

H. Quibell Appointed Assistant Clerk

In an effort to cope with the increasing amount of work in connection with the office of clerk and treasurer and at the same time to obtain complete efficiency in the office the Stouffville Council on Monday evening named H. C. Quibell as assistant to J. S. Dougherty who has held the office since the retirement of the late John Urquhart in 1924.

In bringing about the change, the council has had an eye to avoiding increased taxes. Mr. Quibell is to receive \$235 for his services as assistant while Mr. Dougherty will take a drop of \$100 in his pay. The Hydro System will bear an increase of \$100 which will still leave Stouffville less than most any other Village in the County, according to Engineer Maddock who has been consulted in the matter. The Water Works will pay a little more and Mr. Quibell will supervise the labor and digging work and check up on the tools, etc.

A continued demand on the part of the ratepayers for improvements determined the council last year to give consideration to this matter, and arrangements made on Monday have great possibilities for improving the manner in which the village's business is handled, due largely to the preponderance of new work, demanded chiefly by the governments.

Mr. Quibell will relinquish his road job which will be let by tender in the spring for an eight months period.

Dr. Ball who was appointed medical Health Officer at January meeting, appeared before the council outlining the duties of an M.O.H. as set out in the Public Health Act. The Doctor said that after acquainting himself with the responsibilities of the office he wished to withdraw his agreement to accept the position at a salary of \$75.00 which he had acquiesced in without due consideration. He suggested that the fee should be on the basis of population of 10c per capita. Dr. Ball made it plain that he was not willing to accept the position other than on the new basis which instance would make the salary \$115. The council did not reach a decision on the matter at this meeting.

Motion was passed to pay the Clerk's salary every two months hereafter rather than three months as has hitherto been customary. Motion of appreciation was also moved to Sid. Schmidt, proprietor of the Stanley Theatre for his generosity in having a sidewalk laid to the rear of the Municipal Hall. Stouffville is not as yet burdened with a very heavy relief roll, there being only nine recipients at the present time.

Accounts passed were: Fire Brigade \$7; D. Jennings, Chief, \$25.00; W. E. Smith, Sec'y, \$5; Municipal World, \$19.73; Bethesda & Stouffville Telephone Co. \$7.51; Foster Wagg, snow 31c; Hydro Electric O.M.E.A. \$5; Dr. Sangster, M.O.H. \$75.00; J. S. Dougherty, Sec'y Board Health, \$10; J. S. Dougherty, Relief Officer \$50; Cemetery, Lorne McMullen, Caretaker, \$60.00.

Intermediates Top Markham League

Stouffville Intermediates by a 4-2 win over Markham on Friday night now top the Markham League along with Scarborough, each team having 7 points. If this senior squad continue their winning way down in this southern league, Stouffville may yet boast of a team in the O.H.A. play-offs, as the winners of this group will enter the O.H.A. Intermediate play-offs.

NO ICE-CUTTING AT MUSSELMAN'S LAKE

Ice-cutting has been discontinued at Musselman's Lake it was learned Monday due to the ice being unfit for packing. Contractor Carl Rose stated that the ice was only about 12 inches in thickness and of a very porous nature, making it unsuitable.

At Roseville the harvest is continuing on the Spring farm with ice eight inches thick. Cutting is also reported at White's pond, Goodwood.

Lose First Game in Hockey History

For the first time in hockey history, Goodwood Redmen met their equals on Friday night, when they were nosed out 1-0 in the Uxbridge Arena at the hands of Sunderland. The lone tally was counted in the second period by a Sunderland player, described as "the Indian Flash" from Lindsay. He shot from just outside the Goodwood defence, and managed to bang home the rebound before Paxton could reach it. The teams appeared evenly matched and Goodwood had equally as many scoring chances as the Sunderland team but were outguessed on each occasion by the northern goalie who was a stand-out during the whole game.

Lincolnvill Pioneer Buried Here

There passed away at the Brierbush Hospital on Thursday afternoon in her 73rd year, Mrs. Frances Annie Hare, pioneer of Lincolnvill and widow of the late Joseph Hare. Mrs. Hare had spent the last thirty-nine years of her life in the Lincolnvill district and her husband for many years farmed the Rae property, now owned by Eldon Fairles. She was always willing to give a helping hand to those in need and was highly respected by those who knew her.

There are left to mourn her loss, two daughters, Mrs. Morgan Degeer and Mrs. Albert Brown. There are also two grandchildren and one brother Ammon Burch in Meaford.

The funeral on Saturday was held from L. E. O'Neill's Funeral Parlours with service in the Christian Church and interment in the Stouffville Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Messrs. Robt. Hope, Albert Taylor, Clarence Stafford, Walter Beach, Dave Gray and Dave Elliot.

291 Relievers in Markham Township

Markham Township relief for the month of January soared to a new high of \$1630.69, which was \$300 over the amount for the same period last year. However there are 31 more recipients on the books this year than last, which may be chiefly accountable for the rise. Two hundred and ninety-one are now on the Markham relief roll, it was stated at the regular meeting on Monday.

The Township completed the purchase of a new snow-plow to be attached to the grader at a cost of \$467.50. Road Superintendent Maxwell tells us that all township roads will now be kept free of snow, and the plow will be used on all side-roads where deemed necessary.

Remembered In Will of C.H. Ramer

The Directors of the Dickson Hill cemetery have received official notice of a bequest left to them by the will of the late C.H.B. Ramer who lived at Mt. Joy. Likewise, the Wideman Mennonite church was willed \$2,000. The bequests are payable on the demise of the widow of the testator. However, the estate is said to have among its assets such investments as are likely to make payment of these bequests at only 50 cents on the dollar.

In respect to the amount left the church at Wideman's the will directs that half the sum shall be for church purposes and the other half for cemetery purposes.

The late Mr. Ramer during most of his lifetime farmed at Mount Joy, and after retirement he continued to reside in the locality where his widow is now living, and is said to be quite ill.

Christian died on November 7, 1938. He appointed as his executors Jos. H. Hoover of Stouffville and Amos Burkholder of Markham Township.

Big Auction Sale Ends 41 Years of Farming

John Spence of Whitchurch Announces His Retirement May Locate in Stouffville

Forty-one years on the farm under more or less hard working conditions is a long time to look ahead on but for John Spence, prominent Stouffville farmer it is a very short time to look back over. Mr. Spence has farmed this number of years and intends to retire, which accounts for his big auction sale advertised for Wednesday, Feb. 15. The Spence home at lot 4, con. 6, Whitchurch, is widely known and will be the scene of a big crowd on sale day, it is predicted.

With the shrewdness and determination of his native Yorkshire heath, John Spence is termed a successful farmer. He came through the so-called hard years in this province but always managed to come out on top. He cut his cloth to the size of his purse, and today is able to retire with sufficient competence for old age. We hope he will locate in Stouffville.

Mr. Spence arrived in Canada when only a little chap of 14 years. He came over the Atlantic accompanied by his mother, for his father died the previous year, and an only brother had set out for the new country to be followed shortly by the mother and the younger boy John. By saving the pennies, and then the dollars, John finally started to farm on his own behalf over at Dollar on the 3rd of Markham. He was on various farms after that, living at one time in Uxbridge Township. Eighteen years ago he bought what was known as the Joseph Steckley farm where he has remained to this day. His success there as a farmer was all that any man could wish for, and through it all, up hill and down, John Spence had the ready co-operation of a faithful wife.

The funeral took place to Ashburn Cemetery on Sunday of Mrs. William Miller, daughter of the late James Davidson. She was in her 90th year. Mrs. Miller was a widow of the late Wm. Miller, a brother of the late Robt. Miller of Stouffville.

Progressive Euchre, under the auspices of the Oddfellow's Lodge, on Friday night, Feb. 10th, at 8 p.m., in their lodge rooms. All are welcome.

Cheque Forger Gets Twelve Dollars

Twelve dollars in cash was taken from Curtis' Men's Store on Tuesday of last week, when a bogus cheque artist successfully worked his game on the proprietor. The cheque was purported to have been drawn up by N. W. Byer in favor of one George Grant with a folio number and all the trimmings as it were of a genuine cheque attached even to the extent of a revenue stamp.

The stranger entered the store and made the purchase of a pair of overalls. In payment he suggested to the proprietor that the store cash a cheque for \$12.00 on the local electrician for whom the stranger was supposed to have worked. Never suspecting anything amiss, Mr. Curtis cashed the cheque taking out the price of the overalls, and the stranger walked away very casually.

Next morning, the bank advised that the cheque was bogus, and so once again the slick gentry have worked a trick on an unsuspecting business man. Its being done every day in some town or other, despite the warning such as the story we have told here which will be retold in a score of towns hereabout.

The same cheque was tendered at Weldon's store, but "Mr. Grant" was told there were not sufficient funds.

JOSEPH McCULLEY TO BE GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Jos. McCulley, noted head of Pickering College will be the guest speaker at the U.F.O. annual oyster supper being held in Ratcliff's Hall, Stouffville on Wed., Feb. 15th.

Supper will be served from six to eight and the ladies are asked to provide baskets. The entertainment will be in charge of the Junior Farmers. Admission for family 50c. All others 25c per plate.

Juveniles Close in on Championship

Make Thrilling Comeback After Trailing By Four Goals

Stouffville Juveniles pushed on toward a League Championship on Monday by coming from behind to down the Richmond Hill squad 5-4, in the first of home and home games for the title.

The first period was rather erratic with the Hill having a definite edge and notching three goals. Ken Stewart, local winger took the only penalty of the period for tripping.

Finally after the Yongestreeters had notched a fourth counter in the second period, Stouffville came to life in a hurry. "Satch Brown broke the ice counting the first local tally on a nice passing play. The home-owners added two more by Harper and Winterstein before the mid-session was over, making it 4-3. One penalty in the period went to Morris of the Hill, for tripping.

With Morris still in the penalty box at the opening of the final twenty minutes, Stouffville tied it up. At the 14 minute mark A. Cooper sent Stouffville into the lead for the first time 5-4. The Hill set up a regular barrage on the Stouffville rear-guard for the last six minutes, but just couldn't come back.

The second game will be played at Richmond Hill on Friday night.

Stouffville line-up: goal, Nicholson; defence, B. Harper, F. Williams, M. Brown, and D. Cooper; forwards, A. Cooper, K. Stewart, W. Clark, Robt. Abell, B. Winterstein, R. Painter and T. Cadieux.

Bought Cemetery Land 106 Years Ago

The annual meeting of the Dickson Hill Cemetery held a few days ago recalls the fact that it is now 127 years this April since the pioneers of the neighborhood subscribed the sum of three pounds (about \$15) with which to purchase land for a burying grounds. Records, however, indicate that it was not until 1833, one hundred and six years ago, that land was actually bought for this purpose.

At the annual meeting held in the church the old board of directors were re-elected. They are Messrs. D. L. Stouffer, J. Mitchell, Edw. Hastings, Roy Moyer, Harvey Moyer, H. Wideman, and Simeon Hoover.

The secretary Simeon Hoover gave a very complete report of the year's activities. Sale of lots totalled \$25.00, and of total receipts slightly over \$300 a bond was purchased from the Canada Permanent. After paying for upkeep a cash balance is on hand of \$71.00.

Early records indicate that Dickson Hill cemetery was actually purchased in 1833 from one Stephen Moore comprising two acres of land. It was conveyed to one Ludwig Wideman, grandfather of our L. C. Wideman in Stouffville. The transfer called for the erection of a house of worship and grounds for burying. The church was for the common use of regular societies of professing christians, and for no other purpose whatsoever, unless it be for the use of a school house. As a result of this undertaking a school house was built and was in use as both church and school until 1863 when the building was removed and the present brick church erected.

The original building was apparently all paid for ere it was erected, as money was subscribed over the years, and probably accounts for the lapse of time as between 1812 when the first money was subscribed for grounds and 1833 when land was actually bought and paid for.

It is interesting to note that the original building was removed across the road and served as a driving house, etc., but today it forms part of the buildings on Truman Grove's farm, lot 28, rear con. 7.

The land was subsequently vested in the hands of a Board of Trustees we understand, and these were at that early date Phillip Wideman, Philip Macklem, and William Mitchell. However, the original deed is said to have been lost and a search of the registry office has failed to produce it. Nevertheless, to this day the two acres of ground have faithfully been used to serve the purpose for which those who established the cemetery grounds and church intended.

Back in 1903 a public meeting was called for the purpose of electing trustees.

The first to serve were L. C. Wideman, J. H. Mitchell and Martin Wideman. In 1927 a company was formed and a Board of Directors appointed. A meeting is held annually and anyone interested may join.

At the time the cemetery company was formed the grounds had fallen into disrepair. Since then upwards of \$900 has been spent to bring about the change that is evident today about the premises.

It is an interesting fact to know that Rev. Mr. Tatten, Christian Church minister was among the first ministers to Dickson Hill and this was before the church at Ringwood was going. For many years now the Mennonite Brethren in Christ have held services and kept the place in repair. Early ministers of the faith were Abram Raymer, J. H. Steckley, Casper Wideman, J. Troyer from Vaughan, Daniel Barkey, N.

Ditweiler, Menno Bowman, P. Cober, H. S. Wismer.

The oldest grave in the cemetery so far as we can learn is that of one Vanhouver buried there in 1806, evidently before the grounds were authorized as a cemetery. The deceased is believed to have been the father-in-law of Henry Wideman.

One grave in this Markham cemetery is of historic interest, being where Ludwig Wideman was laid after the Rebellion of 1837. He was a Lieutenant in the rebel forces and firmly believed he did his duty and served his county in the stand he took. He was shot at the final skirmish at Montgomery's tavern, records indicate. As he rose to take aim at the enemy from behind a stump a bullet pierced his head. Wideman had worked around Ringwood and served in the war of 1812 with officer's rank. He had been identified with the life of the district for years.

UNIONVILLE CATTLE OFF FOR SAN FRANCISCO

A car load of high-class Shorthorn cattle was shipped from Unionville station Saturday afternoon for the Golden Gate International Exposition which opens in San Francisco, California, on Feb. 18. The cattle belonged to Col. F. H. Deacon, T. A. Russell and J. M. Russell, Unionville.

Born in Uxbridge Twp. 81 Years Ago

In the death of Robert Brown at his late home in the westend of Stouffville on Thursday, February 2, a life-long resident of the Uxbridge-Stouffville locality has gone. He would have reached his 81st birthday had he lived until April, and was a young man of 17 when Stouffville was incorporated. He could recall the incidents leading up to incorporation.

Robert was one of a family of eleven born to Alexander Brown and his wife Sarah Pickering, pioneers on the second concession of Uxbridge. All that survives today is two brothers, George Brown of Goodwood and Alex. in Toronto, and one sister (Martha) Mrs. LaFraugh of Stouffville.

As a young man Robert was employed by his Uncle Geo. at Bloomington, and here married Agusta Ramer, daughter of the late Jacob Ramer who survives him together with an only son Percy on the homestead a mile and a quarter north of Stouffville on the Wagg sideroad. An only daughter, Lilly died 25 years ago, at the age of seven years.

In 1917 Mr. and Mrs. Brown retired to town where they have spent the eventime of their lives together happily. A year ago Mr. Brown's health failed and he has been steadily losing ground. A man of very quiet disposition, he was highly respected. He was a deep thinker, but never flouted his opinions. A supporter of the Christian Church at Bloomington, he was among its valued members where he actively worked in his younger days.

The funeral was held from his late residence on Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m., with service conducted by Mr. H. S. Cockburn, pastor of Bloomington and Ringwood Christian Churches, assisted by Mr. R. K. Vickers, pastor of Stouffville Christian Church, and Rev. E. A. Morton.

The pall bearers were: Messrs. Walter Brown, Goodwood; Arthur Brown Goodwood; James Brown, Toronto; John Brown, Toronto; Victor Moore, Toronto; Norman Cloughton, Stouffville.