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mounted, double harness; 1 small Parlor coal
stove.
S. J. GALLANOUGH, Thornhill.

Our Ottawa Letter.

Sir Charles Tupper is still toting in
the west and as far as one can judge
from the somewhat fragmentary re-
ports of his movements which have
reached here, he is not having half a
bad time. Nearly every point stopped
at has come down handsomely with a
banquet or if the railroad time sched-
ule would not permit of that, the hos-
pitality of the locality found relief in
a free lunch to all comers. The distin-
guished guest is evidently doing all in
his power to make return for these
kind attentions, by entertaining the
people with a series of remarkable
statements both as regards himself
and his opponents.

THE SECOND CONTINGENT.

The men of the Second contingent
are rapidly gathering at the different
points of concentration, and in the
carrying out of the innumerable de-
tails of preparations the departmental
machinery, perfected by its work in
organizing the First Contingent, is
meeting every requirement of the
situation to the satisfaction of the
men and the approval of the country.
The selection of officers, necessarily an
exceedingly difficult and delicate task,
has been performed with excellent tact
and judgment, merit alone being the
test, and the selections have been
made regardless of creed, nationality
or political proclivity. When com-
pleted and fully equipped the contingent
will be a body of men of which not only
the Dominion, but the Empire may
well be proud. The detail of strength
will probably be as follows:—57 officers,
1224 men, 1157 horses, 18 heavy field
guns, 60 transport wagons, 9000 twelve
pound cordite cartridges, 9,000 shells,
270,000 rounds of rifle ammunition and
75,000 rounds of pistol ammunition.

NOT GRATEFUL FOR SMALL MERCIES.

So much has been said particularly
in the western constituencies about
"French domination" in the affairs of
state and of the supposed undue pre-
ponderance of material advantages en-
joyed through favor of the Adminis-
tration by the French-Canadian over
his Anglo-Saxon compatriot, that the
following extract from a speech by M.
Chauvin the Opposition member for
Terrebonne at a recent political meet-
ing at St. Jerome will be read with
considerable interest:—"What ad-
vantages have we had?" he asks, "in
what way has French influence in-
creased since we have had as Prime
Minister a French-Canadian named
Laurier? Is it in the Senate? We had
in the French group Senator Arsenault;
he has been replaced by an Eng-
lishman, Mr. Yeo. Is it in the Cabin-
et? Mr. C. A. Geoffrion a loyal and fine
type of Canadian was replaced by an
Englishman, Mr. J. Sutherland. Is it
for repatriation or colonization? Not
one cent more has been spent for the
repatriation of the French Cana-
dians in the United States, but Douk-
hobors or Galicians who do not fight
have been brought here, while Cana-
dians are sent to be killed in the Trans-
vaal. Is it for the French language?
Only the members of the Opposition
speak French at Ottawa. Is it for an
increase of Federal subsidy for Que-
bec? Sir Wilfrid Laurier has declared
that he never took cognizance of the
resolutions of the interprovincial con-
ference at Quebec favoring an in-
crease. Is it for our share of public
works? Sir Richard Cartwright has
declared that it did not amount to
one-third that of Ontario. Is it for
our system of judiciary? We are re-
fused the necessary judges at Mon-
treal and the allowance proper for the
moving about of rural judges is
measured out with many insults. Is
it for our share of patronage? We
have none, and the patronage of the
Yukon went entirely into the hands of
the English. Those are the advant-
ages French influence has acquired from
the much-boasted elevation of a
French-Canadian to the head of affairs
at Ottawa."

Mr. Chauvin cannot have heard of
the outrageous manner in which the
Dominion has been handed over to the
Quebecer to despoil at his leisure; Sir
Charles Tupper should post his sup-
porters better!

Victoria Square

They have been hunting Indians, and
the game, buffalo, moose, deer, beavers,
bears, &c., have altogether be almost
disappeared, leaving the Indians at
their wits' ends, and in poverty. By
and by the younger ones may get
settled down to farming and stock-
raising, as some other bands of Indians
are beginning to do. But it is hard to
change the older ones. You would
feel very sorry to see them in their
wigwams of very thin cotton with not
enough to keep them warm, often
lying on the cold damp ground, with
perhaps only one blanket under them.
True they could be better off if they
worked harder, but all their training
has been in a different direction,
hunting, &c. When our hard winters
come on them so unprepared, what
wonder there is so much sickness and
so many taken off by consumption,
&c., so that your kindness in sending
the warm clothing may often prevent
sickness and perhaps indirectly death
also.

You wish to know the needs. Quilts
and blankets are in great demand, and
we thank you for those sent. Good
warm underclothing for men, women
and children are always needed at this
time of the year. Socks and stockings
are appreciated. Your sympathy and
encouraging words are just as much
appreciated by us as your gifts. We
need your prayers in this difficult and
discouraging work, which I know we
will have. You say you hope we may
find something in the boxes and bales
useful to ourselves. Well there was one
thing that delighted my little Eva,
that was the pretty doll, of which she
is writing the giver.

The Indians here at White Whale
Lake are mostly Rocky Mountain
Stonies, a branch of the Sioux or Da-
kota Nation, with a few Crees mixed
in. Those we have at Stoney Plain
are mostly Crees, though a few are
Stonies there. The White Whale
Lake Mission has only been here about
seven years, though some were at an-
other Methodist Mission before that.
Sometimes their Paganism of former
years crops out and hinders us. We
can't see the result of our labor as
those who work in ripper wheat-fields,
but our seed-sowing is just as much
needed, and God will no doubt eventu-
ally gather in the harvest.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year,

Yours in best bonds,

AUSTIN G. MCKITTRICK.

P. S.—My wife wishes me to add
that she takes the pretty bracket drape
as a Christmas present from the ladies,
and some of the other fancy things
she is giving to two large Indian girls
who have been to Regina Industrial
School, to fix up their home. They
appreciate them and are very thankful
for them. A. G. MCK.

The doll referred to in the above
letter was sent by Miss Genevieve
Harris, who received a pleasing letter
of acknowledgement from the mother
of the little five year old girl, who was
delighted with the little stranger from
Richmond Hill.

Victoria Square

The annual meeting of Victoria
Square S. S. was held on the evening
of Wednesday, Jan'y 3rd, for the elec-
tion of officers and teachers for the en-
suing year. Rev. Mr. Wellwood oc-
cupied the chair. Satisfactory reports
were given by all the retiring officers,
showing the school to be in a very
prosperous condition. After the elec-
tion of the superintendent the meeting
was then adjourned until Monday eve-
ning, Jan'y 8th, in order to allow Mr.
Hixon, who was not present, to nomi-
nate the other officers and teachers.

The following is a list of the officers
and teachers for 1906:

- Supt., Mr. John Hixon;
- Assistant Supt., Mr. Geo. Brown;
- Secretary, Mr. W. L. Carver;
- Assistant Sec'y, Mr. L. Nichols;
- Treasurer, Mr. W. Frisby;
- Librarian, Mr. N. C. Carver;
- Assistant Librarian, Mr. L. Row-
botham;
- Organist, Miss A. Hopper;
- Con. of singing, Mr. C. Sanderson;
- Leader of orchestra, Mr. J. Trudgeon;
- Blackboard artist, Mr. L. Rowbotham.

- Teachers—
Class No. 1, Mr. H. Hopper;
2, Mr. W. Brumwell;
3,
4, Miss H. Hopper;
5, Mr. Geo. Gee;
6, Miss L. Rowbotham;
7, Mrs. W. Frisby;
8, Mr. N. O. Hagerman;
9, Mrs. G. Dennis.

After the election the following
motion was unanimously carried:—
Moved by the retiring supt., Mr. G. A.
McCague, seconded by Mr. W. F.
Nichols, that we desire to place on
record our regret at the departure of
our organist, Miss Brown, from our
midst, and we take the present oppor-
tunity of expressing our appreciation
for the many valuable services rendered
for the school, and to assure her of our
very best wishes for future success and
prosperity wherever in life her lot
may be.

Village Council.

The Council met in the Clerk's office
on Jan'y 5 at 8 p. m.

Members present, the reeve; Coun-
cillors Hill, Innes and Trench.

The minutes of 15th of December
read and approved.

The following accounts were read,
viz., C. A. Morrison, cleaning and heat-
ing council-rooms for meetings of fire-
men during past year, \$2.00; J. Brown-
lee for paid help cleaning High School
in Midsummer and at Christmas, \$4;
J. Brownlee, for meals to tramp, 70c.;
Joseph Hall account for oil for street
lamps, &c., \$9.81; P. G. Savage, ex-
penses attending Good Roads Con-
vention at Toronto, &c., \$4.25; Will
Trench's account for sundries, \$8.75.

Moved by Mr. Innes seconded by
Mr. Hill that the treasurer do pay the
foregoing accounts.—Carried.

Mr. Innes introduced By-Law No.
172 to authorize the enforcement of
payment and collection of statute lab-
or taxes, which was read a first second
and third time and passed.

The council adjourned.

M. TEEFY, Clerk.

Pursuant to the Municipal Act the
following persons elected to the Coun-
cil of the Municipality of the Village
of Richmond Hill, being present, on
Monday, January 8th, made and sub-
scribed their respective declarations of
qualification and of office, viz., Peter
Gould Savage, Reeve; Reuben W.
Glass, William Innes, and Thomas H.
Trench, Councillors, took their seats.
The minutes of the 5th of Jan'y were
read and approved.

A communication was read from
Mr. John Ross Robertson relating to
the Hospital for Sick Children.

Moved by Mr. Innes, seconded by
Mr. Trench, that a grant of \$5 be made
in aid of the fund for the Hospital for
Sick Children, and that the Village
Treasurer be instructed to remit that
sum to Mr. J. R. Robertson.—Carried.

An account from Mr. John Glass was
read claiming \$19.37 for damage done
by dogs killing sheep belonging to him.

Moved by Mr. Trench, seconded by
Mr. Innes, that the treasurer be here-
by instructed to pay Mr. Glass \$12.91,
two-thirds the amount of his claim for
sheep killed.—Carried.

Mr. Innes introduced By-Law No.
173, to appoint certain officers for the
year 1906, and to state the remunera-
tion for their services.

The by-law was read a first, second
and a third time and passed.

Auditors—Messrs. Isaac Crosby and
Robert E. Law.

Assessor—H. A. Nicholls.

High School Trustee—F. McConaghy.

Public Library—T. F. McMahon.

Board of Health—W. H. Pugsley.

Pound Keeper—J. Brownlee.

Village Inspector—J. Brownlee.

Fence Viewers—M. McNair, J. W.
Elliott and James Freck.

The Council then adjourned.

M. TEEFY, Clerk.

Maple

The Literary and Debating Society
held an interesting debate Wednesday
evening, subject, "Resolved that a
sailor's life has more hardships than a
soldier's." Affirmative, Messrs. Wil-
bur Keffer, Nelson Shunk; Negative,
Messrs. E. H. Elliott, J. Campbell. It
was declared a tie. At the monthly
business meeting the following officers
were elected:—President, Mr. Kirk-
land; Vice-President, Miss Ethel Rup-
ert; Treasurer, Mr. J. McLean; Sec-
retary, Miss Lizzie Rumble.

The following officers were installed
for Sherwood Lodge, No. 274, A. O. U.
W., on Saturday last, Bro. L. Richard-
son acting as Installing Officer:—

- P. M. W., John Gillis;
- M. W., Nat. Shunk;
- Foreman, Thos. Matheson;
- Overseer, Herb. Gordon;
- Recorder, Joshua Kaiser;
- Financier, Jas. B. McLean;
- Receiver, Leeds Richardson;
- Guide, Robert Rumble;
- I. W., G. H. Rumble;
- O. W., Ed. Leuce;
- Trustee, Henry, Rumble;
- Representative, John Gillis;
- Alternate, Nat. Shunk;

Sale Register.

MON. JAN. 15—Credit sale of farm stock,
implements, &c., on lot 33, con. 7, Vauxhall,
the property of Mrs. A. Malloy. Sale at one
o'clock. Terms 10 months. Saigeon &
McEwen, auctioneers.

TUESDAY, JAN. 16—Credit sale of farm stock and
implements, at the Ontario House, Teston.
Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms 10 months. J. D.
Readman, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17—Auction sale of standing
timber and cedar posts on lot 8, 7th con.
King, the property of B. C. Archibald. Sale
at 1 o'clock. Terms 3 months. J. D. Readman,
auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17—Credit sale of farm stock
implements, vehicles, &c., on lot 68, 1st con.
Whitchurch, (Oak Ridges) the property of
Wm. Harper. Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms 9
months. Stokes & Blough, auctioneers.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31—Credit sale of farm stock
implements, furniture, &c., at Hughes, Hotel,
Thornhill. Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms 3
months. Eckardt & Prentice, auctioneers.

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