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Vaughan Municipal Election
The following is the official result of Monday's for Deputy-Reeve in the Township of Vaughan:—

Division No.	Cameron	Saigeon
1. Thornhill	17	32
2. Patterson	2	91
3. Edgeley	27	53
4. Maple	33	103
5. Pine Grove	34	43
6. Purpleville	57	24
7. Elders Mills	40	10
8. Leinburg	77	28
Totals	287	384

The 1917 Council will be: Reeve, J. G. Whitmore, (acc.); Deputy-Reeve, J. L. Saigeon; Councillors, (acc.), W. Anderson, W. O. McDonald, T. B. Weldrick.

Agricultural Interests

Mr. Editor:
It was my privilege last month to hear Mr. W. C. Good, of Brant County address the Empire Club at Toronto upon agricultural problems. Being a practical farmer, who has during 14 years of strenuous work rebuilt the buildings upon the homestead settled by his grandfather 75 years ago, doing much of the work with his own hands, and has also reared a fine herd of milking shorthorns, Mr. Good possesses personal experience to support the views he expresses. Not being a money man he has had to work his own way, yet he is one of our few educated farmers who have trained themselves both to think and to express their thoughts in clear simple English. He is thus well qualified to place the interests of our great agricultural industry in their right relation to other departments of Canadian industry.

The most insistent proposition made by Mr. Good in his address was that the high cost of labor, compared with the low average price for farm products, had for fifteen or 20 years before the war become a very serious handicap upon farm industry, a handicap which has been made still more serious by the war, so that much of our land cannot be cultivated, and even our live stock interests not properly cared for. Not less certain and injurious in its effects has it been to make the support of secondary industries to be a burden upon agriculture, giving them privileges not inherent to their own natural development. These causes, Mr. Good said, had combined to so burden farm life as to attract our young people from country to city life where the reward for their labor is greater while the stress of conditions is less onerous and the pleasures and privileges of social life are greater and more easily obtained. The conditions thus brought about in our new country have led to a large reduction of agricultural production in proportion to population, compared with that of a past series of years.

May I now urge in the columns of your paper that our representatives in the Legislature and in Parliament ought if possible to be chosen to a much larger extent from the ranks of the tillers of the soil whose personal interests will naturally lead them to study and protect those of agriculture, and to demand for us fair and just treatment by the legislation enacted both at Toronto and Ottawa.

May I express the hope that at the next election the people of Ontario will select and elect a much larger proportion of our representatives from the ranks of the farming community.

HENRY MOYLE.

Advertise in The Liberal and watch the results.

Presbyterian Church
Sunday, Jan. 7th, the minister will preach at both services; morning subject, "The Average Man"; evening, "The Valley of the Dry Bones."
Young People's Society, Thursday, at 7.30 p.m., at the Manse. A paper on "Mohammedanism" by Miss Pentland.

A deep sorrow has fallen upon Thornhill Church in the loss of one of our elders, Mr. R. A. Nisbet. Mr. Nisbet had suffered from a chill about Christmas time, which only toward the close developed into pneumonia, causing his death early Wednesday morning. While his relationships here are altogether apart from his business career in the city, he has endeared himself in a remarkable degree to every member of the church and the community. Few men have the large and generous sympathies he possessed, which made every neighbor feel that he was a personal friend, and which to-day makes a common sorrow for the whole neighborhood. To Mrs. Nisbet there goes out the warm and heartfelt sympathy of the whole community.

Municipal and Trustee Election
The largest vote ever polled in Richmond Hill was recorded last Monday for reeve, councillors and school trustees. The count at 5 o'clock gave the following result:—

For Reeve	W. H. Pugsley	159
	G. S. Sims	71
For Councillors	T. Trench	186
	J. Monkman	164
	J. Lunau	124
	G. McDonald	117
	E. Barker	114
For P.S. Trustees	W. A. Wright	164
	J. A. McCague	135
	J. Hunt	141
	Miss Moyle	80

The last name in each section is not elected.

More News from Our Boys

Borden Camp, Dec. 17, 1916.
Dear Mrs. Langstaff:
Your letter received some days ago. The boxes sent by the Society have almost all arrived, and the contents much appreciated by all. These boxes will assist greatly in making this Christmas, which will be spent under different conditions from any other, a cheerful one.

As you know, quite a number of the boys went to France with the No. 1 Construction Battalion. I am enclosing a list of those. A large number of parcels and letters have arrived here for these boys, and have been forwarded from here. If this list was published in the local paper, all their different friends would know where they were, and it would assist in preventing their mail from being delayed or going astray, especially as we expect to go across shortly.

All here are quite well and enjoying themselves fairly well. Our present quarters are very comfortable and this is the nicest camp we have been in.

On behalf of the boys I wish to thank the Society and each individual member and friend for the Christmas boxes and kind wishes, and wish you all a very cheerful Christmas and a bright and happy New Year.

I am sincerely,
PTE. J. E. TEETZEL,
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Victoria Square

The musical play, "Our Minister's Honeymoon," given by the members of the League was highly successful, and everybody is saying "That's just what I was thinkin'." The characters sustained their parts, and to specialize would take too much space. Suffice it to say everyone enjoyed the play and the first part of the programme in which the orchestra, Miss Helmkay and Miss Trewni's pupils, took part. Miss Helmkay delighted her audience. The orchestra was encored, and the drills by the boys and girls were heartily applauded. Miss Trewni is to be congratulated on her training of her pupils. Proceeds were \$42.55.

A sleigh load of young people visited Richmond Hill Rink Saturday evening and enjoyed the skating.

Miss M. Cooper of Thornhill is visiting Miss Ethel Mortson.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Brown and infant daughter of Ryandale, Sask., are visiting relatives here this winter.

Mr. C. H. Bush of Toronto visited at Mr. R. Agar's over Sunday. Mr. Bush favored us at the afternoon service with a solo which was splendidly rendered.

Mr. H. Collard and Mr. Clare Glover went to Toronto Sunday to visit Pte. Roy Gloyer who has been ill for some time.

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