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**THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT**

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people and remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellow men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book of complaints against the universe, and look around for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking whether your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough to bear in mind the things that other people have to bear in their hearts; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want without waiting for them to tell you; to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts, and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world—stronger than hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death—and that the blessed Life which began in Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago is the image and brightness of the Eternal Love? Then you can keep Christmas.

And if you can keep it for a day, why not always?  
But you can never keep it alone

**RICHMOND HILL COUNCIL**

The tenure of office of the 1927 Richmond Hill Council is fast drawing to a close and the annual nomination day when the ratepayers will pass judgment on their elected representatives will soon be here.

The Reeve and members of the 1927 council have had a strenuous year and have been called upon to devote an even greater amount of time to the town's business than has been demanded in previous years. A great many important works have been undertaken and in all lines of endeavour the Reeve and Council have worked overtime in an effort to secure the very best value for the municipality. A lot of money has been spent but we are absolutely sure that all work was undertaken only after great consideration and after all members of the council were satisfied that the expenditure was in the best interests of the village.

Reeve Lunau and every member of the 1927 council have given a great deal of time and thought to the town's business. They have given a great deal more time to the work than the average ratepayer who does not closely follow municipal work ever imagines, as the calls upon such elected representatives are many and varied. They serve the town without monetary remuneration and at the sacrifice of their own individual business interests and to them the ratepayers of this village owe a debt of gratitude. Doubtless they have sins of omission and commission; probably they have done those things which they should not have done and have left undone many things that they should have done. But let us be charitable in our criticism and when

we are tempted to lay all the blame for our municipal ills at the door of the council let us be mindful that the council has not an unlimited amount of money to spend and that there is a large amount of uncontrollable expenditure. In any event we feel satisfied in assuring the ratepayers of this municipality that the business of 1927 was conscientiously carried out by the elected representatives who endeavoured to the very best of their ability and judgment to administer the business of the village in the best interests of the people.

At the last session of the Provincial Legislature an enactment was passed prohibiting children loitering in any public place after nine o'clock in the evening or being in any place of public resort or entertainment after that hour unless accompanied by a parent or guardian or an adult appointed by the parent or guardian to accompany such child. The onus is on the parent and a parent who permits his child to violate this law shall for the first offense incur a penalty of \$1; for a second offense \$2; and for a third or subsequent offense \$5. There is also a responsibility on the part of the municipal officers, especially the police, who should be backed up by public opinion.

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Not nearly as many forecasts about the coming winter have appeared this year as formerly and those that have been made are very indefinite. The failure of many prophetic warnings as to summerless summers and various kinds of winters has had the effect of making people a little skeptical as to long distance forecasts. The coming winter will no doubt have as many storms and the average number of cold days.

**"Way Back in Liberal Files"**

**DO YOU REMEMBER?**

This Week of 1890

When the Richmond Hill school board met in Lorne Hall. The following members were present:—Messrs J. Brown, R. Marsh, W. Trench, J. Duncan, M. Naughton, W. Glass, D. Lynett, F. McConaghy, T. Crosby, J. Switzer, and Dr. Wilson.

When the Richmond Hill branch of the Epworth League met in the lecture room for the election of Vice-Pres. for the departments of work in connection with the league. The following were elected:—Miss Speer, Mrs. Dr. Wilson, Mr. T. Trench, Mr. Ashford Wright, Miss Trench and Mr. G. McDonald.

When at the residence of James Malloy esq., Mr. John Ireland of King was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Malloy of Vaughan. Rev. Chas. Campbell performed the ceremony.

When the village council met with the Reeve in the chair, members present:—Messrs Atkinson, Sanderson, Savage and Wilson.

**DO YOU REMEMBER**

This Week of 1901

When a concert given in the Victoria Hall, Thornhill, under the auspices of Court Union No. 7772, was a great success. Mr. James Fox the humorist vocalist, kept the audience in roars of laughter, Miss Edith McKay sang a number of solos and readings were given by Miss Ethel Schofield.

When Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mortson, of Elgin Mills celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their wedding day by giving an oyster supper to their friends and relatives.

When Rev. N. Wellwood, senior pastor of the Methodist Church, suffered a severe accident when returning home from Revival meetings at Victoria Square.

When Messrs L. Innes and Sons took the contract to erect a large and commodious hotel or boarding house for Mr. Carr at the popular summer resort at Lake Wilcox.

When Mr. Jonathan Brillinger, passed away at his home, a mile and a half east of Richmond Hill. The deceased who was in his 69th year was interred to the Tunker cemetery, Gormley.

**DO YOU REMEMBER**

This Week of 1905

When the Hockey Club re-organized with the following officers:—Hon. President, J.H. Sanderson, President, J. Glover; First Vice-President, A. Boyle; Secretary, J.H. Sanderson; Treasurer, A.G. Savage, Captain, G. Sims; Committee of Management R. Goode, A. Glass, J. Naughton.

When it was announced that Mr. J. P. Glass would offer himself for re-election as Councillor on the first of

**Handicaps Have No Effect on Sandy's Smile**

Sandy is a cheerful sort of Scot with a ready joke and a winning smile although when you hear his story you will wonder what it is that keeps him gay. He was a soldier in the Great War, where he lost an arm. Then overwork knocked him out. His attempts to secure a pension have failed, but he has not lost the only trade he knows is carriage-making, and who wants carriages now-a-days? For all that, Sandy is making good progress at the Muskoka Hospital for Consumptives, where everything is being done to make him well again. For with health Sandy says he can face the world with courage—and he will, too!

Wouldn't you like to help the Muskoka Hospital in such work as this? Your gift will be gratefully received. Contributions may be sent to Hon. W. A. Charlton, President, 223 College Street, Toronto 2, Ontario.

**January 1906.**

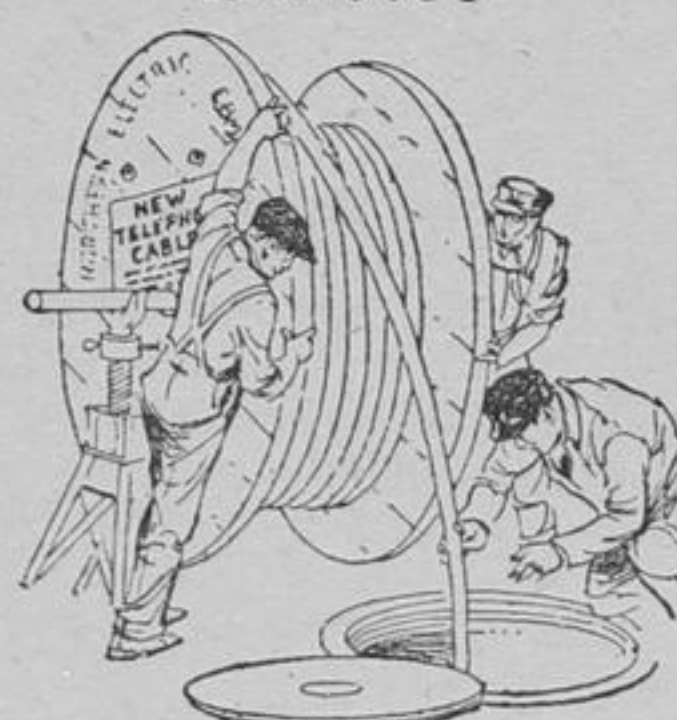
When the High School Commencement Exercises were held. The following took part in the programme:—Mr. E. Mason, Cornet solo and song; Miss Norma Morgan, recitation; Miss Horning, recitation; Mr. Douglas Derry, song; Mr. Walter Frisby, recitation; The accompaniments were played by Miss Anglin and Mr. Earle Newton.

When the following stood first in their classes at the Langstaff public school:—Sr. IV—Hannah Chapman, Jr. IV Garland Langstaff; Sr. III Gladys Ball, Jr. III, Georgie Robinson Sr. II, Nellie Page; Jr. II, Amy Ball; Sr. part II, Ellsworth Weldrick; Jr. Part II, Dennis White.

**Victoria Square**

The Victoria Square J.W.I. held a meeting at the home of Miss Ella Nichols on Saturday, December 3rd. In the absence of the president the chair was occupied by Miss E. Mortson. After the calling of the roll which brought to light several fine suggestions for inexpensive Christmas gifts, the gathering enjoyed a piano solo given by Miss Marion Nichols. Miss Annie Avison then gave a full report of the Institute convention held in Toronto. Miss Thelma Evans also rendered a piano solo and the meeting was dismissed by Miss Mortson. A pleasant social period during which lunch was served brought the meeting to a close.

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**Vaughan Twp. Council**

The regular December meeting of the Vaughan Township Council was held at the Township Hall, Vellore, on Monday afternoon with Reeve Kellam in the chair and the following members present, Deputy Reeve Jas. Robson, Deputy-Reeve A.W. Farr, Councillors Thos. M. Baker and Wm. J. Johnson.

The business of the session was comparatively light and included the winding up of several phases of the years business. Three sheep claims were paid as follows: George Vanderburg, 1 ewe killed \$20; J. Noble 1 ewe killed, less \$6.25 realized from butcher, \$13.75; D.R. Simpson, lot 19, con. 8, 1 sheep killed \$20.

A letter was received from D. Sprague secretary of the Elgin Mills Ratepayers Association expressing the appreciation of that body for the splendid work done this year by the Vaughan Council on the roads and streets in that district.

A notice was received from the estate of the late Mr. Risebrough stating that action was commenced for \$10,000 damages as a result of an accident at Boyle's Pond this summer which resulted in fatal injuries to Mr. Risebrough. Hull the other principal in the accident was recently awarded damages by the court for injuries sustained in the same accident and the finding of the court has been accepted by the Globe Indemnity Co. who carry the insurance for the Township and there will be no appeal entered in the case. The Township is insured to the extent of \$5000 for injury to any one person in any one accident.

The statutory meeting of the council will be held on Thursday, December 15 when the council will also meet as a Court of Revision.

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**TOWNSHIP OF VAUGHAN Court of Revision**

Take Notice that:

- The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Vaughan has constructed as a Local Improvement Macadam Pavements on the Streets as shown in the Schedule below.
- The cost of the work is \$16,840.38 of which \$535.10 is to be paid by the Corporation. The special rate per foot frontage is 65.9 cents, and the special annual rate is 8.53 cents per foot. The special assessment is to be paid in ten installments.
- The estimated lifetime of the work is ten years.
- A Court of Revision will be held on the 15th day of December 1927, at 10.00 a.m. o'clock at the Township Hall, Vellore, for the purpose of hearing complaints against the proposed assessments or the accuracy of frontage measurements and any other complaint which persons interested may desire to make and which is by law cognizable by the Court.

Dated, November 22nd, 1927

J. B. McLEAN, Clerk

**SCHEDULE**

Street	From	To	Total Cost	Owner's Share	Corporation's Share
Garden Ave.,	Yonge St.	Westerly limit	\$6351.80	6220.00	131.80
Spruce Ave.,	Yonge St.,	Avenue Road	4329.70	4197.90	131.80
Yongehurst Rd.,	Yonge St.	Westerly Lt	3656.00	3516.30	139.70
Oxford St.,	Yonge St.,	Lot 35	2502.88	2371.08	131.80
			16840.38	16305.28	535.10

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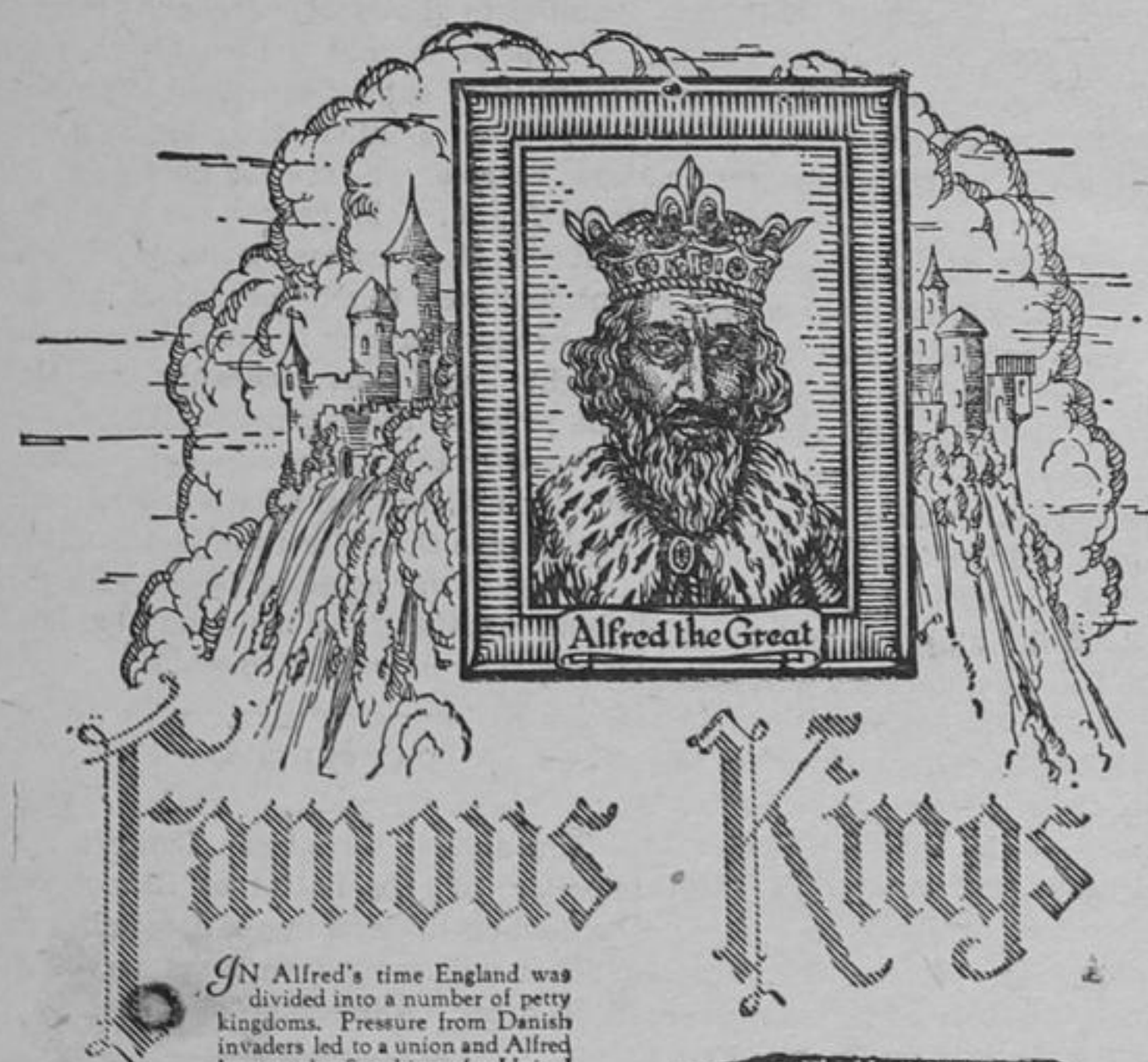
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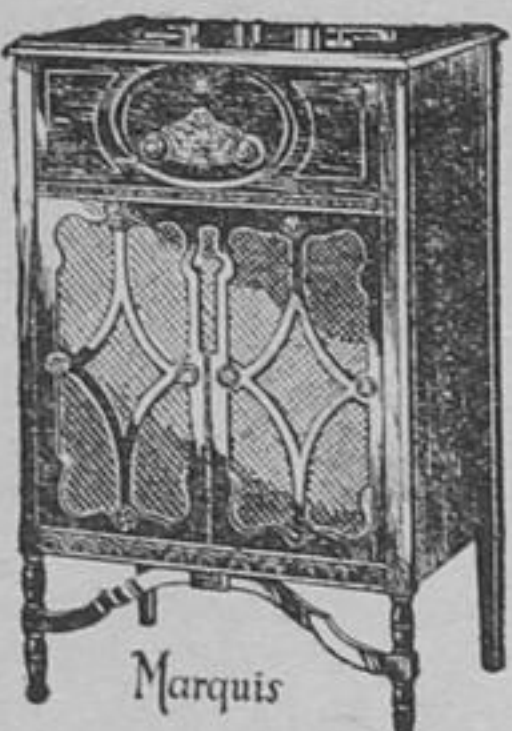
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