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CONTEST FOR REEVE

We understand that Mr. J. R. Campbell will oppose Reeve Wes. Gohn of Markham Township in the coming election next January for the reeveship of that municipality. The sitting reeve has had several terms in office, and Mr. Campbell is an ex-deputy reeve, with a good record behind him, so that a spirited contest may be looked for.

GOODWOOD

The Goodwood United Sunday School are hard at practice for the Christmas entertainment to be given in the United Church, Dec. 23rd.

Fred Middleton is getting anxious to secure a horse as the roads is best for sleighing.

Get your skates sharp and ready for the open air rink on L. J. Fokett's corner. E. Latcham caretaker, expects same will be flooded this week.

The Young People's musicale which was held in the United Church was a good success. Although many could not come on account of the recent snow storm which blocked the roads for cars.

Those who were there enjoyed themselves to the utmost. Mrs. Gulliver whose soprano voice is heroic, and her rendition of two beautiful solos; the piano solos rendered by the Misses Helen Darling, Edna Foskett, Irene Storry and Master Bobby Harden were wonderful and there is no doubt that we will have some Tschalkowskys and Beethovens in the near future; the violin solo by Roland Thurwell was excellent; the Harmonicists, Messrs. Howard Haynes, Lorne Tindall and Bruce Taylor were also at their best. The humorous side of the program was given by Rev. Mr. Harden and Mr. Henderson which was very much appreciated.

Then we will never forget our Uxbridge friends who so kindly came down and brought the program to the top notch. Palmer, Beave and Beaver were marvellous and were certainly very much enjoyed. Then everyone took part in the splendid lunch.

MRS. JAS. MILNE DEAD

Mrs. Milton Harris, east of town, is again bereaved in the death of her mother, Mrs. James Milne, which occurred at the Harris farm home on Friday, Dec. 6th. Three years ago Mrs. Harris mourned the loss of her father, and only last July her husband who was Superintendent of the Stouffville United Sunday School died in the prime of life. In the loss of her mother Mrs. Harris has the sympathy of a wide circle of friends. The late Mrs. Milne was a native of Pickering Township and was 63 years of age. She suffered a great deal from eye trouble, which prevented her going into the open air very much. Her maiden name was Rosanna Condy, and she is survived by an only child, Mrs. Harris. The funeral took place on Sunday at Stouffville cemetery, the service being conducted by Rev. H. S. Warren, B.A.

CAR RECOVERED

Charlie Barkey of Altona has recovered his Ford car after being stole over two weeks ago. Mr. Barkey was only aware that his car was in the hands of the Toronto police last Saturday, although they had recovered it two days after being taken from his garage. It was found standing on Victoria street, Toronto, with a sweater coat on the seat which Mr. Barkey had left in the car. Charlie said it was like getting a letter from an old friend to receive news of his benzine buggy again, after being given up for all time.

Dixon Hill School will hold their annual Christmas Tree and Concert in the School on Friday, Dec. 20th, at 8 o'clock. Admission 25 and 15c.

SALE REGISTER

THURSDAY, DEC. 12th—At lot 14, con. 3, Uxbridge, extensive sale of farm stock, implements, hay and grain, estate of late David Watson. Sale at 12 o'clock. P. W. Silversides, auctioneer.

FRIDAY, DEC. 14th—Credit sale of pure-bred and grade Jerseys, horses, swine, implements, etc., belonging to Wm. J. Thompson, lot 21, con. 7, Markham. No reserve. Sale at 1 o'clock. Practice & Prntice, auctioneers.

FRIDAY, DEC. 20th—On the Wether farm at Ringwood, 16 choice Holsteins, all with calves at foot or close springs, also Jerseys, Durhams, Ayrshires, Cows, belonging to J. A. Havelin. Sale on credit. Sale at 1 p.m. F. W. Silversides, Auctioneer.

SATURDAY, DEC. 21st—At lot 4, con. 9, Whitelock, farm stock and implements, grain, hay and choice dairy herd, belonging to Fred Chamberlain. No reserve. Sale at 1 o'clock. F. W. Silversides, Auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 15th—Extensive sale of farm stock, implements, the property of Thomas Bacon, at Claremont. Sale at 12.30 noon. F. W. Silversides, Auctioneer.

COUNCIL DOES BIG BUSINESS—WATER WORKS SHOWING HANDSOME SURPLUS

The Stouffville Council transacted considerable business on Friday night on this the second last meeting of the year. Reeve Sanders presided, and all members were present, including Councillor Ward, Rowbotham, Borinsky and Russel. Two requests from Harvey Schell who recently completed the new butcher shop on Main street were both turned down. Mr. Schell asked council to pay a bill of \$12.77 for meat delivered to Ira Burkholder while under quarantine. The bill was not itemized, nor did it show what price per pound was charged for the meat, nor the dates when it was procured. It was rendered in "professional" style and this didn't please members of council who wanted to know what they were being called on to pay. Also the account wasn't authorized by the council and this was another objection to making payment.

Mr. Schell also made a request for rebate on \$16.20 paid for a new cement sidewalk laid at the east side of his store to his residence at the rear. This also, council said wasn't authorized, and was not laid where they would have placed it, consequently they refused to pay any part of the item, and left the bill in the hands of the streets committee.

Gets Double Security
Russel Story of Gravel Hill appeared in person and agreed to furnish a "guarantee" bond, indemnifying the municipality against any further liability. If they would pay over the amount of the stolen debenture taken from the Bank of Commerce here seven years ago, Council agreed to accept the bond for \$2000 which is double the amount of money collectible in the stolen debenture.

Children After Night
Councillor Russel suggested that a bylaw should be passed forbidding children running the streets aimlessly after nine o'clock at night, while Councillor Borinsky said that a woman ought to be employed to clean the clerk's office every month to make it more presentable. He also suggested that a new floor should be laid and the walls redecorated. A table should be provided for the press, but while all these things were good the reeve thought they ought to be left for the next council to do.

"Well," said Councillor Borinsky "when one leaves a house he ought to leave it clean, and this council is about to step out."
W. W. Shaking Fund
Councillor Rowbotham introduced the matter of inaugurating a sinking fund for the Water Works, and forthwith a resolution was passed to invest \$1000 in Dominion bonds from the W. W. account, which now has \$1600 in the bank. Councillors Borinsky and Ward introduced the motion which carried.

More Light
Councillors Ward and Borinsky were instrumental in having a light authorized to be placed at the corner of Main street and Baker avenue. Councillor Rowbotham also favored the light there, while Mr. Russel thought it might be left till next spring.

Squelched Proposal
The Hydro Electric Commission wrote a strong letter to induce the council to take steps to have the local hydro business placed under a commission which is compulsory in

towns and cities while optional in villages. The reeve said he had interviewed the members of council personally and they didn't approve of commission control, and the latter was laid aside without further discussion. What the H.E.P.C. wish is a Commission of three men, one to be elected by the people for one year one for two years, and the third man would be the sitting reeve. By this method experienced men are always on the Commission, their terms of office running out at different times. Councils they claim are to cumbersome, and often inexperienced.

Sauce For The Goose
When a bill for graveleving was read it showed that nine loads had been placed on the lane leading to the cemetery grounds from Main street. Councillor Russel raised an objection on the ground that he as chairman of the road committee authorized only two loads. Councillor Ward stated that he instructed the seven extra loads placed, and declared that he did no more than the chairman "himself" when he exceeded his authority in graveleving Rupert street.

The Reeve said if orders were going to be given this way he didn't see where council would land. He thought Mr. Ward ought not to have ordered the extra graveleving. Ward called Mr. Russel's attention to the disgraceful condition of the street. "What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander."

Bylaws Passed
Two bylaws were passed one appointing officers and providing for the nomination meeting and polling, if necessary, in January. Messrs Thos. Rae and Ralph Rae were appointed Deputy Returning Officers and Walter Brillinger and Hugh Clark as poll clerks. Nomination on Dec. 30 at 7.30 p.m.; and election on January 6th following.

The second bylaw provided for an amendment to the cemetery bylaw so that the price of lots in future in the old cemetery will be \$15 for a 10 foot plot or \$5 for a single plot. This applies only to the old cemetery grounds and includes perpetual care. Council adjourned until Dec. 16th when they meet for last session of the year. This meeting will be held in the morning.

General accounts—W. Ratcliff, gravel \$16; J. W. McMullen, work \$7; W. E. Morden Cartage \$30.75; M.O.H. Milk Water Inspection \$4; Jos. McMullen, labor \$4.20; John Gower, work \$5.25; W. Crossen, cartage, etc. \$26.50; Markham, T.P. taxes \$2.58; B. & S. Telephone Co. phone \$13.55; Planning Mills \$42.41; Tribune, ptg. and adv. \$22.75; Otto Baker, gravel \$122; Hugh Anderson, tramps, board \$6; R. J. Corson, Div. Court \$32; Ratcliff & Co. hall rent, \$8; Henry McMullen labor \$11.75; Office electric light \$2.00; selecting Jurors \$9; R. Rae, 75c; Geo. Bowers work 60c; W. Thorne, gravel, 17 yds \$60; Ed. Thorne, 23 lds gravel \$57.50; W. A. Sangster, M.O.H. \$25; J. S. Dougherty, sec'y B. of H. \$10; John Gower labor \$3; W. Crossen, cartage \$6.20; Ab. Lehman, cartage 50c; Northern Electric, supplies \$78.13; Bell Tel. Co. for poll rental, 6 yrs. \$450; F. Electric, 6 meters \$97.62; Canadian Line Materials 18 light brackets for new street lamps \$149.35; Water Works—Whitelock, taxes \$18.76; Lintner & Griffith, repairs \$2.55; H. Burgess, clean reservoir, etc. \$8.50; J. Gower, digging, etc. \$16.40.

WHOSE CHEQUE? STOUFFVILLE ENTERS HOCKEY LEAGUE

At Friday evening's meeting of the Stouffville municipal council Clerk Dougherty presented a cheque for \$12 payable to him as clerk of the municipality, and being for rental of the clerk's office by the Ontario Government for the recent provincial election.

The clerk intimated that he thought the council ought to give him authority to keep the cheque for his personal account, as he rented the office and gave up his space for the day. Councillor Rowbotham led a strenuous objection to this, declaring that the money was due the municipality outright, and not the clerk.

Reeve Sanders intimated that he was not adverse to the clerk receiving the money, but he feared the mere handing over of the cheque might establish a precedent that would be dangerous. He favored paying the clerk some other way if he had rendered extra service. Objection was raised that the clerk had no work to do whatever, and was therefore entitled to nothing, but Mr. Dougherty felt that he had sacrificed his space, and done work as well.

With this brief discussion the matter was dropped and the cheque will go to the municipality.

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MARKHAM ELECTORS VOTE ON BYLAW

Township Constable Resigns

The electors of Markham township will be asked to vote on a by-law on January 6th to authorize the council to issue debentures for twenty-five thousand dollars. The question of how best to meet the large expenditure of this year on roads and bridges throughout the township was decided in a very few minutes at the regular meeting of the council held at Unionville. It is a question which has been before the council members for many months and one in which there has been a variance of opinion.

The spring of 1923 will be remembered long as the year of the great flood which brought such havoc to the roads and bridges in this section of the province. Markham township suffered particularly heavy and the council was faced with an expenditure entirely unforeseen and unprecedented in the history of the municipality. The work was gone ahead with and completed and paid for with borrowed money. When the township rate for the year was struck some members favored striking the old rate and issuing debentures for the extra amount needed. The work was only partly completed and the majority of the council supported an increase of one mill in the hope that this would raise a sufficient amount of money that the overdraft could be carried and wiped out in 1930 or the following year. The end of the year now draws near, the work has been completed and the township is in the position of having obligations to the bank amounting to about \$98,000. Amounts of \$25,000 and \$7,000, are accounted for by money raised for the construction of the new Union School at Milliken and the construction of the improved roads, ways of Langstaff both of which will be covered by the issuing of debentures. Even minus these two item the overdraft will be over \$25,000, and at the meeting on Monday a letter was received from the Canadian Bank of Commerce advising that the members consider the advisability of issuing debentures. It was moved by Reeve-reeve G. B. Padgett, seconded by councillor R. A. Smith that the solicitor for the township be instructed to prepare a by-law to be submitted to the electors of the township on election day, January 6th 1930 for the issuing of \$25,000 debentures for a term of five years, to be paid by a mill rate on the dollar.

Reeve Gohn—the position we're in today is merely that we would be asking the people to decide if they want an issue of debentures or not.

In support of the motion Mr. Padgett said that he favored taking the waterpayers into confidence and giving them an opportunity to decide the issue. It was merely a matter of providing for what had been already done in the line of road and bridge work and it would enable the next council to start with a clean sheet. The motion was put after a short discussion and every member held up his hand in its support.

The council will hold a special session in the near future when the bylaw which will be submitted to the people will be given its first readings after which it will be advertised.

James A. Gibson made his report as school attendance officer for the township. Wrights Limited asked the council to consider taking over certain streets in Bayview Heights. The clerk was instructed to advise that the council was not taking over any more streets just now.

Township Constable Cowan who was appointed a couple of months ago presented his report and account which included a bill for services of a man to drive car and assist him. Council members were of the opinion that if Mr. Cowan needed any assistance he should call on Constable Walker of Markham village who was an experienced man and who would be more valuable in case any arrests were made. Constable Cowan could hardly see this viewpoint and asked the council to accept his resignation. On motion the resignation was accepted and Mr. Walker will take over the duties for the balance of the year.

A By-Law was passed providing for holding municipal nominations and elections and the same officials were appointed as acted last year. Nomination will be on Monday, December 30th and elections on Monday January 6th.

With zero weather this Wednesday morning and lots of snow, we are certainly enjoying "an old fashioned winter" as it is called.

George H. Cox will present "The Vagabonds in Chuckles of 1930"—10 acts—circus—wild west and vaudeville—at Ratcliff's Hall on Thursday, Dec. 12th, at 8.15. Popular prices.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Miss Blanche Slack has resumed her position on the post office staff, following her illness in a Toronto hospital.

W. H. Johnson, 7th con., living on the sidewalk east of Unionville is laid up with a sprained ankle. W. H. is mighty thankful this is not harvest time.

As we go to press on Wednesday afternoon the condition of Mr. W. B. Sanders, one of our oldest citizens, is very serious, and no hope is entertained for his recovery.

Isaac Barkey was almost marooned in his foundry on Tuesday morning when the big water tank at the C. N. R. station overflowed. The water mixing with the deep snow in the foundry yard, created a slush that was knee deep.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday, Dec. 4th at the Stouffville Christian Parsonage, when Lillian Margaret Brown of Toronto, became the bride of Ira Lorne Wagg. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. E. Morton. The bride was becomingly attired in blue crepe back satin, trimmed with silk lace, and carrying a bouquet of Columbia roses and fern. Miss Ethel Bunker acted as bridesmaid and the groom was attended by his brother, Arthur. Following the ceremony a dainty luncheon was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wagg. The happy couple left amid showers of confetti for Kitchener and Petersburg.

ONE WHO REMEMBERS!

Dear Mr. Editor:— I read with considerable interest the item in a recent issue, entitled, "Do You Remember Way Back," when the Double Header blew up in 1878? I note the(?) after 1878, and believe this was well placed. Had this calamity occurred in 1878, I might have been up to see the wreck. I was not there however, as from records in my possession I find this explosion took place on January 31st, 1874, just a little too early for me to be present. I well remember old Mr. Toaz and his horse and dray, and some of the others mentioned in the article, though I was "one who was not there." The following is copied from a diary of 1874, under the above date:—

"There was an explosion of the Double Header engine at Stouffville station. Two firemen killed instantly; one thrown against an upstairs window, breaking the sash and falling; the other blown over the house and falling in Wheeler's field, distant from the engine about twenty rods. The engine was thrown in the opposite direction against a pile of cordwood, very dreadfully broken and cut, but still living and sensible. The boiler was thrown towards the north, breaking the station roof, tearing out one end, and then went about one hundred feet and lit on a pile of wood."

The house, against which the fireman was thrown, stood on the site of the Manson House or a little nearer the railway, and if my memory serves me correctly, was occupied by a Mr. Isaac Marks. Wheeler's field extended from west of a store now included in the block west of the Mansion House to the ninth concession.

Yours sincerely, F. W. Mertens
Pres. Stouffville Old Boys' and Girls' Association

AMONG THE CHURCHES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. W. H. Fuller, pastor
Sunday, Dec. 15th,
2 p.m.—Sunday School
3 p.m.—Evening worship.
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10 a.m.—Bible School.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Pastor Roy Halsey will preach at both services.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
E. Morton and F. E. Hyde, Pastors
Sunday, Dec. 15th,
One of the most important things which we have to do Sunday morning is to get ready in time for Sunday School and worship. A man is known to his dog by the scent, to his tailor by his clothes, to his friend by the smile, to God by doing His will. Read 1 John 2:4 and Heb. 10:25.

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Rev. H. S. Warren, B.A., pastor
Sunday, Dec. 15th,
11 a.m.—"The Man who saw in the Dark"
2.30 p.m.—S. S. and Bible Classes.
7 p.m.—"The Privilege of Living."
N.B.—Wednesday, Dec. 18th—Christmas supper and entertainment.

MEMNONITE CHURCH
Rev. S. S. Shantz, pastor
Saturday, 2 p.m.—Quarterly Business and Fellowship meeting.
Sunday, Dec. 15th,
10 a.m.—Communion and Ordinance services.
Sunday evening—Alfonsa.
The above services in charge of Presiding Elder S. Goudle.
Stouffville Sunday evening service in charge of pastor.
Monday evening, Dec. 16th, Young People's service at Stouffville at 8 p.m.

BIRTHS
Tamm—At Bethesda, on Dec. 9th, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Tamm, a daughter.
Rae—At lot 11, con. 7, Whitelock, on Dec. 10th, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Rae, a daughter.
Cowan—At Pickering Twp., 15th con., on Dec. 10th, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Carlston Cowan, a son.

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