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REBUILDING OF THE A.M.S.

Over a month has elapsed since the A.M.S. building was destroyed by fire, and apparently little or nothing has been done towards rebuilding. Considering the urgency of the case, such a loss of time is most regrettable. Members of the board explain the delay by saying that they waited in order that it might be ascertained clearly what value, if any, the old walls would possess in any scheme adopted for reconstruction.

First, Mr. Meredith, a member of a prominent firm of architects and builders of Ottawa, came to Athens to consult with the school board. After examining the walls he pronounced them valueless.

Then the insurance companies' adjuster, an experienced contractor and builder from Ottawa, examined the walls and said that he could not claim any salvage in respect to them, as he regarded them as valueless, apart from what good building stone they contained. Such stone as the walls were composed of, after being exposed to fire, he said, would not stand the test of time.

Architect Dillon of Brockville, when first consulted, was of the opinion that the greater part of the walls could be used, but after coming to Athens and inspecting the ruins he met members of the board in the evening and said the walls were injured to an extent that made their use inadvisable.

Not content with these opinions, the trustee board communicated with Mr. Joseph Hudson of Lyn, a practical stone-mason, and arranged that he should come to Athens as soon as the frost was out of the stone walls and subject them to a thorough test. Accordingly, Mr. Hudson came here on Wednesday last and tested the walls with a hammer. His report was that no considerable portion of the walls could be used; that to build for permanency it would be necessary to remove nearly all of the present walls.

In view of this evidence, the board abandoned the idea of using the old walls, and obtained from an architect an approximate estimate of the cost of a four roomed building, one third larger than the old school, having a hall, cloak-rooms, etc., and fitted with a modern system of heating, ventilation, and school equipment. Such a building, it was thought, would meet all the requirements of a county model school and provide for any ordinary increase in attendance, and its erection, the board decided, would be in the best interests of the corporation.

A joint meeting of the trustee board and council was held on Tuesday evening at which the facts as above stated were presented to the council, and the request was made that the sum of \$4,000 be raised to complete and furnish the new and larger building. A discussion followed, in which it was stated that many ratepayers were of opinion that the old walls could be used, and were strongly opposed to any expenditure involved in enlarging the building, in view of the two extra rooms provided in the town hall.

At the close of the discussion the trustees withdrew and the council, after consultation, decided to obtain the advice of an expert as to the condition of the walls, and then, if deemed advisable, call a meeting of the duly qualified ratepayers to consider the whole situation.

In accordance with this decision, the council communicated this morning with Mr. Wm. Willoughby of Cauleton Place and arranged with him to come here to-morrow (Thursday) to inspect the walls. In the evening, at 8 o'clock, a meeting, composed exclusively of ratepayers of S. S. No. 6, will be held in Lamb's hall, at which Mr. Willoughby will make known (for the first time) the result of his inspection.

Death of a Holiness Missionary

News was received recently of the death at Chanteh, Hunan, China, on Jan. 18, of A. B. Vancamp, a missionary of the holiness movement, aged 80 years. Mr. Vancamp was born at Vancamp, Ont. and was at one time a teacher in the South Mountain Public school. He joined the holiness movement and labored in Ottawa, Warburton, Kingston, and at Watertown, N. Y. He left for China in July, 1903. He was taken ill with small-pox on Jan. 9 and never rallied. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Vancamp, now reside in Winnipeg. A sister, Miss Cora Iva, is also a holiness missionary in Egypt.

NEW CHEESE BOARD RULES

Dairymen of Brockville district will shortly be dealing in a practical way with the new rules respecting the selling and marketing of cheese. Chief among these is the change of selling day from Thursday to Saturday, the more general use of the brand, and the listing in Liverpool, Bristol, etc. of the factories that use and do not use brand. At a meeting of dairymen held at Iroquois on the 14th inst., a resolution was passed endorsing the Bates brand.

The Bates brand is made of composite metal—nickel, tin, iron and copper—to prevent corrosion with constant use; it is about 5x8 inches in size, 1/4 inch in thickness, oblong in shape, with these words neatly cut in the metal: "Brockville; registered; No. 271; Act of 1897; Canada."

Each factory in the district will require a certain number, registered by the government under the act of 1897, thus insuring government protection of the product. Each factory will require as many brands as their maximum make of cheese in any single day of the season; the cost is \$1 each, which in most factories would mean an outlay of some \$25. The outlay for these brands can be mutually arranged, though it has been customary to levy half the cost on the patrons and half on the manufacturer. The stamping is done by the maker when the cheese are pressed in the course of manufacture. In addition a tax of 25c is required from each patron of every factory in the district to cover cost of canvassing and listing of cheese in the British market. By this is meant a list of all the factories in the Brockville district, together with their register number, to be posted up in every wholesale and retail shop in Great Britain where the cheese are offered for sale, that the consumers may know at a glance the cheese they are handling.

One of the speakers said the chief opposition to the brand would come from Montreal exporters who had been trading on the reputation of the district at the factorymen's expense. Another difficulty was, that at one cent a pound for manufacturing the margin was small, and to ask the manufacturer to lay out from \$20 to \$25 for brands might be objected to.

BRADLEY-PARISH

A very pretty wedding was celebrated at the home of Mrs. Drummond Parish, Elbe Mills, March 22nd, at noon, when Miss Grace Maud Parish, formerly of that place, was united in marriage to Mr. William Arthur Bradley, a popular young cheesemaker of Lyn.

The fair young bride was daintily attired in a travelling suit of brown, with white silk waist. The bride was assisted by her sister, Miss Eva Parish, who wore a pretty dress of brown ladies cloth and brown silk waist. The groom was ably assisted by Mr. James Henderson of Kemptville.

While the wedding march was being rendered by Miss Clara Robeson, cousin of the bride, and Mr. William Robeson with violin, the bridal party took their places under an arch of evergreens and flowers.

After the ceremony and congratulations, about fifty invited guests proceeded to the dining room, where a sumptuous repast awaited them. The house was tastefully decorated with evergreens. The wedding bell was suspended from the centre of the dining room. After partaking of the many dainties provided for them, a very pleasant time was spent.

The bride was the recipient of many beautiful and costly presents. The groom's gift to the bride was a dining room set; to the bridesmaid, a gold locket; and to the groomsmen, a beautiful gold watch charm.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, among show-ers of rice and old boots, left on the four o'clock train for Brockville and points west.

All join in wishing them bon voyage through life. They will take up their residence near Ganouque, where Mr. Bradley intends making cheese.

Schoolboy Humor

Etc. is a sign used to make believe you know more than you do.

The equator is a menagerie lion running around the center of the earth.

The Zebra is like a horse, only striped and used to illustrate the letter Z.

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