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**The Liberal.**

RICHMOND HILL, December 24, 1903

**Don't be Deceived.**

(FOR THE LIBERAL)

The late P. T. Barnum used to say, "The American people like to be humbugged." This "liking" is not confined to the people south of the boundary line. Every once in a while some patriarchal looking individual blows his horn (in the newspapers or otherwise) announcing himself as the "Great Healing Wonder of the Age." At his august approach or command all "the ills that flesh is heir to" fly away. Even if you are miles away, his awful and mysterious power can reach your mortal frame, and disperse the hoards of naughty microbes engaged in destroying its timbers. In these announcements weird and mysterious expressions add their peculiar "creepy" sensation to the nerves of the suffering reader. With a feeling of awe, he (or she) concludes, "Surely this must be a good man for he does it in the name and power of Jesus of Nazareth." This blasphemous claim makes the fact effective, and the victims are "legion." The public never find out half of them, for if possible mum's the word. Money earned by honest toil is greedily gobbled up by these voracious sharks, who have neither conscience nor principle. If a man were healing diseases in the name and power of Jesus, would his main object be money, his headquarters a bar-room, and his advance agent's breath redolent of whisky? O, dear, no! Did Peter demand money when the impotent man started leaping around? No. Did Paul on the island of Melita, after healing the father of Publius, and many others, charge up the crowd for value received, of that which cost Paul nothing? No indeed, but the people responded spontaneously, "and when they departed laden them with such things as were necessary." What with lying (so called) faith cures, Dowicisms, hypnotic treatment, electric belts, and the thousand and one other cure-alls on the market, is it any wonder the disappointed victim in search of health is tempted to say with David (and sometimes does): "All men are liars," adding a few expletives of his own. All this does not disprove the fact that here and there are persons who when all human means failed, by united prayer and faith in the Lord Jesus, have been healed and restored to years of usefulness.

Leaving the above subject, I notice

Inspector Hughes of Toronto, has been delivering himself to a News reporter as follows: "The old red school-house is doomed, country school population is declining. There are schools of fifteen or twenty each demanding a separate teacher; these would be better combined and graded, unless farmers raise larger families. Roosevelt should know this. Poor old red school-house, has it at last come to be a monument of vanished greatness?" There is too much truth in the above to be enjoyable reading. Think of the flocks of children we used to see 25 years ago wending their way to the schools of Vaughan and Markham. Compare them with the little groups seen playing in these same school-grounds to-day, and you will see the force of the Inspector's remarks.

Last year in a wealthy section near Richmond Hill there were nineteen households sending no scholars. This cannot be accounted for by emigration, for every farm is occupied as of yore. The serious part, or what hits hardest, is that it takes the same machinery, and more, to put these lonely little groups through the educational mill as it used to for thrice their number. The large old school-house must be kept in repair, it requires as much heating for twenty as for fifty, it must be up to date, and possess a host of fittings and appliances undreamed of 30 years ago. The teacher needs as much money for teaching fifteen as fifty, her (or his) time is spent all the same, and she is not to blame for the fewness of her pupils. Meanwhile as pupils decrease holidays multiply in the same proportion. What is to be done? Mr. Hughes says, "combine and grade them." With all due respect to Mr. Hughes, I wonder if he were a boy again, and living out here, how he would like on a cold winter morn to add two or three miles more to his long walk from the extreme end of the section. In many rural sections men would rather pay fines than serve as trustees, and the average ratepayer shuns the annual meeting as he would a pestilence. How pleasant and encouraging it would be if every man would turn out, and in a friendly and intelligent manner discuss the affairs of the school. What helpful suggestions might be offered, and misunderstandings removed. Would some more competent writer more fully ventilate this subject in THE LIBERAL and earn the thanks of

OLLA PODRIDA.

**King Township Council**

Council met on Dec. 15. Members all present. Reeve Legge in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The following bills were ordered to be paid:

Jos. Billings, salary .....\$32 00  
Dr. Brereton, med. attendance. 27 00  
J. Edwards, Sanitary Inspector. 21 25

- W. B. King, gravel ..... 10 00
- John Egan, road work ..... 24 60
- W. Pringle, services B. of H. .... 5 00
- P. Delahaye, blacksmith bill ..... 1 80
- W. C. Appleton, repairs to bridge ..... 1 00
- S. W. Armitage, lumber ..... 18 90
- Dr. Brereton, services M.H.O. .... 15 00
- Robt. White, road work ..... 6 10
- John Atwell, road work ..... 15 00
- S. W. Armitage, lumber ..... 7 30
- John Rae, repairs to bridge ..... 19 90
- W. J. Wells, drawing gravel ..... 80 60
- E. W. Love, lumber ..... 1 52
- T. K. Ferguson, road work ..... 10 35
- F. H. Legge, express, etc. .... 1 65
- J. Edwards, repairs to bridge ..... 18 63
- J. M. Walton, postage, etc. .... 6 61
- C. Davis, road work ..... 1 50
- W. Fleury & Son, repairs ..... 1 90
- J. J. Pearson, certificate ..... 55
- J. L. Jenkins, postage, etc. .... 9 57
- W. R. Doan, snow shovelling ..... 1 00
- H. C. Webb, road work ..... 7 23
- Wm. Porter, road work ..... 5 00
- J. Curtis, repairs to bridge ..... 9 71
- S. Lemon, road work ..... 12 28
- D. O'Brien, use of hall ..... 2 01
- J. M. Walton, type-writing, etc. .... 6 00
- H. C. Webb, services B. of H. .... 5 00
- T. H. Legge, services B. of H. .... 4 40
- J. W. Larkin, councillor ..... 62 00
- S. W. Armitage, councillor ..... 60 00
- T. H. Legge, councillor ..... 70 00
- Alex. McMurchy, councillor ..... 60 00
- R. W. Phillips, councillor ..... 65 00

Phillips-Larkin—that the following sheep claims be paid: John Boys, \$2; James White, \$9.34; S. Geer, \$15.34; Arch. McCallum, \$8; Ed. Marshall, \$7.33; Wm. Boys, \$1.33; S. Leonard, \$13.33; Robt. Norman, \$3.33; Alonzo Walker, \$2.34; W. Ellison, \$2.50.

Phillips-Larkin—that the following sheep valuations be paid: H. O'Brien, \$2; G. Hill, \$1; J. Pearson, \$3.

Phillips-McMurchy—that the following persons be paid for the erection of wire fences: S. Parkhurst, \$1; J. F. Atwell, \$2.34; C. Blaker, \$6.12; S. W. Armitage, \$6.40.

Larkin-Phillips—that the tender of S. H. Landy for printing by-laws be accepted.

Larkin-Armitage—that the treasurer pay John Egan \$3, when he hands over certain deeds and papers.

Phillips-McMurchy—that Mr. Jno. Hamby be paid \$7.05, and Mr. Jas. Pearson \$9.01, for inspecting wire fences.

Phillips-McMurchy—that the following persons being wrongfully assessed have the amounts refunded: C. Summerville, 60c; Isabella Jennings, \$1.33; A. Wells, \$1.

Larkin-Armitage—that the treasurer pay W. J. Wells and Joel Edwards, Collectors, \$50 on account.

Council adjourned to meet at Nobleton on Dec. 28, at 11 a. m.

**Reply to "Ratepayer."**

To the Editor of THE LIBERAL:

SIR,—In the last issue of THE LIBERAL I noticed a letter signed "Ratepayer," stating that a woman had applied in my house for lodging, which she was able and prepared to pay for, but was refused. Now I wish to acquaint such "Ratepayer" and all readers of your valuable paper the true facts of the case, for I can certainly see they have only heard one side of the question.

I beg to say that a woman did come to my house and ask for a room, and I showed her to the best room I could offer her at the time, but she was not satisfied and would not accept it. I told her I was sorry it did not suit, but I could not do any better at present, so she left.

Now I beg the person who signs himself "Ratepayer," that in future when he wishes again to bring such things as this to the notice of the public, to at least acquaint himself with both sides of the question, and remember the old adage, that "there are two ends to a ladder."

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for allowing me to take up so much of your valuable space, I remain,

WILL C. SAVAGE,  
Proprietor Palmer House,  
Richmond Hill, Dec. 23, 1903.

**News Notes.**

Mr. W. F. McLean, M. P. was on Saturday nominated by the South York Conservatives.

Mrs. Mary Ann Totten died on the 16th inst., in the 96th year of her age. The interment took place in the family burying ground in Unionville.

**MEN'S DISEASES**

There is seldom a day that we are not consulted in regard to a condition that, if we were to have seen it in its early stages, the sufferer would have been relieved, cured and saved considerable expense. This we consider is due to lack of knowledge on the part of the doctor who has previously treated the case; therefore, we say to you, if you are suffering from any disease or condition peculiar to men, or if you have been a victim and been disappointed in not getting a permanent cure elsewhere, we would ask that you come to our office for personal examination or write us for a Question Blank for Home Treatment. We will explain to you OUR SYSTEM OF TREATMENT, which we have originated and developed after our whole life's experience in the treatment of special diseases of men. We will give you, FREE OF CHARGE, an honest and scientific opinion of your case. If we find you are incurable we will honestly tell you so. If we find your case curable we will give you a written guarantee to cure you or refund you your money.

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This is the 25th year of the Hospital's life. The story of the years is a wonderful one—for in that period 10,000 children have been treated, and over 5,900 cured and 3,000 improved.

Last year there were 663 boys and girls in its beds and 4 cots, and of these 493 were cured and 247 improved.

Look at these pictures of club feet—before and after.

**BEFORE** **AFTER**

Of the 868 patients 293 came from 216 places outside of Toronto.

In three years the patients from different parts of Ontario, not Toronto, average 250—nearly a third of the entire number.

In six years 1,400 outside patients have been treated—and for 20 years past they will average 100 a year.

The average stay of every patient was 54 days, the cost per patient per day 94c.

A dollar or two means a small lot of money out of your pocket, but it takes a big load of misery out of some little life.

The X Ray department gives wonderful results. A girl came in with a double thumb on one hand. She left with one thumb—a perfect hand.

See what the hand of the Surgeon does for the crippled children of Ontario.

**BEFORE** **AFTER**

Money kept from the Hospital is mercy kept from the children.

Your money means mercy to somebody's child.

Your money can cheer some mother's heart by saving some mother's child.

Health and wealth. You give wealth to the Hospital, and the Hospital gives health to the children.

The Corporation of the City of Toronto gives \$7,500 a year to the Hospital for the maintenance of every child, whether from city or country.

The citizens of Toronto contribute about \$7,000 a year towards the maintenance of every patient in the Hospital, whether from city or country.

HE ENJOYS READING.

Toronto does its share in the good work, and the Trustees ask you to do yours.

The Newspaper Proprietors of Ontario have kindly helped the Hospital by inserting our appeals.

There are two newspaper cots, and boys and girls from the country are placed in the cots founded by the newspaper men.

Look at the pictures of "before and after." They tell their own story—surely you will help us in this good work.

If your dollar could straighten the feet of a little boy or girl with club-feet you would gladly give it, and your dollar will help to do that.

**BEFORE** **AFTER**

Take off the handicap of deformity—give all children a fair start in the race of life.

Twenty-three children who came in with club-feet were sent home perfect cures last year. There are as many more in the Hospital to-day awaiting treatment.

**BEFORE** **AFTER**

If you know of a sick child—the club foot boy or girl—send his parent's name to the Hospital.

Please send your contributions to J. Ross Robertson, Chairman, or to Douglas Davidson, Sec. Treas. of the Hospital for Sick Children, College Street, Toronto.

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