

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

The Liberal.

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THE DOWNFALL OF THE BRITISH FLAG STAFF.

Last Monday during a gale of wind the tall flag-staff, which has stood the storms of so many years in front of the premises owned by Mr. A. Moodie, one of our village merchants, fell to the ground. Completely decayed at the bottom, it fell straight across Yonge Street, and reached some distance up Mr. Glass' roadway. Had it fallen in any other direction it would have caused considerable damage to property, and perhaps loss of life, as children were playing in close proximity.

In referring to "Richmond Hill and Vicinity," letters by Mr. Wm. Harrison, published in THE LIBERAL, we find that the original British flag-staff dates a long time back in the history of our village. Among our earliest settlers was a Col. S. Wilmot, the first owner of lot 47, Markham, on which the principal part of the village is built. In 1805 he was made Provincial Land Surveyor, and did much business for the government. Subsequently purchasing the lot on which Mr. John Palmer is erecting his brick mansion, the family opened the first regular grocery in Richmond Hill. The Col. was a U. E. Loyalist, had seen service in the American revolution of 1776, and had passed through the stirring scenes of 1812. Being a gallant officer and a thorough Britisher, and his family possessing like sentiments, they erected in front of their store, a few feet from the road, the first British flag-staff, from which the Union Jack floated for many years, until it fell, scorched by the flames that consumed the store. After the building was re-erected a tamarack pole did duty for a long time and carried the flag for years.

When their successors, Messrs. G. & B. Barnard, part of the same family, opened business on a larger scale, in what is now Mr. Moodie's establishment, early in the fifties, the staff recently fallen was erected, and judging by the number of our villagers who were present at the raising it was considered a colossal affair. For many years the proprietor would hoist his flag with considerable patriotic pride on every national holiday, until something got wrong with the apparatus at the top. Neither love nor money could secure a volunteer to risk life or limb in its re-adjustment, so the Union Jack no longer became the centre of attraction for many miles around.

It seems rather a singular coincidence that just at this time when the school authorities in Toronto, and the Empire particularly, are endeavoring to boom sentiments of loyalty in the hearts of the rising generation by suggesting the raising of patriotic flags on every school house on memorable days in Canada's history, that this old flag-staff, which has stood erect for nearly half a century, and proudly held its "bit of bunting," while it fluttered in the breeze in the brave days of old, should bow its head in the dust and bequeath its elevated and lofty ideas of the best manner of displaying national gratitude to the household suggestions of the present generations.

Though fallen we think that the old flag-staff as a relic of the past should not be forgotten, that our village council should arrange with Mr. Moodie, secure it and re-erect it on the park ground, or in front of the High school, where on all national occasions the grand red cross flag of Old England may float above all the institutions beneath its folds, an emblem of guardianship and protection to the whole.

That Foot Ball Match.

To the Editor of THE LIBERAL:

Sir,—Please allow me a little space in your valuable paper. Your readers will have noticed in the Luskay items last week an account of the foot ball match between the Rangers of Kinghorn, and the Scrubs of King City and Luskay, as the correspondent calls them. The correspondent either writes from hearsay or else his aim was to deceive the people.

I wish to inform your readers that the Kinghorn F. B. team do not call themselves "Rangers," but are always known as the "Lowell Vics." There were eight (8) teams invited to kick at the Bazaar, and as stated only one (the "Vics") put in an appearance. The "Scrubs," as they call themselves, were mostly men out of different teams who came to witness the match, all of them having kicked foot ball before Kinghorn team was organized. The Vics expected an easy victory and did not "let into it" and play their usual game, still, throughout the whole of the first half time the ball was kept near their opponents' goal, several good goal shots being made and promptly stopped by the goal keeper. In the second half time the Vics got a little careless, their full backs following too far into the field, and three of the Scrubs managing to get the ball past the half-backs, made a rush for the goal. Two of them were met and stopped by the full-backs, but the third having nobody to face but the goal-keeper, easily scored a goal. For the four minutes remaining after the goal was taken the Vics played well, showing the spectators their superiority over their opponents, but failing to take a goal. Of course our boys were defeated, but they took their defeat in good spirits.

After the match the Captain of the Scrubs said to one of the Vics, "We can lick your team any time you like to face us, for one dollar a man." This, of course, was communicated to the rest of the Vics, and two days after the match they mailed to the boasting Captain a challenge stating that they would play them on October 25th for one dollar a man, or five dollars a man if they wished, and would meet them at King City, giving them a week to answer the challenge. This was not answered, so on behalf of Lowell Vics I challenge the Scrubs, through the columns of your paper, to a match at any date they wish to set, and will meet them at King City or Luskay, or any place they wish. We ask them to give us due notice of the time and place they would like to meet us, and we shall perhaps yet have an opportunity to show the public that the name of Scrubs was well chosen by our opponents.

Thanking you Mr. Editor for the space I have taken up,

I am, yours, etc.,
SECY LOWELL VICS.
King, Oct. 13th, 1890.

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Newton Brook

Rev. Mr. Brace, of Maple, occupied the pulpit here last Sabbath, and delivered an excellent discourse. In the evening Rev. J. H. Barkwell, of Toronto, was planned to preach, but failed to put in an appearance.

Rev. J. C. Wilmott is visiting and recruiting his health at Milton West.

Miss Annie Jackson is visiting her friends at Goodwood. Her place as organist is ably supplied by Mrs. Humberstone and Miss M. Jackson.

Mr. Wm. Rundle and family have moved to Toronto. Their place is taken by Joseph Osterbug, Esq., formerly of Markham.

Mrs. Thos. Lackie, sr., has sold her house and lot for \$2,700, and will move to the city.

Sherwood

Rev. A. McLaughlin, pastor of the Lutheran Church here, has gone to attend the Pennsylvania Synod, of which he is a member. Mr. Harvey, Public school teacher of Pine Grove, preached last Sabbath morning and evening. He will also preach next Sabbath morning, and on Sabbath, October 26th, Mr. Watson, a Presbyterian student, and son of Mr. Watson, of Pine Grove, will occupy the pulpit morning and evening.

The Sabbath School is progressing favorably, and already we hear Christmas whispered, when the public will very likely hear again from the banner school.

The Vaughan Plowmen have decided to hold their annual match in this place, having secured Mr. Jas. McNeil's field.

Mr. McNeil's new house is nearing completion, and will be the finest residence in the neighborhood.

Mrs. Raith has leased her house to Mr. Hill. We welcome Rachel as one who will make a good neighbor.

Mrs. W. Clark has returned from visiting friends in Hagersville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Prentiss have returned from Haliburton, where Mr. Prentiss has purchased a bush farm.

What did I tell you two years ago? I told you the electric light might some of these fine mornings be shining in your windows all along the line of Yonge St., well the Electric Railway is O. K. so is the Rock Spring Coal Oil in the city. Don't waste shoe leather trying to find out the cheapest and the best; go to Dillworth's Drug Store next Nipissing Hotel, King St. Toronto.



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A. L.

SKEELE,

Richmond Hill.

Oct. 15th, 1890.



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