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#### Vaughan Council

At the May meeting of Vaughan  
township council the members first  
sat as a Court of Revision, when 32  
appeals were heard and disposed of.  
The court then adjourned and the  
council met for general business. The  
members were all present, the reeve  
in the chair. Minutes of previous  
meeting were read and approved.

Messrs. David James and Thomas  
Lane were present representing the  
Yonge St. Protective Association and  
asked the council to favor them with  
a grant towards defraying legal ex-  
penses re. Metropolitan Railway.

Messrs. Dickenson and Chatterley  
were present in opposition to the pass-  
ing of the Thornhill by-law, but as no  
valid objections were given, said by-  
law received its several readings and  
finally passed.

Longhouse—Malloy—that the treas.  
pay to David James, Esq., chairman  
of the Yonge St. Protective Associa-  
tion, for legal fees re. Metropolitan  
Railway, the sum of \$20.—Carried.

Devis—Longhouse—that the treas.  
refund to Dugald McDonald, being  
erroneously assessed in 1900, the sum  
of \$2.56.—Carried.

Boyle—Malloy—that the treas. pay  
the following road accounts:

J. Kaiser, putting in culvert.....	5 00
R. Bowman, 22 loads of gravel.....	2 20
J. McBride, operating grader.....	13 95
J. L. Card, for plank.....	34 31
R. Rumble, operating grader, etc.....	13 95
J. H. Watson, for gravel.....	4 80
R. Vanderburgh, for gravel.....	1 75
J. E. Clubine, for cedar.....	2 50
I. Devins, freight on cedar.....	33 00
Jas. Devins, unloading cedar.....	4 00
Yonge St. Account.....	

D. W. Clubine.....	14 00
E. Legge, work.....	4 00
W. Hopper, breaking stone.....	5 50
J. Simpkins, breaking stone.....	5 50
Chas. Ball, breaking stone.....	5 50
C. Munshaw, 5 tons of stone.....	32 50
W. H. Clubine, 1 ton of stone.....	6 00
Geo. Neill, 1 ton of stone.....	6 00
Wm. Chatterley, work.....	20 00
W. Chatterley, work.....	10 00
—Carried.....	

Devis—Malloy—that the treas. pay  
the following accounts:

A. McNeil, wood for Town Hall.....	\$ 6 00
Hart & Riddell, collector's rolls.....	4 25
P. S. Gibson, for services.....	7 00
Toronto General Hospital.....	54 40
—Carried.....	

By-Law No. 733 was then passed  
closing part of street and opening  
another in lieu thereof in the village of  
Thornhill, the reeve on behalf of the  
corporation being authorized to con-  
vey the necessary papers in connection  
therewith.

Council adjourned to meet at the  
Town Hall on Tuesday, June 11.

#### Maple

A very serious accident happened to  
Mr. Isaac Snider last Saturday while  
working at Mr. Quantz's barn at  
Edgeley. He stepped on a brace, which  
gave way, throwing him to the ground  
a distance of eighteen feet. Both legs  
were broken just above the ankle, and  
it will be a long time before he will be  
able to be around again.

On Saturday Mr. Wm. Wood received  
a message stating that his son  
Charlie had been seriously injured  
while playing lacrosse at Huntsville.  
Mr. Wood at once started for that  
place, and on Monday sent word that  
his son was considered out of danger.

Mr. Wm. Villiers of Toronto, has  
bought Mr. G. Wilson's house and lot  
near the station, and his family have  
moved out for the summer.

Miss Nellie Franks of Goderich, who  
was called home last week by her  
father's death, left on Monday to re-  
sume teaching. Her sister, Miss  
Emma Franks, will remain in Toronto  
until vacation.

Mr. D. B. Brown of McKeesport,  
Pa., who has spent over a year with  
his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Bailey, left  
for his home on Monday. He intends  
spending the remainder of the week  
at the Pan-American.

The public school teachers attended  
the convention at Newmarket last  
Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Travis is buying grain here for  
A. V. DeLaporte & Co.

#### Died at Gormley

One of the oldest (if not the oldest)  
pioneers of Markham Township was  
added to the silent majority on Friday  
last. Peter Stover, the subject of this  
obituary notice, was born July 12,  
1810. The exact locality of his birth I  
have failed to locate, but he was a  
born Canadian. Mr. Stover was a  
millwright by trade, and while in the  
employ of the late Ira White he helped  
to build and fix out Cook's mill at  
Carrville, and nearly all the old mills  
in this vicinity. In 1832 he married  
Margaret, daughter of Nicholas Cober,  
of what is now "Observatory Farm,"  
Thornhill. The young couple settled  
down on lot 33, con. 4, Markham, near  
Gormley. A stirring, industrious  
man, he was carved out of the dense

forest a comfortable home. A family  
of eight children grew up around him,  
of whom four have preceded him over  
the river. In 1862 Mrs. Stover died,  
and in 1864 Mr. Stover married Lydia,  
daughter of Geo. Brillinger, Esq., of  
Gormley.

He was one of those handy men who  
could turn his hand to any useful  
purpose. If a neighbor had a sick  
horse or cow the next thing was "go  
for Peter Stover." He had a secret  
formula for the cure of fistula on  
horses, which he used with eminent  
success. This he has confided to his  
neighbor across the road, Mr. John  
Heise.

Though a moral, upright man, and a  
regular attendant at church, he ne-  
glected personal religion till after he  
was eighty years of age, when he be-  
came deeply alarmed at his condition,  
and he earnestly sought and found ac-  
ceptance with God, deeply regretting  
the many wasted years. He united  
with the Brethren Church (Tunkards)  
where he before attended.

Until the last two years he was able  
to get around, but little by little sight  
and strength began to fail, but his  
mental faculties remained bright until  
about two months before his death,  
when they went down rapidly. Pre-  
vious to this he was deeply interest-  
ed in current events and enjoyed to dis-  
cuss them with his friends.

On Friday morning, June 7, he passed  
away at the old homestead where  
he had lived for nearly seventy years.  
He was buried in the cemetery just  
across the road from the scene of his  
active life. After the interment a  
funeral sermon was preached in the  
church by Rev. F. Elliott and Eld.  
John Steckley, a congregation of at  
least 700 people evidencing their es-  
teem for the departed and his family.

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#### High School Picnic.

The annual picnic of our High School  
was held at Bond's Lake last Friday.  
A number of the students, parents and  
friends from the surrounding district  
drove to the picnic grounds, and those  
from this village and other parts of  
Yonge Street took the car, leaving  
here at 10.30. A good time was re-  
ported, though the day was a little  
chilly for a picnic. About 75 sat down  
to luncheon. Besides boating, a pro-  
gramme of athletic sports was carried  
out in the afternoon, though the  
number of competitors was not so  
large as might have been expected.  
The following were prize-winners:

Foot race, 100 yards—1st, A. Read;  
2nd, J. Gardner; 3rd, R. Kerswill.  
Time 15 seconds.

Three-leg race, 75 yards—R. Kers-  
will and A. Read; J. Gardner and A.  
Lowe. Time 12 seconds.

Standing jump—A. Read, 8 ft. 3 in.;  
J. Gardner, 8 ft. 2 in.; A. Lowe,  
8 ft. 1 in.

Run and jump—A. Read, 16 ft. 11 in.;  
J. Gardner; R. Kerswill.

Stand hop step and jump—J. Gar-  
dner, 24 ft.; R. Kerswill, A. Read.

Standing high jump—A. Read, 3 ft.  
7 in.; J. Gardner; R. Kerswill.

Run and high jump—J. Gardner,  
4 ft. 2 1/2 in.; A. Read; A. McNaughton.

Vaulting jump—R. Kerswill, 7 ft.  
2 1/2 in.; A. Read; J. Gardner.

Hitch and kick—R. Kerswill, 7 ft.;  
F. Graham; W. Tyndall.

Throwing heavy shot—A. Read,  
26 ft.; R. Kerswill; A. Lowe.

Kicking football—W. Tyndall, 124 ft.;  
F. Graham; R. Kerswill.

Throwing base ball—W. Tyndall,  
233 ft.; O. Wright; A. Lowe.

Foot race, girls under 15—B. Mc-  
Naughton; L. Naughton.

Throwing base ball, girls—G. Lynett,  
106 ft.; L. Wright; G. Boyle.

Base ball match, girls—G. Lynett's  
team, 43; A. Stephenson's team, 26.

The picnickers left the grounds for  
home at 8 o'clock.

#### News Notes.

The King presented medals to Lord  
Roberts and 3,000 officers and men  
who served in South Africa.

The main shaft building at the Bruce  
copper mines was destroyed by fire.  
The loss is upwards of \$35,000.

Thornhill Football team defeated  
Newton Brook last Saturday after a  
sharp contest. The score was 1 to 0.

Several Canadians were present at  
the ceremonies in connection with the  
450th anniversary of Glasgow Univer-  
sity.

The Epworth League at Thornhill  
are giving a series of Ice Cream socials.  
The social on Friday evening of this  
week will be held on the lawn of Miss  
Bowes.

The annual camp opened at Niagara-  
on-the-Lake on Tuesday. About 4000  
Canadian militiamen are under canvas  
at that place, and there are between  
400 and 500 tents.

Mrs. Louis Bonta, wife of one of the  
Boer generals, is now in England. The  
object of her visit being to secure  
peace terms. Surely by this time all  
must hope for a speedy termination of  
the war.

Owing to an outbreak of smallpox in  
the convent at Laprairie the institute  
has been quarantined. So difficult was  
the task of locating the disease in the  
village that a detective had to be em-  
ployed by the health department.

Mrs. Snider of con. 4, York, died on  
Saturday, in her 63rd year, and was  
buried Monday in the Mennonite bury-  
ing-ground at Edgeley. Deceased re-  
ceived a severe fall about a month  
ago, and never recovered from the  
effects.

A fire broke out in Weston yester-  
day afternoon, but by judicious work  
little damage was done. Among the  
buildings in danger were The Times  
Office, Longstaff's house, Rowntree's  
buildings and those of the Weston  
Trading Company.

Ex-Premier A. S. Hardy is lying  
dangerously ill in the Toronto General  
Hospital. Early Sunday morning he  
underwent an operation for appendicitis,  
and has since been very weak.  
Latterly he has been resting quietly  
and hopes of his recovery are enter-  
tained.

About three years ago R. J. Jamie-  
son was committed for trial on a  
charge of defrauding his creditors.  
He did not await trial and yesterday  
his bail was estreated. G. T. Pendrith  
and J. A. Learn are his bondsmen, and  
they must pay \$400 each. They have  
done their utmost to bring Jamieson  
back, but without success.

There is a deep pathos in the picture  
by W. L. Taylor, called "The Passing  
of the Farm," which appears in the  
June issue of The Ladies' Home Jour-  
nal. The bowed head and sad-faced  
figure of the lonely widow, standing  
with one hand on the open door of the  
waiting coach while she takes a long  
last look at her old home, makes a  
strong appeal to the feelings. The sad  
November sky, the distant misty hills,  
the closed house, the deserted barns,  
and above all, the dejected figure,  
bring a lump into one's throat.

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has become so well known through  
her friendship for Fred Lee Rice, the  
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