amos Shunk	70 Geo Witherspoon
28 John Nixon	71 C McArthur
29 Wm Kirby	72 Wm Fleming
30 Thos Johnson	73 Robt Agar
31 Abraham Wigger	74 Geo Agar
32 I V Put rough	75 Ben Kaiser
33 Samuel Lines	76 Jno Allen
34 Jonathan Dalton	77 Jno Culham
35 Jas Malloy	78 Thos Wooda
36 J A Smead	79 Thos Sm. the
37 Wm Stewart	80 M Stoppans
38 Jno W. Hagg	81 Jas Rumble
39 Wm Hutchison	82 Robt Mason

39 D McKinnon	83 W E McCatehoun
40 Jas O'Connor	84 Jno P Dalziel
41 Jno McNaughton	85 John Train
42 Thos Carins	86 Leclan Cameron
43 Geo Tomper	87 Jas Devins
44 Jas Huson	88 Wm Grice
45 Wm Darker	

The Council then adjourned. J. M. LAWRENCE, Clerk.

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The fishing season has opened at Oak Ridges, there being some fine suckers caught in the creek last week.

This week owing to the heat of the sun and warm winds, the snow has been disappearing very fast, therefore in almost every hollow or low land there is a pond, and some of them are located in lines, where pedestrians either have to walk the fence or swim, and one of our boys tried both last week, and is now suffering with a severe cold contracted by too much cold water.

Messrs. Alex. and Wm. Anderson, of Unionville, were in the Burgh last week.

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