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The Rescue.
By WM. HARRISON.

Having got fairly on Big Bear's trail
in its course toward the Big Woods, the
pursuit was vigorously pushed. On the
way they were often assisted by picking
up bits of paper dropped by the captives
on which were written words of entreaty
to them to hasten to their rescue. As
the Indians were more closely pressed,
they would let fall bags of flour and
heavy furs, booty stolen from the sta-
tions of the Hudson Bay Co. Big Bear
had with him at this time a large force of
Ojibwa and Chippewas and well able to
make a stand but masterly retreats seem-
ed to have been the height of his am-
bition. During the whole of the pursuit
the troops never caught sight of the
prisoners. They were always kept in the
front and narrowly watched.

On the 3rd of June Big Bear and his
band were overtaken at a place called
Loon Lake. The interpreter put up a
white flag and demanded the prisoners.
The Indians replied by opening fire,
which was immediately returned by the
police. The Indians were driven across
the Lake. Seventeen of their number
were killed and in the excitement a
squaw who got within rifle range lost her
life. The loss to the police was six
wounded out of the 45 men. Among
them was our Sergeant Major. Early
in the attack on the Indians, Major
Diveles had divided the force into two
divisions directing the Sergeant to take
the left division, dismount and charge
the woods. The enemy, concealed, kept
up a continuous and dangerous fire.
While on bended knee and in the act of
firing the Sergeant received a bullet in
the breast, piercing the left lung and
out at his back. Seeing him fall, two or
three of his comrades ran to his help but
knowing that they were only making
themselves targets for the enemy he
shouted "Push on boys, never mind me."
Blood began to rush from his mouth and
he became unconscious. This skirmish
with the Indians was the last of the
North West rebellion. Boasting of their
strength and knowing the weakness of
those who were in pursuit it was sup-
posed that the enemy would have made
a determined stand. From some unac-
countable reason there seems to have
been some dissatisfaction in Big Bear's
camp. His followers, Grees and Chip-
pewas, deserted him on all sides. In
looking after their own safety, for once
they forgot to place a guard over the
captives who, as we have previously seen,
took advantage of the situation and
struck for liberty. When General Strange
arrived with his two regiments of infantry
to support the mounted police, he was
told that some whites had been seen hid-
ing in the woods. He detailed a mount-
ed escort of four men under Sergeant
Parker as a search party. The escaped
captives, whose names are familiar to the
readers of these sketches, were found,
kindly cared for, taken to Fort Pitt and
eventually found their way to their
homes in Toronto. After the fight the
wounded Sergeant was found and carried
to the camp. The missionaries Mc-
Dougall and McCoy improvised a set of
harness out of blankets, bags &c., hitched
a horse to a buckboard left by the
enemy and started with the Sergeant and
a wounded comrade 60 miles to the near-
est hospital. On the way they met Gen-
eral Middleton with the whole of the
North West force on his way to the front
to assist General Strange. When he
reached there he found that the war was
over. That 45 police and cow boys had
broken up Big Bear's band. On arriv-
ing at Fort Pitt the Major was put in
charge of General Middleton's surgeons
and under the immediate care of Dr. E.
King of Toronto, surgeon of the Gren-
adiers. In trying to reach the American
line Big Bear was taken prisoner by
Sergeant Smart of the mounted police,
while he was crossing the Saskatchewan
at a place called Carlington. He was
tried, convicted and sent to Stony Moun-
tain Penitentiary where he died.

August 6th, 1888, Sergeant Major
Fury, at Regina, the headquarters of the
North West mounted police, received his
discharge. Again at liberty to wander
wherever he listed, he paid a visit to his
native Inniskillen and returned to To-
ronto. In 1889 he again enlisted. This
time in the State of Matrimony and was
mustered in the royal regiment of Bene-
dicts. For three years Mr. Fury has
been a citizen of Richmond Hill. He
lives in a pleasant and comfortable home
and appreciates his Country's gratitude
as the recipient of sixty cents a day,
Sundays included.

Richmond Hill, March 24, 1897.

WANTED—Farmers' sons or other
industrious persons of fair edu-
cation to whom \$60 a month would be an
inducement. I could also engage a few
ladies at their own homes. T. H. LIN-
SCOTT, Toronto, Ont.

Dairymen Meet.

A meeting of milk producers and oth-
ers was held at York Mills on Thursday
evening last to discuss the regulations of
the Toronto Board of health, relative to
the test proposed to be applied to all
cows owned by farmers and dairymen
who send their milk to the city.

Mr. S. Lawrence was appointed chair-
man of the meeting, and Mr. Breaky
acted as secretary.
Among the speakers of the evening
were Mr. Sylvester, Mr. G. Woods, Mr.
P. S. Gibson, Mr. Miller, Mr. Webster,
Mr. W. J. Hill, Mr. Ellis, Mr. S. Dunn
and others.

There were no resolutions passed, but
before the meeting closed a committee
was appointed to wait on the Toronto
Board of Health and state their grievan-
ces.

The speakers were not a unit as to the
best thing to recommend. Some thought
that as there were some cases of tuber-
culosis in the county that a test of all
cattle was necessary, but all thought that
it was unfair for the owners of the cattle
to be forced to pay the whole of the cost
of testing.

Mr. W. Sylvester, deputy reeve of
York, who is a wholesaler and retailer of
milk, considered the tuberculin test
injurious to cows, and urged upon those
present the appointment of a deputation
to go to the City Hall.

Mr. Geo. Woods was inclined to blame
the Veterinaries for the by-law passed
by the Board of Health, and further, he
did not consider those professional gen-
tlemen good cattle doctors. Their studies
taught them to be better able to treat
of the diseases of the horse and the dog.

Mr. F. C. Miller of Bracondale, an-
other deputy reeve of York, also ex-
pressed himself as believing that the veteri-
naries were too anxious to make money
out of the proposed test.

Reeve Hill of York, sympathized with
the milk producers, and thought that
owing to the circumstances, the City
authorities were unwarranted in passing
the by-law.

The following are the names of those
appointed to wait on the Board of
Health: Messrs. W. J. Hill, S. Lawrence,
W. Webster, S. Dunn, S. Duane, C.
Harrison, W. Perry.

A similar meeting was held at Hughes
Hall, Friday evening, when a committee
from Markham and Vaughan was ap-
pointed to attend the conference with
the City Board of Health.

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Board of Education

The Board met on Monday afternoon.
All the 12 members were present. Mr.
Naughton in the chair.

An account from the Village Clerk,
Mr. Teeffy, amounting to \$125 for ex-
penses re. school trustee election, was
read and on motion was ordered to be
paid.

Communications relative to plans for
new High School building were read
from the following architects: Mr. C. J.
Gibson, Mr. J. F. Brown and Messrs.
Gregg & Gregg.

Trustee McDonald stated that some of
the High School pupils from Thornhill
had complained that the Metropolitan
cars would only stop at one place in
Thornhill, thereby causing some of them
to walk about three quarters of a mile.
It was suggested by members of the
Board that if the pupils have a grievance
they should make it in writing, when it
would be enquired into.

Messrs Naughton and Newton were
appointed a committee to ascertain the
cost of ordinary and pressed bricks;
Messrs. Lynett and Boyle, the price of
sand; and Messrs McNair and Storey,
the price for foundation stone.

A good deal of time was spent in look-
ing over the different plans, but as none
seemed to fill the bill, the Board ad-
journed to meet again on Friday when
it is expected that other plans for new
building will be submitted.

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Village Council.

The Council met in the Clerk's office
on the 19th of March at the call of the
Reeve. Present, the Reeve, Councillors
Palmer, Sanderson and Wright. The
minutes of the 2nd, 9th and 13th were
read and approved.

Mr. Sanderson handed in a subscrip-
tion list of the names of persons subscrib-
ing to the Indian Famine Fund amount-
ing to \$30 75.

Moved by Mr. Sanderson, seconded by
Mr. Palmer, that the proceeds of the
recent Carnival, amounting to \$28.05,
be added to the amount subscribed, and
that the total, amounting to \$58.80 be
remitted by the Village Treasurer to the
Administrator of the Government of On-
tario.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Wright, seconded by
Mr. Sanderson, that the subscription list
be inserted in THE LIBERAL newspaper,
and that Mr. McMahon be requested to
receive further subscriptions on account
of the Indian Famine Fund.—Carried.

An account was read, in which Albert
Glass claimed \$1 for a number of news-
papers destroyed by the Health Inspect-
ing officer by authority of the Public
Health regulations.

Moved by Mr. Wright, seconded by
Mr. Palmer, that the Treasurer pay Al-
bert Glass his claim of one dollar.—
Carried.

The Clerk read the following accounts:
John Kirkland, gravel acc.....\$16.80
Robert Kinnee, work in gravel pit...1.00
John Claffay, opening water course...0.50

Moved by Mr. Sanderson, seconded by
Mr. Wright, that the Treasurer do pay
the above accounts.—Carried.

The Clerk read a communication from
the Secretary of the Canadian Fire Un-
derwriters' Association dated 9th March,
instant.

Moved by Mr. Palmer, seconded by
Mr. Wright, that the Clerk be and he is
hereby instructed to write the Secretary
of the Underwriters Association and say
that this Council will have a By-law pre-
pared as required in his letter of the 9th
March.—Carried.

A communication was read from the
Clerk of the City of Toronto, dated 1st
March in reference to the question of
"tax exemptions."
The Council adjourned.

Maple

At the last monthly meeting of the
Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Hinks who has
recently been appointed organizer of
Auxiliaries, and Mrs. Humphrey of Tor-
onto, were present and gave addresses
on mission work.

On Monday it was expected that Rev.
G. McCulloch would be present and ad-
dress the Epworth League, but as he was
ill Rev. A. Bedford took charge of the
meeting and gave an interesting talk on
"Fault Finding."

Miss Maggie Johnston of Toronto, has
been spending a few days with her
parents here.

Miss Maggie Gillis of Teston, is visit-
ing at the Manse this week.

Mr. Will Pickering of Zephyr, is visit-
ing at his brother-in-law's, Mr. T. Oliver.

The concert in aid of the Maple Leaf
football club came off as advertised and
was a grand success. A very good crowd
turned out and all were well paid with a
good evening's entertainment. Mr. Fred
Wray, one of Toronto's refined character
vocalists, was a whole show in himself,
and was loudly eulogized. Mr. John
Blough, Teston's comic singer, also took
part. This was his first appearance in a
public concert, and he surprised his
hearers with his comic songs and funny
grimaces. John is a coming entertainer,
and those securing his services will make
no mistake. Miss Edith Keffer, as ac-
compaist, opened the concert with a
piano solo, which was well executed.
Mr. Sam. Walker gave some select
selections upon the violin. The Maple
Quartette Club rather surprised the
crowd and was heartily applauded; in
fact this concert is looked upon as being
about the best that has taken place
around here for some time.

We hear that the Teston brass band
are about re-organized again with Mr. J.
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