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King Township Council

The above Council met at Armstrong's Hotel, King City, on Saturday, July 29th.

Members all present and minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. The Council in committee of the whole ordered a number of accounts to be paid.

The following resolutions were passed:—

That this Council authorize the treasurer to loan to trustees of S. S. No. 4 one hundred dollars.

That the treasurer be hereby authorized to pay \$14.00 to the General Hospital, Toronto, for maintenance of Jacob Rosberg.

That the clerk be authorized to communicate with Jacob Rosberg re hospital expenses.

That the treasurer be and is hereby authorized to accept \$6.45 from Alf. Thompson, being over charge on account.

That the treasurer be and is hereby authorized to advance \$200 to Wm. Bayliss on account for making tile for the current year.

By-law No. 305, amending By-law No. 300, received its several readings and passed, appointing John Wells Sanitary Inspector in lieu of Colin Sinclair.

Secretaries and trustees of School Boards are requested to forward to the clerk on or before August 15th requisitions for school monies.

Council adjourned to meet at Temperance Hall, Kettleby, on Saturday, August 26th.

One only refrigerator, enamelled steel and glass, most sanitary kind made. Regular price \$32.00; special bargain, \$25.00.—The Richmond Hill Hardware Co.

Wedding

The wedding bells rang merrily last Tuesday evening when Margaret Henderson Cowie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cowie, was married to William Eldred Fice, only son of Wm. J. Fice, now of Brampton, formerly of Cobourg, Rev. R. Herbison officiating. The bride looked sweet and beautiful dressed in a pretty white dress and veil, with orange blossoms. The young couple received handsome presents of silver, cut glass and linen, as well as a cheque, a dining-room suite and a china cabinet. Few young couples stand so high in the esteem of their friends or give such promise of a good and happy home. After a sumptuous wedding supper, with toasts and tales, the bride and groom left amid a shower of confetti and good wishes, the boisterous and pans making music in the rear of the automobile, for Buffalo, Rochester and other points, to return later to Cobourg. Among the guests were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Fice and Mr. R. Fice, of Brampton; Mr. and Mrs. Pengilly, of Cobourg; Mr. and Mrs. Warner and Jack Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Waterman, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. McDonald and Master Geo. McDonald, Mrs. Robb, Miss Vera Reaman, Miss Ella Reaman, Miss Muriel Rade, all of Toronto; Miss Charles, Mrs. Reddit, Mrs. Herbison and Mr. and Mrs. James Rumble, Mr. D. Rumble, all of Richmond Hill.

Concord

On Sunday, July 30th, Edna Irene, eldest daughter of Mr. Edgar Gordon, passed away at her father's home, Concord. She had a long illness which was borne patiently. The love and esteem in which she was held was shown by the large attendance at the funeral, which was held on Tuesday afternoon at Thornhill cemetery. Many of her old schoolmates were present, including a number of girl friends, formerly of Richmond Hill High School, where she was a student for several years. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. McKee and Rev. N. Wellwood. The floral offerings from the Concord Epworth League and from other friends were very beautiful. She was of a kind and gentle disposition and will be much missed in her home and in the community. The sorrowing father and sisters and brother have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

Prayer and Praise

A day of prayer and praise will be held in the Methodist church to-day (Thursday) in behalf of the nations at war, for their spiritual uplift, and that wisdom may be given to men in authority, and soldiers and sailors who are taking part in the awful struggle. Hour services will be held and a short address given at each service. There will be six services—at 10, 11, 2, 3, 4, and the last from 8 to 9 p.m. It is urged that many attend these services to unite in praise to Almighty God for His many blessings. "The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man avaleth much." The services are being held under the direction of the Ladies' Aid.

Good For Two Weeks

A year ago all over the Province there was great disappointment among the people coming to the Exhibition the last couple of days to learn that the rates on all railroads had expired. It was too late then to have the matter rectified, but the Exhibition management took the matter up with the railroads and found that there had been a mistake in the circular sent out to their agents, the result being that on the closing days people going to Toronto had to pay full fare. This year the matter was attended to early and the Exhibition has the assurance that there will be no repetition of last year's trouble. The rates extend over the full two weeks period.

York Library Board Elects Its Officers

At the annual meeting of the York County Library Board, held in the Don library building last week, the following were elected: President, Miss M. Duncan, Don; Vice-President, Albert Weighill, Unionville; Secretary, Henry Dunnott, Rummynede, together with an executive committee composed of the president, vice-president, secretary and Miss M. Street, of Mimico. The next place of meeting will be Mimico. E. A. Hardy, Secretary of the Ontario Library Board, spoke on "War and Literature," and Provincial Inspector Carson gave a short address. There was a fine representation from all over the county.

August Rod and Gun

Bonnycastle Dale gives some advice on how not to paddle in his article, "I a Light Canoe Will Build Me" in the August issue of Rod and Gun, and also some pointers on how to paddle with the least danger of an upset. "Temagami Men," by R. J. Fraser, is a tribute to the guides of Temagami, than whom there are "no finer band of men." Rex Snow contributes "Little Incidents Among Big Mountains"; F. V. Williams, "Klir-r-r-r-ik-ik-ik." The well-known New Brunswick guide, Avery Morehouse, writes of a moose with a 52-inch spread secured before breakfast; B. C. Tillett gives some experiences in "Snipe Shooting," and various other stories and articles of equal interest precede the regular departments, which are replete as usual with information for the lover of gun, rod and dog. W. J. Taylor, Limited, Woodstock, Ont., are the publishers of this representative Canadian sportsman's magazine.

Middle School Exams

The results of the Middle School Examinations for entrance into the Normal Schools were published in Friday's dailies. The following are the names of the successful candidates for York County:—

A. B. Bateman, H. M. Baycroft, E. D. Bovair, R. A. Byan, O. V. Barker, A. A. Brodie, F. C. Crumme, M. E. B. Crosby, J. B. Duncan, M. L. Goulding, M. N. Heaslip, E. K. Helmer, G. C. Hewitt, M. M. Hansford, R. C. Holbourn, H. L. Hearne, A. E. Marsh, J. C. Morgan, E. N. Miller, I. M. Norris, C. C. Oke, O. F. Ross (honors), D. H. Running, M. Sturdy, R. N. Sumpson, N. C. Shields, R. Sedore, E. J. Stiver, A. J. Torrance.

Can Northern Ontario Bush Fires be Prevented?

The frightful loss of life and property from forest fires in Northern Ontario need not be accepted by the people of the Province as wholly due to unavoidable causes.

Evidence thus far received indicates that the huge conflagration had its beginning in "slash" fires started by settlers for the purpose of clearing their lands.

For many years the menace of settlers' fires during excessively hot spells has been increasing, largely for the reason that no machinery of any sort existed whereby a settler's so-called "liberty" of burning down lives and property could be curtailed. On the other hand, the damage by railways has been rapidly lessened, as patrol and equipment have been improved, so that in 1915 the Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk, Canadian Northern and Algoma Central were credited by the Ontario Government with 110 fires in the railway zone, causing a property damage of only \$4,156. On the Transcontinental and T. and N. O. (Ontario Government, 1915, Report) 317 fires were reported in 1915, the amount of damage being unstated. Investigation shows that both in Ontario and Quebec the settler, and not the railways primarily, must shoulder a very large part of the responsibility for annual forest fires, with a considerable contribution also from campers, fishermen, prospectors, etc. How is the settler to be brought under reasonable restraint so that the "slash" fire shall be eliminated forever from the causes of these North Ontario catastrophes.

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