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"Opiter per Orbem Dicor."

Wisdom In Delay.

The Farmers' Sun is not partial towards a change in the county council system, and to the extent of returning to the old method of composing the council of the reeves and deputy reeves of townships.

The Sun objects to the change back to a former condition of things because it would not be in the interest of economy. The saving, according to one calculation, made by the Municipal World, in seven years, for all the counties in Ontario, was two millions and a half of dollars.

Nor is the economy of sessions confined to the cost of them. The argument is that the larger the body the larger the expenditure, and instinctively the mind goes back to the practice which prevailed in Frontenac when the front and back townships' representatives agreed as to certain grants and upon a basis that was neither equitable nor just.

The advantages of the county council system as it exists, when compared with the county council system as it formerly prevailed, can only be appreciated by a comparison of expenses. Every municipal body can have this for the asking, and it would be interesting to know what the facts are in Frontenac.

The Whitney government should deal with the subject at once, presuming that its members were in earnest in what they said about it when in opposition. The minister of agriculture has made some reference to the county council, but he has not undertaken to reconstruct it, and there is wisdom in delay.

Mean And Petty Grafting.

Toronto has been proudly referred to as the Queen City, and the title has implied many virtues in its public life. A rule, which has been given to some people, however, by the revelations in the last couple of years.

The public spirit of the city was questioned when Judge Winchester investigated a municipal election and found vices and crooked work on the part of officials and candidates.

The commercial spirit that provoked the scandals in connection with the combine was bad enough, but its fouler effect is made apparent in the introduction of petty graft in the furnishing of the city hall.

The architect suggested to certain contractors that a certain alderman, a member of the civic committee on supplies, was a good fellow and deserving of a present, and at once they acted.

The gift in one case was \$100, and in the other \$75. The donors seem to have been blunt enough in the making of their presents. The recipient says he asked what the money was for, and they spoke of his election expenses.

The contractors have a different story. It was suggested that they do something, and they hastened to comply. The season was midsummer, when the elections to the council are not ordinarily upon any man's mind.

Another firm was called upon by an alderman for carpets which he did not show any desire to pay for until the account was placed in the court for collection.

All this reflects upon the good name of Toronto. There is a need of cleansing of its public life, and the sooner the process sets in the better.

No Politics In Council.

The city council has earned the congratulations of the people for its action in the inaugural meeting. The dominant party, by a previous good understanding, showed a desire to be both fair and friendly with the minority, and as a result the proceedings were of the most amicable character.

This gives an assurance of better government, which is the one thing to be desired. The capacity for service is not confined to the few, and the council of 1905 committed the supreme folly of trying to combine the committees as far as possible to the majority.

The result, was apparent in the faulty and defective quality of their work. Of no other committees, in any year, could it be said that the reports were so unsatisfactory, and for the reason that the minority had to be consulted in council when they could have been consulted in committee.

Now there is the hope of better and more agreeable service, and the people, in the conduct of their government, will get the advantage.

tended, was received in good spirit by the conservatives and at once there followed the arrangement by which more of harmony will be looked for in municipal affairs.

An auspicious beginning has been made with the council of 1906. May the experience of the first meeting be continued throughout the year.

Editorial Notes.

The people have the promise of what the Whig predicted, namely, a business council in 1906. The first meeting was entirely satisfactory.

The council of 1905 has cured the people of all desire for politics in their municipal affairs. So some good came of it after all.

The users who prey upon the unfortunate poor, and devour their earnings, are referred to as the wolf-pack. It is a proper designation.

The Terry-Alexander combination is making a great many converts in Toronto. So far the politicians have escaped conviction. The boss is at large.

The French papers have it that Mr. Tarte is to be asked to return to the federal cabinet. Mr. Tarte has announced that he is out of politics, that henceforth he will be a journalist only. Will he change his mind?

The women continue to catch it from the critics in Toronto because they failed so largely to exercise the franchise in the late municipal election. Some preachers on Sunday gave them "fits" in the sermons.

St. John, N.B., is agitated over the statement of the Allies that the harbour does not afford sufficient depth of water for their tubiners and that they must call in winter at Halifax. The Telegraph calls that a slander which it wants recalled.

Chauncey Depew thinks he will retire from some of the financial concerns in which he holds directorates. He is wise. 'Tis a pity he did not think of this sooner. This decision, reached a couple of years ago, would have spared him the scandals that have besmirched his reputation.

The Toronto News is right in saying that ministerial responsibility does not mean, as Mr. Downey would have one to infer, that men may do as they please. They must act in the government, in a manner calculated to win the public confidence, and they cannot do this by arbitrary proceedings.

A. C. Corbett, a conservative candidate in England, has a peculiar grievance. It is that his opponent has told abroad that President Roosevelt "in guarded language" gave out that he was in sympathy with the liberal party. This Mr. Corbett has interpreted as "an unconstitutional interference with British politics." In what way?

SPiRiT OF THE PRESS.

Fitting Subject. Hamilton Herald.

Dr. Downey's address was largely an apology for the shameful spoils course of the Whitney government.

Aberdeen's Big Apple Crop. Lowery's Claim.

Lord Aberdeen's ranch near Vernon yielded a crop from its twenty-acre orchard of twelve-year-old Northern Spy apples that sold for \$16,325.

We Get Outside Assistance. Toronto Star.

From Ottawa comes word that drinking is on the decline throughout the Dominion. Any get the statistics tend to show that Ottawa has always done her best to keep up the average.

The Partizan Council. Ottawa Free Press.

According to the Citizen in a non-partizan council there is about the danger that the council will "break up into cliques and cause the best laid schemes to gang agley." In a partizan council, with a reliable majority, it is usually a case of the "gang" in glo.

The Duke Warlike. London Advertiser.

The Duke of Devonshire has poured a broadside into the British conservative party by advising liberal unionists to support the government. The duke is one of the greatest assets in British politics, because he combines a lofty social station with high principles and an indifference to office.

Gay Old Time At Athens. Athens, Jan. 8.—The New England supper in the Methodist church hall, Friday evening was a grand success.

The yellow candles and pork and beans and pumpkin pies of ye olden time were represented, amid the lighting and cookery of modern days. The entertainment was highly exciting, especially so in the old-time spelling match. W. C. Dowsley and Mrs. W. Towaris, were captains and chose nineteen others, of their respective sex, to contend for victory. Rev. S. J. Hughes, M.A., presided and gave out the words. For forty-five minutes, orthographic knowledge was in great demand. The slaughter of the innocents took place in about equal ratio on each side. Toward the close, the gallant female leader fell, leaving only one other to contend for their side, who soon got tripped up, leaving Mr. Dowsley the winner of the medal. Miss Tanlin, a musical student of Mont-real, presided at the piano with marked ability. The Misses Gairford delighted the audience with selections on the concert.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

OCCURRENCES RECOUNTED IN BRIEF FORM.

Matters That Interest Everybody

Notes From All Over—Little Of Everything Easily Read And Remembered.

The main building of New York State Normal College, at Albany, was burned to the ground.

The accession duties received by the provincial government, last year, will total about \$700,000.

Mrs. Louisa Pasha, aged 101, the oldest woman in Vermont, is dead. She was born in Quebec.

A correspondent in Paris says the Prefontaine ceremonies at Cherbourg will be very imposing.

Louis G. Thoun, a Montreal grocer, committed suicide by shooting, because of financial worries.

Montreal interests think the C.P.R. is bluffing in its threat to make Quebec the summer terminal port.

G. H. Duggan has been promoted from third to second vice-president of the Dominion Coal company.

Mein, San Francisco, charged with embezzling \$20,000, committed suicide on the Carmania, in New York harbor.

Steamer arrivals: SS. Sardinian, from Glasgow, at Boston; SS. Pretorian, from Liverpool, at Halifax; The SS. Sicilian, for Liverpool, left Halifax, N.S. on the 8th.

At Wilkesbarre, Pa., brooding over the disgrace of his arrest on the charge of assaulting a girl, John Jones, a miner, although he had been declared innocent, committed suicide.

At Crawfordville, Ind., while assisting in the digging of the grave of James Ford, who died of a blow on the head, Harry Craig was arrested and charged with the murder. The trial of Craig is alleged to attract attention to Mrs. Ford while a boarder at the Ford home.

IN OUR OWN CIRCUIT.

News of The District on Both Sides of The Line.

Niles Harrington has purchased the residence of W. P. Niles, Wellington.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Buck, Oxford Mills, are receiving congratulations on their fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. January 1st was their golden wedding day.

There passed away, December 27th, Mrs. Catharine Stortz, widow of Soren Stortz, at her home in Picton, aged seventy-seven years. Two sons and one daughter survive.

In Jamestown, N.Y., on the evening of December 30th, 1905, Mrs. Lillian E. Wright, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Wright, Johnston street, was married to Fred G. Vance, formerly a Picton boy, now manager of Cafe's in the above named city.

A New Year's Party.

Lapum, Jan. 8.—On New Year's day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Storms, Florida, a very enjoyable time was spent, which will long be remembered, by Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Storms, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Lapum, Wilton; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hartman, and Miss Linnie Snider, Maple avenue; Mr. and Mrs. B. Rose and Edwin Bell, of this place, who were the invited guests. After a bountiful repast was partaken of, prepared by the genial hostess, music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Lapum, and Lorne Storms; Scotch songs, by little Miss Christina Gordon, solos and recitations by Mrs. J. E. Storms, making it together a very pleasant beginning for the New Year. Hurrah for Gallagher, our reeve, for Ernestwood, Nelson Smith's hay press, is in this neighborhood, and doing a rushing business. Mrs. Clara Lapum has returned, spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Henry Henry, Kingston; Jedediah Irish and Sanford Vandewater's sale on Thursday, was a success; cows brought \$30, and calves a head. Mrs. Emily Simpkins, with her son, John Simpkins, Edwin Bell, our popular huntsman, shot a large fox on Thursday. The winter, so far, has been favorable for sportsmen, as the snow has not been very deep, and game plentiful. Frederick Reid, Florida, spent New Year's under the parental roof. Henry Bush and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Brown, spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Brush, Thompsonville. Mr. and Mrs. Perry Shibley, Wilton, were on Thursday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Pringle. B. Rose and Edwin Bell visited on Friday of last week, at A. H. Bell's, Westbrook. Miss Jessie Huff has returned after spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. Michael Love, at Camden East. Harry Snider has returned after spending a week in Kingston, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harkness.

At Stronach, Prussian Saxony, chess is a part of the regular school curriculum and every boy and girl carries a board and men.

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THREE YEARS IN PRISON.

Kennedy's Sentence for Abduction at Rockwood.

Guelph Mercury. Cyrus Kennedy, alias Remalen, was sentenced by Judge Chadwick to three years at Kingston for the abduction of a girl under sixteen from her grandmother at Rockwood.

The judge, in passing sentence, said the offence had committed was a most serious one and he knew that when he was taking the girl away from her friends he was doing wrong. That was shown by the fact that, in place of his taking her from Rockwood station, he drove to another station to conceal his movements.

There was no excuse whatever for his conduct. Although the girl was willing herself, as she appeared to be, that did not excuse him. He had taken her away to join a disreputable affair and lead a life of shame. Medicine shows were mean affairs. He had also kept her away and her whereabouts was kept concealed by getting her to write false letters under an assumed name. Such shows should not be tolerated and the prisoner and those like him should be taught a lesson. The punishment in his case should be severe. The full penalty for his crime was five years in the penitentiary. His case might have been worse, true, but, on enquiry, it was found that his character was bad. His sentence would be three years in the penitentiary.

THE CZAR'S LIFE.

In Danger if He Moves From the Palace.

London, Jan. 9.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times cables: "The authorities have the information that the czar's life will be attempted whenever his majesty leaves the palace, and extraordinary precautions have been taken at Tsarko Selo.

The holidays passed quietly here. The usual arrests and searches have been continued without intermission. Several vital sources, but I cannot verify the information, that the new object of Kokovtsov's visit to Paris is to try to negotiate a loan of \$200,000,000 for the purchase of lands in the Baltic provinces. The government hopes to quell the insurrection by a grant of free allotments to Letts and Estonians."

The government is entirely without news from the Caucasus. According to the newspapers the victory has fled to the hills, and has taken refuge in a fortified monastery. It is reported that the mountaineers have proclaimed a Jihad, and are murdering all Christians.

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Good Sleighting Here.

Ventnor, Jan. 8.—The sleighing is fairly good here at present. Miss Carrie Jackson has been re-engaged as teacher of our school for the present year. Mrs. N. Cook is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. H. McKee spent a few days last week at Prescott. Mrs. Edward Vandenberg returned home on Saturday, having spent the past two months with friends at the Outlet, Leeds county. There was a good attendance at both churches on Sunday, and very interesting sermons were preached. Mr. and Mrs. H. Moulton, Donville, were guests at H. R. Vandenberg's on Sunday last. Miss Mamie Gross has gone to attend Kempville high school this year.

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