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THE SPIRIT OF SUCCESS

The effort to accomplish is not failure; it is success. We only fail when we acknowledge failure and lie down, defeated and disheartened. But while we "carry on," never knowing we're beaten, still striving to accomplish something worth while doing, aiming to serve our fellows and reap what we have sown, we do not fail.

Lots of men are beaten according to the onlookers, when they are really victors and winners. The "thin red line" that retreated from Mons, holding the Germans back doggedly, disputing with the Hun every foot of the way, strewing the road with their bodies, but delaying the enemy's "smash through," were beaten by all the rules of warfare, but it is counted unto them as victory.

Columbus was beaten, according to the scoffers of his day, before he started across the ocean; he was beaten when his crew mutinied and when adverse winds delayed his ships progress, but he emerged triumphant. The men who built the C.P.R. were beaten many a time; they could hardly give the stock of the C. P. R. away at twenty-five dollars a share; often they could not meet their due payments or in order to meet them, put their own private fortunes into the bag and borrowed right and left to pay their men and meet their other obligations. But who dare say that Canada's great railway builders were beaten?

So we might continue. Illustrations of the truth we have stated are met on every side. We know a newsboy in a great Canadian city who, in spite of a most serious physical handicap, has risen from the rank of newsboy at a street corner until to-day he is the head of a big distributing business. He could not fail; he kept on plugging and won. So we say to you good folk who are always prophesying failure for the other fellow; put your hammers away and cheer instead of knocking. The fellow that you think is failing is only going through the experiences that every successful man has had to undergo. Success springs from the seed of failure. "Except it die," says the scripture of the seed, "it cannot live." In death it finds life. In failure we find success. In defeat we reach victory. The effort to accomplish is, of itself, success.

RICHMOND HILL'S INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Richmond Hill Board of Trade has made the proper step in the direction of promoting some industrial development here. The appointment of an Industrial Commission should meet with the approval of the citizens of Richmond Hill who have faith in the town and are anxious to see it progress and grow.

The duties of this commission will be to collect all data concerning Richmond Hill and have it in such a form that it can be readily given to any prospective manufacturer. With a complete sheet of information concerning Richmond Hill the Commission can approach manufacturing concerns in large cities who might consider moving to a smaller centre where overhead costs could be reduced and companies in Canada and United States and Great Britain which are considering opening new branch factories.

The Industrial Commission should receive the ratification of the Municipal Council so that in transacting their business they can act as the Industrial Commission of Richmond Hill rather than as the Industrial Commission of the Board of Trade. The Commission should be told by the council exactly what the policy of the council is regarding new industries. It should be definitely established what proportion of fixed assessment would be allowed a manufacturer locating here. If the town will give a new manufacturing concern water at cost as is done in other centres it should be definitely stated exactly what the cost will be. The commission should be advised exactly what the lowest possible rate for power which the town can give under existing Hydro agreement.

The Commission has been appointed and the members have undertaken their duties with a commendable enthusiasm. The commission should not be asked to commence their duties "half armed." They should be authorized to approach manufacturers with every inducement which it is possible for a municipality to give and they should have the whole-hearted support and co-operation of the council in the work which they are undertaking.

Richmond Hill's greatest opportunity for development in the next few years will be through the efforts of this commission. Anything that the council or citizens as a whole can do to support them in their effort should be gladly done.

SCHOOL BOARD LOSES A VALUABLE MEMBER

It is regrettable that through the County Council appointment of last week the Richmond Hill Board of Education loses the valuable services of W. H. Murphy who during the past three years on the Board has evidenced a commendable aptitude for public service. He has been one of the most active members on the Board and his services were highly valued by his associates as was shown by his election as chairman of one of the most important committees. He was regular in attendance at all Board meetings and gave freely of his time in carrying out of his duties. His retirement will be a distinct loss to the Board and to the village. It is hoped that it will only be temporary and that at some future time he will return to give the Board the value of his services.

MERCHANTS SHOULD RECONSIDER THE ALL YEAR WEDNESDAY HALF HOLIDAY

We have frequently pointed out in these columns that in our opinion the "all year Wednesday half holiday" was a detriment to business in Richmond Hill and again submit that it would be in the best interests of local business and the town as a whole if the idea were abandoned.

We frequently have residents from outside of the village comment upon the practice in an unfavorable manner and express the opinion that it is keeping business away

from Richmond Hill. Richmond Hill merchants we are sure are desirous of improving their business and as one easy method to try to improve it and draw more custom we would suggest at least a reconsideration of this by-law. It would probably be a good subject for discussion by the Retail Business committee of the Board of Trade.

We are glad to be able to publish elsewhere in this issue a denial of the patronage rumor concerning a recent appointment to the Richmond Hill Board of Education. It would be a sad state of affairs if appointments of this kind should ever be "peddled" for political advantage and although such things are common in some cities in United States we are thankful that Canadian Municipal life has been notably free of even a savor of this practice.

Changes of 724 degrees in temperature are now known to be experienced on the moon, according to data recently secured by astronomers.

From 265 degrees above to 459 degrees below zero would be something to talk about, if life could be sustained during such violent fluctuations. Especially is this true when it is remembered that the changes are of startling suddenness. Even the man in the moon has his troubles.

"WAY BACK IN LIBERAL FILES"**DO YOU REMEMBER**

This Week of 1900

When the Parlor Social given in the Temperance Hall by the local W. C. T. U. was well attended. The following musical program was rendered:—Male quartette by Messrs J. H. Sanderson, A. J. Hume, W. T. Storey and F. R. Redditt; Soprano solo, Miss Ethel Switzer; Vocal solo, Mr. E. Mason; Musical selection by the Trio, Messrs Hume, Wiley and Redditt.

When Jerry Smith, a graduate of the Canadian Horological Institute, Toronto, opened a watch repairing business next door to the barber shop.

When the Richmond Hill High School Athletic Club held a meeting for the purpose of re-organizing. The chair was taken by Mr. S. Cooper and the following officers were elected: Honorary President, W. J. Hill, M.P.P.; President, F. J. Johnston, M.A.; Vice-President, J. M. Hadwen; Captain, W. J. Atkinson; Treasurer, R. Kirby; Secretary, J. G. Lane.

When the Junior League met and read essays on the use of our senses, as follows:—The sense of Touch, by Miss Loreen Wright; Seeing, Master Leon Proctor; Hearing, Miss Olive Switzer; Smell, Miss Genevieve Harris; Taste, Master Frank Storey.

When the East York Plowmen's Association held their annual meeting at Hughes Hotel, Thornhill. The following officers were elected for the current year:—Hon. President, Wm Milliken; President, Alex. Weir; Vice-President, Wm. Stiver; Secretary-Treasurer, Thos. Hood; Directors, Wm Petch, J. Slater, W. Dougherty, D. Beldan, G. Empringham, Wm. Ormerod, W. H. Patterson, R. French, A. Steers, G. Third, Thos. Little, R. Ash, W. G. Rennie; Auditors, W. McDonald, G. Neville.

DO YOU REMEMBER

This Week of 1904

When at the residence of Mr. George Reaman, Concord, Mabel A.E. Reaman, only daughter of the late Rev. Jacob and Emma C. Reaman passed away at the age of 28 years.

When the last match of the Smith medal was played in the rink when skips R. Moodie and his youthful assistants defeated runners-up, Pugsley and his heavy weights—The following were the scores made:—

E. J. Cable F. McConaghy
W. Savage P. G. Savage
F. Sims J. Palmer
R. Moodie, sk 16 W.H. Pugsley sk 12

When the following was the Langstaff School report for January:—IV class, Jeanne Chapman, Fred Page, Clara Robinson, Randall Page; Sr. III C., Lorne Gooderham; Mary Lowery, Florence Farr; Jr. III C., Myrtle Weldrick, Boynton Weldrick, Garland Langstaff; Sr. II C., Florence Gooderham, Robbie Lowery, Tommy Robinson; Inter. II C., Gladys Ball; Jr. II C., Herbie Boyle; Pt. II C., Georgie Robinson; Pt. I C., Wellington Monkman, Ellsworth Weldrick, Amy Ball.

When at Victoria Square, James Edwin Stoutenburgh passed away at the age of 39 years.

When the following were elected at the annual meeting of the Board of Education:—Chairman, J. H. Sanderson; Secretary-Treasurer, J. A. E. Switzer; Committee of management, F. McConaghy, W. T. Storey, G. McDonald.

When the following stood highest in their forms at the Richmond Hill High School for January:—Form III, Starr McMahon; Form II, Harry Francis; Form I, Alex. McConaghy.

DO YOU REMEMBER

This Week of 1909

When John James, formerly of British Columbia, and brother of William James of Newtonbrook, died in Toronto in his 77th year. Interment at Willowdale.

When the fancy dress carnival in the Thornhill rink drew a \$50.00 house. The following were the prize winners for best representative costumes:—Lady, Miss Aggie Boyle, Langstaff, "Wearing O'the Green;" Girl, Miss Nora McMahon, Richmond Hill, "Red Riding Hood;" Boy, Wm. Woods, Elia, "French Royal Page;" Comic, Mr. Harry Sackfield, Thornhill

When the Richmond Hill High School defeated the Yonge Street Wanderers in an exciting game in the rink by a score of 5-4. The teams lined up as follows:—

Francis, Goal; Boyle, Point; Perry C. Point; Lowery, Centre; Breakey, R. wing; Fluke, L. wing; Tuskin, Rover. Hill, Goal; Naughton, Point; Redditt, C. Point; Naughton, Centre; Hagerman, R. wing; Palmer, L. wing; Palmer, Rover. Referee, G. Marsh.

When the following was the school report for Carrville. Sr. IV, Gussie Prentice, Charlie Hunt, Mable Prentice; Jr. II, Agnes Paterson, Victoria Hunt, Wellington Monkman, Sammy Winger, Minnie Cook, Effie Jarvis, Stanley Woods, Minnie Reaman; Sr. III, Emery Jarvis, May Baker, Elsie Prentice, Byron Appleton; Jr. III, Russell Monkman, Mable Line, Gladys Line, George Hunt, Leslie Baker, Austin Baker; Sr. II, Orville Granger; Pt. II, Henry Winger, Lillian Cook; Pt. I, Sr., Mary Hunt, Irene Baker; Pt. I Jr., Wilbert Bone, Harold Cook.

ONE JUMP AHEAD

Office Boy—"I called round at Mr. Dodgett's as per your instructions, sir, but his office was shut up. He's gone."

Boss—"Gone? Gone where? Gone for a rest?"

"Well, not exactly sir. As far as I could make out, he's gone to avoid it."

My Lady Nicotine

"I'd like to get a pipe. It's for a Xmas present for my husband."

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