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FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of January 12, 1899
Mr. J. H. Prentice, of the firm of Eckardt and Prentice, auctioneers, who has moved from Carrville to Unionville during the week, wishes to thank his friends for past patronage, and hopes to make many more in his new territory. We hope that Mr. and Mrs. Prentice will like their new home, and feel certain that both will be welcome additions in the Village of Unionville.

At a meeting of the Curling Club held Thursday evening it was decided that the same skips play for the Smith medal that played in the President vs. Vice-President matches with the same men, and to face the same opponents. The winners of the Pugsley-Boyle match will then play the winners of Sims-Moodie match and the winners of the Palmer-Sanderson match, the winners of the Storey-Savage match. The last two winning teams to play the final game.

At the annual meeting Monday evening, the following were elected officers of the Fire Brigade for the year 1899: Chief, W. H. Pugsley; Lieut., P. G. Savage; Foreman of Hose, H. A. Nicholls; Foreman of Hook and Ladder, W. T. Storey; Steward, F. Grainger; Treasurer, P. G. Savage; Secretary, W. E. Wiley; Janitor, C. A. Morrison; Auditors, T. F. McMahon and E. Coombs. It was decided to hold a carnival at the end of the month.

The Village Council met on Monday, January 9th, 1899. Pursuant to "The Municipal Act," Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, Chap. 223, Section 259, the following persons elected to fill the offices of Reeve and Councillors for the Village of Richmond Hill for the year 1899 assembled in the Council Chamber this ninth day of January, 1899, at eleven o'clock a.m.
Peter Gould Savage, as Reeve
John Palmer, as Councillor
Thomas H. Trench, Councillor
William Innes, Councillor
David Hill, Councillor.

And having subscribed and made their respective declarations of qualification and of office took their seats. General business was transacted and accounts ordered paid. The council adjourned to meet on Monday, 23rd Inst. M. Teffy, Clerk.

A bridge matter in which the Counties of York and Peel are both interested, was adjusted Monday. The bridge is the new steel structure which spans the Etobicoke River at Summerville. Sir Melville Parker of Streetsville, of the Peel County Council, met Warden High and Councillors Hall and Reesor of York at the Court House, and agreed that each should pay half the cost of construction. This will amount to \$1,256.41 each. The bridge, the building of which was in charge of Engineer McDougall of York County, was completed on December 31.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of January 7, 1909
Rev. E. C. Currie of Sarnia has accepted the "call" from the Richmond Hill and Thornhill Presbyterian congregations. The induction ceremony will take place about the middle of February.

Monday was a busy day at the polling booth. The votes cast for the various candidates for councillors were as follows:—
T. H. Trench 125
J. Palmer 115
J. H. Sanderson 111
H. H. Hopper 104
D. Sloan 99
E. Barker 89

The council for 1909 will be: W. H. Pugsley, Reeve; T. H. Trench, J. Palmer, J. H. Sanderson, H. H. Hopper, councillors.

The Toronto and Yonge Street Hockey League was formed here last evening. The first match will be played here Wednesday evening. Aurora vs. Richmond Hill.

"There's something odd about you this morning," said the dictator to his chief lieutenant. "Yes—I know what it is. For the first time since I've known you you've left off your medals."
The lieutenant looked down at his chest.

There is a wealth of unexpressed love in the world. It is one of the chief causes of sorrow evoked by death: what might have been said or might have been done that never can be said or done.

General News & Views

Two weeks from next Wednesday is the first of February. Old man winter is wearing away just fine.

County Council meets next Tuesday and we can soon look for a solution for all the troubles of the world.

The King and Queen will not visit Richmond Hill next summer, but Reeve Greene-unlike Dr. Dafoe hasn't made any fuss about it.

Don't worry if your job is small And your rewards are few; Remember that the mighty oak Was once a nut like you.

A man by the name of Dan McDonald had been elected reeve of Lindsay township, up in the Bruce Peninsula, for the twenty-first consecutive time.

Wes. Osborne was defeated in the recent municipal elections in Newmarket after serving continuously on the municipal body for the past twenty-two years.

First Movie Star: How do you like your new father?
Second Movie Star: Oh, he's quite nice.

First Movie Star: Yes, isn't he?
We had him last year.

The other night a man driving between Tobermory and Warton came across an unusual sight. On the road was a load of hay proceeding slowly and walking behind were two young deer, munching hay as they walked, quite happy and unconcerned.

A chap was arraigned for assault and battery and brought before the judge. Judge: "What is your name, occupation, and what are you charged with?" Prisoner: "My name is Sparks, I am an electrician and I am charged with battery." Judge ("after recovering his equilibrium"): "Officer, put this man in a dry cell."

A kiss is a peculiar proposition. Of use to no one, yet absolute bliss for two. The small boy gets it for nothing, the young man has to lie for it, and the old man has to buy it. The baby's right, the lover's privilege, and the hypocrite's mask. To a young girl, faith; to a married woman, hope; and to some dames, charity.

The veteran township clerk and treasurer of Pickering Township Mr. Donald Beaton who despite the fact that his age is floating midway between 75 and 80 years, is one of the most efficient officers in Ontario according to ratepayers and officials who have business to transact at the clerk's office. It is an interesting fact to note that Donald Beaton and his father the late Hector Beaton have held this position now between them for over a century. This is surely a record which stands out in Ontario history of municipal officers.

A Hollywood news item announces with pride that television is just around the corner, that soon football games and such events will be screened in theatres and homes as they are played. This is somehow a reminder that those slow English have already enjoyed television for several years, that sets are sold in the open market at reasonable rates, that cricket matches, public speeches, boat races and stage plays have been screened in theatres and homes with no more fanfare than accompanying the ordinary sound broadcast. Those slow-witted sluggards on that fog-bound island have the most exasperating habit of getting things done!—Ottawa Journal.

During the time of the so-called "crisis" in England, a clergyman in the East End of London announced to his parishioners that he would keep his church open every evening for any who wished to come and pray for peace. His parishioners consisted of laborers and hard-working men and women, busy all day; but they came after their day's work was over, and the church was crowded—and they all prayed for peace.

After a fortnight, peace was signed. And that evening his parishioners came to the clergyman and said: "Sir we have prayed for peace for a fortnight, and God has given us peace. Now, for the next fortnight we should like to thank Him for giving us peace."
So the clergyman kept the church

open every evening for the next fortnight, and they all came and thanked and praised God for answering their prayer.

The wise carry their knowledge as they do their watches, not for display, but for their own use.

A reformer was watching a trench being dug by modern machine methods. He said to the superintendent: "This machine has taken jobs from scores of men. Why don't you scrap that machine and put one hundred men in that ditch with shovels?"
The superintendent promptly retorted: "Or, better still, why not put a thousand men in there with teaspoons!"

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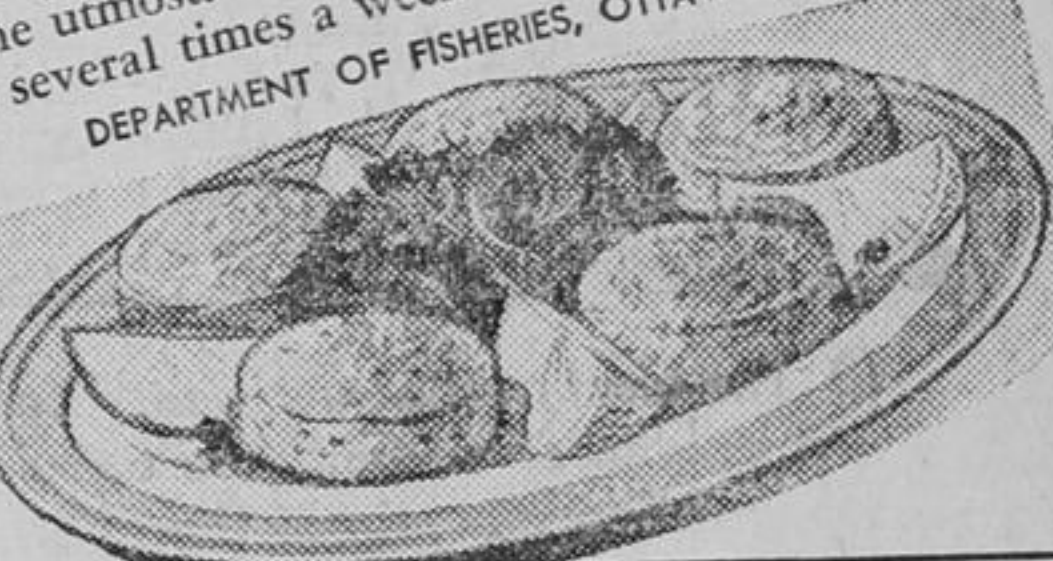
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