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DURHAM JANUARY 2nd, 1913

THE POST OFFICE SITE

A request to renew the option on the town hall property as a site for the new post office was submitted to the town council at its adjourned meeting on Wednesday night two weeks ago, and an extension was given for two months.

This matter has been before the people for a year or more and no satisfactory settlement is yet in sight. As a general example of wabbling, we think the matter in connection with the selection of a site for a post office in Durham may go down in history as the climax of all previous efforts.

As we pointed out on previous occasions, the Edge property was decided on two or three occasions: two officers from the Government selected it and reported on it favorably. Mr. Hunter came here later when the town hall property had been drawn in as a site with superior advantages.

The town hall site was condemned both publicly and privately as unfit for a public building, and Mr. Hunter absolutely refused to recommend it, even if the majority of the people should demand it. As a preference he sanctioned the Campbell property as the best location, with the Edge property coming in as second.

With only the Edge and Campbell properties to be considered, the majority of the people, we feel safe in saying, preferred the former, and Mr. Ball, we understand, headed off negotiations, and the selection remained in abeyance ever since.

It has been an established custom with all previous governments not to put a public building alongside of a hotel, and this was strongly emphasized by Mr. Hunter in a public meeting in the town hall at the time of his visit here.

Mr. Ball had come out flat-footed like a man and made a selection, the whole question would be settled long ago and work might be in progress. As it is, the dilly dally methods will go on till the government throws us out altogether, and leaves us just where we are.

Deputy Reeve.—R. Lindsay, W. Ritchie. Councillors.—J. A. McMillan, J. Young, G. E. Peart (accl.)

NORMANBY. Reeve.—Shiel, (accl.) Deputy Reeve.—Holm. (accl.) Councillors.—J. Whiteford, D. Robinson, — Miller, V. Baetz, — Gerhardt, — Glebe.

McLAGAN—BOYLE. A pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. Charles Boyle, Hawarden, Sask., on Wednesday, December 11th, at five o'clock, when his daughter Hannah, was united in marriage to Mr. James A. I. McLagan, collector for the International Harvester Co.

SMOKING CIGARETTES PUTS STUDENTS OUT. Buckhannon, W. Va., Dec. 28.—Two students at the West Virginia Wesleyan College have been expelled for smoking cigarettes, and the same punishment is said to be awaiting others reported as having violated the college order.

PERSONAL. Mr. Chas. Robson, of Edmonton, gave us a call on Saturday. Mr. Howard McDonald was in Toronto over the holiday.

THE JOY OF GIVING. 'Tis more blessed to give than to receive,' says the Good Book, and we are continually receiving letters that prove the truth of this maxim.

ARTEMESIA. J. A. Boyd, T. R. McMillan, A. D. McLeod, W. J. I. Graham, G. Meldrum.

merston, spent a few days with his young friend, Joe Whitechurch. Mr. Archie Davidson, of Port McNichol, spent a few days in town during the past week.

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We Wish All Our Customers A Merry Christmas, and A Happy New Year. GUN'S DRUG STORE DURHAM ONTARIO (G.T.R. Town Ticket Agent)

Hardware. As we have closed another banner year, made pleasant by the happiest relations with hundreds of our customers, we pause just a moment to wish one and all A HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR and the renewal of good will and successful trading.

W. BLACK THE DURHAM FOUNDRY Iron and Brass Castings and general Repairing. Feed boilers, Steam fitters supplies, Engines and Threshers, Sash and Doors, Planing and General Wood Work.

Big Millinery REDUCTION SALE Beginning Friday and Saturday November 8th and 9th. We have a number of trimmed and untrimmed hats, that we will sell regardless of cost. For Matron's Misses and Children. MISS L. McAULIFFE Successor to Miss Dick. Lambton Street, Durham.

MARKET REPORT. DURHAM, JAN. 2 1913. Fall Wheat \$ 91 to \$ 91, Spring Wheat 91 to 91, Milling Oats 38 to 40, Feed Oats 34 to 34, Peas 30 to 30, Barley 30 to 30, Hay 10 00 to 11 00, Butter 24 to 24, Eggs 27 to 27, Potatoes, per bag 1 00 to 1 00, Dried Apples 5 to 5, Flour, per cwt 2 70 to 3 25, Oatmeal, per sack 2 75 to 2 90, Chop, per cwt 1 55 to 1 75, Live Hogs, per cwt 8 10 to 8 10, Hides, per lb. 10 to 11, Sheepskins 30 to 30, Wool 20 to 20, Tallow 5 to 5, Lard 11 to 11, Turkeys 18 to 18, Geese 11 to 11, Ducks 11 to 11, Chickens 11 to 11.