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RICHMOND HILL. Thursday, July 26, '94

OUR POSTAL SYSTEM-PAST AND PRESENT.

There is no department in the public service in which improvement is so perceptible as in our postal arrangements, from the time it was taken in charge by the government of Canada, on the 6th of April, 1851, on which date the Hon. James Morris became our first Canadian Postmaster-General. Previous to that date the postal regulations were under the control of the then Postmaster-General, of England, whose Canadian Deputy was Mr. T. A. Stayner, then residing at Montreal. The present Postmaster of Richmond Hill, Mr. M Teefy, was appointed on the 3rd of December, 1850, nearly forty-four years ago. At that time there were no postage stamps in use; the postage of each letter was rated according to distances, on the following scale, viz: For a single letter-

60 miles and under, 41d or 71c. 61 " to 100 7d or 12c. 101 " to 200 9d or 201 " to 300 115 or 301 " to 400 1s 11d or 401 " to 500 is 4d or 501 " to 600 1s 6d or 601 " to 700 1s 8d or 701 " to 800 1s 101 or 371c. 801 " to 900 2s 01 or 901 " to 1000 2s 3d or 1001 " to 1100 2s 5d or 1101 " to 1200 2s 71d or 521c. 1201 " to 1300 2s 91d or 1301 " to 1400 3s 1401 " to 1500 3s 2d or 1501 " to 1600 3s 4d or

Note-One piece of paper (not weighing an ounce) is a single letter-A double letter consists of two pieces | Americans, another day 500 from Toronof paper (not weighing an ounce) is to be rated with double postage. A treble letter, consisting of three pieces of paper (not weighing an ounce) is to be rated with treble postage. A packet weighing an ounce or more, is to be rated by weight, in the proportion of one letter for every quarter of an ounce.

paid, addressed to Thornhill, and posted at Richmond Hill, was 43d; to Lindsay was 7d.; to Kingston 9d.; to Montreal 1s. 13d.; to Quebec 1s. 6d.; to Gaspe 2s. 5d., to St. John, N. B. 2s. 5d.; to Halifax, N. S. 2s. 9d., and so on, according to distances, as stated before.

The rate per half ounce on letters for the United Kingdom was 1s. 4d. currency, or 27 cents.

On the 1st of July, 1859, the following reduced rates were established, viz:

All letters, half ounce rate, if prepaid 5 cents.

All letters, half ounce rate, unpaid 7 cents.

All letters for United Kingdom 121 cents.

All letters for the United States 10 cents.

Newspapers &c .- Weekly 4d. or 61 cents per quarter; Semi-weekly Sd. or 18 cents per quarter; Tri-weekly is, or 20 cents per quarter: Daily; 2s. or 40 cents per quarter; to be paid in advance by either the publisher at the Post Office where the papers are R. S. THOMSON posted, or by the subscriber at the delivering office.

Of course, to follow the many changes in postal arrangements and the very great reduction of the rates, would be superfluous, as our readers are now familiar with the present rates of postage.

When Mr. Teefy was appointed Postmaster at Richmond Hill in1850, there were no Post Offices at Oak Ridges, Gormley, Cashel, Headford,

Victoria Square, Rupertville (now Maple). At that time the mail was carried by stage running between Toronto and Holland Landing; the Northern Railway was not in exist-

The first Postmaster for Little York was the Hon. Wm Allan; after him came J. S. Howard, afterwards Treasurer of the County of York. Mr. Ballard was assistant P. M. and John Doel was letter earrier. Since that time the staff has increased enormous-

We are indebted to our Postmaster, for the items given above, which cannot fail to interest our readers, as a record of our progress in forty-four years. Mr. Teefy is one of the oldest (if not the oldest) Postmaster in the Dominion now living.

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Grimsby Park.

To the Editor of THE LIBERAL:

Here we are, at Grimsby Park, the grand Ontario summer resort. Those who have the finances to spare (and it is not an expensive outing) would do weil to spend a month in taking in the breezes of Lake Ontario. Tennis, quoits, boating and bathing all help to amuse, and the athlete need not be at a loss for exercise. This week, though hot, has been pleasant, and crowds have visised the grounds. One day an excursion of 700 to, and every time the boat comes in, or the train stops, the baggage van is busy bringing trunks or valises to hotels or cottages. Children's day was just the thing for the youngsters. Marching round the grounds with flags flying and horns blowing they paraded to the picnic grounds, and then racing and all kinds of games took place. Then came tea and afterwards candy. Long will the little ones remember President Phelps.

This week we had a lecture by Rev. Wray Smith. Furnished Apartments, A letter, whether unpaid or pre- was his subject. We also had an entertainment by the School of Oratory, and on Saturday Pronouncing class-thus the intellectual mingles with the physical enjoyment. Nearly all the cottages are occupied, the hotels well patronized, and fully a thousand people are residing on

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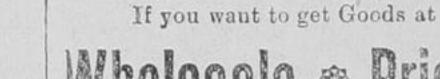
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