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FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of February 2, 1899 At the annual meeting of the Board of Education held yesterday Mr. J. N. Boyle was elected chairman and Mr. J. A. E. Switzer, Secretary-Treasurer. The committee of Management are Messrs. W. T. Storey, J. H. Sanderson and F. McConaghy. Mr. Wm. Russell, the new appointee of the County Council, was present and took his seat.

There was a very fair attendance at the Firemen's Carnival on Tuesday evening, though the number of masqueraders was not large. The prize winners were Mr. H. Sanderson, Mr. E. Coombs, Miss Ethel Switzer, Miss Laura Duncan and Masters Barker and Garness. About \$37 was realized.

Messrs. J. T. Saigeon and J. B. McLean who finished auditing Vaughan accounts in good time last evening were treated to an oyster supper by the acting clerk, Mr. Will Trench. A few intimate friends, including ye

editor, were called in, and all thoroughly enjoyed the tempting repast. Short speeches followed, the auditors expressed themselves as pleased with the way the books had been kept and all voted that no more popular young man than Will Trench has held a responsible position in Richmond Hill for many years past.

Dr. Shaw has purchased the medical practice of Dr. Hutchison and will in course of a few days move his family to the Village to reside. Dr. Shaw lately practiced his profession in Markham where he was very successful and popular with all classes. Since then he has been pursuing courses of study in the great hospitals of New York and Chicago and has just finished a holiday in California. Dr. Hutchison will introduce his successor to all his many friends in the Village and surrounding country where he has practised with so much success during his residence here.

DIXON-SHEPPARD—At Toronto on Tuesday, January 31st, by the Rev. John Hunt, Mr. James Dixon of Markham to Miss Laura Sheppard of Richmond Hill.

When it became known a short time ago that Mr. Wm. Harrison, who had been superintendent of the Methodist Sabbath School for the past 40 years, had definitely decided to resign his position, a number of the friends resolved on showing their appreciation to a certain extent for his faithful and valuable services. It soon became known that many who had removed from the Village were anxious to join in the testimonial, therefore a large number assembled in the school room of the church on Wednesday evening and spent a social time together. Rev. Mr. McCullough made an admirable chairman. A musical program was presented and at the proper time Mr. Harrison was called to the platform where a splendid address was read and he was presented with a purse of \$50 and a beautiful gold watch suitably engraved. Mr. Harrison, although deeply affected, made an able and feeling reply and thanked all for the wonderful gift and address. Several speeches by others were given during the evening and coffee and refreshments served.

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GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

York County Council has named Thomas H. Trench as a member of Richmond Hill High School Board.

At a recent meeting Elton Armstrong was re-elected president of the Aurora Horse Show for the coming year.

Seneca Baker, father of Morgan Baker, M.P.P., although nearing 90 years of age, led the choir at the anniversary services of Baker Hill Baptist church in Whitechurch Twp. last Sunday.

A Scottish teacher set his class writing an essay on Armistice, and one little girl produced this sentence: "The Armistice was signed on November 11, 1918, and since then we have had two minutes' peace every year."

The appointment of Victor A. Hall of King, as Returning Officer for the federal riding of North York was announced from Ottawa this week. Mr. Hall is well qualified for the position and his appointment is sure to be received with general approval and satisfaction.

A clergyman named Jordan had a son at college. The son was about to take his final examination and naturally the father asked the boy to let him know as soon as possible how he got on. One day the father received a telegram which read: "Hymm 254, verse five, last two lines." Looking up the reference in the hymn-book he read: "Sorrow vanquished, labor ended, Jordan passed."

York County Council has voted to ask the provincial government to increase the number of county appointees to high school boards to three. Last year the provincial legislature amended the High School Act reducing the number from three to one. The move was introduced by Reeve Knowles of Aurora, who asked the county to petition the department of education to revert to the former system. Reeve Clark of Leaside opposed the motion. "One representative is plenty," he stated. "We are continually complaining of too much government and now it is cut down we want to change it immediately." Reeve Greene of Richmond Hill urged that the new system be given a year's trial.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

The annual business meeting of the Presbyterian church was held Wednesday evening, January 30th, at 8 o'clock. The attendance was large and representative about 65 being present. Encouraging reports were presented by the different organizations. The Treasurer's Report showed a balance on hand of \$63.37. The following were elected to the Managers Board—for one year, Mr. John Stein; for two years, Mr. Archie Savage; for three years, Messrs. J. H. Dunlop, Fred Clark, Joseph Monkman and J. Armstrong. It was decided to print a detailed list of contributors in the Annual Report, which will be issued at once. A very pleasant feature of the meeting was the presentation of a Cathedral chime clock to Mr. and Mrs. George Sims. Mr. Sims has been a member of session for sixteen years and Superintendent of the Sunday School for seventeen years. On behalf of the congregation Mr. A. L. Phipps read the address and Mr. James McLean and Mr. R. S. Cooper made the presentation. Mr. Sims made a suitable reply. The ladies of the congregation served light refreshments at the close of the meeting.

At a meeting of the Council on the 29th of January the offer of Messrs. Keenan & Walker, chartered accountants was accepted to audit the books in connection with the Village, including school books for the sum of \$100. The Board of Education handed in a requisition for \$12,000 for P. S. purposes and \$6,000 for the H. S. By request of the council the chairman of the Board of Education agreed to have the current requisition for school maintenance revised.

On Wednesday, January 30th, 1924, at the parsonage, Woodbridge, a quiet wedding was solemnized by Rev. Dr. Smith when Violet Winnifred (Dell), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Evans, Woodbridge, was married to Oliver Victor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Livingston, Claireville, Ontario. The bride was attended by Miss Doris Oldfield of Nashville, while the groom was supported by the bride's brother, Elmore Evans.

James Steacy of Portland has been charged with cruelty to animals. He is alleged to have lit a fire under a team of horses when they were unable to move a heavy load on slippery ice. Provincial Constable Morley Durnford said the animals were so badly burned they had to be destroyed.

A knotty problem for the Hudson's Bay Company, whose charter, granted in 1670, calls for them to produce a couple of live elk and a pair of black beavers as tribute to a visiting monarch, has been solved. The king has agreed to accept instead two mounted elk heads and two beaver skins. The presentation will be made by Ashley Cooper, governor of the company, probably at Winnipeg on May 24.

Popularly known as "Mike," Reeve Gordon Harris is to be tendered a complimentary banquet by the citizens of Weston and many other friends upon his election to the wardenship of York County Council. The banquet has been announced by A. L. Coulter, one-time mayor of Weston, and W. J. Farr, for Thursday, February 2nd, in Weston Collegiate and Vocational School, William street, Weston.

Many men prominent in government, municipal and the business world, as well as a large number of lacrosse and golf friends, have signified their intention of attending the dinner in honor of "Mike" Harris. Reeve Harris was elected last year as deputy warden and this year elevated to the wardenship.

A move to abolish the office of deputy warden, created two years ago, was made in York county council last week. Council adopted a resolution moved by Deputy Reeve A. A. Johnston of Leaside authorizing the by-law for the abolition of the office.

"By some unwritten rule it seems the deputy wardenship has become a stepping stone to the warden's chair," Deputy Reeve Johnston declared. "I have nothing against the present men in those two offices, but I don't think the warden should be elected two years in advance."

A strange disease among the cattle in the district is causing farmers in the surrounding townships great concern. Although they appear healthy the cattle will die instantly and a thorough examination of the carcass fails to reveal anything out of the ordinary.

"After I was finished milking I drove my cattle to a creek for water," stated Clifford Ford, St. Vincent farmer. "When the cattle returned I noticed my best cow was missing. I walked to the creek and found her lying dead. Last week I fed a yearling steer at noon and when I returned to the stable at three o'clock the animal was stiff, having apparently died suddenly.

Similar losses have been reported by Loftus McConnell and Howard Adams. It is definitely not "black leg" or "neuritis pneumonia" which killed dozens of cattle in the district last winter. The intestines of one of the stricken animals is to be sent to Toronto in an effort to solve the trouble.

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Banff Carnival Queen



Miss Helen Gay Kelly of Butte, Montana, will reign as Queen of the Banff Winter Carnival, February 16th to 19th inclusive. Hundreds of winter sports enthusiasts are enlisting under her banner and the best in ski-ing, skating and tobogganing will add to the gaiety of this continent-famous Rocky Mountain Carnival. Clear, crisp, mountain air, towering peaks, and amazing hospitality contribute toward making the Banff Carnival one of the Continent's outstanding winter sport fests. Skiers find it the gateway to the internationally known areas at Skoki, Sunshine and Lake Louise.

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